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A GRATIFYING SUCCESS.

AFRO-AMERICANS IN NATIONAL CONVENTION ORGANIZE A NATIONAL LEAGUE.

STATE LEAGUES WITH LOCAL BRANCHES PROVIDED FOR—IMPORTANT PARTS OF THE CONSTITUTION—AN ABLE ADDRESS TO THE COUNTRY—THE LEAGUE OFFICERS.

Special to THE PLAIN DEALER

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THE PLAIN DEALER of last week contained an account of the first day's proceedings of the Afro-American League, but it may be well to state the make-up of the Committee on Credentials and the roll of the membership of the Convention.

MASSACHUSETTS—J. A. Brockett, Mass.; H. C. C. Astwood, New York; D. M. Washington, Penn.; A. J. Chambers, N. C.; J. D. Hawkins, Kentucky; S. R. Maples, Tennessee; Benjamin B. Thornton, Indiana; E. H. Morris, Illinois; Charles Cottrill, Ohio; T. L. Smith, Iowa; Daniel Cole, Michigan; S. P. Bell, Wisconsin; J. H. Pelham, Missouri; E. R. Overall, Nebraska; J. Q. Adams, Minnesota; W. H. Smith, Georgia; D. W. Williams, Texas; T. T. Simmons, District of Columbia; Martin L. Davis, West Virginia; Thomas Glover, Kansas; E. H. Hackley, Denver, Col. were the committee on credentials who submitted the following report after a long session of over six hours:

GEORGIA—W. H. H. Smith, R. Phillips, Rev. J. C. Center, Jas. Harris, Capt. Jackson McHenry, Hon. W. A. Pledger, Peter Hawkins, Alexander R. Bonner, H. Carter.

INDIANA—Hon. J. S. Hinton, B. T. Thornton, J. A. Sissle, D. J. Washington, W. A. Sweeney, L. E. Christy, G. L. Knox, Prof. W. F. Peterson, J. H. Walker, F. G. Anderson, Wm. H. White, A. E. Manning, and E. E. Cooper.

ILLINOIS—G. W. Perry, E. H. Beaverville, D. G. Jackson, N. Douglas, S. M. Penwick, J. H. C. Hall, W. J. Harris, J. E. Stewart, Chas. N. Hall, H. C. Carter, E. H. Morris, S. R. Snowden, S. B. Turner, Samuel Alexander, J. D. Murray, W. B. Lee, G. W. Birdsong, G. H. B. Rollins, Rev. J. W. Crushon, Rev. A. J. Burton, F. R. Watson, Henry Gibson, J. W. Muse, Thos. Hayden, Rev. J. S. Woods, W. H. Twigs, G. W. Moore, J. W. Oglesby, J. B. Dawson, R. S. Bryan, J. W. E. Thomas, J. H. Hayward, J. E. Blis, R. M. Mitchell, J. E. Brown, J. E. Jones, John Crocker, Rev. L. H. Reynolds, J. H. Porter, George B. Johnson, Chas. Brasler, E. A. Payne, Asa Boyd, B. S. Harris, W. N. Cooper, J. W. Wicks.

IOWA—Rev. T. L. Smith, Amos Johnson, J. W. Malone, Louis Lowe.

KENTUCKY—D. R. Watkins, J. B. Hawkins.

KANSAS—Thomas Glover, J. B. McAfee.

MICHIGAN—Robert Pelham, Jr., Walter Stowers, Wm. H. Anderson, Wilmot A. Johnson, Daniel Cole, George Randall, Rev. D. A. Graham, G. O. Curtis, Frank Evans.

MISSOURI—J. H. Pelham, R. A. Hardick, S. B. Russell, Rev. J. C. Owens, Rev. W. G. Guy.

MINNESOTA—J. Q. Adams, F. L. McGee, W. R. Morris.

MASSACHUSETTS—J. A. Brockett.

NEW YORK—T. Thomas Fortune, H. C. C. Astwood, J. J. Brooks, H. A. Spencer, J. W. Thompson, Rev. R. A. Stitt, J. N. Davis.

NORTH CAROLINA—J. C. Sanders.

NEBRASKA—M. O. Ricketts, A. L. Bennett, S. G. Thomas, S. Robbins, E. R. Overall.

OHIO—Chat Cottrill, H. C. Smith, Hon. Jere Brown, S. R. Wilkerson, W. Chas. H. Bland, Henry Reed, P. H. Cooley, C. L. Maxwell, Rev. Wm. Balay, George H. Mack, W. Copeland, Sam Brown, Rev. O. P. Ross, Geo. Fields, A. M. Clemons, J. C. Keelan, Riley F. Williams, Thomas G. Spencer.

PENNSYLVANIA—William H. Heard, R. G. Still, G. W. Clinton, D. M. Washington.

SOUTH CAROLINA—Rev. J. E. Haynes.

TEXAS—D. W. Williams.

TENNESSEE—S. R. Maples.

WEST VIRGINIA—M. L. Davis.

WISCONSIN—Prof. S. B. Bell, John J. Meyers, Wm. T. Green.

The second day's proceedings of the Afro-American League convention opened in Madison street theatre, with prayer and with the temporary chairman, Fortune, in the chair.

Mr. R. G. Still of Pennsylvania, at once started the ball to rolling by getting the floor on a question of privilege and saying: "It has been stated here that there were certain delegates to this convention whom we were afraid to meet. I think that this organization has brain and sinew enough to meet anyone."

Mr. Astwood of New York, answered by saying: "Mr. President, I presented Mr. Taylor's credentials to the committee, and they were accredited him from Kansas in such order they were referred to the Kansas delegation to find out whether or not such a League existed in that state."

It was shown to the satisfaction of the convention that Taylor had not been to Kansas and a member of the committee on credentials, gave it as his opinion that the credentials were in the handwriting of Mr. Taylor, and that while he lived in Atlanta, Ga., the Georgia delegation would not agree to even allow him to represent one of their absent delegates, and knowing this, Mr. Taylor left the city, after giving it out that the convention was "going to do nothing." He came to work in the interest of the Democratic party and seeing the drift of sentiment and that irregular credentials would not give him a seat in the convention, sneaked away from the city like a whipped cur, after trying to poison the minds of the reporters of the Chicago press as to the personnel of the convention and the object aimed at.

Upon the suggestion of the chairman, Prof. J. C. Price of North Carolina, and F. L. Barnett of Chicago, two of the signers of the call, were given seats in the convention. Mr. Price was introduced and spoke as follows:

"Mr. Chairman, ladies and gentlemen, I am glad to meet you here in this noble and grand work and to discuss this great question. Mr. Fortune says I am from way back. I know that I am not Methuselah, nor am I as old as Methuselah. I know that this is no time for speaking-making. It has been said that when the Afro-Americans meet they simply meet to blow off. They are somewhat like an engine in Georgia whose whistle is larger than its body, and when within a few miles of the city limits it stops to whistle, and then must steam up again before it can come into the city. We do so much whistling that we can't do much business. My heart is with you, gentlemen, and I hope this is for the good of the race, and hope it will affect the whole country, throughout."

Upon motion of Mr. G. O. Curtis of Michigan, a committee of three was appointed to receive and tabulate the large number of greetings that had been sent to the convention. The chair appointed Messrs. Curtis of Michigan, Heard of Pennsylvania, and Thornton of Indiana, as the committee.

The committee on permanent organization then reported, and their report was adopted by an almost unanimous vote. It read as follows:

President, W. A. Pledger, Georgia. Sec'y, J. H. Pelham, Missouri.

Asst. sec'y, H. C. Smith, Ohio.

Chaplain, Rev. A. Johnson, Iowa.

Vice-presidents, J. A. Brockett, Massachusetts; J. H. Davis, New York; Dr. Heard, Pennsylvania; S. R. Maples, Tennessee; A. Manalag, Indiana; W. L. Martin, Ohio; J. H. Malone, Iowa; Walter Stowers, Michigan; S. B. Bell, Wisconsin; S. P. Russell, Missouri; A. S. Barnett, Nebraska; D. W. Williams, Texas; J. C. Center, Georgia; J. E. Haynes, South Carolina; T. T. Simmons, District of Columbia; M. L. Davis, West Virginia; E. H. Hackley, Colorado; J. McAfee, Kansas; J. Q. Adams, Minnesota; E. W. Moore, Illinois.

Chairman Pledger's address was an able one and though quite lengthy, was well received.

Immediately after the address of the Permanent Chairman, Mr. Pelham of Michigan, arose and said: "Mr. Chairman, in view of the fact that we will have to proceed to business in order to get away by to-morrow, I move that a committee be at once appointed on constitution and rules."

After other motions by Mr. Hackley of Colorado, R. M. Mitchell of Illinois, and Mr. Fortune, it was decided to appoint a

committee of seven on constitution, nine on address and five on rules for the convention.

H. C. C. Astwood of New York—"I arise to a privilege of question, Mr. Chairman. I see that our people are in danger right at this moment, therefore allow me to present these resolutions to be sent to Congress."

A PETITION TO CONGRESS.

WHEREAS, the predominance of Afro-Americans in the states of Alabama, South Carolina, Louisiana, Mississippi and other Southern states, makes the situation painful and uncomfortable for the small minority of white fellow citizens residing therein; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we do petition the Honorable Congress of the United States to make and provide for an appropriation of \$100,000 to further the unhappy white citizens of these states, who may desire to settle in other and more favored states, free from the Afro-American majority, with free transportation and lunch by the way to any of the states North of the Mason and Dixon line. Be it further

RESOLVED, That the Congress designate Senator Morgan of Alabama, Senator Hampton of South Carolina, and Senator Gibson of Tennessee, to be the "Moses" to lead the unhappy people out of the states of their misfortune.

Capt. McHenry of Georgia—I want to say, Mr. Chairman, that I think those resolutions are good, but I think Senator Vest of Missouri should also be put on that committee, as he said all Negroes should be run out of the country.

The resolutions were unanimously adopted amid great applause and laughter, and at once telegraphed to the presiding officer of the Senate.

The chairman announced the following committees:

CONSTITUTION—Robert Pelham Jr., Mich., Chairman. Rev. J. A. Stitt, N. Y. J. Q. Adams, Minn. S. R. Maples, Tenn. Geo. H. Jackson, Ohio. E. H. Morris, Ill. T. T. Simmons, D. C.

ADDRESS—H. C. C. Astwood, N. Y., Chairman. W. A. Sweeney, Ind. J. C. Price, N. C. W. H. Stowers, Mich. E. H. Hackley, Col. S. Robbins, Neb. W. H. Smith, Ga. J. C. Owens, Mo. C. L. Maxwell, Ohio.

RULES—B. T. Thornton, Ind., Chairman. J. E. Haynes, S. C. R. G. Still, Penn. Rev. Amos Johnson, Iowa. Henry Lee, Ohio.

EDUCATION—Henry Lee, Ohio, Chairman. Rev. A. Johnson, Iowa. H. C. Carter, Ill. J. Q. Adams, Minn. Rev. J. A. Brockett, Mass. Prof. J. C. Price, N. C. Rev. G. W. Guy, Mo.

J. E. Bish of Illinois—Mr. Chairman I want to make a motion, if you will permit, that all resolutions presented to this convention be referred to the Committee on Address and Resolutions. Carried.

Johnson of Iowa—Motion that T. Thomas Fortune be put on Committee or Constitution. Carried.

Price—Motion that T. Thomas Fortune be put on Committee of Address. Carried. Sweeney of Indiana—I want to resign from the committee in favor of Mr. Fortune.

Chairman—The Chair would like to state that you cannot resign now.

Sweeney—But I will resign, Mr. President, I want to be treated with respect by the Chair.

Chairman—Yes, Mr. Sweeney, and the Chair desires to treat you right, as he has to go through Indiana to go home. [Laughter.]

Cottrill of Ohio—I move, Mr. Chairman, as Ohio has gone to work and sent to this convention twenty-one delegates, I move that Hon. C. L. Maxwell of Xenia, Ohio, be put on Committee of Address. Carried.

Sweeney—I move, Mr. Chairman, that any resolution pertaining to any political leader or party will not be considered by this convention nor referred to Committee on Resolutions. Carried.

H. J. Mitchell of Illinois—I voice the sentiment of the gentlemen from Indiana. This is no place for party worship. It has been said that Illinois has almost a mob. I can say that Illinois has at least the interest of this convention at heart.

Upon motion of Mr. Stowers of Michigan, the addresses of the temporary and permanent chairmen were referred to the Committee on Address.

Convention then adjourned until 8:30 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION—THURSDAY.

Afternoon session was called to order by Chairman of Convention, W. A. Pledger of Georgia. Prayer was offered by Rev. G. Gaines of Chicago.

The secretary not being present, Mr. J. Q. Adams of Minnesota, was elected temporary secretary.

On motion the name of Mr. J. L. Neal from Minnesota, was added to the roll.

The committee on condensation and completion of correspondence, through its chairman, Rev. W. H. Heard of Pennsylvania, then reported on greetings from the Afro-American League No. 2, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Messrs. G. W. Elliott, Selma, Ala.; Hon. J. L. Waller, Kansas City, Kan.; Rev. J. L. Coppin, Philadelphia; Dr. J. C. Price, Lewis R. Lewis, Paducah,

Ky.; Rev. Alex. Walters, A. P. Miller, Miss Ida B. Wells; Afro-American League, Key West, Fla.; Mr. A. B. Casey, W. B. Woodman, Long Branch, N. J.; J. J. Holmes, Woodberry, N. J.; John A. Mulligan, Bedford, Pa.

The committee also read a lengthy communication received from the Hon. Albion W. Tourgee of Mayville, N. Y., containing much of interest to the race and some suggestions as to the plan of organization, and the motion of Mr. Morris of Minnesota, to refer it to the Committee on Constitution and Plan of Organization, then in session at the Palmer House, caused one of the most interesting debates of the session. The Rev. Haynes of South Carolina, advocated the return of the letter and with much warmth, gave it as his firm conviction that the committee was made up of gentlemen of intelligence, who understood the matter thoroughly, had the courage of their convictions and would present a plan of organization without the help of any white man, in drafting the same.

Rev. Heard of Pennsylvania—I cannot, as I have said before, although not a young man, remember the day that I ever took sides with a white man.

