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### COLORED SOLDIERS.

Uncle Sam has a Fort Manned Entirely by Them.

That there is an army of about 25,000 in the United States and that a private soldier receives \$13 per month is about all the information the average citizen possesses on the subject. Why any sane man of average strength of mind and body should voluntarily deprive himself of the privilege of quitting his job at a moment's notice is another mystery. The greater number of military posts are located in the far west, each location being selected as a central point for troops in case of Indian outbreaks. Thus, to the present generation, a private soldier in uniform is almost a curiosity, and a colored cavalryman is as great a curiosity as an Indian in war paint. There are 2,400 colored troops in the United States in the regular army. Of this number, six troops are located in northwestern Nebraska, at Fort Robinson. Here is found the colored cavalryman in all his element. As each troop has 60 men, the 360 cavalrymen located here at Fort Robinson makes it the largest cavalry post in the United States. Not a white man is to be seen except the commanding officers. Here is a practical demonstration of how a negro can be trained and disciplined into doing work with the same energy and promptness as a white soldier, and, when it comes to the test, showing the same bravery and endurance. This was shown by the 90 mile ride of the famous Seventh during the Indian war at Pine Ridge agency in 1890, when they came to the rescue of a company of white soldiers who were surrounded and in danger of being cut off by the Indians.

These colored cavalrymen cannot only do the work when it comes to the trial, but have a happy faculty of keeping in good humor, always laughing and chattering and as happy as children. That the life of a colored trooper is satisfactory is evidenced by the fact that fully one-half re-enlist after the first three years' enlistment expires.

Many people have the impression that when a man falls in everything else he can at least assure himself that he may join the United States army as a last resort to keep alive. But the requirements are such that but few applicants successfully pass the examination. The candidate must be unmarried, between the ages of 21 and 30, possess a fair education, pass a strict physical examination and bring recommendations as to his moral character. During July the Chicago recruiting station accepted only 430 applications out of 3,363 candidates who were willing to share the lot of a private soldier. The army is no longer a place of refuge where a man who has lost all hope and ambition may bury himself from the rest of the world. The private who is ambitious has a future here as well as in any other occupation, for promotions are made from the ranks. In July of each year competitive examinations are held. Those who successfully pass the examination are placed on the list for promotions. Should a colored man who desires to enter the cavalry successfully pass the examinations at a recruiting station, he would be assigned to one of the cavalry posts in the west.—Indianapolis Journal.

### Painter to the King.

In 1767 Ramsay succeeded Shackelton as portrait painter to the court, an appointment which multiplied his commissions, especially for pictures of royal personages, to an inordinate extent, turning his studio into a mere manufactory of portraits. Little in these but the head was executed by himself, and even the head in course of time fell to pupils who, like Reimagine the elder, had caught their master's manner. The king was in the habit of presenting elaborate full lengths of himself and queen to all the foreign ambassadors (two of the first of these went to the Duke de Nivernais, at Paris). And Ramsay's studio, first in Soho and afterward in Harley street, where it overflowed into the hayloft and coachrooms at the back, was seldom free from royal effigies in various stages of composition.—Austin Dobson's "Eighteenth Century Vignettes."

### Italy's Leaning Towers.

Most gleaners of the wonderful consider the leaning tower of Pisa to be something unique in architecture. This is an error, however, for there are two others in Italy and several in other European cities. The two at Bologna are the most remarkable. One of them is 321 feet in height and leans over 6 3/4 feet from the perpendicular, and the other is 161 feet high and has "a lean" of over 9 feet. The oldest of these two remarkable structures was built in the year 1110.—St. Louis Republic.

### Helpful In Its Way.

The only redeeming thing about a foggy day is that it gives you a chance to pass the man to whom you owe money without noticing.—Pittsburg News.

baby had crumpe and was Shiloh's cure," writes Mrs. J. B. Shantville, Alabama. O. Houston.

### FORTUNE TELLING.

A Clairvoyant Tells How Easy It Is to Gull the Public.

A prominent clairvoyant in a burst of confidence gave to a reporter many points concerning clairvoyance as she practiced it that may prove interesting to the public.

