RACE ECHOES.

STATISTICS OF THE NEGRO

Amos R. Wells gives the following statistics of the Negro and their pursuits of life: Nine-tenths of them live in the Southern States, and constitute one-third of their population. There are 21,000 Negro carpenters, 20,000 barbers, nearly as many doctors 16,000 ministers, 15,000 masons, 12,000 dressmakers, 16,000 engineers and firemen, 5,000 shoemakers, 4,000 musicians and 1,000 lawyers. Seventy seven per cent of the Negroes work on farms. Of the 746,000 farms on which they work 21 per cent are owned wholly by the Negroes and 4 per cent are partly owned by them. Nearly 4,000,000 Negroes are engaged in gainful occupations. This is about 45 per cent of their total population; while only 37 per cent of the white population of the United States are breadwinners.

Major Taylor, the famous colored bicyclist and champion of America is again in training preparatory to making a trip te Europe, where he will contest with the leading cyclers of the old world.

ALBIA NEWS.

Mrs. G. A. Davis and two daughters. Mrs. Delia Martin and Bessie Davis were Oskaloosa visitor, last Friday.

Quite a number of strangers in town.

The A. M. E. church is under going some new repairing, which much improves its looks.

Little Nellie Bell daughter of Mrs. and Rev. Bell is sick.

SIOUX CITY ITEMS.

Spring has come but we hardly know it from the cold weather we are having.

Rev. F J. Peterson and family pastor of the A. M. E. church have moved to Lemars to live in the future, the church is without a pastor at present.

Miss Goldie Hackley went to Lemars Wednesday to stay with Mr. and Mrs. Rev. Peterson a while.

Master Leroy Crawford had the misfortune of having his teeth knocked out being hit in the mouth with a disk at riverside while watching the game, he was rendered unconcious for sometime.

The Shadow entertainment given at the residence of Mesdame Harrison and Lashly was a success both socially and financially

Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Harrison will leave Tuesday for Shelbina, Mo, to be at the bedside of his aged mother who is dangerously ill.

Mrs. Nettie Pitkins nee Mitchell of Atchison, Kansas passed through our city Friday enroute to Yankton, S. D. to be at the bedside of her mother, Mrs. Kinney who is seriously ill with pneumonia.

Mr, and Mrs. Howard of Sioux Falls, S. D. came to our city last week and expects to reside here, we welcome them in our midst.

Master Zeno Washington left Saturday for Pheonix, Arizona to live with his relatives.

The ladies of the Old Maids' Convention will repeat the play Monday evening at South City, it will be given for the benefit of the debt of the Mt. Zion Baptist church.

Rev. James Washington of Phoenix, Arizona who has a charge at said place is home, after an absent of several months shaking hands with old friends. He will straighten his business up here before he returns to his charge.

The Silver Leaf Club met with Mr. and Mrs Wm. Gordan at Crescent Park.

Miss Phelba Lannear of Clarinda arrived in the city Tuesday to spend the summer with relatives.

Mrs. Mary Baker, wife of Joseph Baker went to St. Joseph Hospital Tuesday for treatments.

Miss Mary Thompson who has been quite ill with tonsilitis is much better.

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Pride and Vanity.

The foundation of pride is the wish to respect one's self, whatever others may think; the mainspring of vanity is the craving for the admiration of others, no matter at what cost to one's self-respect.—F. Marion Crawford.

Resents Reference to "Coppers."

"What do you mean by talking about 'coppers' before me?" said a London magistrate to a man in the dock. "It is a gross impertinence to refer to the police as 'coppers' in a court of justice."

Many Species of Animals.

Four hundred thousand species of animals are now known to exist, according to the latest report of the French natural history museum. Of spiders alone there are 20,000 different kind.

The Business Poet.

"John's the poet with the true trust[illegible] instinct," said the wife. "He has just swapped a sonnet for a fat turkey and a love song for two gallons of molasses!"—Atlanta Constitution.

Severe Ordeal for Bachelor.

Members of the M'jiji tribe, who live on the Limpopo river, in Africa, wear an extraordinary marriage dress. This weird and uncomfortable-looking costume is made entirely of splint reeds, fastened together with grass; and the unhappy bachelor who contemplates matrimony is compelled to wear it for three solid months before the happy event takes place, meanwhile leading a life of strict seclusion.