Yet I do not say to throw Mr. Tourgee's letter aside without notice. We know what his career is. The letter is brim full of heart-felt suggestions and I am well aware the gentlemen on the committee do not need the help of any outsiders in formulating a plan. I favor the motion referring the communication.

Rev. Brockett of Massachusetts, responded with much feeling and explained why the letter of Judge Tourgee be returned to him or laid on the table with a vote of thanks.

J. C. Price of North Carolina—I rise to second the motion of the gentleman from Philadelphia. That I think we ought to consider this matter before acting, as we know what Albion W. Tourgee has done. He is as much of a friend to the black man as ever was known. We are after friends who have proven and acted friendship, not those who promise and never fulfil. We do not care to say because this is an Afro-American League Convention, that we do not and will not recognize a white man when he offers a letter of suggestions. I say no. If any white man wants to come into the Afro-American League Convention, why, let him come and be an Afro-American too.

And after voting down the motion to table the whole matter, the communication was referred to the Committee on Constitution.

The Committee on Rules reported through its chairman, Mr. Thornton of Indiana, and Roberts' Rules of Order, was accepted as the parliamentary guide for the convention.

The members of the Illinois delegation, numbering about 40, were having things all their own way until Rev. Brockett of Massachusetts asked if it were necessary that the delegates on the left side of the house move on the right with Illinois to be recognized by the chairman, as it had been just three-quarters of an hour since they had the floor. The chairman assured the gentleman it would not be necessary, but immediately after, amid laughter another irrepressible Chicagoan, in the person of Mr. H. J. Mitchell, obtained the floor and said: "Owing to previous arrangements for other occupation of the hall, I move that the Convention now adjourn until to-morrow at 9 a. m. Carried."

FRIDAY'S SESSION.

The most important session of the Convention was held on Friday, lasting from 9 o'clock in the morning until near 12 o'clock at night, the only intermission being a forced one at 6 p. m., when the Convention had to give up the theatre to a dramatic company.

Promptly at 9 o'clock Chairman Pledger called the meeting to order, with less than a dozen members in their seats. Prayer by Rev. Amos Johnson of Iowa. As no quorum was present, the house listened to some brief remarks by Mr. N. P. Bradford of Arkansas, who spoke pathetically and forcefully of the needs of the people in that state. The Rev. J. E. Haynes of South Carolina, followed him. Mr. Haynes is an advocate of an African republic in the Congo Valley. He would not urge a wholesale emigration of Afro-Americans from this country, but he would like to see an opportunity offered for the establishment of an African republic which should command the respect of the nations of the world. He said: "Once let that be secured, once let the flag of such a nation be recognized, and the future of the race would be settled."

By the time Mr. Haynes had concluded his remarks, a large number of delegates had taken their seats, and the first order of business was the report of the Committee on Constitution, which was read by the chairman, Robert Pelham of Michigan, who prefaced the report by saying that on behalf of the committee he desired to report that the letter of Mr. Tourgee had reached them after their work was nearly completed, but that it would be seen that many of the points suggested by the honorable gentleman had been covered by the plan of organization as recommended by them.

The most important parts of the constitution as adopted are articles 2, 8 and 14. The remainder of the document deals with the usual details of administrative and executive duties and rules.

Article 1 of the constitution is as follows: The name of this organization shall be the Afro-American League of the United States.

Article 2 reads: The objects of the League are to protest against taxation

WORK WELL OUTLINED.

SUGGESTIONS WHICH BOSTONIANS SHOULD PUT IN PRACTICE.

Afro-American Population—Co-operative Stores and Manufactures—The Home of "Aged Colored Women"—Election of Officers.

BOSTON, Mass., Jan. 20, '90.

If reports be true, it seems that all the dealings in the Afro-American convention just ended in Chicago, was not fair, for it is stated that it took the convention from 4 p. m. to 10 p. m. to decide who was elected president of the league. When the results of the count of the total number of votes cast 110 was thus: J. A. Brockett, Mass., 48; J. C. Price, N. C., 35; T. Thos. Fortune, N. Y., 27, scattering 8; perhaps elsewhere in the columns of this paper can be found an explanation for this deal. In the five departments mentioned by Mr. Fortune as being practical for the leagues to work in, there are two, namely, the second and fifth, which should be seriously considered. The second department making provision for an Afro-American emigration bureau to scatter the race through the different states, and constantly compiling information as to the best places in this and other countries for the habitation of our people. This is a department in which the leagues in the North and West could be of much service to the race.

There is no reason why the colored people should not emigrate to the North or West as well as to the South or some foreign land, and I may here add that if the colored men had taken more interest in this direction in each other here, the condition of things in the North would have been better for our people. The fifth department making provision for an Afro-American Board of Co-operative Industry to organize co-operative stores and manufactories in communities thickly enough populated by our race to sustain such undertakings. Now there is an urgent necessity for such an industry right here in Boston; it is said that there are over 10,000 colored people in this city, and yet there is not provision, grocery, or dry goods store in any form, except merchant tailor, that could command the patronage in any community controlled by colored man or company of colored men. And so a co-operative store managed and partly operated by colored men in Boston would pay as well as being a great benefit to the colored citizens.

The annual meeting of the corporation of the Home of Aged Colored Women, on Myrtle street, occurred at the institution on the afternoon of the 13th inst. The old board of directors, with the exception of one who had resigned, was elected; the vacancy being filled by the re-electing of Mr. John Morrison. After an appeal for more aid was read, Mr. Curtis, the treasurer, made his report, which showed that the income for the year ending Dec. 31, '89, was \$3086, expenditures \$1225, legacy from the late E. Isha Loring \$5000, cash on hand \$3588. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Hon. John F. Andrew; treasurer, G. F. Curtis, secretary, Miss Lucy Parsons; physician, Dr. J. B. Taylor; committee on admission, Mrs. S. Elliot, Mrs. A. Coolidge and Miss Bates; committee on nominations, Mrs. S. F. Stover and Mrs. A. T. Wordsworth. P. L. W.

A Clever Hit.
The Detroit Tribune: That was a clever hit by the Afro-American convention at Chicago—the adoption of a resolution asking Congress to make an appropriation for the transportation to some foreign country for the unhappy whites of the South who see no way of solving the race problem except to banish the Negroes from the country. The recommendation that Senator Morgan be the Moses of the expedition was also the proper thing. All this was in perfect accord with Senator Blair's suggestion made the same day, viz.: that "if, instead of exporting 8,000,000 colored people, there were 10,000 white people exported to Africa, and kept there the whole difficulty would be settled." And just see how much cheaper it would be to export 10,000 white people than 8,000,000 colored people.

Generous to Their Late Masters.
Chicago InterOcean: It was a pretty square hit at certain Bourbon statesmen in resolving to ask Congress for an appropriation to remove white residents of certain fire-eating states to a more congenial climate and society. The colored people have always been generous to their late masters.

A Good Use for the Money.
Indianapolis Journal: The colored convention at Chicago was much more liberal than the Democratic Senators. They ask Congress to give \$10,000,000 to 10,000 whites in the South to induce them to leave. But it would be a good use to which to put the money.

Nothing Uncertain About Them.
Chicago Journal: There is nothing uncertain about the declaration of principles passed by the Afro-American League. The delegates evidently know what they want, and how to make other people know it.

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CONVENTION COMMENT.

A LITTLE NONSENSE NOW AND THEN.

Personals and Impersonals—Jettings From the Leaguers—As it Struck a Plain-dealer.

The Smith, Carter, Harris and Jackson families were there to a man.

B. T. Thornton of the Indiana delegation, made the worst "break."

Heard of Pennsylvania would be heard and his fellow delegate, Still, wouldn't keep still.

E. E. Cooper was on hand with a photographer and you may count on a perfect galaxy of beauty in the Freeman this week.

"Bill" Pledger makes a good chairman. You can seldom get the best of him at repartee and by his witty sallies he keeps the crowd with him.

Mrs. F. E. Preston and daughter Lilly, were certainly the stars of the evening at the Madison street theatre entertainment, Thursday evening, Jan. 18.

Many were the compliments paid Prof. J. H. Pelham, of Missouri, for the able and accurate manner in which he attended to his duties as permanent secretary.

Mrs. Lucy Parsons, the wife of the convicted anarchist, attended several sessions of the Convention, in the hope no doubt, that its members would advocate anarchist measures.

W. H. Anderson, of THE PLAINDALER, drafted the main body of the constitution, and of which the Chicago News said: "the copy was beautifully written both as to typography and composition. There never was such neat writing outside of a copy book."

Mrs. Laura Haviland, one of the most earnest advocates of the Afro-American among the white race, was present at every session of the Convention. Mrs. Haviland is now quite feeble, but said she could not bear to be in Chicago and not attend the Convention.

The committee appointed to go to Washington and work among the national legislators, have been reformed. They visited the President and presented him with a forceful address on the need of the day. The same address was also presented to the Senate and House of Representatives.

Messrs. Battles and Cabell of Chicago, two enterprising young men, issued The Bulletin, daily during the sessions, giving very good accounts of the actual work of the convention. Chas. Stewart, "Hardstew," formerly correspondent of THE PLAINDALER, took the stenographic notes and did the type writing with the aid of his assistant, one of the fair sex.

The Afro American press representatives were a host in themselves. Note the following delegates: Fortune of the Age, Smith of the Gazette, Cooper of the Freeman, Haynes of the Charleston (S. C.) Recorder, Turner of the Springfield (Ill.) Messenger, Pledger of the Atlanta (Ga.) News, J. Q. Adams of the St. Paul Appeal, and R. Pelham, jr., Stowers and Anderson of THE PLAINDALER, while Miss Meta Pelham of the same staff, looked down upon them from an upper box at every session.

The little folder containing the declaration of the object and aim of the League, its officers and executive committee in full, with post office address of each; together with the calendar for 1900, gotten up by THE PLAINDALER and distributed among the members of the convention before they left Chicago, was, in the language of President Price, "one of the happy bits of those bustling Plaindealers." Every member of the Executive Committee wanted hundreds to carry home to show his constituency, in brief, what had been accomplished.

Mr. Still of Pennsylvania, got very angry at the chairman because, when a certain section of the constitution was being discussed, the chair failed to see the gentleman from the Keystone state. Repeated points of order failed to freeze the delegate, who insisted that he had a right to make his speech after the section had been adopted. The chairman was at a loss to know what to do, but not for long. Leaning gracefully on the gavel, he said: "The gentleman from Pennsylvania cannot have the opportunity of gathering his harvest twice in the same season." The round of applause which greeted this sally coked up the man from the City of Brotherly Love.

The Convention had its Fortune, also its Price; its Centre was in the Georgia crowd; the Illinois men made a great deal of noise which was no doubt Chruson to its Bird, song, while its Payne was Brasher and Moore than disagreeable. The Guy came from Missouri. The Nebraska crowd, although from the West, was well dressed, notwithstanding its Overalls. You may believe it, but Ohio had the Bland man as well as one Rice. White was from Indiana, Green from Wisconsin, the Browns from Illinois and Ohio. Wood and Twigs from Illinois, and Cole from Michigan. A Cooper was among the Hoosiers, while Illinois came with a Cooper and a Turner. Knox, of Indiana, was knocked out several times. Lowe, of Iowa, laid low.

At one time Mr. Sweeney of Indiana, was indignant because the chair would not allow him to talk, and there was quite a lively altercation back and forth between them, and finally ended in the chairman's tapping the table so continuously that Mr. Sweeney could not be heard. He was pretty warm and walked up and down the aisle jawing at the chair, amid a perfect storm of hisses. He got a good deal of sympathy from the fact that he accused the chairman of gay-law and unfairness. "What I am doing now is as the chairman and to expedite business. If I err as a man I am responsible for it outside," said Mr. Pledger. This suave invitation to come out in the alley, was greeted with wild applause, and presently Mr. Sweeney arose and very neatly apologized. Ditto Chairman Pledger.

A shortage of about \$300 has been found in the account of C. W. Garrett, Lake Shore ticket agent at Three Rivers, and Garrett has been arrested.

Well Pleased With the Convention.

KALAMAZOO, Jan. 19.—Since our last writing the Afro-American League held a very enthusiastic meeting and the delegates elected were the Rev. D. A. Graham and Frank Evans. The next league meeting will be held on Friday evening with literary exercises. Madam Luis gave an interesting talk at the A. M. E. church on Monday night. Half the proceeds went toward defraying the expenses of the delegates. She has also lectured at a number of the churches during the week. She speaks at the First Congregational church Sunday night on description of Hayti and reforms of the hour. On Monday evening she will talk in the same place on "The Negro's Past, Present and Future."—Owing to so much sickness it has been very quiet for the past week. Mrs. Ackers, Mrs. Graham and Mrs. Thurman are on the sick list.—Mr. Albert Armstrong of Indianapolis, Ind., is visiting in the city.—Eddie Hart, of Milwaukee, paid a short visit to the Zoo.—Quite a number of the citizens will attend the ball given by the Grand Lodge at Battle Creek on Wednesday evening.—Miss Estella Bradley is quite ill in Chicago with la grippe.—The Rev. R. Gillard paid a visit to this city the past week.—The Rev. Lewis has had a call to the second Baptist church, his former home in Ann Arbor. The congregation are all pleased with their new pastor.—Rev. D. A. Graham and Mr. Frank Evans returned from the National Afro-American Convention last Saturday night. They report an interesting meeting; upon being asked his opinion of the convention and the work done, Mr. Graham said: "I believe it was the most important gathering of colored men ever held in this country." There were nearly two hundred delegates, representing twenty-two states, and every one seemed to have come there for business. There was but little speech making and the two leading speeches were about the struggle and most thoughtful ever delivered by colored men. Every political party was represented. What do I think of the officers? Well I am highly pleased with them; the President, Prof. J. C. Price of North Carolina, is the very man to lead the Negroes of this country. He is a highly educated and practical man." PLAINDALERS for sale at Messrs. Blackwell and Miller, Kalamazoo avenue. LCELLA.

Stacking Its Hold.

