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CITY NEWS.

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

Miss Marie Bell, who has been very sick, is able to be out again.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Thompson, who has been quite sick are better at this writing.

The dancing party given by Ray Dyrast last New Year's eve was well attended and very enjoyable. The Morgan orchestra rendered good music. They will give another in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Al Carter, also Mrs. W. Matthews, who spent the holidays in Troy, Kan., visiting relatives, returned home this week, reporting a jolly time.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Smith have returned from Keokuk where they spent the holidays with relatives and friends.

Rev. Samuel Bates preached the annual sermon of the Home and Foreign Mission Circle at Hiteman the 29 of December. While there he was the guest of Mrs. H. T. Randolph.

Mr. C. W. Smith has been appointed by W. E. Atkins, Grand Exalted Ruler of Hampton, Va., as state deputy for Iowa, Missouri, Kansas and Nebraska.

Miss Ione Mason of Mt Pleasant was in the city Dec. 29 to attend the Bowmer-Smith wedding; she being an aunt of Miss Bowmer.

Spencer Elliston, the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Elliston, has been employed as valet for a show man and left to be gone a long time. They expect to go to Europe.

This has been one of the coldest winters and the heaviest snows that has fallen in many years. Sleighbells has been good for more than a month, and thus we are experiencing one of the old real cold winters.

Mrs. E. B. Elliston, 519 14th st makes a specialty of Human Hair Goods, also Shampooing and straightening. Mail orders promptly filled.

The revival meetings at Maple street Baptist church which were discontinued during the holidays, have started again. They have at present fifteen candidates for baptism.

Misses Jessie and Genevieve Bell entertained a few of their friends New Year's day at their home, 618 Des Moines street. A very pleasant day was spent by those present.

On last Monday evening Attorney and Mrs. S. Joe Brown entertained a few young people at their residence, 1058 Fifth street, in honor of Miss Letta Cary of the State University, who was spending a portion of her holiday vacation in the city. Among the other out-of-town guests were Miss Adah Hyde and Mr. Ulysses Cary, also of the State University. The evening was spent in music and conversation, after which a dainty repast was served by the hostess, assisted by Misses Lucille Hyatt, Iona Wilson and Beatrice Hogsett.

The Des Moines Negro Lyceum association will hold its first meeting for the year Tuesday evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Hughes, 1014 Center street, at which time the newly elected officers will be installed and the following programme rendered: Instrumental solo, Miss Bertha Allen; oration, "Life and Literature," William P. Warricks; vocal solo, "Could I," Miss Besse Reeves; paper, "The Emancipation of Womanhood," Mrs. J. B. Rush; reading, "The Slouch Chief's Daughter," Miss D. Mae Lee; vocal solo, Miss Letta Cary; address, "My First Visit to the Interstate Literary Association," Mrs. James H. Woods; address, "How We Won the I. S. L. A. for 1910," Jesse Graves; oration, "Robert R. Hall," address, "Literary Work at the S. U. I.," Miss Adah Hyde; original poem, "Christmas Day," Miss Colleen Alexander; address, "The Next Interstate Meeting," S. Joe Brown, chairman of the Interstate executive committee.

Rev. and Mrs. Samuel Bates entertained at New Year's dinner in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Carey, Mrs. Barber and her daughter Deborah of Evans.

I. B. P. O. Elks of the World held their public installation at the St. Paul's A. M. E. church on Thursday night Dec. 30. The following officers were installed:

C. W. Smith, Exalted Ruler; Harry Crews, E. L. Knight; Andy Fulton, L. Knight; H. Kinchlow, L. Knight; Al Smith, Secretary; W. F. Wilkerson, Treasurer; L. Reeves, Tyler.

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Mr. and Mrs. Luther H. Smith left Thursday morning at 7:55 for Mt. Pleasant to spend New Year's with Miss

Ione Mason, who accompanied them. They returned Monday, Jan 3rd and will be here until the 10th, when they leave for their future home in New York. They will stop at many points of interest, including Chicago, points in Ohio, Niagara Fall and New Jersey.