Pauper Clergymen.

That ministers are underpaid would seem evident from the fact that during the last ten years 103 clergymen have been admitted to almshouses in England as paupers. Of these, one was a doctor of divinity, while the others held the degree of master of arts. Of all the Episcopal clergymen in England, 6,000 earn less than $20 a week, and the greatest majority much less.—The Sunday Magazine.

Masterpiece of Peter Paikoo.

On a post card of the usual size shown at the Bucharest exhibition is written the bulgarian constitution in full, the opening speeches of various European parliaments and two poems by Rudyard Kipling—12,000 words in all. The calligraphist, Peter Paikoo, of Sofia, spent nine hours a day during three months to accomplish the feat.

Geographical Peculiarity.

The most advanced grand division of the old world—Europe—has the greatest number of islands in proportion to its area, dropping the island continent of Australia out of consideration. Africa, the least civilized and developed, is singularly wanting in islands of any importance off its shores.

Teach Scientific Gardening.

In the national schools of Sweden and in the colleges for the education of national school teachers scientific gardening is taught. Children receive practical instruction in the cultivation of plants, berries, flowers, herbs and fruits, and in the management of hotbeds, greenhouses and so forth.

Sore Nipples.

Any mother who has had experience with this distressing ailment will be pleased to know that a cure may be effected by applying Chamberlain's Salve as soon as the child is done nursing. Wipe it off with a soft cloth before allowing the babe to nurse. Many trained nurses use this salve with best results. For sale by all druggists.

Teaches Parrots by Phonograph.

Mrs. J. Hope of Philadelphia charges a phonograph with the word of praise she wants the parrot to learn, and then shuts him in a room alone with the machine. The bird listens to the oft-repeated sound and tries to outdo the brazen throated trumpet, so that with no expenditure of human strength, and in shorter time than personal attention would consume, he masters one lesson and then is put upon another.

Horses in Shrimp Fishing.

Horses play an important part in shrimp fishing along the Belgian coast. A procession of weather-beaten fishermen starts from the shore, each man mounted on the back of a trained horse, dragging the triangular purse-shaped net, which scoops in the shrimps as it passes over the sands. These fishermen on horseback frequently make hauls of several hundred weight in a single trip.

Frozen Meat.

Frozen meat will keep any length of time. It undergoes a change, however, and is of the quality of second-rate meat after long staying in cold storage. It is thawed by being allowed to stay some hours in a warm atmosphere, never by being put suddenly to the fire. It is useless to attempt the cooking of frozen meat Thawing must take place first.

Useless Advice to Soldiers.

The London News calls attention to the fact that when the building that is now Wellington barracks, Dublin, was a jail it had the words, "Cease to do Evil—Learn to do Well," chiseled over the gateway. When it became a barracks the authorities, perhaps realizing the uselessness of such advice in some cases, had the words removed.

BITS OF NEWS.

King Edward and President Fallieres exchanged visits at Paris. The interview at the Elysee palace lasted 45 minutes.

The Russian council of ministers has decided to double-track the Siberian railroad. The section from Atchinsk to Irkutsk will be doubled this year.

Senor Perez Caballero of Spain, ex-minister of foreign affairs, has been appointed Spanish ambassador to the quirinal in succession to the duke of Arcos.

The first act of Lord Curzon of Kedleston as chancellor of Oxford university was to issue an appeal through the press for $1,125,000 to supply the most urgent needs of the university.

Oxford university (England) has conferred the honorary degree of doctor of science on Prof. Alexander Graham Bell, regent of the Smithsonian institution, Washington, D. C.

Severe measures for the suppression of anarchism in Barcelona, Spain, are in contemplation. The governor of Barcelona has recently visited Madrid and discussed the question with the government.

Gov. Chamberlin of Oregon, president of the National Irrigation congress, has extended an invitation to President Roosevelt to be present at the annual meeting of the association next September in Sacramento, Cal.

Six secret service operatives are working in western Washington unearthing a series of land frauds that are declared to be more astounding in their far-reaching character than the discoveries made in Oregon and California.