GRAND RAPIDS, Jan. 20.—The protracted meetings at the Spring street A. M. E. church is still in progress.—The Sunday school met at the parsonage of the A. M. E. church Monday evening, and went from thence to the residence of Mr. C. A. Pinkney, ex-superintendent of the Sunday School and after appropriate remarks by Mr. Chas. Warren a fine gold headed cane with appropriate inscription, was presented Mr. C. A. Pinkney in behalf of the Sunday School by Miss Estella Alexander. He responded with touching remarks and among the many things he said was that they should give God the praise for the present state of things in the Sunday School who had used him as an instrument in his hands.—Mr. Wm. Clark, who has been sick with influenza and rheumatism has been removed to Saint Mark's home.—Mrs. M. Goings fell at the Livingston and received some injuries but not serious.—A meeting of the citizens assembled at the A. M. E. Zion church for the purpose of sifting Morgan's bill, in which discussion many took part but no one seems to be willing to go to Africa yet.—Lucy Brogden, for bad behavior was sent to the reform school last week.—The Messiah Baptist gave an entertainment at Ringuette's hall last Tuesday evening which proved to be a success.—The Spring street A. M. E. church is making extensive preparations for a grand entertainment in the near future. Quarterly meeting of the above named church will take place on the 18th of Feb., at which time the presiding elder Jeffries is expected to be present.—We are glad to say that la grippe is gradually letting go its hold and the people are again feeling like themselves. J. H. A.

Pleasant Social Happenings.

BATTLE CREEK, Jan. 30.—A great many of our citizens are on the sick list; among them are Mr. James Chase who is very low and Mr. Nelson Farmer who is slowly recovering from an attack of blood poison. The meetings still continue at the A. M. E. church with increasing interest.—Rev. Pope has had poor health lately. It was with difficulty that he filled the pulpit Sunday.—Mr. John Collins, a former resident of this city, made a pleasant visit with relatives last week after an absence of some years. John says that he notices very many improvements which the city has made during his absence. He went to Jackson today where he has accepted employment.—A very pleasant surprise was given Miss Viola Toliver last week in honor of her birthday. The party spent a pleasant evening and after partaking of refreshments, left for their homes. Among the presents received was a very nice center table from her friends; also a beautiful hand painted vase from Mrs. Geo. Collins. Mrs. T. wishes to express her thanks to the cheerful donors.—Another surprise was tendered Miss Etta Chase on Saturday evening. All spent a pleasant evening and retired wishing Miss Chase many happy returns.—Several strauzers are in the city to attend the Grand Lodge.—Mr. R. B. Warren, of Detroit, is visiting his son in this city. Mr. Richard Warren on Jefferson street.—Much interest is manifested in the singing school being held at the 2nd Baptist church and the desire is that more young men will take part. B. S.

That's So, He Doesn't.

Albany Journal: It is asserted that King Leopold wants some American Negroes to colonize on the Congo. We don't believe it. That delightful country has now more Negroes than he knows what to do with, and they are about as well versed in the mysteries of barbarism as any beings under the sun. That being the case, what Leopold's government can want of the unsophisticated blacks of this country remains a conundrum. There is nothing in common, The keenest white men have about all they can do to hold their own in that country, and their is no reason why American Negroes can do better or easier than they. Besides the American Negro does not pine for Africa.

What the Bourbon Would do if He Could.

Boston Traveller: General A. M. West, of Mississippi, who will be remembered as a recent candidate for the Vice-Presidency on the labor ticket, but who is at present a member of the Mississippi Legislature, has proposed the latest plan for the solution of the race problem at the South, which must certainly be accorded the distinction of being unique and the merit of a brutal frankness. It is, in brief, the repeal of the fifteenth constitutional amendment, which endowed the freedman with citizenship and the rights of suffrage. He has introduced a memorial in the Mississippi Legislature, the preamble of which declares Negro suffrage to be a failure and a menace to the development and civilization of the South, and which closes with a resolution instructing the Mississippi Senators and Representatives in Congress to use their best endeavors to secure such repeal. The Secretary of State of Mississippi is also instructed to transmit an official copy of this memorial to the Governor of every State in the Union, requesting that it be presented to the Legislatures of their respective States. As General West is chairman of the committee on Federal relations of the Mississippi Legislature, his memorial is likely to receive at least a favorable report, though it hardly seems possible that even the Mississippi Legislature will muster courage to pass it. The memorial is chiefly important as a revelation of what the Bourbon would do if he could.

Not Emigration but Education.

Boston, Mass., Jan. 14.—Bishop Dudley of Kentucky talked on the race problem last night at the church of St. John the Evangelist. The speaker dwelt upon the necessity of the North uniting with the South in an endeavor to lift the blacks out of the ignorance surrounding them. Not only the blacks but the illiterate whites, the bishop said, needed northern civilizing influences. The 8,000,000 blacks added to the millions of illiterate whites, would in fifty years, at the present rate of reproduction, be powerful enough to seize upon the reins of government and trample the rest of the population under foot. These people, he declared, today exercises an immense influence for weal or for woe, according as that influence is guided by the teachings of civilization. It behooved the North to give it attention to this problem, for out of its growing the most important social and political question of the age. He scoffed at the idea of Negro emigration to Africa, and insisted that the only solution of the problem is the raising of the blacks and the illiterate whites to an equal level of intelligence with the rest of the country.

A Quiet Wedding.

MARION, Ind., Jan. 20.—Yesterday was quarterly meeting and Rev. Bunty, the presiding elder, preached morning and evening, and quarterly conference convened on Monday at 10 o'clock.—A quiet wedding took place in our city last Wednesday evening. The contracting parties being Mr. Geo. White from the country and Miss Ollie Smith of the city.—The body of Mrs. Marion Smith, of Denver, Colorado, was brought here Saturday and the funeral was preached Sunday by Rev. White of Hills' chapel.—Mr. Charles Moore is quite sick.—Quite a number have la grippe, but no case has proved serious.—Mr. David Cameron has accepted first cook's place at the Stubbins House.—Mr. Clifford Johnson has gone to Lafontaine to visit friends.—Mr. John Kinney is visiting friends in Chillicothe, Ohio.—Mr. J. Robinson, of Lagro, Ind., is with Mr. Nickels in his tonsorial parlor. A. P. J.

Still Snowing.

SOUTH BEND, Jan. 20.—Rev. J. I. Hill preparing to move his family here before quarterly meeting.—The condition of Mrs. L. Wagner is no better.—Mr. James Huggard and Miss Sarah Steward were married at the home of the bride's brother, Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock, by Rev. J. I. Hill. We all wish them success through life.—A number of young friends are having quite a wrestle with la grippe. Among the number is the silver-tongued orator, Leonard Johnson, and Prof. Jasper Sanders.—Mrs. M. Tyer, who has been quite ill, is slowly recovering.—Messrs. Nat and Geo. Ward, who were called to their home by the illness of their mother, have returned.—The snow still continues to fall in our city. A. E. G.

Wherein Lies the Difference.

WOODSTOCK, Jan. 20.—Miss Fannie Stewart, of Windsor, Ont., is enjoying a pleasant visit in this city as the guest of Mrs. Fannie Johnson, of Duke-st. She will return home tomorrow. The people of Woodstock gave her a hearty welcome and her musical talent attracted every one's attention. We hope she will come again.—Messrs. J. Topp, H. Evans, Rev. D. G. Anderson and Mesdames. E. Topp, B. Evans and T. Johnson are getting around again after severe attacks of la grippe. There are many who remain ill and several deaths have occurred.—Mr. Hallinworth one of our city barbers, was struck on the head by a white ruffian while in the Commercial House one evening a short time ago, and came near losing his life. But the other white men there instead of helping to finish him as they would have done to the South, pursued the ruffian and would have killed him if he had not made good his escape. So much for being in the British kingdom. W. H. H. J.

Newark News.

NEWARK, Ohio, Jan. 20.—Elder Henderson delivered two able sermons Sunday at the Trinity A. M. E. church.—Mrs. Frank Ransom is slowly recovering after a serious illness.—Mrs. Mattie Henderson, who has been in Chicago for the past two months, has returned home sick.—Miss Minnie Cooper has returned home after a pleasant visit in Willington, Ohio, where she was the guest of Miss Victoria Hawley.—Mr. John Messer is confined to his home on Elm street, with an attack of pneumonia.—Mrs. D. M. Guy is on the sick list.—We are sorry to hear that after Mr. Charles Cooper's long illness he is reported no better.—Miss Amanda Kiak is improving after being confined to her home with influenza.—Mrs. Edwards and Misses Annie Smith and Mamie Seelig are on the sick list. D. U.

A Double Hit.

Last week certain folks who wanted to see us downed were chuckling because we were not invited to the grand autumn soiree given by Mrs. Judge Gilderslee, of Jackass heights. It was a social snub on us, we'll admit, but the aforesaid chuckling has ceased. It broke short off day before yesterday when the sheriff arrived from Omaha and tapped the judge on the shoulder and asked him how the business of cow stealing got along.

We've had the biography of the judge in hand for some months. He robbed a postoffice in Illinois, stole hogs in Iowa and embezzled from a toll-bridge in Indiana. On the top of that he stole cows in Nebraska, and when his wife made cold mutton of us we went down to the telegraph office and dispatched the sheriff to come on.

We think we are about even. It is not the policy of this paper, as we have often stated, to deplete our population by "giving away" our citizens, but no one must try any monkey-shines with us. We are here to stay.—Arizona Kicker.

A Good Suggestion.

Come, the idea is good one. Let's make a canal of the Kansas river. Send our grain in barges to New Orleans and make some money. The west is too great to be forever at the mercy of the manufacturers of the east. What say you, Kansas?

At the annual meeting of the executive committee of the state agricultural society, held in Lansing a few days ago, it was decided to hold the next state fair in Lansing, commencing Sept. 3, and continuing five days.

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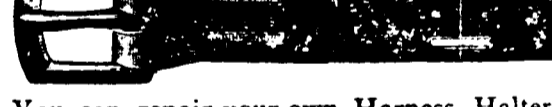
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A Pathetic Appeal.

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 17.—Governor Gordon yesterday received a curious letter dated from the Cole City convict camp. It was from Charles Ramsey, a colored convict now serving his twentieth year of a life sentence for murder. The letter says:

"I beg of your Excellency to please pardon me. I have been confined in the State's prison ever since my trial and conviction, and have never attempted to escape. I do sincerely beg of you to please allow me to see the outside world once more, for very little of it have I ever seen. I have no relatives or friends whom I could ask to help me out. I came here when I was quite a boy, and I own no wealth, and I am penniless, and I can not employ an attorney to seek for clemency for me. In all my long, wearisome years in prison I have not received a single line of handwriting. I beg you to write to me one line that I may rejoice."

Governor Gordon at once wrote the convict an autograph letter, the contents of which he has not disclosed, but which are believed to promise a pardon.

Took First Prize.

FR. WAYNE, Jan. 20.—The Willing Workers Society held their meeting at sister Sarah Dickerson on last Tuesday evening.—Last Monday evening the St. Paul chapter of R. A. M. conferred Arch degree on John W. Taylor and Henry Clay.—On Tuesday evening the Lincoln Commandery conferred the Templar degree on the same parties.—Mr. Henry Clay left Wednesday morning for Richmond, Va., where he will take a position on the railroad under his old supt. as porter. It was brother Clay who presented the Lodge with a carpet instead of F. Turman as mentioned in the Plaindealer some time ago.—Elder Jeffries preached at the church last Monday night.—David H. Henson left last Thursday morning for Boston, Mass., to join his wife.—Mr. Grayson of Hartford, Ind., was in the city last week.—Miss Rhoda Raines captured the pair of bracelets that was given as first prize by the Willing Workers at their entertainment.—Miss Georgia Gussie got the second and Miss Erna Rhodes the third prize.—Mr. Edward Kersey of Kalamazoo, Mich., is in the city seeking work, with a view of moving here.—Miss Mary Bradshaw has returned from her home in Paulding, O., where her folks have all been very sick. She reports them better now.—There is a great deal of sickness here at this time.—James Smith, Daniel Ridley, John Brown's family and Miss Lucy Dickerson are all on the sick list.—Mr. Thomas Adams and Edward Jones went to Belle Fountain, O., to spend Sunday with relatives and friends.—Mrs. S. M. Raines who was so badly scalded is slowly getting better. J. H. R.

A Landscape Painter.

BUFFALO, Jan. 12.—A new dancing school has been started in this city with Prof. Woods as instructor. The class is composed of eighteen of our prominent ladies and gentlemen.—"The Jolly Twelve" also have formed a class under the tutelage of Prof. Walker. So we may expect new steps and much amusement in the near future.—Miss Gertrude Braxton, sister of Mrs. Henry Hamilton, was buried on Friday morning at Pine Hill cemetery.—Rev. Daniel P. Seaton gave a very instructive lecture on the Holy Land at Vine-st. church on Monday evening last, illustrated with fine views of the country.—Mrs. Sadie Gaines is now convalescent.—Mr. Dudley Simms proprietor of the Model barber shop, has introduced a new feature, namely, a lady cashier.—Mrs. Mary Brown gave an excellent social at her parlors on Elm-st., Thursday evening. Jackson furnished the music, and a large company enjoyed a rare treat.—Revival meetings are going on in the city. The congregation of the Methodist and Baptist churches have consolidated for the work, and it is encouraging to see these churches working hand in hand.—Miss Maggie Vase is winning laurels as a landscape painter. Her picture of "Niagara Falls" is pronounced by connoisseurs to be a splendid work, and will be on exhibition at one of our galleries in the spring.—Mr. Geo. Sleet has returned from Detroit.—Mr. Geo. Butler entertained a party of gentlemen at his residence last Wednesday evening.

Sandusky Notes.

SANDUSKY, O., Jan. 14.—The weather is as pleasant as April here now and there is much sickness among us.—M. C. Jones a waiter at the West House is very sick, having taken a relapse of la grippee from which he was recovering.—Miss Emma Taylor was taken sick suddenly at church last Thursday evening and was sent home in a carriage.—Mr. Clifton Boyd is now sojourning in Kentucky hunting up his children.—Mr. George Sullente, of the Lake Erie Railroad, did not run in last Saturday as usual, but made a trip to Detroit.—Mr. Frank Elhords is expecting to go to Chicago soon to live. What will Miss — do?—Rev. George D. Smith, pastor of the Decatur-st. Baptist church, Mr. Wm. Coran, Mrs. J. W. Ruby and Mr. H. Sunn and family, are all on the sick list. The Protempt Association of Odd Fellows are having their hands full on account of the great amount of sickness. We should not neglect any of them as this is one of the evidences of pure religion. G. D. S.