Mrs. Gertrude Cannaday has returned from Kansas City where she spent the holidays, the guest of relatives and Mr. and Mrs. John Adams. Several social courtesies were extended to her.

Miss Jessie Bell entertained a few of her friends Thursday Dec. 30, at her home, 618 Des Moines street, in honor of Misses Susie Lee and Katie Johnson of Clarinda. The entire evening was spent in music and games and after a late hour dainty refreshments were served. The guests departed for their homes saying Miss Bell was a royal entertainer.

SMITH-BOWMER WEDDINGS.

A Pretty Home Wedding.

A wedding of considerable prominence in the social circles of Des Moines occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David M. Bowmer, 933 W. Thirteenth street Dec. 29, 1909, when their daughter and only child Miss Ethel Marie was united in Marriage to Luther H. Smith of New York.

The ceremony was witnessed by guests numbering about fifty, who were received by the Misses Allen.

Owing to the inability of the Rev. Daniels to be present, the ceremony was performed by the Rev. Thomas L. Griffith, pastor of the Corinthian. The house was beautifully decorated with the holiday colors, red and green. Promptly at 9:20 o'clock, to the strains of the wedding march played by Miss Allen, the bride descended the stairs with her father and proceeded to the canopy, from the canopy of which was suspended a large white wedding veil, where she was met by the groom. The beautiful and impressive ceremony was used.

The bride was becomingly attired in a beautiful gown of white, hand embroidered french silk mull, with trimmings of pearls and lace, and wearing the bridal veil. Her bouquet was of bride's roses. The groom was attired in the conventional full dress.

Following the ceremony the guests were ushered into the dining room where refreshments were served by Messrs. Baker Dixon and Finis Bledsoe; Mrs. W. H. Humbard caters.

The bride has many friends in Des Moines where she has resided since three years ago. She is an accomplished young woman and a musician worthy of note, being one of the best accompanist in this part of the state. She will be sadly missed in the St. Paul A. M. E. church where she has held the position of organist for seven years.

The groom, it will be remembered was here two years ago in interest of the Metropolitan Mercantile Realty Co. of New York. At that time he made many lasting friends, among whom was Miss Bowmer, and their acquaintance ripened into a friendship, which terminated in his coming now to claim her as his bride.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith expect to leave for New York about January 10, where they will be at home to their friends after February 1st.

The best wishes of all accompany them, and may God ever breathe a blessing upon these two souls with but a single thought. "Two hearts beat as one."

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A RESUME OF THE YEAR 1909 ACHIEVEMENTS.

In the passing of the old year we usually turn over a new leaf. Now, let us review the race achievements as measured by the best of the Anglo-Saxon race. If I were to enumerate some of the race's great men in this article, I would point you to Hannibal Toussaint L'Ouverture, Dumars, the great French novelist, S. Coleridge Taylor the English composer, Tanner in art, or Douglass, Bruce and Langston as American statesmen, but I am only to give the achievements of the race within the past year.

Perhaps one of the most permanent and far-reaching achievements of the race in America is the fact that the past year there were more boys and girls attending the universities, colleges, Academic, normal and Industrial schools, than ever in the history of the race. Another important achievement was the electing of a colored man, General Gomez, president of Cuba, who has brought peace and union in that troubled republic. Then the recent speeches being made in the heart of the South by Booker T. Washington, the world famous industrial educator, has been productive. The last meeting of the National Business Men's League in Louisville, Ky., was effective in race building and uplifting.

