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MINOR MENTION.

Royal Arcanum meeting this evening at 8 o'clock. Business of importance.

Over 50 finest brands of cigars in the world at Grand hotel cigar store.

Grand hotel, Council Bluffs. Newly furnished. Reopened Oct. 1. E. F. Clark, prop.

Union Band Sunday school on Woodbury avenue will have a social Saturday evening, July 20.

A burro belonging to W. C. Estep tried to crawl under a barbed wire fence on Dr. Seybert's farm a day or two ago and inflicted injuries so severe that it had to be killed yesterday.

Charles Huber pleaded guilty to the charge of keeping a saloon at the Union Driving park last Sunday in connection with the butchers' picnic and was fined $20.80 in police court yesterday morning.

George Potter, charged with running a mortgaged horse and wagon out of the state, was discharged by Justice Cook yesterday. The prosecuting witness made no appearance and the costs were taxed up to him.

John Willemans, who was interested in a trial set for yesterday in Justice Vien's court, tried to run the court yesterday morning and was arrested on the order of the court on the charge of drunkenness. He was confined all day in the county jail and was then released.

Fire and tornado insurance written in best companies. Money for farm loans at low rates. City property for sale or trade for farm lands in Iowa. Lougee & Towle, 235 Pearl St.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Leverett, on Avenue B, a boy.

W. A. Maurer has gone to Kirksville for a week's health visit.

Mrs. J. N. Casady, jr., has gone to Minneapolis for a visit with friends.

Thomas Officer left last evening for a visit to Denver and other western cities.

Mrs. D. C. Ammerman of Hillsdale, Mich., is visiting her niece, Mrs. W. J. Leverett.

Miss Alma Reimers of Grand Island is in the city, the guest of Mrs. J. Q. Anderson.

Mrs. C. W. McDonald and her sister, Mrs. D. W. Rau of Tacoma, are visiting friends in Kansas City.

S. B. Frum of Shelby county, an ex-member of the Pottawattamie county board, was in the city yesterday.

Miss Mary Wright, one of the High school teachers, accompanied by her mother, is visiting relatives in Vermont.

Mrs. M. F. Rohrer and children, accompanied by Miss Blanche Rudio, leave today for Avalon, Mo., to spend the summer.

Miss Julia Officer of Chicago is spending the summer vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Officer, on Willow avenue.

Rev. and Mrs. Stephen Phelps and son, Willie, left last evening for a vacation visit of some weeks with friends in Illinois and with their daughter, Mrs. Randall, at Marengo, Ia.

L. A. Torrens, who has been camping at Manawa, leaves in a day or two for the east, where he will spend the summer. He will visit Boston and take an outing in Maine, besides visiting Canadian points.

The congregations of the First and Second Presbyterian churches will unite next Sunday morning and on the 11th and 18th of August in services held in the First church for the sake of room. Rev. Dr. Sarchet of the Second church will preach.

Prof. J. A. Barrett of Lincoln and Miss Inez Barrett of Baker City, Ore, are guests of their brother, H. P. Barrett, on Washington avenue. Miss Barrett is on her way home from Kingsville, O., where she has been studying music for the past year.

At C. O. D. Brown's this Week.

21 pounds fine granulated sugar for	$1.00
1 pound Battle Ax chewing tobacco	15c
1 pound smoking tobacco	15c
Columbia river salmon, per can	10c
Tomatoes, per can	8c
Corn, per can	5c
1-pound can Price's baking powder	35c
Rainwater Maker, per box	21c
Root beer, per bottle	7c
1-pound package gloss starch, per pkg	8c
1-pound package corn starch, per pkg	8c
Breakfast oats, per package	8c
Quaker oats, per package	9c
Deland's soda, per package	7c

Screen doors, 1¾ inches thick, any size you want, for 65c. Adjustable window screens for 35c.

Ice cream freezers cheaper than ever. We are overstocked and must unload them.

And new potatoes at 10c a peck at

BROWN'S C. O. D.

Two Squatters Fined.

There was a trial yesterday in the case of the state of Iowa against Pete Bonde, Pete Nelson and W. A. Van Orman in Justice Vien's court on the charge of trespassing on the grounds of the Omaha Bridge and Terminal Railway company at East Omaha. It was proved satisfactorily that Bonde and Nelson took part in the erection of the shanty on the company's land and the subsequent disorderly conduct, but the proof was equally satisfactory that Van Orman had never done any work, either on the company's ground or elsewhere, since the war. Bonde and Nelson were each fined $5 and costs, the costs, which amounted to $44, being divided equally between them, and Van Orman was discharged. Bonde and Nelson took an appeal to the district court and were released upon filing the necessary bond.

Big Corn.

