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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 collect all your local news.—Ed.)

Mrs. James Propps has been quite ill the past week.

Mrs. Clay Lewis is not very much better at this writing.

Little Dorthy and Harold Hughes have the whooping cough.

Mrs. Allen Jones left Monday evening for her home in Buxton.

Mrs. E. B. Elliott, 510 13th st. makes a specialty of Human Hair Goods, also Shampooing and straightening. Mail orders promptly filled.

Mrs. Allen Jones of Buxton made a business trip to Des Moines Tuesday.

Mrs. Clay Lewis is very sick at her home on Nineteenth and Carpenter avenue. Her friends are alarmed.

Mrs. J. T. Blagburn who has been very sick is improving, which is good news to her many friends.

Mr. W. H. Cook of Clarinda who has been visiting in our city several days left for Buxton to visit before going home.

The Buxton Automobile meets all trains at Hamilton. Fare 50c.

Mrs. H. Martin of Cedar Rapids is spending a few days in our city while enroute from Omaha, Neb. She made a pleasant call at our office.

The foot ball game Saturday Oct. 30 at the stadium between Drake and Grinnell will be a hard struggle between these old rival teams.

Mrs. F. Douglass Woodford, the wife of Rev. Woodford, left Saturday for her home in Jacksonville, Fla., to visit parents, Rev. S. P. Pratt of that city.

Rev. I. N. Daniels, the new pastor of the A. M. E. church, is in Chicago preparing to move his family here to our city.

Mr. Henry Clay's smiling face is seen again in our city, he having been up to see lakes in northern Iowa for several months. Henry looks fine.

Mr. S. H. Johnson and sister, Mrs. Anna Arney, of Kansas City, Mo., arrived in our city last Tuesday morning enroute to Enterprise, to attend the bedside of their sick sister, Mrs. Eliza Morris.

Rev. W. L. Lee of Okaloosa, pastor of the Wesley chapel M. E. church, arrived in our city Monday to conduct a series of revival meetings at the Burns M. E. church. He is meeting with good success.

Att'y. George H. Woodson was a capital city visitor this week on business. He also attended the Negro bar Association's annual meeting Thursday evening.

Mr. Ruben Gaines, Jr. of Buxton spent several days in our city attending Cole & Johnson show and other business. Ruben is looking much better and we hope he may soon be able to resume his studies again.

Don't forget the to attend the Drake-Grinnell foot ball game Saturday afternoon at the Stadium.

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Mr. Stanley Johnson of Keokuk, who is a student in Drake Medical college, went to the gate city last week and took unto himself a bride, one of Mr. J. W. Bland's daughters, Miss Stella, and arrived in our city this week to make their home while he pursues his course. We congratulate the young couple. We are also informed that his brother Charles did likewise. He also is a medical student at Drake and married a Keokuk girl, Miss Clara E. Lowe and has brought her to live in our city while he is in the university.

Mr. and Mrs. Cottoms of 960 West Twenty-second street, pleasantly entertained Mr. Addison Lee of Sioux City on Sunday at dinner. Mr. Lee is one of our prominent colored citizens of Sioux City and is a contracting carpenter. He has been in the city for ten days remodeling and building an addition on his sister's home, Mrs. Mary E. Cottoms of 1501 Capital avenue. He is also an uncle of Mr. W. B. Cottoms. He leaves for home the last of the week. Mr. Lee is the owner of very valuable property in his home town, occupying as his home a beautiful modern nine room cottage of his own workmanship.

## NEGRO BAR ASSOCIATION.

The Iowa Negro Bar Association held its eighth annual meeting last evening at the residence of the president, J. Joe Brown. After a sumptuous repast served by Mrs. Brown, assisted by Miss Iona Wilson and Mrs. F. D. Jackson. Att'y. Geo. H. Woodson made a brief report on race legislation in the 33rd G. A. and Att'ys. J. B. Rush and Jas. A. Spears offered and the association adopted resolution of condolence on the death of Gen. O. O. Howard, founder of Howard University at Washington, D. C. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, S. Joe Brown; vice-president, H. R. Wright; secretary, Jas. Spears; treasurer, J. B. Rush. Legislative committee, Geo. H. Woodson chairman.

