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- Canned stringless beans, 3 cans..... 25c
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- Spinach, per can..... 10c
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- Santa Clara prunes, large, 3 pounds..... 25c
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- Dried peaches, 2 pounds..... 25c

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JEFFERSON DAY.

A Banquet at Des Moines is Arranged.

Arrangements have been made by the democrats of Iowa for a Jefferson banquet in Des Moines at the Savery hotel April 1.

William Jennings Bryan, Governor of Missouri, and Governor John A. Johnson of Minnesota, will be on the program. The last two have not yet been heard from but it is believed that they will accept the invitations. Mr. Bryan has accepted and selected his own subject, which will be "Back to the People."

It will be Mr. Bryan's first speech since the democratic national convention of last July. It is supposed by democrats as well as republicans that he will have some things to say which will be of grave interest to politicians everywhere in the nation.

The full program for the Jefferson banquet follows:

Invocation..... Dr. H. O. Breeden
Welcome..... Hon. J. B. Sullivan
Our Patron Saint..... John D. Denison
Ownership or Control..... Hon. Cato Sells
A Potent Press..... Louis Murphy
Democracy..... H. C. Evans
Commercial Integrity.....

Gov. John A. Johnson
Political Purity..... Gov. Joseph W. Folk
Back to the People..... Hon. W. J. Bryan
George F. Rinehart of Newton was in Des Moines yesterday to complete the arrangements for the banquet. He was chiefly instrumental in making the arrangements for the great banquet held in Des Moines on April 3rd, 1903, which foreshadowed the fight that would follow in the democratic party, and which did eventuate at the St. Louis convention.

General James B. Weaver of Colfax will be the toast master for the banquet.

The tickets will be \$1.50. It is not an invitation affair, but those who apply for tickets first will be able to secure them. The banquet which the delegation from Iowa to the St. Louis convention had been arranging has been declared off. The members of the delegation will be furnished two tickets each by the managers of the Jefferson banquet, the consideration being furnished by the treasurer of the delegation, H. C. Evans.

April 1 falls on Saturday. The banquet will be served at the Savery and will begin at 8:30. It is supposed that the speeches will begin about 10 o'clock. The banquet will be in the main dining hall of the hotel. It will be an elaborate affair, but the price per plate is very popular.

Special interest centers in the speech of Mr. Bryan. It is supposed that he will tell the banqueters how the democratic party may get back to the people after having surrendered to the trusts, etc.

The address of Governor Folk also will be watched for with great interest as it will be his first visit to Iowa, and the subject is one on which he has some license to talk even outside of political matters pure and simple. He may tell how he ran the lobbyists out of the capitol at Jefferson City.—Register and Leader.

Pneumonia Follows A Cold

but never follows the use of Foley's Honey and Tar. It stops the cough, heals and strengthens the lungs and affords perfect security from an attack of pneumonia. Refuse substitutes. For sale by L. P. Van Werden.

"There isn't much difference between me and Eve," said a little girl who was compelled to wear her big sister's cast-off skirts. "How is that," asked her chum. "Why, Eve had to wear leavings and I have to wear leavings."

The new towns along the Chicago Great Western Railway offer wonderful openings for all lines of business and trade. "Town Talk" gives particulars. For sample copy address Edwin B. Magill, Mgr., Townsite Dept., Chicago Great Western Railway, Omaha Neb., May 15.

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Train No. 6, leaving Chicago at 9:15 p. m., daily has through vestibule sleeping-cars for Ft. Wayne, Cleveland, Erie, Buffalo, New York and intermediate points, arriving at New York City early the second morning.

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THE AMERICAN NEWSPAPER.

The southwestern editors have been celebrating what is substantially the 200th anniversary of the American newspaper. It was in 1704 that John Campbell, postmaster of Boston, established what has proved to be a popular partnership between the collection and distribution of mail and the collection and distribution of news. The Boston News Letter, if it had survived, would mark two centuries of American journalism.

