

Hon. Hugo Grosser.

Of Chicago, will deliver a speech in German at Petersburg, Saturday evening, November 4th.

Only seventy years have elapsed since the first railway in the world was finished. During that comparatively brief period four hundred thousand miles have been constructed.

Oliver Wendell Holmes says: "Science is a first-rate piece of furniture for a man's upper chamber if he has common sense on the ground floor."

General Lawton, who has been described in a newspaper biography as one "to drink any man under the table," tells a correspondent in Manila that he never drank a drop of liquor.

General John Bidwell, of Chico, Cal., who led the first party of whites over the Sierras into the golden state, is still hale and hearty at the age of 80. He was born at Chautauque, N. Y., Aug. 5, 1819.

The assignment of Rear Admiral Sampson to the Boston navy yard will net him a total of \$7,796 per annum, counting shore duty pay and allowances. Admiral Schley at sea, without perquisites, will receive \$7,500.

Miss Anastasia Miller, of Versailles Ky., a student at Wellesley, left the class the other day because she found herself seated beside a fellow student who is colored. It is supposed that she will have to surrender or leave.

"From the Gracie to the Grave." St. Louis Post-Dispatch: Even the matrons of the Dutch republics are drilling to fight Great Britain. From spanking Dutch babies to slaughtering British soldiers is quite a change for even the sturdy Boer women.

Incredibly credulous must be the individual who really believes that Mark Hanna's party will ever do anything contrary to the wishes of the true Hanna himself. He is making speeches in Ohio, in which he denies that he has any trusts at all. He admits, however, that he has a few big corporations. Just so! A few corporations, but when the few are big enough to control the politics of the republican party, and fix the price of nearly every necessary of life, what difference does it make what they are called?

Bryan Reads Boer Hymn. In his speech at Weeping Water, Nebraska, Bryan made a great point with the audience by reading the Boer national hymn. When he asked his hearers to compare its lofty patriotism with "God Save the Queen," the applause was generous and long continued. There are millions of people of German blood in this country, whose sympathies are undoubtedly on the side of the sturdy burghers of the Transvaal.

Principles Voiced by Abraham Lincoln. "No man is good enough to govern another man without the other man's consent. When the white man governs himself, that is self-government; but when he governs another man, that is more than self-government; that is despotism. Our reliance is in the love of liberty which God has planted in us; our defense is in the spirit which prizes liberty as the heritage of all men, in all lands, everywhere. Those who deny freedom to others deserve it not for themselves, and under a just God, cannot retain it."

The Dubuque Telegraph points out the difference between England's war in the Transvaal and our war with Spain in the following trenchant manner: "The United States had the moral right to use force in behalf of the Cubans. What the United States is not entitled to do is to use force against the Germans of Ohio as a power and thoughtful class, and it is no surprise to me to hear that they are in antagonism to a policy which is also in antagonism to the rights of the Transvaal. There is an analogy between what England is doing in the Transvaal and what the Americans are doing in the Philippines, but there is none between the Transvaal war and the American war against Spain."

John Sherman, the veteran republican statesman, when told in Washington a few days ago that the Germans of Ohio were in revolt against the administration's foreign policy, said: "I am glad to hear it. I have great faith in the people. As you say, the Germans of Ohio are a powerful and thoughtful class, and it is no surprise to me to hear that they are in antagonism to a policy which is also in antagonism to the rights of the Transvaal. There is an analogy between what England is doing in the Transvaal and what the Americans are doing in the Philippines, but there is none between the Transvaal war and the American war against Spain."

Pearson's Magazine gives an interesting statement from Mr. Andrew Carnegie as to how to make money. This iron king who began his life in poverty, and is now worth many millions, says: "In my opinion, the secret of money-making depends chiefly on three things: 'Squariness,' clear-headedness, economy, and rigid adherence to the rule of not overtrading. The much work is worse than no work at all. It undermines the constitution, and unifies a man, mentally and physically, for the battle of life. Ten hours a day of steady work is as much as any man no matter how robust, ought to attempt. In addition to these things, avoid being too grasping; but make every penny profit by sure means than attempt to make a larger one by uncertain and risky measures. But what a man owns should be subordinate to what he knows. In the final aristocracy, however, the question will not be either of these, but what he has done for his fellows? Where has he shown generosity or self-abnegation? When has he been a father to the fatherless? Where has he searched them out? Under what form has he wrought? God will not be asked in that day, but how he has served man."

We are not a land grabbing nation, and our sympathies and moral support should be on the side of the liberty loving burghers of South Africa, who are defending their homes against a tyrant that never kept faith with a weaker people.