**Wild Rose Club**  
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**Wedding in High Society.**  
Last week we received an invitation from Mrs. J. Wilbur Norris of Sioux City, Ia., announcing the marriage of her brother, Mr. Thomas H. Sturges, to Mrs. Irene Thomas of Montgomery, Ala., at her residence, 225 Lytle block, Saturday, Oct. 16. The happy pair will be at home after October 21 at their beautiful residence, 209 Twenty-ninth street, Sioux City. We are well acquainted with the groom. He is a mail carrier and Grand Secretary of the Iowa Masonic lodge, a good representative race man. We extend our congratulations and best wishes.

**MARSHALLTOWN NEWS.**  
Mr. Eugene Patterson of Mt. Pleasant returned home after a week's visit with his sister Mrs. R. P. Palmer, 420 Swayze street.  
Mr. Thel Tillery of Omaha, Neb., is the guest of his sister, Mrs. J. Blackwell of 416 Swayze street. He expects to make his home here.  
Mr. Robt. Jackson of 412 Swayze street left for Topeka, Kans., Saturday, called there by the serious illness of his grand mother.  
Mr. C. B. Hosmer of the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute gave a very interesting lecture at the Second Baptist church Sunday evening the 17. The Champion literary society of the Second Baptist church is in full bloom. There are interesting subjects being discussed and excellent programs rendered.  
The services at the Second Baptist church is being well attended and the spirit of revival is felt.  
Mrs. Mary Sellers entertained at dinner Sunday Rev. and Mrs. R. P. Palmer and baby and Mrs. J. McCane.  
Come to Marshalltown for work, wages from \$1.50 to \$2.50 and \$3.00 per day.  
Greek Proverb.  
What the wind catches the devil scatters.

## IDEALS FOUND IN HOMES.

Empty Handed Swells No Criterion For Bulk of Young Afro-Americans.  
In the past few years many assertions have been made that the young Negro of today is not an ambitious and trustworthy as his forefathers. It is said that he is satisfied with little or no education, is prodigal to a much greater degree than his ancestors and has no aim in life but to dress well and spend money. All of this is true when applied to the "city dude," who is to be found in every race, but it is not true when applied to the general run of young Negroes. The empty headed "swells" of both races make themselves conspicuous by their loud shirts, razor edge trousers and gold headed canes and sometimes add a pair of unneeded glasses for good measure. But the young man of stability, who is trying to improve himself, is not seen so often on the streets. Those who seek him must go to his home and not to the nearest saloon or street corner.  
Large cities are a poor place in which to form one's judgment of the young Negro of today. The small towns and country districts hold the great majority of the most stable men of the race. But even in large cities we have thousands of good men who are seldom seen because they have no time to loaf on the corners. It is just as absurd to judge these men by the worthless and more conspicuous element as it would be to judge the white youth of the country by those of their race who are addicted to prodigal living.—Yonkers (N. Y.) Standard.

## INDUSTRIAL TRAINING.

Noted Educator's Claims Challenged. Case of High Salaried Chef Cited.  
Dr. Thomas H. Riley in speaking of the great work which Dr. Washington is doing for the race along industrial lines said recently:  
"I do not criticize Dr. Washington as an industrial teacher, as I believe him to be one of the best we have, but when he claims that the industrial school and college are prime factors, redeeming features, along with the unit voting in solving the Negro problem, such claim I challenge. It was a chef of high repute and salary who was dismissed for his deception, in seeking to pass a rabbit pie for a chicken pie. Rabbit pie was simply good for what it was. Industrial schools are good for what they are worth, but not as prime race problem solvents. Let them take their place down the line."

## JOHNSON'S NEXT BOUT.

Champion Likely to Meet Langford Before He Tackles Jeffries.  
Now that Jack Johnson, the world's heavyweight champion, has disposed of another aspirant for his title, fight followers the country over are clamoring for Jim Jeffries to meet him in the ring. If the pair meet it should result in one of the greatest fist encounters ever held. Before the champion meets Jeffries he intends taking on Sam Langford, the Boston warrior.



