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CITY NEWS.

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

Dr. C. G. Robinson of Buxton spent a few days in our city last week.

Mrs. C. Petticrew is still on the sick list at her home, 765 Thirteenth street.

Mrs. J. Gross is very sick at her home on S. E. Twenty-fourth street, No. 7.

Mr. R. N. Hyde was called last week to Pillman, Mo., to attend the funeral of his brother-in-law.

Mrs. Wm. Tomlin was able to return home from the hospital and is doing nicely at this writing.

Mr. George Lyons is very sick at the home of his mother, Mrs. Ousley, S. E. Fifteenth street.

Mrs. B. J. Holmes, formerly of this city but now of St. Paul, was in our city on business Tuesday and Wednesday of this week.

The Maple Street Baptist church held its regular services last Sunday. Rev. S. Bates preached both morning and evening.

Rev. Joe Roman of Boone was home last Sunday and remained until Tuesday evening. He was accompanied by Rev. A. Goodmond of Boone.

Mrs. Joe Roman entertained at dinner Sunday her husband, Miss Alice Brown and mother and Miss Jones of Buxton, and Mrs. S. Bates.

Mr. J. Augustus Reid has matriculated in the Des Moines Baptist College taking a special course there. Mr. Reid is a bright young man.

Mr. James Johnson and daughter, Leatha, arrived in our city Tuesday to make this city their future home. Mrs. Johnson having preceded them. We welcome them here.

The committee on the annual entertainment of North Star Lodge No. 2, which will be given at Cycling Hall Tuesday evening, Nov. 22, have been greatly handicapped in issuing the invitations, but expect to get them all delivered this week.

The Missionary society of Maple Street Baptist church held their monthly meeting at the church last Friday night. Refreshments were served by the committee, Mesdames F. Cox, H. Warden and V. Rodgers. A neat sum was realized.

Wednesday evening the Rev. J. J. Chappelle, pastor of the church at Evans, Ia., preached an able sermon at the Maple Street Baptist church at 8:30 p. m. The reverend is an able minister and we enjoy his coming among us.

The Get Busy club met last Tuesday at the residence of Mr. J. L. Lucas, 683 East Grand. Quite a number of visitors were present. After the transaction of business Mr. Lucas invited the guests into the dining room where the table was filled with good things to eat. Mr. Lucas is a royal entertainer for a batcheler.

Next week Rev. S. N. Vass, D. D., of Raleigh, N. C., will arrive in our city to conduct a Bible Institute for teachers and Bible students at the Corinthian Baptist church from November 24 to December 1. Dr. Vass comes highly recommended. He is superintendent of the work of the American Baptist Publication Society among colored people of the Northern district. We would urge our people to take advantage and attend this school.

Mr. James Miller, a member of the Maple Street Baptist church, died at the Methodist hospital last Saturday morning. The funeral was preached last Tuesday at 3 p. m. by Rev. Samuel Bates; interment in Laurel cemetery. He leaves to mourn his death a mother, two sisters and two brothers, and a host of friends.

Miss Geneva Johnson, president of the Get Busy club, and the members and friends arranged quite a pleasant surprise on the Rev. and Mrs. S. Bates last Wednesday evening. While they were attending services at the church the club went to their home and unlocked the door and loaded the table with groceries and brought a lunch with them. When the reverend and wife returned home they found to their surprise about 30 of their friends who began to sing "Near My God to Thee" as they entered their home. The guest departed at a late hour leaving them to enjoy the many good things they left.

DES MOINES NEGRO LYCEUM.
The Des Moines Negro Lyceum met Tuesday, Nov. 16th with Mr. A. W. Branham at the residence of Mr. Wm. Shackelford on Center street. The evening was spent with S. Colridge Taylor and his biography and musical compositions were fully discussed by the club. The Lyceum will meet Tuesday Nov. 22nd with Miss Bertha Allen

at her home; 1215 Park street. The program for the evening will be as follows:

- Quotations of thanks
- Origin of Thanksgiving, William P. Warrick
- Baritone Solo, H. W. Hughes.
- Discussion as to how we should observe Thanksgiving, by the society.
- Question Box.
- Current Events.
- Report of Critic.