"It is the easiest thing in the world to fool a woman," she said. "Women do not reason. They are much more suspicious than men, but when once their confidence has been gained you can make them believe the moon is made of green cheese.

"The whole problem is in gaining the visitor's confidence. If I can make her believe in me, she is gone. Usually it is not a very difficult job to do that. Probably one-half of the women who call to consult me are actuated by no other motive than idle curiosity. Such women never come back the second time; so I know that I can get only one fee from them anyway. I exact payment in advance, and after that it doesn't make very much difference to me what I tell them.

"But occasionally a woman comes in who has money and means business. If I please her, she will come again and again, making my pocketbook heavier each time. That is the woman I am after, of course, and my first work is to impress her with my honesty. I do not know her name, her residence or her history. If I did, it would be clear sailing for me from the start.

"I ask for the usual fee and go into a trance. Very shortly I awake with a start. 'I am very sorry,' I remark, 'but the electrical and magnetic conditions today are very bad. The atmosphere seems to be surcharged with electricity, and it greatly interferes with my work. However, I will try again in a few minutes.' After a short interval of conversation I again go into a trance. This also proves ineffective, and I hand the caller's money back, saying that I am very sorry that she came at such an inopportune time and assuring her that the conditions do not interfere with my sitting oftener than once or twice a year. Will she call again tomorrow? She usually is impressed by my sincerity and promises to come back.

"When she leaves, a negro servant, whom I have warned by an electric buzzer, follows her wherever she may go. When he returns, he has the woman's residence number. From this it is an easy matter to identify her, and a few inquiries in the neighborhood—at the nearest grocery, perhaps—are sufficient to give me all the information I need. Very often as soon as I find out who my visitor is I know something about her which will give me a clew to what she wants to know.

"When she calls again, I go into a trance, and this time the 'conditions' are all right. I surprise her inexpressibly by describing the appearance of her own residence, giving the street and number and finally spell out her own name. Nine times out of ten this is all that is required. The caller is convinced that I have learned her name and residence by occult power, and therefore is ready to believe anything else I may tell her. It is easy when you know how."—Chicago Times-Herald.

### Where a Rainbow Touches the Earth.

In every country in the world rainbow folklore declares that some object of value may be found where the ends of the beautiful arch touch the earth. In Suabia the ends are said to rest on bowls of gold; in Hungary, that cups of silver will be found at the spot where they come in contact with the earth. In Switzerland it is said that a shoe cast over the rainbow will come to the ground on the other side filled with overflowing gold. In Bosnia it is said that if iron or other base metal happen to be at the spot where the bow touches the ground, it will be instantly transformed to pure gold. In many parts of Germany, Poland, Russia, Belgium and Holland it is said to be a golden key that may be found at "the end of the bow." In Portugal and Spain they speak of the "silver hen" having her nest where the bow rests, and in Norway it comes to the ground at a spot where a golden bowl and a silver spoon are hidden. In many of the chief European countries it is said that water touched by the rainbow will cure fits and insanity.—St. Louis Republic.

### Trajan's Wall.

The Danube was for a time a sufficient protection against the Scythians, but soon better defense was needed, and Trajan devised and carried out a complete system of frontier posts from Ratisbon to Belgrade. At Belgrade the forts became fortresses, the earthworks became a wall, and the whole mighty fortification turned away from the Danube river. Between Belgrade and the Black sea there were 96 forts of large size and hundreds of little castles, while the whole line of Trajan's wall traversed a distance of 1,100 miles and had in its extent over 5,000 castles.

Diseased blood, constipation, kidney liver and bowel troubles are cured by Karl's Clover Root Tea. Sold by O. Houston, Exira.

### Hamlin Department.

Miss Rose McGuire will close her school at No. 2, next Saturday.

Harry Percy has quit buying corn at the Station—the cribs are full.

James Boyer is the owner of a cow who is the mother of a yoke of twin calves.

Morg Terry and Albert Pratten were agreeable callers at the Journal den last Tuesday.

They going to have a merry time at the dance at Julius Gruelke's home next Saturday night.

Nels Peterson, on the Only farm, sold his car load of cattle to Hensley Brothers & Brown, at Exira.

The Creamery imported a car load of saw dust from Marne with which to pack their fifty tons of ice.