LATEST PHOTO OF JACK JOHNSON, WORLD'S HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPION.

who has been making a grand cleanup of his own accord in the heavyweight division. Langford is a dangerous man for Johnson to meet before he tackles Jeff. Samuel has a punch with the force of a mule's kick behind it and is a remarkably clever boxer. Many critics figure that had Langford fought Ketchel he would have saved Johnson the trouble of pushing him down the pugilistic ladder. With Jeffries and Langford out of the way, Johnson would remain champion for many, many years.

**Cottage Down Here Good Enough.**  
The time to do a thing is now. The principal reason for so many people not having, owning and conducting something of their own is because they procrastinate—put off. Remember that if you would-own something for yourself and family the time to arrange for this something is now. Every man, real man, is expected to have some of this world's goods. This is decidedly better than having "a mansion in the sky." Better first own a cottage here where you live.—Orangeburg (S. C.) Recorder.

**Conversion of the New York Age.**  
The Detroit (Mich.) Informer admires the growing spirit of political independence which is being expressed in the columns of the New York Age and says: "Sometimes it is necessary to have a brick house fall on even the editor of a great paper before he tumbles to the real political situation, but it is well that he sees the light, even though he is somewhat tardy in doing so."  
Go to Mason, the Milliner for Hat.

## WASHINGTON, IOWA, NOTES.

Mrs. A. G. Clark of Okaloosa passed through the city Saturday on her way to Chicago for a few weeks visit. On her return home she expects to stop here for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Clisel and family have moved here from Fairfield and will make this their home in the future. Washington always welcomes good families. They will reside on a farm north of here.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Burnett left Monday for Sioux City, called there by the death of Mrs. B's sister.

Rev. Williams held services last Sunday at Fairfield and is well pleased with that end of his circuit also.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Hall and family and Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Black spent last Sunday at the Henry Rhodes home near Wellman. They are one of our good industrious farmer families with a farm well stocked and well harvested a good crop.

Little Elizabeth Reed celebrated her ninth birthday with a party to her little friends and they all had a jolly time.

Rev. Williams has gotten down to business and has organized his steward board as follows: A. L. Hall, G. W. Black, Samuel Hall, G. W. Turner and Lewis Wallace. The stewardesses are about the same as before.

Word from Rev. Motts Jr. is to the effect that he intends making the old home town a visit in the near future. Lewis Wallace has resigned his position as janitor of the Presbyterian church and is now janitor of the Washington National Bank.

Isaac Hall made a flying trip to Harvey last week.



Hon. Edgar K. Harlan.

The above cut is a true likeness of Hon. E. R. Harlan, the newly appointed curator of the Iowa Historical department of Iowa to succeed the late Chas. Aldrich, who was the founder of the Aldrich Historical collection. Mr. Harlan was born in Indiana, Feb. 28, 1869, came with his parents to Van Buren county, where he grew up to manhood, entered Drake university and graduated from the law department, then entered the practice in his home county; was elected county attorney for four years, later was appointed as the assistant curator by Mr. Aldrich. We congratulate Mr. Harlan, as he is an able, careful, enthusiastic worker in research history and a friend to the worthy of our race.

## ALBIA NOTES.

Rev. Butler of Buxton was in Albia on Sunday and visited the A. M. E. church.

Miss Atkin Martin and Miss Brady of Ottumwa spent Sunday in Albia.

Mr. John Hayes bought Mr. Charlie Parker's house and lot in South Albia last week and will move in this week.

Mr. Monroe Davis has been on the sick list this week.

Editor John L. Thompson of the Iowa State Bystander was in Albia Friday and Saturday looking after business.

Rev. Samuel S. Birt celebrated his 31st birthday Oct. 24th in Albia at the A. M. E. parsonage. After prayer meeting a number of the members and friends of the A. M. E. church gathered and presented him with several nice articles, money and food. After a very pleasant time the crowd returned to their respective homes wishing Rev. Birt many such gatherings.

After prayer meeting on Wednesday evening the following officers were appointed to the A. M. E. church by Rev. S. L. Birt: The Steward board, board of Stewardess and pastor's Aid Society. The following officers were elected to the Christian Endeavor League: Donald Thomas, president; Eva Parker, vice-president; Ora Lewis, corresponding secretary; Waverly Gathers, a secretary.

Mr. Wallace M. Davis and Miss Ida Harris spent Sunday afternoon in Hocking at the home of Mrs. Bessie Grayson and other friends.