THE CLIMAX.

The Union Congregational church after a long, hard struggle with only a few loyal valiant hard workers the members have at last cancelled, satisfied and paid off the indebtedness of \$3,400.00. So now Union Congregational church without doubt the most beautiful and valuable church in Iowa, owned by our race, the actual value of this property being \$10,500. Tonight a very fine banquet and mortgage burning program is being carried out to tell of the hard work and personal sacrifice of this small membership have made since its organization in 1903, would take several columns. Most of the people of both races in this city know about Union church. The labor of its former pastor coupled with the untiring efforts has brought the almost unexpected in so short a time we know that it usually takes churches about 10 to 20 years to pay out. In this last struggle the Sunday school under the efficient leadership of L. J. Shelton did more than any other auxiliary to the church. They have raised fully \$125. Much credit should be given the Sunday school.

SIoux CITY ITEMS.

Presiding Elder M. I. Gordon left Friday for Yankton, S. D., to hold quarterly meeting.

Mrs. Charlotte Dee went to Yankton, S. D., Saturday to visit over Sunday with relatives.

A literary society has been organized by the members and friends of the A. M. E. church for the benefit of the younger people along the literary line. It has started out with a good membership.

Mr. Smart, who recently came to our city from Missouri, has gone into the poultry business out on Forty-eighth and Jackson streets.

The Philomonic club have taken up its work again and will give a chattering supper at the A. M. E. church on Friday evening, November 18. A short program will be rendered.

The following ones have been elected to office to carry on the work of the literary society of the A. M. E. church namely: Mr. J. Wilbur Norris, president; Mrs. Etta Grant, secretary; Mrs. Anna Roberts, treasurer.

The Stewardesses will give a sacred concert on Sunday evening, November 20.

A surprise party was given on Mr. Herman Goodin in honor of his birthday at Mr. and Mrs. Frank Roberts' on Tuesday, November 15. A large number of young people attended and remembered him with a large number of useful gifts. A nice, two course luncheon was served. The time was spent with music and games.

Miss Stella Miller has returned home after several weeks' visit with her sister, Mrs. Leona Smith.

Mr. D. C. Gordon, who went South some months ago in search of health, writes to his wife and relatives that he is not any better.

PEORIA ILL. NEWS.

At Ward Chapel A. M. E. church Sunday evening, Mr. Charles D. Clark gave a very interesting description of his trip around the world. There was a large congregation present. At the close of his lecture Mr. Clark advised the young men to attend church regularly and cautioned them against the use of liquor.

Juvenile Lodge No. 336, G. U. O. of O. F. gave a concert at Mt. Zion Baptist church Tuesday evening, which was well attended. Program very good.

At election of officers, company G elected Mr. G. T. Jackson Captain and Mrs. R. A. Gibbons 1st Lieutenant of G. T. O. of O. F.

A number of ladies were hostesses at dinner parties in honor of Mrs. Lena Harris of Johnston, Pa., last week.

At the home of Mrs. H. K. Johns on Tuesday besides the guest of honor were Mrs. L. E. Jameson, Mrs. Sheppard, Mrs. Summers and Mrs. G. T. Jackson.

Thursday Mrs. Harris was entertained by Mrs. Sheppard on Second Ave.

Friday Mrs. Summers entertained on North Washington street and Saturday Mrs. G. T. Jackson of Seventh avenue was hostess at a very pleasant dinner party.

Mrs. Harris left Saturday evening for Canton, Mo., to visit Mr. Harris' brother, when she will return to her home in Johnston, Pa.

Mrs. Best of Chicago is stopping with Mrs. G. T. Jackson on Seventh avenue. Mrs. Best is a hair dresser and should do well in Peoria as there is no one here in the business.

The Ladies Art club will give a party at the residence of Mrs. Lina Herzy 220 Melbourne street, Thursday evening.