Three Requests.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 17.—Letters received by W. I. Engleson, business manager of the Oklahoma immigration society in Kansas from points in North Carolina, say that a large number of Negroes of that state are going through in wagons to that territory. Mr. Engleson says there are now about 22,000 Negroes in Oklahoma and that by string there will be at least 50,000. He says they ought to have that country and that President Lincoln and the Republican party promised to give it to them. He adds:

"We are determined to take it, anyhow, and we will make it one of the grandest states in the Union. I favor Col. Morgan's scheme to purchase the Cherokee strip and other lands in the Indian Territory, exclusively for Negro settlement. Give us the Blair Bill, the Indian Territory and Senator Butler's \$5,000,000 and we shall be content."

ABOUT PERSONS AND THINGS.

Mr. Wiley Jones is an Afro American capitalist of Pine Bluff, Arkansas, who is worth \$125,000. He is sole owner and controller of a street car railway.

Mr. J. P. Green, of Columbus, Ohio, has introduced a bill in the legislature of that state, denouncing the whites for intimidating Afro-Americans in the South.

Mr. Henry Morse, who died as his vessel was entering a port at New Orleans last week, was one of the wealthiest Afro-American residents of Boston. He leaves about \$30,000, a handsome home worth \$13,000 and another house worth \$5,000.

Four African lads who came from Monrovia, were released by the Commissioners of Emigration at New York recently, upon request of Miss Sharpe an Africa missionary who called at Castle Garden for them. They were sent to Nashville to be educated at Fisk University.

Sallie McAllister is the name of an Afro-American girl of Springfield, Ky., who is said to be the largest woman in the world. She is 19 years old, 5 feet 2 inches high, 7 feet 3 inches waist measure, and 3 feet 6 and one fourth inches round the arm above the elbow. Weight 632 pounds.

Gov. Richardson, of South Carolina, has offered a reward of \$500 for the apprehension of David Ready, the brutal perpetrator of the latest Barnwell outrage. William Black, an Afro-American, charged with theft was taken from the constable by Ready, tied to a tree and shot to death.

The Rev. J. W. Johnson, of Huntington, W. Va., met with an accident which resulted in death, while passing through the ceremonies of the Royal Arch Masons of that place. He was preparing to descend a vault 13 feet deep when the rope gave away precipitating him to the bottom.

Afro-American ex-Federal soldiers in large numbers from Vicksburg, Natchez, Jackson and the cities of Mississippi and Louisiana, are sending applications for admission to the G. A. R. Before the next encampment the Department of the Gulf will be controlled by Afro-Americans with the power to choose the department commander.

Emigrant agents are working up their business in South Carolina now and the hapless Afro-Americans of Barnwell are too ready to accept their proposals to seek a better country. A car load is to start for Arkansas this week, and one old fellow sold a wagon and a pair of fine mules worth \$370 for \$20 and 350 bushels of corn at 50 cents a bushel in order to get rid of his stock.

Mr. Trotter, the ex-Recorder of Deeds for the District of Columbia, furnished the Senate committee with the exact amount of the fees collected and the net profits. He put his office receipts at \$94,070, his total expenses at \$43,889, leaving a balance of \$40,190, an average of about \$15,000 a year. The bill introduced by Senator Dawe making the office a salaried one fixes the remuneration at \$3000 per annum.

A case involving the legality of marriage between whites and Afro-Americans, which is not recognized under the laws of Georgia, is being tried in the United States District Court at Savannah by Judge Emory Speer. The bill is against Charles Tutty an Englishman who married an Afro-American woman of Liberty county in the District of Columbia, and afterward returned to Georgia where he was arrested.

The memorial of the board of missions of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion church of America in favor of the Blair educational bill was presented to the Senate Tuesday by Mr. Blair who asked to have it printed in full in the record. There were some objections, and as Mr. Blair was the only Senator voting for the motion it was lost. Other memorials of the same character presented by him were also laid on the table.

Praying to be Sent to Africa.

On being asked what he thought of the proposed bill before Congress for national aid to Afro-American emigration, Bishop H. M. Turner is reported as saying:

"God grant the bill may pass. The white people brought us here against our will. Now they ought to provide for us to leave if we desire. If the bill meant compulsory and compulsory expatriation I would fight it to the death, but as it is voluntary on the part of the Negro, let it pass as soon as possible. The Negro at best is but a scullion here, and he can be no less in Africa. I am tired of Negro problems, lynch law, mob rule and continual fuss, and a million other Negroes are tired of it. We want peace and if we cannot have it here, where we were born and reared, let that portion of us who choose to try another section of the world, have a little help. This nation owes the Negro \$40,000,000, anyway, so give us a little to emigrate upon."

It is Fashionable.

CASOPOLIS, Jan. 20.—Winter began today. Ice harvest near at hand.—Miss Jennie McDaniels is slowly succumbing to that fatal disease, consumption.—Miss Laura Beverly is visiting in Three Rivers this week.—'Tis painful but fashionable to have "La Grippee,"—Chas. ozemore.—A live pigeon social given by the A. M. E. church last week was well attended.—The business carnival given under the auspices of the Baptist church, Friday, in the rink was a grand affair, netting the society \$85. W. B.

Irrefragable Proofs of Citizenship.

Chicago InterOcean: We venture no prediction as to the future of the Negro race; it may prove itself to be inferior to the white race, or it may prove itself far otherwise; but we make this confident assertion: a race which in barely a quarter of a century of freedom has produced such men as Pledger and Fortune, Bruce and Matthews in politics which has given Harvard its class orator of the year, and has given to art so respectable a landscape painter as Duncanson, is not deficient in the useful qualities of citizenship.

Hon. Austin Blair of Jackson has been appointed a member of the assy commission. The duties of the commissioners include an examination of the coins made at the various mints of the United States for the year 1889. The place is purely complimentary in its character.

SUPERFICIAL SURVEY.

Russians are going in large numbers into southern California.

Men are never so deeply absorbed in thought as when the plate approaches the pew.

The jury box is where one corrupt or one stubborn man may outweigh eleven honest ones.

Steve Elkins has got into history. A town in West Virginia has been named after him.

A farm near Macduff, Scotland, has been handed down from father to son for 800 years.

Fresno county, Cal., has a hermit who has lived there thirty years without seeing the county seat.

The Boston Post thinks he is a pretty foolish man who regards the grass widow as green. She is only imprudent.

A dance given for the purpose of raising money with which to buy a hearse was one of the events of last week in Oxford county, Me.

The circulation of English papers in America at this time is larger than ever before. Mr. Barnum is in England with his show.

A society has just been incorporated in New York for "furthering the preservation and elevation of German literature and art in America."

If there is anything that will make a man swear off smoking on the first of the year it is the box of cigars his wife gives him on Christmas day.

A little Auburn, Me., baby's paternal great grandfather, his grandfather, grandmother, and his father were all born within a stone's throw of each other.

At Pottstown, Pa., there is a family of five women whose tastes are so different that they have established a rule requiring each one to do her own cooking.

Electric coal mining machinery is now being turned out by a Boston concern. A new principle of electrical propulsion is being brought out in Newark, N. J.

The Elwell family, of Northport, Me., consists of seven persons, only one of whom is married. The eldest is eighty-three and the youngest fifty-eight.

Emile Augier's opinion of the Wagner school of music was this: "Of what avail is science which teaches nothing; embodied in an art which no longer charms!"

Balzac died at 50, having written twenty-seven novels. He killed himself by hard night work and strong coffee. The proprieties must be observed even by geniuses.

Emile Zola is anxious to visit this country. He has not the usual French prejudice against other lands, and it is said to have read a good deal of American literature.

Maurice Thompson says, "The greater American poets are equal to the English greater, except Shakespeare and Tennyson." The laureate never had a higher compliment.

A farmer of Marboro county, South Carolina, has gathered the phenomenal yield of 250 bushels of corn from one acre, says an exchange. The acre may also be of "phenomenal" size.

Here is another wealthy man who has done a good thing. Krupp, head of the great gun factory, has established a fund for enabling his employees to build their own homes. Some men know how to be of service in the world.

The boys will all remember the "Rollo Books," written by Jacob Abbott. The original "Rollo" is said to be Rev. Edward Abbott, now bishop of Japan. He is a son of the author. He will probably live longer as "Rollo" than as a bishop.

One of Wilkesbarre's policemen dreamed he was in a fight, and his pistol refusing to explode he was unable to defend himself. When he awoke he was so impressed that he tried his pistol, and found, as in his dream, the weapon would not go off.

Morbid curiosity will gratify itself whenever it possibly can. Since September 10 there have been nearly 1,300 visitors to the Bellefonte, Pa., jail, nearly all of them to see Hopkins the double murderer, an average number of twenty-seven each day.

A new cause for a pension is reported by the Union correspondent of the Rockland (Me.) Courier, who says that a veteran in that town "is suffering from strengthening of the brain general ability, and chronic information of the spontaneous hilarity system."

A Greek paper reports that a number of coffers containing \$1,000 gold and silver Spanish pieces of the year 1646 have been hauled out of the sea near the island of Andros. Six bronze cannon were also found, and it is thought the articles came from the wreck of a Spanish war vessel.

The pension department at Washington has upon its rolls the names of twenty-seven widows of revolutionary soldiers who have been regularly paid pensions up to the present time. Three of them are ninety-seven years of age and two ninety-six. The youngest is seventy-one.

Colonel John C. Boone, grandson of the pioneer, Daniel Boone, is living friendless and needy, near Sulphur Springs, Ark., and a movement for his relief has been started in Missouri, Arkansas and Kentucky. It is a wonder the boys who read the life of Dan Boone don't come in and rescue the grandson from the clutches of poverty.

While the sealing industry of Alaska holds a prominent place in public attention, and gold mining in southern Alaska and at Unga Island to the westward is inviting capital for gradual and certain development, the coal deposits in the vicinity of Cook's Inlet and at other points west of Sitka are rapidly coming to the front. Experts pronounce the coal of good quality and the beds extensive.

At the Indian cemetery on Indian Hill, near Portland, Conn., the other day, John R. Lewis dug up a red man whose grave was liberally provided with culinary utensils. There were several bottles, an iron kettle with a copper ladle, a brass kettle and two Dutch mugs. The human remains, which were a skull and a dozen very fine teeth, were evidently those of a great chief; but what business the Dutch mugs had in the grave is a mystery to every one.

M. LABICHE'S WIT.

Some of the Famous Sayings of a Bright and Learned Frenchman.

M. Labiche, who died in Paris not long ago, was a member of the French Academy—one of the forty literary "immortals" of France—and famous for his witty and good-natured remarks. The quality of his wit, says the Youth's Companion, was not of the keen, incisive sort that we are accustomed to reading of in anecdotes of Sidney Smith or Tom Hood; it is rather of the sort which finds in every situation some material for an instant, unpremeditated remark which puts all listeners in good humor, and merely makes them laugh rather than arouses their intellectual admiration.

M. Labiche originated the saying, now not unfamiliar in characterizing a person who, though ignorant, insists upon making a great show of what he knows: "He is a man of vast and varied misinformation." Labiche expressed the thought in this way: "He has a great and varied ignorance." Not long after Labiche had used this expression, and had embodied it in a literary work, Prince Bismarck said of some one: "That man possesses a perfect encyclopedic ignorance." Labiche insisted that Bismarck had borrowed the phrase from him.

"He at least ought to give us back Alsace and Lorraine in return for it," said the Frenchman.

But it is more probable that the repetition was a mere coincidence, as Bismarck himself is a man of genuine wit.

At the marriage of his son, Labiche gave a little party, and, as he was quite unaccustomed to ceremony of a social sort, he was at first puzzled to know what he should say in greeting and parting with so many people.

"I have it! I have it!" he exclaimed, finally. "I will simply say to each person as he arrives, 'At last!' and to each as he goes away, 'Already!'"

"He carried out his programme, and all his guests felt very much flattered.

Labiche carried his disposition to make a jest of every thing to his death-bed. On one of his last days he said to his friend:

"I have just had a very pleasant visit from a priest, but I have become so deaf already that I did not hear a word the good man said. Ah! I hope he did not take advantage of it to give me any bad advice."

And then smiling the smile of a man bound to be gay as long as he lived, he added:

"Any way, if he did, there won't much longer be any danger of my following it!"

It was said of Labiche that some of his mots or jokes had made a fortune, but this was true only in the sense that the faculty of making such mots as pleased the Parisian world, and knowing how to put them together deftly, was as good as an abundant fortune.

A HORRIBLE DREAM.

An Engineer Q-its Railroadng to Avoid Killing His Wife.

I began to dream, and I thought I was a boy again, climbing the hills of my father's farm in Lancaster County with my little brother's hand in mine, said an ex-railroad engineer to a Philadelphia News man. Then gradually the subtle essence which inspires the tangled labyrinths of fancy took possession of my mind. I was again on my engine, throttle in hand, careering through the country at lightning speed. The telegraph poles flew by until I became dizzy. I thought I heard the wild birds shriek and the moan of the winds above the noise made by the engine. The exhilarations of the midnight ride made the blood in my veins tingle. But the night grew darker; the stars which had a moment before lit up the heavens with their luster faded and disappeared in the gathering dusk. Darker and darker grew the night. Suddenly I peered curiously ahead. The sight that in my dream met my gaze turned my blood cold and sent it back with a sickening sensation to my heart. I tried to scream with fright, but could not utter a sound. Just ahead—not more than five hundred feet distant—coming from the direction in which my train was going was the headlight of an engine approaching with what to me seemed almost lightning speed. I reversed my engine, but a collision was inevitable. The crash came, and, although I felt myself being hurled through the air, I could not see. I heard cries and moans and wild shrieks, as of women in terrible agony. I clutched at something and awoke.

