BYSTANDER'S NOTES.

The Particular Evils Resulting From a Suppressed Vote.

WHAT THE REPUBLICANS MUST DO.

Tat Bystander Suggests Twenty Harmful Consequences of the Denial of a Free Ballot.

Will you kindly state in the briefest form what you consider the particular evils resulting from the suppression of the Republican vote by fraud and intimidation in the South?" This inquiry in from one whose public position readers it all the more wonbriul that he has not himself done what he requests another to do for

The Bystander has done this very thing so often that it seems a work of supercrogation; but he is willing do it again if necessary to a dear apprehension of the subject by any one especially by so prominent partiasn as this correspondent. The vil results of the supervison of the ights of citizenship in one-third of our territory are such as any one may appreciate and understand by a oment's thought. Leaving out of onsideration the Indirect and remote psequences, it may be said to inhe the following harmful results: 1. To deprive the legal majority in at least eight States of the right i local self-government.

2. To deprive the majority of local oters in about fifty Congressional districts of representation in the govmment in the United States.

a, to deprive the Republicans of dinest the entire South of any repesentation in State or National Govment whatever in violation of the fundamental principle of republican government which forbids taxation without representation.

4. It deprives the Republican of the South directly of the right of free speech, party organization, public discussion of political questions, and indirectly of those rights which depend on the unrestricted exercise of the constitutional powers of the citirn, to wit: Equal opportunity and the equal protection of the laws.

5. It invites and encourages persetation, violence, fraud, oppression of

6. That it tempts the individuals of ne party to license and oppression, and deprives the citizens of another wat party of all confidence in the protection of the law, and of the mpulse to improvement and development which springs from equal citi-

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. That it subverts all healthful regard for law and order by making political power depend on violence, inimidation, fraud, and terror, thereby putting the will of a lawless nob above the legally ascertained

will of the people. As an inevitable consequence of buse things it has transformed these ominally free States of the Ameriran Union into despotisms in which the lives, liberty, property, and opportunities of the disfranchised and Figure 1 the mercy a mob conscious that it stands bove the law which, if it takes any gaizance of their acts, will be use shield rather than to punish the

These are the local consequences, forces which make for oppression ad barbarism at the South, and tend ith the certainty which a child may comprehend to revolution bloodshed. They are the natural and logtal fruits of slavery, rebellion, and aukluxism at the South, and leth-My cowardice, and greed at the

Untside of the South, and as aftting the Government of the United tates, other consequences result also om the subversion of the will of he majority by violence, intimidation, and fraud upon the part of the minory in those States, as follows:

l. It has established as a fact in the minds of the American people and the world the idea that the overnment of the United States has ⁹ power to protect itself from the Steenions of armed revolutionists, Movided the same do not declare against the Union or openly seek

dememberment. It establishes beyond question conclusion that if a body of con-Prators succeed in usurping the wer of a sufficient number of States Violence and intimidation, there nothing to prevent their securthe power of the National Gov-

mment in the same way. 3. It has created the belief, and ands to-day upon the assumption the Government of the United lates is impotent to assert or mainthe rights of its citizens to life, brite, the equal protection of the the exercise of political powin any State of the Union in which armed mob sees fit to deprive them of such rights; that if the govnment of the State shall neglect or to protect the rights of the Mational citizen, he is just as much without remedy as an unarmed man

of a group of savages. the bring the dignity and authority of billo whenever conflictions arise which

bound hand and foot in the midst

favor a combination to control or subvert the same. 4. Even at the present time it results in this startling incongruity, to wit: The government of the United States consists of a President and Vice President, chosen by electors, and of Senators and Members of the House of Representatives. The Presidential electors and members of Congress are

chosen in two-thirds of the States

by a majority of the legal voters;

in one-third of the States they are selected by a minority of the voters who have disfranchised the majority by violence, intimidation, and fraud. So far as the people of the North generally and the members of the Republican party in particular are concerned this condition of affairs has produced the following significant re-

1. An armed minority in a Southern Congressional District is equivalent in the power it exercises in the National Government to an unarmed majority in a Northern district. In other words, a mob of 5,000 persons in a Southern Congressional district by suppressing the will of the majority by violence, intimidation and fraud, make themselves equal in the control of National policy to 20,000 or 30,000 law-abiding citizens of the North. This is a big premium on lawlassness and nullification. Who would be a good citizen when he knows that his power and dignity will be increased by being a bad one? Why should any party resort to logic in a political campaign when murder is much more effective?

2. Every Republican is deprived, by this condition of affairs, of a portion of his just rights as one of a selfruling people, no matter whether he lives in Minnesota or Mississippi. He has a right to demand that every Republican in the country shall be allowed to exercise his lawful power as a citizen. If any portion of his party is disfranchised by unlawful acts of another party, he is deprived of the support of his political affiliates and the power of the opposing party increased in like ratio.

3. Every member of every party has the right to expect the co-operation and support of all other members of his party in every State of the Union. When, therefore, the Republicans of any State are denied this right and the ballotorial power depending thereon, every member of that party in every State is thereby deprived of an essential and important part of his right as a citizen of the United States.

4. Every citizen of the United States is entitled to speak his opinion freethe disfranchised and defenseless classes | ly upon all political questions and to meet with those of like political faith to consult, organize, and take all lawful methods to promote the pre-dominance and success of his party policy in the government of the United States. When, therefore, Republicans at the South are proscribed because of their political faith, and by murder, fraud, and terror prevented from exercising the common rights of free speech, public assemblage, and party organization; denied the equal protection of the law and not permitted to cast a free ballot or have the same fairly counted and truly returned, every Republican in the whole country is deprived of part of his constitutional right. Because of this the only freemen in the United States to-day are Democrats. The Republican is but half free wherever he may live, and wholly without political freedom in onr-third of the coun-

> 5. An indirect but evident result of this condition of affairs and the apathy and indifference which have permitted this evil to become chronic and confirmed is that economic advantage has come to be esteemed as of more importance politically than individual rights, the enforcement of law or the preservation of constitutional prerogative. As a consequence it is assumed that the American voter is more deeply interested in protection of the American seal than in the assertion of equal rights and prefers to use his power to obtain a free market for the American hog rather than to secure a free ballot for the American citizen.

> So far as the outside world is concerned, the following are the evi-

> dent and inevitable results: 1. No candid and unprejudiced mind can doubt that a people who permit such manifest and flagrant violations of law to continue, and even to dominate and control public policy, are seriously deficient in that sense of patriotic obligation on which the stability and prosperity of every nation must ultimately rest.

2. Any men or any party which will submit to be restricted in the exercise of their legal rights and deprived of their due share in the control of the government and the determination of its policy, by the unlawful acts committed solely for the political advantage of another party, is either deficient in knowledge of the true condition of affairs, lacking in due appreciation of the dignity and importance of the rights of citizenship, or affected by some moral contagion which dulls the sense of personal right and obliterates regard for

public justice. 3. And finally, the world will be quick to perceive that in the case of the American Republic, as in all other examples in history, oppression, especially of an individual sort, not only debases the oppressed but degrades the oppressor, and exercises a deteriorating infraence even on those Such practice and theory cannot who merely stand by, consenting to ring the dignity and authority of the wrong. As slavery left its stamp neter mind as well as on at certainly result in National revo-Continued on Page 6.

The Grave Duties Awaiting the Reverend Convention.

THE FAVORITES FOR BISHOPS

Wise Measures for the Promotion and Extension of the Work of Education by the Church.

Special to the Plaindealer,

Philadelphia, Pa., April 25, 1892.-To elect bishops, to elect general officers, to revise the discipline, to hear the reports of the various departments and to take wise measures for the promotion and extension of the work of education, publication, and missions are prominent among the grave duties awaiting the reverend body now opening its session in this historic city.

When we remember that all the world looks upon the A. M. E. church as the best and most typical illustration of the Negro's ability to do for himself, and when we consider the vast territory we occupy, the immense numbers we enroll and the limitless field awaiting our laborers, then it is that something of the magnitude of our task dawns upon us.

Can thoughtful, sincere, christian men approach so great a responsibility with anything less than deepest earnestness and profoundest grav-How many bishops shall be elected? Two vacancies have been created by death, and possibly another by the severe illness of Bishop Wayman. Does the work call for more than enough bishops to fill these vacancies? Will an increase of the episcopal college add greater effectiveness to the working power of the church? What men are the best men for the office? Are the men whose names have been kept so prominently before us during the past few years, the very best men for the place, or are there, among our 4,000 ministers some who are still better?

Why are we all so strongly inclined to Dr. Lee? Is it because he has been so active in church extension or even in the pastorate? Did he ever hold a poor, undeveloped charge and develop it into a strong and prosperous one by means of sufering and toil? Though he practiced self-denial while seeking an education, has he ever been called upon to sacrifice for his church? Toledo, Columbus and Wilberforce chapel are not works that test and prove a minister's willingness to suffer, or his ability to build up.

No, we are not choosing him because of his pastoral work. If it were so there are hundreds of suffering, unknown men who outshine him as the sun outshines the moon. Then why are we all so decidely inclined to elect him bishoo?

I can hardly tell, unless it be because we admire his integrity, his intellect and his staunchness of convic-

tion. It is true these qualities have been very thoroughly exhibited and brought to our notice during the past four years. Somehow he seems to be so much like Bishop Shorter that we just take him up in our confidence and

affections naturally. Why do we feel so much drawn to-

ward Dr. Derrick? He is said to be proud and has been terribly talked about by some even of our most trusted men. He is not a scholar in the sense that Drs. Embry and Lee are. Then why is it he is so generally regarded as one of the best men for this high ofice? I don't exactly know. Although the vast extent of his pastoral labors, the herculean work he has accomplished, the faithfulness and humility with which he performed it, all seem to proclaim him to be devoted heart and soul to God and his church-in the face of his record we cannot believe anybody that denies his fidelity and faithful-

Again, the great crowds that throng to hear and see him, the mighty, the unusual, the wonderful power he has with the people throughout this broad land, all of these things somehow convince us that he is a born leader. We all recognize the immense good a bishop with such personal influence can accomplish, and somehow we feel that Dr. Derrick would add marvel-

ously to the strength of our Zion. Then, again, we all know how he has been opposed, and how cruelly he has been treated. We have seen his patient forbearance, his thorough vindication, and his magnanimous forgiveness of his tormentors, and we naturally take to him. The manner in which he stood up for Bishop Disney somehow reveals a tenderness and trueness of heart that makes us trust

In fact, we cannot think of his defeat without dreading to go back to the people and look them in the face. Everybody, saint and sinner, looks for his election; it seems so appropriate. There also is Dr. Embry. He was

never a very popular pastor, yet he has been one of the most faithful and effective elders of his day. He never could draw crowds nor create enthusiasm, yet he built solidly and built extensively, too. Every charge of the long list that he has held, still bears the marks of his labors. Every conretains something he inaugurated or land.

developed. He certainly possesses a marked personality. He also has given us the best piece of literature we own. He is our very highest accredited theologian. We cannot help honoring such qualities. Then he is so jolly. He laughs so loud and so heartily and with such a droll countenance all the while that we can't help laughing, too, and then feeling like shaking hands with him again and believing he is one of the queerest and best fellows of the whole lot. He is honest and bluntly straightforward, earnest and quaint, learned and plain, and, in fact, is the kind of man you

can't help taking to if you mean right. How in the world to vote against him in order to favor that sturdy old wheel-horse, Dr. Handy, is a question that right now makes many a person cratch his head where it don't

Just look at Dr. Handy. He is one of the historic monuments of our church. He is one of the three who sailed on the Arago to Charleston fwenty-seven years ago, and helped to open up the Southland. He has been modest, but steadfast and faithful, all of these years, and by his very career has become so thoroughly a part of our connection that he looks like an African Methodist church. He has worked hard and long and effectively, and his life is near its close. He is well enough off in worldly goods to remove all suspicion of place-seeking for the money there is in it. Why should not his long and faithful career be crowned with episcopal honors by the church he has done so much to create? If we can elect but three men, which of these four can we possibly leave out?

There are also general officers to elect. Dr. S. Robertson must have something. He has done as much for the church in hard work and silent suffering as any man among them all. Suppose he can't read Hebrew, what does that amount to? Dollars are not marked in hieroglyphics. He can count \$95,000 dollar money for 1893, and \$150,000 for 1896. Perhaps Bishop Gaines does have so much influence over him just now that the other bishops are shaky, but just put him in and he will run his office himself. He is not built to toady to anybody, and won't when he gets in the gate. Now about Dr. Smith. He has built up from nothing the very best and most substantial department we have. No one can get around it. Talk about children's day money as you please, he makes \$3 from the business for every 98 cents he gets from the

children's day. Then there stands a great big brick building. He has done something and something big. course there are strange things whispered about him, but the very men who start them are likely to make a big speech praising him to the skies. You can not always rely upon what ambitious fellows say about a big man. If there is anything morally wrong about Smith, why does Bishop Payne boom him up so? Bishop Payne has made many another man too sick to eat his dinner, because of alleged irregularities of conduct; why would he vouch for Smith's characacter if it is not all right? Just get the clouds away from over his morals, and in he goes with a hip and

Maybe the boys will get worked up so and be so pleased with the good things in the chape of stationery, telephones, etc., that fall in their way that they will just shut their eyes a minute and do the job anyhow. At least that is just what some seem to calculate on. If it be done, and is a mistake, Bishop Payne sanc-

tions it, or we all think so anyhow. But I must stop my rambling talk, yet how can I without saying something about dear, old Decker Johnson? He will be here with note book and pockets full of documents and a report of his department. He will report every single cent that he raised and that anybody else raised, too, if it went for education. Or he will have a big report and several new stories. Of course he still sticks to the famous mule that got out of the well by one of the slickest tricks on earth. He loves that mule, and ofttimes follows his example. Pour clay on him by the cartload, you can't bury brother W. D. Johnson; he will rise four feet per cartload every time. Will be be a bishop? Heis as well educated as any black man in the country and has got one of the keenest minds of us all. He can lift an audience out of their seats easier then anybody else on the roll. Fact is, if we want to get one South Carolina man in, we have to stick to brother Johnson. So after all, there is bound to be somebody disappointed. We can't possibly make room for more than four bishops, and seeing that Dr. Saulter must be one and Dr. Johnson the other, there will be room for but two more. Dr. Coppin is young and has longer to wait than the other big men we want, so we will give him a good place to wait in and wrestle with the problem until we get eettled in our choice out of Drs. Lee, Derrick, Embry and Handy, some two of these, but which? Well it's hard to say, yet it might not be either, but

If dear young brother Collett runs around too briskly electionsering, we can easily drop one, but there will be three left. Now how will we get the too?

Col. Franklin C. Thomas, is an Afro-American lawyer at Ocala, Fla, who

Many Imperilled Afro-Americans Rescued from Surging Wa ters.

PATHETIC STORY OF DEATH.

Recent Overflows of the Tombigbee River Causes Much Suffering and Destitution.

Columbus, Miss., April 19.-The floods at Columbus, Miss., have caused considerable suffering among all classes, and a number of deaths have been reported to the authorities and many more are supposed to have been drowned.

The Tombigbee is five or six miles wide opposite the town and Luxapalila is almost as wide on the other side, flowing into the river just below the cemetery, covering all the field between Colmant's and the race-track, and running into Mr. Colmant's house.

The distress of the Afro-Americans is terrible. Eleven have been reported drowned, and I have no doubt eight or nine more will be found in the outlying districts. As soon as it was seen that the annual rise of the water would be so high, relief parties of young men, most of them society boys, went to the help of the poor and improvident. All over the flat where the brick-yard is there are many cottages owned by the better class of Afro-Americans who are becoming independent. The water rose so rapidly that they could not get out, though less than half a mile from town.

Several parties of white men went out time after time and brought first the people, and then their movable property such as could be saved. One Afro-American, French Wade, worked faithfully to help his neighbor. French had Ida Hullum and her child and an old man in a boat almost to the land, when Ida leaned over the side of the boat to save a pig that was swimming alongside, and caused the boat to capsize. All were drowned except Boatman Wade. Mr. Tom Franklin and Mr. Howard Marshall went down to the latter place to help the Negroes.

Mr. Franklin found the water up to the windows, and about four feet deep in the house. Horses, mules, cows and calves were in the lower floor. Mela, Claud Banks, Mrs. Fountain, her two grandchildren and their father. Mr. Keith, and forty Negroes were in the four rooms upstairs. They had sufficient provision, and a boat at hand tog et more if necessary. Claud Banks wanted to go home to his mother. They let the little fellow down off the shed roof by tying a fishing net around him and lowered him into the boat. Then began the hard part, rowing back five miles over the Macon road, full of drift, crossed by unaccountable counter currents, sometimes so swift as to stop the

The water has gone down nearly six feet, and is now out of their house. Mr. Cox, a neighbor of the Fountains', foreseeing an unusual rise, rode all day Wednesday, April 6, warning the Negroes on his and other places to move out. It was then raining in torrents. He lost sixty head of cattle, abandoning them to help the Negroes. Fifty-four collected on an Indian mound near Mrs. Fountain's house, with dogs, pigs, horses, chickens and children in one mass. The water did not leave the house

until Sanday afternoon, April 10. Percy Maer, Frank McDowell and another young man saved about fortyfive working all day. Mr. John Oliver and Will Evans have been out ever since the rise began, and have rowed until their hands are blistered, risking life and limb since Wednesday. They have saved forty or fifty Negroes. Charlie Tinsley, a shoemaker, went alone in a boat and saved a great many lives. Many gentlemen hired boats and sent them out. The city had every carpenter at work making boats Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, and sent them out as soon as made. Mr. William Baldwin, the lawyer, and Mr. Willie Johnston went out to a house and got a man and three children. Their boat struck a tree and over-turned, and the three children were drowned. The man regained the boat and one paddie, and the gentlemen reached a tree, where they remained four hours, until the Negro reached town and got help. Mr. Sam Cline and Mr. Swope started out in a "section boat," but had got only 400 yards from the trestle and hand-car, from which they embarked, when the boat parted and asnk. They reached a tree, where they remained twenty-six hours, when Messrs Oliver and Evans rescued them.

Eloped With a Prescher. Indianapolis, Ind., April 24.-Wil-Mam Ware has begun a suit for divorce from Della Ware. The complaint alleges that Mrs. Ware has, at various times, been in criminal relations with Rev. William Ely, and that on April 7, she eloped with the reverend gentleman, and that her present whereaboute are unknown to her husband. The interested persons are all colored. Rev. Mr. Ely was pastor of the Blackford Street A. M. E. Zion church, and a number of months ago was transferred to St. Louis, where, it is said, Mrs. Ware accompanied him.

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BUREAU OF INFORMATION.

The Advantages of Snch an Organisation Pointed Out.

From Free Speech.

Never before in the history of the Negro race has there been a greater demand for thorough organization. The greatly agitated condition and state of unrest, the determination of our people, evinced by their actions. to seek a place more congenial to their taste, in fine, their general status is such that it is indispensably necessary that the honest, most reliable and competent men of the race come together and organize what may be styled a "Bureau of Information," for the purpose of furnishing reliable information to our people, telling them what to do and how to do. Wicked and ambitious men, concerned solely about the promotion of their selfish ends, have preyed upon the credulity of our people and thereby not only seduced them from the paths of right, but have also robbed them. Now, if we had an organization these unscrupulous scoundrels would not be able to ply their nefarious business. It is not to be truthfully denied that the need of the hour among our people is organization. Too long has the Negro stood out against each other-we must pool our interests.