Then the recent Quadrennial Meeting of the Supreme Lodge of Knights Pythias at Kansas City, Mo., where 5,000 men in uniform rank; one special train from Virginia has an observation car called the Bankers' observation car, led by that intrepid race leader John J. Mitchell, Jr., and many other similar gatherings of national importance. The greatest achievement of this year just ended was the calling together of representatives of the darker races of the world in an international or World's Council to be held in Egypt during the spring and summer of 1912 for the purpose of a closer union and to consider all national and international questions; another very important achievement was the decision of the supreme court in finding the sheriff of Tennessee guilty of contempt by failing to protect the life of negro prisoners; hence the great strong arm of the supreme court put them behind the bars. Today one of the greatest talked of and most successful in his line of work is Jack Johnson, the first negro champion heavyweight of the world, who is now matched for the world's championship with James Jeffries with more of our people entering the industrial and commercial pursuits can any one fail to see sure signs of permanent achievements. I could give you a hundred examples this year where individuals among the race have excelled their more favored Anglo brother in intellectual and commercial fields and other lines.

There is one other achievement which word be onward and upward to greater achievements.

THE PASSING OF THE OLD AND THE BEGINNING OF THE NEW YEAR.
This week we bid farewell to the old year and good morning to the New Year. Another milestone has been reached and passed and we enter upon the New Year with new and better ideas of human life and human endeavor. It is the broad-minded, level headed men and women who will achieve success in this new year—one who is willing to do unto his neighbor as he would that they should do unto him. While we believe the world in general is growing better, yet there are many dark spots upon this terrestrial globe. Race prejudice and negro hatred in America, with selfish greed in Europe, with heathenism in parts of Asia and Africa are some of the gigantic problems that this year and century must meet and begin to solve. The solution may seem slow and hard, but not so if we begin to think only let reason, justice, equality and love be our guiding spirit then prejudice will vanish, right will be enthroned, justice will rule and love prevail. Now let us all strive to bring about these better things, and at the end of this new year we will be nearer this realization than now.

THE CONFERENCE.

We Have Just Received An Invitation To Attend The Conference.

The Tuskegee Negro Conference, as has already been announced, will be held January 19, and the Workers' Conference, January 20, 1910. The committee having in charge the preparation of the programs for both sessions has recommended the following: That the general subject for discussion be Land Owning. The following sub-topics are recommended:

1. The Story of How I Bought a Farm.
2. Organized Efforts in Securing a Farm.
3. Women's Part in Home Getting.

For the Worker's Conference the following subjects and sub-topics are suggested:

- Subject: "How can the Schools Aid in Increasing the Protective Efficiency of the People?"
- The sub-topics are:
1. What can the Rural Schools do to Increase the Efficiency of the People?
 2. What can the City and Town Public Schools do?
 3. What can Colleges and Universities do?

Dr. James H. Dillard President of the Negro Rural School Fund, will be asked to open the Worker's Conference discussion.

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I have used Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets for some time, and can testify that they have done me more good than any tablets I have ever used. My trouble was a heavy dull feeling after eating—Dyspepsia, flatulency, indigestion, and constipation. These tablets strengthen the stomach and improve the digestion. They also regulate the liver and bowels. They are far superior to pills but cost no more. Get a free sample at all drug stores and see what a splendid medicine it is.

ONENESS OF THE STRUGGLE

Shirt Waist Makers' Strike Due to Unfairness of Subcontractors.

At a recent meeting of the Cosmopolitan club held in the Fleet Street A. M. E. Zion church, Brooklyn, Miss Mary White Ovington, the noted settlement worker, presided. The meeting was in the interest of the shirt waist makers' strike. Miss Dutcher, who was the first speaker, said: "This strike has been going on since last September. The real cause is due to the fact that the girls are not employed by the head of the firm, but by subcontractors. One contractor sees fit to pay his girls \$4 per week, while another will pay \$5, and so on.

"These workers number over 40,000, and among them we find Italians, Americans, Jews and some colored girls. They have the press and public opinion with them, and it is only a question of time or holding out a little longer. What we want to do is to influence the colored girls from taking part in the strike to their own detriment. When the strike ceases, which it must do, then if the colored girls have joined the union they will be provided for."