I was standing on the bed, and had my faithful wife by the throat. She was black in the face and almost strangled. Horrified, I loosened my hold, and she rolled helplessly to the floor, limp and almost lifeless. I applied such restoratives as I had at hand, and when she at last opened her eyes and looked at me with a wild stare I fell upon my knees and begged piteously for pardon.

"You meant to murder me!" she gasped. I tried to explain that it was all a dream, and after talking to her for almost an hour the truth began to dawn upon her senses. Even with the terrible marks where my fingers had clutched her throat standing out to condemn me, a smile overspread her pretty face, and with tears streaming down her cheeks she asked me to give up railroading. I promised her, and now you know why I am rearing a stationary engine.

A Lucky Memphis Man.

Memphis, (Tenn.) Appeal, December 28. Upon the principle that none but eagles soar with eagles, the Appeal reportorial capitalists yesterday sought out Mr. Chas. E. Woodson, the extent of whose good fortune is only excelled by his handsome appearance. Mr. Woodson was the lucky holder of a one-fortieth part of ticket No. 98,455 in the December drawing of the Louisiana State Lottery which drew the capital prize of \$500,000. The Appeal commissioner found Mr. Woodson hard at work at his desk in the office of the well known retail dry goods establishment of Hunter Brothers, corner of Main and West Court streets. The Appeal reporter approached him with the figurative question: "Well, Mr. Woodson, I suppose your ship has come in?" "How is that, sir?" said he, and then, as if catching on the idea, continued: "Oh, yes, sir; I made the prize last drawing." In reply to further interrogatories, Mr. Woodson elaborated: "I held the lucky number, deposited it with my bank, received the returns (\$15,000) promptly, and have not yet decided what investment I will make."

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Oklahoma and No Man's land promises to be settled by Afro-Americans.

THE PLAINDEALER is indebted to the Bulletin of Messrs. BATTLES and CABELL for a part of its convention report.

THE Detroit Tribune gave the Afro-American a column of good editorial advice Tuesday. Take the Tribune in preference to any other Michigan daily.

THOSE who have claimed that the League was designed to be a stepping-stone for some men's political ambitions, will be disappointed when they read the constitution.

THE National Afro-American League is a reality and its future success is now dependent upon the people. If the people take hold of it, with but one half of the enthusiasm displayed by its promoters in bringing it to a head, it will be a complete success.

THE PLAINDEALER gave up much of its space this week to a very full account of the Afro-American League convention, and therefore must beg the indulgence of its readers in the matter of other news. The continuation of Mr. Matthew's trip abroad will appear next week.

THE sarcastic resolution passed by the League and forwarded to Washington, petitioning Congress to appropriate \$100,000,000 to enable oppressed whites to emigrate from certain sections of the South to more favored climes, was in view of certain bills now before Congress, a palpable hit.

THE time of Congress could be better taken up than by discussing such nonsensical questions as the deportation of the Afro-American to Africa, Cuba or any where else. There are important questions awaiting settlement, such as foreign immigration, upbuilding our ocean carrying trade, tariff, coinage, government aid to education, Federal election law, etc.

REPUBLICANISM was born under the oaks at Jackson, Michigan. It did much for the Afro-American. The League idea was originally suggested by THE PLAINDEALER more than four years ago. The Michigan delegation play no small part in the deliberations that brought into existence the Afro-American League of the United States.

"Michigan! My Michigan!"
Now let the state be the first to organize a State League with branches in every county.

It is a noteworthy coincidence that while Senators MORGAN and BUTLER were haranguing the Senate on the necessity of deporting the Afro-Americans to Africa, the Afro-Americans themselves were assembled in convention at Chicago, gravely considering plans for the strengthening of their position in the United States. The press dispatches have sent the proceedings of that convention all over the country, and the nation has been pretty generally informed of what the Afro-American himself thinks about it. He is not a passive factor in the solution of this problem. The vigorous utterances and the forcible resolutions adopted at that assembly, shows that the Afro-American has at last started out on the right track and it is hoped that decisive action will follow words until the Afro-American's title to a home in the country which he helped to make, the land of the free and the home of the brave, is so assured that no man shall have the temerity to stand up in the halls of Congress and propose to send him to Africa.

THE unanimity of the press and public in praise of the policy of the new municipal administration is refreshing. It shows that there is a limit to imposition and intimidation by such unprincipled boodlers as JACOB and TIERNEY. It also shows there are capable men in one party at least who have the necessary determination and backbone to look after the interests of the city even in the face of the displeasure of the "influential politicians." The selections of MICHAEL J. GRIFFIN by the Mayor, the elections of Alderman GRIGGS to the presidency of the council, and through him the choice of committee-men points to an intelligent and vigorous administration of public affairs. The city needs good pavements, clean streets, well constructed sewers, new bridges and rapid transit. The city's business needs to be done according to business methods. The present council and Mayor PINGREE can do much to bring this about. Force the

firm of JACOB, MCGUIRE, ET AL. political brokers, jobbers in sewer contracts, railway franchises etc., to the wall.

DURING the past two weeks, in the National Congress, Southern Senators have been airing their views in regard to the Afro-American of the South. The "Appeal to Pharaoh," which was issued but a few months ago, seems now to have been published with the express purpose of creating a sentiment in favor of just such legislation as is now attempted. This book with its ideas of justice, fell flat in the North, and if anything, the remedies it favored met with condemnation. The same result will attend these bills of Southern Senators. The Afro-American nowhere in this country, wants special legislation. There are laws enough on our statute books to suit the most fastidious. What is most desirous is a public sentiment that will demand the enforcement of the law. Laws under the present jury system, are useless if public sentiment is against them. Justice for all men of different political creeds or races will never be obtained so long as an intolerant bigotry prevails.

It almost makes the angels weep to hear Senator BUTLER, he who led the mob at Hamburg and disgraced civilization by a horrid butchery, pleading in favor of his bill to provide for the deportation of Afro-Americans, because there were no "Negro" banks, bank presidents, cashiers, or tellers, no "Negro" corporations, etc. The question that most naturally arises, after reading such a plea, is why are there none? Investigation shows that it is due in a great measure to the intolerant opinions of such men as Butler, Morgan, et al. The American people are not to be fooled by specious reasoning or a mock hypocritical interest such as is displayed by these senators. When the Afro-American wants to go to Africa or elsewhere and requires aid, he will get it from others besides his worst enemies.

The Afro-American as a race, has not been free or enjoyed educational facilities long enough to have many banks, rich corporations, statesmen, and a large number of men, eminent in scientific pursuits. But there are Afro-American banks, consequently bank presidents, cashiers, tellers and bookkeepers. There are statesmen and politicians, unfortunately the Southern mode of butchery has dwarfed their genius. There are men who are gaining eminence in scientific pursuits. All other things that combine to make races great will follow with opportunities.

The Afro-American has gone beyond the period of asking for special legislation, and now demands, by virtue of his loyalty and services rendered to the Republic, only justice and equal opportunities of the American people. The Afro-American, hardly twenty-five years a freeman, with 50 per cent of his race illiterate, throws down the gage of competition to the rest of the American nation and announces that, given justice and equal opportunities he is content to abide by the decision of the survival of the fittest. The superior(?) race of the South dares not accept the challenge.

Notes and Comments.

The record for capital punishment last year shows 98 legal executions as against 175 by lynch law. It is needless to add that the South is mainly responsible for this wanton disregard of the powers that be.

The lack of news in some of our exchanges last week was no doubt due to the fact that the editors were interested in the League Convention. But how shall we account for the paucity of matter at other times?

Citizens of Chicago prepared for the reception of the visitors in a royal manner. The convention hall and Library Association headquarters of the delegates and the First Regiment Armory were finely decorated and the convention banner and motto stretched across the streets. The headquarters of the Chicago delegation also put on a holiday appearance, and committees were sent to each depot to meet the delegates.

According to the Washington correspondent of the New York Age, Mr. C. W. Chesnut of Cleveland is doing good business in the legal profession in that city. He finds employment for two type-writers and is himself a man of varied acquirements. He writes occasionally articles for the reviews on law, language or general literature, is a rapid short hand writer and speaks both French and German fluently.

Cases are Not Parallel.

Louisville Commercial: The Negro is a citizen of the United States and of the States in which he resides. The Indians and Chinese were not citizens. Citizens cannot be dealt with in the same way that aliens and denizens are.

If Jackson the celebrated Australian pugilist has gotten glory out of his European trip "Parson" Davis, his manager, can boast of securing a good share of solid cash. He has just landed in New York and it is said he cleared \$32,000 by his foreign trip.

A GRATIFYING SUCCESS.

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without representation; to secure a more equitable distribution of school funds in those sections where separate schools exist; to insist upon a fair and impartial trial by a judge and a jury of peers in all cases at law wherein we may be a party; to resist by all legal and reasonable measures, mob and lynch law, whereof we are made the victims, and to insist upon the arrest and punishment of all such offenders against our legal rights; to resist the tyrannical usages of railroad, steamboat and other corporations and the violent or unlawful conduct of their employes, in all cases where we are concerned, by prosecution of all such corporations and their employes in State and Federal courts; to labor for the reformation of all penal institutions where barbarous and unchristian treatment of convicts is practiced; and to assist healthy emigration from terror-ridden sections to other and more law-abiding sections of the country. The objects of the League are to encourage all state and local leagues in their efforts to break down all color bars, in obtaining for the Afro-American an equal chance in the vocations of life, and to unite such branch leagues for organized and effective work in securing the full privileges accorded by the Constitution. The objects of the league shall be attained by the creation of a healthy public sentiment through the medium of meetings and addresses, and by appealing to the courts of law for redress of all denial of legal and constitutional rights, the purpose of this league being to secure the ends desired through peaceful and lawful methods.

Article XVIII provides for assessments not to exceed 50 cents each and not more than two in any one year for each and every member whose name shall appear upon the rolls of the Local Leagues.

Art. XIV is as follows: This League is a non-partisan body, and any officer or member of the executive committee who shall attempt to use this league for political purposes, shall be expelled. Any officer of the league upon being elected or appointed to any political office shall be compelled to resign his office in this league. A further provision makes it malfeasance in office to use the stationery of the league for personal or political ends.

This political feature of the constitution met with some disapproval at first. The matter was finally set effectually at rest by an overwhelming vote in support of the sentiment expressed by the document. This followed close upon a rousing speech on the subject made by Dr. Ricketts of Nebraska. "The use which has been made of the Afro-American voter by all political parties," he said, "has been proverbial. We have helped by our efforts to carry men into power who, when secure in the results of our efforts, have done nothing for us. I am reminded of the old colored man who went to heaven's gate and asked for admittance. 'Are you a foot or horseback,' asked St. Peter. 'I'm afoot,' said the suppliant. 'Then you can't come in,' said the doorkeeper. The Afro-American went back down the hill and met the Honorable 'Billy' Mahone who said he could arrange it all right. 'You go down on your hands and knees and I'll ride up to the door and then we'll both go in,' he said to the colored brother. So they came to the gate. To the question of the saint, Mahone said he was riding and not afoot. 'Well,' said St. Peter, 'tie your horse outside and come in.' [Great laughter and applause.] 'Gentlemen,' said the speaker, 'we have been hewers of wood for years, but we haven't been near the fire; we have been drawers of water, but have gone thirsty. Let us be of no party but the Afro-American party.' That portion of the constitution was overwhelmingly adopted.

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

was established, to consist of the president, a vice-president from each of the states, the secretary, treasurer and attorney. Representation in the National Annual Convention is to be on the basis of one delegate for each 100 members, or, if less, for each fraction of that number over fifty.

In the report of the committee there was no salary provided for the President of the League, but after several motions, it was left to the executive committee to fix the same, at not more than \$500 for the first year. The secretary is to receive \$500 per year, and the attorney to be paid in accordance with the legal services rendered.

The Committee on Address, through its chairman H. C. C. Astwood of New York, reported the following address which was unanimously adopted:

To the citizens of the Republic:
We feel it to be our solemn duty to state the reasons which impel us to meet in national convention, to form an organization of such a character as the Afro-American League is designed to be.

In all times it has been the custom of mankind to give reasons for the inauguration of any movement having for its objects the reformation of any abuses which threaten the sacred liberties of those who take such a step.

We are citizens of the great Republic. We are not aliens. In war and peace, in the avenues of industry, upon the fields of commerce where the soldiers of the nation bled for the perpetuation of the republic, we have not shirked any duty. We have been true to the Constitution, true to the best traditions of the Republic, and we feel that the nation will adjudge our contention just and the course we have deemed it wise to pursue, manly and patriotic. It has become patent to all candid men that the results of the war of the rebellion are not such as the people anticipated when the slave was manumitted and the free man was enfranchised. It cannot be denied that although slavery has been abolished by the supreme voice of the people an industrial system has been established upon, in certain sections as unjust, grinding and inhuman as that which it has replaced. It cannot be denied that, although we have been made co-equal citizens of the Republic, we are deprived of the fruits of citizenship. It cannot be denied that in most states the public opinion among our white fellow citizens has not kept pace with the progress the Afro-American has made as a man and a citizen. It cannot be denied that freemen in some states are treated as if they were slaves.

We are firmly convinced that political parties have ceased consistently to concern themselves with the importance of a denial to Afro-Americans of the rights and immunities guaranteed to them by the fundamental law of the land; and we are convinced that in this important respect it is necessary, for

the preservation of our sacred rights as citizens of our cherished rights to life and to protection of property, to place ourselves in such position as most effectually to arouse the conscience of the entire nation, without regard of party, in the earnest effort to secure our just rights under the Constitution.

In the organization of the Afro-American League we hope to secure, by non-partisan action, by submitting our cause to the entire people, the co-operation of all lovers of justice and fair play, even as in the days before the war, of whatever party, in our contention. We hope to stimulate among the Afro-Americans more thrift, more economy and a higher morality.

WE HOPE TO LEAD THE AFRO-AMERICAN into ways of more correct education, the better to meet the present requirements of the age. To this end we rely more upon the wisdom of establishing agricultural, mechanical and business schools, together with the academical and professional schools, rather than maintaining exclusive schools for mental training. We hope and expect that each state in which large numbers of Afro-Americans are congregated will supplement the appropriations now made for the maintenance of public schools, by liberal appropriations for the establishment and maintenance of such agricultural, mechanical and business schools, which can be easily made self-sustaining. We also favor the principle of national aid in the education of the people.