The benefits to be derived from a "Bureau of Information" are many. Composed, as it should be, of nothing but true, reliable, race-loving men from every city, town, village, district and neighborhood, it could, through the medium of its members, the Negro press and special literature. keep the race properly informed. To say that many of the people intend leaving the South this summer and in the fall is but putting it lightly. Many are in a quandary as to the best place to go. Mexico, California, New Mexico, Colorado, Oregon, Washington, Wisconsin, Wyoming, Oklahoma, as well as other places in the "Virgin West," offer inducements to our people. A bureau of information could render invaluable information as to the advantages offered by these different places, also what is necessary to begin life in such places, and then give the people such information. Our people in their frenzied, disheartened and desperate condition are doing and saying many things rashly. Doing pell-mell, things that will entail upon them unnecessary hardships. An efeffective organization would obviate this by imparting that which would enable the people to proceed intelligently. Let us organize, not to incite race violence, not to advocate the lighting of a midnight torch, not for any infraction of the law, but for the purpose of deciding how we, like the Arabs, can best fold our tents and quietly move, not steal, away. For the accomplishment of these ends, let every city, town, village and district in Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama, Louisiana, Arkansas, Georgia, North and South Carolina send delegates to the convention to be held in Memphis, June 16, 1892.

By unfaltering trust in God and the ultimate triumph of right, coupled with our own weak efforts, we cannot fail. Let the Negro pulpit and press herald the news far and wide. Let it be known from "Dan to Beersheba." Negro men-Awake! Arise, or be be forever fallen!

R. H. Waterford.

And Yet Another.

Paducah, Ky., April 25.-(Speical.) --Considerable excitement exists in Livingston county over the appearance of a band of White Caps, two or three days since. Captain Northern, a well known and extensive farmer of that section, has employed an Afro-American named Boyd to work on his farm. Boyd moved his family into a cabin on the farm the first of this week. Last evening about 10 o'clock several disguised white men arrived at the colored man's home. and inquired if Allen Berry resided there. Boyd told them that Berry was a resident of Golconda, and also informed them of his name. The men were satisfied, and requested Boyd to come out in the yard, stating that they wished to have a talk with him. Boyd hesitated, but finally went out. At this juncture one of the party declared with an oath that they had "come to whip a Nigger," and that he would answer the purpose. He was immediately seized by the three men and dragged by force to a secluded place in the woods, where he was tied and whipped with hickory branches until his person was lacerated in a horrible manner.

He was finally turned loose upon solemnly promising that he would remain quiet, and not speak to any one of the torture they had administered. The mob assigned no reason for their barbarous act, and Boyd is at a loss to know why such punishment should have been meted out to him. He is a quiet, inoffensive citizen.

As soon as Captain Northern learned of the outrage he became very indignant, and moved Boyd to a house in his own yard.

The authorities are making an effect to discover the identity of the perpetrators of the wrong, and if successful they will be arrested at once. The general opinion seems, to be that the outrage was perpetrated by larmers in that neighborhood with a view of frightening away the colored fide-

Mr. Alfred King, is a leading build er and contractor at Decater, III.

HERE, THERE AND EVERYWHERE,

Present to Our Army of Readers the Latest News-Perconal, Religious, Social and Otherwise.

Well Done, New Eichmond.

Special to the Plaindealer. It seems strangely incredible that the monster, race prejudice, should exist to the extent that it does in some portions of our state, but that it does exist is a chameful fact, as the writer had occasion to witness last week.

Miss Alice Paxton, a young lady of our race, had won the distinction of being the first graduate from the mixed schools of New Richmond. She was the only lady to graduate and, being colored, the board of education decided to rob her of the fruits of her labors. They could not keep her diploma from her, so they announced that there was not money enough in the treasury to hold commencement exercises, so there would be none.

Our people were quick to see through the dodge, especially as they have been fighting the whites on the mixed school question for more than three years. With a commendable spirit of enterprise and an independent spirit worthy of emulation, they quickly raised a subscription list in order that Miss Paxton should graduate in the style befitting her.

Wishing to have an extra attraction in addition to their home talent, they put the affair into the hands of Messrs. Ringgold and Ed Thomas, and the services of Miss Laura Wells, soprano, Miss Mary Bell, contralto, Mr. T. R. Jones, tenor, all of the Jennie Jackson Concert company, were secured. The writer went to look on and write it up.

The exercises were held in the New Richmond town hall, Friday, April 22, and a splendid audience greeted the performers. Quite a number of the white people attended, and everybody united in expressing the opinion that the exercises surpassed anything in New Richmond's history.

Miss Emma Caldwell read an essay; Miss Katie Elliott rendered in good style a select reading; Mrs. Anna Johnson, a young lady with a sweet soprano voice, saux Millard's "Waitieg," and Miss Emma Burrell rendered a song in good taste. The Queen City contingent acquitted themselves nobly. Miss Wells' solo-adifficult cavatina-and a duet by Miss Wells and Miss Bell, "Two Sisters," receiving double encores. Mr. Jones sang in his usual fine voice, two songs, "Anchorea" and "At The Ferry." Miss Paxton was, of course, the star of the evening. Besides a piano solo, which was exquisitely rendered, her essay, "Act Well Your Part," was a production filled with thoughts that many an older head would have been proud to acknowledge. She is a bright young lady, and life for her is full of bright promises. May she succeed and fulfill to the highest degree the anticipations of her friends.

ed with their trip, as it was an ovation from beginning to end. They entertain a high degree of respect for the enterprise of the New Richmond people, and feel glad that their efforts to please were so successful. To Rev. Mr. Alford, Mr. Ringgold, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Jackson and Mr. Nelson, a great deal of credit must be given, and thanks for their hospitality. The residents of that charming little town may congratulate themselves for one thing-they have gained more respect from the whites by that one night's exhibition than they would have done by tamely submitting to the indignity offered them, and it is the hope of all our people that any similar effort may be as successful as was this.

The Queen City people were delight-

F. W. B. Cincinnati, O., April 25.

Findlay.

Findlay, O. April 26.-Elder Mason and T. J. Bond, start this morning for Newark, to attend conference. Mrs. Thomas, of N. Baltimore, went

bome Monday after spending a week visiting Mrs. Hopewell and other friends. Mr. Lewis Harrison, of Franklin,

Pa., is visiting his cousin Mrs. Philips. Mr. Powell, of Lima, is in the city and expects to make this his home. His family is expected soon. Mr. Plowell, is a brother of our newly appointed policeman, Mason Powell. Mrs. Mason Powell . Mrs. Mary Stanley and Mr. A. C. Johnson, are on the sick list.

Mrs. Chas. Johnson, returned home from Lima Saturday, after spending a week with her mother. Listen for wedding bells in, the near

future. Two pases. The Sunday school gave a donation and festival Monday night clear-

ing over \$21. Mr. Fred Adams, of Fostoria, is

expected to move here and take charge of his father's shop.

says he is here to stay. Two saloon keepers were arrested open. They paid \$29.60 and are serving out a 10 days jail sentence. This

Sunday, for keeping their saloons the first case of that kind under the new mayor. , 🥞 💈 T. A. Y.

Piqua.

Piqua, O. April 25.-Mr .Andrew Gross, left Saturday for Milwaukee, having excepted a position

A pleasing surprise was given Mrs. E. E. King, the mother of Mrs. Michols on last Thursday evening. It s. that Piqua, will have another com this summer.

Meridith, of Park avenue Bestist delivered two fine sermons,

Mrs. Collins, is still on the sick

Decatur.

April 25th.—Thinking see the carelessness with which some

country would be acceptable, I forward you an account of the Republican coutny convention which was held here on the 23rd inst. It was composed of 82 delegates 3 of whom were Afro-Americans. The session was a harmonious one, 14 delegates were elected to the State convention at Springfield. W. B. Woodford, was the colored delegate, he was indorsed by the colored people of this county and was unanimously supported by the white delegates. Mr. H. Singleton, an enterprising colored man of this city has been announced as candidate for delegate at large to the rational convention. The attached resolution was offered and passed by the convention unanimously.

H. Crea, presented the following

resolution: Resolved, that in the judgment of this convention it would be but jajust recognition of the services of the colored Republicans of Illinois to send a colored man from this state as a delegate at large to the Retional Republican convention at Minneapolis; and

Resolved, that Hue Singleton, of Decatur, is an able and reliable representative of his race, and this convention heartily recommends him to the ensuing state Republican convention as in every way fitted to be sent as a felegate at large to the Republican national convention at Minneapolis.

On motion of Mr. Crea the resolution was unanimously adopted.

Torornto. Toronto, Ont., April 21.—One of the most pleasant gatherings that has been held in Toronto lately was on the occasion of the farewell reception given to the Rev. N. F. McBayne by the Ladies' Aid of the Queen street Baptist church of this city, on the eve of his leaving that church of which he has been pastor for the last two years with great credit to himself and profit to the congregation. He leaves here with the regret and wellwishes of the congregation and his many friends, to take charge of the Second Baptist church of Detroit, and while we do not begrudge him to Detroit, we hope that he may be able to visit us again in the future.

Mr. McBayne is a native of the island of Jamaica, and came to Canada from North Carolina, where he had been studying medicine, to complete his studies in Trinity Medical university of this city, and has already made great progress, having passed his primary examination this year. After tea the meeting was adressed by Mr. J. T. Jackson, the Rev. Mr. Rusk, Mr. H. T. Hubbard, Mr. J. W. Lewis, Dr. A. R. Abbott and others. Mr. Ed Wandle, on behalf of a large number of friends and admirers of Mr. Mc-Bayne, then presented him with a to them the sum of \$3,000 the purse of gold, containing fifty-seven value of said land, and \$1,500 each, duet by Mrs. Allen and Miss Mary minds the days of actual slavery. The in which he is held by them. It is arising carnestly hoped by us that in his new grounds for action are that under and they forgetting that it was and largely extended field of labor General Taylor's will the decedent he may be successful and able to do much good. We commend him to the mained with him until they reachkind consideration of the good people of Detroit. Toronto.

Milwaukee.

Milwaukee, Wis., April 25.-The Afro-American League gave a very pleasant entertainment in connection with its regular monthly meeting last Tuesday. A good crowd was in at tendance, and was well pleased with the program of the evening.

The sudden death of Edward D. Holton was a great shock to his many friends who, while they knew him to be ill, were not expecting so sudden and sad a termination of his illness. Mr. Holton was one of the founders of the Republican party and was a noted abolitionist during the dark days of slavery and assisted many a poor, fugitive slave to freedom by the underground railway. He was a staunch and tried friend of the Afro-American race, and his death will be mourned by many. His death occurred at the De Soto hotel, Savannah, Ga., of crysipelas. The remains were trought here and will be interred in Forest Home cemetery.

The Literary had its usual meeting Thursday evening. It is the most progressive organization of its kind in the city. The program for Thursday contained several new and inter-

esting features. Cream City Lodge, No. 1, K. of P. had their first annual sermon preached to them Sunday evening at St. Mark's A. M. E. church, by Prelate Rev. R. H. Williamson. The church was beautifully decorated. handsome floral designs, one representing a triangle, the other a shield, were the features of the decorations. The young men, 21 in number, were marched in to the K. of P. march by M. at A. G. Townsend, who then escorted C. C. Howell, P. C. Bryant and V. ('. Goodwin to their respective stations. The services were impressively conducted by Rev. R. H. Williamson, who told the interesting story of Damon and Pythias, gave a synopsis of the reign and of the life of Dionysius the Tyrant, who condemned Pythias to death, and who was so moved at the great love Damon bore for Mr. Wenbush, is at home again and Pythias that it changed the whole course of his after life, in a most eloquent manner. The discourse was highly intellectual, and held the undivided attention of the congregation from beginning to ending. The collection after the services was the largest ever taken in at one time during the existence of St. Mark's church, except-

ing possibly at its dedication. The benefit given in behalf of Mrs.

Dyer was a financial failure. There is something pathetic to the casual observer in the carnest and unassisted struggle Hon. Albion W. Tourgee is making in behalf of the Afro-American-one lone man out of millions who is devoting all his time and his great intellect unselfishly, without recompense, with no expectation of future reward, to the interests of an oppressed and hated race. Shame on the Afro-American who has not testified his appreciation of these sincere efforts by sending his name and two cents for a certificate of membership, to the National Citizens' Equal Rights Association. We are prone to think sometimes when we

Give him plenty to eat, a good suit of clothes and not too much work, and he is satisfied." Let those then who have not sent their names to Judge Tourgee; send them immediately, and let those who have received certificates work unceasingly to get the

names of others. The ball given for the benefit of Mr. Spence Butler was a success. The ladies say the K. P's are all right-"a set of such nice-looking young men.''

Miss Clara Bland, of Oshkosh, was in the city Sunday, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Miles.

The ruffians who made such a noise in church, Sunday, should not intrude amongst decent people. Where were the trustees-L. H. P.

and L. W. W.? Does she wear them for style, or are her eyes really affected? The concert on May 12th and 13th

J. B. B. will be a success.

IN THE COURTS.

There was some surprise express ed in religious circles at Baltimore, when on Monday, James S. Davis, formerly a member of the Union Baptist church, entered suit against it for \$3,000 damages. It appears that Davis secured a divorce from his wife some time ago upon the grounds of abandonment and married again, and the church disfellowshipped him in accordance with its usual custom in such matters. For this act Davis has brought the suit and there will be a warm legal battle when the matter comes to trial in the

Tipton Tate, who shot two Hebrews at Hamburg, Ala., sometime ago was discharged by Justice Terry who stated that he had done nothing for which he could be held. Judge G H. Craig represented "Tate" in that way which won the highest respect and esteem of all who know him.

Friends of the three prisoners that were lynched out of the Memphis, Tenn., Jail recently are about to bring damage suits against that city.

The case of Toliver Mosely against the Missouri Pacific railway came up in the Circuit court of St, Louis on Wednesday The 13th, and the jury returned a verdict for \$3,000, in favor of Moseley. He sued the company for the above sum, for the loss of a leg caused by the cars of the

At Newport, Ky., last Friday, Washington Lumpkins, William Lumpkins, notice. At 7.30 the house was filled Geo. Lumpkins, Willis B. Hamilton. Alfred Howard and Susan Howard, the second sacred concert given by his wife, also filed suit against W. H. Harton, trustee, and the heirs of Cannon presided at the organ and The colored people were brought into General James Taylor, deceased, for with Mrs. Archie Allen the excellent the recovery of fifty acres of land and highly accomplished leader proeach out of the Clark tract or other ceeded to give us some of the finest lands, and if that can not be done, music ever heard in this city. The they ask that the defendants pay solo "Consider the lilies," by Mrs. ollars, as a small token of the esteem the value of the rental and profit Davis, was the crowning effort. It woman was put up first. She brought therefrom. devised to each of his slaves who re- for their reappearance. There were ed the age of thirty years the above school at this service. amount of land. Colonel E. W. Hawi kins appears for the plaintiffs.

THEIR LAST SLEEP.

Mrs. Matilda Falcom, mother of the late Mrs. Ben Crocker, of Washparted this life Thursday morning ed some excellent music. Elder Viney ington, street, Petersburg, Va., de-April 14, 1892, at 8 o'clock.

At Washington, D. C., Mr. Samuel Wills, died recently after a painful large numbers to be served. By re-

young and well beloved wife of Mr. which again electrified every one pres-James Wormley died at her residence 506 P. street N. W. on Saturday our friends for their very liberal morning April 16th.

At Richmond, Va.—April 5, '92, James M. Turpin, son of Nancy Tur. | church. pin, in the 34th year of his age. He leaves a mother, two sisters, a nephew and a host of friends to mourn their loss.

THE BLOODY RECORD.

says that four colored men were plicated two other Negroes, who will, no doubt, soon be captured. The same fate awaits them.

Hudson.

Hudson, N. Y. April 25.-Miss Fannie Weaver and Miss Annie Moore, have returned home after spending a week at the annual conference at Tarrytown, N. Y.

Mr. Ward Bronk and daughter Miss Debra of Athens, N. Y., spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Joy Prience. On Saturday evening April 16th, Mr. Philip Collins and Mrs. Mary L. War- and were now among the most pros

ren of this city, were married by Rev. H. S. Hicks. Friday morning about 9 o'clock

there was unusual commotion about the Mackey building, corner of Union and South Front streets, caused by finding Mrs. Sarah E. Taylor dead in bed. Mrs. Taylor was housekeeper for Abram Simmons a coal shoveler, and had been ill for several days. Thursday it is said she was attacked heard from that report. My correwith vomiting and was very sick, an spondence amounted to a bushel a unquenchable thirst followed this day, or thereabouts. People wanted sickness. She did not rest well Thurs to know where they must go to day night, but her condition did not suggest that she should have a doctor at once and none was called. In the morning the woman who is about 35 years of age was able to be about, but felt so weak that her mother was sent for, while Mr. Simmons went to his work. When Mrs. Thompson arrived to care for her daughter she was horrified to find her dead in bed. Coroner Sheldon was notified and a jury was summoned and an inquest begun, there was another sitting in the afternoon to ascertain

the facts. St. Johns M. E. church Rev. John T. Hoyle of Claverack, has been appointed pastor of the St. Johns M. E. church by the New York conference, the former pastor Rev. T. H. E Richards, now of Rhinecliff, N. Y., visited St. Johns on Sunday evening

her sister Mrs. John Bishop.

N. Y., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hazle. The I. O. G. T. held their annual

convention at Chatham, N. Y., April 23rd. Those present were Mr. Peter Bond, Mr. John R. Tucker, and Mrs. Annie Thompson and Mrs. H. D. Benjamin of the Flower city lodge Na, 507 Rochester, N. Y. Mr. Frank Burge of Chatham, and

Mr. H. Bedell of Coxsackie were in town last week.

Ypsilanti.

Ypsilanti, Mich. April 25.-The old of the fact that in our ranks there folks concert that was given by the Good Samaritans Thursday night was a success.

Communion services at the A. M E. church next Sunday. Rev. J. L. Davis made®a flying visit to Jackson, Saturday evening to meet Bishop Brown.

Mrs. Colla McCoy of Detroit, made a short stay in this city on her way home from attending the Ladies Relief corps and G. A. R. conven-

Prof. J. Bundine has returned from his field of labor in the South. Misses Emma Jones and Ida Jewett of Ann Arbor, attended the concert

Thursday evening. The grand lodge of Good Samaritans by consent of the Adrian lodge will hold their annual session in Adrian June 9th.

Mr. Homer Bon is in the city again. Mrs. Jefferson of Ann Arbor, was in the city Wednesday.

Toledo.

Toledo, April 22.-The Easter services at the Third Baptist church April 17th, were the best of many years. The auditorium was tastefully decorated with flowers, potted plants. and appropriate mottoes, and emblems. The program an excellent one -is too elaborate to be fully given in this letter. I can but mention few of the numbers.

At 3 p. m. The school room was well filled with the children and friends of the Sabbath school with Mr. G. W. Sweney acting superintendent and Miss Mary E. Davis chorister. I desire to make special mention of two or three numbers rendered by the scholars at this service. A solo by Miss Gracie Emerson, a paper by Mr. Wilton Jackson and a dialogue (entitled Sunday school) by five little boys and worty of special to overflowing. The occasion being the choir of the church. Mrs. J. S. The plaintiffs completely captivated the audience, the Sabbath began to clap their hands also several fine recitations by the

Wednesday the 20th being the 25th anniversary of the church the house was again filled . Over 600 invitations had been extended by the Sun-shine circle of Kings daughters and 8 o'clock Dr. J. P. Haynes called the house to order. The choir furnish addressed the throne of grace. Covers were laid for a large number, but it required considerable time for the quest Mrs. Allen and Miss Davis, re-Mrs. Lena Champ Wormley the peated the duet sang Sunday evening ent. We extend many thanks to patronage and can truly say the Lord has indeed again visited our

J. B.

That Problem. New York, April 23.-Last night at Delmonico's Amos Parker Wilder talked to his fellow Alumni of Yale A dispatch from Jacksonville, Fla., college, about what he had seen in a recent trip through the South. The case is involved in mystery, Evans hanged at Inverness Monday night The Negro question, he said, would maintaining that the shooting was for the murder of two white men, settle itself, provided the North kept accidental, and the wounded man Stephenson and Payne. A mob sur- its hands off. The Southern underrounded the jail, overpowered the standing was that the black man liberately pulled his gun and shot. sheriff and hanged the men to a and the white man should each foltree near by. It is claimed, of course, low his own way, independent of the that the victims confessed and im- other, a situation which to-day seems a cruel one for the Negro. Underneath the present almost hostile attitude of the whites, however. could be discerned an acknowledgment of the benefits, which the South derives from the Negro population, which promises well for the future. prise and advancement of the so-called

Mr. Wilder said that the enter-"New South" was due almost entirely to Northerners, who had gone there since the war. Some years ago, he said, Mr. Depew had advised young men to go South, and many Yale men, among others, had gone there, perous of Southerners.