Thursday is literary day for the Women's Aid club which meets at the home of Mrs. Belle Lewis on Hancock street.

Mrs. Ida Savage of White street who was ill a few days ago is some better. Mrs. Elsie Herry of Seventh avenue is so far recovered from a recent illness as to be able to sit up awhile each day.

ATRIA, IOWA.

Mrs. Manly, our minister's wife is indisposed at this writing.

Miss Mildred Lewis and Mrs. Johnson took dinner at Mrs. Washington's at Hocking Sunday.

Mr. Ellis White is sick for the past week.

A box social will be given at the A. M. E. church in a few weeks.

BUXTON BRIEFS.

Well, the election is over and there seems to be a great deal less noise than before. Some of us got the men we wanted and some did not, but we will not fuss about it. Let each of us try to make the best citizen he possibly can and wait 'till the next time.

Congratulations to Gov. Carroll and Nathan Kendall.

We heard a bell ringing around Perkins hotel that sounded something like wedding bells, and we wondered if Miss Wills heard it also. The sound was not very loud but I think we can hear it better during the Holidays!

Mrs. Bertie Baily and Miss Bertha Strother are still giving us our mail at the postoffice. Don't suppose postmaster Mills could get any better young ladies if he should try.

Bethel Mission, or the second A. M. E. church has a new pastor in the person of Rev. Rivers of Okaloosa.

We hope the reverend will do well and establish a good church in that part of the town.

They will have a rally the 27th.

Robert Ewing who was so badly burned last week by an automobile light is improving wonderfully and will not lose his eyes as was thought at first. He will soon be back at the Y. M. C. A. enjoying himself with the other boys.

McGraw Taylor, a miner was killed in No. 14, mine last week. The funeral was held at Mt. Zion Baptist church, Sunday at 2:30 p. m.

Dr. Carter and attorney Spears were hunting last week and I wish you could have seen the rabbits, quails, etc., they brought back.

Mr. Leonard Gains, one of Buxton's Buxton's fine musicians who was with Ringling Bros. this season, is home for the winter. "Skeeters" as he is called. We are glad to see him back.

Miss Hester Carter, who unfortunately, is nearly always on the sick list, is out and looking quite well. We hope she will soon regain her strength and be herself again.

Miss Mary Perkins the popular young hairdresser, masseur and manicurist is not with London & London any more but may be found at the hotel. If anything in her line call and see her.

Miss Mae Ida Davis left for Alabama Monday to be gone indefinitely. The A. M. E. church will greatly miss her as she was a faithful worker both the church and Christian Endeavor society.

Mrs. W. A. Brown, State President of the Woman's Home and Foreign Mission work was called to Carney, Ia., to organize a mission society at that place.

The Mission Circle of Mt. Zion church met in the home of Mrs. John Taylor last Thursday morning. The meeting was led by pastor Rev. F. B. Woodard whose subject was Prayer. After the discussion and comment the hostess served a real big dinner. The Circle adjourned to meet with Mrs. Calvin Thomas, No. 7 East 44th street next Thursday at 11 o'clock a. m.

At the Christian Endeavor League last Sunday, Miss Georgi Blackburn led in discussion of the subject, "War Against Saloons." Mrs. L. W. Tucker gave a temperance recitation, Mr. L. W. Tucker and Mr. Wm. King gave five minute addresses. Mr. J. R. Newsome will lead the next meeting.

Miss Eiza Bates, one of the public school teachers is on the sick list this week. Mrs. Tucker is supplying.

The hustling editor of the Winstedter has purchased a brand new Winchester shot gun of the "take down" model. Last week he came over to Buxton on business and thought he would take his new gun along and hunt some on his way from Lovilla. Not knowing exactly how to put his gun together, he got it wrong and it would not shoot. He saw a rabbit and snapped his hammer twice but the bunny only sat and looked at him. Mr. Thompson concluded that there was something wrong, but before he could adjust it his game was gone, but he will get the next one because he understands his gun now!