Annie Baker, one of the strikers, was the next speaker. She gave briefly her experience as a worker and told of the inhuman treatment accorded the girls in shirt waist factories.

Bertha Burgess, another one of the strikers, told of the pretentious protection around the colored help employed. She said they had tried in every possible way to reach the colored girls in order that they might influence them against becoming strike breakers, but on account of the false protection thrown around them it is impossible.

Miss Ovington told of how she had been elected from one of the factories. Mr. Malloy, who for eight years has labored in the south as a miner, gave a full account of the strikes and strikers from his observation and experience.

He said that he had learned that where Negroes obligate themselves and when they are once convinced against error they stand as firm as a rock and that they are as true as steel. He also said he was the first man to advocate colored men joining the union. "When it comes down to struggling for an existence," he said, "we are all the same, whether white or colored, for we are all struggling together."

BROAD MINDED MINISTER.

Rev. M. M. Mouzon, an Energetic Worker For uplift of the Masses.

At the recent Afro-American conference of the M. E. church held at Orangeburg, S. C., Rev. M. M. Mouzon, pastor of Centenary M. E. church, Charleston, S. C., was conspicuous because of the great work he had done at his present charge. Dr. Mouzon is



REV. M. M. MOUZON.

a silent force which brings good results out of seeming impossibilities. For six years he served the denomination as presiding elder of the Greenville (S. C.) district. He not only served his church, but he manifested deep interest in the material advancement of his race and inspired many individuals to improve along lines that help to make a people industrially, intellectually, socially and religiously strong. Dr. Mouzon is a product of Clarke university, and because of his ability as a scholar and knowledge of the needs of our young men and women along educational lines he is now one of the trustees of Clark university and also of Sterling college. His success is due to his making an intelligent study of the needs of the people and showing them how to overcome difficulties.

Bishops' Council to Meet Jan. 12.

The semiannual meeting of the council of bishops of the A. M. E. Zion church will be held at Greenboro, N. C. beginning Jan. 12, when business affecting the general interests of the denomination will be transacted. The bishops of the denomination are: Right Rev. J. W. Wood, P. E. Harris, Alexander Walters, G. W. Clinton, J. W. Alistork, J. W. Smith, J. S. Caldwell, G. L. Blackwell and A. J. Warner.

Tendency of the Criminal White Man.
The tendency of the Negro to run down criminals among his own people and hand them over to justice is as great as or greater than among other races. But the tendency of the criminal white man to take advantage of race prejudice and make some Negro the scapegoat of his crimes is proved by the many instances in which it is done.—Springfield (Ill.) Forum.

Janitor's Heroism Saved Many Lives.
Heroic work on the part of Washington Johnson, Afro-American janitor of the Riatio building, which was recently destroyed by fire caused by a gas explosion at Kansas City, Mo., saved scores of lives. Mr. Johnson's bravery on the above occasion is said to have been amazing in the extent to which he risked his own life to save the lives of other employees.

INTER-STATE LITERARY

The Inter-State Literary Association of Kansas and the West held its 19th annual session in Kansas City, Kan., Dec. 28th-30th.

Iowa was represented in the meeting by fourteen delegates and contestants as follows:
Att'ys. S. Joe Brown and J. B. Rush and Mrs. J. B. Rush delegates from the Negro Lyceum; Messdames J. H. Woods, S. Joe Brown and Harvey Brown from the Intellectual Improvement Club; Messrs. Jesse Graves and Mason Hall from the Alpha club; Mr. Mr. Albert R. Hall and Miss Besse Reeves of the Cosmopolitan Literary; besides these were Wm. P. Warricks contestant in oratory, Miss Bertha Allen contestant in original music and Miss Colleen Alexander contestant in original poetry—all for Des Moines, and Miss D. Mae Lee, reader, and delegate from the young ladies Phi Delta Society of Buxton.

All most all of the Iowa delegates had prominent places on the program and all acquitted themselves well; Mr. E. R. Hall winning second prize in oratory and Miss Colleen Alexander winning second prize in the poetic contest.

