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## CITY NEWS.

Mrs. B. H. Gentry of Chicago is visiting in Des Moines. She is a sister of Mr. D. E. Henderson.

Mr. E. S. Morgan returned from Milwaukee, Wis., where he spent a few days visiting his sons. He had a most enjoyable time.

The stork visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Henderson of 119 West Locust street last Tuesday, leaving a thirteen pound boy. It lived but a few hours.

Mrs. Wm. Geason is very dangerously sick at her home, Twenty-first and Center streets.

Atty. S. Joe Brown left Thursday to speak at an emancipation celebration at St. Joseph, Mo.

Mrs. Ina Byrd of Keokuk is in our city visiting with her brother, Dr. C. M. Wilson, at No. 416 East Sixth street.

Capt. E. T. Banks was put on the city public works. We are glad to see the captain return to the city works again.

Mr. S. S. Suggs of Hiawatha, Kan., is here visiting during the holidays with his sister-in-law, Mrs. G. W. Brown, 1154 West First street.

Mrs. S. C. Phillips of Holly Springs, Miss., arrived in our city several days ago to be with her sister, Mrs. Dr. C. M. Wilson, who is very sick.

The Elk's Order of the I. B. P. O. E. W. tendered a reception this week to L. J. Shelton and gave him a handsome present in token of their affection.

Mrs. L. J. Shelton returned this week from Webster City where she had spent a few days during the holidays visiting Mrs. C. H. Comley.

Mrs. Harriett Lewis of Fayette, Ia., is in our city visiting her sister, Mrs. Martha Basa and other relatives. They are one of the pioneers in Fayette county and highly respected there.

Mrs. John Jackson, 1311 Buchanan street, left this week to spend New Years in Kansas City, Mo., her old home. She will also visit Veneta, Okla., her old homestead where her son Rufus was born.

Mrs. C. M. Wilson, wife of our popular East Side physician, was operated on Monday at the Methodist hospital. It was a very delicate operation. At this writing the patient is resting as well as could be expected.

About twenty friends enjoyed the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. John McClain last Saturday evening at a buffet supper. The hostess was assisted by Mesdames Harrison Gould and James Woods.

WANTED—Light brown skin or mulatto girl to travel—singer, dancer or pianist. Salary and expenses. Answer quick, giving description. E. F. Elliott, Marshalltown, Iowa, Gen. Del.

The Mary Church Terrell club met Monday night, December 29th, with Mrs. J. Davis. Study of the lesson was Spenser's "Fairy Queen," which was led by Mrs. Emerald Mash. The club will meet next week with Miss Marie Belle. Subject, "Life of Robert Wycliff. Leader, Mrs. Arthur Jones.

Mrs. John S. Wilkinson of 223 E. Thirtieth street arrived Wednesday from Winnebago and Minneapolis, Minn., where she had been visiting relatives and friends. She reports having a Merry Christmas and says the weather is fine. No snow has fallen as yet through the north.

Mrs. I. J. Robinson of 1627 Walker street spent Thursday, Xmas day, with her son, Mr. H. H. Stone, of Marshalltown, Iowa. Thursday evening she was entertained at the residence of Mrs. L. H. Johnson, over 11 West Main street, her son's mother-in-law. Friday evening she was entertained by the ladies of the Eastern Star chapter at the residence of Mrs. Walters, 415 Union street. Covers were laid for fourteen about 10:30 p. m. Mrs. Robinson arrived home Sunday, reporting an enjoyable time.

One of the most brilliant affairs of the season was the reception and dancing party given on last Friday evening at the Elks hall by Mr. and Mrs. James H. Woods. The host and hostess were assisted in receiving the 100 guests by Mrs. Harrison Gould, Mrs. Fred Jackson, Mrs. Will Jones, Mrs. Louis Shelton, Mrs. Arthur Winn, Mrs. Lewis Strawther and Mrs. C. A. Williams. At the close of the reception hour dancing and cards were the diversions. The cards for the program of dances were in red and white and bore the letter "W." Thyons' orchestra played throughout the evening. At 11 o'clock a grand march was led by Mr. and Mrs. Woods. Frappe was served within a beautiful border of Christmas colors by Masters Norman and Alden Blagburn. Ferns, palms and the red blossoms of the poinsettia were effectively com-

lined in the decorations. Among the out of town guests were Miss Francis Fields of St. Joseph, Mrs. Lewis, Miss Maude Lewis and Miss Leatha Johnson of Keokuk.

