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NOT A CRUMB.

Afro-American Democrats in Illinois Fed on Promises.

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 20.—The Afro-American brother in the Democratic camp is up in arms. He helped win the great victory, and he has not received a crumb from the table. The only man who has a place at the capital is the old Republican janitor in the Republican cloak-room of the Senate, and he owes his place to the Republicans.

The Democrats promised much to the brother, and he is getting discouraged as he sees the Patricks and Heinrichs take their places on the pay-roll with none of his race to keep them company and complete the unity of races in the Democratic administration. To-day the Afro-American Democrats of Springfield, with representatives from Chicago and Peoria, held a meeting and resolved to demand their rights. They will again meet to-morrow morning and then go in a body to the office of the Secretary of State to inform Mr. Heinrichson that they can wait no longer. They must have recognition now or not at all. It will doubtless be not at all, as the Democrats have no use for the Afro-American brother since the election.

THEY KEPT A BABY FARM.

Hamilton, Ont., Jan.—Special.—A baby farm has been discovered just outside of the city limits. It is kept by an Afro-American named John Stuart, who is 72 years of age, and his wife. The two have nursed about 50 children. The little ones now being nursed are badly clad and suffer with the old colored people for the want of the necessities of life. The place is dirty, miserable and cold in the extreme. Action will probably be taken soon to stop the farm.

Has your subscription expired? Look at the yellow label on this paper and renew at once. If you wish the paper continued.

THE NEGLECTED ONES.

A Floweret on the Grave of Phillis Wheatley, the Slave Poet.

AN OLD VOLUME OF PARADISE LOST

Found in the Library at Harvard.—It is the Sole Basis of the Magnificent Collection of Her Books.

From the Boston Courant:—Deep down in the dust of the university library at Harvard, we found the other day an ancient volume of Paradise Lost, once the property of the now celebrated Phillis Wheatley. The book at first sight appeared to be of no particular consequence. It was old and shell-worn, and now rapidly moulding away under the weight of years. But when on a more careful examination of its title-page, we saw written in a bold and legible hand "Phillis Wheatley presented to her by the Lord Mayor of London," the real value of the book could no longer go undiscovered. But it does not consist in a scarcity of the copies of the edition of the old epic master, nor does it come from the dignity of the person who presented it to our humble subject. Its value comes from another source. It arises from the fact that this is the sole relic of the magnificent collection of books, once owned by the only Negro poet of any consequence that America has yet produced. By it we are made to overtake the flight of more than a hundred years, and become partakers of the glory and honor once bestowed on Phillis Wheatley.

The relic, however, will add little or nothing to the fame of our author. Her place as a writer has long since been assigned her both by friend and foe. And the volume out at Harvard bearing her name, will henceforth be of interest only to antiquaries, and to seekers after curiosities. Yet we feel that we must take advantage of the present occasion to offer a few remarks on the life and uncollected works of the African songstress. For as it is said, a dervish never sees the name Mohammed without doing honor and homage to the memory of the great prophet, so would we have it said of us, that we never allowed an opportunity to pass without in some way trying to lay a floweret on the grave of the slave-poet.

It is now well known to all that Phillis, a little girl of seven years, was landed here in Boston a slave from Africa in the year of 1761, and was purchased and carried by a Mrs. Wheatley to her home in State street, not far from where stands at present the great Exchange building. The Wheatleys besides their name, gave her a liberal training in books, and, as far as they could, in housewifery. But in the latter art, the little girl was destined not to be successful; and her mistress, or rather her mother, for such she really proved—encouraged Phillis to give most of her time to books. Her attainments, therefore, in literature were rapid and great; and before she had reached her twentieth year, she had published the volume of poems which is now usually referred to as the works of Phillis Wheatley.

But this volume does not contain the poems of Phillis' maturer years. It embraces only the poems finished before 1772. The songs that Phillis wrote after her return from London, where she had previously gone for her health, are still uncollected and not generally known to the public. They lie buried in our great New England libraries. In the Boston Athenaeum is a beautiful elegy by Phillis on the Rev. Dr. Cooper, who at the time of his death, was pastor of the famous old Brattle street church. Phillis had given much attention to the writing of elegies; for in her day, she was quite the poet-laureate of New England, and was often called upon by acquaintances both far and near to do honor to some departed friend. Phillis was therefore quite an adept in this style of composition; and the elegy is the most perfect of its kind she has left on record.

There is also a collection of her letters in possession of the Mass. Historical society. These letters were written to one of her lady friends who had come over in the ship with Phillis. They are full of pious thoughts, and show how deeply her Christian training had embedded itself in her soul. She constantly commends her friend to the power and tender mercies of the saving Grace, and assures her that the vanities of this world are at best but fleeting and transitory. But the last and to us the best poem we have from our author is the one on "Peace and Liberty." This poem was written the year of Phillis' death in 1784, and describes the prosperous condition of the Colonies after the complete evacuation by the British, and the return of peace. At this time Phillis herself was free; and this poem breathes forth the spirit of freedom

in the most stirring and burning eloquence. During her early career as an author, Phillis was nominally at least a slave. Yet, through the kind treatment of humane owners, she escaped the blighting effects of the evils inherent in slave life. Her writings, however, show that she ever felt a deep sympathy for her oppressed brethren. But upon the whole it may be said that Phillis suffered more from the effects of freedom than from those of slavery. For while a slave she experienced no want or privation. She lived in the house with her owners and shared the comforts of the family.

But when the cruel war that reduced everybody to poverty, found Phillis a free, poor woman trying to eke out an existence from the sale of her little volumes of poems, it is very evident that she must have been better days than these. People became so pressed that they had no time to read her polished verses. Accordingly our only poet had to seek employment in a Cambridge street restaurant for her support.

She met at this place one Peter, the first Negro lawyer in America. She became infatuated with love for him. But the union was not a happy one. Attorney Peters was unable to earn a livelihood at his profession. Color prejudice was too strong, and it is said that he was not man enough to turn his hand to anything else. Meanwhile, the poor, frail Phillis, already a victim to consumption, was breaking down completely under her increased labor. To complete her sorrow she became in course of time the mother of three children, each one of whom died almost at birth. And thus under this load of care the dread summer found out our poet, and bade her, as she herself had written of another to be:

"From every ill mortality endured, Safe in celestial Sion's wall secured." The following notice of her death appeared in the "Independent Chronicle," on the following Thursday: "Last Lord day, (Dec. 5th, 1784,) died Mrs. Phillis Peters, (formerly Phillis Wheatley), aged thirty-one, known to the literary world by her celebrated miscellaneous poems. Her funeral is to be this afternoon at four o'clock from the house lately improved by Mr. Todd, nearly opposite Dr. Bulfinch's"—that is the site of the present Revere house—"at West Boston. Her friends and acquaintances are invited to attend." This is the last authentic information we have of Phillis Wheatley. A friend of hers wrote of having seen her "cortege moving slowly down Court street," but whither, he did not record.

So we know not where they laid the "ashes of our poet friend with the tear due to their memory." If a stone ever marked the spot of her final resting place, it has long since been gnawed away by the corroding teeth of time. Yet somewhere here within the confines of our ancient city, Phillis is sleeping the sleep of the righteous. But the watch-fires at the altar of her genius still burn. Still journeys thither a pilgrim, ever and anon to do homage at its shrine; and when the angel at her nameless tomb shall roll away the stone, still will our poet find her memory kept green and honored by the many who have been benefitted by her influence.

SHE HAD MUSIC IN HER.

Urbana, O., Jan. 20.—A most remarkable case of musical talent has just been developed in this city. The subject is an old Afro-American woman named Kate Bush. She is nearly eighty years of age, and unable to read a note of music. Within the last two months she has learned to manipulate the keys of the organ by sound, and is now able to render some very delightful music. Her precursors were the little children of Mr. James Williams, an Afro-American family with whom she lives. Mrs. Bush was a slave thirty years.

WANTS PAY FOR HIS FINGERS.

Lexington, Ky., Jan. 20.—Suit for \$10,000 damage was filed in the Circuit court here to-day by Richard Card, Afro-American, against the Lexington Lumber company. Card had his fingers cut off his right hand while in the employ of the company and claims that he was instructed by the company how to manage the saw at which he was put to work.

THE RACE IS GROWING.

The Missouri and Nebraska mining company of Omaha, Neb., at a recent meeting, made a great effort to and will no doubt be successful in re-opening the old shaft of its mine, down on the Missouri river. Several board of directors' meetings have been held and the company expects to soon resume operation in its mine.

The testimonials which the mail brings in every day run thus: "Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup cured the baby of croup." "It cured me of a most distressing cough." "It cured my little boy of sore-throat." "We could not do without it."

STICK TO YOUR TEXTS.

Failure to Show Fine Discriminations in Controversies Common.

CULTIVATE POWERS OF JUDGMENT.

And Discuss One Question at a Time to Its Logical Conclusion.—The Turner vs. Caldwell Argument.

To the Editor of the Plaindealer:—For an Afro-American to engage in heated and spiteful disputations over various questions is characteristic. Conventions and newspapers fully prove my assertion. But for an Afro-American to show fine powers of discrimination and argue to a question with out making appeals ad hominem ad captandam vagus is rare.

In the January A. M. E. Review, there appears a Symposium by five prominent men. The subject is "Organic Union" between the A. M. E. and the A. M. E. Zion churches. The first article appeals to popular prejudice by elaborating the following assertion: "The bishops have formulated the articles of agreement, and the threatened command is that they must be ratified. The mouth-piece of the A. M. E. church has been ordered to close, and there has been an official notice served."

The above statement may be true or it may be false, but it can in no way prove or disprove the wisdom of organic union. It is entirely foreign to that question and could have no other effect than that of rousing prejudice against a measure supposed to be supported by undue exercise of authority on the part of the bishops. Whether the bishops are trying to bulldoze the measure through, or are not trying to do so, is a matter of no concern to the measure itself. The error is that of not discriminating between a "measure" and the "methods" by which its enforcement is sought.

The gentleman who made this illogical plea is one of the shrewdest and most successful debaters of his church and well did he know that the masses would never endorse any measure if they could be prejudiced against the champions of that measure. In the second article another writer errs from lack of discrimination. To strengthen the following proposition: "There is no danger in the coalition of the heterogeneous masses, that they would be unwieldy and liable to break up with factions," he points to the political, civil or commercial union of the Huns, the Alemanni, the visigoths, and other tribes and families. There is no parity between the organic union of the two bodies in question and the commingling and amalgamation of the tribes referred to.

I have cited these two instances because they are found in the highest literary production of the race and emanate from men who are fair representatives of a large class. The writer of the first article is a "man of affairs," shrewd, energetic, and successful. He knows his people and manipulates them. His judgment is trained to deal with "affairs" not with problems. The second writer is reflective, slightly abstract, but erudite unimpaired of the fact that the "organic union" is a measure instituted and pushed by men, he devotes most of his article to attributing it to providence, to which power he likewise would relinquish the task of disposing of the troublesome details, said he: "God is able, if we but leave the results to Him, to give peace and prosperity to the undertaking." That is to say, just consummate the "organic union" and trust to God for results. By some such "trusting" is considered pious, but by others it is regarded as unwarranted and presumptuous.

I will leave the illustrations above given to proceed. The lack of power to make fine discriminations is shown every time our people are confronted with a question in any sense complicated. Mr. Caldwell commits the common error of not discriminating between Bishop Turner's plea for African evangelization and his utterances concerning African emigration. Again he fails to distinguish the bishop's position as to African immigration and the common talk of "extripation." His letter in reply to the bishop afforded fine opportunity to display sound judgment, but he was entrapped into replying to the innumerable incidental flings and assertions, which characterize some of the bishop's strongest arguments. He confessed a lack of information concerning Liberia, yet claimed it with "hell." He tried to imitate the bishop's style of writing and failed. The bishop said in his letter, a great many things that had no logical relation to the question, yet he kept the train of argument running straight through the multitude of extraneous things that he heaped along the line. The bishop for a time obscured what he was saying about Africa and drew attention to his opinion of Mr.

Caldwell's use of the word "intelligent." Mr. Caldwell in his reply expended more force in answering the bishop's side talk than he did in discussing Africa.

So it goes. Articles are written and speeches are made which draw more attention to side things than to the question at issue.