Go on the excursion to St. Joseph Aug. 4th and see the big corn in the Missouri Valley. Nothing like it anywhere. Why miss the opportunity of seeing the beautiful valley. At no other season of the year does it look so pretty. Large fields of corn and small grain and the beautiful orchards make a pretty picture, and you can get a nice ride of 128 miles and return on a smooth, straight and level road and see all these beautiful things for $1.50 by buying a ticket for the Burlington's grandest excursion on the above date.

Bullets for Fish.

Edmund Thompson, a husky looking colored man living on the shores of Big lake, was in town yesterday with a tale of woe which resulted in the filing of information for the arrest of a man named Carlston and his nephew, who inhabit the west shore of the lake. The two men went out fishing and on returning yesterday afternoon passed Thompson's house. They had agreed to leave Thompson some fish and he dunned them. Some words ensued, and the first thing Thompson knew Carlston raised his double barreled shotgun and fired in the direction he and his wife were standing. Some of the shot penetrated Mrs. Thompson's dress as she stood with her baby in her arms. Constable Alberti made a trip to the lake last evening to arrest the reckless shootists.

Red Cedar Fence Posts.

Twelve carloads standard red cedar fence posts, 10¾c each, by the carload.

A. OVERTON.

Ten days' sale of wall paper and house furnishings at the Boston store.

The Hardman, the piano par excellence.

Got Free Buggy Rides.

Walter Skinner was arrested yesterday afternoon on a charge of cheating by false pretenses. A liveryman on Bryant street named Phalen is the complainant. He says that Skinner came to him representing that he owned a half interest in a store at the corner of Broadway and Bryant street, and on these representations succeeded in having a bill of $12.50 for buggy rides charged up against him. Phalen alleges that he afterward found out that Skinner did not own half of that store, or any other. Skinner is a news agent on the Burlington. He gave bonds for his appearance today.

John Shicketanz, Sr., has moved his barber shop to 400 Broadway, two doors west of Maurer's china shop.

The gas company's special prices for service pipes will be continued through July.

The Standard only second to the Hardman.

NEWS FROM COUNCIL BLUFFS

Mrs. Nancy I. Cadle Recites Her Woes in a Court Petition.

SUES W. H. BUTLER FOR HEAVY DAMAGES

Wants Five Thousand Dollars for Having Been Thrown Out of a House, the Temporary Title to Which Was in Question.

Mrs. Nancy I. Cadle, a resident of York township, has been having a hard time of it, judging from a petition which she had filed in the district court yesterday, and in which she demands a judgment of $5,000 against William H. Butler, a well-to-do farmer of that township. Butler, it appears, has been having a hard time getting rid of an undesirable tenant, and from the allegations used a good deal of force in trying to accomplish the desired end. March 8 last he sent six men to Mrs. Cadle's house. They broke open the gate and the door and used such a quantity of loud and indecent language for a space of two hours that Mrs. Cadle was frightened into fits, and almost lost her life.

The following day, the petition says, John Buchanan, in the employ of Butler, went to the house, and, finding Mrs. Cadle sick in bed, proceeded to do some more loud and offensive talking. The next day, the 10th, he came back again, tried to throw Mrs. Cadle off the premises, but was prevented. A week later he returned, accompanied by William Moffit, another of Butler's employes, and in the absence of the plaintiff's husband made a search through the house and had a fight with her son, aged 20, the result of the fight being that the two visitors left suddenly.

There was then a cessation of hostilities for two or three weeks, but early in April Chris Woolf came and threw the family out of the house, together with all the furniture and household goods, all of which trouble Mrs. Cadle claims is worth $5,000 to her.

Mid-Summer Bargains—Boston Store.

$1.00 crochet bed spreads, 75c.

$1.50 Marseilles spreads, 98c.

33c and 39c Turkey red table damask reduced to 25c a yard.

All wool French challies reduced to 25c a yard.

Big line of wash goods in lawns, dimities, jaconets and Swiss at 9c a yard.

Beautiful line of dimities at 12½c a yard.

25c zephyr ginghams, 17c a yard.

25c quality ladies' tan and brown hose at 19c a pair.

FOWLER, DICK & WALKER,
Council Bluffs, Ia.

Mollie Claims the Title.

F. Leutzinger has been engaged for several weeks past in a fruitless effort to get Mollie Graham out of a house belonging to him on Mill street. There is already a damage suit for $30,000 pending against him in the district court, in which Miss Graham is plaintiff, and the various griefs that have come to him by reason of his alleged intimacy with the woman are a matter of public knowledge. After Miss Graham's breach of promise suit was begun, Leutzinger commenced an action in Justice Vien's court to have her ejected from his house, and the case came up for consideratoin yesterday afternoon on a demurrer filed by the woman. Her attorneys claimed that Leutzinger had no right to try to eject her, because he was not the landlord. Miss Graham, they said, was the only owner, although by what title she claimed the place they did not set forth. Justice Vien took the demurrer under advisement until next Tuesday at 2 o'clock, when he will make his decision. If the demurrer is sustained the case will go to the district court in order that the title to the premises may be settled.