Services were quite well attended both morning and evening at Mount Zion church. Evangelist Potter preached two very splendid sermons. The evening service being his farewell sermon and closing of the revival meeting. The good sisters of the church under the management of Mrs. W. A. Brown gave Rev. Porter a number of useful presents to take to Mrs. Porter and the children.

Rev. Callaway of Keokuk, Iowa, preached for the Tabernacle Baptist congregation last Sunday. There is some talk of the church extending Rev. Callaway a call.

The Sunday School union met at Mt. Zion church at 3:30 Sunday afternoon, at which time a very splendid program was rendered.

Don't ever go hunting without your license, you may have to run.

Mt. Zion church is expecting its new seats soon.

BURLINGTON ITEMS.

Mr. Willis Warden who has been seriously sick, died at her home on South

Hill on Monday evening. Funeral announcement later.

Miss L. Blackburn of Frankfort, Mo., has returned to her home after a very pleasant visit with relatives and friends. Mrs. H. Earle accompanied her home where she will visit until Christmas.

Mrs. Alberta Folks visited in Davenport this week.

Mrs. Wm. Jones was hostess at the Peerless Social circle, Friday. A most delightful time was enjoyed by all. They meet next Friday with Mrs. Vaughn.

Rev. C. Robinson of Sycamore, Ill., has arrived in the city to take charge of the Baptist church.

There are a few delinquents who have not paid for their paper paper. Please stop and pay before the holidays. It was a great pleasure to the Burlington's to read of the progress of their friends who has moved to Sheridan, Wyoming. We wish them success.

MT. PLEASANT NOTES.

Again the death angel has visited our community, and taken away one of our most highly respected and well known citizen, Mr. Alfred Mason on North Cherry street, Mr. Mason was born in Mo., Jan. 1, 1839, and died Nov. 7, 1910. He was married to Miss Angelina Mosley, Nov. 22, 1857.

During the civil war he was a sergeant being honorably discharged (at the close of the war).

In 1865 he moved to Mt. Pleasant, where he resided until his death. He was an upright, christian gentleman and a stone mason by trade. His beloved wife preceded him in death one year, one month and four days. Four children preceded him several years ago. He is survived by seven children, Mrs. D. M. Bowmer and Geo. Mason, of Des Moines; L. J. Mason of Chicago, Ill.; W. T. Mason at Evanston, Ill.; and Misses Agnes and Louise Mason and Mrs. Ione Mason-Hurnbaugh of this city, all of whom were present at his funeral.

Mrs. D. M. Bowmer, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Mason, returned to Des Moines, after attending the funeral of their father, Mr. Alfred Mason.

Mr. L. J. Mason left last week for his home in Chicago, being called here to attend the funeral of his father. Also Mr. W. T. Mason returned to Evanston, Ill., after the funeral of his father, accompanied by Mrs. Simms, Chicago.

Mr. Lincoln Nunnally of Chicago, visited friends and relatives in our city last week.

Word has been received here from Rutledge, Iowa, to the effect that Rev. G. W. Jackson, former pastor of the Second Baptist church here is doing a great work there. Last Sunday he testified one candidate and four others came and joined the Pleasant Green Baptist church, pastored by Rev. G. W. Jackson.

Messrs. Hubert Hutchison and Ed. Buckner were in our city last week.

Mrs. Sarah Trimble is very low at her home on W. Washington street.

Mr. E. Patterson is able to be up again after a short illness.

Mr. Arthur Hurnbaugh spent Sunday in Burlington.

CLINTON APPENINGS.

Rev. S. B. Moore was the guest of his family in Galesburg last week.

Mrs. Holland Williams, who has been quite ill for the last week or ten days is much improved.

Rogers Green returned to his home last week in Chicago, after a pleasant visit with his aunt Mrs. A. A. Bush and family.

The Thanksgiving committees are busy arranging for the annual dinner and concert under the auspices of Bethel A. M. E. church.

Major Culbertson, Jr., of Chicago, Ill., the guest of his father and family, on 11th avenue.