Miss Mayrie I. Bell entertained at a four-course breakfast Sunday as a courtesy to Miss Leatha Johnson of Keokuk, Iowa, who is the guest of Miss Lucile Morrison. Covers were laid for eight.

A very beautiful reception was given by Mrs. W. T. Buckner at her beautiful home last Monday evening in honor of Miss Leatha Johnson of Keokuk and Miss Maud Lewis of Lima, Ia. The rooms were decorated in holiday colors and a very enjoyable evening was had by all present.

Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Jones gave a grand Xmas dinner for the old people of the city. Elaborate preparations were made to make the dinner a very enjoyable occasion for the guests. Mrs. Rush gathered up the old people. Mrs. G. W. Stanton and Mrs. Nellie Davis assisted in the serving. The guests talked over old times and had a real jolly time. They will never forget the kindness of Mr. and Mrs. Jones.

### NOTICE TO PROGRESSIVES.

There will be a meeting of the Polk County Progressive League at the Randolph hotel Friday evening, January 2nd, at 8 o'clock, to complete arrangements for the Progressive Local Course and to discuss local arrangements for the state-wide progressive conference on January 8th and 9th.

All progressives of the county, men and women, whether members of the league or not, will be welcome. Casper Schenk, President of Polk County Progressive League.

### INTER-STATE LITERARY SOCIETY.

Iowa Won Three Prizes and Secured Two Offices.

The annual meeting of the Interstate Literary society just closed its session in Atchison, Kans., Wednesday night was well attended and Iowa won first prize in declamatory contest, Miss Edith Straughter of this city; second prize in oratory, Miss Gertrude Hyde of this city, and second prize in music, Miss Sarah Johnson of Des Moines. Mr. Harrison Gould was called on the executive committee to succeed Jesse Graves and Mrs. Edith Straughter was elected second vice president. The following are the Iowa delegates from Des Moines: Jesse Graves, Elbert Hall, Harrison Gould, Edith Straughter, Mamie James, Judith Cook, Sarah Johnson and Gertrude Hyde, D. Mae Lee of Buxton, Mrs. W. H. Johnson and daughter, Mabel, of Gravity, and Mrs. Adia Flummer of Indianola.

### DAVENPORT NOTES.

#### Card of Thanks

To all the colored friends who were so kindly disposed to us in our sad bereavement, and especially to those who visited and spoke cheering words and opened their hearts in prayer. We thank Rev. T. B. Stovall for his kindly spoken words. We thank them one and all.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Sheppard grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Sheppard and family, rear 514 Division street, Davenport, Ia.

### THE CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEE MAKES MANY CHILDREN HAPPY XMAS.

The Trip Around the World, given by Mrs. J. B. Rush, Iowa's representative on the Child Welfare Committee of the Woman's Auxiliary N. B. Convention, Friday evening, December 19, at Corinthian Baptist church proved a grand success. All of the addresses were carefully prepared and very instructive. The musical numbers and readings were the best written. Mrs. J. B. Rush and her committee were very much pleased with the assistance given them in trying to care for the needy children of the city. About 200 tickets were sold for the Trip Around the World and large donations were given. Over \$150 in clothing, quilts, blankets and provisions was collected and distributed to make seventy children happy Xmas. Mesdames C. C. Johnson, Starks, G. W. Stanton, Bertha Long, Rhone, Richard Johnson, Atty. J. B. Rush and Mr. Camble assisted in distributing the dinners and clothing. Mesdames Goggins, Simmons, Carr, Rhone, H. R. Graves, N. C. Marshall, Bertha Terry, Miss Wilkerson, Mrs. Geo. Law, Mrs. Garth and Mrs. Topson, together with the other committee, gave valuable service in making the Trip Around the World a success. NEGRO MASONS HONOR ST. JOHN. The anniversary of the birthday of St. John the Evangelist was observed by the Negro Masons of Des Moines this year as it never had been before. On Saturday evening, December 27, about fifty members of the crafts, including entered apprentices, fellow cluding, master Masons, past masters, grand officers and past grand officers, were entertained by the members of Dorrie lodge in a social session at their hall over 318 East Fifth street, at which addresses were made by Past Grand Master E. T. Banks, Grand Master J. L. Thompson, Worshipful Masters C. F. Topson and J. B. Rush; Dr. A. J. Booker, a master

Mason, and Rev. Bruce U. Taylor, a fellow craft after which a buffet luncheon was served by a committee from the hostess lodge.