The following passage from the "Hoplite" reminds us of the conduct of our modern Rockefeller, Carnegies and other plutocrats of their class: "To give alms with what belongs to others I do not consider high wisdom; you will see constantly the greatest usurers there are, build the most beautiful and sumptuous chapels that can be seen, wishing to appease God for hundred thousand ducats worth of robbery by ten thousand ducats worth of alms, as if God did not know how to count."

Dr. A. H. Swinburne, the democratic candidate for coroner, is a native of Iowa, having been born at Delhi, Delaware county, November 6, 1836, the ninth of a family of ten children. His father, John, and mother, Sarah Swinburne were of the old English stock. They migrated to this country in 1852 and settled in this state where the father died in 1885, the mother being still living. At the age of fifteen the subject of this sketch entered the printing office of his brother, J. B. Swinburne, as an apprentice, having finished the common school course of his native town. He remained in the office with his brother for three years.

The Sunshine club held a very pleasant meeting with Mr. and Mrs. A. Philipp on Friday evening last. Miss Beecher entertains them this Wednesday evening.

Miss Bessie J. Anderson entertained a very interesting whist club at its initial meeting last Friday evening. The club starts out under very favorable circumstances and promises to be one of the most enjoyable features of the coming winter, if Miss Anderson's delightful entertainment prove a faithful presage.

Last Friday Mrs. John U. Schilling received a dispatch announcing the death on that day of her mother, Mrs. Henrietta Rudolph, at Canton, S. D. Mrs. Rudolph was one of the pioneers of this county, and will be kindly remembered by many of the first settlers of Richland, Collins Grove and Delaware townships.

A very simple way to prepare your ballot for voting is to place a cross, X, in the square opposite the name of each candidate for whom you desire to vote, or, if you desire to vote for all the candidates upon any one ticket, place a cross in the circle at the head of that ticket. A specimen ballot for state congressional, judicial and candidates for county offices to be voted for at the next election will be found in this paper. Cut it out and use it as a sample to prepare the ticket you wish to vote. If you have any doubt as to the manner of preparing your ballot for voting, make inquiries and ascertain how to do it before election day.

Last Sunday evening occurred the marriage of James R. Toogood, of this city, and Carrie E. Patterson, of Wolcott, N. Y. This news will undoubtedly be a surprise to the groom's friends here, as the wedding ceremony was performed by Rev. H. W. Tuttle in the presence of a few relatives at the home of the groom's cousin, Mrs. E. B. Stiles. The newly wedded couple departed Monday for Wolcott, N. Y., for a visit at the bride's home after which they will return and make their home in this city. The bride is a niece of Wilson Acres of this city and has made many friends during her several visits here. Mr. and Mrs. Toogood have the congratulations and best wishes of Manchester people. On their return they will occupy the second floor of the Toogood building on Franklin street.

Y. M. C. A. Notes. The Y. M. C. A. has arranged the following gymnastic classes for the fall and winter work: Monday—Business men 5 to 6 p. m. Seniors 8 to 9:30 p. m. Tuesday—Juniors 4 to 5:30 p. m. Basket ball practice 8 p. m. Wednesday—Afternoon given up to ladies. Young ladies 3 p. m. Girls 4:30 p. m. Senior class 8 to 9 p. m. Thursday—Juniors 4 to 5:30 p. m. Evening prayer meeting. Friday—Business men 5 to 6 p. m. Seniors 8 to 9:30 p. m. Saturday—Juniors 9 to 11 a. m.

Railroad from Coleburg to Dyersville Assured. A railroad from Coleburg to Dyersville is almost an assured fact. Arrangements have been perfected for raising the funds needed for the enterprise, and it is said work will be commenced at once. Cole and Lee roads were served after which Miss Kate Shilmin, one of the pioneer class, who had been chosen as speech maker, gave a lengthy eulogy and at its close, in fitting terms, presented to Mrs. Wheeler, in behalf of the general class, a cut glass bouquet holder containing twenty-eight beautiful roses, the number corresponding to the number of seals on her diploma.

Mrs. Wheeler responded in her own characteristic way, which is so familiar to all those who have been intimately associated with her, in this grand work. This company not only shows the kindly regard that Chautauquans have personally for one, who, for many years has remained an enthusiastic C. I. S. C. student; but also evinces the interest felt in the cause itself, that Mrs. Wheeler and her zealous co-workers have so earnestly endeavored to promote. This gathering not only honors one, who in severing her connection with the class carries with her many kindly wishes and also the comforting assurance that the work is left in very efficient hands, in the person of Mrs. F. Cary, her successor in office, and that it will continue to thrive and remain a power for good; and aside from this, such a meeting is a farther incentive to the work itself. Long live Chautauque!