If men are going to discuss Africa as the site of a colony, why not stick to it? If they wish to discuss the fitness of Afro-Americans to colonize in Africa, why not stick to that? If they wish to compare Africa and America as homes for the Negro, why not do that? If they want to discuss the wisdom of "some" Afro-Americans going to Africa, why not to that? If they wish to discuss all of the above questions in the relations they bear to each other, why not do that? What does the world care about how many hours a day one man works or how many Sunday school teachers are pedantic and foolish enough to quote Greek to children in Sunday school?

Mr. Robert J. Macbeth replying to Mr. Caldwell through last week's Plaindealer, writes a model letter. His reasoning may not be faultless, his conclusions may not be irresistible, but his article gives his views on the question discussed and on nothing else.

Let us cultivate better powers of judgment. It is easy to discriminate between two colors or two shapes, but it is more difficult to discriminate between two cows or two machines. To compare two cases at law or two theories of a science is a still higher act of judgment; for here the standard of comparison is mental and calls for previous knowledge and experience. To compare two cases at law, the judge must take all parts of each case into account, not run off upon one or two points.

Thus the man who tries to solve a problem, such as the race problem, must view that problem thoroughly and exhaustively, omitting nothing that belongs to its solution.

The circumstance of an adverse decision from the Supreme Court on the one hand or the Emancipation Proclamation on the other are not conclusive points for either side.

In the Caldwell-Turner controversy great stress was laid upon the fact that one party had a secretary and the other was called upon to labor from day-light until dark, yet these incidents have no bearing upon the main question. It came about that a discussion which evoked widespread interest and from which thousands hoped to learn a great deal, ended in smoke.

Bishop Turner provoked Mr. Caldwell to say things to which the bishop could not reply and preserve the dignity of his office. Mr. Caldwell confessed himself to be uninformed and dropped into personal remarks, so Bishop Turner had to quit. He stands before the country as an authority, his utterances are sought and quoted everywhere, he could not argue with a man who owned up that he did not know but one side. In questioning Mr. Caldwell's personal courage or his sincerity the bishop forced at least an attitude of self-defense.

In most cases arguments on the floor of conventions and through the press end about that same way.

Why should we not learn to discriminate between men and measures, between measures and methods, and between real issues and mere incidents?

John M. Henderson.
Detroit, Mich., Jan. 23, '93.

WILL DISFRANCHISE MANY.

Montgomery, Ala., January 19.—The Alabama legislature reconvened today after the holiday recess and one of the features of the day's proceedings was the introduction of a bill by Senator Pettus, which provides for the calling and holding of a constitutional convention in August, 1893. Section 6 provides for consideration of the suffrage question and as an additional qualification that "No person otherwise qualified shall be permitted to vote at any election in the state unless he is able to read and write the English language or less has served as a soldier, sailor or marine in the late war between the states; or if he reside within the corporate limits of city or town, own property to the value of \$250; or if he live without the corporate limits of city or town, own forty acres of land." This is by far the most important section of the bill, and one that will elicit a lively debate in the state press and a still livelier debate in the General Assembly. It is estimated that should such a clause be inserted into the state constitution, and the constitution be adopted, 50,000 voters in Alabama would be disfranchised. It would undoubtedly cause the bitterest and most violent campaign ever witnessed in the state.

STRANGE FOR ALABAMA.

Florence, Ala.—Brooks Clifton who ten days ago killed Bert Hinkley, his wife's paramour, was to-day released from prison, the grand jury refusing to indict him. Clifton is an Afro-American and the jury, composed entirely of white men, have, by releasing him, refuted the charge that there is no justice for the Afro-American in the South.

HE HAS A FAIR FIELD.

And Asks No Favors, Therefore He Thrives Best.

THE AFRO-AMERICAN IN EUROPE.

Recipient of the Common Social and Civil Amenities He Knows Nothing of Complexion in His Daily Life.

Archibald Johnson, of Edinburgh, Scotland, in the A. M. E. Review:—The Negro is to be found in every country in Europe. And yet it is not so much the fact that he is there, as that he thrives and is liked. He thrives, because he is not under the ban and curse of Negrophobia, nor associated with people who are governed by Negrophobic principles. The recipient of those common social and civil amenities of life that the consensus of the world's opinion agrees is the right of respectable humanity all over the planet, he knows nothing about his complexion.

And in general, the educated people of Europe, consider it vastly infra dig, to stoop to the despicable pettiness of taunting a man about the color of his skin. He thrives because, through meeting in healthy, manful competition in the various trades and arts of Europe, he draws inspiration from the surrounding energy and genius local. Although not in a country glorying in a sham constitution of high-sounding twaddle about the natural freedom and natural and inherent rights of man, yet he knows he will have a fair chance to make a living and no favor. And so I find isolated Negroes all over Europe grappling manfully with life's problems, the same as other men, conscious that there is not concentrated upon them any fierce white light of hatred and ill-will to spy out their defects and hold them up to the world's scorn.

In manifold energy, in the use of their mind and sinew, he here as elsewhere, is behind no man; but the spirit of the mental is unknown to him. The smiling, complacent, daffily moving and obliging flunkey, that wins him elsewhere, the epitome of a fellow, is not found over here; and yet he is in high favor. Over here the Negro is left alone, and they scarcely know he is here. But in America, because he is becoming every year better educated and more opinionated, the sympathies between the two races grow weaker; antipathies grow greater; relations more strained; for it finds him every year less the serf and more the man.

Prophets are not wanting who predict that natural selection is the solution of the problem. "What will become of the Negro?"

Fifty years after the Spaniards and English took possession of the West Indies, the Caribs, the natives of those islands, had disappeared. But they will find, as the Negro demonstrates by keeping his footing in Europe, that he is made of sterner stuff, and that he is emphatically the coming race; that the future is his; the past belongs to the white man. The grounds for this opinion are at once firm and solid; for what people ever made such vigorous, manful strides in civilization, culture and wealth, on the morrow of its "coming out of Egypt's land?" It is our duty to hasten this future; to heal the moral breach made in the ranks of our people by that diabolical sum of all villainies—human slavery.

But why should one, in traveling about Europe or anywhere else, be always on the qui vive about the Negro, his progress, social status, manhood, capacities, etc.?

Two reasons for the inquiry are patent to all:

1. Because his race has undergone its period of slavery last.
2. On account of his misfortune in being physically overpowered and enslaved, the world has taunted him with his moral weakness, his want of strength of intellect, both the crude outcome of his brutal treatment. The world, too, has said to him during the various periods of his transition, You can not fight. Whoever heard of a Negro soldier?

Later on it said, You can't master mathematics. Whoever saw a Negro professor of mathematics? You can't go into cultured society of the other races and conduct yourself properly, or produce cultivated society of your own.

The Negro's tacit reply was, away back in those days, I can not fight, because no one has ever let me try. I can't study mathematics, for I have never had the chance; culture I have not, for none has as yet come in my way. And so the world took it for granted that nature produced the black man and stamped him mental—hopeless, irreclaimable, and unprofitable, except as a drudge. For a long time the world closed its eyes and cried out, I see no educated colored men. The world relinquishes its opinions very slowly, especially when to hold them suits its passions and prejudices. It saw in us suitable persons to wait at table.

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PERSONAL MENTION.

—Miss Abbie McFarland, a graduate of the public schools of Columbus, Ohio, who has been teaching at Greenville, Ky., was in the city a few days last week, the guest of Mrs. Nicholas Alexander.

—Mrs. Cora Turner is convalescing, after a severe illness.

—Probably none of our local Democrats is more deserving and laboring harder for the success of his party during the last campaign than did Col. A. H. Henderson, and in a distribution of the offices to Afro-Americans, he should be remembered with the best position given to the race.

—Buy your coal of W. S. Tisdale, who has also on hand the finest bands of fine Havana cigars, and don't fail to get the Plaindealer.

—The Garnett building and Loan company is undergoing a boom in the nature of new subscribers. Those who contemplate saving their money, will do well to join this association. Meetings held every Wednesday evening, at No. 297 W. Fifth street.

—Mrs. Horton has returned from Washington and New York, where she has been spending a few months among relatives and friends.

—Erie H. Dixon is a member of the senior class at the Cincinnati college of law.

—Col. Robert Harlan is out again after a few weeks indisposition.

—P. B. Thomas continues very low at the residence of his parents.

—Mrs. A. H. Henderson is spending a few days with friends and relatives at Lexington, Ky.

—Mrs. Fielding, of Lancaster, O., is in the city attending the bedside of her son, George, who is very low with consumption.

—The death of Jesse Collins causes a vacancy in the board of trustees in the Crawford's Old Men's Home. The appointment will, possibly be dictated by the board and affirmed by Judge Ferris. The board might confer this honor upon some reliable young man.

—There was a very quiet and happy marriage at Elder P. Fossett's residence Wednesday evening, Jan. 18th. The contracting parties being Mrs. Peter Thompson, of Springfield, O., and Primarus Freeman, of Van Wert. The happy couple will be at home to friends at 402 W. Dbert avenue after Jan. 21 Long life to the happy couple.

—Rev. Joshua L. Dent is pastor of Ebenezer Baptist church on Broadway and he is said to have courted and become engaged to be married to Miss Ella Chapple, last June. The marriage to have taken place in February. Since that time he has become infatuated with Miss Walden and they were married Dec. 30. Now Miss Chapple sues for \$10,000 damages for this breach of promise.

—The Queen City social club held a very large and interesting meeting at Wuebblers Hall, last Thursday night; the members were out in full force.

—Miss Sallie Pryor and Mr. John Commander, of Dayton, Ohio, were quietly married last Wednesday evening.

—Mr. and Mrs. Jas. B. Washington, have the sympathies of many friends in the loss of their youngest child, Jas. B. Jr., who died last Friday.

—A very pleasant surprise party was given Miss Zella Ward at the residence of her parents, last Friday night. A delightful evening was spent by all present.

—Professor W. H. Johnston is prepared to give instructions in the very latest dances. Class every Wednesday evening, at 153 W. Sixth st.

—Have you a news item for the Plaindealer? If so send the same to W. S. Tisdale's, 158, Sixth street, by Wednesday evening of each week, and it will receive attention.

Walnut Hill Notes.

—The revival season has now come and the churches of Walnut Hills are doing all that they can in this way. Little Bethel is doing a great work in conversions and many of them are joining it and some other churches. Brown chapel is also doing a good work.

—Miss Alice Parham, of Walnut Hills, seems to be about the same, sometimes a little worse and sometimes a little better.

—Mrs. Harrison White, of Myer's Court, who fell and broke her leg, is slowly improving now.

—The Christian Temperance Band of Brown chapel had quite a large attendance. The program was excellent. Mr. Wallace Campbell made a fine speech, as did Mr. J. H. Artone. Miss F. A. Rialy, of Pennsylvania was quite a feature in the program, her first appearance here.

The concert which was held by this society some time ago cleared a neat sum. Next meeting, Feb. 12th, will be the first anniversary of this society, and Rev. J. H. Artone has been requested to make an address.

—Miss Sallie Pryor has moved to her new residence on Elmwood avenue near Chapel.

HERE AND THERE.

—Probably the vilest case of bitter prejudice in the history of charity and charitable institutions was the one to which the attention of the Plaindealer has been recently called and in which the Children's Home on Ninth street and the Home of the Friendless on Court street figure prominently. Both of these institutions are supported from the charities of the good people of our city, and although above the doorway of the Children's Home is emblazoned in bold letters, "In Christ's Saviour neither this nor the redoubtful on Court street have ever been known to admit an Afro-American child or woman. Some days ago a white woman, the mother of a Negro child, only a few hours old made application to the Children's Home for admission, as she was in destitute condition, they were promptly sent by the superintendent of this institution to the Home of the Friendless, "as the proper place for both mother and child," as stated by superintendent. They were both admitted to this institution, immediately, but when upon examination it was found that the child was of the darker hue race, it was immediately separated from its mother. Certainly the benefactors of these institutions do not will that such bitter prejudices shall be exercised in the name of "Charity." The case should be investigated and we know of no better organization to take this matter in hand than the Ladies Auxiliary society.

—"The Ohio Republican" will again fling its banner to the breeze in a few weeks. Professor Charles W. Bell will be its editor and manager.

—We give to our readers this week, "the Civil Rights Bill of Ohio, as it stands upon the statutes. Much is being said about its strength and weakness. Only a few weeks ago decisions were rendered in Marietta by a judge who declared that portion of the bill relating to barber shops unconstitutional, a decision in Youngstown courts. The judge awards the plaintiff \$50 damages. It occurs to us that the decisions are largely controlled by public sentiment. Marietta being on the Ohio river, near Kentucky which accounts for the decision of the unconstitutionality of the bill. However, if the bill will not stand the test of the courts we want to know it. The bill could well undergo an amendment and avoid placing the plaintiff in the ridiculous position of receiving one cent damages. Let the limitations be from \$25 to \$500 damages and include all discriminators.