It is our desire to accomplish the purpose of the National Afro-American League by peaceful and law-abiding means. We earnestly protest against all forms of violence, which can never be justifiable except in self defense. With the entire race earnestly laboring to accomplish the objects herein stated, and with the co-operation of the best elements of the people of the country, North and South, East and West and relying upon the eternal justice of the God of nations, we confidently expect a result favorable to the right.

THE UNPRECEDENTED NUMBER of atrocities committed in many of the Southern states within the past year, together with the fact that such outrages have from time to time disgraced the majesty of the law in those states, and brought the entire nation into repute in the eyes of the civilized world, convinced us that an abnormal condition, from whatever cause, prevails in those states, in so far that it is commonly understood and believed that the law in the South, is not expected to be observed by white citizens, and that they are considered above the law.

We firmly believe that many of our white fellow citizens of the South, as well as in other sections of the country, deplore and condemn the fearful condition of affairs, and are anxious, for the credit of their states, that the law shall be impartially administered. We hope to enlist the co-operation of this element of our fellow citizens in creating a healthier public opinion, and in securing the enforcement of the law, without fear or favor, and without regard to race, and in condemning and bringing to justice all offenders against the majesty of the law.

To enable us to secure the ends of the Afro-American League, we urge upon the people the establishment of Afro-American banks; we urge them to engage in co-operative industry; we urge them to educate their hands as well as their heads, and, while acknowledging the efficiency and wisdom of well directed migration within the United States, we urge upon the people the necessity of a more equal distribution of the Afro-American population throughout the country, we urge them to co-operate with us in the work of the League in creating an opinion in the nation by which we shall ultimately with the providence of God, work out the great destiny of which we feel we share in common with our fellow citizens of all other nations. (Signed)

H. C. C. ASTWOOD, CHAIRMAN, W. A. SWEENEY, WALTER H. STOWERS, J. C. PRICE, E. H. HACKLEY, SILAS ROBBINS, W. H. SMITH, J. C. OWENS, C. L. MAXWELL, T. THOS. FORTUNE.

Mr. Henry Lee of Ohio, chairman of the Committee on Education, made a report in the form of a set of resolutions which, after a few remarks on the need of education by the Afro-Americans, closed with an unqualified indorsement of the Blair educational bill. This declaration caused a lively discussion, but the report was finally adopted as read.

When the hour had arrived for the election of officers of the League for the ensuing year, the roll of the states was called for nominations. Mr. T. Thos Fortune was put in nomination for the presidency by Mr. Pledger of Georgia, with seconds from J. C. Price of North Carolina, R. M. Mitchell of Illinois, and others. Prof. J. C. Price was nominated by W. A. Sweeney of Indiana, seconded by N. P. Bradford of Arkansas, Dr. Ricketts of Nebraska, and others, while Rev. J. A. Brockett was nominated by Chas. Cottrill of Ohio, seconded by _____ of _____ and others.

An informal ballot gave Fortune 43, Price 44, and Brockett 83. It was during the call of the roll by states and when Iowa had been reached, that the convention had to adjourn to Quinn chapel, so that the theatre might be put in order for a dramatic company.

In going from the theatre to the church building, many of the delegates took advantage of the hour and stopped by the wayside for lunch and refreshments, having been in session then from 9 a. m. until 6 p. m. without intermission for dinner. After a delay of not more than an hour, however, the convention was again in session at the church, with every delegate intent upon electing "his man" for president. The second ballot was a formal one, in which the Rev. Brockett made surprising gains in the vote of the different delegations, and came within 9 votes of having a clear majority. Before the vote was announced, however, Mr. Fortune was accorded the floor and said:

"Mr. Chairman and gentlemen of the Convention, I have for some time past spent my time and money for the success of this Convention and also partly sacrificed my health. I am the one to-day that called you together. Seeing that the vote is pretty well divided, and having worked as hard as I have, I believe that the Convention cannot give me any higher honors than I have already; I desire to say that I will not accept the presidency of this League unless it is unanimous. In view of this fact, I desire to have my name withdrawn from the race."

Rev. Brockett was also accorded the floor, and in a lengthy speech, signified his willingness to abide by the wishes of the Convention.

Immediately Mr. Cole of Michigan announced the change of his state's vote from Price 1, Fortune 1, Brockett 6, to Price 8, and the break was made which elected Prof. Price upon the second ballot by 79 as against Fortune 16, and Brockett 26. Mr. Fortune—Moved that the election of Mr. Price be declared unanimous. Carried.

The next in order was the election of Secretary. The following names were presented: T. Thos. Fortune of New York, W. H. Anderson of Michigan, R. F. Williams of Ohio, and E. E. Cooper of Indiana. When the roll had been completed and Mr. Cooper had only received the vote of his delegation, he withdrew in favor of Mr. Fortune and the ballot was announced by the secretary, Fortune 77, Williams 29, Anderson 32.

Mr. Anderson withdrew in favor of Mr. Fortune, and in voting to make the election of Mr. Fortune unanimous, a few negative voices were heard in the Ohio delegation.

The Ohio delegation made Mr. Geo. H. Jackson of that state a candidate for treasurer and he was able to put in nomination by Mr. H. C. Smith. Mr. E. H. Morris of Illinois nominated Rev. Brockett, and after a two ballot Mr. Jackson was elected.

Mr. Morris, of Illinois, was really the only candidate for Attorney, but Michigan desired a complimentary vote for one of its brilliant and able adopted sons and Prof. D. A. Straker, although not present, was put in nomination by Mr. Stowers of that state, and was forcibly seconded by Prof. Price, the President elect, and notwithstanding the combinations of the Illinois delegation in favor of their favorite nominee, Prof. Straker received a very complimentary vote.

Each delegation present upon roll call, announced its member of the Executive Committee as follows:

- Ark., N. P. Bradford, Little Rock.
- Cal., F. T. Bruce, Denver.
- Ga., Capt. J. McHenry, Atlanta.
- Ill., E. G. Jackson, Aurora.
- Ind., J. A. Siasell, Indianapolis.
- Iowa, Rev. T. L. Smith, Keokuk.
- Kan., Thos Glover, Wichita.
- Ky., E. R. Wilkins, Lexington.
- Mass., Rev. J. A. Brockett, Cambridgeport.
- Mich., W. H. Anderson, Detroit.
- Minn., W. R. Morris, Minneapolis.
- Mo., Prof. J. H. Pelham, Hannibal.
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- Ohio, George Fields, Toledo.
- Penn., R. G. Still, Philadelphia.
- S. C., Rev. J. E. Haynes, Charleston.
- Tenn., S. R. Maples, Knoxville.
- Texas, D. W. Williams, Dennison.
- W. Va., M. L. Davis, Charleston.
- Wis., W. T. Green, Milwaukee.
- District of Columbia, Prof. W. B. Johnson, Washington.

John Q. Adams of Minnesota, said—Ladies and gentlemen of the Convention, most of you are already aware of your artist in this city, Mr. Edward H. Lee. He has kindly made a portrait of the prime mover of this Convention, Mr. T. Thos Fortune of New York, and as he was kind enough to make it, a number of gentlemen have subscribed for the purpose of presenting the picture to the original.

Mr. Fortune responded—Gentlemen, I am indeed thankful for your kind favor. I assure you that it will be highly appreciated.

H. C. Carter—Mr. President and gentlemen of the Convention, I desire to make a motion. As the citizens of Chicago have formed themselves into a committee and expended over \$500 for the entertainment of the Convention and for renting the hall in which you held the meeting, I therefore, move that a vote of thanks be extended to the committee. Carried.

E. H. Morris—Mr. Chairman, I move that a vote of thanks be extended to the president and secretary of this convention. Carried.

The thanks of the convention were also voted the Trustees and ladies of Quinn chapel, and the Press of Chicago.

A motion to establish an official organ was laid upon the table, after several different amendments to make the Age of New York, THE PLAINDEALER, and Freeman of Indianapolis, such official organ.

Rev. Brockett of Massachusetts—Mr. Chairman, I move that when this Convention adjourns it adjourn to meet in the city of Boston. Amended by Sweeney of Indiana, that it adjourn to meet in the central city of Indiana. Amended by Mr. Astwood of New York, that the Convention adjourn to meet in the city of New Orleans. By J. C. Price that it adjourn to meet in the city of Knoxville, Tenn. T. T. Symmons named Washington, D. C. A. L. Barnett thought that the Convention should be held in Omaha, Neb. Knoxville Tenn., was, however, selected as the next place of holding the Afro-American League Convention.

It was now 11:45 p. m. and upon motion of Mr. Stowers of Michigan, the convention adjourned sine die.

SATURDAY.

The National Executive Committee of the Afro-American League met in room 23 at the Palmer House on the 15th at noon, and organized for effective work during the next year. A committee of ten, consisting of Astwood of New York, Pledger of Georgia, Brockett of Massachusetts, Heard of Pennsylvania, Bradford of Arkansas, Huckle of Colorado, Davis of West Virginia, Morris of Minnesota, Haynes of South Carolina, and Johnson of the District of Columbia, were appointed to go to Washington Tuesday, Jan. 21, and work in the interest of "Southern legislation."

The following sub-committees were also appointed for the ensuing year:

Banking—Fortune of New York, Fields and Jackson of Ohio.

Education—Morris of Minnesota, Pelham of Missouri, and Haynes of South Carolina.

Emigration—Astwood of New York, Ricketts of Nebraska, and Glover of Kansas.

Legislation—Brockett of Massachusetts, Still of Pennsylvania, and Wilkins of Kentucky.

Co-operative Stores and Manufactories—Anderson of Michigan, McHenry of Georgia, Green of Wisconsin.

Bureau of Information—Fortune of New York, Anderson of Michigan, and Hunter of North Carolina.

Afro-American laborers in the saw mills at Apalachicola, Fla., are out on a strike. They demand ten hours and more pay and as a majority of the employees are Afro-Americans the mills shut down. Those not in the strike were prohibited from working and one man who persisted was assassinated Monday night.

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MERE MENTION.

League Meeting Next Monday Evening, Jan. 27, Hilsendengen Block, Room 15. Don't fail to attend it. The delegates to Chicago will make their report. Norman Levi has become a Minuteman. Wm. Webb has fully recovered from his attack of "la grippe."

It is reported that Mr. Jefferson Delaney has become totally blind. Frank Shewcraft visited Ann Arbor Thursday on a business trip.

Mrs. Daniel Fairfax of Bay City, is visiting Mrs. Langston on Watson street. C. R. Webb has been appointed Detroit representative of the New York Phonographic World.

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Wm. Richardson of Butler, Ind., who has been quite sick for the past week, has so far recovered as to resume work.

Peter Anderson has secured a situation in the office of Myers & Hyland, the architects and building contractors, and will learn the trade.

Miss Lucy Williams of Champlain street, left Thursday for Parkersburg, Pa., to visit her brother who is reported as being dangerously ill.

The Meylki Literary Circle contemplates holding its regular weekly meeting at the Queen of Sheba parlors, in the Hilsendengen block.

Mr. S. E. Logan, of 58 Brush street, will give a concert at the First Baptist church, Windsor, Ont., Jan. 30, 1890. Adv.

The ladies of the Willing Workers will give a Japanese Social Feb. 14th, at Good Samaritan Hall, Hilsendengen block. Adv.

A couple of young "buds" disgraced themselves last Monday evening after leaving St. Matthew's Lyceum, by participating in a rough and tumble fight.

The "Willing Workers" will hold their regular weekly meeting Thursday, Jan. 30th, at the residence of Mrs. McDonald, 389 Clinton street.

In the 72 hour walking match which closed at the Detroit rink last Saturday night, Frank Hart, the Afro-American pedestrian, covered 341 miles and bore off the second prize of \$200.

The ladies of the Household of Ruth are preparing to give the first grand Masquerade of the season, which is to be held at Odd Fellow's hall, Wednesday, Feb. 12th. Adv.

A man named Henry Williams has been arrested at Lansing who answers in every particular to the description of a man of that name, who is wanted at Windsor, Ont., for the murder of William Lyman in a lumber yard there last summer.

It is simply wonderful how a good thing gets known and appreciated. In the public school examinations now they ask the small boys: "Who was the first man?" "Adam." "The first woman?" "Eve." "Who was the 22nd President of the United States?" "Grover Cleveland." "What is the specific cure for pain?" "Salvation Oil."

At a regular business meeting of the Second Baptist church last Friday evening the following officers were chosen for the ensuing year: H. F. Toliver and Wm. Colbert, trustees; John Miner, treas.; Mr. Wigg, secretary; Henry Thompson, assistant secretary. Mr. Toliver replaces J. L. Martin on the trustee board and Mr. Colbert fills the vacancy caused by Mr. Dunbar's removal from the city.

A number of employees at the Wayne Hotel have organized a benefit society to be known as the Water's Benefit Association, and elected R. Lough president, Isaac Briton vice-president, J. H. Johnson secretary, J. G. Moore cor. secretary, Jas. Emmons treasurer, and Frank Green sergeant at arms. The society have 30 members now. Any one wishing to join can correspond with J. G. Moore, Wayne hotel.

A large audience filled Bethel A. M. E. church on Rivard street last Wednesday evening, to listen to the young brilliant humorist, Mr. Owens King, who in turn, delighted them with some of his humorous sayings and recitals, which were received with rounds of a applause and good appreciation. In addition to Mr. King's selections the program was interspersed with various solos excellently rendered by local talent. The names of those who participated in the concert deserve special mention for the excellent manner in which they acquitted themselves, are John Smallwood, Frank Shewcraft, Miss Azalia Smith, Miss Mabel Hill, Messrs. Richard Shewcraft and Richard Harrison, who played the part of Brutus and Antonius with marked effect, and Geo. Owens, Detroit's rising and promising young vocalist. On the whole the affair was a grand success.

There is a letter at the Plaindealer office for Mrs. O. Esparanza Luis.

Mr. Hunter is adding a double two story addition to his cottage on Winder-st.

Mr. Henry Linyard has removed from 64 Harriet street to 113 Clinton-st.

Mrs. John White of Toledo is visiting in the city as the guest of Mrs. Egbert, of Adlaide-st.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Harris, of Beaubien st. are highly delighted over a little stranger who arrived last Monday night—a bouncing boy of ten pounds.