BURLINGTON ROUTE.

Reduced Rates.

To Hot Springs, S. D., sale July 19, August 2 and 23, one first class fare for round trip.

Triennial conclave Knights Templar, Boston, Mass. Sale August 19 to 24.

American Pharmaceutical association, Denver, Colo. Sale August 11 and 12.

National convention Keeley league, Harrisburg, Pa. Sale August 16 to 22.

Toronto, Ont. Sale July 15 to 24.

Chariton, Ia. Sale July 19 and 24.

In addition I have on sale Summer Tourist tickets to various points in the United States and Canada.

Call and get copy of map and illustrated write up of the great Yellowstone National park. O. M. BROWN, Ticket Agent.

Threw Tongs at Shoupe.

Jake Shoupe, the dog catcher, had another example of the vanity of human things yesterday afternoon. He laid covetous eyes and a wire noose on a dog belonging to Jack Wilson, a blacksmith for S. C. Noble, as he was walking down Broadway at the heels of his master. Wilson asked him to go down to the shop with him, promising that he would get the money there and pay him what was coming to him. Shoupe followed him down, but when Wilson had him inside he hurled defiance at the dog catcher, accompanied by a hammer and pair of tongs. The latter struck Shoupe ingloriously in the back and almost hit a lady, Shoupe claims, as she was passing the blacksmith shop. In the melee the dog became lost in the shuffle. Shoupe called at the city clerk's office and filed an information charging Wilson with assault and battery, and he will have a hearing today.

Only One of Many Letters.

MONROE, Neb., July 15, 1895.

"Your Wheeler's King Temperance Beer goes like hot cakes. Please ship me immediately two barrels W. King Temperance Beer." ROBERT A. VICKERS,
Druggist.

Manufactured only by the G. R. Wheeler Brewing Co., Wheeler & Hereld, wholesale dealers, Council Bluffs, Ia.

Too Tough for the Reform School.

Susan Wright, a colored girl who was sent to the reform school at Mitchellville about three years ago, has worn out her welcome. She was sent up for thieving. Since her confinement she has gone on in her same old way, stealing anything that she can lay her hands on that is not too large. The law provides that where a person is sent to the reform school for thieving the authorities of the institution can give him up at any time on finding that he is not susceptible of reform. Sheriff Hazen went to Mitchellville yesterday to bring the girl back. She will probably be tried for stealing and sent to jail.

The electric fountain at Manhattan beach will be illuminated each evening from 8:30 to 9 and 9:30 to 10. The steamer Liberty will connect with all trains to and from Manawa. First boat will leave Manhattan beach at 7 a.m. to accommodate the campers at Manhattan beach who wish to catch the early morning train to Omaha.

Stuck in the Mud.

"The City of Omaha" had an interesting experience Wednesday night at Manawa. On account of its size it was exceedingly popular among the Elks and other people visiting at Manhattan beach, and when it made a trip across at about 9:30 o'clock it held over 150 passengers. The captain was giving his passengers a little extra ride for their money, and went too near the shore on the east side. The big steamer clambered merrily up on a sand bar and stuck fast. The howls of the passengers, the wheezing of the engine, and the tooting of the whistle at last attracted the attention of the "Liberty" crew, and the combined efforts of the two engines soon liberated the captives.

Special sale of fine shears. Fine buttonhole scissors about half price. One-third off on all shears and scissors and heavier reductions on our stocks. These are both the Dungan stocks and our own. Sale one week only. Cole & Cole, 41 Main street.

Yes, the Eagle laundry is "that good laundry," and is located at 724 Broadway. If in doubt about this try it and be convinced. Don't forget name and number. Tel. 157.

Wants to Leave Town.

Harrison Latham was in Justice Cook's office yesterday for a trial, but the case was continued on account of the appearance of the defendant's father, who said that an effort was pending to get the young man out of town. The latter is simply crazy over the repulse of his affections by Mrs. Clara Wyman, and his father hopes that by getting him away he may recover his former condition. The case will come up again this afternoon, and in the meantime old man Latham hopes to have secured a bond to insure his son's staying away. This course will be entirely satisfactory to the prosecution.

Two Want Divorces.

Sarah A. Corson began a suit in district court yesterday for a divorce from William R. Corson, whom she married in Missouri November 25, 1892. Her husband soon forgot to be good, for three months after they were made one he was tried and convicted of burglary in Nodaway county, Missouri, and is now serving a three year sentence in the Missouri penitentiary.

Ethelyn Powell is suing Fred U. Powell for a divorce. They were married in Omaha in December, 1892, but three weeks later her husband left her and has not contributed to her support since.