Mrs. Frank Ballou continues to improve, steadily, and will soon be able to be up around the house.

John McGuire was down from the county seat, Tuesday, visiting with his brother Will and sister Rosa.

Revs. Connor, Day and Hall began a series of Evangelical meetings at Brushy College last Friday night.

Miss Julia and Mr. Mike McGuire, Jr., are passing this week with the family of Mike O'Donnell, at Atlantic.

John Moore has shelled and delivered 1,000 bushels of corn to Otto Wittauer at the Glucose elevator in Exira.

Miss Mamie Cunningham, of Audubon, was an over Sunday guest of her friends, Miss Rose and Will McGuire.

O. P. Tyler attended the Thos. Musson sale last Tuesday. Mr. Tyler tells us that nearly his entire family have had a siege of la grippe.

The pot pie sociable at the W. D. Stanley home, last Thursday evening proved to be a very social affair and netted \$12.60 for the church.

They had thirteen loads of the material of the church at the Station when we were up, Tuesday, and were preparing to lay the foundation.

Letters recalled for at the Hamlin postoffice: A. C. Boals, P. M. Peterson and Henry Petersen.

Wm. McGuire, Postmaster.

Henry Young, Harm Rice and Frank White were among those who were putting the finishing touches on the ice house, at the creamery, last Tuesday.

The young ladies fared slim at the chicken pie sociable at Supervisors W. D. Stanley's home, last Thursday night. The boys left their pocket books at home.

John Cameron was down from his Lincoln township home, Monday, visiting his relatives at the Frank Ballou home. Returning he took a load of oats home.

Grant Smith says there was a horse at the Station, Tuesday that corked him—put one of his sharp shod hoofs right smack down on one of Grant's "little outsole-tootsies."

Lou Bryan will move over by Sunday Side school house onto the eighty acre farm his father, J. Mal Bryan, presented to him and his brother Ern and will haul milk for the Blue Grass Creamery.

The bible class taught by Uncle S. D. Conrod and Mrs. J. Z. Moore will meet at school house No. 2, next Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. All young people seeking the ways of light and truth are invited to attend these meetings.

Mr. Wm. Montgomery, formerly of Adair, a cattle buyer, now connected with a Chicago commission firm, was at the Station, Tuesday, visiting with his friend, Merchant H. Shoemith, and then went out and attended the Thos. Musson sale. Mr. Montgomery has just returned from New Mexico where he purchased a herd of sheep for his firm.

The literary at Brushy College is presided over by these officers: Albert Pratten, President. Tom Wells, Vice-President. Miss Kittie Workman, Secretary. Alex Cress, Treasurer. John Moore, Marshal.

These meetings are held Wednesday evening of each week and are largely attended, more than three hundred persons being present last Wednesday evening.

John McAnulty has loaded a car and Wednesday noon started for Oklahoma, taking Ponca City as his stopping point. From there he will look around and decide upon a place for permanent settlement. Mrs. McAnulty and some of the family are here and will visit with the families of C. G. Palmer and Arthur McAnulty, in Audubon township, until Mr. McAnulty arrives at his destination. They are sorry to see them go as they are one of the best families in the county.

A Danish gentleman of Sharon township laid himself down to slumber the night and his fitful vision showed him a straw stack and he strained his eyes and could see the mangled body of Frank Richardson underneath the straw. He went out the next day and found the straw stack just as he had seen it in his dream. He has not revealed Richardson's body up to the time of our going to press. More than likely he had eaten three or four pieces of mince pie just before he went to bed.

A few months ago Mr. Byron Every, of Woodstock, Michigan, was badly afflicted with rheumatism. His right leg was swollen the full length, causing him great suffering. He was advised to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm. The first bottle of it helped him considerably and the second bottle effected a cure. The 25 and 50 cent sizes are for sale by C. W. Houston, Exira; C. L. Bismor, Brayton.

### Glennid Items.

These are hard times boys, but St. Valentine's day will soon be here.

George Weighton is feeding a couple of cars of extra fine steers.

Cattle buyers from Audubon are seen out this way quite often. Alec Caldwell is among the list.

Some people who predicted a cold stormy winter with a big lot of snow are failing completely.