Walter Stowers returned from the convention Saturday night and was confined to his house during the week with a severe attack of the influenza.

Mr. J. H. Davis, of Troy, New York, and Rev. R. A. Stitt, of Newburg, New York, spent Sunday in the city the guests of Mr. Charles Mirault. They were enroute home from the League convention in Chicago.

Mr. E. H. Hackley, of Denver, Colorado, who represented that far away state in the League convention at Chicago, spent Sunday in the city, the guest of Mrs. Georgis Hackley. "Ed" also visited his mother at Howell, Mich., during the past week.

The funeral of Mrs. Emma Stafford nee Houston, daughter of Mrs. Catherine Houston, who died suddenly last Friday morning at her home on Hastings street, took place from Bethel church Sunday afternoon, Rev. Henderson officiated.

Among the clergymen who met at the Casino Tabernacle Monday morning to discuss the inviting of Evangelist D. L. Moody to return to the city, and who put their names to a strong endorsement of the Casino work, was the Rev. E. H. McDonald, of the 2nd Baptist church.

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The prospective match between Sullivan and Jackson may fall through after all, as John L. Sullivan has sent word to the California Club that he will not meet the Australian champion for less than \$25,000.

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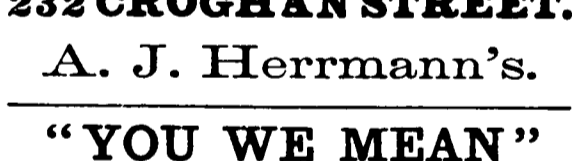
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THE SECRET OUT.

"Jorlette will be on board the 7:30 mail train. Follow him to Liverpool. Will meet you there. Look sharp.

CATHCART.

This was the wording of the telegram I received one wet, ugly night last December. I was sitting in my little snugger back of my office before a blazing grate with my feet in slippers and my body in a warm dressing-gown. I had a mug of hot punch and a cold mince pie on the table before me, along with an uncut novel and a genuine Havana, with which I intended to regale myself presently. And although I had a very strong anxiety to secure Jorlette, it must be confessed that I was altogether too comfortably situated to relish going out into the cold that dimly dirty night.

This telegram was from my chief, who, I might as well say, was a detective, and I had followed that thankless and precarious business for several years. People considered me very successful in working up difficult cases, but I was never quite satisfied with myself. I wonder if any man ever is?

This same Jorlette had given us a great deal of trouble. We had never had so keenly cunning a spirit to cope with. Strategy was matched with strategy, diplomacy with diplomacy, and scores of times, when we were sure of him, he had slipped from under our fingers like a flea and left us wondering how he managed it.

Perhaps it would be well to explain that Pierre Jorlette was a murderer, upon whose head was set a purse of £2,000 by the crown. A Frenchman and nobleman by birth, a gentleman by education, he had when very young married a beautiful English girl, with whom he passed two years of unalloyed happiness. At the end of that time some fearful shadow came between them—none knew of what nature—and the inhuman husband stabbed his wife to the heart. Her confidential maid witnessed the deed and attempted to save the life of her mistress, but Jorlette fell upon her with savage ferocity and left the two corpses lying side by side.

These are the facts as briefly as I can state them to you. Of course there were many minor circumstances not worth recording, as they have little bearing upon the short story I am writing.

It seemed from this telegram that Jorlette was to be on the 7:30 train. I wondered how Cathcart had got his information; but he had armies of spies constantly working for him, and probably some of them had made the discovery.

I had only to follow instructions.

For the hundredth time I took Jorlette's photograph from my pocket-book and examined the features of the murderer. It was a singularly handsome face that I saw—clearly cut, with large hazel eyes shaded by long, dark lashes, a mouth delicate and sensitive as a woman's, a high, rather narrow forehead, half hidden in clustering curls of auburn hair, a form rather spare, yet well knit, and a hand symmetrical and rounded as a woman's.

The picture would have answered splendidly for that of a sentimental, sonnet-making poet—but for a murderer it was a dead failure. Nevertheless, somewhere in the past, before crime had scathed him, Jorlette had sat for it.

I changed my slippers for boots and got myself inside my fur overcoat, stuffed a valise with brown paper and blacking-brushes, that I might appear a respectable traveler, and, looking at my watch, found that I had just time to reach the station.

The train stopped ten minutes for refreshments, and taking the guard, who was an old friend of mine, sufficiently into my confidence, I was given an opportunity of looking through the carriages previous to the starting of the train.

It was a full train, but singularly enough, there was not a red-headed man on board of it. Jorlette was red-headed, and aside from that circumstance he had a face which I flattered myself I could not readily mistake.

As I stood irresolute and feeling very much as if I had been fooled there came toward me from the dining-room an individual, tall and spare, with a slouched hat, a white cravat, a huge piece of game pie in his hand—and this person had red hair! And dark eyes!

I watched him closely. There was a certain dogged, skulking look about him; he would not meet my eyes, and walked off to the extreme end of the platform by himself and remained there munching his pie until the last bell rang, and then he hurried on board with the air of one who felt that a great deal depended on his getting a seat.

I was convinced that he was my man, though he was not altogether like the photograph. Still, faces and photographs differ a great deal, since

to the picture there is little expression or no expression: and do not the characteristics of a face depend more on color and expression than a mere outline of feature?

He entered carriage No. 171, and at a hint the guard put me in the same van. There were three persons already there besides my pie-eating friend and myself. An elderly gentleman, who was reading the Times wrong side up and nodding blandly over its fascinating columns; a pair of rural lovers, lounging on each other's shoulders and discussing peppermint drops together; and presently we were re-enforced by an old lady in a very prim bonnet with brown ribbons, and bearing luggage in the shape of a bird-cage, a basket with a cat in it, an umbrella, and a very large carpet sack.

Jorlette had produced another section of pie, and was demolishing it vigorously. Seemingly he enjoyed it. Well, I suppose even a murderer may enjoy eating pie.

Just as the train began to move the door opened and a young lady came hesitatingly forward. You know what helpless creatures women are on their feet in a bouncing, swaying railway car, and this young beauty was no exception. She tottered and would have fallen, but I put out my arm and caught her, at the same time offering her the unoccupied seat at my side.

She blushed rosily, thanked me in the sweetest voice I had ever heard, and sank down on the cushions, covering my knees with billows of ruffling and fringing, making me feel—well, not many removes from the gates of paradise.

A lovelier face I had never seen. The skin was clear and fair; the mouth sweet, sensitive, and a little sad; the eyes dark and melting, and the beautiful dark brown hair, which hung over her shoulders in the prevailing style, was soft as floss silk and rippled like the bosom of a meadow brook when it flows over a bed of pebbles.

But so lost was I in contemplating the charms of this fair creature that I suddenly remembered I was not looking sharp," as Cathcart had ordered me, and I turned to regard my unsuspecting Jorlette.

If a criminal he was a very self-possessed one. He had finished his pie and was picking his teeth with a quill and furtively regarding his boots, which, by a peculiar tightness and stiffness of look, I judged were new ones. Occasionally he felt of them, as if perhaps his corns were pinched, and once I was sure he muttered something like an oath as he rubbed his long, white fingers over the locality of his great toe.

There was nothing to be done with him until we reached Liverpool, unless he attempted to leave the train, so I might as well cultivate the acquaintance of my pretty little seat-mate.

She was somewhat shy, but after awhile I managed to overcome my reserve, and we chatted pleasantly like old friends.

She had not been much from home, and was a little timid about traveling alone. She started nervously every time the car gave a lurch, and I deemed it my duty to put my arm around the back of the seat to calm her fears.

She had such a horror of railway accidents, she said, after her Aunt Jane had predicted, before she left, that something dreadful was going to happen to her; and then she lifted her large, melting eyes to my face, and I drew the arm down from the seat and let it rest on her shoulder. Men are the natural protectors of women, you know.

We talked on various subjects. My sweet companion was very well informed and her language was simple and well chosen. Before I was hardly aware of it I had told her that I was a detective, and that I was making this journey expressly to help capture Jorlette—that notorious Jorlette.

She shuddered and drew a little nearer to me.

"Dear me!" she said nervously, "it must be dangerous business. This Jorlette, I have heard, is a desperate character. Pray, oh, do pray be careful!"

And she dropped her voice so near to a whisper and threw so much expression into her beautiful eyes that I could not resist tenderly pressing the white hand so near my own and whispered, I am afraid, something that would look absurd on paper.

That was a very delightful trip to me and I think it must have been not unpleasant to the young lady, for her cheeks were red and her eyes bright as we approached the terminus. She was going to her sister, who lived two or three miles inland from Liverpool, so she had to leave me before my journey was ended.

The train only halted for a moment, but I managed to press a warm kiss on her lips and to beg her to give me her address that I might call on her.

She smiled archly up into my face.

"I will drop you a line within a week, Mr. Dayton," she said sweetly. "Let me see—your first name is—"

"Alphonse. No. 341 T—street, Liverpool, for the next ten days. Good-bye, darling!" and I kissed her again, and saw the door close behind her with a dull feeling of pain inside the left section of my waistcoat.

But I resolutely put my pretty unknown out of my mind and devoted myself to looking sharp at Jorlette, who had evidently fallen asleep. Talk about the uneasiness of a guilty conscience, indeed!

At Liverpool Mr Cathcart stepped into the car before any one had left it. He swept his eye over the occupants and a look of blank dismay settled on his face.

"Thunderation!" cried he; "is it possible you have let him skip?"

"He is there," said I, triumphantly, pointing to my red-headed fellow-passenger.

"That!" said Cathcart, in a tone of ineffable contempt. "Alf, you're a fool. That man is the Rev. John Rennicut, rector of St. Thomas' church, Cumberwell. How do you do, sir?" shaking hands with the pie-eater.

As for me, I was looking around for a convenient knot-hole to crawl into, but there seemed to be no such thing around loose.

Cathcart turned upon me fiercely. "Where in the deuce is Jorlette?" he exclaimed, savagely. "Did I not order you to look sharp?"

"Yonder reverend gentleman was the only one on the train in any wise answering Jorlette's description," said I, doggedly.

The guard came up at that moment and substantiated my statement, and Cathcart was obliged to swallow his mortification with as good grace as possible. His information relative to Jorlette's being a traveler by the 7:30 mail had come from one of his most reliable men, but there had been some mistake somewhere. We were not to pocket the £2,000 reward in a hurry.

A week afterward I received a letter written on pink paper, perfumed, and elegant generally. I transcribe it:

"MY DEAR MR. DAYTON: Hereby I fulfill my promise of dropping you a line within a week. I am flourishing and hope you are also. My Aunt Jane's presentiment did not prove prophetic. I am on my way to America, where I expect to be elected to congress with the rest of my stripe. Give my love to old Cathcart. You have no idea how funny it feels to have your lips pressed by a man's lips when you happen to be a man yourself. Sorry you are not to get the £2,000, but self-preservation is the first law of nature. Faithfully yours,
PIERRE JORLETTE."

The secret was out! My pretty girl was the infamous murderer himself, and Cathcart and I were done, brown.

We kept the secret between us, and have not yet given up our search for Jorlette, but I greatly fear the £2,000 will never fall into our hands.—New York News.

A Touch of Nature, Etc.

A first-class type of the American tramp was shuffling along Third street yesterday morning, says the Minneapolis Tribune. He looked pale and emaciated, and the chill winds whistled merrily through the air-holes in his scant clothing. One hand was thrust deep in his pocket, while with the other, the fingers of which were blue with cold and begrimed with the dirt of countless days, he gripped the drum-stick of a turkey, the meat from which had nearly all disappeared into his rapacious stomach.

A dirty atom of humanity watched him greedily as he carried the bone to his mouth and stripped it of its last morsel of flesh.

The wistful look on the urchin's face caught the gaze of the relic of manhood and he stood musing for a moment, while a tender look came into his haggard eyes.

"Hungry, sonny?" he asked in a husky voice.

"Betcher I am," answered the urchin. "My, but I bet dat leg was good."

"Ere's annodder won," said the tramp, drawing his concealed hand from his pocket and displaying the mate to the vanished leg. "Yer can have dis—I had a bit of a sonny like yer myself in de days ago when I wasn't like I am now."

The kid accepted the proffered morsel and tackled it greedily, while a tear trickled down the face that watched him, leaving a pale streak in the dirt it washed in its course.

"Have a chew?" asked the boy, proffering a chunk of the weed in sympathy.

"Don't mind if I do, sonny," was the answer, and the two representatives of the unwashed parted company, leaving behind them a lesson which no one but the reporter noted.

Kissed Another Man's Wife.

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H. G. COLMAN, Kalamazoo, Mich.

TALK OF THE DAY.

