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PROF. STRAKER'S SPEECH.

FRAUD FINDS NO STRENGTH WHERE INTELLIGENCE PREVAILS.

Provide National Schools—Drawing Nearer—
—A Civil National Institute—A Natural
Right—A Song of Human Rights.

WE WANT MR. PRESIDENT, reciprocity in rights more so than we do in trade; vote for vote between the North and South is the demand. There is no lasting prosperity in a government whose subjects are not alike equally protected in their rights. The government of the United States is the greatest political organization upon the face of the earth. From the beginning of its existence in the form of the thirteen original colonies, with no central force of general protection it has grown into the formidable extension of 42 states aside from the territories, with a population of sixty odd millions of people. Our commerce belts the world, and our flag waves in every part of the drum beat of the English tattoo. We have abolished the slavery of human flesh from the land, we have raised the former slave from cattle-dom to manhood, it now remains to raise him from being a political nonentity to a factor in the functions of government, making his citizenship an equality of rights with all other citizens.

But the equality of citizenship which belongs to every subject is something more than a legal right, it is also a status which every government should seek to attain in the aggregate of a its citizens, and this condition is secured by no other means than the education of the masses, so that the facility provided by the nation shall be such as constitutes a great educational ladder, with one end in the gutter, and the other amidst the stars, and upon which every citizen may climb from the lowest round of ignorance to the top round of an educational qualification, fitting him for the responsibility of citizenship, white and black, rich and poor alike. This is what the South wants in order to solve its so-called Negro problem. Inequality of knowledge produces disrespect which in its turn, produces discord. Fraud and the violation of rights can find no strength where intelligence prevails. Compulsory education is the duty and the obligation which every government owes to its citizens. Government has no more right to allow ignorance to prevail than drunkenness, nor theft, and as it prohibits the latter so it should prevent the former by providing National schools in every state as it does Federal courts. If every colored citizen in the South was able to read and write and was instructed in the liberal branches of education, he would need no Federal protection in the exercise of his civil rights, but he would protect himself as does his white fellow citizen, by means of his intelligence. Already, despite all the disadvantages, the Negro has, by advancement in education, drawn himself higher and nearer the plane of civil equality with his white fellow citizen. His progress is so widely known and so marvellous in the short space of a quarter of a century that reference only is sufficient here in speaking to so intelligent an audience. It remains only for wider opportunity to be given the colored citizen before his ignorance is charged against him as a ground for any denial of equality of rights. As the government seeks to educate the citizen at West Point and Annapolis to the end that he may be efficient in protecting his country, so likewise let Congress pass the Blair bill or some other more efficient educational measure, and let us have added to the military and naval national schools a civil national educational institute in every state, whose portals shall be open to every citizen in the United States. These will be national bulwarks against ignorance and will secure domestic tranquility and national prosperity. Equality of citizenship consists also in equality of opportunity. Every man should have the right to be the equal of his fellow citizen. There is an undoubted inequality in this respect between the two races in our land. Absolute equality may not be found in all conditions in human life, but the right to secure happiness in this world according to one's merit and ability is both a natural and constitutional right. A condition of serfdom in labor, peonage or vassalage never gave to any people lasting prosperity. How long has the slave labor of the South lasted with the equal free labor of the North? It was begotten in robbery and lost in war trying to save it; and the lesson it has taught would not reproduce it for millions of promised power and similar wealth to its former possessors. I therefore plead for an equality of all citizens to labor and be industrious. The believers in the equality of citizenship as a measure of peace and prosperity for the republic should never shut the doors of trade or industry against a citizen because of race or color. Yet it is done and it is painful to observe to what extent. Precept and practice do not go together in this respect. I ask for

THE THOUSANDS OF COLORED YOUTH throughout the length and breadth of our common country the equality to labor with all other citizens. Our next and last topic on the inequality of citizenship is that of the exercise of the ballot. I can conceive of no greater consideration to occupy the minds of the American people to day than the effort made to deny a class of citizens the equal right to cast one ballot, for the

choice of him who is to govern him and to have that ballot counted as cast.

The class of citizens most affected by this wrong are our colored citizens of the South, and the danger grows with the intelligence of those denied the right, for it is against all experience to find subordination of rights, and much less total deprivation of the same, long suffered by an intelligent people.

But it is urged that the Negro is unfit for the ballot as belonging to an inferior race. I stamp the charge as false and made by cowards. The truly brave disdain to adopt these prejudiced against a race which have no better foundation than a diversity of color; but rather base their judgment upon substantial evidence of their progress, measured in accordance with their deeds. I make no false or proud boast of the achievements of my race in the scale of progress when I state that in the short space of 25 years it has made greater advancement than any known race of people recorded in history. Emancipated, they started out with freedom only—houseless, penniless and ignorant, amidst their former masters writhing under disappointment in conquest, loss of property, humiliation in ancestral pride and political prestige, offering every objection to the alleged cause of their suffering; we find yet today the emancipated slave not a totally ignorant class, but in the scale of knowledge having teachers, theologians, lawyers, doctors, musicians, artists, inventors, authors, journalists, and possessed of millions of dollars and owning vast property in land, right on the spot where they themselves were owned as property. Nothing remains but to secure them and all other citizens that equality of rights which will not only secure to them the free, fair and equal employment of their suffrage, but peace, harmony and prosperity to our country. The colored poet, Madison Bell, than whom no more heroic songster of human rights has ever sang, says:

There is no right a free man has
So purely sacred as his choice,
However secret be his choice,
And in its potency rejoice.
For in its exercise he stands
The peer of titled wealth and state,
Howe'er possessed of spreading lands
Or gifted they in a high degree,
He is their peer, however grand,
Or much on themselves they do,
For there is no station in our land
Which ranks a man above his vote.
The right to exercise a right
The right to choose twice man and man,
And in the right to do all he can
In a hood clothed with liberty,
The just, inherent right of all,
Regardless of liberty."

It is well in reflecting upon the inequality of citizenship, for us to remember that with the right of citizenship secured to the colored man the power of thought and reflection upon the discrimination exercised towards him has grown, and that to set him apart for any particular privilege in office or otherwise is to discriminate against him and to classify him instead of equalizing his rights. He is entitled to no more or greater rights than any other citizen; nor is he entitled to any less. Capability and integrity should measure his rights and not his race or color. The Republican party has been the party which declared his manhood and his

EQUAL RIGHTS AS A CITIZEN.

It is the party which does not set his life on a die and place his head as a target for political revenge. It is therefore the party whose duty it is to protect him in all his civil rights, cost what it may, and when this protection is not secured him he should not be expected to bestow on this party his allegiance. It is not expected of his white fellow citizens, nor is it given.

Do not regard him in the light of a slave, but as a free man and a citizen, and remember that when the oligarchy of slavery attempted to destroy this Union and the hydra-headed tyrant pointed its poisonous fang at the right of all men to enjoy life and liberty, let the loyal men of the country who now hesitate to secure him in the exercise of his franchise equally with themselves, upon the pretenses of social disarrangement, race conflict and commercial interests remember that the Negro citizen has always been a law-abiding citizen forming no discord, not even when his liberty was at stake; that he has cost this government of his country neither blood, ammunition, blankets nor food, to prevent him taking the life of countless of our brave white fellow-citizens, as has the Indian, to whom our country has given \$43,000,000 up to 1864, and for whom our country is yet constantly legislating, entreating to be law-abiding, and receiving in return the basest treachery, and yet who are nevertheless treated as men, and as a nation. What a shame is this inequality of treatment between two classes of people!

The hue and cry raised in Congress by the opponents to the federal election bill now pending, declaring that if it become a law, it would produce race conflict sectional strife, I pronounce a false alarm, designed to deprive the colored citizen of his political rights and to keep him in a state of political vassalage. We have been stabbed in the house of our friends and made political outcasts by those who aided the Democrats in the Senate to defeat the means to secure its passage. To those who have sold the Republican party's birthright in the enjoyment of all its members to liberty, equality and justice for a mess of silver portage, I say you will receive the fate of the unfaithful to a sacred trust.

Already the upas tree, planted by the unfaithful to the party's pledge and trust, has begun its blight, the first victim falling in Kansas. The home of the hero of Ossawatimie will never condone treachery to the principles for which her brave John Brown fought and died.

What profit will it be ever to gain a World's Fair and sacrifice human rights and the welfare of the Republic as some

think we should? Alas for such subtleties and sacrifices before a just God.

Can this inequality last and the republic long continue to prosper? Can this inequality last and the country be safe? When the equality of rights are sought to be denied the colored citizen and are disregarded ever by the legislators of our own party let them be remembered not only at Fort Wagner, but from the foot of Bunker Hill to the steps of Appomattox Court House; let them be remembered even as late as when the hostile Indians thinned the ranks of our brave warriors but a few short weeks ago, killed our brave soldiers who barely escaped the tragic fate of our noble Custer in the battle of White Clay creek, but were saved by our unflinching brave and loyal colored Ninth, who rode, as they on erode before, at the time of the Meeker massacre, and attacked the rear of the savage horde, scattering them in every direction and thus saving the lives of hundreds of our fellow citizens who, perhaps, if they were in Congress today, would probably vote against the passage of the federal election bill. As faith without works is dead, so likewise principles without men to carry them out are fruitless, worthless. I must speak plainly. By the acts of those to whom we have shown political fidelity, we are constantly left to study the pages of self-preservation as against fidelity to party. Whether it is easier and safer to endanger our lives in casting an unprotected ballot or not is the question. All honor and praise and gratefulness to those who stood by the election bill which seeks to protect the ballot and secure the equality of citizenship. Shame and disgrace upon those who failed to do their duty in this direction. Glory and honor to old Massachusetts and Ohio, and all those who are yet faithful and true to the constitution and the equality of citizenship. Honest John Sherman will no sooner turn his back upon the equal rights of citizens or be scared by Southern bulldozing than the fearless McKinley will desert his stand in the needed protection of American industries.

In concluding this address I do not think we can overlook the inequality of citizenship as it exists between the old classes of citizens as related to sex. Our women are persons and as such under the constitution are unquestionably citizens. Now why should they be denied an equal enjoyment of civil rights with men? The only answer that can be given is, that it is not customary or that they are not equal to the responsibility with men. The latter reason must be abandoned in the light of the progress of women in art, science and literature during the past 20 years. I am an absolute and unqualified advocate of the right of women to vote, but say that in no case where individual woman has the responsibility of the family ought to be denied the right to vote.

It has been well said that "the suffrage belongs neither to man nor woman as such but to the unit of the family." If it be to man then man belongs the responsibility because upon him rests the duty, so likewise as to woman. Above all, can the advocates of equality of rights between citizens without regard to color deny the same to woman? He who asks equality of rights for himself must concede them to his sister. And last but not least we find for equality of citizenship as between our Northern Republican citizen and his brother in the South. The protection given the Northern white Republican is not the same as given his fellow white Republican in the South. And why? Because the laws of the several states as they operate upon the citizen in the South are demonstrated as above the laws of the nation. This is the seed of our future decay as a Republic unless remedied.

Protection of civil rights belong to the white man and to the Negro as well in the South as in the North. What a commentary upon the strength of our government when a white man of the South is not allowed to hold an office bestowed on him by a great nation because a Southern man objects to his politics!

How long, oh, how long shall this continue, and the Republic be safe?

Nothing remains for the American people as a great nation to do but to wipe out from her midst such laws, customs or prejudices which recognize the inequality of citizenship and the distinction between man and his fellow, based on race or color, remembering that the safety of the Republic is the equality of its citizens under the law, and in the pursuit of their happiness. This done, which must be done and will be done ere long, and we than shall justly and truly boast of our land as the home of our brave and the land of the free. A country in which all men of one blood upon the face of the earth may dwell in the pursuit of happiness. The child and the man, the alien and the sons of our common country, rich and poor, black and white alike. Mr. President and fellow citizens, the equality of citizenship is the safety of the Republic. I know of no other party so competent to maintain this doctrine as the G. O. party, with its principles, its victories and its loyalty—long may it live! Strong may it be, and so it will be if courageous and just."

Prof. Straker was frequently interrupted by applause and given hearty cheers at the close.

William Rictor, an Afro-American boot-black was by a jury awarded \$10,000 against the Texas and Pacific railroad company at New Boston, Texas. The plaintiff was thrown from a train and falling under the wheels had both legs cut off.

Tom Sergeant Hardwick shot and killed James Chump an Afro-American desperado at Radford Md. last week. The man was fighting a duel at close quarters. Hardwick was slightly wounded in the arm.

A BILL FOR THE "NEGRO"

THE FIRST KANSAS VOLUNTEERS RELIEVED BY CONGRESS.

From the Heart of Africa—How Little Difference—Run Against a Snag—The Discussion Continues.

THE PLAIN DEALER can always be found in Washington at the office of the Correspondent, Mr. F. J. Calloway, 330 F. Street N. W.

Special correspondence of THE PLAIN DEALER.

WASHINGTON, March 9.—As the hands of the clocks in the two chambers of the capital pointed to 12 o'clock on Wednesday, the 51st Congress was a thing of the past. For 36 hours congressmen had worked in a most vigorous way and when the last came there was a feeling of relief and satisfaction at the immense amount of work done. To recapitulate what took place in these last days would hardly be desirable. One bill, however, was passed, which will gladden the hearts of some crippled and aged Afro-Americans or their wives or children. It was the bill for the relief of the First Kansas Volunteers whose cause has been so ably pleaded in THE PLAIN DEALER. On Monday Mr. Perkins of Kansas called it up and asked unanimous consent for its passage. To this request Mr. Bland of Missouri, and Mr. Kerr of Iowa objected. A vote being taken on its consideration there was a great majority in its favor, over two thirds. The bill speaks for itself and reads as follows:

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that all officers of the First Kansas Colored Volunteers who were mustered into the service of the United States on or before the second day of May, eighteen hundred and sixty-three, shall rank and be entitled to pay from the date when they respectively held and performed the duties of a command in said regiment or in the companies and battalions of which said regiment was composed of a rank equal to the rank they respectively held when mustered into the United States service in said regiment.