—Representative Geo. H. Jackson, of Hamilton county, has introduced the following Civil Rights Bill which is to take the place of the present bill printed elsewhere in this issue: "Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Ohio that whoever, being the owner, lessee, agent, manager or employee of any hotel or inn, or the owner, lessee, agent, manager or employee of any licensed place or public amusement; or whoever, being the owner, agent, manager, conductor, captain or individual conducting the business of a common carrier, whether by land or water, within the limit of this State; and who ever being a trustee, superintendent, manager or employee of any public institution supported wholly or in part by public taxation, who denies to any person, for reasons not applicable alike to all other persons, the equal accommodation, advantages or facilities of the places and conveyances heretofore mentioned, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not less than \$50 nor more than \$500."

OHIO CIVIL RIGHTS LAW.

An act to protect all citizens in their civil and legal rights:

Whereas, it is essential to just government that we recognize and protect all men as equal before the law, and that a democratic form of government should mete out equal and exact justice to all, of whatever nativity, race, color, persuasion, religious or political; and it being the appropriate object of legislation to enact great fundamental principles into law, therefore; (7876) 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That all persons within the jurisdiction of said State shall be entitled to the full and equal enjoyment of the accommodations, advantages, facilities and privileges of inns, restaurants, eating houses, barber shops, public conveyances on land or water, theaters and all other places of public accommodation and amusement, subject only to the conditions and limitations established by law and applicable alike to all citizens. (As amended March 27, '84.)

(7877) 2. That any person who shall violate any of the provisions of the foregoing section by denying to any citizen, except for reasons applicable to all citizens of every race and color, and regardless of color or race, the full enjoyment of any of the accommodations, advantages, facilities, or privileges in said section enumerated, or by aiding or inciting such denial, shall for every such offense forfeit and pay a sum not to exceed one hundred dollars to the person aggrieved thereby, to be recovered in any court of competent jurisdiction in the county where said offense was committed; and of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100), or shall be imprisoned not more than thirty days, or both; and provided, further, that a judgment in favor of the party aggrieved, or punishment upon an indictment, shall be a bar to either prosecution respectively.

(7878) 3. That no citizen of the State of Ohio, possessing all other qualifications which are or may be prescribed by law, shall be disqualified to serve as grand or petit juror in any court of said State, on account of race or color, and any officer or other person charged with any duty in the selection or summoning of jurors, who shall exclude

or fail to summon any citizen for the cause aforesaid, shall upon conviction thereof be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and be fined not more than one hundred dollars, or imprisoned not more than thirty days or both. (7879) This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.
Passed and took effect, Feb. 7th, 1884.

LADIES AUXILIARY SOCIETY.

—Too much credit can not be given to the herculean efforts of the Ladies Auxiliary Society to relieve the wants of the suffering poor and destitute of our city during present and past season of great need. The members of this organization have given their personal attention to the needs of hundreds of these distressed people. At their Children's Musical held recently at Allen Temple despite the inclement weather, the net proceeds of the entertainment will reach \$40. The Society desire to tender its sincere thanks to the trustees of Allen Temple for the use of this church, also to the boys and girls and the public in general for their liberal assistance and patronage. Contributions directed to this end will reach the Society by being sent to the secretary, Miss Z. Ward, No. 77 Harvey avenue, Walnut Hills.

TROUBLE IN ZION.

—For some months past there has been trouble brewing among the membership at Zion Baptist church on Ninth street. This has been brought about by a factional fight, a part of the congregation desiring to displace Rev. A. W. Puller and to install Rev. F. B. Ferguson in his place. They have so far, however, been unsuccessful as Rev. Puller still holds on.

Last Monday night while services were in progress at the church, Mr. A. Winfree, a member of the Anti-Puller faction, who lives at 99 John street, entered the church, and advancing to the pulpit where Rev. Puller was preaching, drew a revolver and threatened to end the matter then and there by shooting the pastor. He was speedily disarmed and left the building. Later in the evening he called at the residence of Rev. Puller and calling for the pastor asked forgiveness for his action. He was readily forgiven and exhorted to be more careful in the future. It was thought that the matter was settled, but Tuesday, Mr. Puller found an anonymous letter on his desk, in which he was warned to be very careful of Winfree as he had expressed a determination to do him bodily harm. Mr. Puller is very much wrought up over the affair, and has placed the matter in the hands of the Chief of Police.

Rev. A. W. Puller took charge of Ninth street Baptist church about a year ago, coming to the city from the East. He is an excellent scholar and deep theologian and for a time he was exceedingly popular, as the church was well filled at all services. All went well for a time, until his liberal actions toward some of the members and other actions became the topic of the gossip-mongers and his usefulness was soon brought to an untimely end.

OBITUARY.

—Jesse Collins, an aged and highly respected citizen of our city, died at his home 15 Webb street last Sabbath Morning. Mr. Collins was born in North Carolina in 1818 and came to this city in 1832, and for the past forty years has been a prominent figure in the leading citizens of our city. For years he was the most popular steward in the New Orleans steamboat trade. He was also superintendent of the Lincoln Club for years. He has served the public as school trustee. For twelve years a trustee of the Orphan's asylum home, and was at the time of his death a trustee of Crawford's Old Men's Home. He was a member of Union Chapel M. E. church of which he has for years been trustee. His funeral took place Tuesday at 10 a. m. from the church. Rev. Simmonds, the pastor, performed the rites and delivered a very impressive oration to a large congregation. Mrs. Collins, wife of deceased, was buried about three years ago. There are no immediate relatives to the estate which is valued at about \$10,000.

ATHENS JOTTINGS.

Athens, Ohio, January 23.—Mr. Elmer Hartgrove of Nelsonville spent Sunday with friends in Athens.

We are pleased to report that Miss Emma Boyer is improving very rapidly.

Mr. Williams, of Portsmouth paid a pleasant visit to Athens Sunday. Mrs. Woodson Daniels was taken very ill with the neuralgia of the heart last week. She is now much better.

Mr. Henry Lewis is on the sick list. A number of our young ladies and gentlemen attended the grand festival given in Wilson's hall at Nelsonville last Thursday and Friday.

Mr. Edwards late of Nelsonville but now of Columbus, was in our midst over Sunday.

Mrs. Laura Thompson after a few days illness is out again.

Mr. David Wyatt after a few days stay among friends and relatives left for home on Sunday morning.

Mr. James West was in Circleville last week on business.

LOCKLAND - WYOMING.

Lockland, Ohio, Jan. 25.—The revival at the A. M. E. church is moving right along. The number that have been taken in is 43, and we have 9 mourners yet. Rev. D. W. Butler preached an able sermon Sunday morning.

Remember the quarterly meeting is Sunday, Jan. 29. Rev. Gazaway Presiding Elder will be present. All are invited to attend.

Mr. Thomas Hunt of Winton Place, O., was out Sunday visiting friends.

Mr. Harry West of Cincinnati, was out to see the boys Sunday.

one and the work is still going on. Stick to the Plaindealer my friends, another paper is about to make its appearance in this town, but it will not harm the Plaindealer, as the latter is the newest of Afro-American papers.

THE CHAMPION CITY.

Springfield, Ohio, Jan. 24.—Springfield can boast of a new Cornet Band that is fast coming to the front, under the leadership of Jesse Stout. The Marine Cornet band is fast coming to the front and will give a grand musical concert in about two weeks. The Almas must look to their laurels or they will lose them sure.

Saturday the election of officers of the Young Men's reading and social club was held and the following were elected: President, W. A. Day; vice-president, William Smith; treasurer, Clarence Harris; secretary, Joe. Bailey; sergeant-at-arms; Thomas Payne; trustees, Caleb Dent, Edward Nelson, Richard Burrell. They will be installed Monday, Feb. 6, and all members are requested to be present as the new officials will make it pleasant for them.

The Second district Sunday school institute convenes in Xenia, to-morrow.

Miss Nellie Martin, the District secretary will go down accompanied by the delegates, Misses Radden and Thompson. Mr. Anderson will also accompany the ladies.

J. Anderson, of Urbana, was a caller at the reading room Tuesday evening and donated some fine books. Miss Lizzie Anderson was in Xenia Sunday.

Major Ward, of Dayton, was in the city Tuesday, also Mr. Craig, who was called here by the illness of Mrs. Craig, who is convalescing.

Mrs. S. Shaeffer, of Newark, was in the city Sunday, the guest of the Misses Gazaway.

C. W. Fillmore, spent Sunday with mother, returning to Columbus at night.

Miss Taylor, of Cleveland, is visiting Miss Hattie Allen.

Miss Adams, of Urbana, is visiting Mrs. Bridges.

Mrs. Sanders, of Chicago, who was visiting Mrs. Seley her sister, returned home Saturday.

Rev. J. M. Ross is at home for a few days.

Revival services are being held in the different churches and are meeting with good success.

Will our fraternal brethren please adjust their matters and keep them out of print. It is a well known fact that some of us are the worst enemies to our race. So please call a meeting and arrange that matters behind closed doors. It will all come right I hope. To create a sensation would not assist any one nor do any good, but ruin a family, so think well before pushing this matter.

The Post is making an effort to attend the department encampment at Hamilton, Ohio, in April, in a body. Forty-five new suits have been purchased and the officers are also supplying themselves with swords. The post has an excellent set of officers, who are workers. Seven applicants in and two musters and they have installed in office three weeks. There will be a general camp fire held next week. All old soldiers and their friends are welcome. "Beans and saw-belly."

John Brown Post, No. 633, held a well attended meeting Tuesday evening. The new officers are getting down to their work. The Commander, Cyrus Ballard has appointed his several standing committees, which will be announced after approval. The committee of arrangements reported that the W. R. C., will hold a series of entertainments for the benefit of the relief fund of the post, as this fund is held for the benefit of comrades widows and orphans who are in need. It is expected that the citizens will be liberal in attending.

Rambler.

YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO.

Youngstown, Ohio, Jan. 23.—The funeral of L. Bailer was held Friday at 2 p. m., from the A. M. E. church of which he was a member. The services were conducted by Rev. B. H. Lee, assisted by Rev. Shieft, of the Third Baptist church. It was largely attended. Mrs. Jennie Taylor and her daughter of New Lisbon, attended the funeral.

Mr. John Ross will be able to attend to his work next week.

Curtis and Barry, the West Federal street barbers, dissolved partnership, the latter taking charge of the shop.

Mrs. Ben Jackson is again on the sick list.

Albert Crawford, of Beaver Falls, Diphtheria is still prevalent here. This week Mrs. Will Collins, of Lowellville, O., visited friends in the city Monday.

GALLIPOLIS NEWS.

Gallipolis, Ohio, January 23.—Rev. Wilson Barnett and Mrs. Barnett have returned to their home after having spent a pleasant time with friends in Huntington, W. Va.

Mrs. Lulle Linsley, of Cleveland, O., left here on January 18 for her home after spending a pleasant time with her parents.

Mrs. Amos Staten is not improving very rapidly.

Rev. D. D. Minor of Rendville, Ohio, is in our town for a short stay.

Mr. Joseph Mason has been arrested for shooting George Hugh with intent to kill.

Mr. P. E. Dillon went to Addison on skates in thirty minutes, a distance of seven miles up the Ohio river from our city.

Mr. Fred Smith of Point Pleasant, W. Va., made a flying trip to our city.

Mrs. Henrietta Wilkerson left Saturday morning for Toledo, Ohio.

Items for the Plaindealer may be left with Charles Wilson.

Messrs Alexander Floyd and Buford Rafor of Middleport, Ohio, made a flying trip to our city.

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IRONTON OHIO.

Iron-ton, Ohio, Jan. 23.—Mr. James Schell who has been suffering from malaria fever is much better.

Mrs. Ghost, of the East End, is very low at her home.

Master Waverly Reece is suffering from lung trouble.

Mr. William Rutledge is up from Portsmouth, Ohio.

Rev. J. W. Moreland, of Martin's Ferry was in this city last week, on business.

Knight Author Schell who has been railroading from Chicago to San Francisco and Old Mexico is home on a visit.

The Baptist and A. M. E. churches had no gas Sunday evening, owing to frost, and had to decorate with lamps in order to hold services.

