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Rev. Joe Munday is in
 and is booked for a
 in the opera house to-
 evening at 3 o'clock.
 Munday is professionally
 an evangelist, though form-
 a stage actor. Males of
 10 years only will be ad-
 and drummers; and male
 members are especially
 No admission fee is
 We have before us a
 testimonial favorable
 one of which is
 from the Houston
 City Post. It says:
 "Munday's sermon is fur-
 this world, and he suc-
 A great backland heart
 with middle-ages, he
 for all hu-
 Many of the city felt
 the torch of his eloquence,
 his kind, strong spoken
 words will stay in their hearts
 for many months to come. He
 is a master hand pa-
 manic, eloquent and humorous.
 an episode in one's life,
 not to be forgotten, to be one
 of his audience."

Benefited by the Aid of the Ladies.
 Numbers of people came out
 Friday night to Caton's hall and
 patronized the festival given by
 the good ladies of our town for
 the benefit of the Concord band,
 which with its twenty pieces was
 placed upon the stage and fur-
 nished delightful music for its
 patrons. It was the ladies of
 our town who put forth their ef-
 forts in this way to help to per-
 form an organization, which is
 needed to every town and of
 whose the band is under many
 obligations to them and also to
 the ones who showed their de-
 sires to help it along by the pa-
 tronage. About \$25 was realized.
 The band asks us to extend its
 thanks also to Messrs. Swink &
 White and Bell, Harris & Co.—
 the former for the use of dishes
 and the latter for the use of their
 etc.

Cotton and Cotton Seed in Demand.
 The buyers of cotton and cotton
 seed on the street these days
 keep their eyes on all wagons
 that go by. Several buyers
 of both materials are on the
 streets, representing different
 firms. The price of cotton seed
 opened Friday at 18 cents and
 before the day closed 23 cents
 was paid for a load.
 Mr. Propst weighed 110 bales
 of cotton on that day. Most of
 it brought 6.50 but some brought
 6.70 late that evening. Mr.
 Propst, after making his calcula-
 tion, predicts that the number
 sold this month here will be short
 between 800 and 1,000 bales. Oc-
 tober was the biggest cotton
 month last year.

His Hand Caught in the Machinery.
 Mr. Monroe Thornburg, of
 Cannonville, was so unfortunate
 as to lose his right hand Friday
 afternoon while at work in the
 carding department of the Can-
 non mills. By some means his
 hand was caught in the ma-
 chinery, mashing it so badly that
 the hand was amputated. It was
 amputated just above the wrist.

Bad Report from Cuba.
 A dispatch from New York
 reports William Willis Heard,
 general manager of the Cuban in-
 dustrial relief fund, and who has
 just returned from Cuba, as
 saying:
 "Cuba is in a pitiful state. In-
 stead of a rainy season, Cuba has
 had a drouth. Not since 1841
 has there been such long con-
 tinued dry weather during the
 summer. The result has been
 disastrous. The United States
 weather bureau reports that all
 small crops have been ruined.
 Sugar cane has been so damaged
 that the crop next year will be
 less than the crop grown this
 year. The most distressing
 feature of the drouth is the
 destruction of the corn. Even
 under favorable circumstances
 the corn crop would have been
 pitifully small, for it was planted
 in dribbles here and there on the
 outskirts of the towns by poor
 people who had no means of do-
 ing any better. The weather
 bureau reports show that the
 best of the corn crop in a few
 favored localities will yield not
 more than 15 per cent.

"On our relief farms we have
 better corn than any that I
 have seen in Cuba, due, no
 doubt, to the fact that we put
 more labor on the growing crop
 than any one else was able to do.
 We have one field that will give
 a full crop, another that will
 give three-quarters of a crop
 and third that will produce
 from a third to a half.
 "Business in cities is desper-
 ately dull. The hotels are empty,
 restaurants are idle and all small
 affairs are lifeless. Large busi-
 ness concerns are scraping along
 as best they may in the hope
 that the future of the island may
 be definitely settled.

"The gradual withdrawal of
 the American troops has materi-
 ally lessened the amount of
 money in circulation. The
 hectic flush of unreal prosperity
 which many persons mistook for
 genuine prosperity has died out.
 There can be no return of pros-
 perity in Cuba until the farmers
 have been helped back to their
 homes.
 "In the country the desolation
 wrought by war and Weyler still
 continues almost without abate-
 ment. The big planters have
 been able to do only a little to-
 ward the rehabilitation of their
 properties. They have as yet
 been unable to obtain money
 with which to resume operations.
 Money will not be forthcoming
 until the political conditions are
 settled.

"The sugar and tobacco grow-
 ers favor annexation as a busi-
 ness measure. Free trade with

ROBBED THE GRAVE.
 A startling incident, of which Mr.
 John Oliver of Philadelphia, was the
 subject, is narrated by him as follows:
 I was in a most dreadful condition. My
 skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken,
 tongue coated, pain continually in back
 and sides, no appetite—gradually grow-
 ing weaker day by day. Three physi-
 cians had given me up. Fortunately a
 friend advised trying Electric Bitters,
 and to my great joy and surprise, the
 first bottle made a decided improve-
 ment. I continued their use for three
 weeks, and am now a well man. I know
 they saved my life, and robbed the grave
 of another victim." No one should fail
 to try them. Only 50cts., guaranteed, at
 Fetzner's Drug Store.

the United States would serve
 just as well. Cuban politicians
 and office-seekers want independ-
 ence. Any method of giving
 them offices would satisfy them.
 The bulk of the people want only
 a chance to earn a living. Any-
 thing other than Spanish rule
 will suit them.

"Anyone who denounces the
 Cubans as a dirty, lazy, worth-
 less people, is guilty of slander.
 Anyone who asserts that the Cu-
 ban will not work, speaks with-
 out knowledge of the subject.
 Cubans come to our relief farms
 in swarms to beg for a day's
 work. Not one of them yet come to
 beg for food. Our relief work is
 not giving support wholly or in
 part to about 100 persons, of
 whom about 80 are dependent
 women and children. We have
 workers in our fields who should
 be in the hospital. Some of
 them have insisted on working
 till they dropped to their tracks
 through sheer fatigue. The Cu-
 ban will work if anyone will give
 him a chance.

Mr. George Moose Dead.

Some days ago it was noted in
 the Mt. Pleasant correspondence
 that Mr. George Moose, an aged
 man of that place, was very low.
 About midnight Friday night he
 died. Mr. Moose was a good citi-
 zen of the county and until lately
 lived several miles east of Mt.
 Pleasant. He leaves a wife and
 nine children. Mr. A W Moose,
 the druggist at Mt. Pleasant, is
 one of his sons. Another one of
 his sons, Dr. J W Moose, arrived
 here the week before from
 Texas.

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PERSONAL POINTERS.

—Mr. Will Powe is here today.
 —Baxter Gillon, of Chis-
 Grove, spent last night here.
 —Engineer Walter Parish re-
 turned home this morning for a
 short visit.

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 do the rest. Come and see if we don't.

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 the nice pictures until we can serve you. Bell, Harris & Co.