Mr. Depew, who presided at last night's meeting, then said: "When I returned from my South ern trip three years ago, and told you of the observations I had made, a reporter who was present printed

a synopsis of a portion of what I had said, dwelling particularly upon my words of praise of the South. I profit by this wonderful Eldorado. They inquired about trains and what stations they should get off at. Then the Southern land boomer got hold of the report. He took extracts from it and printed them over my name on hand bills as big as that mirror over there. In consequence, thousands of families in all parts of the North and West, who had not succeeded very well, packed up and went

"Then I began to receive more correspondence. But it was of a different sort. Some of it was inflammatory. Some of it was vituperative. A good many of my correspondents asked for loans."

A Likely Story.

Miss Martha Punch of this city, der. He had some words Friday is spending a few days in Troy with night with John Keith, an Afro-American, and, when Keith walked into Miss Beatrice Hawkins of Chathan, his billiard room Saturday evening, ordered him out. Keith turned to leave with a muttered insult, whereupon Bentley shot him. The Negro fell, but the bullet had flattened against his skull, the hardness of which sayed his life.

What Grandison Thinks.

Président Grandison, of Bennett Seminary, Greensboro, N. C., an able colored man, writing of the colored constituency of the Methodist Episcopal church, says: There is, there can be, no denial

is a deep and widespread undercurrent of dissatisfaction. The dissatisfaction is caused, in part, by the tantalizing of the Africans, who, from sexton to bishop, are officered by colored men of acknowledged ability; the dual policy the church is pursuing in the South in concession to the prejudices of a part of her constituency, and the mistakes and blunders, not to say wretched administration and political intrigues, of some of her agents in this field. I make bold to assert, at the risk of being misunderstood and encountering a storm of emphatic denials, impugnings of my motives, indefinite imputations and innuendoes, that, if the pecuniary interests of our connection with the church, and the humiliating taunts the Africans might fling-and the fear of the same-into our faces were eliminated, should a Negro bishop and a larger official representation be refused us, in the next decade there would not be left in the church a baker's dozen of Negroes, except in let the proposers of the convention the case of a few advanced individal alone. uals who cherish the hope of seeing in the not very distant future the complete obliteration in social, political and ecclesiastical life of all race antipathies and race prejudices, and hence all race discriminations and restrictions based on color.'

A Race War Feared.

Fayette, Mo., April 25.-This town is again on the verge of a race war because of a vagrant sale of Afro-Americans which took place here

yesterday. About a month ago, a good deal of excitement was caused by the sale vagrants. Yesterday the tecling was intensified by the public sale on the block of three men and one woman because they could offer no visible means of support. Henry Thompson, Wm. Miller and John Wilkins were the men. They were not arrested on any charge. The woman was a good-looking mulatto, Mary Whiteside. The was accused of vagrancy. the public square at 11 o clock, and a great crowd of both colors gathered. The whites made fun of the poor victims and the blacks freely citizens. He further states "Your conexpressed their displeasure at the scene that so cruelly brought to their he generally has other fish to fry." \$10 for the sixty days work that the county fined her. The men sold for \$10, \$12 and \$13 respectively, being taken by reliable farmers hereabouts. The woman will work in a good family in town. Negroes declare that this must stop or that the whites must be sold with the Negroes. The sale took place on a block, Sheriff Crigler officiating.

Held for Shooting.

Danville, Ky., April 23.-(Special.) -F. F. Algood, of Lexington, employed as a special detective by the Cincinnati Southern railway, had his examining trial here to-day upon the charge of shooting and wounding the Afro-American, Thomas Butler at Faulconer station six weeks ago. He was held over for further trial in the Boyle circuit court in \$100 bond. Algood claims that the man was stealing coal when shot.

The "Spider" Shot.

Springfield, O., April 24.—(Special. Ed Green, alias "Spider," a well known colored sport, was perhaps fatally shot this afternoon, at halfpast 1 o'clock, by Andy Evans, who has been arrested and is now in tail. and others insisting that Evans de-

The shooting occurred on the notor ious "Levee," frequented by both men who are colored. They were both intoxicated, and, it is claimed, quarreling. Evans pu 1 d a gun, and, flour i h ing it in the air, the weapon was discharged, the ball entering "Spider's" leg and ranging up lodged in the bowels. The man is in a critical con

Item For

> The Plaindealer? If so, please send it on a postal card. We want the news of every one from everywhere.

Mr. W. H. Bryant, of Stoney Creek, Va., is doing a splendid business. Mortimer & Hunter have a fine brick building in course of erection near the corner of Thirty-first and State streets, Chicago, Ill., which will cost about \$36,000 when completed. The Mt. Winans Mutual Mercantile county expects in a few months to start a coal, wood, coke and lumber business at Hullsville, Md., B. & O. R. R. Thomas Russell is president. Mr. H. J. Clark, proprietor of the Mark hotel at Middletown, Penn. In the same city another Afro-American advanced in years is a large real estate owner. Mr. Stanton is his name. As an earnest of their motto, F. L. and T., the Odd Fellows are outdoing themselves. Having a membership of less than a hundred, they have erected a \$2,000 hall and

lodge building. Ocala Bazaar & Commercial company is owned and run by members of race, F. P. Gadean, manager. They carry an immense and diversified stock worth not less than \$1,000. The store building is a handsome 175x200 double story brick corner Hollidaysburg, Pa., April 25.—John owned by old man Gadsen. The up-

THE PROPOSED CONVENTION

Wm. H. Parham! Answered and the Convention Defended, Editor Plaindealer:

In last week's issue of the Chycland Gazette, W. H. Parham asails the Cin. cinnati correspondent for making some plain statements with reference to the called convention proposed for the amelioration of the condition of the American Negro.

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The object, as stated in the Gazette was merely a newspaper statement and does not appear in the call for this national convention. And even if the call had this object in view, the raising of \$100,000, it seems to mea feasible one.

The learned jurist ought to know that if prosecution can not be had in the lower courts, there are courts of higher authority, to which the proecutors can appeal with some assur. ance of receiving justice,

Mr. Parham dwells on this one point of the disposition of the money supposed to be raised; and ignores, to a noticeable extent, the proposition to aid poor, fleeing emigrents from Southern outrages. This is of much more vital importance than the one upon which Mr. Parham dwells. To relieve suffering humanity is a christian duty. More than five hundred emigrants are in destinate circumstances in the swamps of Arkansas. The material aid to these beck ple has come from their own Southern brothers. Mr. Parham seems to think that he might be called upon to help raise the amount of money named, but he need not bother himself, if he will

He will not be sought to aid these people, for it is evident from the tone of his letter that he is not in sympathy with his own people at home or abroad. He says that Negro conventions for the last twenty years have been failures, and do not bring ten cents worth of good in advancing the interests of the Negro politically or otherwise. This assertion is not prov. en, for it is known that all conventions held by Negroes in the United States, of a national character, have resulted in good. For instance, the National League had its tendency of cementing n union between the Negroes to an extent never before known

Whatever might have been the motives of callers of previous conventions, and the advantages they gained this should not persuade Mr. Parham to wade into the callers of this convention, because the race has never before been possessed with a desire for national protection as at present. Instead of fighting the movement, Mr. Parham should fall in line and do what he can to assist the American government to bring about justice and protection to this class of offended vention man is not a money-giver; We should like to ask Mr. Parham how much money he has ever given to charitable objects of a similar nature. How dare he criticize the gifts of others when he hoards his own wealth as a miser. Mr. Parlam must learn to be generous as well as just. He says. "Conventions of politicians, inflammatory speeches, foolish, fiery resolutions, will not put an end to these troubles." Mr. Parham fails to make himself clearly understood, for he says in the next sentence that "we should say something and do that'something." "To fold our hands and do nothing, would stamp us as curs, unworthy of citizenship." We fails to understand where Mr. Parham wishes us to say something if not in a convention; where he wishes us to do something, if not where we can be

The proposed convention does not counsel war nor an appeal to arms. but it does propose to reach the ears of the thinking American public, and inthis way appeal to conscience and the great law of right for protection. In the language of Frederick Douglass. "We believe that justice has not entirely fled from the United States."

Cincinnati, O., April 28.

FEMININITIES.

If you want a good husband, don't be too anxious to find one who is hand-Of all things in the world that are

'better late than never," going to bed

certainly ranks first. A publisher announces a new work entitled, "He Always Pleased His

Wife." It is a work of friction. An Italian woman living in New York has, during her 18 years of mar-

ried life, given birth to 13 children. It is reported that a woman in the South Mountains, N. C., yesterday gave birth to a child on her 70th birthday.

First small boy- What does your ma do when you lie to her?" Second small boy-"She tells pop I take after him." There are now about two hundred

American ladies who practice law in the courts or manage legal publications. If a man is selfish, getting married will not cure him of it. The same will

not always hold true in regard to * woman. If a young man is always talking about himself, it will save you a great

deal of trouble to let some other woman She, enthusiastically-"Oh. George. don't you think the greatest joy in life

am here for." It is unaccountable that a man should take mustard suppers, drink beer, smoke rank cigars, tell strong anecdotes, and

likes to kiss him. The Nicaraguan government is making the most liberal offers to intending coffee growers. It gives to a married man 240 acres, to a single man 190

His sister-"Had you heard that Laura Figg's pug has run away?" He-"Well, what of it?" His sister-"Oh, nothing, only I thought that if you in-

is the pursuit of the good, the true and the beautiful?" He--"That's what I

then imagine some nice little woman

acres of good coffee ground.

and administered the sacrament of Bentley, proprietor of a billiard half, baptism.

is in jail charged with attempted mur.

stairs offices in the building are rent. woman's heart is often caught on the ed by white lawyers and brokers.

W. S. Tisde le, Manager.

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Church Directory.

Union Baptist Church, Mound and Richmond Streets. Morning services, 11 a. m. Sunday school, 9 3) a. m. Evening service, 7.30 p. m Prayer meeting, Monday night. Willing Workers, Tuesday night.

Scown Chape', Park Avenue and Chapel, Walnut Hill. Morning service, 11. a. m. Sunday school, 9.35 Evening service, 7.80. Rev. Chasies Bundy, Pastor. Joseph L. Jones, Superintendent Sunday school.

Allen Temple, A. M. E. Church, Sixth and Broadway. J. W. Gazaway, Pastor. General prayer meeting, 6. a. m. Surday school, 9. a. m. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 8.30 p. m. Y. M C.A. meeting, 3.30 p. m. Class meetings, Sunday, 1 p. m. and Tuesdays at 8 p. m. Official meeting, Wednesday, 8 p. m. General prayer on Tuesdays, 8 p. m., Public generally are in vited to attend,

Zon Baptist Church, Ninth Street, mear John Street. Rev. A. W. Puller, Pastor. Morning service, 11 a. m. Sunday school, 9.80 a. m Evening service, 7.30 a. m. General prayer meting, Wednesday, 8 p. m. Literary society Monday, 8 p' m,

PERSONAL MENTION.

Dr. J. H. Garnett, of Louisville, Ky., president of the Kentucky State university, was in the city a few days last week on business.

Col. Robt. Harlan, Hon. Wm. Copeland and Perry Asbury are attending the state convention at Cleveland this week.

Geo. W. Hance, of Hamilton, Ohio. and Alonzo Pierson, of New Orleans, La. ore registered at White Bros.' restaurant.

The "Grand Fair," given by the trustees and lady managers of the colored orphan asylum, opened Monday night very tamely. The program announced that Wm. H. Parham and Mayor Mosby would be present and deliver addresses. We noticed Mr. Parham present, but his honor did not materialize. Tuesday night was Church and Orphan night. We noticed one pastor, Rev. A. W. Puller, present, but did not see one orphan asylum). The crowd was somewhat larger than on Tuesday night. Wednessure night the U. B. F. lodges in the city were present and, be it said to their credit, the number present was greatly increased. Thursday night was K. of P. night, and the two loiges and divisions, in uniform, were in attendance, and their friends also. and the receipts were larger than upon any previous evening. Friday evening will be Odd Fellows' night, and Saturday night will be Club and Citizens' night, and grand finale.

It will be one year on the 9th of May since White Bros. launched into business. Their restaurant and bakery has been a great success and surpassed their expectations. The en-tire house has been refitted and an ice cream department has been added, and on May 9th they propose to give their first grand anniversary dinner. Particulars, bill of fare, etc., will be announced in the Plaindealer next

Zenith Court, No. 46, Independent Order of Calanthe, held their annual election of officers last Tuesday evening at their hall, 195 W. Fifth street. Th efollowing officers were elected: John S. Fielding, W. C.: Mrs. Francis Tillman, W. I.; Mrs. Elmira Sanders, W. Inspector; Mrs. Mattie Mosely, W. 0.: Mrs. Mary Countee, R. of D.: Mrs. Vesta Tate, S. D.: Mrs. Cassie Smith, J. D.: Mrs. Anna Robinson, W. E. The election was not completed on account of the introduction at this juncture, of other business, which caused some heated argument, and on account of the lateness of the hour the meeting adjourned. The election will be resumed at next meeting.

The pro tem body of Knights of Tabor will hold their meeting next Monday evening at 58 E. Seventh street. C. Robinson, chairman. George W. Hayes was in Columbus,

O., last week, on business. Mr. John Bullock, of Louisville, spent last Saturday and Sunday in the city, the guest of his friend, Mr. C. R.

The many friends of Burt J. Travis will be pained to learn of his serious

illness at his home. Mrs. Nellie Cunningham, nee Doll, of Chillicothe, O., returned to her home last Saturday, after having spent a plemeant visit as the guest of Mr. and

Mrs. Fred Doll. L H. Wilson and Harry L. Lewis spent last Sunday in Columbus, in the interests of Pythianism. The Grand

lacke of Ohio will convene there in James Montgomery buried two bright members of his family last week, of whooping cough. Mr. Montgomery and family have the sympa-

this of a large circle of friends. The Palace laundry, whose advertisement you will see in another column, executes excellent work. They

deliver through their agents promptly Give them a call. The promenade concert given last night under the auspices of Rising Star Locke, No. 6, U. B. F., at Ayon

hall, Avondale, was a "hummer." A good crowd was present, and every one enjoyed themselves. The commit-tee composed of Wm. Tibbs, Henry Pierce, Daniel McSmith, John Washington, W. B. Young and Nelson Trihis deserve great credit for the sucerm of the affair.

Rufna Terry, of, May street, Walnut Hills, died very suddenly last There

church.

Mr. and Mrs. William Copeland had as their guests last week, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Morris, of Louisville,

At the regular meeting of Shining Light Tabernacle, No. 79, the following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing term: Chief Septor, Mrs. M. Johnson; Vice Septor, Mrs. D. Scott; Chief Priestess, Mrs. Josephine Creek; Chief Recorder, Mrs. Mary Rob-Outer Sentinel, William Haskins.

Mesers. Walter Stanton and W. T. Sinthecome are associated with Ernest Ouborn in the supply department of the Big Four R. R. office. the members of class No. 1, at Al-

len Temple Sunday school, met at the residence of the widow of the late Alfred Cox, their beloved teacher, and presented the family with a set of resolutions, beautifully enrolled and framed, extending the sympathies of the young men of the class to the bereaved family. Mr. W. D. Johnson made the presentation address, and remarks were made by Messrs. Ed Roots, Clarence Travis, Horace Shorter and John Dixon. Prof. Alfred Quarles furnished the music. Mrs. Cox responded to the presentation in a few well-chosen words.

The annual meeting of the trustees of the orphan asylum will be held at Zion Baptist church next Monday evening at 7:30, at which time three sionary purposes on Easter Sunday. trustees will be elected. The terms of Meesrs. Davenport, Early and Webb expire. It is also expected that the committee appointed by the meeting held last month, of which W. B. Ross is chairman, will be ready with a report of a careful examination of the books, etc. Those who expect to be heard upon this occasion must pay their annual dues, which are \$1 for gentlemen and 50 cents for ladies, payable on or before the 2nd prox. All who are interested in the orphans should not fail to be present and pay their dues.

The beautiful rooms of the Emery hotel are again underthe control of a colored crew. The white waiters went out on a strike last Saturday and colored waiters were immediately rushed in and took their places. The affair was entirely under the supervision of Mr. John Miller, the popuhead-waiter of the Palace hotel.

The annual May Fair will open at Zion Baptist church May 9, and continue 10 days. Next Tuesday evening the Young People's Liquidating club will give their entertainment, known as Mrs. Jarley's Wax Works. All are invited. Full particulars of the May festival will appear in these columns next week.

Dr. J. E. Hunter and his very estimable lady were in the city last week,

en route to Lebanon. Mrs. Eliza Page and Delia Hill attended quarterly meeting at Lockland last Sabbath.

Mrs. May L. Roberts was elected Chief Priestess at the regular election of Shining Light Tabernacle. H. T. Jackson spent last Sunday is

Ripley, O., the guest of his family.

J. T. Broadnax, the only Afro-American attending the Eclectic Medical college, is spending a few days in Nashville, Tenn., on a business trip. W. H. Anderson, the rising young politician of the Twentieth ward, has been appointed to a trusted position

under Col. McClung. The Iolanthe Social club will give a grand calico hop, May 20, at Dex-

Walnut Hill Notes.

Miss A. C. Johnson read a very interesting and instructive paper before the Walnut Hills Missionary society last Sunday.

Garnett Building and Loan association has several subscribers on Walnut Hills, but there might be and should be many more. It meets at White's, No. 297 W. Fifth street. Persons who do not care to attend the meetings can have their books attended to by one of the following directors, who live on Walnut Hills: A. J. DeHurt, Wm. H. Parham, P. M. Hardiu, H. M. Higgins, H. G. Ward, Hartwell Parham, Jos. L. Jones.

Master Albert Smith is our carrier, and is ready to deliver your paper regularly each Saturday. We have come to stay, and desire one hundred subscribers on the Hill.

There are four colored churches on Walnut Hills, almost within a stone's throw of each other, and the dissenting members of the First Baptist church have organized a fifth. The old adage and scriptural saying, that a house divided against itself cannot stand, has probably given rise to this new organization, notvethstanding another fact equally true which stares us in the face and reads, "In union there is strength." Whatever may be the causes which have led to these church troubles, we think they should be adjusted in a Christ-like manner and thus set a proper example before the future church. One Lord, one faith, one baptism, and we add, one church. In reading the Times-Star of April

25th, my eyes rested on the following: Angelica, N. Y. April 25.-A man whose name was in the mouth of every slave during the stirring times of the war, is ending his days in com-parative poverty. In days long past he was known as a man of remarkable courage, who suffered much and denied himself much for the welfare of the Negro element. His name is Calvin Fairbank, with reverend as a prelix. Some years before the war he was arrested in Kentucky, his native state, for assisting slaves to escape into Ohio; was convicted and sentenced to twenty years of hard labor in the penitentiary. Of this term he served some seventeen years, during which he received thousands of lashes upon his bare back. Finally a pardon came to him through the intervention of Abraham Lipcoln. To-day he is penniless, and all the lipcoln his behalf has been issued by the well known chaplain C. C. McCabe. The latter has published an autobiography of the old man, and made him a present of 1.500 copies. With the returns from the sales of these, it is believed that another \$1,500 will place him beyond the reach of want for the rest of his life, and this amount is all

that is being saked for.

Now I ask, is there not something

Sunday afternoon from the Baptist | their appreciation of the services and | to speak what they believe to be right | Fire for the proper regard of self but there are many now living here | land Gazette, they are fighting for the | true man. and there throughout the states who race. We are not a bit jealous of eican testify of some of this man's deeds, ther of these papers. We would be and it would seem as if the most obscure and poverty-stricken individual, who has even a few drops of African blood coursing through his veins, would hasten with his mite to alleviate the distress of this tried friend of the race. Such a case should inson; Chief Treasurer, Mrs. Anna elicit the most profound sympathy Scott; Inside Sentinel, Anna Robinson; and gratitude of every Negro in the land.