A. A. Bush and son Curtis were in Sabula, Iowa and Savannah, Ills., Tuesday on business.

The friends of Mrs. Emma Scott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Robinson were surprised and pained to hear of her death which took place at a Mt. Zion hospital Thursday afternoon, a short while after being removed there. A short service was held at her home on Maple avenue, Friday afternoon. The remains were taken Saturday morning to Macon, Mo., where they were consigned to their resting place. Besides her family and relatives she leaves a host of friends.

Miss Minnie Sayles had the misfortune to step on a nail, last Thursday. The wound was quite painful, but at last reports it was doing nicely, with hopes of no bad results.

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FINANCE IS HIS STRONG FORTE

President Taft Appoints Well Known Lawyer and Business Man to Succeed the Hon. W. T. Vernon as Register of the United States Treasury. Clean Political Record.

By OLIVER RANDOLPH.

Quite forty years have passed since a coterie of southern colored boys entered Oberlin college and drank of her fountain of learning. It is a peculiar coincidence that two of them should attain the high position of register of the United States treasury.

The first was Blanche K. Bruce of Prince Edward county, Va., who had



REGISTER AND MRS. J. C. NAPIER.

that honor conferred upon him by two presidents. The second is John C. Napier of Nashville, Tenn., who will assume the duties of that office in February, 1911.

One of that small group of Negro students that gathered in Oberlin in the twilight of Negro freedom under the guidance of the learned John Mercer Langston have come some noted men. Bruce became a United States senator, was twice register of the treasury and was also recorder of deeds for the District of Columbia.

Settle went into the law and has attained distinction as a splendid lawyer and brilliant orator.

Napier also took up the legal profession, in which he made good; then he became a financier. He founded and is at present the cashier of one of the strongest banks conducted by Negroes in this country.

When he goes to Washington in February he will be amply prepared to take up the duties that await him. Finance is indeed the strong forte of John C. Napier, and in this new field of labor he will give greater opportunities for the display of his financial skill.

In Tennessee the name of Napier is a passport of business integrity and confidence. His rating in Dun's and Bradstreet's is most creditable, and his success as a financier is attested by his comfortable circumstances and the possession of a goodly portion of "worldly goods."

While his companions were in politics he was in business, and now when his business is in such excellent shape he turns aside to political diversion more as a call of duty than one of necessity.

Mr. Napier is no stranger to Washingtonians. There he studied law in Howard University Law school, where he led one of the accomplished daughters of Hon. John M. Langston to the altar to become his wife.

His political record is clean and above reproach. He has been a favorite with both factions of the Republican party in his state for years. In the campaign leading up to the nomination of candidate for president Mr. Napier was an ardent supporter of Judge Taft, and he contributed much to the success of the Republican ticket.

Mr. Napier is a member of the Jennes fund board, a member of the board of trustees of Howard university, chairman of the executive committee of the National Negro Business league and is also a member of fraternal and religious organizations.

The position of register of the treasury is a most responsible one. The signature of that official must be affixed to the currency of this nation.

The position has been held by three colored men besides Mr. Napier—B. K. Bruce, Judson W. Lyons and William T. Vernon.

Grand Echo Concert at Springfield. The Echo concert which was given at the Union Baptist church, Springfield, Ill., on Monday evening, Oct. 17, under the auspices of the Springfield Woman's club, was a gratifying success.

The literary program bristled in song and story, and the social features were superb. Mrs. J. C. McClain, the president, announced that the election of officers will be held on Monday evening, Oct. 24.

WASHINGTON IOWA NOTES.

F. D. Mot was in Davenport a short time last week visiting his son Howard, who is employed at Hotel Davenport, the fine hospitality of that city.

Robert Armstrong, the trainer, visited his mother and other relatives and friends a few days the fore part of the week. Bob says he goes to England with Sam Langford in a couple of weeks for an indefinite stay and run down home from Chicago to rusticate before his departure.