Sir Knight William Rutledge is home this week from West Virginia.

Sir Knight A. G. Moore installed the following officers of Herulean lodge K. of P.: Thursday evening: W. F. Clark, R. C.; W. L. Cornute, C. C.; Charles Reynolds, V. C.; A. Washington, P.; A. G. Moore, K. of R. and S.; Thomas Page, M. of P.; James M. Tanner, M. of Ex.; John Lettgate, M. of A.; H. Lettgate, I. G.; W. Thompson, O. G.; James Schell, Representative, M. F. Clark, Alternate, Bob Lettgate, Trustee.

After the installation the members with their wives enjoyed an elegant spread.

RENDVILLE NOTES.

Rendville, Ohio, Jan. 24.—Mr. Jas. Chocolate visited Cleveland last week.

Mr. C. E. Williams and Mr. James Wiley have gone to Gloucester, to work.

Mrs. Jennie Holmes has been quite ill for some time and her friends earnestly hope for her speedy recovery.

Mr. W. E. Tolliver is smiling and happy like a boy.

The Willing Workers of the A. M. E. church are arranging a fine program for their anniversary, March 10th.

The Uniform Division, K. of P., has about given up the ghost.

Mr. F. Ashby contemplates moving to Congo in a few days.

Miss Nettie Williams has returned to her home at Pomeroy.

MATTOON ILL.

Mattoon, Ill., Jan. 23.—Rev. Wm. Collins has been carrying on a protracted meeting at the A. M. E. church for several days.

Mr. Joseph Estell and Mrs. L. Smith of Crawfordsville, Ind., were quietly married here yesterday.

A lecture by Mr. Moses Dixon and entertainment was given at the Masonic hall on the 27th.

Wanted Information—Of the whereabouts of Miss Jennie B. Mason, (or McCullough), who was last heard of in Columbus, Ohio. Address Charles Colby, care of the Plaindealer, Detroit.

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MECHANICSBURG MENTION.

Mechanicsburg, Ohio, January 23.—Messrs Israel Morgan and F. Steward were in Urbana on business last week.

Mrs. Peter Liggins was granted a divorce from her husband last week. She will resume the maiden name of Miss Ransome in the future.

Miss Deliah Steward spent last Sunday in Irwin, Ohio.

Mrs. N. S. Merritt spent last week with Mrs. Israel Morgan in Nashville, Ohio.

Mr. B. A. Phillips spent last Sunday in Coatsville, Ohio.

The revival meetings at both of the churches are still in progress and are meeting with much success.

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, '06.

The sudden death of Bishop Phillips Brooks is a great shock as well as a great loss to humanity. His life's work has been so great and so grand that it is indeed a great misfortune that he has been cut off from the still more useful years that he might have given to make the world better. He is one of the few that stood out conspicuously above their fellows in stooping to be kind and to do good. Although exalted among men because of superior worth and learning, he never catered to the popularity that comes with cringing to popular prejudices. He was one of the few ministers who practiced all that they preached in charity to all men and love for one another—even the unfortunates. His life was especially a lovely one to the Afro-American, because he never groveled in the narrow rut of prejudice, but from the heights of complete manhood could see the glorious promises of complete liberty, equality and justice. Bishop Brooks will not be honored as some of our sleeping statesmen have been, but there is no man of his generation, the influence of whose life and kindly example will live longer. What the world needs to-day, is not only men who say they believe in God, but men who act toward their fellow-men as if they believed in Him.

It is claimed that the Episcopal church is stirred up over the success the Catholics are having in making converts among Afro-Americans. To counteract the influence of Mgr. Satoll having said mass at St. Augustine's church in Washington, it is claimed that Bishop Potter ordained Rev. Owen Waller in that city in one of their finest churches. If the Catholic church by its liberal policies is stirring up Protestants to do their duty to the Afro-American, it has already made a great stride in the direction of carrying the peace on earth, good will to men, proclaimed by the angels at the birth of our Saviour. If Afro-Americans had taken a large number of Protestant preachers as the representatives of Christ, they would have seen enough to make them infidels. The Plaindealer does not claim that Catholics have not persecuted us, for some of the most revolting crimes in the South have been committed by them on the Afro-American and have been sanctioned by the press, but the influence of such men as Cardinal Lavigne, the heroic John Boyle O'Reilly and the sturdy Archbishop Ireland, is going to inaugurate a new era in Catholicism as it relates to the Afro-American. And he is going to expect just as much from the Protestants, who call him brethren theoretically, but fail to recognize him as such in practice.

This week the Plaindealer reproduces an article on the late Hon. Benjamin F. Butler, copied from the Nashville American. Such brutal and unmanly rot would be out of place in any decent journal and only appears in these columns to show the true feeling of the South to patriots, who have refused to bow to their reprehensible methods since the war. It is a favorite and often repeated claim of bourbon, when seeking popular favor, that they have accepted the issues of the war and that peace and harmony should exist between the two sections. Southern comments on Mr. Butler prove that such a state can only be realized when the liberty loving North has fully acquiesced in all the prejudices the South contended and still contends for. Such as have already swallow their flat without nausea are relieved with great elation and hospitality, but the sturdy liberty, loving citizen, who still contends for justice, is stigmatized and outraged as he was before the war.

It would be an act of graceful acknowledgment of the services Gen. Benjamin F. Butler has done for the Afro-American, if the race would gather together in their various localities and voice their testimonials of gratitude and regret at his death. It was Gen. Butler who struck the first real blow at the Confederacy and slavery by declaring runaway slaves contraband of war. Emancipation and the arming of the freedmen was the logical result of his action. It was Gen. But-

ler, who was the chief advocate of the civil rights of the Afro-American, and led the fight after Sumner's death to accomplish it in congress, and it was Gen. Butler, as a Democrat alone of all the governors in Northern States, professing great love and friendship for the Afro-American that had the courage to appoint an Afro-American to a judicial office.
Let us honor his memory.

There is always some one ready to cry down any movement looking towards the attainments of justice, or any movements that seeks to uplift a people. Recent developments in Ohio have shown the need of a civil rights act that will be just as operative in Marietta or Cincinnati, as at Youngstown. A citizen of Cincinnati is entitled to as much justice or to as many privileges as a citizen in any other part of the State, and when such a measure of justice fails, or privileges are curtailed it is time to look around and find the reason. If the difficulty can be remedied by the enforcement of severe measures, a law embodying such provisions should be enforced. Such apparently seems the case in Ohio. It is thought that if the penalties were made more severe, the law itself more explicit and made so clear that it should leave no doubt in the mind of any that an offense has been committed against the law of the state that there would not be so many acts of discrimination committed, or if committed justice would be sure of being meted out to the guilty parties. It is because this sentiment has been growing in force, and the race has a member in each branch of the Ohio Legislature, that the Plaindealer voices the sentiment of its constituency in the State, which is a large one, has called upon Messrs Green and Jackson, and urged upon them the necessity of having a law enacted that will be operative.

The Conservator of Chicago, Ill., having taken cognizance of this sentiment deprecates this course and fears the extreme measures, where public sentiment does not favor them, would tend to make matters worse. The Plaindealer would ask the Conservator if the Civil Rights Law of Illinois, which is more effective than the one in Ohio, has had such a tendency in that State. Cases brought into the Illinois courts for violation of civil rights have almost invariably been decided for the plaintiff with damages. Has this tended to decrease the practice of discriminating against the race, or has it made the prejudice inclined the more determined to discriminate? Is it not the case now that people inclined that way usually pick the parties they think will not resent it when such violations occur? Why should not that which is considered good in Illinois be also considered good in Ohio or any other State? Illinois is certainly not more liberal than Ohio.

There are many reminiscences of the late war now being published in various journals, in which Afro-Americans are mentioned. In every instance his faithfulness is pictured, but only as a servant. He has been so long associated with servitude that this is natural. Faithfulness to one's trust is a good quality, but the peculiar feature of all these writings is that he is never referred to as an example of heroic, manly bravery. Yet there are thousands of instances where this quality, during the late unpleasantness, was as conspicuous as his fidelity to his former masters.

It is said of the civil rights case at Youngstown, Ohio, where an Afro-American secured a verdict and damages against a white barber for refusing to shave him, that the barbers had a meeting to consider whether they would appeal the case or not. At this meeting it is rumored there were some Afro-Americans. This would not surprise us. There are lots of just such men not only in Youngstown, but in Cincinnati, Cleveland, Detroit and elsewhere. Such men in our society should be considered as outcasts. They are detrimental to race progress.

The Texas wheelmen are again demanding that Afro-Americans be excluded from the League of American Wheelmen. An Afro-American in Michigan, belonging to the League so disturbs the sensitive feelings of the superior beings that they protest and threaten to secede like their father's did.

Dewitt Talmage, Jr., in a recent lecture in Detroit, claimed that America is the most humane and liberty loving spot in the world. Mr. Talmage has either never seen a Southern lynching or he is given to taffy, regardless of the truth.

Agents wanted to canvass for the Plaindealer in every town in Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and all of the South and West.

HOW THEY HATED HIM.

A Southern Paper's Comment on General Butler's Death.

From the Nashville American, Jan. 12.—The Beast is dead.—Old Ben. Butler is dead! Early yesterday morning the angel of death, acting under the devil's orders, took him from earth and landed him in hell. In all this Southern country there are no tears, no sighs and no regrets. He lived only too long. We are glad he has at last been removed from earth, and even pity the devil the possession he has secured.

He was a truckling demagogue whose selfishness amounted to pollution; he was an autocrat who used power to wreck personal revenge; he was mean and malignant, a hangman from prejudice, the insulter of women, a braggadocho, a trickster and a scoundrel whose heart was as black as the smoke from the coals that are now scorching his soul.

If there be a future of peace in store for Ben. Butler after his entrance upon eternity, then there is no Heaven and the Bible is a lie. If hell be only as black as the Good Book describes it, then there are not the degrees of punishment in which some christians so firmly believe. He has gone, and from the sentence which has already been passed upon him there is no appeal. He is already so deep down in the pit of everlasting doom that he couldn't get the most powerful ear trumpet conceivable to scientists and hear the echoes of old Gabriel's trumpet, or fly a million miles and get a message to St. Peter who stands guard at Heaven's gates.

In our statute books many holidays are decreed. It was an egregious oversight that one on the occasion of the death of Ben. Butler was not foreordained. It should be a day of merrymaking. The "Beast" is dead. The tymbals should beat and the tin horn should beat in its exultant work.

Good-bye, Ben! You strutted through a few temporal triumphs; now rest if you can in the brimstone glare of hell fire. You laughed twenty-five years ago, when you branded your offensive personality upon the memories of your superiors; now smile if you can when powerless and sunk so low as to be beyond the sympathy of even christian men and women.

PENNY SAVINGS BANK.

A Good Showing Made by this Enterprise at Chattanooga, Tenn.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Times.—Despite the very hard times and the stringency of the money market for the past twelve months, the Penny Savings bank, the colored man's bank, has done an excellent business and has made money.

There are but three banks that are owned and operated exclusively by colored men in the United States. They are: The Captiol Savings bank of Washington, the Alabama Penny Savings bank of Birmingham, and the Penny Savings bank of Chattanooga. The bank in this city was organized in February, 1890, and since the day of its opening success has smiled upon it in a manner reflecting credit upon its officers and directors. The bank is run on a most economical plan and on a basis that no one is too poor to open a savings account. An account can be opened as low as 25 cents and deposits as low as 2 cents.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders and an election of officers and directors resulted as follows: J. W. White, president; J. G. Burge, vice-president; H. N. Willis, cashier; Edwin F. Horne, assistant cashier. Directors—J. W. White, W. H. Singleton, O. W. James, M. D. Geo. W. Penn, C. W. Roberts, Memphis; Dr. E. A. Williams, New Orleans; Eugene Taylor, R. Hamlet, Dr. T. W. Halgler, F. H. Crumley, Atlanta; J. H. Dickson, Sparatza, Ga.; J. G. Gunge, Edward Henderson, W. R. Kennedy, A. F. Perry, M. D., H. N. Willis, Edwin M. R. Carson, J. C. Napier, Nashville; F. Horne, L. J. Winston, Natchez; G. E. Jones, Arkansas.

During the past year the business and the surplus of the bank have increased very satisfactorily, and the total expenses, including salaries, interest, taxes, fixtures, and miscellany has amounted to the small sum of \$174.17. The bank has also paid in dividends \$491.15.