Today Iowa has a newspaper for every 2,194 of its inhabitants. Iowa has more newspapers in proportion to its people than any equal amount of territory on the face of the globe. Eleventh in population, Iowa stands fifth in newspapers among American states. Iowa is one of the five states that have more than one thousand newspapers, its companions on this honor role being Ohio, Illinois, Pennsylvania and New York. Illinois has a newspaper for every 2,928 of its population, Ohio for every 3,600, New York for every 3,890, and Pennsylvania for every 4,071.

Iowa's leadership in newspapers signifies something. It is not without meaning that the Philippines with three times the population of Iowa have less than a dozen newspapers. It is not without meaning that Georgia, Kentucky, North Carolina and Louisiana together have but thirty more papers than Iowa alone, although their combined population exceeds that of Iowa by three times. The newspaper is the outward index of civilization. It is an infallible test of the culture of a people. Ingersol used to say that where civilization is highest there you will find the most suspenders. At least, there you will find the most newspapers.

From Campbell's Boston News Letter to the American newspaper of the twentieth century is a greater leap than the human race has made in any other direction in the past two hundred years. In fact, two-thirds of human development in all other directions has been contingent to some degree upon the progress here. As the newspaper has gone so has gone the world. The newspaper is the greatest agency in the world today. It has more to do with the possibilities of the future.—Des Moines Register and Leader.

A Narrow Escape.

Two of our young "society" men, Messrs. Charles Burnison and Edwin Bartruff, made a trip to Pleasanton, Saturday, to entertain two of Pleasanton's handsomest girls. For some reason Dr. Nye, father of one of the girls, concluded that Charles was not acceptable to him as a son-in-law and sternly forbade his daughter having anything to do with him. The daughter, however, rashly denied the authority of her sire and at the conclusion of a very stormy scene she succumbed for the home of a neighbor, which was, for a few moments, transposed into a rendezvous for the love-sick twain. Dr. Nye though, was not asleep but, on the contrary, like a good father, was on the trail keenly anxious to save his daughter from her willfulness. At last they located them i. e., he found the girl and as he marched in accompanied by his son, young Dr. Nye, each bearing a revolver that looked to Charles (so he says) as though they were self-cocking canons, that young man without due deliberation precipitately fled to his bedroom and it is jokingly related that he never stopped until he had got under a bed and was away back against the wall.

All of the foregoing happened on Sunday. The next day the daughter having a very feverish case broke out again. She telephoned over to Mr. Burnison that she was coming over to Davis City and he naturally inferred that that meant he must either get out his Sunday go-to-meeting clothes and make arrangements with a parson or leave his happy home and three meals per day. But he was saved.

Before Miss Nye arrived here her father got a tip through the good offices of one of those telephone nuisances who always yank down the receiver every time the bell rings and gets wise up to everybody's business, and the doctor phoned to our town marshal that his daughter had run away from Pleasanton with a traveling man and for the officers here to be on the lookout and intercept them. But they never reached here.

Immediately after getting the word Marshal Sly began to strap on his "weepings" and prepare for the fray. Mr. Burnison accidentally learned of that incident and being in rather a nervous state of mind he connected it with his portending calamity and casually asked Officer Sly, "What's doin'?"

"Runaway girl from Pleasanton headed this way. Sloppin' with a travelin' man," remarked Sly, "and I've got word from Dr. Dye, her father, to catch her."

That was enough for Charles. Slowly he meandered away until out of sight of the street and then he gave a gulp which threw his heart away from its proper place, grabbed his hat in his hand and made a cross-country run for the Pleasanton road to intercept the girl and head her for home, thus preventing her arrest at this end of the line. And back she went.

That's all.—Davis City Lariat.

One From Tom Watson.

Mr. President, the railroads are charging the government \$65,000,000 a year for carrying our mail! This represents a yearly income of more than two per cent upon three billion dollars.

Squeeze out the water and the railroads of the United States could be bought for three billion dollars.

Therefore, on the carriage of mails alone, your administration is paying the railroads more than two per cent upon their entire value.

The government could float a two per cent bond at par, and if it issued enough bonds to pay for all the roads the annual interest charge would be no greater than we now pay for carrying the mails. Can you do nothing about this, Mr. Roosevelt? Is your strong arm powerless to defend the people against this high handed robbery?

Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup seems especially adapted to the needs of the children. Pleasant to take; soothing in its influence. It is the remedy of all remedies for every form of throat and lung trouble.