Miss Laura Wells has returned from New Richmond, where she sang in honor of the first colored graduate in the New Richmond mixed schools, Miss Alice Paxton.

Elder R. G. Mortimer is still circulating among friends on the Hills. Miss May Weaver, teacher of Avondale school, is still quite ill at her home on Willow street. Miss A. C.

Johnson is her substitute. Mrs. Mary E. Langley, nee Fry, a former resident of Walnut Hills, died at Dayton, and was buried on Monday

Mrs. Fanny Parker, nee Fry, is quite

ill at her home in Brooklyn, N. Y. Mrs. Andrew Roberts is seriously ill at her home on Westminster avenue. Brown Chapel Sunday school scholars were given a party by the teachers and officers of the school, for their efforts for collecting money for mis-Walker Ward, son of Mrs. Josephine

Ward, is convalescent. Monday evening, May 9th, promises to be the most interesting of the May fair. Miss Minnie Armstrong is the manager, and promises something en-

tirely novel. The installation of officers of the United Daughters of Friendship will take place at Brown chapel, April Dr. DeHart will install the of-

ficers. The dissenting members of the First Baptist church met on Thursday evening at the residence of Mr. Dickerson, and organized a new church. Mr. and Mrs. Reebottom, of Jack-

sonville, Fla., are the guests of Mrs. S. G. Jones, 86 Chapel street. Mrs. Geo. Bartlett is on the sick Miss Jennie Owens has joined the

Jennie Jackson Concert company. Mr. Ford Stith was elected by an overwhelming majority over Mr. John Owens at last Friday's election, for state delegate.

Stand Corrected.

Editor Plaindealer:

Permit me to correct a mistake published in your paper stating that the A. M. E. church is the only colored organization supporting foreign missions in Africa. The colored Baptists have an organization known as the Foreign Missionary Convention of the United States, which has been doing foreign mission work in Africa for a number of years. They have sent to Africa Revs. Cole and wife, Cowley and wife. Prestly and wife, Dr. Scoles and sister, and several others. They have several mission stations and are do-

ing a grand work. Any person doubting the truthfulness of these statements can get the facts, doings and history of the abovenamed organization by writing Rev. Joseph E. Jones, D. D., Corresponding Secretary, Foreign Missionary Convention of the United States, 520 St. James street, Richmond, Va.

Yours very truly. Aaron W. Puller. Pastor Zion Baptist church, Cincinnati, Ohio.

HERE AND THERE.

"Politics is mighty unsartin," says one of the characters in "Bricks Without Straw," but there are many witnesses to the veracity of this expression to-day. Sure things in politics generally result as do sure tips on the race course. Verily, experience doth teach many things.

The nomination of Mayor John B. Mosby as Presidential elector from the first district may be the "straw that will break the camel's back" with the colored vote in this state

next fall. Hon. George H. Jackson was selected as alternate from the second district by the convention last Satur-

The hotly contested election in the second ward last Friday for delegate to the state convention resulted in the triumphant selection of Ford Stith over John M. Owen. Mayor Mosby's interest in this election was an opportunity for his opponents to show their hand. The people of the second ward are to be congratulated. Keep-

For twenty years past Col. Robert Harlan has been elected as delegate to state conventions from the sixth ward. But this year the tables were turned, and last Friday Henry Johnson was elected delegate in his stead. The colonel was with the Shermanites and the administration.

We publish this week the prize essay read by Miss Mary L. Ward, at the oratorical contest recently. Our patrons should read it closely and learn what sublimity there is in humility. Next week's issue will contain the "Turning Points of Life." by Miss Artemesia Johnson, of Court street school.

The Plaindealer can always be obtained from the several news stands named in another column. Those who fail to receive their paper regularly should notify the manager at 158 W. Sixth street at once.

What They Think.

From the American Catholic Tribune. The Cincinnati correspondent of the Cleveland Gazette says, "home pride ought to decide whether the Ohio or Michigan publication should have the support of Cincinnati's Afro-Americana." Awdar as we are concerned. we are very well satisfied with the support given the American Catholic Tribune by the Afro-Americans of Cincinnati, and if the people of this city know a good thing when they see it, they will andoubtedly purchase copies of the Plaindealer and subscribe for it whenever occasion presents itself. The Pinindealer is a strong paper, well edited and stands upon a broad, high plane. Its editors and managers are fearless and courageous day night, of asthma. He was buried the colored people can do to show men, daring to do the right; daring

glad to see them have a more extenelve circulation in Cincinnati than they have ever yet been able to obtain; and if there is anything that we can do to increase their circulation, we shall certainly endeasure to do that particular thing. We thank the Gazette man for his mention of "home pride," but we believe that we are periectly able to hold our own in the journalistic field with any other papers that may see fit to establish branch offices, agencies or correspondents in this city. We have always felt as we feel to-day, that if there were 40,000 papers published by the race, even if they were all printed in Cincinnati, we would not be the first to cry, "Hold, enough!" Let the Plaindealer come; let it strike its sledge hammer blows against oppression, and the wider the circulation, the more effective will be the blows. All hall to the Gazette! Let it come among us fighting for manhood rights, as it has always done, and we will welcome it as we would a broth-

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The Prize Essay.

The following is the prize essay delivered at Zion Baptist church, April 15, 1892, by Miss Mary L. Ward:

THE SUBLIMITY OF HUMILITY. Perhaps of all characteristics displayed upon the arena of life, there is none so seldom exhibited, desired and imitated as is the one we know as humility.

We think, why so seldom exhibited from lack of possession, why so seldom desired because of its supposed debasing effect upon the human being, and why so seldom imitated because it is difficult to imitate.

May we but cast a moment's reflection upon the vast numbers of imitated accomplishments and appearances and contrast them with the true spirit of humility, we can conjecture a slight idea of the utter impossibility of imitating this tribute of human nature in its true sense. This great world of ours is well inhabited by wonderful pretendens, whose chief desire is to assume the appearance of the possession of some qualifications by which they may seem benefitted.

In some instances we think ourselves too humble, and in others not enough so; but we feel safe to say that the term of itself, humility is not properly understood by the bulk of humanity, and accepting the common interpretation of the word, we plod through life with this mistaken idea, only to realize at some time, probably too late, our great ignorance. While we do claim some persons void of this spirit, we do believe it to be be a spirit that can to a greater or less extent be cultivated and improv-

The brain, the great organ of the mind, is the controlling power in this trait, and man, the highest order of animals, who receives the title, "Lord of Creation," for his superiority over other classes, is capable of exercising this organ.

When we can secure the will power to act in accordance with the dictations of the brain, then, when rightly known, can we realize the magnanimity, purity and sublimity of hu-

When thinking of the term, humility, and its attendant sublimeness, we cannot but recall the example of the Saviour, whom we may rightly accept as the model for humility. We think of his great humility when we remember the varied accusations. threats and actions towards Him, and even at the very moment when he meekly bowed his head to the hour of crucifixion, which has been so beaufifully illustrated in Him, as a "lamb dumb before his shearers." and can find no grander expression for this demonstration of love for enemies than to say it was the most sublime ex-

pression of humility. To think of humility as something sublime seems to most of us erroneous; but ere more shall follow in this, let us understand that within and through this casement of flesh and bone is a living power which is the controller of all external demonstrations. Let us know and believe that the many varied outward expressions are but the result of a vast process of machinery within the system: and for these reasons let us remember that of one dust are all men created equal and breathe an earnest prayer to see ourselves as we are seen.

He is an extremely selfish person who lives only for self and finds among the many thousands with whom he comes in contact from time to time, that he has no attribute in common with them, which he perhaps might help cultivate or improve. And yet we can meet such. We can count by scores those who are unwilling to say an extra word, walk an settle step or lend a helping hand if they deem, in any way it will help a brother in need. Oh, brother a brother for need. or sister, if this is your condition and you have no reason why you think it right, save as an act of revenge, Moten to the voice of Him who says "Vengeance is mine," and let the sweet voice of duty prompt and guide you to cast aside self and feel once the eflect of being an example of humility. By nature man is inclined to be selftab, appropriant and determined, and for these halities we feel to be proud. We MEALS AT ALL HOURS. think a man devoid of an eager de-

untold sufferings of this grand old at any and all times and in all circum- is in need of some of the finer qualifiman in their behalf? I have no doubt stances. Like the editors of the Cleve- cations which serve to constitute a

Our only fear is that we may acquire these qualities to an excess, for we are warned by the Book of Books "With all thy wiedom get understand-Let not our wealth, position iner." or conditions of this world's goods compel us to lose sight of that qualdty, humility. We can think of nothing in the material world but what has had its beginning, and to whatever extent the state of man may be elevated in this life, let him strive to be honest to self, know self, and overcome the creeping tide of conceit. In fact, let us understand that to what ever extent the line of duty may elevate or lower the external man, the physical man remains unchanged. Humility is not lowering one's self,

but on the contrary is an elevating of one's self to the highest extent of human understanding. Of the true motives and intents of the mind only One is cognizant, and by what we do and say the world forms its estimate. We feel that duty is one command which should always demand our most immediate attention, and whether the path of duty be strewn with flowers or thorns, let us attempt it with the consciousness that all will be well. Our lives are short probationary periods, and while the life blood courses our veins and the flights of reason are not dethroned, let us bow in humble submission to the direct commands of duty, that when weighed in the balance we shall not be found wanting. May we ever remember that life is but a strand in the hands of a mighty Maker, which, when He is willing. He breaks from its support and naught can we do. but submit.

Let us believe what feeble beings we are, and when viewing our type of humility, may we realize the real sublimity of humility when he wrote: When I survey the wondrous cross On which the Prince of Glory died, My richest gain I count but loss.

And pour contempt on all my pride. Were the whole realm of nature mine. That were an offering far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all." April 15, 1892.

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THE REAL SITUATION.

Mr. Lawrence Hutton in Harper's for May contrasts two scenes taken from the works of the modern authors, Wm. D. Howells and Grace King, exemplifying the light in which two Afro-Americans, at least, view their own condition. Mr. Howells tells of an old woman who, having said to the heart-broken heroine, "The Lawd kin do anything," answered the demand, "Then, what does He leave you black for, when he could make you white?" by saying, "I reckon He don't think it's worth while, if he can make me willing to be black so easy."

On the other hand, Miss Grace King relates how a young octoroon poured forth to the old care-taker of the cemetery her wild longings that she might die and be transformed in the resurrection, "All white-white limbs, white face, white wings, white clothes"so that she could not be distinguished from the rest and spurned and trampled upon and "turned out."

We must unwillingly agree with Mr. Hutton when he says "such widely opposite views of the great social problem of the day" are taken by the Negroes of different sections. We furthermore believe (and this Mr. Hutton did not touch upon) that both situations disclose phases of Afro-American character which make the problem less capable of immediate solution. The exhibition of perfect faith in her Master displayed by the old woman is very beautiful, infinitely touching and Christ-like, but one feels with it not only the willingness to be black, but the willingness to be poor and lowly, to be servile even to slavishness to be indolent and slothful, to be undesirous of a better life, to be unappreciative of the beauties of the greatin the lowest stratum of humanity with the simple but deluded faith that thereby God's will is done. One sees therein a semblance of christian authority for inactivity that is un-Christ-like and altogether contrary to the spirit of modern civilization. It bears the ear-marks of a still existing obedience to the ancient laws of caste. inborn and hence hard to uproot, although the grubbing is an absolute necessity. It is essentially the doctrine of the little-caring, and consequently a dangerous one for Afro-Americans to follow.

Not less dangerous is the bitter feeling of despair shown by the younger, discontented woman, who almost cursed her lot, and could see no hope, no light ahead, no salvation, save in the absolute loss of identity; whose lacerated heart turned longingly to the time of the resurrection when she should, she hoped, be made like unto her Master and his angels who were "pure white," of course, was a

There are many Afro-Americans like this poor woman. To them the future is dark and gloomy, the present a living torment. To them the circle of the black man's possibilities in this world is so small, so constrained and hemmed in seemingly by unconquerable walls against which he may vainlybatter until he becomes bitter and blasphemous.

In their righteous rejection of a white man's God, they declare there is no God, forgetting that He whose attributes are Love, Mercy, Wisdom, Omnipresence and Omnipotence can no more be a white man's than a black

The discontent which Miss King portrays is unhealthy, the chafing of a diseased mind. It displays petulance, impatience; the presence of too much to in the soul, and moreover her eathan to help remove it. Just as many unworthy Afro-Americans are to-day passing for white in this country, so that they may escape ostracism and

The Plaindealer does not believe that either of these characteristics prevails among Afro-Americans. By far the majority of them realise the ntter futility of bewailing the untoward circumstances of their birth, but their belief in the ultimate triumph of their race over mistortune, in the final efficacy of self-help and selfertion, in their possibility to grow and expand even as others grow and expand, is strong and certain, and their willingness to be black is most decidedly not a willingness to be the patient and uncomplaining pack horse

The election in Louisiana has resultest to favor of one of the factions of Me Democratic party as has usually

the result ever since the period of carrying the election by intimidation was inaugurated in that state. What little show the Republican party had was nullified by factional disturbances in its own ranks. In truth, the Republican party never had a show in carrying the state, and the Plaindealer can see no excuse for the favorable comments of the associated press and the apparently hopeful terms and terms and positive assertions made by the party organs of each faction in New Orleans, in claiming a victory for their candidate. It does seem to the Plaindealer that if these organs had refrained from their campaign of vituperation against each other, and made the same effort to overcome the common enemy and show the true condition that existed in the parishes some good would have resulted from their labors. What chance had Republicanism under the reign of terrorism, and where people are forbidden under peril to keep open their schools or to take Republican newspapers? Republican party leaders might just as well give up hope now from ever carrying a Southern state while such conditions are in vogue as now exist there, and their true work lies in overcoming these conditions.

The suit brought by the citizens' committe of New Orleans against the separate car law has met with its first delay. A decision from the judge to whom it was referred was expected coon. What his decision would have been is not known, as he is now numbered with the "great majority." The Crusader in its last issue has the following in regard to the case:

"As we go to press, a report comes that Judge Marr, of the criminal district court, who mysteriously disappeared on election day, was found dead somewhere up town. Judge Marr had under advisement the plea filed by Judge Walker against the conetitutionality of the separate car law in the case vs. Prof. Desdunes, charged with a violation of that law, and his decision was expected shortly."

The Plaindealer does not care from what quarter that influence will go out which will serve to create such a healthful public sentiment as will cause the abolition of the injustices committed against the Afro-American. It makes no difference whether white or black men lead, so that both are concerned, for these outrages are things that affect the whole people. Retribution is one of the great laws of the universe, and they who commit wrongs and they who by their silence acquiesce in them, will be repaid in kind.

The reputed lynching at Millersburg, Ohio, duly chronicled in the Plaindealer, which was afterwards reported to be a hoax, is again given the coloring of a fact by correspondence which appears elsewhere in this issue of the Plaindealer. The Plaindealer has no reason to doubt the veracity of the correspondent, and would suggest that in view of the various reports that have gone out, that a thorough investigation be made. If the lynching be a fact, the duty of the authorities is plain. The violators of the law should be apprehended, tried and convicted, according to the laws of the state.

A convention of Afro-American Republicans has been called to meet in Chicago, June 4tn. Something is in

From now until the convention at Minneapolis, every Afro-American journal and prominent citizen should use their efforts to bring the Republican party back to its true principles. Questions of the tariff and silver coinage are overshadowing the principles of liberty, and the protection of the citizen in his privileges is likely to become subordinate to questions of business. Against this the manhood of all true Republicans should enter a strong protest, and the present party leaders must learn that this policy cannot be endorsed without inflicting serious injury upon the party. Any candidate foisted upon the party, whose efforts have been to elevate business interests above a free election, will not meet with more than lukewarm support.

The state convention in Michigan was a most harmonious affair. Everything went off smoothly. There were no contests, and the name of every man presented as delegate to Minneapolis was endorsed. Michigan this year sends an Afro-American as an alternate, in the person of John J. Evans, of Battle Creek. One of the resolutions passed was that of urging upon the National convention the renewal of the pledge made in 1888, to pass such legislation as will secure free elections, a measure that was betrayed by Western senators for free

Sometimes a panacea for what has been considered an incurable ill lies right at hand while it is sought in channels considered more scientific. Dr. Koch's lymph as a cure for consumption has proven a failure, while using chlorine as a lung disinfectant, sp.practiced by Dr. Shurly, also gives unsatisfactory results. This week the Scientific American declares that creosote given in small doses cures tuberculosis, which is the worst form of law-breakers of New York and the lung trouble. Many a man who has suffered with the toothache has used what might have saved him from death had he known its curative properties.

STUDY PLUTAROH.

It would be well if every reader of the Plaindealer would cut out Plutarch's article of last week, and make it a subject of study and contemplation. It would strengthen the young man just from college, who has dreamed that this after life is to be one of ease, if not of luxury. How sadly that dream is shattered when he finds his struggle for a place, for a name, even for a comfortable living has just begun. It ought to be interesting to the few that one meets who consider that worth consists in appearances. And as careful study of the article will certainly benefit those who have the big head, who think their attainments so precious that they must be bought, coddled and praised, or they are not appreciated.

It could also be read with profit by those who stay at home for their personal comfort, and rail at the shortcomings of their race of this generation. Who imagine everything and and everybody but themselves are going to the "demnition bowwows," yet raise no hand to stay the tide of

Last week the news columns of our contemporaries told of the sacrifice of a young white girl of pre-eminent ability, who had spent ten years in teaching Afro-Americans and Indians without one cent of compensation. How many of our boys and girls are giving one day, one Sunday, to the uplifting of their fellow-men? What one is using his talents for the benefit of his people without pay? . Yet this very question will determine the influence and quality of the coming man and woman. If to-day the standing of every man and woman in a community was measured by the good he is doing for the community, a number would be surprised to see how low in the scale of beneficiaries they stand. How can one expect his surroundings to be better than he makes them? The Plaindealer is sorry to chronicle that this article applies to the young men and women of this city as well as to those of places a thousand miles

THE LOUISIANA PLAN.

Now that factional disturbances exist in Louisiana the republic may. from Democratic sources, learn how elections are carried on in that state. Charges of fraud are numerous bearing upon the last state election. Those rock-ribbed, Negro-hating journals, the Times-Democrat and Picayune, print whole columns of matter to show the means by which large majorities were rolled up for Foster. In fact, they charge that these majorities were determined beforehand, and that it would have made no material difference how the will of the people of the state was expressed, the same majorities would have been announced. To some of our Northern people such a proceeding may seem strange, but it is by just such means that the elections have been carried in that state since 1876, when President Hayes, laboring under a misapprehension of what real needs were necessary to make the people of the South good citizens, yielded up the state to the Democratic party.

On the other hand, Republican factions are bitter. Breaux, the candidate of the faction endorsed by the administration, of which Warnouth is the virtual head, wasn't in it with Leonard, but his candidacy detracted from Republican strength and serious charges are preferred. The quarrel has made enemies against President Harrison in that state.

Florida Republicans have decided to not put a state or national ticket in the field this fall. This is a pretty state of things, isn't it, when a party numerically the strongest in the state dares not put a ticket in the field and make an active canvass. If the national government has not power to protect its citizens, the sooner the proper legislation is passed giving to it such authority, the better.

Just why a few man and journals have been so bitter in their denunciations of Dr. Parkhurst, is inexplicable. Because he visited certain places of iniquity and exposed them he has been put almost in the light of a criminal. As the Plaindealer sees it, Dr. Parkhurst stands out pre-eminently as a man of strong convictions and sterling qualities. Evil was rampant, and the paid guardians of the peace openly received fees for giving license to vice. Already Dr. Parkhurst's labors are bearing fruit. It is too often the case that the world's greatet benefactors are howled down on some technical issue, real or fancied, that is foreign to nuisances to be abated. There are too many people who are willing to decree that whatever is popular is right. Instead of attacking | try.

evil in high places, they attack the methods of those fearless enough to assail it. There is no doubt that the stultified officers who have countenanced crime for a consideration, are losing more sleep than Dr. Parkhurst over the onelaughts of his critics.