Hog cholera has done so much deadly work for many of our farmers, that some are getting discouraged.

A majority of our farmers are holding their corn for much higher prices than at present.

Chris Nielsen is getting quite a lot of sales to cry in this section. He always meets with success.

Not boasting at all the people all around here say that the Journal beats all of the county papers to get the news from all parts of the county with the latest events of the day.

The farmers who are lucky enough to have hogs and cattle to feed their soft corn, will realize a good price for their labor and corn. Mr. Thomas Cochran is one of the few who always is preparing for the future and has a carload of extra fine steers that he is preparing for market.

### Melville Township.

All that people talk about is hard times and low prices.

St. Valentine's day is here; don't forget to send your best girl a nice one.

The Northrup Bros. were seen in these parts recently buying fat and stock cattle.

Mr. Campbell Jr., is delivering some corn that he has contracted at Hamlin Station at 9c per bushel.

W. M. Dye, who intends to have a public sale, will quit farming until times get better and prices higher.

Thomas Law, a prosperous farmer of this township, is feeding a carload of cattle and over 50 head of hogs.

The Naylor boys have been rustling around this winter shelling corn for the farmers who have been selling cheap corn.

Freeman Sheets is seen quite often on Sunday strolling over to Audubon. Surely there must be some attraction over in that direction.

The Sunburg boys are storing their corn in hopes of getting a good living price for it, rather than to give labor, time and everything away as many are doing.

We notice the firm of Doak & Lane in this township last week buying some butcher cattle; they say that cattle of this sort are getting to be a scarce article in Audubon.

Some of the farmers of this neighborhood have been delivering clover hay in the county seat at \$3 per ton, instead of hauling corn at 5c per bushel, and haul it 8 or 10 miles to market.

I have given Chamberlain's Cough Remedy a fair test and consider it one of the very best remedies for cough that I have every found. One dose has always been sufficient, although I use it freely. Any cold my children contract yields very readily to this medicine. I can conscientiously recommend it for cough and colds in children.—George E. Wolff, Clerk of the Circuit Court, Fernandina, Florida. Sold by C. W. Houston, Exira; C. L. Bismor, Brayton.

### The Razor Shell.

One of the most curious of the many remarkable forms of marine life is a species of mollusk called the razor shell, which can excavate holes in solid rocks. This creature has no English name; its Latin name is Pholas. It is found in widely separated regions of the earth, but is most plentiful on the coast of the Mediterranean, where limestone abounds. It is frequently met with on the coast of Italy, where whole limestone beaches are honeycombed with their holes. It is still a disputed point among naturalists as to how this boring is effected. Some think that the mollusk secretes some acid which softens the limestone, but others think that the holes are bored by the simple mechanical process of grinding. The preponderance of opinion appears to lie with the latter view at present, yet it is said that no one has yet been able to catch the Pholas at work.

### Commercial Joys.

"Do you enjoy shopping in these big department stores, Mrs. Perkins?"

"Oh, immensely! There is such a delicious air of mystery about it."

"Mystery?"

"Yes; you don't know whether you are buying books in a dry goods store or buying dry goods in a book-store."—Detroit Free Press.

### A Poor Charge.

Mrs. Smarte—It vexed me so to have my husband spend his evenings at home reading the newspapers that I just made up my mind I'd stop it, so I hid every paper that came into the house.

Mrs. Lambe—And how does it work?

Mrs. Smarte—Well, I don't know exactly. You see, he spends his evenings at the club now.—Boston Transcript.

Are you made miserable by indigestion, constipation, dizziness, loss of appetite, yellow skin, etc.? Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy is the only known remedy for that terrible disease. For sale by Houston, Exira.

### Cameron Township.

Much gripe.

Sam Jordan talks of going to Chicago on a wheel.

Bill Shaller is working for Bill Turner for a few weeks.

Mrs. Aaron Anderson of Viola, is very sick at this writing.

Amos is still in the ring; Charley and Sammy are knocked out.

Jake Rhus baled hay for Albert Jinstg the first part of last week.

Grand entertainment at the Sands schoolhouse Feb. 22. A jolly time is expected.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Higley are the happy parents of a sweet little girl baby.