On Saturday, the 28th, a religious service, participated in by members of all branches of Masonry, including the two chapters of the Order of the Eastern Star and the Court of the Heroines of Jericho, was held at the Corinthian Baptist church, under the auspices of North Star lodge. There were nearly a hundred master Masons present and after a splendid program of music by the juvenile choir under the direction of Mrs. F. G. Goggins, an address by the grand master and a solo by Mrs. Frank P. Johnson, Rev. T. L. Griffith, a fellow craft, delivered one of the most eloquent and soul-stirring Masonic sermons ever heard in Des Moines, after which a contribution of nearly twenty dollars was raised for the benefit of the church and a neat purse given to the pastor.

### ALBIA NEWS.

Mrs. E. Jeffers of Des Moines is visiting her family and friends in Albia this week.

Mrs. Stevenson of Buxton spent Christmas in Albia.

Rev. R. B. Manly, Mrs. Manly, Miss Azzoe Bowman and Mr. Earl Bowman took Xmas dinner with Headpeath's in Hocking.

The sister and mother of Mrs. Hall from Missouri are visiting in Albia.

The A. M. E. Sunday school held their annual Christmas entertainment on Wednesday evening.

Those who entertained at Christmas dinners were Mrs. H. Bennings, Mrs. Mary Harris, Mrs. Richy and Mrs. Washington served Christmas supper.

Mr. Moler, the African lecturer of Oskaloosa, spoke in Albia on Christmas evening.

On Sunday Mrs. Geo. Hollingworth entertained in honor of Mrs. E. Jeffrey of Des Moines.

### OTTUMWA, IOWA.

Mrs. Webb, wife of the pastor of Mt. Zion A. M. E. church, Rev. A. N. Webb, was a visitor in this city, the guest of Mrs. Oscar Williams, on Panama street.

The snow house and concert at the A. M. E. church Christmas eve was very nice and the children had a time long to be remembered.

Mrs. Adia Elliott gave a surprise birthday party for Master Kenneth Carr at her home in Fairview. The children enjoyed themselves immensely playing games of various kinds. The hostess served an elaborate three-course lunch.

Christmas night the Second Baptist church gave their Sunday school concert and tree, which was well attended and all the children were greatly pleased.

Mrs. Ida Stevenson of Chicago is spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. M. Taylor.

Mrs. Regina Clark of Omaha is the guest of her mother-in-law, Mrs. Mate Clark.

Mr. Thompson had a family reunion Christmas day. Those present were E. Thompson and wife of Peoria, Ill., C. Thompson and wife and little daughter, Clinton, Mrs. Mattie Thompson of Clinton, Mrs. N. Fine of Clinton, Miss Minnie, Anna and Bud and wife of Ottumwa, Mr. and Mrs. Thompson are good religious people and are members of the A. M. E. church. We wish them many more happy Christmases with their family.

Mrs. Jessie Renfro is visiting in Des Moines this week.

Miss Ida Davis is visiting in Des Moines during the holidays.

Mr. Harry Horn and wife of Cedar Rapids and Elbridge Horn of Cedar Rapids are visiting their mother, Mrs. Henrietta Horn, on Center avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen of Chillicothe, Mo., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. S. Mitchell.

Rev. T. Carr preached two interesting and soul-stirring sermons Sunday and each service was well attended.

The choir of the A. M. E. church gave a musical Sunday evening. Great praise is due the choir and leader, Mrs. Carrie Smith, for such a treat. All were well pleased. The solo by J. Weeks needs special mention, as it touched the hearts of the hearers and brought tears to many eyes. We will eagerly look forward for another.

The Mite Missionary society will meet at 4 o'clock at the A. M. E. church Sunday afternoon. A special program has been arranged and an address by a noted speaker.

Charles Owens gave a family dinner Christmas day. He soon will reach the 80th milestone and is still active. May he see many more happy Christmases.

### HITEMAN NOTES.

(Special to Bystander.)

Mrs. Lucy Lee Ferguson of New York is spending a few weeks with her father, H. T. Randolph.

Mrs. Sophia Strider of Columbus, Ohio, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Mary Mosley.

A splendid program was rendered at the Rising Mt. Zion Baptist church on Christmas eve, conducted by Miss Carrie Randolph. It was highly applauded and the solo rendered by Mrs. Mary Mosley and also that of Mrs. C. W. Cothron were highly appreciated.

