

OLD WRONG RIGHTED

WEBSTER CITY MAN SEARCHES FOR AND FINDS KIN OF OWNER OF OLD BOOK.

PILFERED FROM HOME DURING CIVIL WAR

Yale Class Book to Be Returned to Daughter of Col. William Preston Johnston, Member of Distinguished Southern Family—Book Bought From Comrade by Father of J. W. Letts.

Webster City, Jan. 10.—At least one of the wrongs committed during the civil war will be made right within a few days, when J. W. Letts, of this city, will return to Mrs. Rosa Robinson, of Louisville, Ky., the Yale class book of 1852 belonging to her father, the late Col. William Preston Johnston.

This book in question, was bought for \$7 from a soldier comrade by the late J. R. Letts, a veteran of the civil war. It had been pilfered from the Johnston home by a ruthless despoiler's hand, although it is a volume which could have no possible value for any but the owner, whom it would be priceless. Mr. Letts always felt that if the opportunity offered, he would be glad to return the volume to its rightful owner.

The volume is a handsome one, heavy, bound in gold lettered calf, with the name of the owner and the year stamped upon its cover. The paper is of heavy vellum, and the book is filled with exquisite steel engravings of the entire Yale faculty of 1852, and also the members of the class. The blank pages opposite each engraving are filled with the autographs of Colonel Johnston's classmates. Among the names prominently stands forth that of William H. Odell. Some of the autographs are verses from favorite poems; others are of a sentimental nature and still others were written with a certain dignified facetiousness which marks the college wit of 1852.

Long Search Ends. At some time in 1899, the elder Mr. Letts found a newspaper dispatch from Lexington, Va., announcing the death of Col. William Preston Johnston, president of Tulane University, of New Orleans, La. Mr. Letts, upon reading of the book beneath the engraving of the owner for future reference. Last summer, the surviving members of the Letts family agreed that the just thing to do was to make extensive inquiry for the living descendants of Colonel Johnston and deliver the book to them. This duty devolved upon J. W. Letts, who, in his several months' search for the family, retains an interesting correspondence with many well known and notable people, including William Howard Taft and Rev. Anson Phelps Stokes, of Yale, and also members of the Johnston, connection in the southland.

PROFITABLE FRUIT YEAR.

Total Sales of Council Bluffs Association Little Short of 1914.

Council Bluffs, Jan. 9.—The Council Bluffs Grape Growers' Association enjoyed another profitable year as shown by the reports made by Manager P. Peterson at the annual meeting held Saturday. A total sale of products of the association for the year 1915, amounted to \$26,473.94, a slight loss as compared with the previous year, attributed to the unreasonable

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cold and rain at the height of the berry season, but yet a most satisfactory business, declared the members, 100 of whom were present. The item of grapes is the largest and growers declare that this feature of the industry has hardly been started here. New vineyards are being started all the time and for miles within a wide radius of the city the hills are a continuous line of vineyards.

POPCORN YIELD HEAVY.

Northwestern Iowa Crop Said to Be Heaviest in Years.

Sioux City, Jan. 10.—Northwestern Iowa's popcorn crop, which is handled chiefly by Sioux City jobbers, is one of the largest in the history of the industry, according to notices received by wholesalers. Millions of pounds will be marketed thru Sioux City and sent to eastern and western points.

An immense industry in popcorn growing and popping has sprung up in Sac, Ida and other northwestern Iowa counties, including Woodbury county, in the last few years. At one time this fall there was approximately 15,000,000 pounds in Odeboit waiting for the general market to take on a brighter tone. Shelling has been completed and some of the crop already has been marketed.

The rich inexhaustible black soil of Sac and Ida counties will produce up to sixty bushels to the acre, it is declared. Nearly all farmers in this section of the state grow popcorn, more or less, in connection with other crops, occasionally a farmer plants 100 acres or more of popcorn, preferring to devote his entire acreage to this industry.

The corn after being marketed is popped. This adds about twenty times the bulk. A popcorn crop of 800,000 bushels, by popping, would total 12,000,000 bushels. This, at the rate of a quart a bag, as ordinarily sold on the street corner, would mean 384,000,000 bags. At a nickel a sack approximately \$19,200,000 would be realized.

IOWA LAND AT \$312 AN ACRE.

Several Deals at Rock Rapids at High Figures.