Sec. 2. That Captain Andrew I. Crew, Corporal Joseph Talbot, Private Marion Barber, Samuel Davis, Henry Gish, Thomas Lane, Allen Rhodes, and John Sixkiller, who were killed in action at Island Mound, Missouri, October twenty-eighth, eight hundred and sixty-two, whilst on duty with the companies and battalions, of which said regiment was subsequently composed, shall be entitled to the rank, pay, and emoluments conferred by section one of this act.

Sec. 3. That Privates Edward Curtis, Jacob Edwards, Lazarus Johnson, General Dudley, Daniel Dobson, and Thomas Knight of said companies and battalions, who were wounded in action at Island Mound, Missouri October twenty-eighth, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, but were not mustered into the United States service, shall be entitled to all rights, privileges, and benefits conferred upon wounded or disabled soldiers by the provisions of the United States pension laws.

Sec. 4. That in computing the pay and allowances to which parties may be entitled under the provisions of this act any pay and allowances which such parties may have received during the period of time included within the provisions of this act, in any other grade or capacity, shall be deducted from the amount that may be due them under the provisions of this act.

Capt. E. C. Howe, who for 11 years has been in the heart of Africa lectured at several places in this city this week. He is an Englishman and was sent to Africa by the London Missionary society, the one which sent forth David Livingstone. He is delighted with his experience there and says he made some of the dearest friendships of his life with those natives in the heart of Africa. A very important point he made was that the lowest types of the Negro race are to be found on the borders of Africa, and Afro-Americans being descendants of the border tribes were not by any means examples of physique and physiognomy as were to be found in the "Heart of Africa."

The Woman's Relief Corps is an organization that has grown up over the country as an auxiliary to the Grand Army and has as its object the caring for poor and disabled veterans. There are over 100,000 members now scattered throughout the country and it is rapidly increasing in members. Last Saturday evening the officers elect of this department were installed at Grand Army hall. Of the officers ten are white and three colored. Miss Julia W. Mason, who was elected senior vice president, holds the highest place so far accorded an Afro-American. When Miss Mason was delivering her address on Saturday evening one was reminded as the applause was so great from her white sisters how little difference there is after all for the most bitter enemy of "Negro equality" would have forgotten her color when she reached her final statements. She said: "Let no personal feelings mar our devotion to duty, no prejudices keep us from relieving some poor veteran who has risked his life for his country. And when we shall have answered master beyond the Jordan may we all report for duty to the Greatest Commander of all whose armies never meet defeat."

The Wimodaughis is an organization in this city among women. It resembles what men call the club. That is, women meet there, have social chats, play innocent games, read, study, etc. It was organized among the leading white women here, Rev. Anna Shaw being president and Mrs. Desha secretary. All was quiet and serene and

The Novel Supplement

"Missing—A Young Girl"

accompanies this issue of The Plaindealer and every paid up subscriber is entitled to the same free. If you fail to receive one send a postal card notifying us at once.

The first woman's club in America was gliding along as smoothly as an Indian bark down stream until Miss Fannie Smith an Afro-American secured a card of admission and appeared among other "Wimodaughes." Then Miss Ango Saxton, Blue-blood Desha, who was secretary, quietly informed Miss Smith that the club could not exist with her as a member and took her ticket refunding her money. Miss Smith then wrote a letter to Rev. Anna Shaw president, and Miss Shaw called a meeting of the directors and reinstated Miss Smith. This, Miss Desha who is a relative of John C. Breckenridge of Kentucky couldn't stand, and offered her resignation as secretary which was promptly accepted. It now stands that Miss Smith is in, Miss Desha is out. What further developments will prove remains to be seen.

The World's Fair discussion is still going on here. Last Wednesday evening Messrs. Holmes and Stewart debated the question of a separate exhibit before the Plymouth Argumentative Lyceum. Mr. Stewart in the affirmative. Mr. Holmes giving very conclusive arguments in the negative. Mr. Holmes' two best points were that a separate exhibit would be impossible if attempted, for every improvement in this country was contributed to more or less by Afro-American skill and labor. The government is as much his as any other man's "and if the government made an exhibit into which department should it go, the white man's or black man's?" His second point was that our ladies would have to choose between the ladies department and the Negro department which they would find a serious dilemma. Today Hon. John H. Smith comes out in a letter printed in the Post asking for a separate exhibit. There are no strong points for a separate exhibit, but he claims rightly that the Afro-American should have a part in its management and thus elicit the confidence of our race to do their best.

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Substantial Progress.

St. Louis, Mo. March 10.—Miss Nellie Wilkinson, one of our talented young teachers, is being instructed in the Catholic faith.

The many friends of Mrs. B. T. Rodgers were very much shocked to hear of her sudden death, Saturday afternoon, March the 27th. She left home, well and hearty, in company with a friend, to make some purchase in town, and when they reached Lucas ave., with out any warning, she dropped dead at her friend's feet.

Miss Bella O. Thomas has been suffering all week with a severe cold.

Prof. A. D. Langston, the principal of Desha's school, will shortly commence a series of lectures complimentary to his corps. This is a very praiseworthy enterprise, and we trust it will prove of great advantage to his teachers. Mr. Langston is a gentleman of unusual intelligence, having been educated in Oberlin, and is considered one of the finest of principals.

The St. Paul A. M. E. congregation several months ago, sold their house of worship on 11th street, and Lucas avenue, for a handsome sum. At once they bought a large lot a ground at 28th and Chestnut streets, and began the erection of a new church, and magnificent parsonage. Both buildings were thrown open to the public, and duly dedicated Sunday, March 1st. The structure is of fine brick and stone trimmings, with large doors and cathedral windows. Three dedication addresses were delivered March 1st. At the morning service, Dr. Shaffer delivered the address; at 3 P. M., Rev. Derrick, of N. T. spoke, and Sunday evening, Rev. Handy of Washington D. C. supplied the pulpit. Thousands of our people turned out to witness these exercises, and all were delighted with the progress made by the Negro in the erection of such a structure. It should not be lost sight of that the St. Paul choir contributed largely to the success of the dedication services. The church is at present in charge of Elder Cotman.

The Ambri Quintette which was organized in the early part of this winter, is making fine progress, and contemplate giving a public musicale at an early date. Mr. David E. Gordon, is first violin; Mr. Frank Robertson, flutist; Mr. Willie Wilkins, cornetist; Miss Lillian Lee, second violinist, and Miss Minnie Crosswhite, pianist.

Several young lady teachers has organized themselves into a drawing class, under the supervision of Mr. Frank Robertson, the talented young artist.

The balance of the estates of the late Mr. Whipper and Absolom Shodd of Dresden Ont. are advertised for sale by J. B. Hollinsworth. They comprise valuable city lots and will be sold to suit purchasers.

Mr. Lewis Easton of Cincinnati has been appointed deputy sheriff.

To Correspondents: Don't Be Late.

We cannot insure the publication of correspondence which reaches us later than Tuesday. A number of our correspondents should pay attention to the hints below. Don't blame us if your letters are not published.—[Editor.]

All matter for publication must reach us by Tuesday noon to insure insertion in the following issue.

Write your notes on one side of paper only and on separate paper from letters on business.

Personal jokes are not wanted. Do not write matter for publication and business orders upon the same sheet of paper.

Want of space will not permit of extended notices of entertainments, parties, receptions, etc. Send us the news. Make your letters short and readable.

Make your letters and communications as short as possible.

Sign your FULL NAME, not for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith. No matter if you have been corresponding for years, always sign your own name.

Be brief, on time, and do not say "So and so" is sick when he only has the finger-ache!

Correspondents will please remember that advertisements, lists of wedding presents, lengthy obituary notices, speeches, resolutions, poetry and inquiries for relatives must be paid for. Our advertising rates will be sent you on application.

Agents, Attention!

Our agents are required to make returns and remittances for the papers of the preceding month not later than the tenth of each month—and no papers will be sent to any agent who fails to comply with the above.

No papers will be sold on credit unless the agent chooses to pay for them and run the risk of collection.

Excuses and promises do not pay our expenses, etc. PLAINDALER Co. Sept. 1, '90.

Every purchaser of a copy of this issue of The Plaindealer is entitled to a copy of the Novel Supplement "Missing-A Young Girl."

Capitalist's Generosity.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., March 10.—The city is excited over the Carbon Hill shooting affair which occurred on Friday, and resulted in three men being wounded fatally, a 1 white.

The Ben Butler party which arrived here a few days ago from New Orleans, consisting of statesmen and capitalists, turned out to the Afro American churches of this city and contributed among them about \$300.

The United Order of Odd fellows celebrated their 45th anniversary last Sunday, turning out in full uniform. Their annual sermon was preached by the Rev. W. G. Elaxpender of the A. M. E. church. The sermon was very eloquent and highly appreciated. The Rev. Elaxpender is a hard worker and much esteemed by both church and race.

Messrs Robuck and Diffay are at present doing great business with their barber shop. They own and control two of the most important shops in the city, thoroughly equipped with 12 chairs and fixtures at a cost of \$3,000.

Preparations are on foot to organize a company, for the purpose of carrying on the drug business. A meeting has been held and the capital stock is estimated at \$10,000. W. F. M.

After the Election.

AMHERSTBURG, Ont., March 9.—We are having regular March weather, snow one day and sunshine the next.

Feb. 27th, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jones, gave a party to about twenty of their young friends. An enjoyable time was spent by all.

The Misses Mamie Branton and Lyla Kirtley, returned to Detroit on Saturday Feb. 26th. After spending a week visiting relatives and friends.

Miss Sadie Hughes who has been visiting here for the past three weeks, returned to Detroit Wednesday.

Mrs. Augusta Kirtley of St. Paul, Minn. is visiting her mother-in-law Mrs. F. Kirtley.

An interesting song service was held Sunday evening March 1st, under the management of Miss Sadie Hughes. The hymns were well selected, and well rendered.

The Busy Gleaners society will give an entertainment during the Easter holidays, in the Baptist church.

Our town hall seems to be unlucky, last March it burned down leaving only the walls standing, and Wednesday fire was again discovered there but prompt action, saved it with slight damage.

The election is over and the "old burg" once more assumes her quiet aspect. LIZZIE.

Victims of an Epidemic

BATTLE CREEK, March 9.—A very pleasant surprise was given Mrs. John Henderson, at her home on Hall street, last Tuesday evening, the occasion being her 44th anniversary. The surprise was complete, Mrs. Henderson being away attending the lodge, found on her arrival her home in possession of about 80 self invited guests. After recovering from the shock, she prepared to entertain the guests and proved a royal hostess. The evening was very pleasantly spent, and after partaking of a beautiful repast, the guests called for a speech from Mrs. Henderson who responded in some well chosen words, thanking the donors for several tokens of remembrance, when all retired wishing many happy returns.

Mr. W. H. Gurley went to Niles, Saturday to spend Sunday.

Several of our citizens are victims of an epidemic, which is going around in our city. B. S.

The Ladies' Club Entertains.

PORT HURON, March 9.—A very enjoyable party was given by the Ladies' Club of this city at A. O. H. hall last Tuesday evening. About twenty couples were present. Among the guests from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Egbert of Armada, Mr. and Mrs. Becka of Romeo, Mr. and Mrs. J. Ford, Mrs. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. J. Ford, Mrs. Stewart, Miss Hart, Mr. Rodney and Mr. Crosby of Sarnia, and Messrs. DeGroat of Wallaceburg, Ont. Supper was served under the superintendency of Miss Thilde Kennedy, all the guests being seated at once. Lawrence's orchestra furnished the music. Taken altogether it was a very enjoyable affair and the ladies of the club received many compliments for the admirable manner in which it was conducted.

J. C. Mathews, who has been residing in the city for the past year, left for St. Clair Wednesday. He will have charge of the shop formerly occupied by L. Bennett. B.

Receiving Congratulations.

GRAND RAPIDS, March 9.—The little daughter of Mr. J. W. Johnson who seemed to be recovering nicely from malaria has had a serious relapse.

The Rev. J. L. H. Watkins of the Spring street church contemplates starting a series of prayer meetings this week from which he expects desirable results.

Mr. S. H. Smith formerly of Detroit, who is studying dentistry here is in great demand by all lovers of music. Mr. Smith is a fine pianist.

The family and friends of Mrs. Sarah E. Thomas are anxious about her recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Ford are entertaining a little stranger. Mr. Ford appreciates the congratulations he is receiving on the possession of such a fine daughter.

The Rev. W. Hawkins and wife, father and mother of Messrs J. and W. Hawkins, of this city have just arrived in Liverpool, England, where they expect to spend the summer. They enjoyed the trip over and are much pleased with Liverpool.

Satisfied With the Town.

MARION, Ind., March 10.—March came in like a lion and has roared and blown every day since, but today it seems the lamb has made its appearance. It is as clear and bright as May.

Mr. Era Smith is able to be at work again after an illness of two months.

Mr. William Parkes has returned from Logansport to remain. He thinks Marion good enough for him.

Mrs. Manuel of Bay City, is the guest of the Rev. Smith.