An exchange epeaks very enthusiastically of the triumphs of surgery as a science, and then goes on to enumerate what it has accomplished in restoring portions of the body lost by disease or accident. The name of the surgeon, however, that will outshine all others, is he that can put a new conscience in the heart of the bourbon, or honesty in the purposes of David B. Hill.

The Republicans of Florida do not prescribe the same elixir for their ills as the Republicans of Texas. In Florida they refuse to put up a state ticket until they are guaranteed a free vote. On the other hand the white Republicans have organized an exclusive party. No doubt to control federal patronage is their sole object,

OUR CONTEMPORARIES.

The Washington Pilot has enlarged, and is now using the Afro-American service.

The Southern Tribune, of Staunton, Va., celebrated its first anniversary week before last, and issued a supplement as an extra.

The Memphis Reflector, patterning after the Free Speech, comes to us printed on pink paper.

What has become of the Americus? The Plaindealer has seen only the first

The Boston Republican rejoices in a new dress obtained from the Dickinson type foundry. The Plaindealer is glad to notice these evidences of success on the part of the Rpublican, for it has a pleasing recollection of its editor, J. Gordon Sweet, who made his debut in journalism as the Plaindealer's Boston correspondent.

It is amusing to see the efforts made by the Springfield Eye, the New Age, the Chicago Bee, and other journals of independent proclivities, to shift the blame for all offenses committed against the Afro-American upon the Republican party.

Week before last the American Citizen took some special correspondence out of the Plaindealer, changed the heading a little, made the article appear as if addressed to the American Citizen, and printed the correspondence in toto, typographical errors and

Colored Republicans will remember in the coming presidential campaign that the lynch law has prevailed under the rule of a Republican president for the last 15 or 20 years.-Spring-

Afro-Americans will remember that these advocates of lynch law were Democrats, in states under Democratic control from Governor down to the lowest municipal officer, including the courts. These offenses come under the jurisdiction of the state. The states make no effort to stop the outrages, hence all blame must be borne by them, and as they are controlled by Democrats, Democrats are responsible for lynch law.

The Statesman has enlarged, and presents a very fine appearance every way. It is an earnest and aggressive paper, and while the Plaindealer differs from it on many subjects, it can not help but admire its earnestness and steadfastness of purpose in advocating such measures as it thinks will best redound to the Afro-American. Recently the Plaindealer credited the Statesman as being in favor of free coinage, and in vigorous, if not choice, language, it denies the impeachment. The Plaindealer stands corrected.

The New Orleans Crusader has changed its form from a five-column quarto to a six-column folio.

The Petersburg Herald is making a vigorous campaign against the Honorable John M. Langston, and prefers some serious charges against him.

SNAP SHOTS.

Random Thoughts by our Special Correspondent in the Far Northwest.

The Plaindealer, the New York Age. the Richmond Planet, the Cleveland Gazette, and all the other promoters of the Afro-American League in noting the reply of President Harrison to the New York delegation of Afro-Americans, who called upon him in regard to the outrages perpetrated upon members of the race in the South, can score a point by calling the attention of these self-same leaders to the fact that in advising them "to collect in detail the facts concerning the lynchings in the South for a year and present them to him and to the public press." President Harrison but advised along the line upon which the Afro-American League was founded, as that was one of the main objects the origmators of the League had in view in its organization.

Now that his excellency, the President, has advised them upon the League idea, it is to be hoped that they will get together and carry out the summestions, and that such a strong sentiment will be created as shall make the organizations among them powerful factors in obtaining justice throughout the entire coun-

The Afro-American League could have well performed the work mapped out for it by its originator, advised by the Afro-American press, and now, three years later, suggested by President Harrison. We have got to get together if we ever expect to accomplish anything for the material advancement of the race, and the Afro-American League idea is by far the best plan of organization before the people to-day.

Mr. A. H. Roberts, formerly of Ann Arbor and Kalamazoo, Mich., and at one time the correspondent of the Plaindealer at the latter place, is now located in Chicago. He is one of the progressive young representatives of the race, and is pursuing a course of study at the Union Law school of Chicago.

Three years ago, when the Spalding house at Duluth was ready for its elevator system, Mr. C. T. Pointer. then in the employ of the Ellithorpe Air Brake company of Chicago, and stationed at Minneapolis, was sent to take charge and put in the new plant. which he did in such a manner as to gain for himself and his company many compliments from the business men and the press of that city. Mr. Pointer is a first-class machinist, having learned his trade with H. H. Scovil of Chicago. He is a Michigander, hailing from St. Joe, in the western part of that state. He is now in business for himself at Duluth, and is scoring a success putting in elevators and engines. He handles the passenger elevator of a Detroit concern, and is proud of the Wolverine state.

I met him in St. Paul last week, and he showed me that he had joined the fast growing ranks of Afro-American inventors. He was taking orders for his latest new device, a combination of a screw, a nut and a disk which he called a billiard table jack. The jacks are made of brass and are designed to be attached to the legs of the table so that it can be leveled at any time by the use of a small wrench. It has been pronounced by expert billfardiets as "just the thing needed." Mr. Pointer conceived the idea for such a device but a few weeks ago while superintending some work at one of the "swell club houses," the Northwest, and noting the difficulty the manager of the billiard room experienced in keeping his tables level.

"Dot leedle German band," with its ta-ra-ra boom-ta-ra, is not in it with the Florida Orphans' band, composed of 17 little Afro-American orphan boys, ranging in age from nine to thirteen years. Rev. Dr. Sherwood, an evangelist of Pensacola, Fla., organized the band about two years ago, and is now touring through the North with his little musicians. Under the direction of Mr. W. H. Pickle. who hails from Tennessee, the boys render some very creditable selections, and attract large crowds in street parades. It is said they will sail for Europe in June.

W. H. Monroe, at 486 State street. Chicago, has handled the Plaindealer since its first issue years ago. His place of business is favorably located, and he does a driving trade in all the periodicals of the day.

At any suggestion from the North that the Afro-American South be accorded fair play, protected in his rights or be given an opportunity for a fair trial for any violations of the extreme laws of the South, the Southern bourbon cries: "Hands off!" "Let us alone!" and the "best citizens" of the South proceed with their lynching bees, while the Southern governors remain silent or order out the state troops to intimidate and shoot down any who may protest too loudly against such outrages.

Now mark the cheek of two of these Southern bourbon governors in asking that the cattlemen from their states, who had no business in Wyoming, be given protection after they had unlawfully invaded that state in

The following clipping shows how they "keep hands off" when the boot is on the other foot, and how anxious the Southern bourbons are for the safety of some of their "best citizens:"

Chevenne, Wyo., April 23.—Governors of states represented in the paid contingent of the invading army are becoming anxious for their subjects. This correspondence has been made public by the governor:

Austin, Tex.-To Governor Amos W. Barber: It is reported here that Texas citizens are in great danger of being mobbed at or near Buffalo. Please investigate and protect them.

J. S. Hogg. Governor of Texas.

Cheyenne, Wyo.-To Gov. J. S. Hogg, Austin, Tex: About fifty men, reported to include some Texans, are under protection of United States troops near Buffalo. Troops will protect them against violence. Amos W. Barber, Wyoming.

Jefferson City, Mo.-Gov. A. W. Barper: Some of the best citizens of Missouri inform me that several Missorrians now living in your state and of good character, are threatened by mob violence. Permit me to suggest that you use your influence to the end that eaid parties may be given a fair trial if they have violated your laws. David R. Francis, Governor.

In a talk with one of St. Paul's prominent Afro-American citizens resterday, he inquired of me what I thought of the advisability of mak-

ing an effort to have the prominent men of the race from all parts of the country and from the South in particular, who will attend the National Republican convention at Minneapolis in June, come to St. Paul a day following the adjournment of the convention, say, Friday, June 10, for a conference. He also inquired if the Plaindealer, New York Age, and other race journals could not be enlisted to favor such a conference.

In view of the fact that something must be done and that some effort should be made to get "the facts in detail," as suggested by President Harrison, "on the outrages in the South." I desire to ask for an expression from the Plaindealer and the other race organs on the question.

The gentleman assured me that h Paul would provide a place of men ing, make all the necessary arrange mente, and take pleasure in giving in race representatives a taste of tree Northwestern hospitality-and a bar

St. Paul, Minn., April 26.



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of Cornell university, has been willing what he knows and what he surming egarding "The Race Problem" fore the Albany university extension center. He has little hope for the Negro race because the Negro legisla. tors were not broad-minded statesmen just after they were freed from slavery and because of the low moral tone of the race. He regards these as proofs of "an inferior race, and one incapable of advanced civilized self-government." It would be interesting to have Professor Jenks point out the condition of the superior races twenty-five year after slavery, and record the virtue of a people trying to establish the family after 250 years of effort on the part of the white man to destroy family ties and reduce the blacks to a state of brutality. This would prove a very interesting study for the pessimists who regard the Negro as of an inferior race, and if they can find the history of a people who have made a better record in twenty-five years it might help them to prove their assertions.

The Conservator:-Edwin Hackley, a colored editor of Denver, Colorade, spends much of his spare time in writing harsh criticisms of Judge Tourgee, the best friend to-day that the colored man has in this country. The editor may be honest, but to the millions of our race who gratefully regard Judge Tourgee, he appears to be trying to make a little cheap notoriety by assailing a man who thus far, has failed to dignify the editorial screed with even a passing

The Boston, Courant:-America is becoming over run with a certain class of emigrants, who really are not many removes from the abject pauper which its institutions ark to guard against. There seems to be in every shipload, a class of people whom it is difficult to conceive in what war or manner they are fitted to become all that is required of the every day American citizen.

The New York Gazette:--Not a single daily newspaper in New York—neither the Republican Tribune, Press or Recorder-announced, in advance, the greatest outpouring of the colored race ever seen in America. But when intelligence and resolution of the race -why then, all the newspapers rushed in to patronize and applaud.

Happily, our colored friends know too much nowadays to be so easily hoodwinked. They read and write. Their newspapers are admirable, their social intercourse of a high order.

Under the great unconscious, unsympathetic social structure of the white race, the civilization of the colored people flows steadily, strenuously, unmeasured, unobserved, like some vast subterraneous river. That river has its unseen tides, its unrecognized inundations.

We don't want it to burst its

There is really no reason why the colored people should stick to the Republican party. Emancipation was not an act of

phikanthropy. The Negro was not freed-because the Republican party compassionated

The Negro was freed as act of hostility to the South.

"If I were revengeful, I would flood the north with Southern colored people so thick that they could scarcely turn around; and if some thing is not done for the betterment of their condition, I will do it any way."-Bishop H. M. Turner.

For God's sake, bishop, get a move on you and work yourself up to a revengeful frame of mind, and as you go along just ticket us as a sort of half-way stopping off place. Well. say a clean hundred thousand, ten million acres of government land here waiting for them; do get on your revenge and act at once. Delays are dangerous.—Langston City (Oklahoma) Herald.

Wide Awake:-There has been a great deal said about Negroes being sold at auction in Missouri. This is not the first instance. The fact isthe Negro is responsible for a number of evils that he has to contend with himself. Let them stay out of 80 much devilment, and go to work to make good citizens of themselves in stead of doing every mean and contemptible thing they can find to do. Quit it!.

St. Louis Advocate:—As Douglass went to Europe to bring down upon American slavery the detestation of the world; as Beecher went to England to plead the cause of unionism of the States, so delegations of American Negroes should go to every eiviliezd corner of the world and tell the story of our outrages that man kind may curse them; just as exiled Russian Jews are now bringing upon Russia the execration of all mankind.

The Plaindealer Excepted, of Course.

Pioneer Press :- Hereafter, the Pioneer Press will appear as regular 86 clock-work, and will be by force of the best Afro-American editor in this country, viz., the Hon. J. W. (Yomwell, second to none. More could be said, but a hint to the wise is sufficient,-Detroit Plaindealer.

No, gentleman, had you said the Plaindealer accepted, our meaning would have been conveyed-though we are willing to cast the first vote to crown the Plaindealer, next to the Pioneer Press, the leading newspaper.

Mr. Herbert Robinson, is a success ful young merchant at Williamsburg.

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Mr. William S. Webb, the local collector of the Plaindealer, will, during the present and coming weeks, call upon all city subscribers to the Plaindealer. We have been carrying some subscribers whose subscriptions are long past due. We want to continue to impove the Plaindealer, and we can't afford to send the paper free. please pay up when the collector calls. Il you want a live, interesting and entertaining paper, help by promptly paying what's due.

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alls. Promises pay no bills. At \$1, per year the Plaindealer is within reach of all. If you do promise, please e sure to keep it.

The social given by the ladies of the Bethel Aid society was quite as sucmedul as the most sanguine could have hoped for. The short program was excellently carried out, the principal feature being the singing of Mrs. Wm. Malone, to whom the ladies are very grateful. Miss Lucket, Miss Anderson and Miss Beeler also contribated to the success of the entertain-

Mr. Wm. Stone has been severely indisposed this week with tonsilitis. One of the attractions at Wonderland next week will be the celebrated Eureka quartet, Tyler, Kennedy, Cummings and Watts, who have been so spressful during the past season. Tyer and Kennedy will be remembered as former members of the late Cleveland Minstrels. On a recent visit here with that organization they both world hits, Tyler in one of his own compositions, and Kennedy in the Convict and the Bird."

The proceeds from the dress rehearsal given last week, under the management of Mrs. Mary Ball and Mrs. Kate

Several ladies of Bethel church gave the Rev. John M. Henderson a new suit of clothes on the eve of his departwe to conference, in behalf of the con-

Friends of Miss Cora Cole, who is with the Fisk Singers this year and inder the chaperonage of Mrs. Maggie Porter Cole, will be glad to know that she has been very successful and received some excellent press botices on her sweet contralto voice. Mr. James Ambers, of Toledo, O., was in the city Sunday, visiting

Mrs. Wm. Carter and nephew, Eddie Prince, of Grand Rapids, were in the city Sunday, en route to Buxton, where they went to bury Mrs. Nancy

Mrs. Wm. Cary, of Chatham, paid a isit to the city last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Huey, a newly married couple from Cincinnati, have moved to this city and are stopping with Mrs. Wilson of Adams avenue

Jones and Brewer will give their anmal opening Thursday, May 12th. be cream and cake and good music in attendance. Everybody invited.

The Rev. John L. Davis, of Ypsilanti, and the Rev. A. A. Cotman, of Ann Arbor, were the guests of the Rev. J. H Alexander this week.

Mr. Oscar Hamilton and Miss tha Crosby were married Monday evraing at the home of the bride's parthis. The Rev. John M. Henderson performed the ceremony.

The Ready Workers society of Bethchurch will hold their next regular monthly meeting Thursday evening. llay 5th, at the residence of Miss Satali Warsaw, 52 Division street.

The May Day festival to be given it Ehenezer church Wednesday even-晖. May 4th, under the management Miss Listelle M. Alexander and Miss Lancaster, promises to be a brill-

Miss Gertrude Franklin, Miss Mary thox and Miss Susje Jones were the Elests of Mrs. F. Ridgely, of Toledo,

h last Sunday. The ladies of the Helping Hand soty will give a Pine Apple Social" It the residence of Mrs. W. H. Russell,

Macomb street, Tuesday evening, May 3rd. Come and enjoy the pro-Mrs. Magrie Porter Cole, who wain with the Fiske Singers, will

and next Sunday in the Mormon Temple at Sult Lake city. This temple, which is said to have a seating capacity of 10,000, contains the largest and finest toned organ in the world and has a choir of 350 trained voices. The Plaindealer regrets the impossi-Mity of attending the Commencement clerines of Livingstone college, which will be held April 21-27 inclusive. The amual address will be delivered by the her David Gregg, D. D., of Brooklyn, I. whose brave words in behalf of the race were published in a recent m-

one of the Plaindealer. Gentlemen leaguers, with or without

board, accommodated at 286 Antoine Miss Fannie Anderson spent Wedreday in Chatham.

The Rev. John M. Henderson and haily left for Chicago Tuesday. The ler Henderson will leave Chicago for red, where he attends the general

conference as delegate from this con-

Bishop Brown was in the city Sunday. After dedicating Brown chapel he visited Ebenezer and Bethel and bade the members an affectionate good-bye. Bishop Brown's labors in this diocese will probably terminate this spring, to the sincere regret of the church membership who have a deep appreciation of his services and fatherly administration.

Mr. Robert Pelham, sr., will leave Sunday for Philadelphia, to attend the general conference.

One of the numbers unintentionally omitted from the program of Easter exercises at Bethel Sunday school last week, was "Home, Sweet Home," by Miss Florence Barnes.

Invitations have been received to the birthday reception tendered Miss Mabel Mofford, May 2, by Miss. A. J. Moore, of Waco, Texas;

Wanted-A good colored barber at once. A good, steady job for the right Wages arranged by correspond-Address Jacob S. Day, Red

An error crept into the list of persons mentioned as being confirmed on Easter Sunday at St. Matthew's. Instead of Mrs. Tomlinson it should have read Miss Clara Tomlinson. Mrs. J. H. Dickinson and Eugene Tomlinson were omitted from the list.

The regular monthly meeting of the Detroit Social club will be held at the residence of Mr. C. R. Webb, Mullett

The talented and well-liked J. Madtson Bell will give one of his interesting readings and concerts at Bethel church, Wednesday, May 11th, for the benefit of the church. Tickets, 25

Wanted-A lady clerk, May 1st, to take full charge of my office. Must be good penman and steady. Will pay \$32 per month. References exchanged. Address in own handwriting, John H. Simms, manager Minnesota Domestic Employment office, No. 19 W. Superior street, Room 33 1-2, and 5

Miles Block, Duluth, Minn. Hattie Williams, 15 years old, was sent to the state school at Coldwater, Mich., last Monday, for disorderly con-

The Meylkdi Literary circle held their first monthly meeting since their

reorganization, Friday evening. Miss Ella Shewcraft, of Beaubien street, visited Ann Arbor friends the past week.

The Misses Minnie and Louisa John-

son, of Colchester, Ont., are visiting their cousin, Miss Cora Crosby, of Wat-Mrs. Sarah Hawkins, of Macomb

street, will visit St. Paul, Minn., soon with the intention of remaining there if the climate is agreeable. The widow of John W. Wilson, the Afro-American waiter of the Cadillac,

ond-story window-sill, has brought suit against the proprietors, Van Est and Graves, for \$10,000. A number of young gents will take advantage of the cheap excursion to

who lost his life by slipping off a sec-

The Old Reliable.

Toledo, O., next Sunday.

Opening of the Old Reliable line to Milwaukee.

On Monday, April 25th, the De-troit, Grand Haven and Milwaukee Ry, will again commence running its fast steamboat express, leaving Detroit at 4:05 p.m., arriving at Grand Haven at 11:20 p. m., connecting there with steamer arriving at Milwaukee at 6:30 a.m., and making connection with all morning trains at Milwaukee for the West and North-

This train will run daily, Sundays included, and, as in former seasons, will have the Wagner modern Palace

Buffet and Parlor cars attached. The Old Reliable forms the shortest, cheapest and most desirable route to Milwaukee and the Northwest.

Ih the Front Rank.

Editor Plaindealer: Dear Sir :- Having been a reader of your valuable paper for years, I take pleasure in noting the recent improvements made in it, in its extended correspondence, and in its vigorous editorials. You have placed your paper in the front rank of the Negro journals of the age. A race paper in every sense of the word, and one that we are justly proud of, it is convincing proof of the capabilities of the race in

the field of journalism. With best wishes for the continued success of your paper, I have the honor to be very truly yours.

R. C. Barnes. Detroit, Mich., April 23, 1892.

Battle Creek, Mich. 1989

Battle Creek, Mich., April 18 .-Among the many different churches that held Easter services, the A. M. E. church was not behind. The program at the evening services was very creditably carried out. It consisted of recitations and essays. The essays by the young ladies deserve special credit. They showed that much thought had been given the subject.