Miss Bettie Burkley, who is teaching school at Anderson, Iowa, was visiting relatives and friends during the Xmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Cothron entertained Mr. H. T. Randolph and family and Mr. Cornelius Miller of Albia to a four-course dinner Sunday in honor of Mrs. Lucy Lee Ferguson of New York.

Miss Cornelia Smith, a teacher in the Hawkeye school, was visiting friends here during the first of the week.

Mrs. Rhoda Nightingale and Mrs. Emma Cadle are visiting relatives in Canton, Ill.

Mr. H. T. Randolph was pleasantly surprised by twenty-two of his friends on Saturday night, the occasion being his sixty-sixth birthday. He received many handsome and useful presents.

### MACON NEWS.

The log cabin which was at the Baptist church on Christmas eve was greatly enjoyed by the children.

The musical concert which was rendered at the church by Prof. E. W. Perkins was a success.

The B. Y. P. U. gave an excellent concert Monday night at the V. and B. church, under the auspices of Miss Margaret Oliver.

The Xmas tree which was enjoyed at the A. M. E. church was beautifully decorated.

Hazel Brummall and Lyda Pitts spent a few days in Macon.

Several of the Macon girls attended the dance in Brookfield on Xmas night.

Mrs. Mary Scott of Chicago, Ill., is the guest of Mrs. Mary Angel.

Mrs. Allie Campbell and Mrs. Beatrice Sanders of Omaha, Neb., are the guests of their father.

Mrs. Sarah Engram of Helena, Montana, is visiting relatives in this city.

Miss Blanche Brooks spent Xmas holiday with her mother.

Mrs. Vicora Braddley entertained at a 6 o'clock dinner Friday.

The Mission Circle met at the residence of Mrs. John Garner on Friday.

A delicious two-course lunch was served and all enjoyed themselves exceedingly well.

Misses Mary and Bertha Wallace and Aline Thompson spent Sunday night in Macon.

The Garnor brothers, Raymond Houston and Darlington spent Xmas night in Moberly.

Several Macon knights attended the dance in Clarence on Friday night.

Mr. Rollie Harris of Brookfield spent Sunday in Macon.

The bean supper which was rendered by the old soldiers on New Year's night was a success.

Mr. Don Cranshaw has returned to resume his studies in W. C.

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The sacred concert which was rendered by the evening choir Sunday night was deemed excellent.

Miss Ida Garnett, the teacher of the public school in Quincy, spent the holiday with her parents.

The Georgia Jubilee Co. passed through Macon on Sunday en route for Callo, Mo., where they are preparing to render a musical entertainment Monday night.

Breakfast was served at the V. and B. church New Year's morning. A number of people ate breakfast with the Willing Workers.

Misses Alberta and Hattie Hoy spent a few days in Chillicothe visiting friends.

Miss Bertha Harris of Ottawa, Iowa, is visiting relatives in this city.

Mrs. Essie Kellie of Hannibal, Mo., is the guest of her mother.

Mrs. Alice H. Crews and baby will spend the week end visiting in Columbia, Mo.

### MOLINE, ILL., NEWS.

Miss Clara Tarver is spending the holidays in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander of St. Paul are in the city visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Curtis of Chicago are in the city and will spend the winter at the L. B. Tarver residence.

Mr. Henry Wood is spending the holidays with his daughter, Mrs. Frank Rodgers of Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Bellfield Nusence of Bloomfield are visiting at the Clarence Epps residence on Thirty-first street.

Mr. Will Ingram spent Xmas in Peoria and Galesburg.

The Misses Allie May and Virgie Hunter have returned to their home in Macon, Mo., after an extended visit with their auntie, Mrs. Eugene Bradshaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bradley spent Xmas with Mr. and Mrs. Cooper of Clinton.

Mrs. John L. Jones was called suddenly to Chicago to the bedside of her daughter, Mrs. Robert Pollard,

who is seriously ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Tarver and Mr. Lawrence Tarver are on the sick list.

The Aid society are arranging for a social and concert to be held January 22d at the A. M. E. church. A play, "The Two Sisters," will be rendered by a well selected cast.

Mr. Milton Ritchie and daughters, Mrs. Marion Scott and Mrs. Henry Robinson, were called to Peoria on account of the serious illness of Mr. Henry Ritchie.

Mr. Ben Walkup is on the sick list.

### ST. JOSEPH, MO., NOTES.

Mr. B. D. Rutledge, an employe of the Burlington Route, spent the holidays in Chicago with relatives and friends.