Although the authorized capital is \$50,000 the deposits have amounted to \$188,027.77. Its report showed quite an increase in business for 1892 over 1891.

A HAYTIAN REVOLUTION.

Port-au-Prince, Hayti, Jan. 20.—The Government troops have been victorious in their mission, according to advices just received here. The forces under the command of the Minister of War have returned in triumph from Lasee De Nean, where the uprising against the Government of President Hippolyte has been entirely crushed. They captured a number of prisoners, who are now in jail in this city.

Additional excitement was caused this afternoon when the news was circulated that the eldest son of President Hippolyte had died in the palace this afternoon. There was a rumor that he had been poisoned by enemies of the president, and this increased the uneasiness.

The residents of Port-au-Prince had already been worked up to a high tension. During the night friends of the exiles who are living in Kingston, Jamaica, had placarded the city with inflammatory posters, which created alarm.

Another step was taken by American Minister Durham in the case of Frederick Meve, the American citizen who had suffered unjust imprisonment here. He made an official call at the Governor's house and entered a strong protest against the continued delay in settling the case. At the same time he filed a demand for \$20,000 indemnity. It is believed here that Secretary Foster may use the guns of the Atlantic to enforce the demands made by Minister Durham.

OUT OF WORK AND BOOD.

Old Point Comfort, Va., Jan. 24.—Two Afro-American oyster dredgers have arrived here from Tangier Island and report that they walked thirty-four miles on the ice from where their boat was frozen up to reach Cape Charles. They say there were twenty in the party, white and colored, and seven of them dropped on the ice and they think were frozen to death. Two of those, they say, were white drummers who had gone out to the dredge to seal goods. They say there is great destitution on Tangier Island and that people are starving. Cattle have been killed for food, but there is no bread to eat with the meat. Persons arriving here from across the bay state that there are 4,000 oyster men on the Eastern shore of Maryland and Virginia who are out of work and dependent on charity. They have had no work for over a month and there is much suffering among them. Half starved and half frozen ducks and geese are driven ashore in large numbers at Virginia Beach and can be killed with little effort.

AS USUAL IN LOUISIANA.

New Orleans, La., Jan. 21.—A mob of masked men last night broke into the jail at Convent, St. James Parish, and forced the jailer to open the cells of Robert Landry and "Pick" George, two Afro-Americans who were in prison there, one for garroting and robbing a telegraph operator at Delphion Station, and the other for murdering a man named Dewhorst. The Afro-Americans were taken to a shed near by and lynched. Great excitement prevails in the parish.

TWO MEN ARE AFTER DIXON.

New York, Jan. 23.—Champion bantamweight Billy Plimmer, of England, to-day issued a challenge to fight featherweight George Dixon at 112 pounds for 2,500 to \$5,000 a side and the featherweight championship of the world. Sol. Smith, of San Francisco, is also desirous of fighting Dixon. His backer Zack Abrahams, has issued a challenge, and will bet \$2,500 on the side to fight for the championship of the world at 118 pounds.

AN AMUSING SIGHT.

Ypsilanti, Mich., Jan. 23.—Fourteen Afro-Americans flying in fourteen directions at about 11 p. m. Saturday evening, over awnings and down telegraph poles on the North side of Congress street, between Huron and Washington streets, was a scene that amused those who had the opportunity of witnessing it. The commotion resulted from the pulling of an Afro-American "crap joint" by Ypsilanti officers. Seven of the offenders were arrested, and to-day paid fines in Justice Bogardus' court.

A YOUTHFUL PRODIGY.

Little Rock, Ark., Jan. 23.—A little Afro-American boy, 5 or 6 years old, has wrought up the Afro-Americans of this section by giving nightly exhibitions of his knowledge. He reads books of all languages and reads them correctly. He can turn to any designated chapter or verse of the Bible and read it as rapidly as any practiced divine. He says Jesus Christ taught him to read, and when asked who Jesus Christ is says He is the Son of God. But he says he does not know who God is. He is a phenomenal wonder of astonishing magnitude. The house is packed nightly by both whites and blacks eager to witness the child's ability.

—Andrew F. Stevens, Jr., is a candidate for the city council of Philadelphia.

—Dr. W. B. Derrick recently swallowed a portion of a poison and narrowly escaped death.

—An aged Afro-American woman, said to be 80 years old, married a white man recently in the Indian Territory.

—The Railroad Porters Brotherhood held its annual convention in St. Louis, Mo., on the 16th.

—A terrible accident befell Mr. Robert Henderson, a young man living at 2902 Armour avenue, Chicago. His car last week was derailed and in the accident his leg was caught and dragged several feet and literally torn from his body. Amputation just below the knee was perfected and the sufferer is now resting fairly comfortable in Crestonville.

TROUBLE IN THE RANKS.

Philadelphia, Jan. 23.—For some months past the ranks of the Gray Invincibles, the only Afro-American company in the State National Guard, have been almost disrupted by a conflict that has been going on between Capt. Charles H. Hallstock and the men of his command. The men charged that Hallstock was using the company's funds for his own benefit and they preferred charges against him. Hallstock claimed that there was a conspiracy to force him out of the command, and at a meeting of the company last Wednesday night, he summarily discharged the most active of his opponents, To-day Sergt. John Montier, one of the discharged men, had Hallstock arrested on the charge of embezzling \$800 from the money appropriated by the State and city for the company's maintenance. Hallstock was committed in default of bail for further hearings.

EXCITEMENT NEAR CHATHAM.

Chatham, Ont., Jan. 25.—Constable McDonnell and P. Con. Rankin and Dezella, went out to Freeman's near Jerico last night to arrest a colored man named Freeman for some offense. Freeman shot all three of the constables and afterwards struck Rankin with an ax. Rankin is dead at Coltart's morgue.

An armed posse went out late from Chatham and secured seven of the participants in the affray, but failed to secure the principal, Freeman. Considerable excitement prevails and more trouble is feared before Freeman is captured.

FRANKFORT NEWS.

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 22.—Governor is pleased to inform the readers of the Plaindealer that he is much better and is on foot again. Look out comrades that you don't take on too much skating and sleighing.

Misses Walker Taylor, Clark and Williams and Professors Mayo, Saffell, Davis and Dr. Underwood, spent a very pleasant evening sleigh-riding last Sunday.

Since the cold spell there has been a slight decrease in the attendance of the schools.

The city of Hills has been visited with the coldest winter that has been felt for ten years. The thermometer has been hugging zero and 15 degrees below.

Miss Emma Holmes, of Lexington, Ky., one of the belles of the Blue Grass Region, was entertained on the South Side last Thursday, by Miss Wilson. Miss Holmes is very popular, being in possession of the finest qualities. She has made many friends since her visit in the city due a great deal to her most amiable disposition.

Miss Sallie Williams, Sidney Duppe, Marie Warren and Nellie Williams, students of the Normal, have been compelled to cease their attendance on account of the inclemency of the weather.

Professor Edward Simpson, the champion light weight of Kentucky, is spending his winter at Frankfort, and is under training for great work in the spring. Ed. is a Frankfort boy and deserves much praise for the work he has done in fitting himself as a professor of physical culture. We hope Ed. much success in his future combats.

Miss Julia B. Higdon, one of the graduates of the State Normal has months, but being in possession of school in Knotsville, Ky. We are very sorry to part with Miss Higdon. As an educator she stands at the top most round. We congratulate the citizens of Knotsville in being so successful in securing a lady so well fitted for the work she has been called and possessing the fine qualities which are so characteristic of Miss Higdon.

Miss Abbie McFarland, of Columbus, Ohio, was entertained by the Doves, but Grafton being a Rooster and a member of the Stag, was unable to get the proceedings of the entertainment. He will endeavor, however, to call upon one of the doves and get the notes of the occasion. We doubt not that it was a swell affair, as Miss McFarland is very popular and the Doves usually entertain in fine style. We hope to give the entertainment in full in the next issue.

Rev. B. W. Farris entertained a large and appreciative audience at the First Baptist church last Thursday with a lecture, Subject, "Modern Doubt and Christian Belief." With the way the doctor handled the subject it places him in line with the best of lecturers. As the doctor pictured with unexcelled oratory, "Modern Doubt," and placed "Christian Belief" with so much truth embellished with eloquence he completely captured his audience, who gave the strictest attention. The doctor has been in our midst, but a few months, but being in possession of so many amiable qualities success has attended his path and he is rapidly making a host of friends.



New York Press.—Grand Master Workman Powderly's attempt to found a co-operative factory town, for which he is said to have purchased a site near Washington, will be watched with interest. An element of co-operation has been introduced into large factories with eminent success, both in this country and in Europe. But hitherto purely co-operative industries have been mainly unsuccessful, except where the process of manufacture has been of the simplest nature and involved the employment of small capital. In the higher forms of manufacture co-operation has usually proved a failure, but this result was always attributed by its advocates to a lack of ability on the part of the conductors of the enterprises. If Mr. Powderly succeeds in raising the capital for his ambitious project we may expect the most thorough test of the virtues of the plan which has yet been made. If the experiment fails it will not, in this case at least, be on account of incapacity on the part of its leader.

New England Torchlight.—The colored journalists of Georgia who have declared their preference for the word Negro, to that of Afro-American, have the sympathy and hearty endorsement of the Torchlight. Away with that curious and funny name Afro-American. Some people try to be so nice. Say Negro. Write it with a big N.

The Freeman.—One successful Afro-American business man or entrepreneur is worth a whole wilderness of jack-leg politicians. As a newly freed race, we have served our time in the pursuit of the inconsequential. Commencing with this new year of grace '93 how would it do to flop about and take a whack at the essentials of life.

Parsons Bladed.—Shall we go to Africa? No, not I.

Martinsburg, W. Va., Pioneer Press.—The Petersburg Herald editors have given the best definition of a hustler extant by referring the meaning of the term to the Detroit Plaindealer's force.

Christian Recorder.—Most of the terms and designations, possibly all of them, worn by the race in this country have had the shortcoming of an abnormal origin or sordid coloring, always emanating from the other side of the house, the side that sees the Negro with eyes aequil or with no eyes at all. To ultimately receive that which is due him the Negro must not only write his own history, paint his own pictures and form his own ideals. He must have a hand in making the language of his environment.

Voice of Missions.—It would appear from the papers that our white murderers and lynchers have gotten tired of killing Negroes, and have gone to killing one another. The Atlanta Constitution reports seven white men murdered yesterday. Murdering Negroes seems to have lost its popularity and fresh material is sought. What a barbarous age we are living in!

YPSILANTI NEWS.

Ypsilanti, Mich., Jan. 23.—Messrs Jewett and Lee of the U. of M., spent Sunday in our city, visiting friends.

Miss Amanda Koper who has been quite sick, is convalescent.

Mrs. Cora Merchant, of this city, was quietly united in the holy bonds of matrimony to Mr. Wm. Storms, of South Bend, Ind. The happy couple left for South Bend, where they will remain for a few weeks.

Miss Ella Leatherman, of Jackson, and Miss Eva Cooper, of Ann Arbor, were in our city last Friday.

Mr. A. Mashat who has been running a cafe on Huron street, has sold out to Mr. E. Newton.

There will be a "Baby Show" given for all babies under six months old, Feb. 2, and there will also be three prizes; first to the finest baby, as to development, second, to the prettiest baby and third to the lightest baby, as to weight.

Mr. Fred Anderson, one of our high school boys, delivered an oration Friday night, at the Sophomore exhibition and it was highly appreciated by all that heard it.

The Night Cap Social was well attended and the trio sung by Mr. Fred Anderson, Master Fred Anderson and Miss Genevieve Thompson, was highly appreciated.

PIQUA NOTES.

Piqua, Ohio, Jan. 22.—A sleighing party consisting of twenty-four persons, spent Thursday night at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson, of Troy, O. Among those that went were: Mr. and Mrs. Gies, Mrs. Huggard, Miss Bertha Moss, Mr. Robert and William Morp and others.

Mr. Ferguson is on the sick list. Miss Maud Randolph is home from Tippacaw.

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Don't fail to hear the Black Patti. Mr. James Tines has returned from Chicago.

Cora Crosby and Maud Wise, have been recommended to the High school from the Bishop school.

Mr. Robert Beasley has secured a position with the Mifflin clothing parlors, Monroe avenue.

There will be the usual services at the Second Baptist church next Sunday, at 10:45 a. m., and 7:45 p. m. Rev. N. F. McElayne, pastor.

