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## CITY NEWS.

(N. B. If you have relatives or friends visiting in the city or going to make a visit, please inform us; we will call at your local news—Ed.)

Mr. Allen Jones of Buxton was a Des Moines visitor this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Perry of Enterprise spent Tuesday in the city on business.

Misses Florence Gaiter and Alice Morton left Wednesday for Boone for a visit with Miss Alice Stark.

One hundred years ago the twelfth of this month a great man was born. There is no need to trace his history.

Mrs. L. M. Miller of Albia, the sister of Mrs. T. L. Griffith, will spend two weeks in the city visiting at the parsonage.

Mr. LeRoy Tucker, secretary of the Buxton Y. M. C. A. was in the city this week to secure the Governor for an address before the big Y. M. C. A. meeting, commemorating the 100th anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln.

Mr. E. S. Morgan has moved his barber shop to 304 Third street, where he is nicely fitted up. The new firm is Morgan & Son.

Mrs. J. W. Campbell of 782 11th street entertained Rev. and Mrs. T. L. Griffith last Friday evening at a four course six o'clock supper. Music was furnished by her son, Mr. Babe Houston of Chicago.

Dr. A. J. Booker of Chicago, Ill., successfully passed the medical state board examination and will begin the practice of medicine in the city of Des Moines after Feb. 1st. Dr. Booker has studied in Paris, France and is both physician and surgeon.

At the annual meeting of the members of St. Paul's A. M. E. church at Second and Center streets Wednesday evening Messrs. S. Joe, Brown, S. C. Carey, Adam Dixon, E. B. Elliston, A. C. Fisher, W. H. Humbard, A. C. Payton, John Walker, and Edward Weeks were elected trustees for the ensuing year. All of these except Mr. E. B. Elliston were members of the old board.

The Intellectual Improvement club met last Friday with Mrs. S. Joe Brown and began the study of American literature. The president delivered her annual message, which was interesting, instructive and full of good suggestions. The message was handed to the executive committee to act upon. The club meets next Friday with Mrs. Chas. Cousins.

**A GOOD MOVEMENT.**  
A band of Masons met last Thursday evening to organize a Masonic Building Association. The object is to incorporate a company under the laws of Iowa to buy or build a Masonic building. It was a very enthusiastic meeting of the younger men of North Star Lodge No. 2, and they went into temporary organization. The articles of incorporation were read and an enrollment of a large number of those present was made as charter members. The next meeting will be held at North Star Lodge hall Thursday, January 28, when the articles will be adopted and the payment of half of the shares, which is \$5.00, \$10.00 being one share. Any person may take out stock in the company even though they be not a Mason. All Masons are urged to be present next Thursday evening and help push it along.  
John L. Thompson, President.  
Harrison Gould, Secretary.

Mr. J. W. Jones of Buxton arrived in our city last week and was re-elected one of the extra mail carriers by the Iowa legislature for a second term. Mr. Jones is a successful race man and a carpenter by trade. He has worked for the Consolidated Coal Co., for more than 20 years. He is not an agitator, but a man of few words and does things, and lets his results tell of his worth to a community.

The annual election of the officers of Union Congregational church occurred last Wednesday evening after supper was served by the ladies. Treasurer, Mrs. John W. Jackson; Clerk, H. E. Jacobs; Organist, Mrs. H. W. Porter; Ass't. Organist, Miss Marie Bell; Chorister, Mrs. Frank P. Johnson; Deacons, for five years, J. H. Weeks; for four years, Chas. S. Steward. Deaconess, Mrs. Wilson Hughes for three years; Mrs. Emma Harris for two years and Mrs. C. S. Stewart for one year; Trustees, J. H. Shepard, Wm. Coalsen, John L. Thompson, H. E. Jacobs, Gus Watkins, E. Tracy Blagburn. Rev. H. W. Porter was unanimously elected pastor for the ensuing year.

Des Moines Negro Lyceum was entertained by Attorney and Mrs. S. Joe Brown last Tuesday evening at their home, 1058 Fifth street, at which time Miss Bessie Reeves was selected as representative and Mr. George Mason as alternate in the vocal contest on February 22, with Omaha Literary and Historical society. On next Tuesday

the Misses Collen and Edna Alexander will entertain the Lyceum at their home in Highland Park. The biannual election of officers will occur at this time. All old and new members are especially urged to be present to help select the officers to guide the destinies of the Lyceum during the next six months.