Burlington Route Excursion

To St. Joseph and return Aug. 4th. $1.50 round trip, $1.50. O. M. Brown, Tkt. Agt.

Hardman pianos, Council Bluffs, 103 Main St.

Tried to Swim Manawa.

A young son of Smith Saunders, in company with a couple of friends, undertook to swim across Lake Manawa a night or two ago. They waded out as far as possible and then started to swim, but before they had gone very far young Saunders found himself tired out and had to call for help. Fortunately his companion was considerably larger than he and a good swimmer and he was towed toward Manhattan beach until he could be picked up by a boat.

Good wall paper, 2½c a roll, at the Boston store.

Read Davis' ad. Davis sells hammocks cheap.

May Begin Suit.

There is a possibility that a suit for damages may be commenced in the near future by Harry Evans against Colonel F. C. Reed. Wednesday evening he paid a visit to the lake and carefully looked over the switchback railway, where his son Arthur almost lost his life the other night. He was accompanied by Emmet Tinley, attorney for Colonel Reed, and together they talked with the eye witnesses of the accident.

Hardman pianos, Omaha, 113 N. 16th.

WRITTEN BY A SKEPTIC.

Facts About the Author of the Most Popular Hymn.

"Nearer, my God, to Thee,
Nearer to Thee!
E'en though it be a cross
That raiseth me;
Still all my song shall be,
Nearer, my God, to Thee,
Nearer to Thee!"

For fifty years this soul burst has been entrancing the Christian world, and is, perhaps, the most popular hymn ever written. Yet of its writer and its writing very little has been known by the thousands who have been thrilled and exalted by its wonderful power, whether welling from the throat of Parepa Rosa or lisped by the piping voice of a child.

The most that could be learned was that it was written by Sarah Flower Adams, who was born in Cambridge, England, in February, 1805, and who died in 1848; that "she was noted for the taste she manifested in literature and for great zeal and earnestness in her religious life." As to the hymn which has made her memory precious, the biographers were silent, except to say in passing that "the circumstances under which she wrote it, or at what time, is not known."

It will be a suprising revelation to the world, says the Cincinnati Commercial, that this hymn, breathing in every line an excess of deep religious feeling, was written by one who had entirely lost faith in the inspiration of the Christian scriptures; that it was the result of the pain caused by the passing of the old faith that had nourished and given life to the resplendent flower of the writer's soul.

The first authentic information regarding the conditions under which the hymn was written is furnished by Moncure D. Conway (some time pastor of a church in Cincinnati, now of London) in "The Story of an Old London Society," recently printed in The Open Court. The information is mostly obtained in a letter written by Sarah Flower to Mr. Fox, pastor of South Place chapel. She was a member of Mr. Fox's congregation and she wrote to him concerning her disbelief in the bible, which was revealed to her by the question of Robert Browning, the poet, then 15 years old. She says:

"You did not ask me to write, and, perhaps, will be little thankful for what you are like to receive—a regular confession of faith, or, rather, the want of it, from one you little suspect guilty of the heinous sin of unbelief. It reads like half jest; never was I more in earnest. My mind has been wandering a long time, and now it seems completely to have lost sight of that only hold against the assaults of the warring world—a firm belief in the genuineness of the Scriptures. No, not the only one. I do believe in the existence of an All-wise and Omnipotent Being—and that, involving, as it does, the conviction everything is working together for good, brings with it comfort I would not resign for worlds. Still, I would fain go to my bible as I used—but I can not. The cloud has come over me gradually, and I did not discover the darkness in which my soul was shrouded until, in seeking to give light to others, my own gloomy state became too settled to admit of doubt.

"It was in answering Robert Browning that my mind refused to bring forward arguments, turned recreant, and sided with the enemy. * * * I have a firm belief in a resurrection—at least, I think I have. But my mind is in a sad state, and before that goes I must endeavor to build up my decaying faith. How is it to be done? I want to read a good ecclesiastical history as a first step. I dare not apply to papa. I dare not let him have a glimpse of the infatuation that possesses me. Had he been less rigid in his ideas of all kinds of unbelief, it would have been better for me. But I have no one either to remove or confirm my doubts and heaven alone knows what uneasiness they have given me." * * *

This letter, written in the Gethsemane that precedes the death of the old faith and the resurrection which brings freedom, will give a fuller melody to her glorious song in the myriad hearts that have suffered a kindred agony. In speaking of the hymn and its writer, Mr. Conway says:

"'Nearer, My God, to Thee,' was sung for many years in South Place chapel before it was heard outside; the hymn for which six different tunes have been composed and which Christians are singing in every part of the world, unconscious as yet that it is really a hymn of their pilgrimage from the old faith to the new. I have before me as I write the first draft of the hymn, a beautiful autograph, written for choral responses—and the heart of the world is responding. * * *

"The letter was in advance of the opinions of Mr. Fox, who was by no means of skeptical temperament. He was acknowledged leader of the Unitarian denomination, and had Sarah Flower's letter never been written, South Place might today be merely a sectarian chapel. He did not remove Sarah's doubts; she even became more skeptical as time went on; but Mr. Fox came over to her view.