Mrs. Isaac Berd and daughter Eva, of Montague, Mich., spent a few days in the city, as the guests of Mrs. B. Campbell and Mrs. E. P. Harper. They were en route to Oberlin, where Miss Eva Berd will take up an advanced course in music.

Secure your seats for the Sissieretta Jones Concert at the Auditorium, Feb. 10.

An unknown writer in the Ferret and Journal of the Lodge of New Orleans, made an attack on a minister of Detroit. No names are mentioned in the article which is a column in length.

Representative Ferguson left last Sunday noon with the Legislative party for a trip to the Northern peninsula. The party has a special train and will return via Chicago in order to visit the World's Fair ground and see the Michigan building. Reports come that the delegation is being petted on all sides.

Mrs. Robert Pelham has returned from her visit to her son, Professor J. H. Pelham, of Hannibal, Mo. Little Miss Nora Ferguson who accompanied her also returned.

Mr. Charles Straws, of Fowlerville, Mich., was in the city Monday on business. He called at the Plaindealer office and renewed his subscription which did not expire until April. He says he can not get along without the paper.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Campbell, of Twelfth street—a fine boy, Jan. 19th.

The Sissieretta Jones concert at the Auditorium, February 10, will begin promptly at 8 p. m.

Mr. Joseph W. Loomis who is interested in organizing a gentlemen's club desires those who have pledged their support in the enterprise to meet at room number ten, Hilsendengen block next Thursday evening, February 2nd at 8:30 p. m. The meeting is for the purpose of forming an organization and to decide upon plans upon which to proceed.

The Sissieretta Jones Concerts are attended by great crowds throughout the East. This is her first appearance in the West outside of Chicago.

The Willing-Workers will meet next week at the residence of Mrs. L. H. Johnson, 292 Montcalm st.

Mr. Charles Colby, formerly of Two Harbors, Minn., is visiting Mr. Edward Walker, Windsor. He has some inclination to go to Oklahoma soon to try the new Territory, having disposed of his interest in the Minnesota town.

It is expected that Mr. Will F. Cook, the violinist, who has just finished a three years course in Germany will appear at the Sissieretta Jones concert at the Auditorium, Feb. 10. Mr. Joseph N. Kelly, Baltimore's favorite baritone, Mr. Bennett, Detroit's favorite tenor and Mrs. Maggie Porter Cole, Detroit's sweet-voiced soprano, will appear on this occasion.

The Enterprise Athletic club, formed last summer by the young men of the city is meeting with success. Their last meeting was held at the home of Mr. Ed. Bealer, who pleasantly entertained the club. The next meeting at the home of Mr. Albert Brewer. The officers of the club are as follows: President, Clark Miller; Vice-Pres., Henry Gregory; Secretary, Calborne Bush; General Manager, Ralph Owens; Assistant Manager, Eugene Tomlinson; Treasurer, George Rice.

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THE ORDER FLOURISHES.

Jackson, Jan. 23.—The sixth annual session of the union grand lodge, F. and A. M. Afro-American, commenced a four days meeting here to-day. The session was opened at 12 o'clock by Grand Worship W. E. Blackburn, of Ann Arbor. After the usual committees had been appointed reports of grand officers were read, showing the order to be in a flourishing condition. The remainder of the session was devoted to routine business. Eight lodges are represented to-day and other delegates will be on hand to-morrow. The lodges now represented are: Hiram lodge, No. 1 and Mt. Paven, No. 2, Detroit; Strauthon, No. 3, Battle Creek; St. Mary's No. 4, Ann Arbor; North Star, No. 5, Grand Rapids; East Star, No. 6, Saginaw; Harrison, No. 9, Niles; Granite, No. 11, Day; St. Nicholas, No. 12, Jackson.

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THE FIRE DEPARTMENT RECEIVED TWO NEW ENGINES RECENTLY AND THEY HAVE BEEN PUT INTO COMMISSION.

There is no reason on earth why Afro-Americans should not be represented on the force, either as having full control of an engine house and manning it completely or that individuals should be placed here and there. The position of the Afro-American as tax payers warrant some of their number should be employed in both the police and fire departments, and all that is necessary to secure it is to get together and formulate a demand for representatives. Who will be the first to stir up sentiment for the purpose? The Plaindealer is your forum. Let us hear from you.

Every city has a large percentage of people who like to talk about what other people do elsewhere, and try to leave the impression that they are almost dying to surpass or equal such efforts, and they deplore the lack of unity that exists. Well, all such talk is fudge. Such people don't mean anything and you seldom find them trying to hold up the hands of any one trying to make a mark. They are one kind of barnacle.

The ungrateful man is another barnacle, and there are a lot of these men in Detroit and other cities. It is surprising how many people that there are who owe their positions in politics and in various private enterprises throughout the city to the assistance of others who never have a kind word for those who helped them, or who endeavor by the slightest act to help them in any effort they make to help themselves or the people. There are very few people who are willing to acknowledge that what they receive comes through the good recommendations that others give them. The usual method of showing gratitude by ingratitude is not very encouraging, and it serves to create the feeling that it is not worth the while to fight other peoples battles, or to try to benefit them.

"Let them fight their own battles the same as I have done" is the thought that enters the breast of more than one man, who has been of use to others. Ingratitude is one of the weaknesses of humanity. It makes men narrow, and a narrow man hates to acknowledge that he owes anything to others.

There was a concert at Fraternity Hall, Wednesday night for the benefit of Mr. Tines, who had the misfortune to lose a foot in a railway accident last summer. The concert was not as largely patronized as it ought to have been but this fact can be attributed to a lack of advertising. A large number of people would have gone had they known it. Holding your light under a bushel is not the way to get along in the business world. The successful people advertise.

The Plaindealer has often endeavored to stir up the people to some kind of action, wherein they could be benefitted, but such efforts appear to be useless. At least there do not appear to be any known results from some of the efforts. Well it is going to hazard another proposition. It has not been long since the good old quaker poet, John G. Whittier died. There was no literary man in this country who breathed stronger condemnation against slavery. His verses were often heard in protest, and he never seemed to tire in trying to stir up public opinion. Two weeks ago, General Benjamin F. Butler died. Do you know of any one who has been a greater friend than he to the Afro-American? Shrewd and far-seeing he was the first in the war to inaugurate a policy the logical result of which was the freeing of the slave, and seriously crippling the enemy. Under him the Afro-American received full pay as a soldier. He was one of the first to arm the Afro-American, and he declared that he would never forget him, a promise he religiously kept. The people of Detroit and of the United States, could not better attest their gratitude for his good deeds, than by holding memorial services in his honor and in the honor of Whittier. Will you do it?

Favor us with a renewal of your subscription, at once.

Bazoo and Bootjack.

One day last month the Editor received a letter of which the following is a copy, and when Bazoo came home it was turned over to him:

For the Plaindealer:—There is a so-called government Position Dude who has a mania for talking and scandalizing the Fairer Sex. Now if it this Dude will persist in this way of amusement he will certainly be made an example off by one of the Fairer Sex. So be ware.

Please insert the above in the columns of your paper and oblige a subscriber.

This week Bazoo came to the office all excitement. He was so visibly agitated that Bootjack noticed it and inquired the reason. "You know that letter you gave me," exclaimed Bazoo between breaths. "Well he's done for." "Who's done for," asked Bootjack, becoming interested.

"Why that government dude. As soon as I found that one of the fair sex had been scandalized, and that by a poor insignificant, measly government dude my ire riz right up. I secured four pistols, two shot-guns, an old revolutionary sword and went hunting for government dudes about the size of the one mentioned in the letter. After I was fully equipped, I went off to a lonely spot and just sat down and pondered on how I was going to do that fellow up. When I had my mind fully made up I sallied forth to battle as fully equipped and as positive as the gallant Hudibras. I didn't get far however, before I found there were several others moved with the same impulses and desires. This particular scandalized member of the fair sex has many admirers and had no doubt given them copious doses of Butler and Cervantes.

Our company soon came upon the unsuspecting dude and challenged him to mortal combat. The battle waged fierce and long, but when it was over the opponent was like the dog the quaker gave a bad name, he was scattered to the four corners of the wind. Why you could not have found enough of him to have filled a dust pan had he been swept together.

Like the chivalric bourbon of the South we couldn't leave his lifeless body dangling in the breeze, but we erected a monument in the midst of his scattered remains as a warning to unsophisticated dudes who trample thoughtlessly on the pet corners of the fairer sex. This done we knights, for you should have seen that company, sat down like Alexander of old and wept that there were no more dudes to be conquered. I started to describe our company, there were dark knights and knights not so dark all assembled, without regard to race, color or previous condition, for the one grand purpose. I tell you the chivalric spirit of the middle ages is not dead nor sleeping. Can you not provide a place in one corner of the office where I can store this arsenal until I need it again. Beside it might come handy in case any of my brethren in arms should turn their attention toward the Plaindealer editors in search of further conquest.

As an English cockney would say, there is no telling what a fellow may run against in this bloody, blasted, bloomin' country, but I ran across an experience not many Sundays ago that stunned me. I went to church on Sunday evening as all well regulated society people do. As I did not have anything new to show to the admir-

ing audience as I marched up to put my contribution on the table, I went to enjoy the sermon and spend one hour out of 148 in praise and prayer, notwithstanding I am a sinner. I was disappointed, however. I had the misfortune to get a back seat which was fatal to my reverential anticipations.

The pastor preached an able and eloquent sermon as far as I was able to hear it and the listeners in the front pews seemed enrapt. That evening, I suppose, for my benefit, some of the choir were not in good spirits and congregated in the hall just outside to try and arrange some "business matters." It took the whole evening to heal the breach and as a consequence between passages of holy writ, the congregation was treated to choice bits of loud contention. I will wag my reputation as a prophet that should any one say to any one of these young people, how much of uncouthness their actions savored of, they would grow highly indignant and protest that they had been libeled.

It is fashionable now to get indignant, therefore everybody gets indignant or claims he does. The more guilty a person is, as a rule, the more indignant he gets when accused. I dare not say much on this subject for fear I might need my arsenal next week for defense, but I must tell the truth, as one of our local preachers would say, though the heavens fall."

A FRIGHTENED COOK.

Xenia, O., Jan. 20.—There was intense excitement on Detroit street this morning for a while, over an explosion that took place in the kitchen of the Commercial Hotel. The water pipes had frozen, and a fire had been started in the big range by some one unconscious of the fact. About half-past six the range let go with a terrific explosion. An old Afro-American cook, Mrs. Lindsay, who was in the room, was found on one side of the room in an unconscious condition, by the persons first in the room, and for a time it was thought she had been killed. The old woman had been so frightened that she jumped over a high counter and was scared into unconsciousness. The range was a total wreck, and the kitchen presented a very dilapidated appearance.

NILES, MICH.

Niles, Mich., Jan. 24.—The A. M. E. Sunday school elected the following officers, Jan. 15: Superintendent, Mrs. J. Cousins; assistant superintendent, Mrs. L. Bannister; secretary, Miss Mabel Bannister; assistant secretary, Mrs. Belle Curtis; treasurer, Mrs. J. Cousins; chorister, Miss Belle Curtis; assistant chorister, Miss Cora Ceasar; librarian, Master Frank Jones; assistant librarian, Master Clarence Powers.

Beginning Friday evening, Elder Roberts will hold a two days meeting.

Mr. Gus Bannister is able to be out, although he has to use crutches.