The Rev. Gultur preached a fine sermon Sunday evening. The order of Odd Fellows and Household of Ruth turned out March 1st for their annual sermon which was eloquently delivered by the Rev. Smith.

Miss Maggie Smith has returned to her home in South Bend after a two week's visit. She is much pleased with our city and we hope to see her here again soon. A. P. J.

"One of the Finest."

EAST SAGINAW, March 9.—Though I have been silent for the past few weeks, I hope the readers of THE PLAINDALER, will not think I have lost interest in the paper. I must confess to a spirit of negligence, which has caused me in spite of my great interest to omit my weekly contributions.

Elder Hill has been holding revival meetings for the past three weeks, assisted by the Rev. N. N. Pharis. They put forth every effort to bring sinners to repentance, but only succeeded in winning one. They are not discouraged however being strong in the consciousness of having performed their duty.

Missionary day last Sunday, was very enjoyable. A program comprising addresses by Elder Hill and Elder Pharis and Mr. John Bowles, and a fine selection by Mrs. Day, was followed by an address by Mr. Brown and a beautiful number by the choir. The offering was generous and the entire program excellent.

Mr. Stephen West of Flint is employed at the Everett house.

Mr. John Bowles has been placed on the police force and it is expected that quietness will now reign on James street.

Mrs. Reesey Wright, who has been visiting in Ann Arbor has returned home.

Rumor tells of a wedding in the city soon. HENRIETTA.

Serials and Personals

ANN ARBOR, March 9.—Mrs. Bank's concert last Monday night was a success as far as a crowd was concerned.

The Sons of Veterans had the play "The Union Soldier or Confederates Spy" on Thursday and Friday nights. Several Afro-Americans took part. The playing of Messrs. Cox, Taylor and Thomas was heartily received. The singing of Andrew Johnson was encored.

Messdames Sherman, Day and Lister were in the city on Saturday. The Misses Bateman gave a party at Mrs. Sherman's on Friday. The Misses M. Johnson, M. Jewett, and Josie Thomas from here were in attendance.

Miss Green and Mrs. Harrison of Toledo are visiting the former's brother, Mr. Green of the 5th ward.

Mrs. John Davis gave a tea Sunday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Green's company.

Mr. Loney, Fred and Noma Loney and Eva Cooper were in Ypsilanti on Sunday. The 2nd division of the Home Circle, Miss Emily Jones chairman, realized \$32.00 from their last entertainment.

Miss Carrie Freeman repeated her concert on Friday night at the Bethel church. The weather was unfavorable but she made seven dollars. The little folks did nicely.

Mrs. Lizzie Preston and her daughter-in-law Mrs. James Preston of Ypsilanti, were the guests of the former's daughter, Mrs. Clay.

Mr. and Mrs. Brooks of Alliance, are in the city and expect to remain permanently. They wish to supply a long felt want and start a first class boarding house so that the colored people will know where to go. Success to them.

Mrs. Cornelius of Pontiac, arrived in the city Thursday and expects to reside here. She has been very sick but is a little better.

Word has been received in the city that Henry Deigh is lying very low at the home of his mother in Ypsilanti without any hope of his recovery. Some eight or nine years ago he was one of the beaux of society. LOTTIE.

Doing Good Business.

THE PLAINDALER can always be found in Toledo at L. Roberts, 407 St. Clair street; E. Williams, 229 Erie street and of the agent, George Dyer, 810 Woodruff avenue.

TOLEDO, O., March 11.—One of the chief attractions of last week at the Baptist church was a broom drill given by the young people, and Rev. Dyer appreciates the general interest manifested in the concert.

Rev. W. H. Coleman, P. E., of Bellair, O., was here from Saturday till Wednesday and presided over the quarterly meeting services at the A. M. E. church Sunday and Monday nights. He left Wednesday for Findlay, O., where he will preside this week.

The meeting of the co-operative board was held at the home of Mr. W. Ernest on Missouri street Wednesday night but as yet the results have not been ascertained.

Mrs. C. H. Ferguson returned home Tuesday after a five week's visit to friends in Jackson, Mich.

There are several strangers in the city but the man about town has not had the pleasure of meeting them, hence no names.

The contest as well as the general program of the "Literary" was postponed until next Monday night on account of quarterly meeting.

Quite an interesting party was given at the residence of J. Madison Bell on Indiana avenue in honor of Miss Craig. A goodly number was present and a good time was enjoyed.

Mr. N. L. Williams has opened his commodious and nicely fitted boarding house for another year and success seems to be his lot. He does a first-class business throughout. It is the most palatial house for the local and traveling public our race can boast of in any place. M. M.

Reads Them a Lecture.

EAST SAGINAW, March 9.—There is a great deal of sickness in the city at present. Mrs. Charlotte Hartwell, Miss Lida Henderson and Mother Johnson are all indisposed.

Mrs. Thurman, the elocutionist, has returned to Jackson but will visit Saginaw again April 14th when she will be cordially welcomed by all.

Mr. Richardson is confined to his room with rheumatism.

Mr. Ephraim Butler has returned from Canada much pleased with the signs of activity he noticed there.

The East Saginaw benefit society will meet tonight at Mrs. Ephraim Butler's. A good time is expected.

The Saginaw river is open and men interested in milling and boating are congratulating each other.

The A. M. E. church is progressing nicely under the pastor, Rev. C. F. Hill. His sermon Sunday morning was excellent.

Wm. Thompson met with a misfortune last week. Some boys broke in his room and stole \$30 in money and all his clothes. No clue has been obtained of the guilty parties.

Young people who care for their reputations in this community should abstain from light behavior in church. Passing candy back and forth is not very creditable to their intelligence or raising and for their own sakes they should show more respect to the church and congregation. H. J.

The Ladies' Thursday Club

JACKSON, Mich., Mar. 9.—We feel it due to the Central City, and her denizens, to say a word of the good work going on here.

Among many things of interest was the 3rd anniversary of the Ladies Thursday Club which took place at the B. of L. E. Hall, Feb. 26th. It was a grand affair, among those from abroad were Mr. and Mrs. Atwood, of Saginaw; Mr. and Mrs. Straker and Rev. Thompson, of Detroit; Miss Ora Grayson, of Tecumseh; Miss Ella Craig, of Adrian; Miss Hannah Lyons, Miss Carrie Jones and Mrs. H. McGrudder of Battle Creek and Mrs. C. H. Ferguson, of Toledo, Ohio. A fine program was rendered and very much enjoyed. The guests were then led to the dining hall, where they partook of a bountiful repast, after supper the toasts were delivered. All having enjoyed a pleasant time, at a late hour they bade the usual good night. The ladies deserve great credit.

Mrs. Binam entertained a number of friends at her home Monday evening, in honor of her guest Mrs. C. H. Ferguson, who takes her departure for her home in Toledo Ohio, Tuesday evening March 10th. The nuptial trial at the A. M. E. church was very interesting. The young men Messrs Yancy and Clark ought to be encouraged.

We regret very much to chronicle the death of Miss Arinda Johnson, who died Monday March 9th. Miss Johnson was an ardent worker in the A. M. E. church, and Sunday School, her death is regretted by all who knew her. She was buried from the A. M. E. church Wednesday, March 10. Rev. W. H. Saunders officiated. A. L. T.

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Dated Monday, February 9, 1891. LOUIS B. LITTLEFIELD, Sheriff. By BENJAMIN F. BRISCOE, Deputy Sheriff. (S.E.) COX, Plaintiff's Attorney.

SHERIFF'S SALE.—Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a writ of fieri facias issued out of and under the seal of the Circuit Court for the County of Wayne, State of Michigan, in favor of The Singer Manufacturing Company, against the goods, chattels, and real estate of the Canada Filter Company, principal defendant, and Edward B. Grece and Cyrus Barnes, sureties in said county, to me directed and delivered, I did on the Ninth day of December, A. D. 1890, levy upon all the right, title and interest of Edward B. Grece of said Wayne County, in and to the following described real estate, situated in the County of Wayne, State of Michigan, known and described as follows: Commencing at the east corner of section (11), Sumpter Township running south forty (40) rods, thence west one hundred (100) rods north forty (40) rods, thence east one hundred (100) rods to the place of beginning, containing twenty-five (25) acres, more or less. All in the Township of Sumpter, Wayne County, Michigan, all of which I shall expose for sale at public auction or vendue, to the highest bidder, as the law directs, at the westerly front door of the City Hall, in the City of Detroit, County of Wayne and State of Michigan, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court for the County of Wayne aforesaid, on Monday, the Twentieth day of April, A. D. 1891, at twelve o'clock noon.

Dated Detroit, Mo. day, March 2nd, 1891. LOUIS B. LITTLEFIELD, Sheriff. By BENJAMIN F. BRISCOE, Deputy Sheriff. GLIDDEN & BECKWITH, Plaintiff's Attorneys.

RAILROADED TO PRISON.

GEORGE SCOTT, A WAGNER CAR PORTER THE VICTIM

His Friends Claim he is an Innocent man and are Investigating Canadian Justice.

George Scott, a well known Wagner car porter, is confined in a Canadian jail at Welland Ont., under sentence for two years at hard labor in the Toronto prison, for stealing a pocket book. His friends and most of the railroad employes say he is innocent. The facts briefly stated are as follows:

A man named Foster, claiming Detroit as his residence entered the sleeping car "Madera," George Scott porter, at Buffalo the night of March 4 and asked for a berth, not having a spare one Scott referred him to the car "Malboro," through from New York to Detroit. Porter Murray in charge told him, he must apply to the car conductor. It is claimed he acted suspicious nervous, and these references but took section 12 in the latter car.

He claims that just before he reached St. Thomas, a hand was thrust in his berth and upon examination he found his pocket book missing. He also swears he saw Scott with his pantaloons enter one end of the car and Murray the other and talk together. He got up and reported to the train conductor who was in Scott's car, who told him he could not see how Scott could have robbed him as he had not been out of his sight, but momentarily all night. Upon reaching Detroit however detective DeRolsner, of the Michigan was found in waiting and it is said he advised the porters to give up the money and it would not go so hard with them. They denied the accusation and upon being searched, \$3.50 was found on Murray, and \$10.50 upon Scott, the latter claimed he had \$3.00 when he left Buffalo. Both Scott and Murray made statements in writing and were told to report for duty at 5 p. m. Scott to take his regular run to Mackinac. He reported at night, but was not sent out. The next day he was handed a pass and told to head to New York. Without any heat tancy he took the 9.50 train and was arrested at St. Thomas, and taken to Clifton Murray in the mean time had been arrested and also John Scott a brother of George, no doubt a mistake, as he was released.

When taken before Magistrate, A. G. Hill, barrister, solicitor and in fact the Lord High executioner at Clifton, he asked them if they were ready for trial, Murray asked for time to get a lawyer, while Scott said, "I never took the money and know nothing about it. I am ready for trial at any time." At this Foster put in his appearance and swore so strongly that the Magistrate at once said to Scott, "you are guilty and I sentence you to two years at hard labor in the Toronto prison and he was taken to jail before his friends even knew of his arrest. That's what some of our Canadian cousins call "English justice."

His friends and relatives are now probing the matter, and while Scott languishes in jail under sentence, they are going to show up the kind of evidence he was convicted upon when Murray's trial takes place. Messrs. Wm. W. Ferguson and John Scott visited Clifton Tuesday. A young barrister, a relative of the judge that sentenced Scott, has been retained, and he will make a strong fight to have Scott pardoned by the Governor General of Canada, that being the only alternative. It is claimed that Foster has told several different stories about the amount of money he lost, and the railroad employes have marked him as a "spotter."

It's Catching.

The row up on Adelaide street a week ago Monday, was supplemented last Monday by a bigger row on Mullett street. Whereas there was but two women connected with the first fuss, there were ten or twelve in this last engagement. It seems that one fair Adonis, known in these days as a successful masher, is the cause of the whole trouble. The aforesaid Adonis is a comparatively recent arrival in the city and it is claimed he keeps a gambling institution on Gratiot avenue. He commenced playing havoc with feminine hearts by paying ardent attention to a well known widow, not yet out of her "weeds." It seems he is built after the Brigham Young fashion, for beside the widow he had several other women on the string, as the boys would put it, both maids and matrons. These aspiring rivals for their hearts affection met on Mullett street and war was immediately declared. It waged fiercely for a few minutes neither side gaining the vantage. Then the scene of battle shifted to Antoine street to the house of one of the combatants. Being in doors the finale could not be determined by on lookers, whether it was to the swift, the strong or the one who held out faithful to the end.

MERE MENTION.

A report was current in the city this week that the suicide in Toledo supposed to be a resident of Detroit was the Mr. Bowles who was at one time superintendent of the Second Baptist Sunday school. Investigation has proven the report untrue as Mr. Bowles is alive and well.

Frank Collins applied at the Emergency hospital Wednesday night for treatment of wounds received in a fight over a girl in a saloon on the corner of First and Larded streets.

The amount taken in at the gypsy entertainment given by the Willing Workers was \$104.65, the expenses were \$34.45, leaving a net gain of \$70.20.

Alex Rose tried conclusions with a white man this week and did his man. Thursday he had the alternative of \$10 or 90 days for his success as a pugilist. He took the \$10 very gracefully declaring he would do it again at the first opportunity.

The Silver Tone Glee Club, gave a very successful entertainment, at Abstract Parlors, last Wednesday evening. The club is a new organization and this is the first time it has appeared before the public. Mr. Henry Johnson is musical director.

Jas. Brown spent a few days of this week in Cleveland.

Mr. Lomax Cook has brought his trotting mare "Stonetta," in from Royal Oak.