An Irish Round Tower.

In the cemetery of St. Mary's Catholic church in Milford, Mass., there has just been finished the only Irish round tower in this country. It is a fac-simile of the famous round tower of Glen-de-Lough in Ireland. The tower is fifteen feet in diameter and seventy-five feet in height. It is built of pink granite and tapers within sixteen feet at the apex, where it assumes a cone shape and is crowned with a large granite shamrock.

In its symmetrical and majestic proportions it gives a good idea of the antique magnificence of the Irish round towers, recalling the verses of Tom Moore:

On Lough Neagh's bank as the fisherman strays,
When the clear, cold eve's declining,
He sees the round tow'rs of other days
In the waves beneath him shining.

The tower is the first of its kind ever built in this country and will stand for ages like a sentinel watching over the city of the dead.

Addressed the Merchants Exchange.

ST. LOUIS, July 18.—Congressman Josiah Patterson of Memphis, Tenn., who came here to deliver a lecture on sound money tonight, and who is the father of the Memphis sound money convention, made a short address to the members of the Merchants exchange today at the close of the trading hour. President Booth introduced Mr. Patterson, who talked a few minutes on the theme that is nearest his heart, and on which he has been speaking all over the south. His remarks were well received

DENOUNCED THE OFFICIALS

R. B. Leroy of Webster City Arrested Under Peculiar Circumstances.

TROUBLED THE MUNICIPAL AUTHORITIES

Charged Them with Using Too Much Liquor and Being Little Better Than a Curse to the Community.

WEBSTER CITY, Ia., July 18.—(Special Telegram.)—R. B. Leroy claims to be the victim of the whole of the city council of Webster City, the mayor and chief of police. He was arrested today by a United States marshal, and taken to Fort Dodge to appear before the United States commissioner to answer the charge of using the mails illegally.

The city council had failed to extend a road past Leroy's large sash and blind factory. He placed signs in front in the public highway. One sign was a beer bottle on one end of a stick and on the other a whisky bottle. Beneath was the inscription: "This is what ails Webster City's council."

This provoked the city officials, as this is a temperance town. They ordered him to take the signs down, and when they laid a petition presented by Leroy on the table last Monday night at the regular council meeting this so angered the man that he wrote a postal card to the city marshal, telling the latter that the whole city administration was little better than a curse. The council and the mayor had him arrested.

Regulating Municipal Officers.

SIOUX CITY, July 18.—(Special Telegram.)—At the next meeting of the Sioux City council an ordinance will be submitted prohibiting city representatives or heads of departments from purchasing goods or material of any kinds from any other city officers or deriving any profit from contracts entered into while they were in the city's employ. The ordinance is the result of numerous complaints of dishonesty on the part of municipal officers.

The scarlet women of this city are hereafter to be confined to a district. In the past the women have either been given the freedom of the town or forbidden to enter it at all.

Burdened with Lunatics.

SIOUX CITY, July 19.—(Special Telegram.)—The recent action of the trustees of the State Insane asylum in discharging a large number of incurable patients to make room for new cases has caused grief to county officers all over the state. Most of the persons discharged have been in confinement from ten to twenty-five years and having no friends to look after them will come upon their respective counties. In very few of these cases is there adequate accommodations for so many new arrivals at the poor farms, and the authorities are at a loss to know what to do with them.

Liberal League of Saloon Men.

DES MOINES, July 18.—(Special Telegram.)—A conference of the representatives of the Liberal league of Iowa and all persons who are opposed to the submission of the proposed prohibitory amendment to the constitution and favor the repeal or modification of the mulct law and the right to manufacture all intoxicating liquors in this state, is called to meet at Marshalltown August 6 to take such action as is necessary to attain these ends. The liberal league is an organization of saloonkeepers of the state who are against the present method of regulating or controlling their places of business.

Iowa Pioneers to Meet.

RED OAK, Ia., July 18.—(Special.)—The Southwestern Iowa Old Settlers' association will hold its annual reunion at Villisca August 8. This is always one of the best attended and most interesting gatherings in this section. This time Hon. F. M. Drake, republican nominee for governor, will be the principal speaker. Hon. W. P. Hepburn, Hon. A. L. Hager, Hon. J. B. Harsh, L. T. Gennig and other prominent speakers will also be there and assist in the program. One of the features will be a collection of pioneer relics, implements, weapons, household utensils and furniture.

Rumors of Foul Play.