The collection was good. Mr. J. J. Evans attended the state convention at Detroit last week, and was elected delegate-at-large to attend the National Republican convention at Minneapolis. The selection gives general satisfaction in our county, and it is quite complimentary to Mr. Evans, of whom the Detroit Journal speaks very highly, as does also

our city papers. Mr. Elijah Dixon is very ill. Mr. Amos Manuel is also on the sick list. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Collins returned home last week from Ponchatoula, La., where they spent the winter with the Nichols party. They were well pleased with the trip; the only thing to mar their pleasure was the wrecking of the train in which they were

returning. Fortunately, Mr. and Mrs. Collins escaped with slight bruises. The leap year social given last week at the residence of Mrs. A. D. Cook was a very pleasant affair.

Mr. Wm. Carter, of Jackson, spent a few days in the city this week. B. 8.

Red Jacket, visited Hancock Thurs-Alladelphia the latter part of the Wednesday not to return again.

A. R. Wood was a constant of the Wednesday not to return again. Wednesday not to return again.

Hancock, April 12.—Bert Forbes, of

Master Harry Day, of Red Jacket, gave a birthday on his fifth anniver-

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jones, of Houghton, are awaiting their house furniture preparatory to going to house keeping. Mrs. Armon Pulley, of Hancock,

left Monday noon for a visit in Detroit and Canada. A serious stabbing affair took place at the mine Sunday evening. The man is not expected to live. The

Kalamazoo.

would be murderer is in prison.

Kalamazoo, Mcih. April 25.-Mr. Wessel Crochett, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Benj. Stuart.

Mr. Ernie Manning, of Milwaukee, Wis., is visiting in the city. The concert given at Masonic hall,

Thursday evening, was a success. The music by Messrs Dean and Russell was especially pleasing. Mrs. Jessie Harris, was called to Cassopolis, Wednesday by the illness

of her cousin, who is very ill. Mrs. Helen Jarvis has returned home after an absence of one month. The Easter fair given at the Baptist church Monday April 18th, was a

very enjoyable affair. Miss Sarah Saunders, is recovering from a severe illness. The Carrie Louis company made

quite a "hit" in our city. A number of visitors from out of the city attended the fair Monday

A number of our young ladies are now saying "What shall we do! and "Where shall we go!" this evening. Mr. Joseph Coats, of Litchfield, Ill., is visiting in the city. There is to be a social given at

the A. M. E. church Wednesday evening April 28. Mr. Silas White, is expected in the city soon.

Miss Martha Outland, spent Sunday, in the city. Miss Ella Jonas, of Battle Creek,

is expected in the city this week.

Misses Martha and Gertie Outland, left for Grand Rapids, Monday April 18th. There will be a social at the Baptist church Thursday night.

Mrs. Archer and son, left for Constantine, Monday. Mrs. Samuel Coats, is on the sick

The celery crop this year promises to be better than last year, or even the year before. Everyone should see the new edi-

tion of "Illustrated Kalamazoo." Miss Bessie Wheatley, is suffering with sore throat.

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The Saginaws.

Pay for your paper.

East Saginaw, Mich., April 21.-As next Sabbath is the first Sabbath in May, it will be observed as missionary day. A grand time is anticipated, as the members have spared no pains in arranging a fine program for the occasion, and together with this, Elder Hill has set apart this day for a grand rally day of the dollar money and we expect the members to respond as never before.

The Rev. Mr. Stewart, of Pontiac, will be in the city this week if nothing prevents, and will assist Elder Hill in his services next Sunday. Mr. Thomas Thurman, of Jackson,

is expected in our midst again soon. We are sure he will beceive a cordial welcome. Mrs. Mary Williams has moved her

family to Detroit. Mr. David and Miss Maria are still here, but will join their mother in the near future.

micred. Mr. Hartwell will leave this city on Monday, as he has accepted a position

at Columbus. His son charles will accompany him.

Mrs. Geo. Butler and Mrs. John Bowles, of Marquette, are in the city visiting relatives.

Mrs. Charles Spencer has returned from her visit to Ann Arbor. Mrs. George Butler left the city on Monday evening, being called to the

bedside of her sister in Canada, who is very ill. Mrs. Anderson is very ill, and her recovery is despaired of.

Mrs. Peter Thurman is very low. Mr. Vandyke has recovered so as to

go to work again. The calico party given by the young ladies on last Thursday evening, we are sorry to say, was a failure, as the music for some unknown reason failed to put in an appearance. It was postponed until the following Monday ev-

The members of Zion Baptist church will give a tea on Wednesday evening in their parlors.

The young people of Bethel church are rehearing a cantata, "Queen Es-

Mr. Benj. Steogal says it is a mistake in regard to his taking matrimenial vows, and trusts his many friends in Detroit an delsewhere will not labor under this impression. Henrietta.

Ann Arbor.

Ann Arbor, April 26.-The young

ladies of the Y. P. F. C. gave their entertainment Wednesday evening 20th. Music was furnished by Misses May Green, MaryJewett and Carrie Freeman. The acting charade "Refinement" in three scenes was presented by Misses Maggie Johnson and Carrie Freeman, Mrssrs Wm. Thomas and Joe Jackson, each person did their part so nicely that one would have thought them professional instead of amateur players. The pleasing manner in which Miss Emily Jones recited "Papa and the boy" brought down the house. The program ended shown by Misses Noma Loney, Carrie Cornelius, Mary Jewett, Maggie Johnson, Josie Thomas, Oretta Crump, Maud Hall. Mesdames, Jones and Bowles and little Gertrude Cox. Great credit is due the president, Miss Freeman, for the artistic manner in which this tableau was arranged. This is the most successful entertainment socially and financially the young ladies

have ever had. The G. A. R. state encampment was held in our city, April 18-20. The grand street parade was on Wednesday, with about 600 in line of old veterans and sons of veterans. Mrs. Brown, of Toledo, and Mrs. E. McCoy, of Detroit, were among the delegates for the relief corps. Among the G. A. R's. was noticed Horace Washing-



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Elder Lyons has moved his family to Bay City. His services are greatly FREUND BROS. DETROIT. MICH.

Misses Emily Jones and Mary Jewett attended the entertainment in Ypsilanti, Thursday night. Mr. Wm. Graves, one of Ann Arbor's

estimable colored citizens died Monday April 18th, at his home on Wall street, after a protracted illness. Mr. Graves was born a slave in Goldsboro, N. C., in 1824. In his youth he was apprenticed to a blacksmith. He was sold to a man at Mobile & Bay, Ala., and from there sold to a wealthy planter at Allen's Landing, Arkansas. In '61 he escaped and came to Ypsilanti, where he began work for Eli. Moore. When Mr. Moore started the agricultural company in this city he retained Mr. Graves in his employ and for over 30 years he was one of the company's most faithful and trusted employee. In '66 he married Hannah J. Williamston, the first colored girl born in Washtenaw county, who survives him. He was an ardent worker in the A. M. E. church being a class-leader when taken ill. The funeral was held at M. E. church on Wall street, Wednesday 3 p. m. and was largely attended, floral tributes were profuse and beautiful. Rev. Cotman, officiated assisted by Elder Binga. The remains were interred in Fifth ward cemetery.

Elder Scruggs, returned from his two weeks vacation Saturday morning, he is looking better for his rest. Misses Ora Green, Josie Thomas and Messrs M. A. Mardis, F. J. Bullard.

spent Sunday in Ypsilanti. The U. of M. boys had a stag party at I. D. Blair's room on Main street last Thursday night. Mr. and Mrs. D. Williamston, of Albion, attended Mr. Grave's funeral.

Mrs. Williamston, will remain in the city a while. Mr. R Shaw Lit. '94 spent his

vacation in Detroit. Don't forget children's exhibition May 4th, at A. M. E. church. The Debating club gave their enter-

tainment Friday evening at A. M. E. church. The program was as follows: Invocation Rev. A. Cotman, organ solo, Miss Jewett, oration, "Nothing can be accomplished without labor," Mr. E. Dixon, Law '98; sketch of "Social life in his native country the Bermudas," by Mr. W. C. Swan, Law '93, this was very interesting and everyone was sorry when he left the rostrum; debate resolved "That the race problem can only be solved by colonization," aifirmative R. J. Willis and I. D. Blair, Law '98, negative W. E. Brown, Medic. '95 and S. T. Wiggins, Law '93. The indres, W. V. Jefferson, John West, and Rev. Cotman, decided in favor of the affirmative. According to their argument we all must leave the coun-

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pride or lust of power of another. drags down the oppressor very often more surely, and always more markedly than it affects the victim.

A curious but unintended confirmaation of the views of the Bystander ing if we can, and we don't ever know in regard to the sentiment of the American people is to be found in the appeal of the president of the Republican League of Colorado to the people of the State. The Republican should support the Republican party. of that unholy alliance by which the against either in the enactment or en-Republican party was prevented from attempting to secure to every citizen the president of the league now furiously beats the drum for recruits. The voice is the voice of Jacob, but the hand is the hand of Esau!" It will not do to make the demands support again. It is time that reliable guarantees were demanded for performance in case of success. In the slang phrase not unfamiliar to the denizens of the Centennial State, the party must "put up or shut up" on

The Republican party must advocate dilemma, but the choice must be

One of the wide-awake canvassers of the National Citizens' Rights Association sends the Bystander a lively account of the way he approaches his friends and neighbors upon the subject. He is evidently a practical man, and thousands of those who have applications in their hands would do well to study his method. This is 'fhe way he presents the mat-

"Good morning, Mr. Fairman; wouldn't you like to join the National Citizens' Rights Association?"

"What is it for?" "To secure equal rights for all." "I've got all the rights I want, and others must lookout for themselves'.

"I didn't know but you'd like to be free.' "Well, I guess I am free; this

is a free country, isn't it?" "Not exactly; about half the people are free and the others about half free.'

"How do you make that out?" "About half the people in the country are Republicans, but only the

Democrats are free." "I guess I'm as free as any Dem-

"Oh, yes, as long as you stay right here at home. A bull tied to a post is free as long as he does not try to go beyond his tether. But a Democrat is free everywhere. North, South, East, or West; free to talk, free to vote, free to organize his party-to do anything he chooses." "That's so."

"A Republican is only half free anywhere. One Democratic vote in Georgia or Mississippi is equal to five Republican votes in Ohio or Michigan in its influence in National affairs." "I believe that's about the size of

"In one-third of the country a Republican has no more freedom than a 'suspect' in Russia: he is allowed to live and work, but he must not express his political opinions if he is either a black man or a black Republican."

'Yet my father fought for liberty and equal rights and died on one of those Southern battlefields. "And you dare not stand beside

his grave and openly advocate the principles for which he fought?"

"I guess that is so, too; the country don't seem to care much about such things now,'

"Perhaps that is your fault." "How so?"

"A man who is only half free in what is called a free country ought to have something to say about the matter.

'What's the use?'' "Oh, if a Republican believes him-

self only half as good as a Democrat there is no use." "Half as good as a Democrat! I

should think! But what can I do? "Kick! Say you don't like it! Demand equal rights and free speech everywhere. Insist that the old flag shall mean equal rights and protection to every citizen at home and abroad, and not be used to hide a lie. Help to make it true that under the stars and stripes personal rights shall be as well protected as under the flag of Great Britain, and that no citizen shall be debarred of any legal right or denied the full and free exercise of his lawful privileges on account of the color of his skin

or the shades of his politics. The National Citizens' Rights Association is intended to give every man the chance to say this in a way to make it effective."

"'How?" "By becoming a member of the

association. "How much does it cost?"

"Two cents to pay postage on your certificate of membership. 'No fees or assessments?' "None."

"How do you keep it going?" "Many people think they can afford to pay more for such an agency to work for their own liberty as well as others. Except what is required to keep the rolls all that is received goes into printing and extending the work. We expect to get the names of every one who believes in liberty and equal rights upon our rolls."

"And then what?" "Suppose 3,000,000 citizens had united in saying over their own signatures in 1850, Slavery must be abolished!' What then?'

Then I guess it would have been

"Peaceably, too." "Then there would have been no need for 8,000,000 of soldiers to have Ohio, own stock in the oil well which

"Probably not. Well, you may put me down as a member of the association. I guess I care as much as 2 cents about the matter on my own account, and here is a quarter more to help bring it to the attention of others. I believe in liberty, and would fight for it, if necessary, but it's better to get it without fightwhat we can do until we try.'

"Thanks. That is exactly the doctrine of the National Citizens' Rights Association. They believe that if American citizens say they mean to League is the pioneer of Republican have equal rights and protected citiorganization, and in this paper Presi- zenship in Louisiana just as well as dent Hamill sets forth the reason in Vermont-freedom for Republicans why the good people of the State as well as Democrats—they will get it. But any man or set of men willing to In so doing, he gives special atten- submit to inequality of right will tion to the matter of a free ballot always find plenty of people willing and the rights of American citizenship. to give them what they advertise for. The Republican Senators from Color- We mean to let the world know that ado furnish one-fourth the strength we do not intend to be distinguished

A poor colored woman recently sent "the right to cast one ballot and the following appeal to the Presi- O. have it fairly counted," with which dent through the Bystander's hands. Those who are fond of asserting that is the meanest country this side of the common people, especially if they | Hell." are colored, have neither the ability nor the inclination to think correctly on such subjects, should read it and of citizenship a mere bait for party say whether a more succinct or logical statement of the matter was ever made. The letter is printed exactly as written, except that the spelling has been corrected and the word "proiessed" substituted for "confessed."

forcement of the laws of the land.'

"President B. Harrison: Mr. President, excuse me for taking the liberty to write to you, but duty dethe rights of National citizenship in mands it. We must speak, and it must earnest, or cease to expect the sup- be to the President of the United port of those who believe in their States. We have fathers, mothers, sanctity. It may be a puzzling and children with lives, souls, and bodies, just as it pleased God to make us; not all white, but all one blood. Some think we are cursed because we are black, and they believe this curse comes from God, but God does not curse His people for their color that He has given

> "Mr. President, it is the cruelhearted Southerner that has cursed my people; they are murdering them every day without giving them hearing or trial, for the least offense. They are shot down as criminals of the lowest grade; they burned some alive professing innocence in the burning flames; others are dragged from their homes and hung, and some are stoned and beat to death. Their cries for mercy are laughed to scorn. Oh, is there any mercy in that Southern breast? 👀

"Where is the party that we gave our life-blood to help gain their victory when the rebels rebelled against them? Where are they, I say, Mr. President? Do we, as they, dare call

on them to help us in our troubles of torture and distress? Will you help us-can't you help us, Mr. President, in God's name? In the South we dare not own our rights as human beings. We are cursed, Mr. President, by a cruel hand. We gave the North our life, I say; an and more, we gave our blood, our sympathy, and our strength in time of their battles. Now, where is one offer to help my people? They have gained the victory with our strength, then set us out empty-handed, naked, without money, without protection at the Southerner's door, there to be robbed, killed, swndled out of all we could gather to live on. The North has robbed us of our labor, education, and lives; this does not satisfy, their cruel thirst. They fear if we gain the least footing. They have disfranchised all uneducated, and those that can vote the vote is often destroyed and the vote killed because it does not suit

"And now I call on you, Mr. President, in God's name to help us. It lays in the hands of this Government to protect all citizens of the United States; in the South it is worse than heathens in the wilds of the earth where they have not the bible. Make the old Republican party what it is; do not let it be misrepresented. We gave our life to make it what it has been. We expect protection under the same flag. Mr. Presidnet, will you

help my people?" Remember that this letter voices the sentiment of seven millions of citizens of the United States and then say what ought to be the response the Nation's executive, to such

a plaint which every one knows to be as true as if written in characters of blood upon the eky. Albion W. Tourgee.

Mayville, N. Y., April 22, 1892.

BUSINESS NOTES.

Mr. G. K. Broome has just had erected a substantial two story brick building on the east side of the square now occupied by J. H. Vidal, and the wails are up for another similar structure adjoining. Broome is one of our most enterprising citizens and Gainesville may well feel proud of him.-Florida Sentinel.

Mr. B. F. Pattersonf ormerly of Martinsburg, W. Va., is carrying on a big business in Cumberland, operating a large branch house of the Chicago Swift Beef company and general provisions.

Wm. H. Proctor, is the only Afro-American in the bar and chandelier decorating business. He has an office in New York and Chicago.

William Carter is a stockholder in the Litchfield, Ill., street railway and the Litchfield hotel.

Mr. Attress Horrell runs a blacksmith shop, grocery, grist and shingle

mill and Mattoon. Ill. Mr. W. S. Heganin, of Troy, N. Y. the only colored photographer in that city, has branched out for himself. He is the second one to make photographs of monuments North of New York, and has had a number of years

experience. J. W. Story, the enterprising retail grocer at Mayslick, Ky., has the confract for carrying the mail bewern here and Helena, beginning July

G. H. Speed, is one of the most successful grocery merchant, at Madisonville, Ky., carrying a thousand dollar stock, employing two clerks with a splendid run of cash custom-

ers.

Several Afro-Americans in Rendville,



The first annual meeting of the South Carolina (colored) State Press Association will be held in the city of Orangeburg, S. C., on Tuesday April 26th, 1892. Editors and business managers of all the colored newspapers published in 8. C. are requested to meet the Association.

An Afro-American boy at Birmingham offers the latest thing in the way of a shoe shine. It is done by electricity.

Mr. John Evans, is mayor of Lovejoy, Illinois.

Mr. George Collins, of Oberlin, an excellent brick mason, is engaged on the new Methodist church at Lorain,

Bishop Turner, declares that "this

Mr. Harry A. Williams, of Cleveland, O., the brilliant tenor soloist, who has been abroad for some years. having studied and sung in concert in Paris and London, in fact throughout England, has been elected professor of singing in the London academy of music. This is indeed gratifying to his parents, Mr. andM rs. Ralph Williams, of Blair street, who It has all the latest improvements. have done nobly by him, his many other friends and relatives in this city and abroad. Mr. Denza, the famous English song writer and musician, is one of the three directors of the institution, and has evidenced a lively interest in and friendship for Mr. Williams for several years.

The first of the series of subscription recitals was given at Carnegie's Chamber Music hall, easterly entrance, corner 57th street and Seventh ave-April 25, 1892, at 8.30 p. m. Mr. H. T. Quintet, Mr. George Boardley,t enor di gracfa by kind permission of Signor | man in the lead or on top. Farini; Mr. C. Hemmann, solo cellist; Mr. W. T. Talbert, pianist. The program consisted of music from the is now in Chicago winning fame, if not best composers, including Bach, Mozart, Beethoven, Schubert, Gounod. At to the Chicago Inter Ocean. Last Sun-

Morgan G. Stokes, is stenographer, type writer and assistant bookkeeper at the Denver Savings bnak of Denver. Col.

P. E. Spratlin, graduated recently in medicine from the university of Denver.

J. R. Clifford editor of the Pioneer Press, of Martisburg, Va., was recently admitted on motion to practice at the Allegheny county bar, byvirtue of of his certificate from the Supreme court of West Virginia. land Daily News says of him:

Mr. Clifford is a good looking specimen of his race, light in color with dark, curly hair. His language is perfect and his general appearance shows him to be a man of intellect. He will defend Harvey Green, who has been indicted for manslaughter for the killing of Chas. Ross, in Westernport, on February 21th.

The American Citizen says that Kansas City, Kas., is a good town for the colored man to make his home. We have colored men holding the following positions: Elector on the presidential ticket, councilman, deputy sheriff, street commissioner, deputy U. S. marshal, police and mail carriers.

G. F. Player, a barber at Waldo, Fla., was assaulted by three or four white men Monday night April 17 as he was leaving his shop and severely beaten with clubs and sticks, and but for the timely interference and protection of friends would have been murdered.

Shall colored riders be permitted to ride, in the Pullman races at Chicago: The question is profoundly agitating the wheelmen who have already entered. On Thursday next the associated cycling clubs will decide the matter.