**Corinthian Baptist Church.**  
In the last business meeting of the Corinthian Baptist church, the members unanimously rejected Rev. T. L. Griffith's resignation, but granted him two weeks vacation, which time he will spend visiting in Denver; The following letter was sent to the church in Denver:

To the Zion Baptist church, Denver, Colo.  
Dear co-worker: We the members of Corinthian Baptist church, Des Moines, Ia., recognizing the obligation under which our pastor has been placed with you; in special meeting assembled do hereby send you the following communication. While we recognize the fact that our pastor, Rev. T. L. Griffith, accepted a call from you in good faith and offered his resignation to us, which we unanimously rejected, we having faith in God and the welfare of our own church at heart, refuse to give him up. Knowing his ability as a minister, organizer, church worker and leader of the Baptist denomination of the west, we feel that he could have accomplished a great work among you, and we hope that the cause in your church, city and state under the guidance of God and some good minister whom the Lord may send you will prosper.

I am imploring the choice blessings of God upon you, we are,  
Yours in Christ,  
Corinthian Baptist Church  
Selma Brown, clerk.

Financial report for Corinthian Baptist church showed receipts for the year ending Dec. 21, 1908 to be \$2630.13. This included \$707.50 borrowed toward improvements last year. Over two hundred dollars of this sum was contributed by men and friends through the special effort of the pastor.

Disbursements:  
Incidentals.....\$638.15  
Property.....986.03  
Pastor's salary.....986.34  
Missions.....100.09  
Total.....\$2,677.61  
Balance.....\$2.62  
Balance from 1907.....113.85  
Total balance.....\$165.87

**MAINE GHOST ON HORSEBACK.**  
Peculiar Spook That Has Struck Terror to Farmer Folk.

The horseback riding ghost is the very latest variety that has appeared in Bowdoinham, and he is a particular spirit, making visitations only at certain times.

The hunter's ghost, they call him, and the big man on the big white horse who comes galloping down the Lisbon road on the full of the moon right up to the side door of Sunny Crest farm strikes terror to the heart of the farmer folk as he raps smartly with his riding whip on the panels of the door. Whenever one appears in answer to the knock the ghost, so they tell the story, wheels round and disappears at a gallop, turning into the old woods road much used in revolutionary times by the soldiers of that stormy period.

Ghost of the old Cap'n, they call him, connecting this horseback riding spook with a certain haunted of unsavory fame who once haunted the district of Maine. It is on the hunter's moon when the ghost rides abroad, and nervous people on the Lisbon road are much disturbed by this galloping horseman.—Lewiston Journal.

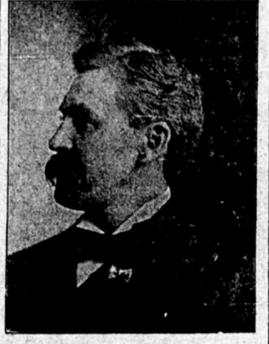
**A FEW OF LIFE'S PARADOXES.**  
All True, Though at First They Seem to Read Rather Odd.

Peace we secure by armaments, liberty by laws and constitutions, the simplicity and naturalness are the consummate result of artificial breeding and training; health, strength and wealth are increased only by lavish use, expense and wear. Our mistrust of mistrust engenders our commercial system of credit; our tolerance of revolutionary utterances is the only way of lessening their danger; our charity has to say no to beggars in order not to defeat its own desires; the true epicurean has to observe great sobriety; the way to certainty lies through radical doubt; virtue signifies not innocence but the knowledge of sin and its overcoming. The ethical and religious life are full of contradictions held in solution. You hate your enemy?—well, forgive him, and thereby heap coals of fire on his head; to realize yourself, renounce yourself; to save your soul, first lose it; in short, die to live.—Prof. William James, in Hibbert Journal.

**Fever Sores.**  
Fever sores and old chronic sores should not be healed entirely, but should be kept in an entirely healthy condition. This can be done by applying Chamberlain's Salve. This salve has no superior for this purpose. It is also most excellent for chapped hands, sore nipples, burns and discharges of the skin. For sale by all druggists.