The A. M. E. Sunday School officers remain just the same, except Rev. S. L. Birt is general superintendent, Miss Mildred Lewis is assistant superintendent, Miss May F. Davis as substitute for the present time.

Rev. S. L. Birt made a visit to Hocking Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Johnson of Hocking spent Sunday in Albia at the home of her son Mr. Nick Henderson.

## Afro-Americans Honor Henson.

At Great Gathering in Tuxedo Hall, New York, Explorer Tells Admirable Thing That He Was Willing to Die if Necessary to Discredit Popular Theory.

By N. E. DOBSON.

Afro-Americans of Greater New York have done themselves proud within the past few months bestowing honor and homage upon those members of the race who have won special distinction in their chosen fields. The first notable event among them was the great welcome ovation to the returning "Fighting Tenth" cavalry from the Philippine Islands. The second, which partook more of national loyalty than of race pride, was the part taken in the recent Hudson-Fulton celebration. Jack Johnson's victory over Stanley Ketchel came in for a goodly share of race hilarity. The last great event of the world-wide interest to all peoples—the complimentary dinner which was given in honor of Matthew Henson, the only Afro-American who has carried the stars and stripes to the top of the world—was in every way befitting for one who has achieved such a signal exploit in connection with the scientific discoveries of the world. The dinner was given in Tuxedo hall, New York, Oct. 19. There were over 200 persons present.

Charles W. Anderson, collector of internal revenue, as toastmaster, presented Mr. Henson with a gold watch studded with diamonds, the gift of his admirers.

"Whatever may be said in the controversy as to which white man discovered the pole," said Mr. Anderson in presenting the watch, "there is not a shadow of doubt as to which black man got there."

In a brief speech accepting the watch Henson said that the colored man had tried for years to show the opposite race that he is a man of grit.

"When I went to Greenland they said I never would come back," said Mr. Henson. "They told me I couldn't stand the cold—that no black man could. I said I was willing to die if necessary to show them. I survived all right, and here I am."

This telegram, sent by Commander Peary from Eagle Isle, Maine, was read:

I congratulate you and your race upon Matthew Henson. He has driven home to the world your great adaptability and the fiber of which you are made. He has added to the moral stature of every intelligent man among you.

His is the hard earned reward of tried loyalty, persistence and endurance. He should be an everlasting example to your young men that these qualities will win whatever object they are directed at.

He deserves every attention you can show him. I regret that it is impossible for me to be present at your dinner. My compliments to your assembled guests.

Booker T. Washington sent this telegram from Tuskegee, Ala.:

An sending you my subscription for the Henson dinner. Permit me to congratulate you and your coworkers upon the wisdom and generosity manifested in providing the dinner in honor of our distinguished and deserving fellow citizen, who has by his achievement lifted the race to a higher level. My congratulations to the guest of the evening and to those assembled.

The dinner began at 8 o'clock. Among the toastmasters were James A. Cobb, assistant district attorney at Washington; ex-Judge Hiram W. Gibbs of Arkansas; James Curtis, lawyer; Gilbert Stewart, who led the legal fight for the Negro soldiers in the Brownsville riot; Bishop Alexander Waters of the African Methodist Episcopal church, the Rev. Dr. W. H. Books of St. Mark's African Methodist Episcopal church, Professor W. S. Scarborough, president of Wilberforce university; the Rev. Dr. Reverdy C. Ransom of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal church, Frederick B. Watkins and Dr. Marcus F. Wheatland, president of the Colored National Medical association.

At the conclusion of the dinner three rousing cheers were given for Henson as "the black man who had helped to discover the pole."

**Unwarranted Attack on Aged Man.**  
Cosby Jones, the aged Afro-American who was struck and unmercifully blown over the head by Policeman Swords on Labor day in New York, filed suit against Swords in the superior court a few days ago for \$2,000 damages. Mr. Jones had committed no offense. He was about to cross "Whitehall street just as the Labor day parade was starting, when the policeman in question felled him to the street. At the hospital eight stitches were taken to close the wound. The police board investigated the matter, but, as usual, because his victim was an Afro-American the policeman was exonerated. Mr. Jones is about eighty years of age.