Dr. F. N. Goodson spent Xmas day with his parents at Carrollton.

Rev. J. H. Brooks has been suffering from an attack of the la grippe for the past week, but is convalescent.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Carriger of 711 Albermarle street had a few of their friends as their dinner guests Xmas afternoon. The dining room was nicely decorated and lighted candles added beauty to the decorations.

The members of the Whatsoever club received their friends at the home of Prof. and Mrs. Perkins, 705 Pendleton street, on New Year's day and a large number of their friends called during the reception hours and a dainty luncheon was served.

The pupils of Mrs. Stella May Hill gave a recital at the Francis Street Baptist church last Friday night. The attendance was very large. As stated before by the Bystander representative, Mrs. Hill is the best pianist in this city also a good instructor, as all her pupils show improvement at the recitals. She also has a number of white pupils. We are glad that our people are beginning to give a large patronage to classic entertainments.

By perusing the program of the Interstate Literary society, which was in session at Atchison, Kans., this week, we find the names of the following persons from this city on the program: Prof. B. T. Perkins, J. H. Simms, W. H. Jones, J. H. Coleman, Mrs. Ida Walker, Dr. J. R. A. Crossland, Raymond Robinson, the Misses Blanche DeBoe, Hallie Claybourne and J. Redmon.

A Christmas cantata, "The Manger Throne," by Manney, was rendered by the choir of the Francis Street Baptist church last Sunday night, under the direction of Miss Verta Cochran.

The soprano solo by Mrs. Ada Duncan and the duet by Miss L. Moore and Mr. W. A. Brown, Jr., were rendered in a very acceptable manner and they were the recipients of many compliments. Had the choir more members the choruses would have been more effective.

Dr. Wm. Lawrie and little son of Columbia, Mo., who spent most of the holidays with relatives and friends in this city, have returned home.

Miss Annie Lewis of 820 South Seventeenth street entertained a few of her friends at dinner last Sunday evening in honor of Miss Childs, who is one of the holiday visitors. Miss Lewis being a waitress, it is unnecessary for us to attempt to say what good things to eat.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Carpenter of 501 South Eighteenth street gave a party for their son last Friday night and a number of his young friends were present to enjoy the evening.

One of the pretty informal parties that was given during the Yuletide season was the one given by Miss Mayme Hundley at her home, 604 South Seventeenth street, last Monday night in honor of her guest, Miss Childs, of Carrollton. Whist and dancing were enjoyed until after 11:30, when a four-course luncheon was served by Mrs. Hundley, assisted by the Mesdames J. H. Coleman and P. Garnett.

Dr. Louis, a dentist, who has been practicing in Coffeyville, Kans., for several years, has decided to locate in our city and will soon have his office open for the reception of patients. He is a graduate of Meharry and with several years of practical experience is no doubt prepared to render good service.

Miss Cora Childs of Carrollton, who has been the guest of Miss Mayme Hundley the past week, will return home Saturday. She was the recipient of a number of social functions during her visit.

Miss Bessie Lee, who is now a student at the Perry sanitarium in Kansas City, was among the visitors in our city this week.

The students who are attending the different colleges and universities and have been spending the vacation at their homes, will leave tomorrow and Sunday to resume their studies.

A NICE WEDDING AT ANAMOS. (Special to Bystander.)

A wedding was solemnized at high noon Christmas day at Anamosa, Iowa, that will be of interest to people of Des Moines and Colfax, when Mae Virden was united in marriage to Harry L. Lewis of Fort Dodge, Rev. J. Jasper Jones officiating.

Only the family and most intimate friends were present. The happy couple left on the 7:04 train for Fort Dodge, where the groom has a position with the cooperative factory. At home after January 1, 1914, at 445 Tenth avenue south, Fort Dodge.

ROCK ISLAND, ILL.

Rev. J. W. Whitfield preached an able sermon at 11 a. m. to the Sunday school. He discussed, "Why We Celebrate Xmas." The majority of

the Sunday school remained to hear the sermon, which was a soul-stirring one.

The Standard Literary society of the McKinley Baptist church will be rejuvenated after four weeks' rest. The literary was stopped on account of revivals which have been in progress. The first meeting will be held January 6, 1914. The principal business will be the election of officers.

Rumor has it that Mrs. John Blackwell is to take her departure for Chicago, where her husband, Mr. Blackwell, has opened an undertaking establishment. Mrs. Blackwell is the organist for the choir at McKinley Chapel. The church as well as the community, will feel the loss of Mrs. Blackwell.