M. B.

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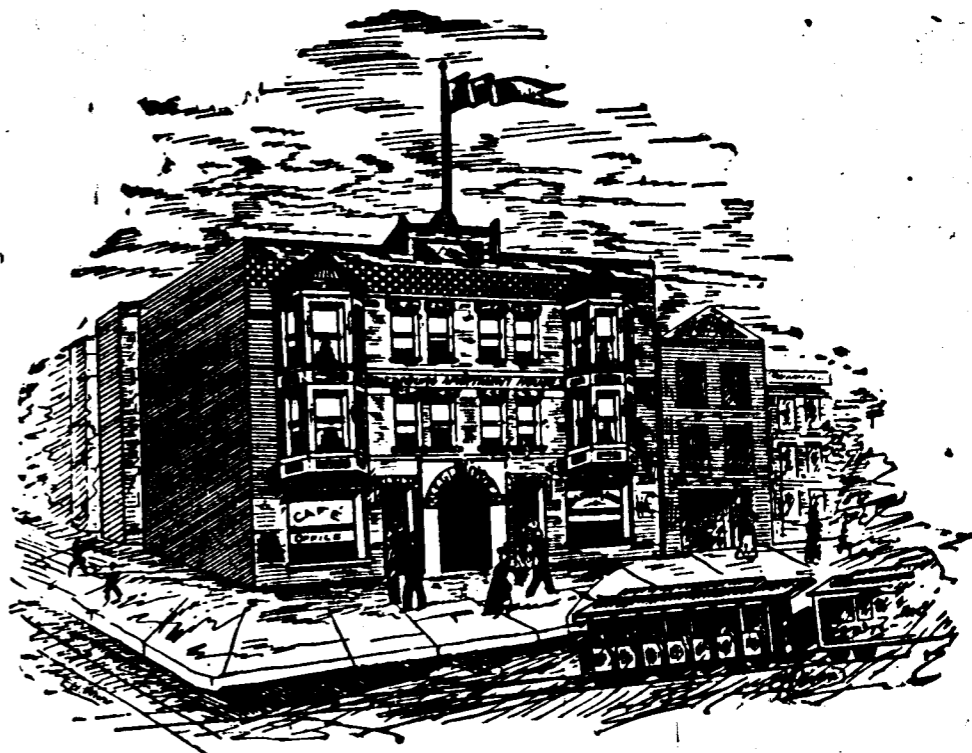
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Cleveland, Ohio, January 24.—Mr. W. O. Bowles has prepared an excellent service for the 50th anniversary of the G. U. O. of O. E. of America which will take place the first Sunday in March. Mr. Bowles is one of Cleveland's most active men in the field of literature. As a successful editor for a number of years, he has gathered wide experience in this line.

Mrs. Rowman, after several days sickness is around again.

Mrs. Newman has recovered her health.

Mr. and Mrs. Newman, of Pine ave., are the parents of a fine baby boy.

Miss Mary Lee, of Va., is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Anderson, Pine st.

Mrs. Jennie Coleman, who has been visiting in Cincinnati, has returned to Cleveland. She is stopping with her aunt, Mrs. Johnson.

The St. Andrews Sunday school has grown from a membership of three to an average attendance of about 80, since the advent of Rev. Leated.

A party was given at the home of Miss Clara Deaver last week.

Mrs. John P. Green is still confined to her sick room. At one time it was thought that she could not recover.

There is hope for her now.

Our political clubs, crawling from beneath the debris of the Waterloo of 1892 have put on their armor again, making ready as it seems, for the great battle of next spring. The Foraker club met in the City hall last Tuesday evening and elected officers for the ensuing year.

The Afro-American club had a similar meeting in the same place last Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Larkins, whose baby, at this writing, is reported sick beyond recovery, has the deepest sympathy of her many friends.

Mr. Andrew Tolbert is still confined to his sick bed.

A pleasant surprise party was given the Rev. Mr. Shaw, last Monday evening, in commemoration of the 5th anniversary of his wedding. The party was a movement of the Young Married People's union.

Mr. and Mrs. Hines have changed their residence from Cleveland to Pittsburg, Pa.

We are sorry to see such a spirit of antagonism as now exists among many of the people in Cleveland. There seems to be a natural tendency in the part of some to do all in their power to down their neighbors, as they call it, if they do not just act to suit them. Because a man may not cater to our wishes nor act as we think he should, is no reason why he should trip him up in life and do all we can to retard his progress or check his success. When we find ourselves committing such an act, let us ask the question: How would we feel if our neighbors should treat us the same way. There seems to be a little too much selfishness among us, we should cultivate a stronger feeling of unity, and do more to build each other up.

Mr. Geo. Gordon is quite sick.

Rev. Hester and his two children have been sick for some time.

The Shiloh Baptist church is divided into two parts, owing to some dissatisfaction among the members.

LORAIN NEWS.

Lorain, Ohio, Jan. 22.—Mr. Nathan Ward and Miss Lillie Bell Fard, were quietly married Wednesday evening, Jan. 11th, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Gibson, of North Broadway. Rev. Charles Garner, performed the ceremony.

Mr. Thomas Bows, of Oberlin, was home, after visiting friends and relatives in Fostoria and Lancaster.

Miss Irene Quinn who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. A. Cooley, left for her home in Oberlin, Saturday.

Mr. Thomas Borols of Oberlin, was in the city Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. M. W. White, of Cleveland, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Miller, of East Lorain.

Mr. Clarence Henson left for his home at Bridgeport, Ohio, last Wednesday.

Mrs. Sarah Pulley has recovered from a severe attack of neuralgia.

Mr. Benjamin Blakely, of Oberlin, is visiting friends and relatives here. The entertainment given by the Lorain Pleasure club Thursday evening, was a success.

A sleighing party visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Jones, of Elyria, Tuesday evening and were highly entertained.

An invitation is extended to all to attend the revival services now in progress at the Second Baptist church. Our Sabbath is fast improving and we are glad to see the young ladies and gentlemen of Lorain taking active parts in such an elevating and important cause. Mr. W. H. Gibson, our superintendent, Rev. Garner and others are working hard for promotion and deserve great credit.

Rev. J. L. Morris has returned from Cleveland, where he has been assisting Rev. Wilson in a revival and reports as having met with great success.

Death removed from the family circle of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Chinn, last Saturday evening, their bright and promising little boy Isaac, age 7 years.

Stenbenville, Ohio, Jan. 19.—Chas. Brown, a well known Market street Afro-American barber, took a dose of laudanum at his shop this evening with intent to commit suicide, and is only kept alive by constant walking. He had been gambling, and became involved in debt, which caused him to attempt to take his life. He is in a critical condition, and may die before morning.

OBERLIN OBSERVATIONS.

Oberlin, Ohio, January 23.—During the Civil War when General Butler saw a famous charge that the colored troops were making it is said that he expressed himself somewhat as follows: "If it please God that I be spared through this war, so long as I live, this people, who fight so valiantly for a country, which has held them in slavery shall never want a friend."

Butler kept his word. For during the rest of the war, in Congress as governor of Massachusetts and in other positions of trust and honor, he never forgot the people of his black soldiers.

Soon after the war, when Sumner, Greeley, Phillips and others were living there was a kind of fame, and it was popular too, in showing good will to the Negro. But now so many other things occupy the attention of the statesman that this early friendship has, apparently, considerably waned. It is good, may be, for the colored man must now look to his own resources. Nevertheless when we lose one of those old time friends, who has shown fidelity and remained to the last faithful, shall we not come together, extol his memorable deeds, year, shed a tear, and thus demonstrate to our contemporaries and posterity that we keenly appreciate the favors that we never fail to express gratitude in the fullest sense of the word.

In a word, citizens of Oberlin, shall we not at once institute arrangements for a day, a place, a program for fitting memorial services to this great souled soldier, who only asks that his epitaph be—

"Here lies the General, who saved the lives of his soldiers at Big Bethel and Fort Fisher, and never commanded the Army of the Potomac."

Rev. W. H. Brown was the recipient of a present last week from Lorain Lodge, No. 1817, G. U. O. of O. F.

On the 5th inst., the lodge installed the following officers: N. E. W. H. Smith, V. G. C. W. Cordin; P. S. D. W. Phoenix; E. S. L. Burch; W. T. S. A. Hodge; W. C. W. Hunter; N. F. J. Quinn; P. N. F. G. Phoenix; I. G. C. Carter; P. N. G. D. D. Coleman; W. C. W. Brown. Trustees elected, B. Reed, A. G. Harvey, J. Quinn, W. H. Smith and C. W. Cordin. From six the membership of the lodge has grown to thirty-three. She contemplates making extensive improvements in her hall and establishing a Household of Ruth.

At Zion Baptist church, Rev. B. B. Hill, pastor, Mr. J. M. Gandy united with the church, January 15th. Last Sunday was a day of great spiritual interest, marked for its increased attendance at each service. At the evening service Mrs. Cooper of Groveland street was received as a candidate for baptism. At 10:20 a. m., Sunday Mr. J. A. Collins will preach and in the evening services will be conducted by Mr. Jas. Bond. Last Sunday the school elected the following officers: Mrs. M. J. Blake, superintendent; T. A. Bows, assistant sup't; J. Bows, secretary; Henry Bows, assistant secretary; Miss M. Bows, treasurer; Elmo Corbin, librarian; Miss M. Robinson, assistant librarian, Miss H. DeJarnette.

Very little has been said of Oberlin but recently saw what Pres. Bantline remarked in his question book lecture this fall. But something unusual is troubling the Oberliners just now. Their sisters have gone dry. So being descendants and friends of Yankees they are manufacturing water from snow.

Uncommonly thick blocks of ice are cutting this year.

Mr. Walters, '93 is about the same. Another physician has been called in. Africans have as a rule poor health in Oberlin. But white children of missionaries get along all right.

Mr. Charles Glenn writes that he arrived safe at Colorado Springs, and sees snow only when looking at the mountains.

Last Thursday afternoon repeatedly laughing and applauding, the chapel pronounced Rev. W. E. Barton's lecture on, "The True End of a Liberal Education," spicy and good.

For the world's fair a beautifully designed rag rug has been made by Mrs. S. L. Howard, of Elyria, who is to weave an apron of flax, for which Miss Tina Rivers makes the lace.

Owing to a misunderstanding of the prayer meeting announcement for Monday in the Academy, Mr. W. Hoffman did not deliver the oration of Tennyson to his class.

Mr. S. Whinn's shop, formerly Mrs. Lydia Montgomery's restaurant, is refitting and will be a fruit stand.

Mrs. Jessie Jones, of Niles, Mich., is the guest of Miss Frankie Robinson.

Over a fortnight ago Taylor, photographer, sold out to the Alexander Bros. Mr. James Robinson is still at the old place.

The little boy, white, whose leg and foot was mashed by a log cutter Saturday, was out of pain Monday morning. Dr. Buncie was unable to tell whether any bones were broken or not, owing to the swelling.

Tuesday evening at Rust church, Mrs. Carr gave a pictorial entertainment on the spiritual stages of the heart. The next evening she preached and the following day left for her home, Fremont, O.

Sunday evening Rev. Fields filled Rust church pulpit.

The Local Union of the Y. P. S. C. E. was well attended last Sunday evening and furnished an excellent program.

XENIA ITEMS.

Xenia, Ohio, Jan. 22.—It has moderated a little at last.

Hon. J. M. Summers is a member of the board of health, also fire warden of Fourth ward, and owns a nice grocery with everything nice and fresh. He is considered to be the leading business man of Xenia, Ohio. He is also a reporter of all leading newspapers.

Mr. Bissell owns a fine grocery and is doing a big business with

everything in neat order. The colored citizens of Xenia, Ohio, ought to patronize home industry, carried on by their own color and help up their trade.

The protracted meetings that have been going on at the Third Baptist church, closed on Friday evening. There has been seven conversions, and Rev. Hayden, of Indianapolis, Ind., delivered the closing sermon, entitled, "Death in the Pot." The audience concluded that it was a dead sermon as the subject was on the plantation order.

Mr. Ed. Rawley died Jan. 19th inst. of consumption, after a long, severe illness.

The little daughter of Rev. E. J. H. Young, U. S. claim agent is quite low with lung trouble.

The Grand jury has past a verdict of the first degree in the case of James Scott, for murdering his wife. Trial set for March 20th.

James Pierson and P. Roots got too cold and stole a horse-blanket. They got fifty-five days in the work house and \$9.55 fine.

E. H. Xenia, Ohio, Jan. 24.—Mr. Jordan don Davis has been nearly down with his eyes. He took cold in them. Mrs. Evaline Sterling is a good doctor.

Mr. Samuel Logan, of Dayton, O., who was playing single life among the widows, is in the soup. He fooled Mrs. Kate Bess, a widow at Elmwood where he was taken before Squire Kaylor and was bound over in the sum of \$300, which he could not furnish and therefore went to jail. Any one who reads this that's single will send your name for the Matrimonial Corresponding club and get married. Address correspondent No. 15 Taylor street, Xenia, O.

The protracted meetings are now going on at the St. Luke's church, East Church street. They have two mourners. The meeting is well attended. Rev. Chandler, a Bible teacher, preached at the Zion Baptist church on last Sabbath. He said he wished he was "Christ so he could turn things over in Xenia."

Rev. Hayden from Indianapolis, is here this week, assisting Rev. Wm. Bailey.

Mrs. Charles Edwards is very ill, also Mrs. Rachel Blanton who has the grip.