After a spectacular three cornered fight between the Iowa delegation led by Att'ys. Brown and Rush, the St. Joseph, Mo., delegation led by Dr. J. R. A. Crossland and Rev. T. L. Scott and the Wichita, Kan., delegation led by Dr. Brown and Prof. Johnson and lasting from 10 a. m. until 1 p. m. Thursday, Dec. 30, the Iowa delegation succeeded in landing the meeting for Des Moines in Dec. 1910 by a vote of 97 out of 139 on the second ballot.

The newly elected officers for the ensuing year are as follows:
Prof. J. P. King, Kansas City, Kans., President.

Prof. A. A. Hughes, Oregon, Mo., 1st Vice-President.

Miss Lois Wilson, Wichita, Kan., 2nd Vice-President.

Miss Ruth Van Der Zee, Lincoln, Neb., 3rd Vice-President.

Miss L. Trusty, Lawrence, Kan., Recording Secretary.

Miss F. J. Bell, Omaha, Neb., Assistant Recording Secretary.

Mrs. T. L. Scott, St. Joseph, Mo., Treasurer.

Mrs. W. L. Grant, Kansas City, Kans., Corresponding Secretary.

Rev. S. W. Bacote, Kansas City, Mo., Chaplain.

Miss Olga Anderson, Lawrence, Kans., Historian.

Executive Committee: Att'y. S. Joe Brown, Des Moines, Chairman, Mrs. E. M. Guy, Topeka, Kan., Dr. T. D. G. Hacy, Leavenworth, Kans., Miss Winfred Morton, Atchison, Kans., Dr. J. R. A. Crossland, St. Joseph, Mo.

KEOKUK NOTES.

Nineteen hundred and ten is now with us. Twelve months of happiness and prosperity hoped for Happy New Year. Goodbye, old year of 1909. The arrival of the new year was welcomed at midnight by the shooting of guns all over the city, and for several minutes just before, and just after the clock had struck the hours the booming of shot-guns and revolvers could be heard. The old year slipped away and the new one came in without any undue excitement. The death of 1909 was a peaceful and quiet one and came gently. Many social events were held and the passing of the line was the time for dancing by many, while others were sitting up and watching the coming of another year. The weather was cold and snow deep. It was the case this season of "full knee deeps the winter snow; the old year is dying."

Mrs. F. Williams very pleasantly entertained at New Year's dinner a number of her friends in honor of her son, George Bland of Watertown, and daughter Mrs. A. Harris of St. Paul. A fine time was reported.

Mrs. F. D. Bland received the sad news of the death of her brother, Henry Vaughn of Seattle, Wash. The news came New Year's day; it has not been definitely determined whether the body will be brought to Keokuk or not.

Mrs. Lena Porter of Cincinnati, O., is in the city the guest of Mrs. Georgie Coleman.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Shortridge very pleasantly entertained at dinner Sunday in honor of her sister, Mrs. A. Harris of St. Paul, Minn., and brother George Bland of Watertown, Ill.

Miss Kittie Brooks very pleasantly entertained on New Year's eve the Whist Cotera Club at her home on Twelfth and Orleans street. Whist was indulged in until a late hour, after which a very dainty luncheon was served by the hostess. Everyone left declaring Miss Brooks a royal entertainer.

Ill Health is More Expensive Than any Cure.

This country is now filled with people who migrate across the country in all directions seeking that which gold cannot buy. Ninetenths of them are suffering from throat and lung trouble or chronic catarrh resulting from neglected colds, and spending fortunes vainly trying to regain lost health. Could every sufferer but undo the past and cure that first neglected cold, all this sorrow, pain, anxiety and expense could have been avoided. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is famous for its cures of colds, and can always be depended upon. Use it and the more serious disease may be avoided. For sale by all druggists.

Estimate of the American Negro

Brave as a Soldier, Self Reliant and Progressive as a Citizen, Brilliant in Scholarship, the Negro Has Kept Pace With the Growth of the Country Which Gave Him Freedom.