Rev. Broyles of Rock Island, Ill., was in the city on a soliciting tour the first of the week. While in the city he was a guest at the G. W. Black home.

The young folks pulpit committee of the Y. M. E. church, had a social at the parsonage Thursday night, which proved a success socially and financially. Quite a crowd was present and all had a good time. Oysters in various styles, and coffee and sandwiches were served.

Rev. Phillips visited at home a few days last week, departing Saturday evening for Davenport where he held quarterly meeting Sunday.

Mrs. Isaac Hall arrived Saturday evening and Mr. and Mrs. Hall now have a comfortable little home on South avenue B.

Rev. Williams was called to Rock Island on business Tuesday morning. The Missionary society of the A. M. E. church will give a social Thanksgiving evening, to which all are invited.

Mrs. Percy Garrett is getting ready to depart for Des Moines to make her home in the future.

Mrs. Rev. Phillips expects to leave in a short time for Chicago to take treatments for the throat, which has been troubling her a great deal lately.

Master Samuel Hall is the new junior of the A. M. E. church, Mr. Fred Williams having resigned.

DUBUQUE NOTES.

The box social at the A. M. E. church Tuesday evening, was quite a success, largely attended and seemingly all had an enjoyable time.

Mrs. Kate Rose of West 14th street, is quite ill.

Mr. J. Loran, Mrs. C. E. Evans, are on the sick list but greatly improved.

The Ladies Sewing circle met Thursday with Mrs. J. S. Martin on Main street.

Horn to Mr. and Mrs. John Cohan of Second street, a fine baby girl. Mother and daughter doing fine.

Don't forget Teacher meeting every Friday night at the parsonage. Subscribe for the Bystander, The finest weekly paper of our race in the State.

OTTUMWA NEWS.

Miss Garneo Fowler left Saturday morning for Chicago to remain indefinitely.

Rev. Callaway of Keokuk was the guest of Rev. J. C. Reid, Monday, enroute to Buxton.

Miss Cleo Clark left Saturday morning for Battle Creek, Michigan, to spend the winter.

Rev. R. A. Boyles of Rock Island, Ill., was an Ottumwa visitor, Monday evening.

Dr. W. A. Moore has returned from a business trip at Columbus, Mo.

Rev. Johnson of Mt. Pleasant visited in Ottumwa, Monday.

Mrs. Wm. Horne is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bell in Chicago. Quite a number attended the entertainment given for the Sunday School scholars, Monday evening at the A. M. E. church.

The Indian play was repeated Monday evening at the church for the benefit of the Painting Fund. The church has been painted a beautiful gray and is a great credit to our people.

Mrs. John Rose entertained friends Sunday to an elaborate dinner. Those present were Rev. P. M. Lewis and wife, Miss Maud Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Wells Fowler, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Elliott and sons, Mrs. Essex Horne and Mrs. Edna King and Mr. Hobson.

Dr. O. A. Moore was in Des Moines, Monday, on business.

Messrs. George Woodson and George Rhodes of Buxton spent Saturday in Ottumwa.

What Would You Do?

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DAVENPORT NEWS.

Rev. William Z. Thomas, D. D. of Marion, Ind., the former pastor of the Third Baptist church is in the city. He preached three very excellent sermons Sunday at our grand rally in which we raised \$140.00. The church was well attended at each service. The people of Davenport all enjoyed to hear Rev. Thomas' service and we wish he could only remain. Rev. Thomas is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Green of 1804 North street.

Rev. J. L. F. Buss, E. S. L. of Columbus, Ohio, will take charge of the church as pastor the first Sunday in December.

The choir of this church is rendering

some very choice music and will give a sacred concert next Sunday evening and which the choir deserves an appreciative audience. Mrs. A. D. Sumblin, chorister, and Mrs. C. H. Hart, organist.

Rev. Burton, the State Missionary was with us for two Sundays in which he gave very helpful and valuable service.

Thanksgiving day will be observed. Dinner and supper will be observed at the church.

Mrs. Cassie Harris deserves great credit for the way in which she conducted the Japanese drill last week.