WHAT THEY USED TO DO.

In the Olden Times When Anything Went Wrong.

The grip still rages. In olden time, the people escaped all these troubles. When anything happened to them they went up in the attic, where they found carefully stored away bunches of bugle weed, sumach, wintergreen, sassafras, camomile, hoarhound, yellow dock, catnip lobelia, white oak bark, elderberry, elecampene, burdock root, ginseng, jimson leaves and other "yarbs." When a man was nervous he took catnip. In the spring he drank sassafras tea and took sulphur and molasses. When he had a cold he drank hoarhound and bonaset. When his throat was sore he took sumach. When he had rheumatism he boiled wintergreen leaves and drank the effusion. In case of poisoning or the stomach ache or indigestion he drank lobelia tea and fell back on an infusion of mullein leaves for everything that the other remedies didn't touch. This was in the good old days when people were satisfied with any remedy providing it was bitter and hard to take. The old notion of medicine was that it was the result of possession by the devil and the only way to drive him out was to give him such a dose that he would be disgusted with his earthly habitation and be willing to vamoose.

Starting Mortality.

Statistics show startling mortality, from appendicitis and peritonitis. To prevent and cure these awful diseases, there is just one reliable remedy, Dr. King's New Life Pills. M. Flannery, of 14 Custom House Place, Chicago, says: "They have no equal for Constipations and Billiousness". 25c at L.P. Van Werden druggist.

Kellerton Holdups.

Four young men held up in two days was the record made at Kellerton the last of last week. A case for the grand jury is likely to grow out of the trouble.

The first attempt took place Friday evening, when the 16 year-old son of Frank Smith was stopped on the street and ordered to stand and deliver. He grittily tore the mask off the bold, bad man, and the latter then said he was just in fun. Nothing came of this affair.

The following evening Ollie Kuder was stopped near the depot by two masked men and was asked to give up his valuables. He had no money or other articles which the hold-up men desired, so the incident was declared closed.

The most serious attempt was made a little later Saturday evening, when two men wearing masks stopped Albert Manning and Theo Fetters, who were returning from a party at about 10 o'clock. The young men submitted to search, \$1.50 and a gold ring being taken from Manning and 50 cents from Fetters. When the search was concluded the bandits drew their revolvers and ordered their victims to "hit the road." Manning and Fetters give descriptions of the offenders which tally with that given by Kuder, and moreover Kuder says he is prepared to swear to the identity of at least one of the men who took part in the raid.—Mt. Ayr News.

It will bring rich, red blood, firm flesh and muscle. That's what Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea will do. Taken this month, keeps you well all summer. 35 cents, Tea or Tablets. W. C. Stempel & Co.

Ruth Campbell is Dead.

Miss Ruth Campbell, daughter of Atty. and Mrs. J. A. Campbell, who recently moved from Chariton to Kansas City died at her home there on Tuesday evening, from the bullet wound in her chest inflicted by Walter Ralston, of this city, last October. It will be remembered that Ralston was jealous of a rival, and shot Ruth late one night near his home. She almost died from the wound, but later grew better, and Ralston was released from custody and this charge of attempted murder dismissed on the strength of a petition signed by many business men and other citizens of Chariton. He can, under the law, be indicted on the charge of murder any time within a year from the date of the shooting.—Chariton Herald.

La grippe coughs yield quickly to the wonderful curative qualities of Foley's Honey and Tar. There is nothing else "just as good." For sale by L. P. Van Werden.

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GOOD NEWS.

Many Leon Readers Have Heard It and Profited Thereby.

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John H. Black, farmer, living on the State Road, between Bentonville and Promise, Cordon, says: "My accustomed energy kept ebbing during the winter of 1901 and this condition continued during the summer of 1902. I knew what caused it but how to check it or stop it, was a mystery. The dull grumbling pain across the small of my back added to the high color of the kidney secretions and their too frequent action especially during the night plainly proved to me that my kidneys required my attention. I noticed an advertisement in our paper and the high recommendation given that remedy induced me to procure a box. I followed up the treatment by taking a second and then a third. It cured the trouble entirely."

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