**Cassie E. Kerr to Study in Nova Scotia.**  
Sir William Gray Wilson, governor of the Bahamas Islands, who with Lady Wilson arrived in New York recently, brought with him Cassie E. Kerr, a blind Afro-American girl. She is so clever and so ambitious for an education that the governor has decided to send her to an institution for the blind in Nova Scotia. After Cassie completes her education at the Nova Scotia Institution Governor Wilson intends to have her return to the Bahamas to become the head of a similar institution there. She lost her sight from a premature blast of dynamite many years ago.

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## BURLINGTON ITEMS.

Mrs. O. Burkhart of Lincoln, Neb., was called to the city to the bedside of her sick brother, Dave Jones, who is lying very low at the Burlington hospital.

Mrs. H. Arms who was quite ill last week is able to be out again.

The ice cream social given at the Baptist church last Thursday was quite a success.

Mrs. Julia Holden is on the sick list. Mr. Aaron Mitchell who was operated on last week at St. Francis hospital is getting along nicely.

Rev. Thomas was called home last week to his wife who was quite sick. On his return he reports quite an improvement.

Mr. J. Trent has returned from a very pleasant visit with his mother in Chicago.

Miss Flora Jackson who has been ill for a number of months is now able to be out.

Mr. Tolliver who is conducting a restaurant on Front street is doing a thriving business.

J. W. Mackay was indisposed last week.

Mrs. I. B. Washington very pleasantly entertained at dinner Sunday Mr. and Mrs. G. Tyler and Mr. and Mrs. O. Badgett and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Johnson.

Mrs. J. Baker who has been confined to her home with the rheumatism is able to be out again.

Will you please pay your back subscription before it gets cold and you'll think times are hard.

Mrs. Peter King and Mrs. Grace Allen, well-known and leading colored residents of Burlington, are arranging to have a big mass meeting of the people of their race in this city next week, which will be addressed by Mrs. Mary Preston, the noted worker for the Colored Loyal Temperance legion.

Mrs. Preston appeared at the recent purity conference here, and spoke briefly. She is a good earnest woman, of excellent education and wide experience in her line. The talk will probably be at the home of Mrs. King, or in some large building here. The date will not be set until Mrs. Preston arrives Wednesday.

## MOLINE, ILL., GREETINGS.

The Missionary society gave the first entertainment of the year last Friday evening. Owing to the inclement weather a very large crowd was not present, but a neat sum was cleared.

Rev. McDaniels is here in interest of his school in Chicago.

Mr. B. F. Cushman of Urbana, Ill., was here on a business trip this week.

Mrs. Albert Settles has returned home after a three weeks' visit with parents in Chicago.

Miss Arrene Crawford of Galesburg is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. D. C. Delward.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Trent entertained Mr. Hayes at dinner Sunday.

Mrs. Ed Settles entertained Mr. and Mrs. H. Harris, Miss Clara Traver and Mr. Landon Wilson at six o'clock lunch.

**PROGRAM**  
Dedicatory Services of the Mt. Olivet Baptist Church, Enterprise, Iowa.  
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1909.  
11:00 a. m. Doxology, led by Choir.  
Invocation by Rev. M. Carrington of Ft. Dodge.  
Music by Choir.  
Scripture Lesson by Rev. G. E. Saunders of Orabator.  
Music by Choir.  
Prayer by Rev. S. Bates of Des Moines.  
Music by Choir.  
Dedicatory Sermon by Rev. T. L. Griffith of Des Moines.  
Chant, by Choir.  
Remarks by pastor, Rev. James Bowles.  
Offering.  
Benediction by the pastor.  
3:00 p. m. Devotional services for 30 minutes led by Bro. G. Garrett and Bro. G. W. White.  
Scripture Lesson by Rev. T. L. Griffith.  
Music by Choir.  
Prayer by Bro. Morton of Des Moines.  
Music by Choir.  
Sermon by Rev. S. Bates of Des Moines.  
Chant, by Choir.  
Offering.  
Benediction by pastor.  
8:00 p. m. Sermon by pastor, and Lord's Supper.  
A cordial invitation is extended to all the citizens of Enterprise and to all the pastors and their congregations to attend these services.  
REV. JAMES BOWLES, PASTOR.