Mr. Wilson Beard has sold his homestead at 42 Croghan street, for \$6,000, to D. M. Ferry & Co. This firm will erect a large store upon the site running from Brush street in consequence, Cook & Thomas will have to move. They are now casting about for new quarters.

Mrs. G. W. Taylor of London Ont., will return home Saturday.

ABOUT PERSONS AND THINGS.

The National party of Rhode Island have nominated Mr. James Jefferson, an Afro-American for lieutenant governor of the state.

The Odd Fellows of Boston celebrated the 48th anniversary of the foundation of the order by Peter Ogden, Sunday, March 1st by a Thanksgiving service at the Charles street A. M. E. church.

The Springfield Republican foresees the time when the Gulf states will have to be given up to Afro-Americans.

The American Citizen of Kansas City, Kansas, says that policy playing is sapping the means and energies of Afro-Americans of that city to an alarming extent.

Miss Alice Bellaire is employed as clerk in a prominent dry goods store of Bellaire, Ohio.

Edward Johnson a waiter in a Union Avenue restaurant of Kansas City Mo. went to bed one night last week in the dark. In the morning when he awoke he found his room mate lying with his face to the wall dead from heart disease.

Mr. H. Garrison of Pittsburg who served with credit in the Union forces during the rebellion, died at his residence there March 8th.

Lawyer Joseph H. Davis of Baltimore is a candidate for Legislature from the Third Legislative District of Maryland.

Pleased With the Services.

FT. WAYNE, March 9. — Mrs. Mary Lacin, Mrs. B. Branican, Mr. John Ridley and baby, Mrs. John Anderson and Mary Keys are on the sick list.

The social at the church last Wednesday night was not very well attended as the weather was extremely cold.

Mr. Thomas Batt left for Seymour, Ind., last Sunday morning to move his family to our city where he will reside in the future.

Mr. Marshal has returned from Chicago. Mrs. George Brown and daughter Maggie of Wabash, Ind., spent Sunday in our city visiting friends.

Elder Jeffries preached one of his powerful sermons yesterday morning after which there was an old fashioned class meeting.

We are glad to say our church services are good also the Sabbath school. Our superintendent has made arrangements to celebrate Easter in grand style. J. H. R.

Marshall Mention.

MARSHALL, March 23.—Circuit court was to convene Monday is postponed until Saturday on account of the judge being sick.

Mr. Chas. Weekley has gone to Grand Rapids looking for employment. He expects to move his family there soon.

We have several strangers in our city. Another cold wave has visited us and a number of cutters are seen on the street again. B. T.

The Western Terror Terrorized.



By the little Big Horn river he had slain the gallant Sioux. And beside the Mohrara put to flight the Yanktons too; Where the heaving Rio Grande rolls beside the Mexican hills. With the blood of countless Greasers he'd ensanguined all the hills. And they called him "Graveyard Johnnie," and the notches on his gun Each bespoke a man he'd slaughtered—but, alas! his race is run! For he weakly wed a widow from Chicago's grassy vale— And it wasn't fifteen minutes ere she made this terror quail.

It Was a Treat.

Sniffles—We had a fine musical treat at our church last Sunday morning. Sniffles—Yes; the tenor waited outside for the organist and then licked him before the whole congregation for spilling his pet solo by playing a wrong accompaniment.

She Must Have Been Displeased.

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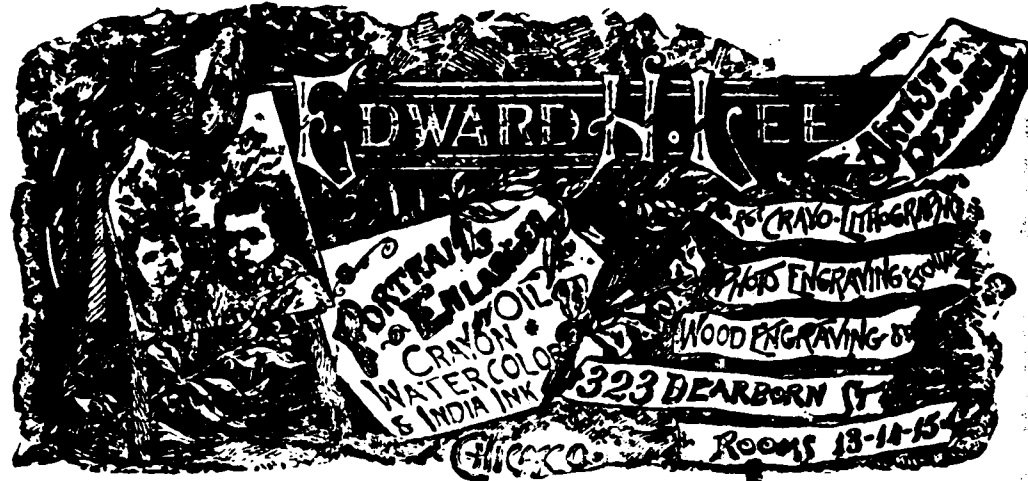
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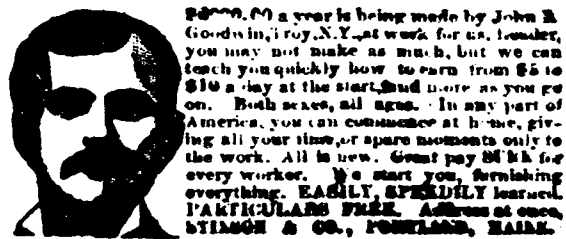
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Dated this 26th day of March, A. D. 1891.
GEORGE S. HOMER, Circuit Judge.
ROBERT C. BARNES, Solicitor for Complainant.
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Dated Detroit Monday February 18th 1891.
LOUIS B. LITTLEFIELD, Sheriff.
By BENJAMIN F. BRISCOE, Deputy Sheriff.
W. H. WOODBURY, Plaintiff's Attorney.

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Dated Monday, February 9th 1891.
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GEORGE COX, Plaintiff's Attorney.

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DETROIT, FRIDAY, MARCH 13, '01.

Our esteemed contemporary the *Tribune*, probably forgot itself last week. It spoke of the *Free Press* as the fire in the rear organ. That's rather "aspless" isn't it?

The so called Reform legislature of Michigan was to meet early, do its business, and adjourn. It met early, isn't doing any business to speak of, and as for adjourning the dog days are apt to still find it at the old stand.

There was an election throughout the state of New York last week which resulted in general and pronounced Republican victories. The Democratic newspapers are explaining the causes therefor as best as they may, but to the shrewd observer it looks as though the McKINLEY bill scare is about over.

The Irish-Americans of Chicago, while casting but one ninth of the votes, hold about nine tenths of the political offices; and that show the value of a united people. The Irish-American clearly excels the Afro-American in getting a pull upon the politicians and keeping it. Afro-Americans should take the advice of the New York *Sun* and "get together."

The election in Canada plainly indicates the growing feeling for a closer commercial union between that country and the United States. It can be plainly seen that until some incident occurs to change the tide of opinion, the next Canadian election will show a decided Liberal majority in Parliament. After reciprocity-annexation, this spirit of sisterly feeling will never stop short of complete union.

The Rev. J. B. Colbert of the A. M. E. Zion church of Derby, Conn., was the only Afro-American representative from the state of Connecticut in the national convention of the Christian Endeavor society which was held in Portland, Me., recently. In a report which this gentleman gave of the meeting he said that the Y. P. S. C. E. knows no race, color, or denomination, and that the sentiment of its constitution is verified in its workings which are as broad as humanity itself. It is not known how far other states were represented in that convention, but the grand work which this and similar organizations are doing among the young of other races should meet with the heartiest approval and encouragement by all Afro-American pastors and teachers.

The census of 1870 and '80 showed an almost incredible percentage of increase, in the darker races of America. So great was the figure that even speculative minds were nonplussed, until a venerable Bishop of the A. M. E. church gave the reason. His reason was plausible, the source from which the Afro-American drew making the difference. Any alliance between the white and dark races legitimate or otherwise, produce one of the latter. The recent census shows that the increase of the Afro-American, for the past decade is but 13 per cent. The reason of this apparent decrease in propagation has its reasons too. Instead of the Anglo-Saxon race feeding us as was the case, we are now feeding them. The constant intermingling and bleaching process has produced so many people almost white, that they have made up their minds to be entirely white. As a result if the proportion in Michigan will hold throughout the United States, we have furnished the Anglo-Saxon with about 5,000,000 souls who are regularly enrolled, as belonging to the "superior race," and thus our ratio of increase decreases.

THE MAN who succeeds is honored, no matter what his calling or the character of his success. He may be a pastor, orator, scientist, nihilist or outlaw, it makes no difference. The man who fails, receives the blast of the world's censure. The Bourbon as a bulldozer and nullifier stands high, he is so successful at it. As a rebel, he is way below par because he failed to establish a Southern oligarchy. Conservative relics of the old regime find it more profitable and popular to play the part of bulldozer and nullifier than to be a rebel. They say they are loyal to the constitution, and the old flag, yet they nullify the provisions of the one to the disparagement of the other. They claim to respect law and order, yet they bulldoze law abiding citizens out of their rights in government. The Bourbon has been so successful as a bulldozer, that he has become brazen and his very wanton effrontery has

led him against a few snags. Not long ago a few Southern girls attempted to bulldoze two Afro-American young ladies out of a Boston conservatory and they failed. Now comes the Bourbon secretary of the "Wimodaghsis" organization trying to bulldoze out of that order an inoffensive girl so near white that she slipped in and has enjoyed the benefits of the organization before her race connections were known. It is strange but true, that although women are commonly dubbed "of the weaker sex," no Northern women of position, has ever truckled to Southern prejudices for Bourbon smiles or favors.

AGAINST SEPARATE EXHIBITS.

No Afro-American Department Wanted—Some Sensible Sentiments.

To the Editor of THE PLAINDEALER.
Sir:—Assuming that most of the leaders have been heard from in respect to the Afro-American's standing at the approaching World's Fair, may one who proposed making some exhibits say a few words through your valuable paper. How strange to see intelligent colored men advocating separate departments. I would feel as much humiliated going into such a place as I would in the colored gallery of a Southern church or theatre. Death is preferable to such inhuman treatment. One separate space advocate is afraid that the intelligent foreigner, seeing the colored man as servant only, from New York to Chicago, will get the wrong impression of the race, but he must remember that these intelligent people are readers as well as observers and are well informed as regards the condition of all races. They know what progress the Negro has made in this country since emancipation by the published statistics, and by all fair-minded writers on the subject and by conversing with Americans whose opinions are not warped from pecuniary or political interests. But the climax in our humiliation would be reached when these intelligent strangers entered the colored Department of the World's Fair to see the productions of a people four-fifths of whom were illiterate bondsmen a few years past and now competing with the whole civilized world in art, science, literature, mechanical ingenuity, agriculture and horticulture. They might say as the Irishman did when the mule attempted to kick the locomotive off the track, "I admire ye pucker, but don't ye stupidity." "A piece here and a piece there like so many specks in a sea of milk," so says another writer and my reply is that it is just what we want for if the article went bear the most rigid inspection the attention is soon diverted to some other adjoining and the exhibitor may escape criticism while the proximity of the article to other of merit and emanating from the highest source lends a degree of respectability wholly lost in a separate and exclusively colored collection and if it stands the test applied by the judges and a premium is awarded so much greater honor for being distributed among these grand selections. Every act looking to the encouragement of the color line retards the progress of the race and should be vigorously resisted by all interested in the harmonious progress of the two people on this continent.
J. J. RICHARDSON,
Bay City, March 9th.

WHAT DOES HE MEAN!

A Question for "Billy Smith"—A Correspondent Desires Light.

To the Editor of THE PLAINDEALER.
Sir: It is not my desire to enter into a newspaper war with any one, but through your kindness, I wish to be informed of a thing or two. In the last issue of your paper, your correspondent "Billy Smith," made use of the following words: Without the Payne Idea the A. M. E. church of today would be as far behind the times, as are the Baptists and C. M. E. churches." I have not the honor to be personally acquainted with the distinguished churchman Bishop Payne, but from what I have learned he is a scholar, and a thorough Christian gentleman in every sense. I fail however to see what profits are to be derived from such unpleasant reference to the Baptist Church, and being myself a member of that church, and that from principle, in candor and all friendship, I simply ask brother Billy Smith to explain how far, and in what are we behind the A. M. E. church. Is it morals, numbers, finance or intellect? We have in the past already too much of this unnecessary denominational stabbing for the good of the race. I am in favor of both an educated minister and also an educated laity, but I am opposed to any stabbing on either side. It is said that the streets of Jerusalem were kept clean by each person sweeping before his own door. Let us turn out with brains moral and intellectual, and follow suit. Please explain what you mean, give us the figures and facts. I remain respectfully,
W. A. DYER.
Pastor, 3rd Baptist Church Toledo Ohio. March 9, 1901.

Reward of Merit.

At last merit is to receive its reward and Troop 1 of the Ninth Cavalry will be quartered at Fort Meyer, Washington. This is the highest honor which can be accorded to any troop as besides being a delightful cavalry station it is reserved as a heaven of rest for troops who have distinguished themselves in military achievements. Troops stationed there have the additional distinction of being the guard of honor to the president on occasions of official ceremony. The gallant course of the Ninth during the late Indian troubles and their excellent discipline entitles them to this honor and every Afro-American should be proud of their brave soldier boys.

Wiley G. Overton an Afro-American undertaker of New York, has passed the Civil Service examination and been appointed policeman of the First Precinct of that city.