Denies the Allegation. St. Louis, Oct. 30.—Colonel Nicholas M. Bell, ex-superintendent of the foreign mail service, has returned from Washington. He said: "The story that I had returned to the office of the national Democratic committee tendered to Adm. Schley the nomination for the office of vice president of the United States, is pure fabrication. The committee certainly has no such authority, individually or collectively. The convention will attend to that."

Killed by an Officer. Bloomington, Ills., Oct. 30.—William Bateman is dead from a bullet wound. The shot was fired about midnight by Officer Hoffman of the Bloomington police. Bateman threw his wife and little children out of their home into a driving rainstorm. Officers Stillman and Hoffman went to Bateman's house to arrest him. Bateman opened the door, fell stillman with a chunk of coal, striking him on the forehead and fracturing his skull. Another chunk

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LADYSMITH SHELLED.

FOR HAWKEYE FOLKS

STATE ITEMS WHICH WILL BE OF GENERAL INTEREST.

Council Bluffs, Ia., Oct. 28.—At Loveland station, near here, a horseflesh held up two officers, shot one of them, forced the other to drive him away in the officers' vehicle, and later was seen driving furiously through the country districts with the body of the officer who had abducted lying in the bottom of the wagon.

Constable Hardin and Deputy Sheriff Joe Morgan went to the name of the horseflesh to arrest him. The man said he would go, but suddenly he pointed two revolvers at the officers and ordered them to throw up their hands and turn their backs. They did so, and he deliberately shot the constable through the back. Then he drove away. He was shot and captured late in the evening at Council Bluffs, and proved to be A. J. Grett, an old-time desperado, well known through the west. He attempted to double cross the constable by escaping. He drove the captured horse until it dropped, having bound and gagged the deputy he had kidnapped. In the meantime here he deserted the stolen vehicle and forced a farmer to drive him down through the city, actually passing the local police station on Broadway. Officers passing saw the outfit, and the actions of the two caused them to be halted. Instantly the robber sprang from the wagon and fled. He was shot and captured. The two officers on the sidewalk returned the fire, and the robber fell, shot twice. He then surrendered.

MABEL SCOFIELD'S DEATH. Mystery That Continues to Keep the Des Moines Police Busy.

Des Moines, Ia., Oct. 30.—There is little doubt that Mabel Schofield, whose body was found in the Iowa river last Sunday, was murdered. Mrs. R. N. Dean, Second and Ridge streets, says that at 5 o'clock Sunday morning she was in her kitchen. She heard a noise and opened the door. In the buggy were two men and between them a woman, slipping from the seat. She saw the woman's face and heard her head thrown back as if limp. The men were arguing which way to go. One wanted to go north, the other east. She saw the woman's face and heard her head thrown back as if limp. The men were arguing which way to go. One wanted to go north, the other east. She saw the woman's face and heard her head thrown back as if limp. The men were arguing which way to go. One wanted to go north, the other east.

Harry Foreman and Jesse Fritz, young men who were out last Saturday night, were arrested by police headquarters with the purpose of drawing out of them the facts of their supposed medical treatment of the murder of Mabel Schofield. They were able to give a straight account of themselves and were released. The police are still unable to give any explanation of the presence of two men and an apparently lifeless woman at 4:45 Sunday morning in a carriage near the post office. The body was found that afternoon.

DEVOTED MOTHER'S DEED. She Tried to Suck Battered Child, Poison from Her Child's Flesh.

Sioux Falls, Ia., Oct. 27.—The 5-year-old daughter of B. D. Olson, of Chicago, with her mother was visiting in the city of Sioux Falls. The child was feeding a dog in the yard when she was twice bitten by a rattlesnake. She was immediately taken to White Lake to receive medical treatment. But although the frantic mother attempted to suck the poison from the wounds the doctors were unable to do so.

May Give Army Feeding Plant. Des Moines, Ia., Oct. 27.—A mass meeting of business interests of Des Moines has been called for the evening of Oct. 31, to consider the purchase of the Liverpool and Manchester packing company's plant in this city, with the design of giving it to any large packer who will operate it. The plant is located on the Iowa river, and is understood can be bought for \$50,000. It has been idle for two or three years. The city is determined to have it reopened if possible.

Dry Suspend at Sioux City Hereafter. Sioux City, Ia., Oct. 26.—Sioux City saloonkeepers took remarkable action yesterday and as a result this city is to be a dry city hereafter. A number of dealers voluntarily enlisted in a movement for stopping the Sunday sale of intoxicating liquors, and by unanimous vote of the city council nothing of the kind is sold on Sunday.