DES MOINES, July 18.—(Special Telegram.)—A chemist of this city returned from Oskaloosa today with portions of the body of Mrs. Phil Conklin, who was recently burned to death there. Rumors of foul play have been floating about, tending to implicate the husband, and he demanded an investigation. The coroner's jury returned at the time a verdict of suicide by the woman setting fire to her clothes, after having saturated them with coal oil. There is considable excitement over the affair.

Thrown from a Mower and Hurt.

DES MOINES, July 18.—(Special Telegram.)—C. T. Huff was thrown from a mower yesterday afternoon and so badly injured that his recovery is a matter of grave doubt. He was driving a pair of mules, which became frightened and ran, throwing Huff in front of the sickle.

Senatorial Deadlock in the Seventh.

AUDUBON, Ia., July 18.—(Special Telegram.)—The seventh senatorial convention is in session here today. One hundred and fifty-six ballots had ben taken at 2 p. m., with no choice, and no indications of a break.

HER WAY OF DOING IT.

A Bootblacking Woman Who Makes Lots of Money.

The new woman, with her varied propensities for engaging in all sorts of business which has heretofore belonged to men, is ever before the public, and she of Chicago exceeds all others in searching new fields for a fresh exhibition of energy. Nothing phases her fearless courage to grapple with anything she sees fit to undertake, and the more masculine the employment the more consistent it seems to be with her advanced ideas of womanly ways and methods. The fact that the number of occupations open to women have increased from seventy to more than 500 in less than forty years must be exceedingly interesting to the feminine public of Chicago, since it has done so much toward increasing the number. And now this city of hustling women boasts with great pride of the "only one on earth" who has ever embarked in the shoe dressing business. This is indeed a boon to the women of Chicago, who find it impossible to walk three blocks without the need of a polish.

The woman in question has been established in this enterprise five months. One removal to more roomy quarters has been necessary during that time, and both men and women patronize her clean parlor. The condition of her shoes after a brief tramp through the streets of Chicago suggested the growing possibilities of this unique business for women, and her present success more than justifies her judgment. A place where women can go to have their shoes cleaned and polished is certainly a necessity in Chicago, and Miss Edison, the sole proprietor and manager of the business, has a fortune in prospect. The room is fitted up with nice comfortable chairs. Capable, gentlemanly boys are hired to do the work, and they receive as salary, which is more than they can earn alone. Being situated in Dearborn street, in the center of the large office buildings, she has the best class of custom. A little stand, where good cigars and chewing gum are sold, adds to her revenue, and young women who work in the various offices leave their bicycles with her for storage for 25 cents a week.

Miss Edison is described by the Chicago Tribune as a young woman with a business manner, who knows, in a western sort of a way, how to take care of herself and make her customers observe the proprieties of the place. Saturday is her busiest day, and often as many as a dozen women are in the chairs at one time.

No Fork in His'n.

New York World: Customer (in uptown drug store)—I want a thirty-grain dose o' quinine, young man.

Clerk—Yes, sir. What will you take it with, sir?

Customer—I'll take it with a spoon. I'm a Wabash Valley man, an' I ain't doodish 'nough yet, thank God, to eat with a fork.

SENATORIAL FAMILIES.

Honors that Have Descended from Father to Son and Further.

"In this country, where distinction is won by individual worth rather than by wealth or birth, it is rather a striking fact that in all legislative history only five instances occur where the honor of a seat in the senate has descended in the same family from generation to generation," said Attorney General Stockton of New Jersey, to the New York Tribune, speaking of the death of the late Senator Colquitt of Georgia.

Following up the suggestion in these words, many facts were brought to light not generally known, but interesting, nevertheless, to an explorer of the bypaths of history. The families thus honored by their fellow citizens are the Bayards of Delaware, the Camerons of Pennsylvania, the Colquitts of Georgia, and the Frelinghuysens and Stocktons of New Jersey. With the Stocktons the descent has been longest and most direct. Richard Stockton was a member of the continental congress, and while so serving signed the immortal declaration. His son Richard served in the United States senate from 1793 until 1796; his grandson, the celebrated Commodore Robert Stockton of 1812, served in like capacity from 1851 until 1853, and his great-grandson, John P. Stockton, now attorney general of New Jersey, was elected senator in 1856 and again in 1869.

The Bayards also can boast of four senatorial representatives, although the descent has not been entirely from father to son. James A., his sons James A. and Richard H., and his grandson, Thomas F., the present ambassador to England, have all had seats in the senate.

Three Frelinghuysens have been senators, Frederick, his son Theodore, and his grandson, Frederick Theodore. With the Colquitts and Camerons the office has descended from father to son.