Rock Rapids, Jan. 10.—Lyon county land reached the top price Saturday when George E. Jeffers sold to H. L. Randolph 160 acres of land adjoining the city of Rock Rapids for \$50,900, being \$312 an acre.

Mr. Jeffers later bought a half section of land four miles from town of Kolb Buss for \$200 an acre. Mr. Buss taking eighty acres from Mr. Jeffers that also joins the city, at \$200 an acre. The farms are well improved. In the sale made to Mr. Randolph Mr. Jeffers took in exchange an unimproved quarter section of land seven miles from Rock Rapids at \$175 an acre.

Grinnell and Vicinity. Special to Times-Republican.

Grinnell, Jan. 10.—The date of the college society play has been set as March 1. It is given by the Chrestomathian and Ellis societies this year and the play chosen is one of Shakespeare's lighter dramas, "Love's Labor Lost." One reason for choosing a Shakespearean production is because of the fact that the tercentenary Shakespearean celebration takes place this year. Work will start immediately after the tryouts.

Grinnell was victorious in the first basketball game of the season when Grinnell and Iowa Wesleyan met on the Grinnell floor Friday night. The score was 26 to 14.

Miss Helen L. Hughes has been appointed to take up the work in the English department of Iowa College which had been dropped by Prof. R. H. Fletcher because of illness. Miss Hughes was assistant to Professor Lovett, of Chicago University, last year, and preceding that was instructor in English at Wellesley College for two years.

The date for the triangular debate between Grinnell, Coe and Cornell has been set for March 10. Grinnell will have the affirmative and will meet Cornell here. The varsity team has been chosen and will start work at once under the direction of Professor Ryan and Mr. Strong. There will be intercollegiate debates between the Harvard exchange schools, Carleton, Beloit, Knox and Grinnell. These debates are set for March 17. Carleton and Knox will be the schools to be met by Grinnell.

The indoor eider track, which has been installed the entire way around the inside wall of the men's gymnasium, is completed and in good condition, although still needing some further rolling. It is part of Coach Huff's plan to have a series of indoor meets during the coming months.

Mrs. H. Kluger, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Horace Ent, and her brother, C. Benson, has returned to her home in Svea City.

Miss Mary Lincoln, accompanied by her brother, Edward Lincoln, has gone to Rochester, Minn., to take treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Jones are the parents of a daughter, born Jan. 2. E. H. Spaulding has gone south on business. He will be gone a month.

Mrs. Sadie Buchart, who is mourning the loss of her husband, is making all preparation to return to her parents at York, Pa., as soon as she can dispose of her household goods and settle her affairs here.

Mrs. Ruth Perry, of Monroe, S. D., and Mrs. Kate Groath, of Larchwood, have returned to their home after a three weeks' visit at the John Alley home.

Miss Delia Hinton, who has been visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Bell, for the past two weeks, has returned to her home in Estherville. The Grinnell Child Conservation League of America met Saturday in the assembly room of the Grinnell Savings Bank. An interesting program on the subject, "Self Control," was given. Roll call was answered by "Platitudes on Self Control." Papers were read by Mrs. E. S. Evans on "Relation of the Condition of the Child and His Self Control" by Mrs. C. C. Hunt on "The Part Suggestion Plays in Self Control" and by Mrs. V. G. Preston on "Strengthening the Will Power." Mrs. Huff led a discussion on "The Banishing of Don't" and the Substitution of "Come Do."

Mrs. A. O. Price has gone to Iowa City to spend the rest of the school year with her daughter Ellen, who is taking graduate work at Iowa University.

This year the George A. Gates memorial lectures will be delivered by Edward A. Ross, of the University of Wisconsin. The date of the annual Fellowship Conference, always held in connection with these lectures, is Feb. 7 to 11. "Undercurrents in American Society" will be the general theme of Professor Ross's lectures. Addresses by Prof. Edward L. Bosworth, dean of Oberlin theological seminary, and Prof. Herbert F. Evans and Prof. Edward Steiner, of Grinnell, will be included in the program of the conference.

FOUR HELD FOR FRAUD

GOVERNMENT AGENTS CAUSE ARREST OF FOUR MUSCATINE COUNTY RESIDENTS.

CHARGED WITH MAKING FALSE PENSION AFFIDAVIT

Woman Who Had Remarried Since Death of Soldier Husband Failed to Inform Government Department in Making Application For Pension Under Former Name.