What are Public Places?
MILWAUKEE, March, 8.—The regular communication of the Widows' Son Lodge No. 52, was held Tuesday evening, March 8th, at their Wisconsin st. hall, the officers elected were L. H. Palmer, Worshipful master; S. A. Matthews, Senior Warden; J. H. Hawkins, Junior Warden; D. S. Coates, Trust.; R. V. Hill, Sec.; J. B. Buford, Tyler; J. Y. Crepper, Trustee for 5 years. Among the visiting members present, were T. Buckner, Alestial Lodge No. 2, New York N. Y.; Jas. Steward, P. M., Golden Ruled Lodge No. 80 Zanesville O.; Albert Robinson, Shiloh Lodge No. 45, Wilmington Ohio; C. A. Thomas of Menah Wis., Widows' Son Lodge, most worshipful Grand Master; Thos. Smith of Chicago Ill. The address delivered by Grand Master Smith, contained words of wisdom, and much valuable information. The brethren unite in hoping he may call again.

Miss Ida Jackson, after a very pleasant sojourn of two weeks in our city has returned to her home in Madison, Wis.

Mrs. Mattie King and Mrs. A. G. Burgett are on the sick list.

Mr. Thomas Smith, of Chicago, was in the city last week; the guest of Mr. D. T. Coates, while here he attended the regular communication of Widows' Son Lodge No. 25, A. F. and M. Masons of Milwaukee, Wis.

The funeral of Mrs. Wm. Owens, took place from St. Marks A. M. E. church Saturday afternoon March 8. After a short period of illness, attended by great suffering, Mrs. Owens died Thursday eve, March 5th. The funeral services was delivered by Rev. Reynolds of St. Stephens Church Chicago, the services were very impressive, besides many sorrowing friends, Mrs. Owens leaves behind, a devoted husband and two small children to mourn her loss.

The Civil Rights bill presented by the Afro-American League, to the Judiciary Committee at the Capitol, has been so butchered and lashed by that body, to make it presentable for the democratic legislature, that its originators hardly recognize it. It has remained for the Judiciary Committee of this democratic legislature of Wisconsin, to make the extraordinary discovery that theaters, saloons, hotels etc, were not public places, as the bill was reported for passage by the Judiciary Committee. We await with a great deal of curiosity, the outcome of the matter, and we are wondering what rights we are to be allowed and what are public places.

NO CHANCE TO MISQUOTE.

The New Policeman Too Sharp For Misconception by His Enemies.

Wiley G. Overton, the new Afro-American member of the Brooklyn police force is already catching on. Foreseeing the possibility of interviewing he has prepared himself with a type written interview with himself on answering all the questions that the ordinary fresh reporter might be supposed to ask and as soon as the tormenter begins to quiz he places in his hand the desired information. He has resolved to pay close attention to his duty and to ignore the small boy who may be disposed to guff him. The conclusion of one of his interviews as expressed in the New York Times is that no city would suffer by "having on its force Negroes like Overton." "Negroes like Overton" are to be found in every town and city in America but prejudice, the bane of the country, has thus far decreed them to be "born to blush unseen."

In Honor of Her Birthday.

NEW CASTLE, Ky., Feb. 23.—A nice little social was given in the parlors of the colored bible college of this place on the 23rd inst. by the faculty and students. Mrs. Lydia L. Hughes, the lady principal and music teacher, was the center of attraction as the social was given in celebrating her birthday. The writer has attended larger socials but none more tastefully gotten up. Every one was highly entertained listening to the rich strains of music or engaged in some of the amusing games of the evening until nine o'clock when Mrs. T. A. Bell invited all to the dining room where she had spread an excellent repast which closed the evening's pleasure.
W. H. D.

SPORTING NOTES.

There will be a lively time when Slavin and Mitchell visit this country. Slavin may be given a cordial reception, but it's dollars to cents that he won't find his partner a paying acquisition in any section of the country.

The two great fights to take place before the California Athletic club are creating quite a stir on the Pacific slope. Kilrain and Godfrey, the colored Boston champion are both in active training. Kilrain is the favorite in the betting at odds of 2 to 1 on him. The friends of Godfrey are taking the odds and the man of color states that he can whip Kilrain. If the latter should be defeated by Godfrey he might as well retire forever from the pugilist world. Peter Jackson has gone into the liquor business in Frisco, while his antagonist is making in the shacks by giving exhibitions with Prof. John Donaldson throughout the country.

Where Have They Gone!

The Weekly Times Democrat of New Orleans, has been studying the census returns and claims to miss one million Afro-Americans whose absence cannot be explained. The loss of one million hard working "Negroes" is a serious one to the Bourbons. They will not only miss his labor by which they are enriched, but they see a possible decrease in representation at Washington. These facts in view the Times Democrat pathetically cries: "Where have they gone?"

The International Union of Bakers and Confectioners held last week in Indianapolis, ordered the Union of Kansas City to receive Robert Long an Afro-American confectioner who had applied for membership, or stand suspended.

Mr. Joseph Thomas who died recently in Baltimore, was worth \$130,000.

"BILLY SMITH'S" TALKS.

THE BEST ILLUSTRATION OF THE WORKING POWER OF METHODISM.

Superior to Human Prejudice—Followed an Impulse—Two Bishops Contrasted—A Unique Character.

ARTICLE X.

Bishop Payne marks the last and best era of African Methodism. His church stands out prominently among those Methodist Societies which have proven to be the best illustrations of the working power of Methodism. While the parent M. E. church will ever be the highest exponent of Methodist thought, it has already found in the A. M. E. church a rival in the field of active work. This being true, it follows that a chief mission among African Methodists is entitled to a front seat among the great men of American Methodism. There are 18 Methodist bodies in America, each of these is vitally related to the parent stem and yet each is the exponent of certain distinctive features. The parent church is the world's highest exponent of evangelical thought, the A. M. E. church is the world's highest exponent of evangelical thought applied. Speculatively the M. E. church is superior to all features of human prejudice, (theological and ethical) but practically it fails when confronted by the race question. The A. M. E. church is demonstrating how to apply evangelical christianity to this vexed problem.

The founder of Methodism claimed the whole world as his parish, providence has since deemed it wise to divide this vast parish into two sections, white and black. At the great rock of race prejudice the parent church halted, compromised, and took a side-track; the A. M. E. church hoisted the banner with the old motto unswayed by change and marched forward.

The founder of African Methodism followed an impulse; the great missionary, Quinn, was inspired by circumstance; but the greater of them all, Bishop Payne, comprehended the situation and set forth a well designed plan. Until his day the great work had flowed on in obedience to uncomprehended forces, he, it was, who became the first pilot. That each new measure he has advanced has been contrary to the popular notion, clearly proves his superiority. That each new measure appealed to a feeling that lay hidden beneath the prevailing ideas, proves that he has all along been the oracle of God.

But, while Bishop Payne is beyond all doubt the leader, it is due to an accident of priority. Had Bishop Brown preceded him as bishop, his material achievements in the same line would have been greater. As it is Bishop Brown was the first to put the Payne idea into tangible form. Bishop Payne conceived but Bishop Brown performed. Bishop Payne located at Wilberforce; Bishop Brown went forth scattering the seed everywhere. Bishop Payne dreamed, wrote and preached; Bishop Brown executed. Bishop Payne associated his name and person with his material achievements; Bishop Brown planted here, there and everywhere and, having infused able agents with his spirit, passed on. From the first to the last Bishop Brown is in some occult way vitally related to every solid measure put forth in execution of the Payne Idea. Without John M. Brown at his side Bishop Payne would have never done much that is tangible. Union seminary was the essential step to Wilberforce. In ecclesiasticism the Payne-idea has been expressed by Bishop Brown alone. Bishop Payne was the first to set up claims to a third order by affixing the prelatial title to his name. (Right Reverend) Bishop Brown had the courage to boldly urge all that this title logically implies. When confronted with the legitimate sequence of his claim, Bishop Payne stood aghast and termed it a "fragment of Apostolic Succession." To these two great characters African Methodism is indebted for its most stable features and efficient forces. Bishop Payne has ever been speculative, the other bishop has been intensely practical. Bishop Brown has constituted the connecting link. Being the only character that rivaled his Bishop Payne has ever found in Bishop Brown both an indispensable ally and a stinging thorn. Undoubtedly the mantle of Bishop Payne will fall on Doctor Lee, while the three leading forces of Brownism will find distinct exponents in Bishops Tanner, Arnett, and Grant. Tanner will lead in ecclesiasticism, Arnett in organizing, and Grant in extending the borders. Bishop Gaines will ever be an exponent of the popular notions and feelings and will be nearer the hearts of the mass. Add to Bishops Tanner, Arnett, Grant and Gaines the learned Doctor Lee, and the A. M. E. Church, will have perpetuated her Payne and Brown. Add to the Gaines side, the great Dr. Derrick and the A. M. E. church in fifty years from now will be the grandest ecclesiastical body in history.

Bishop Turner is unique, like Melchizedek, he had no predecessor and will leave no successor. Allied to the very humblest of his people in passions and sympathies, yet towering above the greatest in many qualities, he will ever remain to the history of African Methodism what Lord Byron was and is to literature. In thought he soared with the daring eagle into the blinding face of the sun, in habits he was with the chirping sparrow. His arm mail with irresistible passion, at one moment he will drive before him the fleeing enemies of his church and race; the next moment he will sit playing with a babe. Great yet simple, unquerable yet docile, mighty yet meek, he stands out as the most unique character of his church. Greece in her glory a time never produced a richer variety of great men than has the A. M. E. Church.
WILLIAM SMITH.

The ladies of Bethel Helping Hand society will give an Apron social on March 17th. All persons buying a ticket will be entitled to an apron. The aprons will be given out that evening and that evening only. Admission 15 cents.

WILLIAM MCKINLEY

By M. A. M. E. Potocoky.

Yes that terrible McKinley,
Has courted us all and spied;
And has knuckled this constitution,
A well nigh off its feet.
And esp'cially in the Northern clime,
His rap has ruthless fell,
And e' complaints against his tyranny,
Deserve the coarsest bell.

Of late ideas are very high,
We scarce can get our share;
And in colloquial language,
They still are "getting there."
The little say about our town,
How strange that this should be,
Has "gone up" since McKinley's bill,
Two feet above High Sea.

The snow has elevated been
To such a fearful eight,
That horse teams going down the street,
Are almost "out of sight."
The dem in here-to-fore has let
Our weather meters be,
But now alas thermometers
Have "gone way up" to—G.

And other things accordingly,
He ve ma e a grave asenk,
I 's queer to see how every thing
Ou "going up" is bent.
The best is so inclined to rise,
We nearly freeze to death
As some south-wester "going up,"
Breathes out his icy breath.

McKinley certainly has done
A very naughty thing;
And, sure, I would not be surprised
If crops "come up" in spring.
If I had known it before hand,
His will had been so strong,
I never would have cast my vote
To help that "Bill Along."

A VARIETY OF THINGS.

At the Indiana state collegiate banquet week before last the waters were impudently from Des Moines. They came in a evening dress gay and gorgeous. The guests who numbered the bright men of six-ten colleges in the state, were attracted in a motley aggregation of three-baton cutaways and sack with hats and the more dignified Prince Albert. It is hard to say how many on broad-up their brows but in style and appearance they cut a shabby figure when compared with the Afro-American waiters who stood behind their chairs.

The Hon. John P. Green of Cleveland in an interview with a Cleveland Plain Dealer man expressed himself, opposed to the granting of State aid to sectarian institutions and especially opposed to a division of the Government appropriation for a land grant, between the Ohio State University and the Wilberforce University. He thinks there is no need of starting any Afro-American institutions in the state of Ohio as there are plenty of Ohio colleges of good standing which admit them.

A PLEASING EVENT.

The Musical and Reunion of the Detroit City Band.

The first musical of the Detroit City Band given at Fraternity hall last Tuesday evening was an event of which they may justly feel proud. The class of music offered was excellent and the rendition very creditable.

In their announcement the management expressed their intention to furnish an entertainment which would attract audiences of taste and culture and their program proved the honesty of the assertion. Any person interested in music must have been gratified at this exhibition of Detroit's possibilities in that line.

But one thing marred the complete success of the entertainment, the understanding that dancing would follow the regular program drew, as it always does, a class of patrons who from lack of ability were incapable of appreciating the excellent features of the program and by their restlessness and inattention showed a want of respect for the performers and were annoying to those who desired to hear. It will yet come to pass that managers in love with their art, will see the fallacy of catering to this element and depend for success upon those who appreciate their work.

The program, a trifling long anyway, was rendered more so by the good natured desire to encore the favorites. That the large audience were interested and entertained to the finish is of itself complimentary to the performers.

The band numbering 15 pieces under the direction of Mr. John W. Johnson won the favor of their hearers by their first number, an arrangement of the "Helena waltzes," and kept it through out the evening, the movement of the last number "Tourists Galop" being especially fine. The double bass obligato by Mr. William Pfeiffer and the ballad "Under the Acorn Tree" by Mr. Edward Hawkins won encores which were given. Mr. Richard Harrison substituted for his Shakespearean reading "Learning Elocution" which was well received and later on did the best work he has ever done in "Fra Giacomo" which was deservedly encored. Miss Smith is a favorite with Detroit audiences and in her two selections "The Blind Girl to Her Harp" and "L'Eclair" displayed her usual taste. She declined an encore. Besides acting as director Mr. John W. Johnson sang a bass solo "The Arabian Love Song" and gave a cornet solo "La reve-d'amour" which with Mr. Smallwood's clarinet solo and Mr. Tanneholm's violin solo were the gems of the evening. Mr. Crane in his tenor solo "The Lone Grave" was slightly handicapped by the orchestral accompaniment to which he was unaccustomed, but he pleased the audience and sang as an encore "Farewell Marguerite." Other creditable numbers were the euphonium solo with band accompaniment by Mr. Wm. Stone, the bugle solo by Mr. Thos. Moxley and Prof. Hector's guitar selections. Mr. Fred Stone was an ideal accompanist.