## OUR NEW SENATOR.

Last Wednesday at high noon the Iowa state legislature elected Hon. Albert E. Cummins, United States senator from Iowa for the full term. We are indeed exceedingly glad to see Governor Cummins thus elevated to a seat in the American congress, where he so long and undeservedly has been kept out of. We believe with such new blood so well equipped as Senator Cummins of Iowa, Senator Knox of New York, Senator Crawford of South Dakota, Senator Burton of Ohio and Senator Brown of Nebraska the country may expect to hear from these men. They are able, ripe in age and experience and eminently qualified for the struggle that is before them.



HON. A. B. CUMMINS, United States Senator, who was elected by the legislature for the regular term.

## SIOUX CITY ITEMS.

The revival meetings being held at the A. M. E. church is progressing nicely under the leadership of the evangelist, Rev. Robinson and family of Clarinda. The members are being spiritually revived and several souls saved. Robinson will hold meetings one week longer in the A. M. E. church, then he will go over to the Mt. Zion Baptist church to assist in their revivals, both churches have united in the good work.

Mr. Arthur Smith, Sr., is confined to his home with the la grippe. Mr. George Fisher, one of our old pioneers, is dangerously ill with the asthma at the St. Vincent hospital. Owing to his age, little hopes are held out for his recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Rev. M. B. Newman entertained a company of friends on Monday afternoon in honor of Rev. Robinson and family. There will be baptizing at the A. M. E. church Sunday. Two candidates for baptism.

Master Roy Crawford has been confined in with the la grippe and also Miss Emma Crawford has the la grippe. Mr. Gripe seems to be getting in his work in our city.

Mrs. Mary Knight went on a business trip Saturday to Clarinda, Iowa, her home, and returned home Monday.

Rev. R. Knight was called to Cana, Ill., last week to look after his son, who is in a hospital at said place for treatment. Hark! You will soon hear the wedding bells, for Cupid said so.

The A. M. E. church was packed Sunday evening to hear the evangelist, Rev. Robinson. He certainly is a powerful speaker and those who sit under his voice and love their souls can't help but be won over on the Lord's side.

Sunday was stewardship day at the A. M. E. church and the sum of \$12 was taken up.

Miss Louise and Walter Cavens, son and daughter of Mr. Cavens, arrived in our city last week to live here. Mrs. Cavens will soon join them.

Rev. Robinson lectured on Monday evening at the A. M. E. church. His subject was, "From the log cabin to the pulpit." A large audience greeted him.

**DAVENPORT NEWS.**  
(Special to Bystander.)  
Mds. Benjamin Bright entertained about seventy-five tri-city ladies January 1, at a reception in honor of the house guest, Mrs. M. E. Miller of Colorado Springs. The spacious parlors were beautifully decorated in red and green and cut flowers. Those who assisted in receiving were Mrs. W. Ballard, B. Enoch and E. Allen. Mrs. J. Curd poured coffee. W. Ingraham served frappe. Each lady present received New Year favors. After the reception the hostess served a six course dinner to the receiving party and their husbands, and Mrs. C. Smith and Mr. Frank Johnson.

Mrs. W. Ballard entertained about fourteen of her friends Sunday, January 10, at a six-course dinner, complimentary to Mrs. M. E. Miller of Colorado Springs.

After a three weeks visit with her cousin, Mrs. B. Bright, 1106 Ripley street, Mrs. M. E. Miller departed on Saturday morning for her home in Colorado Springs.

per on "The Colored Club Woman." Revival is in progress at the A. M. E. church.  
J. Mayo Weeks was quite seriously injured at the packing plant Monday.  
Mrs. Theodore Farmer is ill this week.  
When you wish news sent to the Bystander, kindly call 627-R, old phone.

## ENTERPRISE NEWS.

Rev. James Bowles left last Saturday for Hiteam on the account of illness of his father, Mrs. Bettie Bowles of that place.  
Mrs. Sophia Jackson, who has been sick is able to be out again.  
Mr. Major Barker and son, Charles of Evans, are in our city, called here by the death of this son-in-law, Fred Williams.

Died, January 19th, Mr. Fred Williams at his home from the injuries received in a dust explosion in mine No. 2, where he was attending to his regular duties of shot firing on the evening of January 13th. The deceased leaves a wife and four children. The eldest only five years. Funeral announcement next week.

