

Science Notes

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NEW SERUM FOR RESTORING LIFE

Several physicians of the Johns Hopkins hospital of Baltimore, Md., are at present experimenting with a serum which they are said to have used with success in the laboratories in restoring cases of asphyxiation and drowning in animals several hours after life has been practically extinct. There appears to be one drawback in the results thus far, however, in that in the majority of instances there have been serious after effects such as high blood pressure or hardening of the arteries.

If the serum is to be perfected, and more than likely it will be, the physicians are of the opinion that it can be injected in human beings several hours after the accident and restore them to life. In one case the serum was used on an animal that had been apparently dead from drowning for a period of four hours. The animal was brought to life, but it died a short while later from blood pressure. Other cases, report the physicians, have been successful. — Scientific American.

HOME FROM LIBERIA

Guy Robbins, secretary of the American legation at Monrovia, Liberia, has resigned and returned to his home in Omaha. He was pleased with his experience abroad and will contribute a series of articles on Liberia to The Monitor.

SOUTH SIDE

Mr. John Carter, of 2416 P street, South Side, who has been on the sick list for a few months, but able to be up and still at work, took violently ill Saturday and was taken to the hospital Sunday, where he died Tuesday, May 23.

At the home of patrolman officer Joe Ballew is one of nature's own musical canines. At the sound of a musical instrument she will howl in the same pitch or tone of the instrument. When the musician takes her seat at the piano, Baby Blue will sit upright ready for her recital. Mr. Ballew has refused quite a sum offered him for her.

Miss Marie Jones, the granddaughter of Mrs. M. F. Starnes, of 5307

South 20th street, will be married this week at Pasadena, California, her present home. Miss Jones was at one time a resident of South Omaha. We hope for her a happy voyage through life.

Mr. Jake Broomfield is quite sick at his present home, 2501 P street. We hope for him a speedy recovery.

Sunday, May 28, the members of Allen Chapel will make a special effort to raise money for pastor's salary. There will be services at 11 a. m., 3 p. m. and 7:30 p. m. In the afternoon the Juvenile choir from Council Bluffs A. M. E. Church will sing. Rev. J. H. Nichols, pastor of Allen chapel

"QUEEN ESTHER" GIVEN BEFORE LARGE AUDIENCE

The beautiful Brandeis Theatre was comfortably filled by a large and appreciative audience Thursday night, May 18th, to witness the presentation of Queen Esther, dramatized, under the management of Mrs. W. T. Osborne, for the benefit of St. John's A. M. E. Church. The almost faultless rendition of the cantata as an oratorio at Boyd's Theatre, in March, when it was given before an audience of more than one thousand people, had made the public keenly alert for its presentation as a drama.

As a spectacle to please the eye, in scenery, costuming and grouping, Queen Esther as presented Thursday night, left little to be desired. It was a most pleasing spectacle and all things considered, very well done. As a musical production, however, it fell below its high standard set when it was heard as an oratorio.

The principal characters were intelligently interpreted by those to whom they were assigned. Miss Minnie Wright's voice was heard to good effect as Queen Esther. John E. Jeltz, as Ahasuerus, sang and acted the part well. The same is true of Mr. McKinney as Mordecai. Mrs. Maud Ray, as Zerish, pleased her audience. Mr. Rufus Long, as Haman, was too funereal, and made the part too tragically serious.

Mrs. J. W. Moss, as an accompanist, was fine. Her musical ability has been a revelation to the people of Omaha.

Like all amateur performances there were minor points that could be criticised, but, taken all in all, Queen Esther dramatized, was a most creditable production which fully repaid the large audience for its attendance and reflected credit upon the management and those who took part.

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