At Smithsonia, Ala., Sunday, Morris Barker, colored, cut Tom O'Bryon, who in turn shot Barker. Both will

James Butler, a "crook" who escaped some time ago from the Jacsokn, Mich., prison was found in Canada, extradited and brought back to prison.

At a recent meeting of the Worlds fair commissioners in Chicago, Prof. H. G. Parker, submitted a resolution to establish a bureau to show the progress and advancement of the Afro-American in this and other countries. It is thought that the judictary committee will give it favorable consideration.

T. P. Rawlings, manager of the Memphis Reflector has written a song on the recent lynching in that city, called the "Afro-America."

Mr. Rufus DeLeo, has been employed for seven years by Donal & Son one fluential leaders seem to approve it. of the largest furniture manufacturing | One of the richest and most distingestablishments of Memphis,. DeLeo has been promoted by the firm to the foremanship of the furniture department. Mr. DeLeo is one of the finest machinist in his line in the city and is a great honor

to our race. T. J. Callaway will accompany the Hon. Frederick Douglass to Tuskegee, Ola.

Mrs. Johnson, 1675 Atlantic avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y., fell out of the second story window last week and injured herself so seriously that she was expected to die.

Fayette, Mo., April 23.—There has been another sale of Negro vagrants, three men and one woman. One man a man fit to go upon the beach and sold for \$7 for sixty days work, it is quite certain that had the Presithe two others for \$4 for thirty dent been fully convinced on this days' work and the woman \$12 for

Illinois is pleased with the Afro-American delegates to the Illinois State army of Afro-American office-holders convention and has this to say of of high and low degree is argued to

Mr. Jno. Evans is mayor of Lovejoy; the first and only Colored man The President's position on important ever elected to that office in this legislative measures affecting the state. Mr. William Carter is a busi- closest interets of the race is reness man, and holds stock in the ferred to with great pride. The Afrosigned the sanster rolls in 1861, or, is being bored at Corning.

Litchfield street railway and the American colony in Washington is outlifed hotel. Mr. Troy Porter spoken for Harrison.—E. L. Thornton, is the leading Plumber, Gas and in N. Y., Age. Litchfield street railway and the American colony in Washington is out-

Steam Fitter in his section of the state. Mr. Austin Perry is a business man, and owns valuable property on Main street, in Mattoon. Mr. Attress Horrell owns 640 acres of land in Alexander county, runs a blacksmith shop, grocery, grist and shingle mill. Mr. Richard Taylor, of Cairo, conducts a business and is employed in the post office. Mr. G. W. Birdsong carries on two different kinds of business. Mr. J. W. Oglesby, holds a responsible position in the office of the Railroad and Warehouse Commission. Mr. S. T. Elliott, is farmer and teacher. Messrs. King and Greer are farmers. Mr. H. L. Bartholomew of Sparta, owns valuable city and country property. All selected, so far, represent something more than their

vote. A pretty good showing. Mr. Clement Garnet Morgan, of Cambridge, Mass., gave a stag reception recently in honor of Messrs. Lewis and Jackson, of Amherst college. Invitations were limited to students in and around Boston, and a most enjoyable evening was spent.

E. H. Hackley, has been appointed to a position in the county clerk and recorders office at Denver, Col. Mr. H. D. Smith is one of the most successful and prominent Afro-Americans in Greensville county Va.

Friday evening, April 29, at St. George's commandery. Hall corner 16th and State streets Chicago Ill. Mr. William Rogers has just completed his new house on Armour avenue Chicago, at a cost of \$7,000.

Under the law of Arkansas, the first man sold at Helena was a white man. An afro-American constable auctioned him off.

J. B. Fleming, who completed his course of plain and ornamental penmanship and automatic lettering at the National Pen Art hall of H. Winfrey, is conducting a school of penmanship, at Delware, Ohio.

The Texas Republican convention met without a colored man in itnue, New York city, Monday evening, the first gathering of the sort known in the South since the Negroes re-Burleigh of Erie, Pa., a baritone ceived the suffrage. In calling to soloist of more than ordinary ability, order the 300 delegates, Judge A. was the principal soloist at this B. Morton characterized them as recital, assisted by the Brahm's String "Jefferson Republicans, in favor of the freedom of all races, with the white

Mr. W. L. Martin, who formerly attended school in Jefferson City, Mo., fortune. He is a regular contributor mezzo contralto and Walter F. Craig, day that paper contained from his pen the following poem: Only Thee.

O, the night is dark and dreary, And I'm thinking still of thee. O, my soul is weak and weary-Only one can comfort me.

Only thee. Through darkness ever on I wander, Striving hard my soul to free. My brain racks while still I ponder, Whether it could fly to thee. Only thee.

Yet would not that soul be lonely For down by the southern sea? Would it seek thy blessing only 'Neath the sweet magnolia tree? Only thee?

Go, my spirit, swift, pursuing; O'er mount and hill, o'er dale and lea. Seek my lover, gently wooing-

Only thee. INVENTIVE GENIUS.

May she be caressed by thee.

Alfred McKnight of Wilmington, Ohio, has invented a gun. Mr. Cooper, janitor at Yale college deserves to be commended for inventing the immense rowing tank now used by both Yale and Harvard, colleges, but strange to say, he waited longer than the allotted time given persons who invent to get out a patent on their inventions, and in consequence of the negligence on his part to get out a patent at the proper time, he lost almost wholly the pecuniary advantage of his wonderful invention.

This tank is so arranged that it can be filled with water in a short while and a crew of rowers can sit in the center of it and practice rowing just as though they were upon a large body of water such as a river or a lake.

The advantages derived from it by the colleges now using it are two: first: they are enabled to practice rowing in the dead of winter, when rowing upon the rivers and lakes are impossible; and second: they have the advantage of knowing just about how much speed would be made by the crew were they upon a larger body of water, which is reckoned by the velocity of the water in the tank as it is forced around by the oars in the hands of the rowing crew.

As to the position of the repre-

sentative Afro-Americans here, there is no question. They are all loud in their endorsement of the present administration and are unanimous for the re-nomination of Mr. Harrison. The failure of the President to recognize the race with a judgeship has absolutely no weight. The most in-Mr. wished Afro-Americans in the city stated to me in a conversation with the President he advised him not to appoint any one of us upon the bench. He said to the President that there was not a man in the race competent at all points to serve as a jurist. There is good reason to believe that the President was advised by some of our best men not to bestow any judicial honor upon the race. It is therefore easy to understand the lack of disappointment at the President's action in this matter. There is a large number of our best thinkers here who insist that the race has not yet demonstrated that it has point we would have secured the two months' labor. The sale was judgeship. The recognition of Dong-on the block.

The State Journal of Springfield, erts. Matthews, Waller, Durham, Clark, Cuney, Pledger, Dancy and the show Mr. Harrison's attitude toward the race and it carries great weight.

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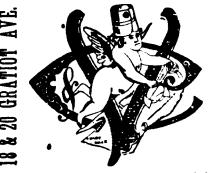
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painer Walker was a Virginia days, who rendered important service wived little or no compensation for as services. One of the first measmordered by General Pope upon assuming command of the army of Virginia, June 26, 1862, was that on should endeavor to break up the (1921) of Catral railroad. In obedience the order the Federal cavalry made Lequent and successful incurthe depot at Beaver dam station (July 1,100 to 1,200. 26, 1862), and tore up several miles est with Stuart's calvalry, and deintel it near Carmel's church. These when of the country enabled him to and the Union troops to the most calierable points in the enemy's line elemmunications, who were so much \$50,000 to \$60,000. rensed against him that they offerd a tenvy reward for his head. Captain George F. Noyes, the author

of a book entitled "The Bivouac and Walker as follows: regite a large body of troops were now assembled, and occasional expe-

differs of cavalry were sent out to a sort of Daniel Webster in strong, clear-headed man. who had reached a true conception of tims If, body and soul, on the right e. Knowing all the roads and by-ways in this section, and brave is a lion, he led our boys with all the cool courage needed in a scout, stablished a comprehensive system spionage among the people of his color, and thus brought in much able information. The rebels did his the honor to offer \$1.500 reward or his head, and well they might, for was worth to the Union cause um two of the best of us."

Walker, in all, received \$360 for his Afro-American woman named

Martie Pavis has been living in Seguin,

lev, for the last ten years. Her sound died three years ago, leaver a large family of children to care of. She has been in desticircumstances for some time , and, being a firm believer in sholsm, she, a few days ago, sited the heavens, and was told ^o to Mme. Edina **Sch**anider. a fortune-teller, who would help ाव of all her financial troubles. colored woman did as the inther, she claims, told her to dig certain place on her property would find buried treasure. bay's woman burried home and the work of excavation. She the top of a heavy iron chest hard work succeeded in comdy uncarthing it. She then callh John S. Hurley, a well known chant, and with his assistance the was brought to the surface and mand It was filled with Mexican lid coins, none of which was of a " date than 1846. It was carehay counted, and the total amount bind to be just \$25,000. The money

the of the most surprised men in hade Island, during the recent canthere, is said to be one of the officials of the Republican League, the at a small formal dinner obtred a colored brother in full dress flanding just behind his chair before the overters were served. He smiled reignly on the gentleman of color rmarked: "Glad to see you You are a mighty good waitand I want you to serve this etion just as you did at the last Park dinner." "Perhaps you don't Poll lis last year," replied the of-"That's alright," said the othbut this year I am a the club and a candidate for rese official several bottles to set-

ras placed in the hands of the bank

to be exchanged for United States

twenty letter carriers and a new liable. It is a very curious fact to the U.S., mint, which is quite a distance from the custom house, there are a number of employees, some getting large salaries, which will be speken off in some factly accessible to the explosion from Africa, and who by his ture letter.

Latin and Greek in the school attached to the Cathedral of Granada. He is the same person noticed by Cervantes as 'el Negro Juen Latino' in a poem prefixed to the Don Quixote, his volume of Latin verses on the birth of Ferdinanda the son of Phillipe II, and Pope Pius V, on Don John of Austria and on the city of Granada in 1573, is not only one of the rarest books in the world, but is one of the most remarkable collections of the intellectual faculties and accomplishments of the African

Among other laws passed by the Maryland legislature was one proany security a peculiar looking man but his hibiting discrimination by life insurstance is striking. He is a dark ance companies. This is a good law and has been signed by the Governor. mail: discovered by the coverior. The insurance companies here for some ridiculous looking object. Just years have made Afro-Americans pay soon as he made his appearance double as much for premiums as white the street he was hooted at, cab-citizens, upon the unjust assumption turnips, stones, sticks and that they die faster and sooner than white citizens; and in a recent case this object, until he sought tried in the courts of Baltimore to proge in the store and they had to recover money paid as overcharges, the judge decided that the assumpdoely covered, much the worse for tion was true and refused to give the petitioner the amount sued for.

The oratorio of "Belshazzar's Feast' was rendered with excellent effect on for the Congressional committees Tuesday and Wednesday evenings of pensions and war claims. The last week at Zion Baptist church, der of Sergeant Thomas O. Harter, West 26th street, N. Y. Rev. G. H. who saved the city of Washington Boswell, pastor. This musical treat was conducted by that well known instructor of vocal music, Solomon, P. Thompson. The costumes were appropriate and the entire company acquitthe Union cause as a spy, but ted themselves most creditably.

Little is knewn of the strike at the steel works at Steelton, Pa., which affected a great many Afro-Americans, the calledry attached to King's divis- An interview with Messrs Warfield and Jefferson of that establishment resulted as follows.

Previous to the great strike, the Penn. steel works employed about 600 los against the road. They burned to 700 colored men; since then, from

Before the strike the colored emgrails. They also had a severe con- ployes were chiefly wagoners whose wages ranged from \$1.10 to \$1.50 Every one who can possibly do so Sper day. A few were employed in rolls inflicted much damage upon the positions where exhausting and ardunew, and probably retarded his ad- ous toll was required, which white cance for a considerable time, Dabney men would not do, for as high as \$3 Walker acted as guide and scout on per day. There are still about two the occasions. His thorough knowl- white men to one colored in the works.

Each month there is distributed amongst the colored employes from

They are engaged in manufacturing steel from which steel rails are manufactured, and the rails themselves frogs, switches, signals plates and in the Battlefield," refers to Dabney fact everything which this company makes. There is no department of the works in which there are not some of our race. In such places as the frog shop, the rail mill and the esturb the quiet of the enemy, burn inside of the Bessmer, the results be railroad bridges, and thus inter- are best seen. There, where good his communications, sometimes wages can be demanded, our people a brush with the enemy's were never known to be employed avalry, and bringing in some prist previous to the strike, but now stand Their usual guide was a na. side by side with their white brother doing the same work. No better much interested. He seemed refutation of the saying that the colored man is incapable of doing the work of a white man can be found than that he does it and does it acceptably.

The increase in the colored population of the town is from eight to nine hundred. These people are mostly from the northern part of Virginia. Through the instrumentality of several colored citizens these men were brought here directly after the strike and numbers brought the families with them.

That the colored man's work is as well done as that of the whiteman's is shown by the fact that none of the employes have been dropped from the skilled departments and the employers seems to be in well satisfied as heretofore. File st. f

The man who stood foremost for the colored men in this emergency and through whom the colored men were admitted to the positions they now occupy was Mr. E. C. Felton, the superintendant of the works. He has proved himself a man in the truest sense of the word; not only in putting our race in these places, but in retaining them when by the caprice of some petty bosses, they would have been displaced.

The men labor faithfully to retain the positions they have obtained, past winter, left-today for Muskegon, pration directed, and after a long knowing, full well that the white Merence with the fortune-teller, the man by his side is ready to report any inaccuracy or error.

The lowest wages paid an employe is 11 cents per hour and the highest about \$5 in eight hours.

Of the five colored graduates the Steelton High school, one is teachthe depth of three feet, and after ing school here, another in Wirginia, and the other three are employed by this company. Two in the offices and one as foreman in a stock-

> Here is a fist of Afro-American employees in the United States service at Washington, with their sala-

Hon. John F. Patty, Naval officer, salary \$5,000 a year. Hon. C. B. Wilson, Surveyor General land office, \$1,800 and fees equivalent to shout \$3,000 a year; Rev. A. S. Jackson, Receiver of public monies, about \$3. 000 in fees; Mr. O. Thibant, Deputy Naval officer \$2,360; Mr. J. M. Holland (hief clerk to collector \$2.500, Mr. Chas. W. Vance, Chief clerk to Surveyor General land office, \$1,800; Mr. A. B. Kennedy, Chief clerk in Naval office \$1,800; Mr. P. Landry, clerk in Auditor's office \$1,400; Col. James Lewis, clerk and acting Deputy collector \$1,460; Ex. Gov .C. C. An toine, Storekeeper \$1,400; Mr. George G. Johnson. Record clerk \$1,200; Mr. who I am. replied the colored Wm. S. Wilson, Deputy internal reve-Well. I know you waited mue officer \$1,300; Mr. A. L. Harang, Deputy internal revenue derk \$1,300; Mr. R. I. Desdune, clerk in Sub. treasurers office \$1,200; 15 day inspectors of eastoms at \$1,095 each. Mr James the club and a candidate for of customs at which is Receivers of assumbly. You will have to ex-It cost the Republican fice \$900; Mr. Charles H. Merritt. clerk to Reveiver \$900; besides 15 day inspectors of customs at \$1.095 each and 15 night inspectors at \$800 glass case in the public each and a large number of mesbrary of Boston. Mass., exhibited sengers and laborers from \$2 a day hith other ancient books of note is up. In the Post office there are some to one written in Latin, having a twenty letter carriers and a few

EDUCATIONAL.

In company with President Gregory W. Hayes, we visited the Virginia Seminary at Lynchburg, Va. The unfinished edifice can be seen in the distance long before it is reached. We were surprised at the progress made. The rear wing has been nearly completed. The first floor however is ready for occupancy. The walls have been plastered, blackboards and desks arranged, and a most neat appearance was presented. On the rostrum was a piano. This room will be when the building is completed the dining hll. In front of this is now the having the earth dug out and a cosy room was the result. Through the glass door he could command a view of the busy students. On the next floor was the assembly room. It is nearing completion and will soon be ready for occupancy. On the third floor is the dormitory. Workmen are busy finishing up. This floor will accommodate 24 students. A Printing department is one of the features of the school, the Weekly Herald now being printed there under the management of Mr. L. M. King. The remarkable part in connection with this institution is that every available force is utilized in the erection of the building. Students assist in the manual labor. There are now 161 students on roll with many more clamoring for admission. President Haves said that one of the saidest part of his duties was that of informing these students of his inability to receive them. Posts have been placed in position, and as soon as the money can be raised, the fencing will be completed. The temporary structure which has been used for rooms of instruction will now be utilized as rooms for the males. The incomplete edifice should serve every one of us to renewed efforts. \$4,000 will close in the main building, roofing included. This is urgently needed at once. President Hayes is making a great sacrifice. Barring immediate personal expenses every doller of his salary has been turned into the erection of the seminary building. should visit the spot, see the work

nary.-The Richmond Planet. The Southern Illinois High school under the auspices of the A. M. E. church, in now a fixed fact. Mr. Hodd Toles, a wealthy gentleman at Eldorado, has tendered two acres of valuable land; the citizens have subscribed \$500, an the dity fathers have promised a donation of \$1,000. "Egypt shall stretch forth her hands."

and if admiration and cash do not

follow, it will surprise the writer.

Raise money for the Virginia Semi

First in Chicago,

Joseph W. Moore was the first man of his race elected south town clerk of this city.

Dr. C. M. McCallister was the first colored physician to locate here. He now has an excellent practice. Edward P. McCabe, now of Langston, Oklahoma, was the first colored

office of Cook county. Capt. Shelton, was the first colored police officer in Chicago. He was appointed in 1867, and was on the force

several years previous to his death. Dr. James Lewis, was the first dentist of his race in this city. He graduated with high honors in 1865, and had a good paying practice up to the time of his death.

Battle Creek, April 25.-Rev. J. A. Holt of Amberstburg, Ont. is visiting in the city. He preached Sunday morning and evening at the Marshall street Baptist church to a large and and appreciative audience. Rev. Holt has a cordial reception from his many friends is Battle Creek

A pleasant surprise was given Monday evening on Mr. E. R. Buckmer at the residence of his brother Mr. Daniel Buckmer. The evening was spent by those present with music and games until a late hour when all retired. Mrs. Chas. Williams of Jackson,

spent Sunday in the city, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Collins. A party was given Monday evening in honor of Mrs. Williams at the residence of Mr. Geo. Collins. Refreshments were served and all enjoyed the occasion

Mr. Geo. Perdew who has been in the epmloy of Mr. J. J. Evans the

State of Michigan, County of Wayne, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for said County of Wayne, keld at the Probate Office, in the City of Detroit, on the first day of April in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two. Present, Edgar O. Durfee, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of Jesse Stowers, deceased, on reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of Walter H. Stowers, the executor of the last will and testament of said deceased, praying that he may be licensed to sell certain real estate of said deceased for the purpose of paying the debts of said deceased and the charges of administering said estate: It is ordered. That the tenth day of May, next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be appointed for hearing said petition, and that all persons interested in said estate appear before said Court, at said time and place, to show cause why a license should not be granted to said executor to sell real estate as prayed for in said petition. And it is further ordered, That a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Plaindealer, a newspaper printed and circulating in said County of Wayne.

Edgar O. Durfee, Judge of Probate.

A true copy.) Homer A. Flint, Register.

The whole interior of Newfoundland is an unknown territory. Only one white man has ever made the journey from East to West, a Mr. Cormack, who accomplished the feat in 1829. Consequently there is no map of Newfoundland extant which is in any degree reliable. It is a very curious fact that a very valuable tract of land, with coal, iron and silver in its bowels, and perfectly accessible to the explorers, a salesy.

THE LEAGUE CONSTITUTION, to keep a record of the proceedings

ARTICLE I.

The name of this organization shall be the Afro-American League.