Mrs. Lillian Cary of Highland Park is in the city, called here on account of the illness of brother-in-law, Mr. Fred Willian.  
Married, January 16th, at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Dee Ousley, Miss Izorah Mickles to Mr. Jake Hickman. Rev. M. C. Carrington officiated.

Married, January 14th, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Capart, at Des Moines, Miss Fannie Capart, to Mr. Ed. Cocozant of this place. Mr. Cocozant is well known and highly respected in this place, and we wish him a long and peaceful voyage on the matrimonial sea.

## LINCOLN INSTITUTE NOTES.

Monday, January 4, 1909, found the faculty students of Lincoln Institute back in their respective places ready and enthusiastic for work after a round of holiday pleasure.  
Many new students encouraged by the excellent reports of those who went home, have matriculated with the beginning of the new year and are now hard at work.

The Missouri legislature is in session and many legislators, with their families and friends, have already come out to visit the institution, and with one accord all have expressed themselves to Dr. Allen as extremely pleased with all they have seen in the various literary and industrial departments.

It is interesting to note that the gavel used in the senate and the house of representatives were made by young men in the mechanical department, were presented by Dr. Allen, and received in both houses with hearty applause. In fact, nothing but good words are heard on all sides from the legislators, for the excellent work that is being done by Lincoln Institute through President Allen and his faithful faculty.

Many of the graduates of the institution who are now engaged in teaching were present at the recent Teachers' association in Kansas City, and all of these graduates showed inimitable signs of progress and general prosperity, thus speaking well for the character of the training which they received while here.

In a far greater degree than in most schools devoted to the interests of higher rather than elementary education. As is rightly expected in normal and college work. Lincoln Institute, throughout the entire course, places great stress upon correct English, reading, spelling, penmanship, etc. There are frequent reviews in the every day use of English; monthly spelling matches; daily practice in the writing of business forms. In other words, Dr. Allen is attempting to build up a great school whose graduates may go forth into the world and be able to do things, both quickly and well.

## KEOKUK NOTES.

Mrs. F. D. Bland was a Burlington visitor during the holidays.  
Mrs. Wm. Taylor visited in Davenport during the holidays with Mrs. C. B. Lewis.

The funeral of the late Vina Morse was held at the family home, 711 N. Thirteenth street Saturday afternoon Jan. 9.  
The funeral of the late Robert Singleton, who died last Thursday with pneumonia, was held at the A. M. E. church Sunday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, Rev. W. Searcy officiating.

Mr. Chas. Alden is still very ill at his home, 1407 Morgan street.  
Mrs. Mattie Woodard is very ill at her home Sixteenth and Morgan Sts.  
Mr. E. Goens is very ill at his home, 1519 Franklin street. Little hope is entertained for his recovery.

The resignation of the Rev. W. T. Green of the Pilgrim Rest church taken effect on the 12th inst.  
The revival services at the A. M. E. church are gaining rapidly in attendance. Sunday evening the large auditorium was filled to its fullest capacity. Mrs. Howard, the noted evangelist, who is conducting the meetings, made a touching appeal which resulted in a good number joining the church. The Rev. Jones of Springfield Ill., arrived here Monday to assist with the meetings.

The rehearsals for the sacred cantata Queen Esther is still in progress. The director, F. D. Fields, hopes to present it about the middle of February.  
Mrs. W. A. Bruce is still in Chicago, being called there by the illness of her daughter.

Mrs. P. A. Jones returned home Saturday morning, Jan. 9th, from Minneapolis, Minn., where she was called on account of the death of her brother, Scott Cradit; who died suddenly of heart failure.

Mrs. Reinehart who has been bedfast for an indefinite period, is gradually sinking.

## ALBIA NOTES.

Mrs. Maggie Gordon and two children, and Mr. Gordon's father of Hussey street Sunday in Albia with her sister, Mrs. Allie Roman.  
Mrs. McCarthy, Mr. Mosley and Miss Nalley of Hiteam attended the quarterly meeting in Albia Sunday.

Mr. Baker of Buxton was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Butler Sunday. Presiding Elder M. I. Gordon assisted Rev. J. H. Bell with his quarterly meeting service Sunday, and will assist him with his revival meetings through the week.  
Quite a number of strangers in town the past week.