Lieut. Gen. MacArthur, who is in Seattle, Wash., to meet Gen. Kuroki on his way from the orient to the Jamestown exposition, declared that in his opinion universal peace is still far distant. He considered the recent peace conferences more as a success for curiosity than for practical movements.

HURRICANE IN CAMPECHE.

Causes Great Property Loss and Death of Several Persons.

San Juan Batista, Campeche, May 3.—A hurricane of terrific violence swept over this district Tuesday night entailing great loss of property and the death of several persons. The cocoa groves for some distance up and down the coast are completely ruined, causing a loss of millions of dollars. Crops of various kinds were leveled to the ground and great trees in the forests were snapped like pipestems. It is feared there may have been heavy loss to shipping if the storm extended into the gulf.

The wind apparently started in the mountains and swept along the coast. Numerous houses were blown down. Seven buildings were destroyed on the plantation of the Conde Brothers, French millionaires.

Shoots Doctor in His Home.

Ironton, O., May 3.—Dr. Wayne McCoy, a prominent physician at South Point, was shot and killed at midnight by Capt. John Davis of the Portsmouth ferryboat. Capt. Davis claims that he was defending the sanctity of his home, as he had returned unexpectedly at midnight and found Dr. McCoy with his wife. Davis fled to Kentucky.

Edwards to Attend Unveiling.

Washington, May 3.—Brig. Gen. Clarence R. Edwards, chief of the bureau of insular affairs, has been designated to attend the unveiling of the Lawton statue at Indianapolis on May 30 as the representative of the secretary of war. Gen. Edwards was chief of staff for Gen. Lawton in the Philippines.

THE MARKETS.

Grain, Provisions, Etc.

Chicago, May 2.

FLOUR—Market firm. Spring wheat, special brands, $4.75; Minnesota hard patent, jute, $3.80@4.10; straight, export bags, $3.35@3.45; clear, export bags, $2.90@3.30.

WHEAT—Advances. May, 81⅛@82¼c; July, 84@84¼c.

CORN—Active. May, 47⅛@48c.

OATS—Strong. July, 43@43½c.

BUTTER—Steady. Creamery, per lb., 22⅝@28½c; dairies, 20@27c.

LIVE POULTRY—Steady. Turkeys, per lb., 10c; chickens, fowls, 11½c; ducks, 12½c.

EGGS—Steady. Fresh eggs at mark, new cases included, 15@16c per dozen; prime firsts, 17c; extras, 18c.

New York, May 2.

FLOUR—Firm but slow.

WHEAT—Strong on higher Liverpool cables, continued unfavorable weather, both northwest and southwest. May, 91⅝@91⅞c; July, 91¾@92¼c; September, 92½@92¾c.

CORN—Dull and no transactions.

Turkish War Expenses.

Something like three-fourths of the annual expenditure of the Turkish government has of recent years been for arms and munitions of war.

Silent Japanese Soldiers.

Japanese soldiers fight noiselessly They have no bands, no drums beat reveille or tattoo, and in action they utter no cheers.

Irrigation Adds Value.

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Cannibalism in England.

Woman (young) for grill and frying; similar experience necessary.—London Chronicle.

Like to See Names in Print.

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Married in Handcuffs.

The unusual spectacle of a bridegroom appearing at the altar handcuffed has been seen, according to a contemporary at Monthey, an Italian village. The bridegroom, an Italian was undergoing a long sentence for burglary, and recently prevailed upon the governor of the prison, to whom he stated he had committed the crime for the sake of his fiancee, to allow him to marry. Two gendarmes in uniform acted as witnesses, and guardians at the same time. At the church door the young bride and bridegroom parted with heavy hearts.

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High Prices for Antiques.

Old furniture collectors in this city have lately been driving prices higher and higher. The rage for Chippendale and Sheraton patterns of the finer lines is greater than ever. Chairs especially fetch astonishing prices. Even dealers are paying in some cases as much as $50 for a single Chippendale chair of rare pattern, though it be out of repair. A collector in this city paid the other day $275 for a Chippendale armchair. Chairs of less unusual pattern are sold every day for $40, $50 and $100.—New York letter.