A pleasing feature of the entertainment was the flowers sent up to Mr. Johnson after his vocal solo by the choir of Bethel church of which he is a member.

Dave Thomas and Frank Estery, have gone to Lincoln, Neb. with Richard Long

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MERE MENTION.

Mr. Wm. Sanford is again indisposed.
 Miss Beale Webb is visiting in Pittsburg.
 Robert Pelham Jr., spent Sunday in Adrian.
 Mr. J. J. Van Dusen is expected home next week.
 The Rev. James M. Henderson preached Sunday morning at Ebenezer church.
 Mr. Will W. Ferguson spent a few days in Clifton, Ont., this week on business.
 Mrs. Chandler, mother of Mrs. Thomas Cole, has gone to Bay City on a short visit.
 The Willing Workers will meet at the residence of Mrs. Will Anderson next week.
 Mrs. Catherine Smith, formerly of 107 Croghan street, has moved to 164 Antoine street.
 Walter Ball an old Detroit, spent last Saturday in the city, shaking hands with friends.
 Mr. Richard Lough, formerly of this city is securing waiters for a new hotel in Lincoln Neb.
 Miss Sarah Francis Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Moore of 1089 St. Aubin avenue is seriously ill.
 Mr. Horace Aray of Ypsilanti, was the guest of his brother-in-law George Hill during the latter part of last week.
 Mr. and Mrs. Chas. L. Williams wish to thank their friends who were so kind to them in their recent bereavement.
 Samuel Abernethy, who was arrested for stealing pigeons together with two other boys, was discharged last Wednesday.
 Mr. Warren Richardson, formerly mail ing clerk at the Detroit Tribune is now employed for the same work on the Evening Sun.
 Mrs. Blackwell, who has been here under treatment for her health this Winter, returned to her home in Petoskey Monday.
 Bertha McPherson, alias White is on trial in the Recorder's Court, for having shot Fannie Tacon. The jury had not determined her fate up to the time of going to press.
 Little Geneva Williams whose illness was mentioned last week, died Friday and was buried from her home Sunday afternoon. The Rev. James Henderson conducted the services.
 Mr. Robert Davis of the law department of the State University at Ann Arbor, came in with his class to attend the funeral of Hon. Wm. P. Wells. Mr. Wells was one of the law professors of the university.
 Howard Hawley, the oldest son of the late Garrett Hawley, promises to be a fine architect. His drawings are quite fine and accurate. He is now with Thos. Hyland one of the designers of the A. M. E. church.
 Col. Sylvester Larned, one of the oldest abolitionists of the state, and one of the staunchest friends of the Afro Americans of this community has had, 's lying quite ill at his home. Fears are entertained that he may not recover.
 Through the efforts of Prof. Straker, backed by the united support of the Odd Fellows, the case against Joseph Fowler has been nolle prossed, Prosecuting Burroughs took into consideration, Fowler's youth and the fact that this was his first offense.
 Mr. William Troy of this city, formerly of Selma, Alabama, and Miss Ella James of Otterville, Canada, will be united in wedlock March 31 at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. George Bell of 789 Antoine street. The ceremony will be performed by the Rev. John M. Henderson.
 Cards are out for the Widows' Carpet Reception on to be given next week Wednesday, at B'ou Hall. A clause in the by-laws of the organization makes bachelors, widowers or men over thirty only eligible to an invitation. A full account in THE PLAIN DEALER next week.
 Minnie Devine had Mary Davis and Mary Ray arrested for slander, last Tuesday. The action grows out of a row on Monday. The Davis woman was arraigned Wednesday, and her trial set for Saturday. The Ray woman is sick, but will be arraigned as soon as she recovers.
 The last meeting of the Willing Workers was held at the residence of Mrs. Blakemore. Dainty little luncheons served after the regular meetings are becoming the rule with the society and the one prepared by Mrs. Blakemore lost nothing when compared with those of former hostesses. The ladies of the society were profuse in complimenting their hostess on her dainty luncheon and charming service.
 Mr. and Mrs. Charles Campbell formerly of Inlay city, have decided to reside permanently in Detroit. Mrs. Campbell's parents feeling that in their old age the presence of their daughter was almost indispensable to their happiness, accordingly Mr. Campbell has disposed of his business and cozy little home in Inlay. They will be glad to welcome their friends at the residence of Mr. Richard Bush, 169 Macomb street.

Glances Here and There.

TROUBLE has arisen in the Widows' Club already. Although all who have joined, are of one mind in their determination to try their fortunes again, they are not unanimous as to the means by which it must be accomplished. Quite a number declare most positively that the club was to be a secret organization. "I think it just dreadful!" said one, "to have all our plans and every thing we do, published in THE PLAIN DEALER. It would appear as if we were advertising ourselves to any good for nothing man, that might come along. I want these fellows to know, I am just as particular who swings on my gate as I was when I was young. I don't want to be any old man's darling either, now!"

The "now" had a great big exclamation point behind it and was accompanied by a decided stamp of the foot. The Glander heard of the racket early in the week and hastened to a fair widow's home on Beaubien street, where a special meeting of the club had been called to meet. Only a few were present, others came and looked in and passed on. The Glander did not try to enter as he well knew he would not be allowed to. Instead he called on a prominent widow, who has never joined the club to find her reason, for not being a member. For a time after the Glander mentioned the subject he imagined he was in the midst of a Kansas cyclone. He heartily congratulated himself, after he gained control of his nerves and found he had come safely out of the wreck uninjured, that he was not hubby number two.

"The ideal very idea," she exclaimed, "of asking me such a question. I would rather lose an arm than join such an organization. I wouldn't tell a man I loved him if my heart was breaking. I am not going to advertise myself as being on the market either. If the right fellow comes along, I don't say what I might not do, but that is a matter for future consideration. I'll never get married, by the means of any widows' journal stock company, you can depend on that. Be lide you PLAIN DEALER folks wont know of it until the cards are out."

"I would just like to be at that carpet reception they are going to give, she said. Just to see how they act," The Glander offered his services as escort but was politely refused.

"OH, I LIKE to work, have a good time and get my wages too," said a half-grown lad to a companion the other day in a building where the latter worked. "Now I should think it pretty tough to drive ahead in a gloomy old place like this with no time for fun," he continued. "Yes," replied his comrade I like fun too, but you know there's a time for everything." It is safe to say that this boy would make a success of whatever he undertook. There are so many young men just starting out in life who are first here and there and who never remain long enough in one situation to master the details of the business simply because they are not willing to attend strictly to work in working hours. Their only aim is to bridge over the time from one pay day to another with as little work as possible and then grumble because their wages are not raised. The ring man, as Carnegie says, is the man who is willing to do not only the work he is paid to perform but something beyond the range of his special department and who devotes his spare hours and constant thoughts to the business. And the boy who has the courage to stick to his task in spite of jeers and ridicule is the one who will make a success of his trade or business.

THE only thing that ever happens in the thing you don't want. The Glander was reminded of this Saturday by the complaints of two little boys who during the cold weather last week when the ice was in excellent condition had been compelled to go to school, Saturday which brought the much desired holiday also brought milder weather and poor ice, and the little fellows felt their fate an unhappy one. It was only another evidence of the usual perversity of the weather this winter. Many fair owners of beautiful new fur wraps have been forced to the alternative of being uncomfortably warm, or wearing the shabby fall wrap and now as Easter approaches and dainty Spring toilets are filling their minds, the weather they longed for last Winter is here to make them unseasonable. And so it goes that which we expect comes with lagged steps and the things we are not looking for are always at hand. The wise man who expects nothing stand the best show of being satisfied, with the weather, as well as thing, of larger moment.

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An Ode to Spring.
Sweet spirit of the rainbow wing,
Oh, hasten thee to bless us:
With flowers make glad our eyes, fair
Spring,
With balmy airs caress us.
Come, gentle Spring! too long the trees
Stand leafless in my garden;
Too long the bitter wintry breeze
Bids lake and streamlet harden.
Come, gentle Spring! Come back to earth
End all our woe and sadness:
Come, bring thy sunny days of mirth
And revelry and gladness.
Sweet Spring, if thou art yet in doubt
I've one more plea still stronger;
Come—for my overcoat's worn out
And will not last much longer.

A Real Nice Young Man.
Friend—To be frank with you, I can't
see how Mrs. Hardcash happened to consent
to your marriage with her daughter.
Mr. Slimpurs—She said I was the only
young man who showed any consideration
for a mother's feelings. You see, when
the other fellows took her daughter out
riding, they seldom got her back until
after dark; but when I took her, I always
brought her home promptly in an hour.
Humph! How was that?
The other fellows had their own rigs. I
hired mine.

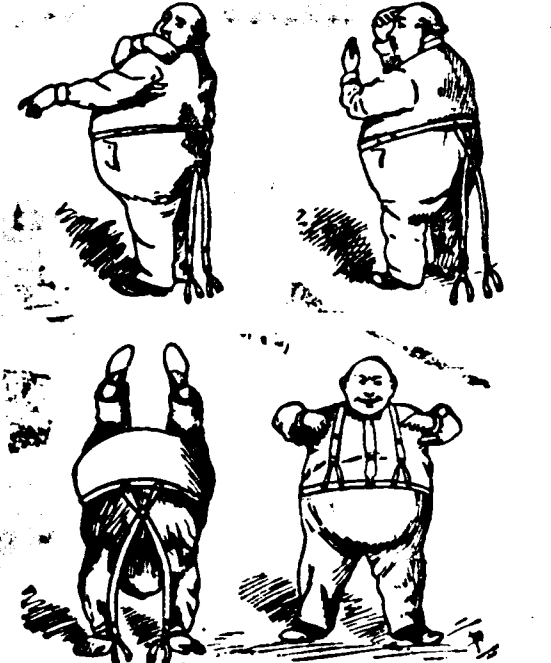
Agricultural Items.
A.—I see by the papers that in Kansas
the yield of corn is forty to the acre. Isn't
that rather remarkable?
B.—Not at all; only it seems to me that
it is upside down.
Upside down! What do you mean?
Yes. My experience is that the yield is
about forty acres to the corn. Get off my
foot, please.

Proof of It.
Sunday-school teacher—Now the prob-
ets of old did not marry. They—
Freddy Frangle (interrupting)—Eliha
was married.
Sunday-school teacher—How do you
know?
Freddy Frangle—The Bible says he was
bald-headed.

Two Birds with One Stone.
Mild old gentleman (goaded to madness
by next room lodger)—Good gracious!
What are you pounding the furniture that
way for?
Idle party—Trying to kill time!
Mild old gentleman (after deep thought)
—Well, I suggest that you also try to
deaden the sound!

Doubtful.
"I'll have to ask fare for him, ma'am,"
said the conductor, as he went through
the railway train.
"That little fellow?"
"Yes, m."
"Why, he is in his childhood, sir."
"Is he?" inquired the conductor,
thoughtfully; "first or second, ma'am?"

Where There's a Will There's a Way.



Two Forms of Government.
English Traveler—"Do you consider
your form of government superior to
ours?"
American Statesman—Infinitely. You
have to help support the whole royal
family, don't you?
"Indirectly, yes; but—"
"Well, I don't have a cent to pay
toward the support of any royal family;
and, besides that, I've worked every one
of my own family into nice, soft, big-
paying positions."

A Rector's Delight.
The Rev. Peter Swunn (rubbing his
hands)—Well, my dear, I have made eleven
hearts beat happily to-night; I have mar-
ried five couples.
Mrs. Swunn—Eleven! How can that
be five couples?
Mr. Swunn—Oh, you haven't counted
me in. I received \$10 from each bride-
groom.

Kind of Instrument He Played.
Tommy—Will you please play something
now, Mr. Spriggins!
Spriggins—Why, my dear, I do not play
any instrument.
Tommy—Oh, Mr. Spriggins, I heard
papa tell mamma last night that you
often went off on a toot.

Settling the Difficulty.
"Do you quarrel with your neighbor yet
about his hen coming over in your gar-
den?"
"No, we're all over that now."
"Buried the hatchet?"
"No, better still; buried the hen."

In the Good Old Days.
In the good old days a lover knew
What a ladder made of rope meant,
And careful, prepared for you
The regular elopement;
A whispered word, a haughty laugh,
And you were on his crupper;
But now he trusts by telegraph,
And waits till after supper.

Didn't Get Married After All.
"Ah," said the fortune teller, peering
into the eyes of the young man, "I see
nothing but trouble ahead of you—blis-
sing, quarrels and enmities. And sure
enough, the next week the young man
signed a year's contra. t. to sing in a church
choir.

The Richmond Oddfellows are to build a

WINGED MISSILES.
A collector of idols who died lately in
San Francisco had a collection of 500 little
deities.

An expert says that the easiest way to
clean rubber shoes of any kind is to rub
them with vaseline.

No Heligoland under sixteen years of
age is allowed to go to a public house,
dancing saloon or theater.

This is an age when the luxuries can be
had cheaply. Typewriters are now sold
for \$1 and fountain pens for ten cents.

Here is a consistency for you. The prop-
rietor of a Philadelphia cigar store has
posted a sign in his place forbidding smok-
ing.

The chief of police in Chicago is a re-
former. He wants more light in the city,
and says that light is a great preventive of
crime.