By N. E. DODSON.

Within recent years there has come to our nation a commanding greatness, reaching and influencing human thought and action to the uttermost parts of the earth. It has come through the valorous achievements of our soldiers on foreign soil and of our sailors on distant seas.

In the winning of this new glory that now illumines the path of our national progress, in the opening of new and wider channels for the distribution of the products of our farms and factories and in the acquiring of all the rich fruits of our wonderful war with Spain the Negro race has played its part with distinction to itself and with honor to the flag of our country.

As we enter the portals of inevitable fate and assume our position as leader among the nations of the world we may well pause for a moment and pay a just tribute to our black brothers, whose gallant conduct in the Spanish-American war has added new interest to the pages of our national history.

The liberated under Abraham Lincoln became liberators under William McKinley.

The Negro should not feel sensitive upon the subject of slavery, for it has been the condition at one time or another of most of the human race from a period so remote that we knew of it by both tradition and legend before it became recorded history.

The Negro is not a "problem." He is a man made by God in his own image with a mission to perform. The trouble is white men do not seem to know the Negro, and not knowing him they judge him by false standards and attribute to him mental and moral limitations which do not exist.

The white man has failed to observe the slow, steady, sure advancement of the Negro. Silently the Negro has been widening his sphere. The white man needs but to have his prejudices against the Negro cast aside by truth and his gross ignorance of the intellectual and industrial achievements of the Negro blasted by the dynamite of facts and figures to become the warm advocate of the Negro's rights and privileges.

A study of the progress of the Negro reveals him in a new light, and from passively tolerating him we begin to champion his cause and to seek his advancement. The more we learn of the ambitions and aspirations of the Negro the more absurd becomes the schemes of deportation, repatriation, absorption by intermarriage and other political and physical nostrums for the solution of the so called "problem," which at regular intervals are seriously presented for our consideration.

During the Spanish-American war the Negro soldiers who fought at San Juan, Siboney and Santiago covered themselves with glory and advanced their race in favor and regard among their countrymen.

If any fear is entertained that the Negro may be unable to enter the charmed circles of art, Edmond Lewis, known on two continents as a famed sculptor, who chiseled a bust of Colonel Shaw, Longfellow and John Brown, "The Death of Cleopatra," "The Old Arrow Maker and His Daughters," "The Marriage of Elawatha" and "Hagar in the Wilderness," dispels our fears, while Henry O. Tanner, son of the eminent Bishop Tanner, points to his "Daniel in the Lion's Den," to his "Annunciation" and to his "The Raising of Lazarus." In these paintings we see expressed a genius and an art that have won the applause of nations. In 1897 "The Raising of Lazarus" won for Mr. Tanner the third prize in the salon of Paris. The French government bought from Mr. Tanner "The Raising of Lazarus," that it might be preserved in the museum of Luxembourg.

True art bows at the feet of genius without consulting geographical boundaries or racial peculiarities. If we think the Negro has no genius for mechanics he tells us that Biddle university was built by a Negro. Massive bridges, spacious residences and many imposing public buildings in all sections of the United States are the products of his thrift and industry.

Patents have been issued to Negroes for locomotive smokestacks, life extinguishers, cotton cultivators, life preservers, rotary engines, ventilators for railroad cars, automatic railroad switches, telephone transmitters and for many other useful and valuable devices. If we think the language of the stars and planets unintelligible to the Negro we point to Benjamin Hanneker, the great Negro astronomer.

In 1861 in New York Wendell Phillips in closing a stirring lecture upon Toussaint L'Ouverture did so with this superb sentence: "When truth gets a hearing the muse of history will put Phocion for the Greek, Brutus for the Roman, Hampton for England, Lafayette for France, choose Washington as the bright consummate flower of her earlier civilization and John Brown as the ripe fruit of her hoodnody, and then, dipping her pen in the sunlight, will write in the clear blue above them all the name of the soldier, the statesman, the martyr, Toussaint L'Ouverture."