Charlie Boers and Lew Hochstrasser visited over Sunday with friends at Dedham.

Albert Faucher and Amos Possehn attended divine services at Gray last Sunday night.

The literary at the Foster schoolhouse is a hot one—big crowds and good speaking.

Robt. Hoffman bought some nice brood sows of Albert Jinstg Thursday last week.

Frank Rorah of Menlo is visiting at the home of his brother John in North Cameron.

Jim Hoffman and lady of Viola, attended the grand ball at Manning Friday last week.

Two gentlemen from Wofa are visiting a few days at the Walker home in North Cameron.

Will Rutledge and Jess Lester returned from Shelby county last week, where they had been baling hay.

Dan Sampson of Viola, received a telegram Tuesday announcing the serious sickness of his wife at Pender, Nebraska.

Lew Corwin is stuffing his soft corn into 26 nice steers on his farm in Viola. Lew is one of Viola's prosperous farmers.

Herman Schrader of Poweshiek county is visiting at the home of his brothers, William and August Schrader. He arrived Friday last week.

Attention farmers!—If you have any wild horses or colts you want broke, don't fail to consult Albert Faucher. He has had many years experience in the above line.

Captain Sweeney, U. S. A., San Diego, California, says: "Shiloh's Catarrh Remedy is the first medicine I have ever used that would do me any good." Price for sale by O. Houston, Exira.

A contemporary, in an interesting article on sleep and the varying amounts of it required, remarks that there are many degrees in the quality of repose, from the uneasy, fitful slumber that affords little or no refreshment to the deathlike stupor of exhaustion, and that it would be instructive to know toward which of these extremes the rest of the long and short sleeper respectively tends. I have before me the record of a fully occupied person who takes on an average six hours or less in summer and about seven in winter, and who, the moment her head is on the pillow, falls into unconsciousness so profound that on waking she has apparently never even moved in bed, but it by no means follows that others would enjoy equally sound rest by reducing the time given to it, and it would be a dangerous mistake to lay down any general rule about a matter which must obviously depend on individual constitution just as much as our requirements in the way of food.—Lady's Pictorial.

A banker at Adrian, Mich., who is troubled with an irritable temper, keeps a barn full of cats, and when he gets out of sorts he goes out, grabs up a cat and cuts its head off with an ax. His wife doesn't approve of the habit, but is afraid to break him of it.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

Little Belgium has several first class fortresses—Antwerp and the fortified towns of Dendermonde and Diest, on the Meuse, Liege, Huy and Namur, and on the French frontier, Mons, Tournay and Ypres.

Cochineal, so much used for coloring table jellies, and also given to infants as a domestic remedy for whooping cough, is the whole insect of a class called "coccus," but only the females are used. Why? Because the insects are captured by suffocating them with the smoke of fires below the trees on which they live, and as the males have wings, while the females have none, the gentlemen take to flight when the atmosphere becomes unpleasantly warm, leaving their ladies to their fate.

The world has a warm place in its heart for the retired sea captain. He is held in respect in every clime and his vocation is considered one of the most honorable to which man may devote his life. And this is justly so, for none is so fraught with peril and none requires a greater alertness of the mind.—New Haven Palladium.

Consumption can be cured by the use of Shiloh's Cure. This great cough cure is the only known remedy for that terrible disease. Sold by O. Houston, Exira.

### Ross Department.

Markets—Corn 5c, oats 10@14c.

Joe Leonard's father, of Manning, is visiting him.

Mrs. Morris Gibson has been very ill the past week.

Chat. Dustin returned to Dallas county last week.

John Wagner shipped two cars of hogs from Audubon Saturday.

Grandma Everett is very sick at the home of her son, Geo. Everett.

R. T. Gilbert visited the past two weeks with relatives in Prairie City, Iowa.

The gripe is raging in the family of Dave Hart, all being afflicted but Dave.

Albert Rudnick is marketing 1200 bushels of old oats with Henderson at 14c.

John Cameron shipped his carload of barley last week, receiving 16c per bushel.

Mrs. John Quimby was very ill of gripe, Dr. Brooks, of Audubon, being called.

Mike Carroll returned Wednesday from a month's visit with relatives at Cedar Rapids.