People are never satisfied with their
position. The fool in King Lear says: "I
had rather be any kind of a thing than a
fool!"

Helena, Mont., boasts that it is the
wealthiest city in the union of its popula-
tion. It contains 25,000 people and has 32
millions.

Philadelphia has a blue book, but many
of the most fashionable people do not
appear in it, having made a point not to
be included.

Fiji is beginning to cultivate tobacco,
the enterprise being assisted by the con-
cession of government land to the planters
on easy terms.

Air ships move, but they seldom reach
the point where "distance lends enchant-
ment to the view." They are short dis-
tance "birds."

The emperor of Germany has been reck-
less, but he has turned around and from
being a spendthrift he has become a man
of rigid economy.

Five hundred applications have been
made to the department of the interior of
Toronto for the privilege of boring for oil
in the Kootenay country.

The German cavalry will try the horse
shoe made of compressed paper. It is
thought they will be better than the old
iron ones so long in vogue.

Time makes many queer changes. The
printing press which Voltaire set up in
Femay to demolish Christianity is now
used to print Bibles in Geneva.

The Chinese have no straight streets or
walls. They have a theory that the devil
travels in straight lines and they want to
give him as little encouragement as possi-
ble.

A number of wealthy New York ladies
propose to establish a sort of club house
which will receive women at all hours of
the night and keep them as long as they
behave with propriety.

The Augusta (Ga.) Chronicle says Gen-
eral Lee never executed a spy. He used
to say: "Poor fellows, we have got them,
and they can't do us any harm. What is
the use of killing them?"

One who has looked over the statistics of
accidents say they show that about 13 per
cent of all railway accidents in the United
States arising from derailments are caused
by defective frogs and switches.

Canister shot will not be used in the
French army in future. The shells are
filled with an explosive made of chrysolite
and a substance kept secret, and every
battery has seventy-five rounds of these
projectiles.

"Goss," the Chinese dog that has for
many years been the traveling companion
of the Prince of Wales is old and infirm.
The prince has retired him. "Goss" has
been a good dog. Has the prince been a
good man?

They tell you of geraniums in California
that grow so tall that you have to go up
into the window of the second story to
gather the flowers. And a woman in
Michigan has a geranium four feet and
five inches high.

Robert Louis Stevenson announces that
he will end his days in Samoa. He has
closed out all his affairs in England and
Scotland, and his mother will join him-
self and family in the new South sea island
home very shortly.

The people of Mexico have taken to
drinking beer. Breweries are springing up
in every city of importance. This may
prevent American statesman from falling
a victim to pulque when they visit the
capital of the Montezumas.

"Take any twenty-five tall, lean men,"
said an old court officer to a reporter, "and
you can secure a jury in a murder case.
They have no conscientious scruples against
the death penalty. As a rule, short, thick,
men have doubts on this point."

Colonel John C. Taylor, of Dayton, Ky.,
has fallen heir to estates in Ireland that
make him the earl of Tyrone, and, better
still, give him property valued at \$7,000,000.
It is needless to say that Kentucky
will soon lose one of its prominent colonels.

Drs. Berlin and Fieq, of the Nantes fac-
ulty, who recently injected fifteen grains
of goat's blood into the muscular tissue of
the thighs of two patients suffering from
tuberculosis, assert that cures can be
effected by renewing such injections every
ten days.

Absent Minded.
"Say, Blobson, oughtn't you be at
home? Being down town this late at
night on the first day of your marriage
doesn't look well."
"That's so, by go! Danged if I didn't
forget all about being married!"

Flinty-Flinty! Dull Thud.
"Do you play the ban o?"
"Not when there are any people
around!"
"Why not?"
"They won't let me."

Couldn't Even Mail It.
Sh— cannot express my love for you.
He (eagerly)—Why?
Sh—Because I haven't any.

It Is Not Always Pleasant.
"My son," said the old man, "you
should always tell the truth and shame the
devil."
"Yes, father that is well enough," re-
plied the young hopeless, "but how about
when it shames yourself?"

When winter's wind, with mad turmoil,
Sweeps over hills and plains,
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fasting," not for a good man's love this
time, but because you have cured your
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A physician recently said, "probably
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ankind than all the doctors combined, a
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severest ever known.

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CHAPTER. VIII.

It is now "golden September," and a few days later. For the last fortnight Florence has been making strenuous efforts to leave the castle, but Dora would not hear of their departure, and Florence, feeling it will be selfish of her to cut short Dora's happy hours with her supposed lover, sighs, and gives in, and sacrifices her own wishes on the altar of friendship.

It is five o'clock, and all the men, gun in hand, have been out since early dawn. Now they are coming straggling home, in one or two. Amongst the first to return are Sir Adrian and his cousin Arthur Dyncourt, who, having met accidentally about a mile from home, have trudged the remainder of the way together.

On the previous night at dinner, Miss Delmaine had spoken of a small gold bangle, a favorite of hers, she was greatly in the habit of wearing. She said she had lost it—when or where she could not tell; and she expressed herself as being very grieved for its loss, and had laughingly declared she would give any reward claimed by any one who should restore it to her. Two or three men had, on the instant, pledged themselves to devote their lives to the search; but Adrian had said nothing. Nevertheless, the bangle and reward had remained in his mind all that night and all to-day. Now he can not refrain from speaking about it to the man he considers his rival.

"Odd thing about Miss Delmaine's bangle," he remarks carelessly.

"Very odd. I dare say her maid has put it somewhere and forgotten it."

"Hardly. One would not put a bracelet anywhere but in a jewel-case or in a special drawer. She must have dropped it somewhere."

"I dare say; those Indian bangles are very liable to be rubbed off the wrist."

"But where? I have had the place searched high and low, and still no tidings of it can be found."

"There may have been since we left home this morning."

Just at this moment they come within full view of the old tower, and its strange rounded ivy-grown walls, and the little narrow holes in the sides they show at its highest point that indicate the position of the haunted chamber.

What is there at this moment in a mere glimpse of this old tower to make Arthur Dyncourt grow pale and to start so strangely? His eyes grow brighter, his lips tighten and grow hard.

"Do you remember," he says, turning to his cousin with all the air of one to whom a sudden inspiration has come, "that day when we visited the haunted chamber? Miss Delmaine accompanied us, did she not?"

"Yes"—looking at him expectantly.

"Could she have dropped it there?" asks Arthur lightly. "By Jove, it would be odd if she had—eh? Uncanny sort of place to drop one's trinkets."

"It is strange I didn't think of it before," responds Adrian, evidently struck by the suggestion. "Why, it must have been just about that time when she lost it. The more I think of it the more convinced I feel that it must be there."

"Nonsense, my dear fellow; don't jump at conclusions so hastily! It is highly improbable. I should say that she dropped it anywhere else in the world."

"Well, I'll go and see, at all events," declares Adrian, unconvinced.

It is some lingering remnant of grace, some vague human shrinking from the crime that has begun to form itself within his busy brain, that now induces Dyncourt to try to dissuade Sir Adrian from his declared intention to search the haunted chamber for the lost bangle? With all his eloquence he seeks to convince him that there the bangle could not have been left, but to no effect. His suggestion has taken firm root in Sir Adrian's mind, and at least, as he frankly says, though it may be useless to hunt for it in that uncanny chamber, it is worth a try. It may be there. This dim possibility drives him to his fate.

"Well, if you go alone and unprotected your blood be on your own head," says Dyncourt lightly, at last surrendering his position. "Remember, whatever happens, I advised you not to go!"

As Arthur finishes his speech a sinister smile overspreads his pale features, and a quick light, as evil as it is piercing comes to his eyes. But Sir Adrian sees nothing of this. He is looking at his home, as it stands grand and majestic in the red light of the dying sun. He is looking, too, at the old tower, and at the upper portion of it, where the haunted chamber stands, and where he can see the narrow holes that serve for windows. How little could a man imprisoned there see of the busy world without!

"Yes, I'll remember," he says jestingly. "When the ghosts of my ancestors claim me as their victim, and incarcerate me in some fiendish dungeon, I shall remember your words and your advice."

"You don't mean to go there, of course?" asks Arthur carelessly, whilst watching the other with eager scrutiny. "It is quite a journey to that dismal hole, and it will be useless."

"Well, if it distresses you, consider I haven't gone," says Sir Adrian lightly.

"That is right," rejoins Arthur, still with his keen eyes fixed upon his cousin. "I knew you would abandon that foolish intention. I certainly shall consider you haven't gone."

They are at the hall door as these words pass Arthur's lips, and there they separate, Sir Adrian leaving him with a smile, and going away up the large hall whistling gaily.

When he has turned one corner, Arthur goes quickly after him, not with the intention of overtaking him, but of keeping him in view. Stealthily he follows, as though fearful of being seen.

There is no servant within sight. No friend comes across Sir Adrian's path. All is silent. The old house seems

wrapped in slumber. Above, the pretty guests in their dainty tea-gowns are sipping Bohemian and prattling scandal; below, the domestics are occupied in their household affairs.

Arthur, watching carefully, sees Sir Adrian go quickly up the broad front staircase, after which he turns aside, and, as though filled with guilty fear, rushes through one passage or another, until he arrives in the corridor that belongs to the servant's quarters.

Coming to a certain door, he opens it, not without some difficulty, and, moving into the dark landing that lies beyond it, looks around. To any casual observer it might seem strange that some of the cobwebs in this apparently long-forgotten place have lately been brushed away, as by a figure ascending or descending the gloomy staircase. To Arthur these signs bring no surprise, which proves that he, perhaps, has the best right to know whose figure brushed them aside.

Hurrying up the stairs, after closing the door carefully and noiselessly behind him, he reaches, after considerable mountings of what seem to be interminable steps, the upper door he had opened on the day they had visited the haunted chamber, when Ringwood and he had had a passage-at-arms about his curiosity.

Now he stands breathing heavily outside this door, wrapped in the dismal darkness of the staircase, listening intently, as it were, for the coming of a footstep.

In the meantime, Sir Adrian, not dissuaded from his determination to search the tower for the missing bangle, runs gaily up the grand staircase, and finally comes to the first of the iron-bound doors. Opening it, he stands upon the landing that leads to the other door by means of the small stone staircase. Here he pauses.

Is it some vague shadowy sense of danger that makes him stand now as though hesitating? A quick shiver runs through his veins.

"How cold it is," he says to himself, "even on this hot day, up in this melancholy place! Yet, he is quite unconscious of the ears that are listening for his lightest movement, of the wicked eyes that are watching him through a chink in the opposite door!"

Now he steps forward again, and, mounting the last flight of stairs, opens the fatal door and looks into the room. Even now it occurs to him how unpleasant might be the consequences should the door close and the secret lock fasten him in against his will. He pushes the door well open, and holds it so, and then tries whether it can fall to again of its own accord, and so make a prisoner of him.

No; it stands quite open, immovable apparently, and so, convinced that he is safe enough, he commences his search. Then, swift as lightning, a form darts from its concealed position, rushes up to the stone staircase, stealthily creeping still nearer, glances into the room.

Sir Adrian's back is turned; he is stooping, looking in every corner for the missing prize. He sees nothing, hears nothing, though a treacherous form crouching on the threshold is making ready to seal his doom.

Arthur Dyncourt, putting forth his hand, which neither trembles nor falters on its deadly mission, silently lays hold of the door, and drawing it toward him the secret lock clicks sharply, and separates the victim from the world!

Stealthily even now—his evil deed accomplished—Arthur Dyncourt retreats down the stairs, and never indeed relaxes his speed until at length he stands panting, but relentless, in the servant's corridor again.

Remove he knows not. But a certain sense of fear holds him irresolute, making his limbs tremble and bringing out cold dews upon his brow. His rival is safely secured, out of all harm's way as far as he is concerned. No human being saw him go to the ill-fated tower; no human voice heard him declare his intention of searching it for the missing trinket. He—Arthur—had been careful before parting from him to express his settled belief that Sir Adrian would not go to the haunted chamber, and therefore he feels prepared to defend his case successfully, even should the baronet be lucky enough to find a deliverer.

Yet he is not quite easy in his mind. Fear of discovery, fear of Sir Adrian's displeasure, fear of the world, fear of the rope that already seems to dangle in red lines before his eyes render him the veriest coward that walks the earth. Shall he return and release his prisoner, and treat the whole thing as a joke, and so leave Adrian free to dispense his bounty at the castle, to entertain in his lavish fashion, to secure the woman upon whom he—Arthur—has set his heart for his bride?

No; a thousand times no! A few short days, and all will belong to Arthur Dyncourt. He will be "Sir Arthur" then, and the bride he covets will be unable to resist the temptation of a title, and the chance of being mistress of the stately old pile that will call him master. Let Sir Adrian die then in his distant garret alone, despairing, undiscoverable! For who would think of going to the haunted room in search of him? Who will even guess that any mission, however important, would lead him to it, without having mentioned it to some one? It is a grewsome spot, seldom visited and gladly forgotten; and, indeed, what possibly could there be in its bare walls and its bloodstained floors to attract any one? No; surely it is the last place to suspect any one would go to without a definite purpose; and what purpose could Sir Adrian have of going there?

So far Arthur feels himself safe. He turns away, and joins the women and the returned sportsmen in the upper drawing-room.

"Where is Dyncourt?" asks somebody later. Arthur, though he hears the question, does not even change color, but calmly, with a steady hand, gives Florence her tea.

"Yes; where is Sir Adrian?" asks Mrs. Talbot, glancing up at the speaker.