## MARSHALLTOWN ITEMS.

(Special to Bystander.)  
Miss Hardina Gilmore returned home from a few weeks visit with relatives in Des Moines.  
Mr. Al Walker was a capital city visitor a few days last week.  
Mrs. C. P. Gilmore's condition has improved so she is able to be around in the house.

Rev. R. P. Palmer was somewhat indisposed last week, but was able to fill his pulpit as usual Sunday.  
The Women's meeting which was held at the Second Baptist church last week was a success. After a short address by the pastor two clubs were organized to work for the benefit of the church spiritually, financially and socially.

Mrs. R. P. Palmer was elected president of the Golden Rule Club and Miss Nellie Jackson president of the Silver Leaf club. Other officers were also elected who have the work of the clubs at heart.

Mr. Isaac Brown was brought home from his work last week very sick, but is reported to be much better at this writing.  
Excellent services were held at the Second Baptist church Sunday. The pastor preached in the morning from subject, "The Example of Faith in Prayer." Evening subject, "God Plan for Man's Happiness." The sermons were delivered with power to a large audience. The Sunday School was well attended and the officers for the ensuing year were elected.

**Blindness.**  
"There are various degrees and kinds of blindness, widow. There is the congenital blindness, ma'am, which perhaps you may have observed in the course of your own experience, and which is a kind of willful and self-damaging blindness. There is the blindness of party, ma'am, and public men, which is the blindness of a mad bull in the midst of a regiment of soldiers clothed in red. There is the blindness of youth, which is the blindness of young kittens, whose eyes have not yet opened on the world."—Charles Dickens.

**Curious Mexican Indians.**  
Buried in the heart of a civilized, powerful and progressive foreign people, a little handful of Indians have lived for 300 years and have contrived to keep during all that time their national characteristics, their traditions and their individuality. If you seek them you will find them in the state of Vera Cruz, Mexico. They are the Amatecos. The Amatecos are perhaps the only people in the republic who have succeeded in retaining for themselves what is practically self-government.

**Willing to Oblige.**  
"When you feel any temptations coming along," said the friend and adviser, "you must say: 'Get thee behind me, Satan.'"  
"Da's what I done said," answered Mr. Erastus Pinkley, "an' den I 'magines I hyus Satan answere me back: 'Da's all right. We's both gwine de same way, nowan, an' it don' make no diff'rence to me which leads de pulchession.'"

**Plea for Self-Reliance.**  
Charles G. Dawes' Good Advice to Young Men in Business.  
This is a hard world in business. It always has been and always will be. There are many good and generous men in it. There are many who will lend a helping hand to you in your adversity, but in the time of need you will not find them among the men who tried to get you to embark in speculation with your little surplus, and to sell you something which would help you to "easy money." Be self-reliant. Make your own investigation into investments. When you cannot put your money in a good savings bank. Distrust the financial demagogues as you distrust the political demagogues. Keep your hand on your pocketbook as you travel life—first, to give always in proportion to your means to those who are poorer; second, to hold from those who would take through force or fraud what you need for yourself and yours. You will then, writes Mr. Dawes in the Saturday Evening Post, have your hand where most of the other fellows have only their eyes. In this alone you will have the advantage of them.

## CHILDREN OF EXALTED TASTES.

Little Ones Used to Dignitaries of High Estate.  
A well-known family in Catholic circles, living in Spring Garden street, and blessed with three very small daughters, spent last winter in Rome, where the small daughters were sent to school. The family, being quite hospitably inclined, entertained quite lavishly some of the dignitaries of the Vatican.

Returning to Philadelphia, they received a hearty welcome, and among others some of their old priest friends called to bid them welcome home. The mother, always proud of her three small daughters, sent for them to be brought downstairs to see the father. After awhile they came, the three little golden-haired girls; but they only stood in the doorway of the spacious room and refused to come any further.