Bob Roberts, Luther Carper, Al. Miller and Wert DuVall are shipping hay from Ross.

Joe Leonard has rented the Geo. McMichael farm in Sec. 10, Cameron township for this year.

Lee Mick, of Pocahontas county, will soon visit at the home of his sister, Mrs. Ed. Finch.

Roy Swaeny has rented the 400 acre farm belonging to his father, W. L. Swaeny at \$2.50 per acre.

We understand that Uncle Tommy Winters, one of Viola's pioneers, has sold his farm in that township.

L. N. Wickham sold six steers to Nels Olsen, of Viola township, Monday, receiving \$375 for the same.

Wm. J. Clark, of Viola township, has rented his farm to his son and will move onto a place near Dedham.

Mrs. Finch shipped 220 pounds of dressed turkeys Tuesday. She will ship about the same amount Saturday.

Inman Shearman goes to Greene county to attend the wedding of his sister, Mary Shearman, which occurs on the 24th.

L. N. Wickham Wednesday of this week marketed a large load of old oats—105 bushels—receiving 14c a bushel.

ship, returned Tuesday from Rockford, Illinois. Her mother's health is improving.

J. M. Mick returned Wednesday last week from Pocahontas county. He will spend the summer with his sons in that county.

Willis East has rented the I. K. Johnson farm in Sec. 35, Lincoln township for this year. Lou Beckman will till the farm Mr. East vacates.

Chas. Tucker will soon move onto a farm in Viola township, which he has rented for this year. Otto Gutzmeier and Chas. Dule will till the Gus Wright farm.

Mrs. L. G. Kopp returned Wednesday night from Tampico, Illinois, where she went to attend the funeral of her sister who recently died while on a health trip to Georgia.

Joshua Jordan orders the Journal sent to John P. Brotherton, his shipmate during most of Mr. Jordan's 14 years' service in the U. S. navy, and who is now stationed on the battleship Oregon at San Francisco. In August Mr. Brotherton will pay his old comrade a pleasant visit.

The negatives won the day at the Henderson lyceum last Friday night and the United States will not purchase Cuba. Attendance was unusually large. The paper prepared by Nellie Morrow and Mabel Cozine was excellent. Question for next meeting.—Resolved, That all notes and paper of value should have assessor's seal affixed.—A firmative—J. A. Cozine, Frank Mantz, Earl Jump, Negative—John Loveless, Jas. Hall, Robt Henderson.

While coming to town on last week, the horse that L. was driving to his cart fell a thrill and throwing ground.

Mrs. Harry Wood Petersen, a former quick consumption, at that place.

Billy Williams, one of our best hostlers in Iowa, re on one of his kicking mer days ago that came near up for repairs.

Fida Marks, a for township citizen, but r of Bureau county, Ill us he will again retur county to farm.

In the pension r release for Wm. A. C. We are pleased to see a veterans as Uncle W their just dues.

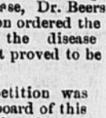
Union revival meeti blast at the M. E. Hayden and W Next week servi from the United L.

A. F. Aikman was market keys Saturday with satisfact suits. Our markets run th turkeys, ten dollars; five lary of corn, ten dollars. Mott more turkeys and less corn.

Mrs. Jake Thompson was Thursday; fearing it might tagious disease, Dr. Beers usual caution ordered the latest till the disease veloped. It proved to be disposition.

ONE GIVES RELIEF.

The moul and Fa cine: Cures common evils of hum.



## Growing Children

One-third of all the children die before they are five years old. Most of them die of some wasting disease. They grow very slowly; keep thin in flesh; are fretful; food does not do them much good. You can't say they have any disease, yet they never prosper. A slight cold, or some stomach and bowel trouble takes them away easily.

SCOTT'S EMULSION of Cod-liver Oil with Hypophosphites is just the remedy for growing children. It makes hard flesh; sound flesh; not soft, flabby fat. It makes strong bones, healthy nerves. It changes poor children to children rich in prosperity.

Book about it free for the asking. No substitute for Scott's Emulsion will do for the children what we know Scott's Emulsion will do. Get the genuine.

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SCOTT & BOWNE, New York.