"He left us about an hour ago," Capt. Ringwood answers. "He said he'd prefer walking home, and he shoveled his birds into our cart, and left us without another word. He'll turn up presently, no doubt."

"Dear me, I hope nothing has hap-

pened to him!" says Ethel Villiers, who is sitting in a window through which the rays of the evening sun are stealing, turning her Auburn locks to threads of rich red gold.

"I hope not, I'm sure," interposes Arthur, quite feelingly. "It does seem odd he hasn't come in before this." Then, true to his determination to so arrange matters that, if discovery ensues upon his scheme, he may still find for himself a path out of his difficulties, he says quietly, "I met him about a mile from home, and walked here with him. We parted at the hall-door; I dare say he is in the library or the stables."

"Good gracious, why didn't you say so before?" exclaims old Lady FitzAlmont in a querulous tone. "I quite began to believe the poor boy had blown out his brains through disappointed love, or something equally objectionable."

Both Dora and Florence color warmly at this. The old lady herself is free to speak as she thinks of Sir Adrian, having no designs upon him for Lady Gertrude, that young lady being engaged to a very distinguished and titled botanist, now hunting for ferns in the West Indies.

"Markham," says Mrs. Talbot to a footman who enters at this moment, "go to the library and tell Sir Adrian his tea is waiting for him."

"Yes, ma'am."

But presently Markham returns and Sir Adrian is not in the library.

"Then try the stables, try everywhere," says Dora somewhat impatiently.

Markham, having tried everywhere, brings back the same answer; Sir Adrian is apparently not to be found!

"Most extraordinary," remarks Lady FitzAlmont, fanning herself. "As a rule I have noticed that Adrian is most punctual. I do hope my first impression was not the right one, and that we shan't find him presently with his throat cut and wallowing in his blood on account of some silly young woman!"

"Dear mamma," interposes Lady Gertrude, laughing, "what a terrible old-fashioned surmise! No man nowadays kills himself for a false love; he only goes and gets another."

But, when the dinner-hour arrives, and no host presents himself to lead Lady FitzAlmont into dinner, a great fear falls upon the guests save one, and confusion and dismay, and anxious conjecture reign supreme.

[To be Continued.]

A Statesman's Last Hours.

There was a pathetic and interesting little incident about the last hours of Alexander Stephens that has never been printed.

Mr. Grady, in the *Constitution's* account, says that the last words of the great Georgian were "Nearly home."

They were uttered in unconsciousness. Now, for several hours of the evening and night before Mr. Stephens died early the next morning, Ernest Kontz was most of the time alone with him in the room. Mr. Stephens frequently repeated the words, "Almost home," and "Nearly home, now."

"We're nearly home."

"Alex, get ready. 'We're almost home.'"

"Where's Alex? We're nearly home, now."

And from then until his voice was stilled eternally, that was its burden. Within the hour before his death, Dr. Steiner, of Augusta, and Mr. R. P. Zimmerman, of Atlanta, were together in the room with the dying statesman. All knew that the end was coming, and could not be far off.

Then Dr. Steiner retired.

Mr. Zimmerman sat by the bedside, watching the pale face on the pillow and listening for a word. Finally a still change came, and he knew that death was at hand. He hastily summoned the friends gathered in an adjoining room, and they stood there with bowed heads or knelt at the bedside until the end came.

It was only three or four minutes, and the patriot Vice President of the Confederacy was dead.

The silence that followed was awful. Each man feared to look at the face of another, and each felt awed as in the presence of his Maker.

Finally Mr. Zimmerman looked up and around him, and slowly repeated the beautiful verse of Montgomery's:

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The effect was indescribable. Many of those present were moved to tears, and the feeling of awe and restraint was gone. After this the conversation was natural.

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Second Baptist.—Croghan street, near Beaubien. Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School, 2:30 p. m.—Rev. E. H. McDonald, pastor.

St. Matthew's Episcopal.—Corner Antoine and Elizabeth streets. Sunday services: Holy Communion, 7:30 a. m. Morning Prayer and Sermon, 10:30 a. m. Sunday School, 2:30 p. m. Evening Prayer and Sermon, 4 p. m. C. H. Thompson, U. D., rector.

St. John's Baptist.—Columbia street, near Rivard. Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School immediately after morning service.—Rev. W. A. M. Redith, pas or.

(Brief items of news will be welcome from other pastors or laymen.)

THE series of meetings that have been held at Peibel church in this city closed last Friday night. About 33 have united with the church during these meetings and the spiritual outlook of the church is better than it has been for some time. The Young Peoples meetings which has been instituted by the pastor, Rev. John M. Henderson will continue to be held every Sabbath evening, from 6:30 to 7:30 during the year, and promises to avert the reaction which usually follows revival by directing the thoughts of the converts into healthful channels of Christian activity.

The Rev. John J. Smallwood a young orator of Virginia, has been offered \$6,000 for a six months lecture tour in England.

The Southside Baptist church of Birmingham, Ala., received a gift of \$100 from a Northern capitalist who was looking after business interests in that city recently.

The Rev. J. M. Burzan, president of Paul Quinn college, Waco, Texas, has been conducting a revival which has resulted in the conversion of the entire school with the exception of two. The college has an enrollment of 153.

At the council of bishops of the A. M. E. church which was held in Jacksonville, Fla., last week. The Rev. Dr. M. B. Salter of South Carolina, was elected to succeed Dr. M. E. Bryant as editor of the Southern Christian Recorder.

As a result of a series of meetings which had been in progress at the Ebenezer Baptist church of Pittsburg, the Rev. J. H. Pryor immersed 44 young converts in the icy waters of the Monongahela last Sunday morning. The church has now a membership of over 400.

Calvary Baptist Society of Putnam, Conn., dedicated their new house of worship, Sunday, Feb. 22. The church was finished last August, but knowing that they could not truly dedicate to the Lord what did not fully belong to them the service was deferred until the entire indebtedness had been lifted.

Mount Orab, a little town in Ohio, notorious recently for its white cap outrages, has been having for the last six weeks the greatest revival ever known in that place. People stay in trances for days and two or three have become insane from religious frenzy. The population of the village is on y 500 and over 200 have been converted.

Ecotia seminary, a school at Concord, N. C., to educate Afro-American girls for missionary work, makes an appeal through the board of missions of the Presbyterian church for funds to enlarge its privileges. Over 200 girls who requested admission last year were denied for want of room to accommodate them. Those desiring to contribute to this purpose may address Rev. Dr. John J. Francis, 328 West Ninth street, Cincinnati, O.

At a recent ministers meeting in Boston, Dr. Lyman Abbott made a remark which is apropos just now, where a church is rated according to its ability to get up a big revival. He said: "Some of you brethren are resorting to all sorts of means to fill the house; but in my judgment the question confronting you and me, is not how many men we can attract, but how much of God you can get into those who do come, be they many or few."

At the Baptist minister's meeting Monday morning the Rev. E. H. McDonald spoke of the need of more work among his people and said the society wanted to sell their present property and move further out where they could do more good. He added: "I want to see more colored Baptists. I preach first of all to turn men to God and then to turn them into a Baptist church. That is the church where they belong. There too many colored Methodists in this town."

St. Paul's A. M. E. church society of St. Louis, Mo., celebrated its 50th anniversary Sunday, March 1 by dedicating its new church edifice of which mention has been made before. The new building is a brick structure and is finely furnished within and without. It contains a grand church organ, is thoroughly furnished and the cost including the parsonage which adjoins the church was \$60,000. The services which occupied the entire day were participated in by Bishop John Ward, Dr. W. B. Derrick, J. A. Handy and others. The offerings at the several services amounted to nearly \$3,000. The Rev. E. S. Cotman is the pastor under whom the new edifice was planned and completed.

Mr. Smyth writes a Letter.

The Hon. John H. Smyth, ex United States minister to Liberia has written a letter to President Harrison on the subject of the appointment of an Afro-American to represent the race, at the World's Columbian exposition. Mr. Smyth asks that an officer be appointed from the race, and a place be made in the exposition for the display of "Negro" industry, agricultural products, art and scientific achievement, inventive genius and educational development.

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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

LESSON XII.—MARCH 22.—2 KINGS, 6:8-18.

Golden Text: "Fear Not, for They That be With Us Are More Than They That be With Them."—3 Kings, 6:18.

Daily Readings.
M. Elisha's defenders.....3 Kings 6:8-18.
Th. The swimming iron.....3 Kings 6:1-8.
W. The sure refuge.....Psalm 46.
Th. The secret hiding-place.....Psalm 91.
F. Abraham's Defenders.....Gen. 15.
Sa. Jacob's defenders.....Gen. 28:10-23.
S. From every ill.....Psalms 121, 125.

Elisha's Defenders.
Time.—Still in the reign of Jehoram, which lasted twelve years,—from 853 to 841 B. C.
Introduction.—During the reign of Jehoram many gracious miracles were wrought by the hands of Elisha. A signal victory over Moab. The widow's oil multiplied, until her capacity to receive failed. The Shunammite's son restored. The poisonous pottage made wholesome. Naaman cured. A hundred men fed from twenty cakes. The axe made to swim, and now Israel delivered from Syria.

1. The Defence of Knowledge.—Vs. 8-10.
1. The Danger.—Vs. 8. *The King of Syria*—Ben-hadad II. This was the same king who sent Naaman to Samaria to be cured of his leprosy. The ungodly do not long remember the favors and blessings which they receive. *Warfare against Israel*—Or, "was warring." This was a kind of guerrilla warfare, carried on by plundering bands (see v. 23). *Took counsel with his servants*—Secret council which he did not intend to spread abroad. *In such and such a place shall he my camp*—The design being not only to plunder, but to weaken and distract the forces of Israel by these repeated attacks.

2. The Warning.—V. 9. *The man of God sent unto the king*—God's Spirit revealed to him the messages which he sent. The true servant of God utters such warnings as God has revealed by his Spirit in his Word. *Beware that thou pass not*—Literally, "pass not over,"—leave it not without protection, or fortification. *The Syrians are come down*—Better, as in the Revision, "are coming down."

3. The Defence.—V. 10. *The king sent to the place*—Sending a guard for its protection. Yet this same king, though warned of the danger of sin, heeded not the word or providence of God, and brought disaster upon himself and Israel. How much more ready people are to heed warnings of physical danger than of spiritual. *Saved himself not once or twice*—As often as he followed the word of the Lord. His word is always reliable.

Learn from this part of our lesson the value of God's Word as a means of defence to our souls. "Forewarned, forearmed," is an old proverb, and the Bible is full of warnings of sin, the steps leading to it, and its awful consequences. And it does much more—it also points to the sure and safe refuge. The remainder of the lesson shows that God is able to protect as well as to warn.

II. The Defence of Angels.—Vs. 11-18.
1. The danger. Vs. 11-13. *The heart of the king was sore troubled*—Finding himself baffled by the King of Israel being always on his guard. *Will you not shew me*—He thought there must be a traitor in his camp. Otherwise how could the king of Israel know of his movements? *Elisha the prophet telleth*—Perhaps this man remembered what had been done for Naaman, and surmised that this same mighty man of God was revealing the king's secrets. Perhaps he had learned this fact from the Israelites. *That I may send and fetch him*—And thus cut off communication with the king of Israel. *He is in Dothan*—(See Gen. 37:17). Dothan was a small town on a hill, about twelve miles north of Samaria. *Sent horses, chariots, and infantry*—"a great host" as compared with one man. It was a large company, also, which went forth to surround the town in the garden. *They came by night*—Thinking thus to take him unawares, and prevent his escape. Blinded pursuers, to forget that He who informed Elisha of the nation's peril, could also warn him of his personal danger, and protect him.

2. The Servant's Fear.—V. 15. *The servant of the man of God*—No longer Gehazi. He had forfeited that position by his sin. *Was risen early*—Possibly disturbed by the sound of the besiegers. *Alas, how shall we do*—The case seemed hopeless enough to one who did not see the defenders.

3. The Prophet's Assurance.—V. 16. *They that be with us are more*—From the time that Elisha had seen the translation of Elijah, he had wonderful faith, and supernatural spiritual vision. How much we all need to learn this truth that he who is on the Lord's side has a greater defence than all possible enemies.

4. The Defenders Revealed.—V. 17. *Elisha prayed*—We cannot expect to have the mists taken from our eyes, unless we pray for the enlightenment of the Holy Spirit. *Behold the mountains full of horses and chariots of iron*—He saw the reality of the promise. "The angel of the Lord encampeth around them that fear him, and delivereth them."

5. Victory granted.—V. 18. *When they came down to him*—Rather, "to it," that is when Elisha and his servant came to the host. *Smote this people with blindness*—The very reverse of his prayer for his servant. The purpose of this prayer is indicated in the following verses. The prophet led the Syrians to Samaria, where at his prayer their eyes were opened again, food was set before them, and they were released. After this "the bands of Syria came no more into the land of Israel," but a general assault by the entire Syrian army was soon made.

LEARN FROM THIS LESSON.
1. It is the duty of Christ's servants to warn rich and poor, high and low, of the dangers to which they are exposed; 2. Warnings are useless unless they are heeded; 3. Men are more ready to heed warnings of temporal danger, than of moral or spiritual; 4. "Wisdom is a defence, and money is a defence; but the excellency of knowledge is, that wisdom giveth life to them that have it;" 5. The hosts of the wicked fear one thoroughly good man; 6. The microscope reveals wonders in the natural world, so does faith in the spiritual world; 7. Prayer is the key which unlocks the mysteries of the spiritual universe; 8. God opens the eyes of those who seek to know and do his will, but judicially blinds those who fight against him; 9. God is always able to protect those who trust in him.

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