Democratic Rally in Iowa. Des Moines, Ia., Oct. 26.—The Democratic state central committee announced that on Thursday evening, Nov. 2, the great rally of the Iowa campaign will be held here. Mayor Carter H. Harrison, of Chicago, ex-Governor Charles D. Drake, of Iowa, and Fred E. White, candidate for governor, will be the speakers.

To Send Cup to Lipton. New York, Oct. 30.—The committee appointed to arrange for the selection of a representative to the loving cup to Sir Thomas J. Lipton, met with Mayor Strong in the chair. At this meeting it was decided that, inasmuch as the time remaining before the departure of Sir Thomas is too limited to permit of the completion of a suitable cup, Chairman Strong be requested to present an address to Sir Thomas, asking permission to send him a cup as an expression of the friendly sentiments of the American people.

Spot's Jail Delivery. Urbana, Ill., Oct. 29.—All delivery was nipped in the bud at the Champaign county jail, when it was discovered that a bar in the corridor window had been sawed through. Thursday a prisoner jumped from the second story of the courthouse in an attempt to escape and dislocated his hip. On the previous day a negro broke away from a deputy and ran a mile before he was captured.

Inventor of Linotype Dead. Baltimore, Oct. 30.—Ottmar Mergenthaler, the inventor of the Linotype typesetting machine, is dead of consumption. He was born in Germany on May 10, 1824.

STOPPED THEIR LITTLE GAME. Supreme Court Interferes in an Iowa County Seat Fight.

Des Moines, Ia., Oct. 28.—The supreme court a few days ago decided the county seat fight in Hancock county by its favor. The present county seat, and against Garner and Britt. Thursday a petition was presented to the court by the people of Hancock county, asking that the records of the county from Concord to Garner on Oct. 30, and asking that the supreme court use its power in proceeding directing the district judge for Hancock county to stop such doings.

The people of Garner have built a court house and are finishing it, intending—with the consent of the supervisors—to move the records before the opening of the court. The petition is promptly issued, without the usual notice, and forwarded for service.

Must Restart Mortgage. Keokuk, Ia., Oct. 28.—In the United States district court Judge Woolson returned a decision on the construction of the war revenue act that it does not nearly all mortgages executed since the act went into effect are void.

Shoe Dealers Will Retire. Chicago, Oct. 30.—Erskine M. Phelps and George E. F. Dolger, heads of the Phelps, Dodge & Palmer company, 185 Adams street, have decided to retire from business and to make over the control of the business to the old employees of the firm. The corporation will hereafter be known as the Edward-Stanwood Shoe company, and will conduct its business on the same lines as those followed by the former partners, who have been in the shoe business for thirty-six years.

Holand H. Malin's Trial. New York, Oct. 30.—Active preparations are going on in the office of the district attorney for the trial of Roland H. Malin, who is charged with the murder of Mrs. Katherine J. Adams. The trial will begin on Nov. 13, and will probably be held in the criminal court of the supreme court, instead of in the Court of General Sessions. The district attorney's office will apply for a special panel of 8,000 talesmen from whom to select a jury.

County Treasurer Sentenced. Nevada, Mo., Oct. 30.—Ex-County Treasurer Frank F. Parker, found guilty of embezzling \$26,000 of county funds, has been sentenced to three years and six months in the penitentiary.

IMPORTANT IOWA DECISION. Knocks Out the Present System of Taxing a Number of Corporations.

Des Moines, Ia., Oct. 27.—The supreme court yesterday handed down a decision which will knock out of the present system of assessing and taxing insurance, express, telegraph, telephone, sleeping car and fast freight companies, and other corporations, a sharp percentage of their gross receipts to the state treasury. The court holds that corporations must be assessed on the same basis and for the same purposes as individuals. A corporation paying its entire taxes to the state does not help support city, county and schools as individuals must do, hence the law is unconstitutional.

Assessor French, of Des Moines, as the assessor of the county, has taken the case to the supreme court, which upholds the law and says the state collection is valid.

REPORT BY THE WAY OF HOLLAND.

It Asserts That the Entire British Army at Ladysmith Has Surrendered to the Boers and Are Now Prisoners of War—Latest Phases of the Situation According to Views Expressed in London—Operations of Cavalry.

Ladysmith, Oct. 30.—Firing commenced at 5:20 Monday morning, the Boers shelling Ladysmith with forty-pound guns. After seven shots the British succeeded in silencing the