The natives of Alaska are a cold and distant people. Alack! The only hippopotamuslet we ever had is dead. He - "Wilt thou mine become?" She - "Imbibe thou rum?" "No. Masticates thou gum?" Xmas - "And why do they spell it Xmas, papa?" "Because, my son, it has so many ten-der recollections." A salutation of the period - First clubman (aged 17) - "Hello, me boy!" Second Clubman (aged 60) - "Hello, old man." Some men work harder to avoid paying an honest debt than they would have to work to earn the money to pay it with. The elevator boy has a life that is full of ups and downs; yet when he is at the end of his rope he can always raise something. Fires are Raging Everywhere. - First Small Boy - "We had a fire at our house last night." Second Small Boy - "That so?" - F. S. B. - "Yes. Pa fired sister's beau." No one is so much likely to be astonished by the wonders of photographic science as the young amateur looking at his first negative. "Don't you look back on the palmy days of your youth with regret?" "No. Mine were not so palmy as they were slippery and strappy." "What is the use of that girl banging away on the piano, Maria?" "Practice, John. Practice makes perfect." "Perfect what - pandemonium?" Foodleboy - "Not at home! Why, I told her I'd call this afternoon." Footman - "Yes, sir; so she told me when she gave me the message." Hotel porter (to gentleman in washroom) - "Is yo' a guest ob de hotel, sir?" Gentleman (paying \$5 a day) - "Guest? No; I'm a victim." Amy - "What an absurd habit that is of young Dalley's - always sucking his cane." Susie - "I think it is a good plan. It keeps him from talking, you know." Definite. - Mr. Stayathome - "What are you going to do with the shears, John?" John (just from England) - "I'm goin' to trim the hedge of the ledge, sir." She - "Oh, see that scarecrow out there in the field?" He - "That isn't a scare crow." "It must be; see how motionless it is." "That's the hired man at work." Resident (to organ grinder) - if you'll stop playing 'White Wings' I'll give you five cents." Organ Grinder - "Sweet Violets," five cents; 'White Wings,' ten cents." What They Missed. - Mrs. Sowders - "Burglars broke into the church last night and took everything." Rev. Snowden (assent minded) - "Did they take a collection?" He misunderstood. - Mr. Waverly West - "Show me to my berth, porter." Mr. Pullman C. Porter - "Upper ten, sah." Mr. Waverly West - "Oh, yes! I'm one of the forerund." The dozen or so young ladies who form a society and "resolve never to marry," are the first in the town to corral husbands. This is what makes such societies so popular - and numerous. Yabsley - "Did I understand you to say that Mudge went insane when Miss Philip refused him?" Wickwire - "I don't know what you understood me to say. What I said was that he went away mad." Bonhomie. - Uncle Henley (who has been introduced to the Duchess of Sockmooch, and is staggered for something to say) - "Proud ter see yer. How'd yer leave his nibs, th' d-d-drake?" Balm. - Papa (After the seance in the woodshed) - "Do you know that it pains me more than it does you to have to whip you?" The Terror - No, papa; I didn't know it; but now that you've told me I feel better." A proof of everything - "I suppose you are ready to substantiate any statement your paper makes?" said an angry-looking caller to the editor. "Oh, yes; we have the compositors prove everything that is set up." Circumstances Alter Cases. - Moneybags (to Hopeful) - "See here, you scamp! you'll have to cut down your college expenses. Now, when I was a boy -" Hopeful - "That's all right; I have a rich father and you hadn't." Truly his own: Hollis Holworthy - "Alas, how unfortunate Tom Guzler has been of late! He has but one thing left which he can rightly call his own." Jack Mathews - "And that?" Hollis Holworthy - "His insatiable thirst." And They Flew. - "Lover - "Come, darling, let us fly." Sweetheart - "We have no wings." "I can furnish wings that will help us." "Where are they?" "Oh, Uncle Sam's golden eagles; and I have plenty of them." "Charlie, dear, let us fly." Diamonds have advanced 10 per cent. in price during the past six months, and the dealers in these precious stones say a further advance is at hand. In that case it looks as if you might have to buy your wife a calendar for Christmas. Overheard on the street cars - (On the way to Sunday school) - "Mama, you havn't give me my five cents yet to send to the heathen." "I have just given it to the heathen myself, Tommy. That conductor charged me full fare for you." Behind - "I see that Clara has taken to sending liberal donations to the hospitals and asylums." Annabel - "Yes; you see she has everything she could possibly want, she has not a wish ungratified, so she is going in for self-denial and giving to the poor."

LIVELY TURNS OF THOUGHT.

The population of Japan is just under 40,000,000. Bread riots are occurring in various sections of India. A circus elephant sold in Philadelphia the other day brought \$1,700. The fashionable finger nail is said to be longer and more pointed than ever. Three men and one surveyor laid out the greater part of Manhattan Island in 1813. Harriet Beecher Stowe says: Everything that ought to happen is going to happen. Mrs. Grover Cleveland is not translating a French novel. She is taking riding lessons. North Carolina has 800,000 acres of swamp land to sell for the benefit of her education fund. The Prince of Wales is suffering from melancholy. The Prince is weary waiting for a vacant throne. Ethelberta Angelina Marguerita Augustina Patterson is the name of a Belmont county, Ohio, school girl. The year 2118, according to the president of the Manchester Geological Society, will see the exhaustion of the English coal. Senator Morrill of Vermont first entered congress in 1854, and for over twenty years has been in the senate. He is 79 years of age. The man who was "formerly" the husband of Patti is dead. He and she were not congenial and so they ended the contract. South Africa farmers are greatly annoyed by baboons. The animals kill their sheep, rob their beehives and tear down fruit trees. Lucy Stone resides in Dorchester, a suburb of Boston, and is 71 years of age. She began lecturing on woman's rights and wrongs in 1847. Christmas trees are going out of fashion in New York except among the Germans, and the sales are gradually growing less from year to year. The new French seagoing torpedo boat has used her torpedo tubes with success when going at the rate of twenty-one and a half knots an hour. William Morris is one of the busiest men in London. He is a poet, socialist, scientist, essayist, antiquarian, lecturer, designer, workman, editor, manufacturer and merchant. An old sailor who says he was born on the wave and has gone around the world five times was seized with a deadly spell of sea sickness in Philadelphia while riding on one of the cable cars. The 3rd of November was a day of prayer for rain throughout South Africa. At Johannesburg the services were hardly over when a heavy rain set in and continued the whole afternoon and evening. In these days children are philosophers and theologians. It was the Presbyterian pastor's little daughter (in those creed-revising times) who asked: "Papa, do you believe in a personal Santa Claus?" This country is getting forward in the building of musical instruments. The grand organ of the Chicago Auditorium was built by Roosevelt, an American. It has 7,124 pipes, 69 bells and 109 speaking stops. Samuel Stone, a Meigs county, Ohio, farmer, set some turtles' eggs under a hen not long since. All the eggs were hatched and the fowl seems to think as much of the little turtles as a mother hen usually does of her chicks. A foreign item says Queen Victoria recently received a letter from California asking her to buy real estate. The letter must have been written from Los Angeles. There is lots of land for sale out that way and no buyers. A rattlesnake fourteen feet seven inches long and eleven inches round, with thirty-nine rattles and a button, is reported to have been captured in Terrell county, Georgia. The skin has been stuffed and will be sent to the Smithsonian Institution or the National Museum. Mortality among colored people in the south is between 3 and 4 per cent higher than among the whites. It seems proved that colored people, as a class, in all our large cities almost totally disregard every rule of hygiene concerning pure air, pure water and wholesome food. A newspaper agent, being told by an old lady that it was no use to subscribe for the papers, as Mother Shipton said the world was coming to an end this year, said: "But won't you want to read an account of the whole affair as soon as it is over?" "That I will," answered the old lady, as she subscribed. A young lady school teacher of Sumter county, Florida, one night last week dreamed that she was whipping one of her scholars, and from reports she certainly had a terrible time of it. She waked up the inmates of the house by screaming: "Won't you be a good boy - won't you study your lessons - won't you quit sticking pins in the scholars?" A three-story wagon was captured at Martinsville, Me., a few days since. The first story under the running gear was a chicken coop of live chickens, the second, sandwiched between the first and third and hidden from view, was devoted to "moonshine" spirits, the third was laden with tobacco and fodder for sale at figures much above the market prices. Frogs are improving with the rest of the world, and are evidently developing a capability for turning the tables on their persecutors. One of the frogs put into the snake cage at the Worcester (Mass.) Natural History Museum to be swallowed, turned swallower and "absorbed" so much black snake that the latter died after being pulled from the fighting frog. For an all around mean man Obey Griffin, of Allapaha, Ga., certainly takes the cake. A few days ago his wife, a most estimable lady died, and after disposing of all other matters satisfactorily, he took a trunkful of her clothing out on the street and auctioneered it off piece by piece to the street loungers and to women who were willing to get bargains under such circumstances.

Elsie Was Obliging.

Her parents think Elsie the cutest child in the world, and certainly for a 5-year-old this fairy is wonderfully handy about the house. She has a natural ambition to be helpful, however, much in the way she may happen to get into her laudable but naturally very affectionate desire to make herself useful. The other day her father had a gentleman friend for dinner, and after the repast told the little girl to fetch a couple of cigars from his box. "Did you find them Elsie?" he asked, as she returned. "Yes, papa, and I bit the ends off for you." - Buffalo Courier.

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One of the three American sculptors who received honorable mention at the Paris exhibition this year was Miss Theo Alice Ruggles of Brooklyn, Mass., a girl of 18 years. After 22 Years, cured a man of chronic pains from sunstroke, which took the form of chronic HEADACHE. which was completely cured as follows: Paragon, Ind., July 30, 1886. I suffered with pains in my head from sunstroke 22 years. They were cured by St. Jacobs Oil and have remained so four years. SAMUEL B. SHIPLEOR. AT DRUGGISTS AND DEALERS. THE CHARLES A. VOGELER CO., Baltimore, Md. SICK HEADACHE. Positively cured by these Little Pills. They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Bowel Complaint. A perfect remedy for Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coated Tongue, Pain in the Stomach, TORPID LIVER. They regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable. Price 25 Cents. CARTER MEDICINE CO., NEW YORK. Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price.

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Glances Here and There

PERSONS who luxuriate in a sumptuous dinner table, would do well to remember Shakespeare's exhortation, "Now let digestion wait on appetite and health on both." Moderation should be observed in eating and drinking as well as in other things. The admonition to "be temperate in all things," should govern one's appetite for food and forbid such excess as will render the subject uncomfortable and unfit for the proper performance of his or her daily tasks. To eat, drink and be merry is not the grand business of life. Refinement and moderation are essential in the decorum of the table and the absence of it makes the relation to the animal world unpleasantly obvious.

AFTER all the talk about having a mild winter and the prospect of a failure in the ice supply, cold weather really set in last Friday and the straits between Cheboygan and Bois Blanc were a solid mass of ice. According to reports this is about 10 days later than last year. So the winter is not much behindhand after all, and the weather clerk has a chance to do his work pretty thoroughly yet, before the season breaks up. It may be all the more intense in its zeal to make up for lost time. However, the mild weather of the last few weeks has made us extremely sensitive to the freaks of the mercury, and a slight fall in the temperature causes pedestrians to shrug their shoulders and hurry along, swinging their hands as lustily as though the motion was absolutely necessary to keep up the heat of life. One morning last week, when the wind was blowing at a pretty stiff rate, although it was not very cold, one gentleman passing another, on Griawold street, inquired, "Cold enough for you?" "Yes, I should say so," was the brisk rejoinder. What will they say when a genuine blizzard, securely packed, succeeds in getting to Detroit in good shape, direct from Dakota?

PROF. David Swing, of Chicago, in an article in the Evening Journal of that city, takes an eminently practical view of the question of the World's Fair site. He thinks it would be the wiser plan for Chicagoans to concentrate their efforts on beautifying their city so that it would be as good as going to a world's fair to visit it any time. He contends that "nothing is so valuable as every day merit," that permanent attractions will pay better than the seasonal notoriety of one great big show. No doubt Mr. Swing is right. It is certainly comfortable to take this view of a situation when you see the desire of your hearts is to be denied you. Detroit was not in the race for the World's Fair, but its citizens have always been interested in increasing its artificial attractions and improving its natural ones and the large number of tourists who find their way to the City of the Straits during the summer season show the success of their efforts.

UNDER the heading "The incapacity of business women," Marion Harland tells why the gentler sex is not more successful and do not command higher wages. She says that women regard it as a misfortune when they are obliged to earn their living and they seek work merely as a means to an end. That the centuries in which woman has labored for love in her immediate home circle, unconsciously influences her manner of work to-day. She lacks system, self-reliance and persistency which are her brother's by inheritance, as well as education. No matter how small the task, a boy puts his soul into it. He has ambitions as Mrs. Harland puts it, while women have hopes. To the girl who really wishes to succeed in business life (and there are those who do), she says: "First, last and always undertake the allotted labor with the forceful purpose of performing it as if it were the one and only object of life."

A VARIETY OF THINGS.

A queer caprice of nature is reported to the New York World from Burlington, Ia. A man, named Tom Apton, aged seventy years, was the subject of a surgical operation by which he was relieved of over two inches of horn or tail like protuberance at the base of his spinal column. One or two previous operations had proved ineffectual, as the appendage continued to grow and forced him to have it entirely removed. The physicians who think they have arrested the future development of the strange growth, are puzzled to account for it. One inclines to the opinion that it is a development of proud flesh caused by a rifle ball wound received during the late war. Believers in the theory of evolution might find profit in a close study of this remarkable case.

Mr. H. P. Cheatham, the only Afro-American member of Congress, is having trouble with his constituents. W. H. Outlaw a native of North Carolina and a man of considerable influence among his race, claims that he was instrumental in electing Cheatham to the House, came to Washington for the purpose of being appointed to a deputy auditorship. He did not get this place. He then sought the position of assistant superintendent of the House document room, with Mr. Cheatham's indorsement. Here he was also unsuccessful, but was given a subordinate place in the force of the folding room. Mr. Outlaw's injured dignity interfered with his performing the work in an acceptable manner. Mr. Adams the door-keeper decided to give the place to another man, the only alternative offered him was work on the laborers force or dismissal from service. Mr. Outlaw indignantly refused to accept this menial position and says his color is the cause of his unfair treatment, and he has it in for Cheatham because he would not take his part. It was ever thus. Mr. Cheatham will now find out who are really his friends.

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How He Would Solve the Race Problem

The Rev. Dr. Crummell, the venerable rector of St. Luke's church, Washington, D. C., is now travelling in the interest of his church, and the other institutions connected therewith, upon which is a mortgage of \$7000, stated in his address before a gathering of notable Episcopalian clergymen at Trinity church, Boston, last Wednesday, that he had already raised \$4000 of that amount. He said among other things that, "money, position, culture, all are but the means for the attainment of a noble manhood; this in the black race has been broken down and sadly crippled, so that the only sure way of its establishment is through the church."

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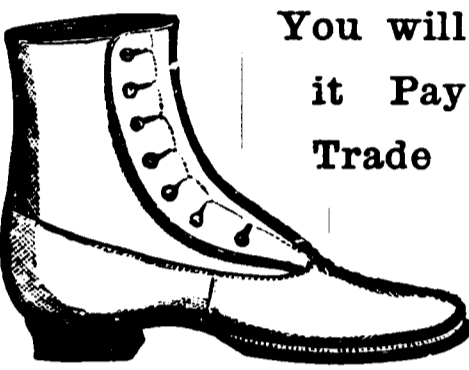
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Dated this 2nd day of January, A. D. 1899.
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