ARTICLE II. The objects of the League are to protest against taxation without representation; to secure a more equitable distribution of school funds in those sections where separate schools exist; to insist upon a fair and impartial trial by judge and jury of peers in color bars, and in obtaining for the all causes of law wherein we may be president's room. He had succeeded in a party; to resist by all legal and reasonable means mob and lynch law whereof we are made the victims and insist upon the arrest and punishment of all such offenders against our legal rights; to resist the tyrannical usages of all railroad, steamboat and other corporations, and the violent or unlawful conduct of their employes in all cases where we are concerned, by prosecution of all such corporations and their employes, in State and Federal Courts: to labor for the reformation of all penal institutions where barbarous, cruel and unchristian treatment of convicts is practised, and as sist healthy immigration from terrorridden sections to other and more law-abiding sections. The objects of the League are to encourage local leagues in their efforts to break down Afro-Americans an equal chance with others in the avocations of life, and to unite with such branch leagues for organized and effective work in securing the full privileges of citizenship.

The objects of the League shall be attained by the creation of a healthy public opinion through the medium of the press and pulbit, public meetings, addresses, by appealing to the courts of law for redress of all denial of legal and constitutional rights and by such political action upon the part of local leagues as they may deem advisable.

ARTICLE III.

The Afro-American League shall conist of the local leagues of the United

ARTICLE IV.

Section 1.-The officers of the Afro-American League shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, Trensurer and an Attorney, who shall also constitute the executive committee of the League, all of whom shall hold office for the period of one year, or until their successors shall have qualified. ARTICLE V.

Section 1.-The annual convention shall consist of delegates elected by local leagues, the basis of representation being one delegate for each fifty members, provided, however, that each local league be entitled to one delegate.

Sec. 2 .- No local league shall be entitled to representation in the annual convention of the League, which is not financial with the Secretary of the Afro-American League. ARTICLE VI.

The convention shall be held annually at such place as the convention assembled may determine by a ma-

jority vote. ·The Executive Committee shall Mare power to fix time and place of

such meetings. ARTICLE VII.

The Afro-American League in convention as embled shall have power to admit and suspend leagues, to overrule the action of the Executive Committee and to levy assessments to meet the necessary expenses of the Afro-American League.

ARTICLE VIII.

Sec. 1.—The assessments levied upon local leagues shall be paid by the treasurers or the same directly to the Secretary of the Afro-American League, to carry out the objects set forth in Article II, provided, however. that the maximum tax of any one assessment shall not exceed 25 cents for each and every member, whose name chall appear upon the rolls of the local leagues, and provided further, that no more than two assessments can be levied in any one year. The secretary shall once every 30 days report and turn over to the treasurer such sums as have been collected and receive the treasurer's re ceipt for the same.

Sec. 2.-Each local league shall, on or before the 1st day of January of each year, make and forward to the secretary of the Afro-American League a report showing the number of members in such local league and the officers thereof. Such report to be signed by the president and secretary of such local league.

ARTICEL IX.

Sec. 1.--Upon the death, resignation or other disqualification of a member of the Executive Committee, the Executive Committee shall have power to fill such vacancy, and further, that the Executive Committee of the Afro-American League shall have power to fill any vacancies in the offices of the Afro-American League.

Sec. 2.-The Executive Committee shall have the general management of the affairs of the League when the convention is not in session, and shall have control of all the funds of the League, subject to the direction of the convention. It shall have general supervision of the local leagues comprising the Afro-American League, and shall be charged with the duty of organizing such leagues whenever in its opinion deemed advisable. The committee shall be called together by the president of the League immediately after the convention, and shall then organize. It shall amke its own rules and hold meetings at such times and places as it shall determine. A meeting may be called at any time to be elected by its chairman. Three members of determine). the committee will constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Sec. 3.-The Executive Committee may remove any officer or member of the committee for causes hereinafter stated, by a majority vote.

ARTICLE X.

It shall be the duty of the president to preside over the annual meeting of the Afro-American League. He shall sign all orders and shall receive compensation for actual traveling expenses until such time as the financial condition of the League shall warrant

ARTICLE XI. The duty of the secretary will be

of the convention and the Executive Committee. He shall have charge of the headquarters of the League, subject to the direction of the Executive Committee. .He shall countersign all drafts, issue an annual report of the progress of the League, at the annual convention, in attaining its objects, perform such other duties as may be demanded by the Executive Committee, that pertain to his office. He shall receive an annual salary of \$500

the Executive Committee shall deter-

ARTICLE XII.

The treasurer shall keep an accurate account of the funds of the League, shall make an annual report to the convention, shall pay no draft unless signed by the president and countersigned by the secretary, and give bonds in such amount as the Executive Committee may from time to time determine.

ARTICLE XIII.

The attorney of the Afro-Amercan League shall be charged with such legal matters as in its discretion the Executive Committee shall designate, and he shall receive for such legal services such sum as the Executive Committee shall determine.

ARTICLE XIV.

Sec. 1.-Any officer or member of the Executive Committee attempting to use the League for individual political purposes shall be expelled.

Sec. 2 .-- As the objects set forth in Article 2 can be madefully advanced tric. by political action on the part of the League, it shall be lawful for the Afro-American League to adopt such a political course as shall be deemed indicious and wise for the advancement of such objects.

Sec. 3.—The holding of any political or appointive office by any officer of the Afro-American League shall not be considered unlawful.

ARTICLE XV.

The members of the Executive Com-Th emembers of the Executive Committee shall be allowed the actual traveling expenses incurred in going to and returning from the meetings of the committee. Also the hotel and traviling expenses shall be paid while attending to the duties required of such office.

ARTICLE XVI.

This constitution may be amended at any convention by a majority vote of the leaguers present, but thirty days notice of any proposed amendment shall be given the secretary of the National League, who shall publish the same. ARTICLE XVII.

stitution which shall conflict in any

No local league shall adopt a con-

provision with the constitution of the Afro-American League. ARTICLE XVIII. As women are eligible to member-

ship on the same conditions as men, it shall be lawful for ten or more women to organize a local league. ARTICLE XIX.

The convention shall be governed by Roberts' Rules of Order.

For Local Leagues.

Section 1.—Any person of the age of eighteen years and upwards (without regard of sex) can become a member of this League by subscribing to its constitution and by-laws, and by the payment of - entrance fee, and a monthly assessment of -.

Section 2.-The objects of this League are to protest against taxation without representation; to secure a more equitable distribution of school funds; to insist upon a just and impartial trial by judge and a jury of peers in all causes at law wherein we may be a party; to resist by all legal and reasonable means, mob and lynch law whereof we are made the victims, and to insist upon the arrest and punishment of all such offenders against our legal rights; to resist the tyrannical usage of railroad, steamboat and other corporations, and the violent and usulting conduct of their employes in all instances where we are concerned by the prosecution of all such corporations and their employes in State ma Federal courts; ro labor for the reformation of all penal institutions where barbarous, cruel and unchristhan treatment of convicts is practised, and to assist healthy immigration from terror-ridden sections to other and more law-abiding sections.

Section 3.-A general tax of - per innum on all members of this branch eague shal be levied and covered by the treasurer into the treasury of the National League to carry out the objects set forth in Section 2.

Section 4.—The objects of this Lengue shall be conserved by the creation of a healthy public opinion, through the medium of public meetings and addresses and appealing to the courts of law for redress of all denial of legal and constitutional rights: the purpose of this League being to secure the ends desired through peaceable and lawful methods.

Section 5.-This League is in no sense a partisan body, and no man shall be barred from membership therein because of his political opin-

BY-LAWS. (1). The name of this organization

shall be the Afro-American League of –. No. –. (2). The officers of this League shall

be one president, two vice presidents, one secretary and two assistant secretaries, one treasurer, two chaplains, two sergeant-at-arms, and an executive committee of five; the officers to be elected - (as the league shall (3). This branch league shall meet

at — the first Tuesday in each month, for oftener, at the discretion of the league,) at 8 o'clock p. m., with open

or secret meetings (at the discretion of the league). (4). This branch league shall be subject to the laws made by the Afro-

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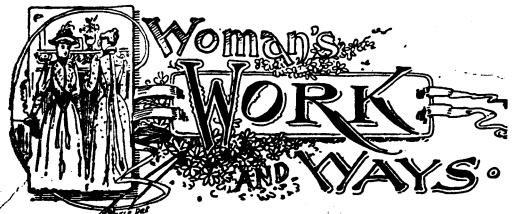
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DICKERMANS PHARMACY,



Maid's Supper" was given by the Clinton Literary association in Zions. church Boston, on Thursday evening, the 21st, in aid of the general conterence representatives.

An operetta, entitled "The Fairy Grotto," will be presented in Cambridge, Mass., on or about May 16th, under the mnaagement of Mrs. L. E. Tasco.

A woman's mass meeting and celebration of the 15th Amendment and Civil Rights Bill was held Thursday evening, April 28, at Bethel church, Sullivan street. Mrs. Fannie M. J. Coppin, Mrs. Francis E. W. Harper, Mrs. W. Cook and Miss S. Elizabeth Frazier addressed the meeting.



"When lovely woman stoops to folly" all the world is cognizant of the particular foible that is her momentary weakness, but a man may lie "ten nights awake coining the fashion of a new doublet," and no one will point the finger of scorn at him for such folly. Woman's dress has always been the subject of man's ridicule and sarcasm, and woman has been charged so many times with having a perverse fancy for adopting those fashions which are most grotesque, that of late years she has turned to the wardrobe of the wiser half of the world's population to select styles of attire that might accord with the dictates of common sense.

But her efforts in this line have not resulted in complete satisfaction. To be sure a severely plain skirt and a well fitting coat, with its accompanying waistcoat, have their advantages, but the accompanying stiff collar and shirt front have neither proved comfortable nor beautiful. And since naturally woman is "an animal that delights in finery," it is not strange that the feminine mind has reacted, and we have now a season of lace, flowers and ribbon.

old, grave and gay, sedate and giddy, move on in a procession more or less pleasing, with long ribbons waving in the breeze behind them. It is a fashion, the revival of which makes glad the heart of the milliner, because by means of it she finds it possible to clouble the price of your bonnet.

In color the streamers may rival the rainbow; in length they may range from the twelve-inch bonnet string | to the five-foot ribbon roll which gracefully trails on the ground. They may be wide or narrow, they may stand straight out behind, or they may be festooned on the shoulder. They may be tied, pinned or looped, but in some form surely they will be tacked on your hat and a corresponding amount tacked on your bill.

No matter how strong your devotion to the prevailing mode, it is not absolutely essential for you to make a guy of yourself, and that's what you will be if you wear a loose back coat. There is only one thing in all creation uglier, and that is a coat with a watteau plait in the back. There is no material used for cloaking which will lend itself gracefully to this fashion, and only those who possess a restless taste for vanity in fash-Ion will ever adopt this clumsy garment. One of the least objectionable of these whole back coats, is of terra cotta cloth, brocaded in black. At the back, immediately down the center, is a watteau plait of black velvet, with plaits of the same material on each side. The high collar was Mined with velvet and turned over, the sleeves full on the shoulder and narrow down to the wrist, with velvet lined cuffs turned back like the collar.

Lovers in Brittany are able to compute the size of their best girl's dowry before committing themselves. On fete days the young girls assemble, wearing red petticoats with white or yellow borders on them. The number of borders denotes the size of the fortune which her father will give her. Each white band, representing cilver, denotes one hundred francs, and each yellow band denotes gold, betokening one thousand france a year. It is needless to say that the girl wearing several yellow borders around her skirt is seldom a wall flower on their occasions of festivity. • • •) • • .

If you carry a parasol for its use you will be able to satisfy yourself with a plain silk one with a substantial bandle for five or six dollars, but if it is only another artistic addition to your toilet, that's another thing. You will probably set your beart on an elaborate combination of chiffon, lace, ribbon, flowers and feathers, beautiful to look upon and equaling in price the cost of an entire toilet. That they are useless as a protection from the rays of the sun, is nothing; they fulfil their mission in being 'good to look upon."

Here is a beauty medicine. If you are feeling broken down and disgusted with your sallew complexion and roughened skin, take two ounces each of tag alder, wild cherry bark and evergreen, and infuse them in a quart Moten, in an imported dress of mossiling water three hours in a green bengaline, trimmed with passe-Seacup of this before meals is said to in earn cheviot and green velet.

A Cantata entitled the "The Dairy strengthen, regulate and purify the system and to soften and clean the

> The newest material for mourning wear is a crepe cloth having a dull crinkled surface. Satin brocaded with somber, dead-black bow knots is worn for half mourning. Among the most sensible people extravagant mourning is not worn. The mourning of the English royal ladies is said to be very simple, crape being conspicuous by its absence.

Lace bodices are to be worn this summer. They are made up over contrasting silk linings and may be worn with any cloth or silk skirt. They are both economical and pretty, and are sure to be popular.

On edoes not need to have a large sum of money in order to have dainty belongings. Industry and taste will effect a great deal more than money alone will accomplish. People with small means are apt to think that only the homely and useful are possible for them and many a time overlook little things which, being used judiciously, would brighten their homes as well as add to their convenience. Every young girl should possess a toilet case of some kind. Nothing is more demoralizing to the taste of a growing girl than untidy combs, broken bits of mirror, and various makeshifts in the way of toilet articles

A dressing case daintily made and fitted out need not be an expensive matter. Very pretty brushes and combs and other articles for the dressing table are to be found in celluloid at a low price. The dressing case itself may be home-made, covered with India silk, daintily padded, lined and perfumed with sachet powder. The price of these materials need not exceed seventy-five cents. A good comb and brush in ivory white may be purchased for a dollar and a quarter more. A little circular mirror of white celluloid will cost fifty cents. A shoe horn and buttoner, clothes brush and hat brush, may be purchased for a dollar more. Then with utensils of the manicure set equally reasonable, there is no reason why the making of a young girl's toilet should not be accomplished with thoroughness, facility and neatness. And the whole outfit will not cost ten dol-Ribbon has the call, and young and lars. Of course, people with ample means and luxurious tastes will expend much more for these same articles, which come with ivory handles and backs of solid silver, but they are no better supplied for the necessities of the case than the young girl who has procured hers at a much less cost.

They say that the russet shoes are not as popular this year as formerly, and when I tell you the reason you will not wonder. A well-known bootmaker has expressed the opinion that the extreme flexibility of the shoe prevents it from affording support to the foot, but allows it to spread considerably. So that the fair wearer of last summer almost invariably found it necessary in the fall to order a larger-sized shoe. This being the case, it will hardly be probable that russet shoes will be a first favorite this season.

If you have a taste for that odorous but healthful vegetable, the onion, this spring don't be too squeamish to gratify it. Nature is a firstrate physician, and by following her demands in this respect, you may be saved from any amount of nauseous bitters and tonics later on. There is an old adage which says: Eat leeks in Lide and ramsines in

May, And all the year after physicians may

play." Ramsines are a species of garlic; leeks are onions, and both are celebrated for their medicinaland corrective properties. So, when your appetite flags and you feel weak and worn out, fly in the face of prejudice and partake of them freely. They possess more than one element of strength.

Few fashions have taken such hold on the popular fancy as the bell skirt and Russian blouse. The former is universally becoming. The blouse, however, is not, but the style is considered pretty and finds favor, though really it is only appropriate to tall, slender figures. But it is no new thing for fashion to overrule taste and reason. The blouse will be developed in woolens, cottons, linens and washsilks, both for out-door and in-door wear All sorts of girdles will be worn with it, and it may be cut single or double breasted, or with or without | Our Valued and Esteemed Contemporaa yoke

Was there ever a season in which the turban did not appear? It is such a compact, jaunty affair, at once so comfortable and so dressy, that womankind would miss it were it no longer in vogue. A stylish type of this class has a soft crown of glace silk and a narrow rolled brim covered with jet galloon. At the left side two wings stand aggressively, afford ing the only decoration.

At the Waldron-Matthews wedding, which occurred at Washington, Easter Monday, the bride wore a traveling gown of light tan cloth with hat to match, and carried a prayer book bound in ivory, and a bunch of Easter lilies, tied with long white ribbons. She was assisted by her sister, Miss Matthews, of New York, who wore heliotrope rhadame trimmed with velvet of the same shade; Miss warm place, closely covered; then menteric of the same shade, and Miss shade and sweeten to taste. A half- Nale in corn cheviot and green velvet.

WEDDING BELLS.

One of the prettiest weddings that has been seen in Hartford, Conn., this season, was celebrated on Thursday April 14th, at 5 p. m., when Miss Mabel S. Elliot and Mr. Thomas G. Hill were united at the residence of Mrs. Patterson, 154 Capon street.

The marriage of Miss Virginia Woolfolk to Mr. Richard Brown took place Thursday, April 28th, 1892, at 9 o'clock p. m., at the bride's residence, No. 2038 West Moore street.—Richmond, Va.

At Chicago, Ill., Miss Gertrude Johnson, and Mr. Geo. Harvey were married Monady evening, the 18th.

At Louisville, Ky., Mr. J. H. Harding and Miss Ella Arnett were married at the residence of Rev. A. A. Russell, 1512 Gallagher street, Monday evening April 18th, at 8 o'clock.

At Chicago, Ill., Miss Kate A. Mitchell, and Mr. Thos. Turpin, were quietly married on last Thursday afternoon, the 14.

At Oberlin, O., Mr. Thomas Davis and Miss Emma Torrence were quietly married the 16th at the home of

The marriage of Mrs. Harriet Freeborn to Mr. Monroe Johnson took place April 26, 1892 at 9 o'clock p. m., at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mason, 22nd street, Manchester, Va.

The auditorium of the First Baptist church, Richmond, Va., was on the eveing of March 24, filled with a magnificent audience of culture and fashion, assembled to witness the marriage of Mr. William Jackson and Miss Julia Dawson.

An Ingenious Invention.

The Afro-American has not developed any very marked talent for invention, says the New York Sun, though now and then one of them has made some ingenious utensil which has diminished his toil. A labor-saving device is now used to a considerable extent in Brazil which might with advantage be introduced into Africa. The invention was the idea of a Brazilian Negro. It is designed to use water in grinding corn. It is well known that the greatest labor of the native women of Africa is pounding into meal the grain which they place in rude mortars. Should any of them chance to see this picture and get some one to explain it to them, they might be able to lighten their labors.

An upright, forked at one end, is driven into the ground. Resting in the fork is a piece of timber at one end of which is a large bowl, while end of which is a large bowl, while from the other end depends a heavy weight. Water from a brook is conducted in a trough to the bowl. As the bowl is filled with water that end becomes heavier than the other, and is accordingly depressed while the other end is elevated. As the bowl is weight at the other falls with considerable force into the receptacle below it containing grain. Then the bowl is filled with water again, and the process is repeated. The grinder falls into the grain about every thirty seconds. The contrivance does the work very well.-Adrian Times, April 21,

A Colored Mrs. Montague.

Mount Holly, N. J., April 24.-Mrs. Louisa Shockley, aged forty-five, was arrested here on the 17th, charged with the murder of her nine-year-old daughter Mattie. She had always disliked the child, and had beaten her frequently.

Recently the girl committed a trifling offense and the unnatural mother thereupon bound her hand and foot. put a rope around her neck and, passing the free end under the leg of a stove, pulled until the little one was

strangled to death. An elder daughter and a baby saw the occurrence, but did not dare to tell of it until yesterday afternoon, when Mrs. Shockley's brother saw the marks on the dead child's throat and accused the woman of murder.

On Charge of Arson.

Chicago, April 22.-Two white women and an Afro-American have been arrested here on a charge of arson. The women are Mrs. Maud Hania and Mrs. Minnie Tiffn, the former being about thirty-five and the latter thirty years of age. The police, for some reason, will not disclose the name of the man. It is asserted by the police that they have positive evidence that the three have been for some time making insurance companies their prey. It is positively known that Mrs. Hania has been burned out a number of times, and in each instance she carried insurance on her property far beyond its actual value.

Mrs. Hania has made a partial confession. Among other things, she told the officers that she was one of the guests who escaped from the Hotel Royal fire, in New York, and the police of that city have been notified of her statement to that

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