Mr. Freddie Slaughter is home spending his vacation with his parents.

Miss Elizabeth Bell returned to her home in Iowa City last Sunday.

Mrs. R. D. Pollard and granddaughter returned home last week.

Mr. Baine of Muscatine is visiting a few days with his auntie, Mrs. George Pearson.

Mr. James Ligons visited a few days in Chicago last week.

The Ladies' Federation Club of Arts held its memorial last Sunday afternoon at Wayman chapel in honor of the president, Mrs. Lewis. Quite a number turned out from the Moline clubs.

### ST. PAUL BUDGETARIAN.

A Happy New Year to all.

Appropriate exercises were held at the Baptist, Presbyterian and St. James A. M. E. churches on Christmas night by the Sunday schools. A large crowd attended each church. At the Baptist church an original drama was presented by the young boys and girls.

The choir of St. James church rendered the beautiful cantata, entitled "The Messiah's Advent," Sunday evening.

Mr. Samuel Lewis passed away Sunday evening, after a prolonged illness at his home on Western avenue. His funeral was held Wednesday afternoon from St. James church, under the auspices of Douglass lodge, G. U. O. F. He leaves to mourn his loss a loving wife, one daughter and one son, besides a host of friends.

Miss Alberta Bell is spending the holidays in St. Louis, the guest of her uncle and aunt, Dr. and Mrs. W. S. Brooks.

Mrs. W. B. Tandy of Rondo is visiting her old home in Kentucky. She will be gone about a month.

Misses Eunice Hoag and Opal Wade have issued invitations for a holiday party Friday, January 2, from 5 to 8 p. m. at 590 Charles street.

Mr. G. C. Terry of Sherburne avenue is convalescent, after a severe spell of sickness.

Mesdames Anna Hughes and Blanche Charleston are both confined to the hospital at this writing. We wish for them a speedy recovery.

The ball given by the Shriners on Monday evening, December 29th, was a swell affair. Everybody was out in their best frocks and frills and a delightful time was enjoyed by the very large crowd present.

Mrs. Mary Hatcher is expected home this week from an extended visit in her old Kentucky home. She will be welcomed home by her many friends.

Miss Alice Vassar, one of our popular young ladies, was very quietly married to Mr. J. Sutton of Canada on the 22nd of December at the home of the bride on Rondo street.

The Excelsior club will keep open house at St. James church New Year's day from 2 to 8 p. m.

The famous H. Y. W. K. club, or better known as the Hikers, certainly put on a stunt when they entertained their friends at a progressive dinner Friday evening, December 26th. The dinner was served in courses, starting at the residence of Mrs. Taylor on St. Albans street, thence to Mrs. Duckets, on to Mrs. T. H. Lyles, from there they sped across the street to Mrs. Quarles, and on to Mesdames Crawford's and Blackie's, ending up at the home of Mrs. L. Lawrence. Everybody enjoyed the dinner as well as the hike. The club feels proud of their success and will serve lunch at the meeting of the trustees election at St. James church Tuesday evening, January 6th.

Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Parker enjoyed a pleasant outing Christmas day at Anoka, the guests of the Arnold family.

Mrs. B. J. Edwards and little daughter, Benneta, are spending the holidays in Chicago.

The beautiful drama, "Hick's Farm," will be presented soon, under the management of Mrs. Mattie R. Hicks and a strong cast of characters. Proceeds for the benefit of the Benevolent association.

CLARINDA, IOWA.

Misses Arnett, Johnson and Moss, also Messrs. Cook, Gipson and Griggs, attended a banquet at Creston given in honor of Richard Pringle's minstrel troupe.

Mr. Thomas Dunn has been ill, also Mrs. Dunn with an abscess on foot.

Mr. Charlie Oldham has been suffering with rheumatism.

ed Mrs. Lizzie Washington in Corn- ing, Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Jones, Jr., took Xmas dinner with their mother, Mrs. T. G. Jones, Sr.

Watch meeting will be observed at both churches.

A winter picnic was given by Mrs. Cook, in which free dinner was given to every colored child and all greatly enjoyed the treat.

Miss Susie Lee of Des Moines is visiting her mother, Mrs. T. Lee.

The K. P. annual banquet was held at the Armory on December 24th. Covers were laid for eighty-five. Installation of officers for the ensuing year was conducted by State Grand Chancellor L. W. Williams. Then the grand march, after which a lengthy program was given.

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