Remarkable, indeed, has been the public career of these five families, nor has it been confined to legislative action alone. In almost every field of peaceful and warlike achievement have they been prominent, and on almost every page of their country's history have their names been written. James A. Bayard, Richard Henry Bayard and John P. Stockton have been foreign ministers. F. T. Frelinghuysen was nominated as minister to England and was confirmed by the senate, but declined the office, and Thomas F. Bayard is the present ambassador at the court of St. James. Frederick Frelinghuysen and Richard Stockton were soldiers of 1776, and a bullet from Frelinghuysen's pistol put an end to the life of the hated Hessian commander, Colonel Rahl, at the capture of Trenton in 1777. Robert F. Stockton won national fame as a commander and during the civil war A. H. Colquitt was a "southern brigadier."

Simon Cameron and his son Donald were both secretaries of war, the former under Lincoln, the latter under Grant. Frederick T. Frelinghuysen was Arthur's secretary of state, and R. F. Stockton declined the portfolio of the navy. F. T. Frelinghuysen and John P. Stockton have been attorneys general of New Jersey, and the former was the vice presidential nominee when Clay was a candidate for the presidency. They have laid hold on the judge's ermine, too, and the scholar's cap, as well as the soldier's sword and the statesman's gown. Richard Stockton, first, was a member of the Colonial council, and was unanimously elected first chief justice of the supreme court of Georgia, and Frederick T. Frelinghuysen was president of the University of New York and of Rutgers college.

Widely different as they are in the ways they have trodden to fame, in the states from which they came, and the ideas they held to the great national questions with which they have been identified since the foundation of the government, there is one bond of union between them all, the tie of education. Of the fifteen men under discussion, thirteen have been college bred, and all these received their education in New Jersey, all but one at Princeton college.

HOMEMADE BAROMETER.

Simple and Cheap Contrivance by Which Anybody Can Weigh Air.

There is one atmospheric phenomenon about which there is a wide misconception, says the Philadelphia Times. When the smoke lies close to the surface of the earth, instead of moving upward as it generally does, many people think it is because the air is heavy. The same people will tell you perhaps that damp air is heavier than dry air, for it is on days that the air is damp that the smoke lies close to the earth. On the contrary, damp air is lighter than dry air, and it is because the air is damp that the smoke does not ascend. It is purely a question of gravity, of weight. If the lower stratum of air is heavier than the smoke the latter will go up; if it is lighter than the smoke the smoke will not go up so readily. The barometer is the instrument used by the scientists to determine the relative weight of the air. As usually made, it consists of a cup of mercury, with which is connected a graduated glass tube. From the upper part of this tube the air has been exhausted, thus forming a vacuum, and the height of the column of mercury in the tube denotes the weight of the atmosphere.

The explanation of this is quite simple. The pressure of the atmosphere upon the mercury in the cup forces the mercury up into the tube, where it meets no resistance because the empty part of the tube is a vacuum. Hence the column of mercury will rise or fall in the tube as the pressure is greater or less.

Everybody is familiar enough with weather reports to know that we have "high barometer" on clear, dry days and "low barometer" on damp days; that the first indicates good weather and the last stormy weather. But "high barometer" means that the column of mercury is well up in the tube, and "low barometer" that it is down. We know, therefore, that as dry air bears down more heavily upon the mercury in the cup than damp air, it must be heavier than damp air. A very simple and serviceable barometer may be made at home, without cost. The only things needed are a wide-mouthed glass jar—a pickle bottle will do—a clean Venetian oil flask, and half a pint of plain water. Pour the water into the jar, letting it come to within one-third of the top, and insert the oil flask upside down in the jar, so that the neck of the flask will just enter the water. That is all.

If the atmospheric conditions are favorable to clear, fine weather, the water will rise in the flask; if, on the contrary, a storm is in prospect, the water will fall. The air affects the water just as it does the mercury in the tube.

A Few Notes About Coin.

Harper's Round Table: The rei of Brazil, like the mill of our own money table, is an imaginary coin, no piece of that denomination being coined. Ten thousand reis equal $5.45.

Vermont was the first state to issue a coinage on its own authority. Copper coins were issued in 1785.

The first woman's face represented on a coin was that of Pulchera, the empress of the eastern empire.

The Chinese stamp bars or ingots of gold or silver with their weight and fineness, and pass them from hand to hand as coin.

The first Maryland coins were minted in 1662, and were put in circulation by act of council ordering every householder to bring in sixty pounds of tobacco and receive ten shillings of the new money in exchange for it.

In 1634 the Massachusetts general assembly made bullets a legal tender by the following enactment: "It is likewise ordered that muskett bulletts of a full boare shall pass currently for a farthing apiece. Provided that noe man be compelled to take above XIId att a tyme in them."

A Court Scene.