The mother, much mortified at such behavior, said to the eldest: "Come here, dear; don't you remember good Father—, who used to come and see us from the cathedral?"  
There they stood, the three little blonde tots, and looking most disapprovingly at good Father—, the eldest spoke: "We like cardinals," is what she said.—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

## NORMAL THEORY IS DISPROVED.

Quite Preposterous in the Light of Present-Day Extremism.  
Philosophers seldom tire of booming the normal and deprecating the all-round abnormal tendency. They insist that normal life is good for our bodies and eke for our consciences.  
But this is absurd. We cannot enjoy ourselves and at the same time be normal. Every pleasure is something which is abnormal to us. Every man and woman at the present day who sets out with the object of achieving distinction, or popularity of any description, must be abnormally good or abnormally bad before it can create an impression. The "normal" theory is a preposterous one.  
Imagine a woman in normal clothes! At the present moment woman has attained the pinnacle of notoriety in the opposite direction, and on its top most point is set her hat. Imagine the successful athlete in a normal condition. Imagine the winner of a motor race as a normal pleasure seeker; and there are others—too many to mention.—Philadelphia Record.

## Paying the Price.

"Is it not some reproach upon the economy of Providence that such a one, who is a mean, dirty fellow, should have amassed wealth enough to buy half a nation?" Not the least. He made himself a mean, dirty fellow for that very end. He has paid his health, his conscience, his liberty for it; and will you envy him his bargain! Will you hang your head and blush in his presence because he outshines you in equipage and show? Lift up your brow with a noble confidence, and say to yourself: I have not these things, it is true; but it is because I have not sought, because I have not desired them; it is because I possess something better. I have chosen my lot, I am content and satisfied.—Anna Letitia Barbauld.

## A Restrained Grief.

Back in the ridges of Tennessee two mountaineers got into an argument. Words led to blows, and in the light that followed one of the men was killed. A neighbor rode on ahead to the dead man's cabin to prepare his wife. He found her seated at a table eating apple dumplings. He broke the sad news to her as gently as he could. She listened quietly, with a dumpling poised in the air half way to her mouth. When the neighbor paused she stuffed the dumpling into her mouth and said: "You jest wait 'til I finish this hyer dumplin' an' then you'll 'll hear hollerin'."—Harper's Monthly.

## The Truly to Be Pitted.

Stevenson: Piffle is the case of the blind, who cannot read the face; piffle the case of the deaf, who cannot follow the changes of the voice. And there are others, also, to be pitted, for there are some of an inert and inelegant nature who have been denied all the symbols of communication, who have neither a lively play of facial expression, nor yet the gift of frank, explanatory speech; people truly made of clay, people tied for life into a bag which no one can undo. They are poorer than the gypsy, for their heart can speak no language under heaven.

## Proper Bestowal of Charity.

Dickens: There are not a few among the disciples of charity who require in their vocation, scarcely less excitement than the votaries of pleasure in theirs; and hence it is that diseased sympathy and compassion are every day expended on out-of-the-way objects, when only too many demands upon the legitimate exercise of the same virtues in a healthy state are constantly within the sight and hearing of the most unobservant person alive. In short, charity must have its romance, as the novelist or the playwright must have his.

## Sleeplessness.

A good remedy for sleeplessness is to wet a towel and apply to the back of the neck, pressing it hard up against the base of the brain and fastening over this cloth to prevent too rapid evaporation. The effect will be prompt and pleasant, cooling the brain and inducing a sweet and peaceful slumber. Warm water is better than cold for the purpose. This remedy will prove useful to people suffering from over-work, excitement or anxiety.

## He Guessed It.

Howell—What became of Rowell who was here when I lived here?  
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Powell—Yes, that's the way he died.

## TREATMENT THAT "GROWS" IRON

Peculiar Property of Castings Put to Practical Use.  
Why should an iron grate bar become warped, twisted and cracked after long use?  
The reason appears to have been discovered by Alexander E. Outerbridge, Jr., of Philadelphia, who tells us that cast iron when heated and cooled swells so that a bar of it becomes not only longer but thicker, and that this increase in size may continue with subsequent heatings and coolings until the volume of the bar is 40 per cent. larger than it was originally.

Microscopic examination shows that the texture of the swelled bar has become coarser grained. This discovery, which was made about three years ago, is now put to practical use in various ways.  
For instance, a gas engine piston that had worn small was caused to "grow" by this method until it again fitted its cylinder.

Again, several tons of steam radiators that had worn small were treated until they could be used as at first intended.

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