ALBIA NEWS.

Madam S. Jones and M. F. Ward are on the sick list.

Mrs. Mary E. Harris and children returned from Colfax Thursday of this week.

Miss Henrietta Jones, has returned to Chicago after a few weeks visit at the parental home.

Mrs. Tommy Parker, and two daughters, Misses Eva and Jessie have moved from Albia to Clarinda. Mrs. Parker and daughters will be greatly missed in Albia as they were residents here for a number of years.

Mr. Dean Jeffers and brother, of Okaloosa were Albia visitors Sunday.

Rev. Butler, of Buxton, preached at the A. M. E. church Sunday evening, Rev. S. S. Brit spent three days of the week in Buxton with Rev. who?

It was Prof. Hosemer of Tuskegee who was on business in Albia and attended the Star Concert at the A. M. E. church Dec. 16. Also, editor Montgomery of Milwaukee who addressed the A. M. E. Sunday school.

Mr. Cornelius Miller and Miss Julia Smith of Yankton South Dakota were married in Albia, Jan. 1 1910, at the home of Mr. Miller's grandparents, Mr. C. Thomas, and will reside in Hawk Grove.

Rev. S. S. Brit was on a business trip to the following places last week, Ottumwa, Fort Madison Keokuk, Burlington and Keosauqua, returning on last Monday.

Mrs. Endell Lewis, of Okaloosa visited at the parental home this week.

Mr. Harte and daughter Miss Harte and little grandson Willie Lewis, spent a few days of this week visiting friends in Albia.

It is said in Albia that Mr. Bittian Thomas of Albia is married, was married one day last week in Des Moines.

Mr. and Mrs. Grayson spent New Year's and Sunday in Albia at the parental homes.

MARSHALLTOWN IOWA.

Mrs. Thor Jackson is numbered among those on the sick list.

Mrs. C. P. Gilmore, Mrs. Wm. Johnson and Mrs. Dave Brown still remain among those on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Starks and Mr. Tommy Williams left for Hanibal Mo. to spend the winter.

Services were good at the 2nd Baptist church Sunday morning and evening. Pastors subject Sunday evening "Christians Wake Up," it was full of fire thirteen young people held up their hands for prayer.

Business meeting and watch meeting was observed.

The Literary Society was postponed until Thursday evening Jan. 6th.

There will be an opium supper given at the Armory Hall on Church and Center St. admission 50 cts.

Quite a few newcomers in our city, all well satisfied.

A happy New Year and success to Bystander.

CHARITON.

The Christmas holidays are now a thing of the past, social functions are forgotten and humanity has taken up the duties of daily toil once again.

We are in the grasp of an old fashioned snow storm at this writing, we have certainly had our share, and a little bit more of the article this winter.

The program rendered Christmas eve at Bethel A. M. E. church by the scholars of the Sunday school merited a great deal of praise. Every number was heartily endorsed, the exercises closed with the distribution of presents from a well laden tree.

W. A. Emerson visited in Chicago recently the guest of his son.

The social given for the trustees of Bethel A. M. E. church New Year's night by the Normal class was a success. A good time was enjoyed by those present.

Miss Mattie Amos returned to her home in Chicago Sunday after a pleasant weeks visit with her grandfather W. A. Emerson.

The week of prayer is being observed at the A. M. E. church this week, it is expected to engage in a revival indefinitely at the close.

At the annual election of trustees of the A. M. E. church held Monday night, the old board was re-elected with the addition of three new members, J. T. Culbertson, T. G. Dosier and A. A. Bush. The board as it now stands is G. J. Robinson Wm. Henderson, P. F. Taylor, G. W. Luckey and the new members.

Mrs. Murda Beason of Buxton spent the holidays with her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Richardson.

The Misses May Taylor and Lillian Hancock have returned to their school duties in Chicago University after the Christmas holidays spent with their families.