A court room episode of the kind which many people think happen only in books of humor and fiction occurred at Huntington, W. Va., last week. A murder trial in which the community was deeply interested was in progress and the court room was densely crowded. A bunch of negroes, getting somewhat excited, disturbed the decorum of the proceedings somewhat, and "a deputy sheriff was compelled to use a blackjack on the heads of some of them." This caused more excitement and in a few minutes the spectators were in an uproar; pistols, knives and razors were flourished in dozens. The sheriff called in all his deputies to quell the disturbance, but they and their blackjacks only increased the uproar. The judge ordered the court cleared, and this was the last straw. There was a general scrimmage and "all the police force" was required to compel the people to leave the room. The fracas continued in the street in such fashion that "the court was compelled to adjourn until the next morning."

STATISTICS OF FARM PRODUCTS.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Kansas has 930,305 horses on her farms.

Texas has 228,126 farms, with 51,406,937 acres.

Iowa has 201,903 farms, with 30,491,541 acres.

Texas has the largest unimproved acreage—30,660,772.

Plantations of pecan trees are reported from five states.

We exported in 1894 $1,744,000 worth of vegetables.

Illinois is first in broom corn, with 15,932,502 pounds.

Our farmers have $10,000,000 worth of Guinea fowls.

Our farmers raised in 1893 450,000,000 pounds of cane sugar.

Kansas has 166,617 farms, having an acreage of 30,214,456.

The District of Columbia has 382 farms, with 11,745 acres.

The total number of farms in the United States is 4,564,641.

Our farmers last year exported 744,603,299 pounds of oil cake.

The enumerators of the last census reported forty-seven frog farms.

The value of the vegetable oils exported last year was $6,000,000.

It is said that $175,000,000 are invested by our farmers in turkeys.

A florist estimates that $500,000,000 a year is realized from flowers.

It is estimated that our farmers have $250,000,000 invested in hens.

The egg product of this country is estimated at $150,000,000 per annum.

The sugar maples of the United States yielded in 1893 3,220,000 pounds.

Nebraska, according to the last census, had 113,608 farms, having 21,593,444 acres.

The beet sugar manufactured in this country in 1893 amounted to 27,083,322 pounds.

The first rye producing state is Pennsylvania, with 336,041 acres and 3,742,164 bushels.

The increase in fruit farms in this country has been mainly in the west and southwest.

The first state as an oat producer is Illinois, with 3,870,702 acres and 137,624,828 bushels.

The best rice producing state is Louisiana, having 84,377 acres producing 75,645,433 pounds.

The first buckwheat state is New York, with 280,029 acres and 4,675,735 bushels of product.

Texas is first in cattle, with 6,201,552; Iowa is second, with 4,895,550; Kansas is third, with 3,188,033.

Illinois has most farm horses, 1,335,289; Iowa comes second, with 1,312,079; Texas is third, with 1,026,002.

When the last census was taken there were 203,946 acres planted in peanuts, producing 3,588,143 bushels.

Iowa is the first in milch kine, with 1,498,418; New York being second, with 1,440,230, and Illinois third, with 1,087,886.

Kentucky is the largest hemp-growing state, having 23,468 acres planted in this staple, which produced 10,794 tons.

By the last census there were 837,164 acres of buckwheat sown in the United States, producing a yield of 12,110,349 bushels.

New York is first in beans, raising 1,111,510 bushels; California being second, with 713,480 bushels; Michigan being third, with 434,014 bushels.

The number of fleeces taken from our sheep in the fall of 1889 and spring of 1890 was 32,126,868, which made 165,449,239 pounds of wool.

According to the details furnished by the eleventh census, the estimated value of all the farm products raised in this country in 1889 was $2,460,107,454.

In the value of stock the state of Iowa stands first, having $206,436,242 invested; Illinois is second, with $180,431,662; Missouri is third, with $138,701,173.

According to the census reports of 1890, the number of acres planted in Indian corn was 72,087,752 and the yield of the same year being 2,122,327,547 bushels.

The total number of cattle in the United States in 1890 was 51,363,572, of which 1,117,494 were working oxen and 16,511,950 are milch kine, the remainder being classed as miscellaneous.

New York has the greatest amount of capital invested in farm implements and machinery, the sum total being $46,659,465; Pennsylvania is second, with $39,046,855; Iowa is third, with $36,665,315.

The first corn producing state is Iowa, with an acreage of 7,585,522 and 313,130,782 bushels; next comes Illinois, with 7,863,025 acres and 289,697,256 bushels; the third being Kansas, with 7,314,765 acres and 259,574,568 bushels.

According to the statistics furnished by our consular service, the farmers of this country are better clothed, better housed, better fed, give their children a better education and have more money in bank than the rural population of any country in the world.

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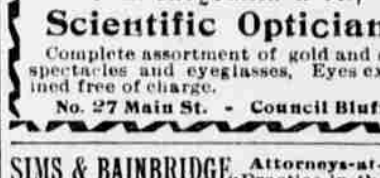

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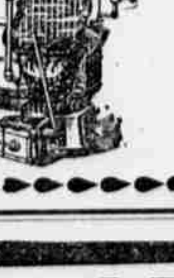

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