Muscatine, Jan. 10.—Accused of intent to defraud the United States government, four Muscatine people, two men and two women, face charges preferred by the federal authorities at Davenport. The arrests were made here by United States Deputy Marshal Peterson. Those arrested were: Mrs. Elizabeth Bonnell-Penrod, a domestic.

John Burke and Sylvia Burke, husband and wife living on a farm near Fairport.

Charles Turner, a laborer. The four are slated to face the federal grand jury when the April term convenes, according to word received from Davenport. John Burke, one of the prisoners, appeared before United States Commissioner Bush Saturday morning. He waived preliminary hearing and was bound over to the grand jury by the commissioner.

The hearings of the other three are set for Monday. Tuesday is the day of this week. It is said that each will waive examination as did Burke Saturday and be held for investigation by the grand jury. Attorney J. G. Kammerer, of this city, is counsel for the quartet. He appeared in Davenport for the four when the charges were read before Commissioner Bush.

Fraud Alleged. The arrests of the Burke couple, Turner and Mrs. Bonnell-Penrod followed alleged fraudulent affidavits said to have been made with the intent of gaining a pension for the last named.

According to information learned Friday night when the arrests were made by United States Deputy Marshal Peterson in this city, Mrs. Penrod some time ago made application for a pension as the widow of an old soldier. An investigation and the claim was made by the federal officials which terminated in the arrest of the woman and the other three who had filed affidavits tending to corroborate the statements in her application, the charge being that the statements are false.

Attorney Kammerer, representing the prisoners, informed a newspaper representative Saturday that Mrs. Penrod was the widow of a civil war veteran but had married again. Prior to her second marriage her name was Bonnell.

It is said that in making the application for a pension, the woman neglected to assert that she had remarried.

DOGS DYING OF GRIP.

Fort Dodge Veterinary Hospitals Crowded With Sick Canines. Special to Times-Republican.

Fort Dodge, Jan. 10.—Fort Dodge dogs are ill with the grip. The dog hospital in this city is crowded to overflowing and the veterinarians are working overtime. Tramp dogs, that have no special care, are being found dead every morning on the streets.

News of Alden.

Alden, Jan. 10.—Albert Fish took a carload of hogs to Chicago the fore part of the week.

Measles are afflicting some of our people. James Watt is convalescing from an attack, and the Whistler children are ill.

Some of those who will make changes of farms this spring are: Julius Schwartz will move on the William Giesler farm north of Burdette; Ed Evert will move on the A. Edwin Smith farm east of Alden; August Treppert, owner of the Al Merrill farm south of Alden; Will Hanson moved on the Crabtree farm and Frank Dayton on the farm near Iowa Falls vacated by Mrs. Leach and son.

Mr. George Hurst, Sr., is sick of pneumonia at his home in east Alden. Mr. Hurst is sexton at the cemetery.

The Alden citizens interested in the lyceum work met Friday night and reorganized for a series of entertainments. Last winter a great deal of enjoyment was derived as well as interesting use of local talent. The officers chosen for this year are: President, Rev. Armin Hanseler; vice president, Fay Bissell; secretary, Frank E. Furry; treasurer, Alfred Ideo. The next regular meeting will be held Friday, Jan. 21.

Mrs. Abels, of near Clarion, died of pneumonia and the body was brought to Alden Saturday for burial in the Alden cemetery. Mrs. Abels is Mrs. Hugh Laird's mother. Mr. Abels is sick with the disease but not seriously so at present.

Mrs. Mabel Bobzien was stricken with appendicitis Wednesday but it was not considered necessary to operate.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Keller are parents of a girl.

News of Lynnville.

Lynnville, Jan. 10.—Among the holiday weddings are those of Elmo Briggs to Miss Ethel Fritz, Charles Frank to Miss Mary Ratcliff, and Henry Kline, of Sully, to Miss Lena Briggs.

Sam Shaffer and family, of Canada, are visiting relatives and friends here. Joe Burnham and family have moved into the house vacated by S. H.

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Wright, who has moved into the Perry Allen property.

A daughter was born to Arthur Allen and wife. Kryn Vartough has sold his residence to Al Gause and will move to Sully.

Mrs. P. C. Hunt, of Whittier, Cal., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. David Meredith.

Mrs. Emma Stallings, of Des Moines, who is visiting her sister, Mrs. L. H. Bufkin, fell on the ice and broke her arm.

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