Mr. Edward Taylor and Miss Jennie B. Davis, were quietly married by Rev. Young. Only a few friends present.

There was baptizing at Middle Run church Sunday and communion at 3 o'clock.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. James Roberts a fine son.

Rev. Wm. Bailey and Rev. Lewis, of St. Louis, Mo., were entertained at tea by Mesdames Munson and Eliza Payne Saturday evening.

The aged Mrs. Crosby is very sick. The funeral of James Rowlett was largely attended at the Third Baptist church Sunday afternoon, the funeral sermon was preached by Rev. Bailey. The deceased died of consumption after a lingering illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Ford Richmond a bouncing boy. Mother and son doing well.

Mrs. Joseph Robinson has gone to Chillicothe for a few days.

About 3 o'clock Friday morning, the range at the Commercial hotel exploded and the cook, Mrs. Susan Lindsay, came near losing her life. Fortunately she was uninjured and returned to work next morning.

If your friends do not need the Plaindealer, insist on them taking it. You can always get it at the corner of Church and Williams avenue, for one nickel. Buy it and read it, it will do you good.

Miss Ella Simpson has returned home from Kentucky, where she has been teaching school which was closed on account of the measles.

Mr. Wm. Keys and Mrs. E. J. K. Young, are not well.

Every one will oblige the agent by sending their mail before Monday night.

Mrs. Meredith and Miss Willis, the popular school teachers, had about 40 of their scholars out sleigh-riding Saturday. They enjoyed them selves very much.

The weather is warmer, but there is a famine in coal.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Collins have another addition to their family.

H. A. R.

CHILICOTHE NEWS.

Chillicothe, Ohio, Jan. 24.—The funeral of Mrs. Jennina Cunningham occurred from the family residence, corner of Fourth and Walnut streets, last Friday, and was largely attended. Rev. D. D. Lewis, of Quinn chapel A. M. E. church officiating.

The deceased had reached the matured age of 85 years and 5 months. It is always with feelings of awe that we view the works of the silent hand of death. There is no time in life when we can feel ourselves beyond the reach of its dreaded approach. They only may feel safe who have conscientiously performed their Masters will, and are only awaiting the coming of the time when they shall reap the reward of their faithful industry. To such, death has lost its terrors and only appears as a medium to transport them to the beautiful life beyond the grave, no more to be harassed by the tribulations and trials of life. Such we believe to have been the life of Mrs. Cunningham, and we are consoled by the blessed thought that she has only gone before, and yet, but a few days must elapse until a reunion of hearts, that shall be as endless as eternity, will be consummated in the city of the New Jerusalem.

Mr. and Mrs. Egbert J. Smith, and Mr. Alex Cunningham who came from Lancaster to attend the funeral of Mrs. Cunningham, returned home, Friday evening.

The musical and dramatic entertainment given by the Wendell Phillips Literary society Thursday night was an artistic as well as a financial success. We would suggest, however, to the young men that, since, the dramatic part of their entertainment has excited so much unfavorable comment, they select in the future a drama in which

their impersonations of the Negro will be of an entirely different character. The recitation of the "Fruits of the wine cup," by Mr. William Brown was quite an artistic performance, and elicited frequent applause.

Mr. Homer Grimes who has been visiting in the "Queen City" for the past five months, returned home Wednesday.

The dance given at the residence of Mrs. Joseph Brown, Tuesday night, was quite a pleasant affair, and was thoroughly enjoyed by the twelve couples who were present.

Mrs. D. D. Lewis who has been ill for the past three weeks, is now convalescent.

The newly elected officers of Seize Lodge, No. 13, K. of P., were installed into office Tuesday night, by D. D. G. C., W. E. Viney.

TOLEDO TOPICS.

Toledo, Ohio, Jan. 23.—Miss Etta Moxley, of Adrian, formerly of Toledo, is visiting our city.

Mr. John Henderson, of Ft. Wayne, made a short visit to our city, last week.

Mrs. Speed has returned after a very pleasant visit to Springfield.

Mesdames Richmond, Vena, Slaughter, Thomas and Kenly, are on the sick list. Miss Mamie Randal is also quite sick.

Miss Cannon, of Lima, who made a short visit in this city, returned home Thursday.

The protracted meetings at the A. M. E. church, are progressing nicely. They have had seven new additions to the church.

The Sunday schools of Toledo will be entertained at Memorial hall on Feb. 8th, the A. M. E. Sunday schools will be present.

Georgia.

YOUNGSTOWN OHIO.

Youngstown, Ohio, Jan. 24.—The literary held at the Third Baptist church, Monday evening, was very entertaining. There was a large attendance. An excellent program for Monday 30th. There will be a debate, resolved that slavery was a greater curse to this country than is intemperance. Affirmative, W. H. Miller and F. B. Stewart; negative, A. H. Berry and H. H. Vacton.

The Harmonic cornet band, has been engaged to play at the church fair to be held at Sharon, Pa., in February.

G. Jones and J. Bargrow have leased James T. Chaney's shop and will conduct business in a first class manner.

Mr. Carter has resigned as barber for A. V. Puge.

—John W. Curry, of Washington, D. C., the first Afro-American mail carrier appointed in this country, is still in service, having entered the service as an assistant some twenty-seven years ago. For the past fifteen years he has served the "executive section" having carried the Treasury Department mail for several years, and being now on duty about Lafayette Square.

—George Wilds, who was keeper of the city dump at Memphis, Tenn., was murdered recently in that city.

—Among the prisoners sentenced in the courts of Newark, recently, was William Brown, who was indicted for killing his aunt with a shotgun. Brown said that the shooting was accidental. He was sentenced to six months in the penitentiary.

—Sanford Lyde, an Afro-American laborer, of Cincinnati, Ohio, who claims to live in that city, was arrested by Detective Schnucks and Crawford, and locked up at Central Station on suspicion. He had four silver watches, an overcoat and a fur cap in his possession. He could give no satisfactory account of how he came by the stuff.

—George Fuller, forty-seven years old, an Afro-American, living at No. 243 West Sixty-first street, New York City, was held in \$300 bonds for the Tomb Police court, last week, for sending threatening letters to Robert Schell, of No. 33 West Thirty-sixth street, president of the Bank of the Metropolis. Fuller is now employed by W. H. Hull, a druggist, in Greenwich street. Two years ago he was in the service of Mr. Schell.

On September 22 Mr. Schell received a letter written with a pencil in which reference was made to a letter which had been sent to Mr. Schell's wife. In this letter it was said that Mr. Schell was to be removed from the place of president.

On December 2 Mr. Schell was the recipient of another anonymous communication. The letter was written on yellow wrapping paper, in red ink. It read as follows: "Mr. Robert Schell—

"Sir—Fifty-two weeks ago Sage received his dynamite. This day Gould his. You are my next subject. Prepare to meet your God. It is sure. You are 'G. C. O. Y. H.'"

Soon after the receipt of this letter Mr. Schell reported his case at headquarters. Fuller's arrest followed after a comparison had been made between the two anonymous letters and one sent by Fuller to another man.

Fuller was born in Baltimore. His present employer, W. H. Hull, went on his bond for his appearance at the General Sessions to answer the charge.

The St. Louis News says: The congregation of St. Paul A. M. E. church, the largest and most flourishing at Columbus, Ohio, is threatened with disruption. The trouble arises over the desire of the pastor and his following to mortgage the church for the purpose of building apartment houses on the lot in rear of the church building, which is bitterly opposed by a large faction. Rev. Joshua Jones, son-in-law of Bishop D. A. Payne, is the pastor.

Mr. John Oliver, of Richmond, Va., will lecture next Tuesday evening at the Mt. Zion Congregational church. Mr. Oliver has gained the favor of our people, so far.

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"Me First! Me First!"

Little Margaret has been to Ohio on visit with her mother, and has pl...

Margaret picked up the cry, too, but her mother talked to her in private and told her the words were not pretty.

A Mother's Love.

There is an old legend that at creation's dawn an angel came down to earth seeking something to take back with it to heaven.

Henry Clews, the Boy.

While Henry Clews as a banker has made a brilliant success and is now numbered among the very wealthy men of New York, it must be clear that he missed his vocation.

He has been in Europe since the winter of 1879, and with the exception of the four years spent at Oxford university in taking my degree, and the two following, studying science and languages in the university of Paris.

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HE HAS A FAIR FIELD.

and nothing more. It is for us to tear the scales from its eyes. The Scotch were once the despised element in Great Britain, and Englishmen were accustomed to write, you may make something of a Scotchman if you catch him while he is young.

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in 697, five abdicated, five were banished with their eyes put out, five were massacred, and nine were deposed. The whole world has heard of Venice; every child knows her story; for here, in 1609, Galileo invented his telescope; here was born the great discoverer, Marco Polo; here Loyola founded his Jesuits; and here rest the bones of Justin and Canova.

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nocent looking, ruddy-cheeked Scotch lassies, the Highland fling and the sword dance. He, with Glangarry set on the side of his head and its ribbons floating straight out in the air, showing his beautiful set of white, well-brushed teeth, entered heartily into the spirit of the innocent fun that beguiled the hour.

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Expression shown in this picture which was taken when he was thirteen years old indicate romance and poetry. It is a question if he would have made as much money out of fiction as he has out of finance, but he certainly would have fitted his picture better if he had dabbled with a pen instead of with Wall street.—New York Press.

Happy School Children in an Indianapolis Schoolroom.

In Indianapolis I entered one of the rooms containing the youngest children at the time of the opening exercises. The scene I encountered was a glimpse of fairyland. I was in a room full of bright and happy children, whose eyes were directed toward the teacher, not because they were forbidden to look in any other direction, but because to them the most attractive object in the room was their teacher.

The room itself was charming. The window sills were filled with living plants, and living plants were scattered here and there throughout the room. The teacher's desk was literally strewn with flowers, and upon each of the children's desks flowers had been placed to welcome the little ones to school.

The book used during the reading lesson was the book of nature—the plant they had just been studying. The scene presented by the happy little children, each with a flower in his hand, surrounding the teacher, who was smiling upon them, was truly beautiful.

For reading matter the children were called upon for sentences expressing thoughts concerning their flowers. The sentences were written upon the board by the teacher, and when a number of them had been written the pupils began to read them. The children were interested because they all took an active part in the lesson from the beginning to the end. They were all observing, all thinking.

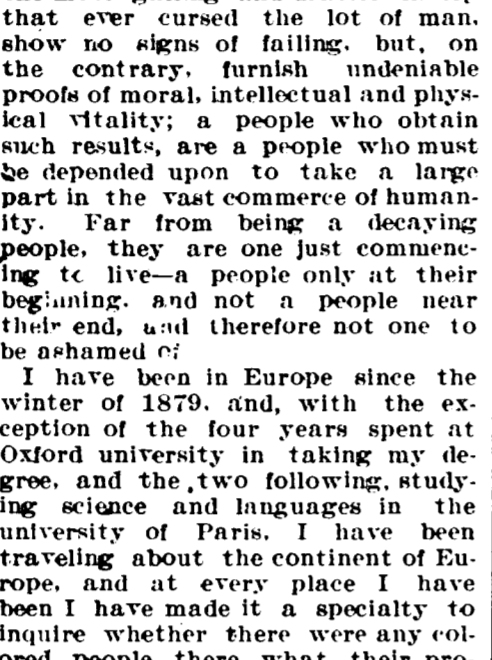
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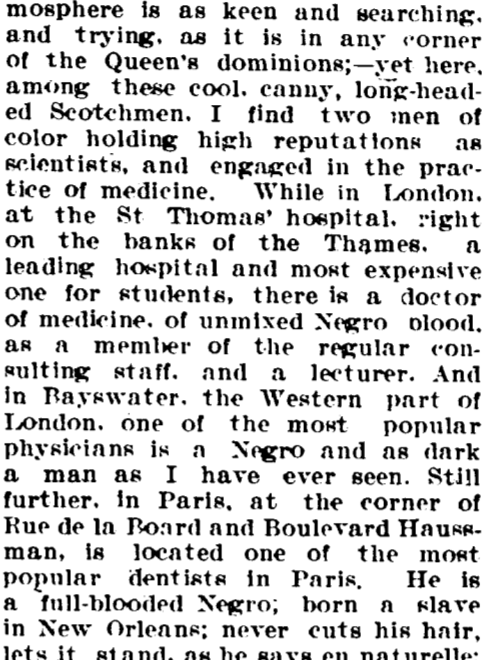
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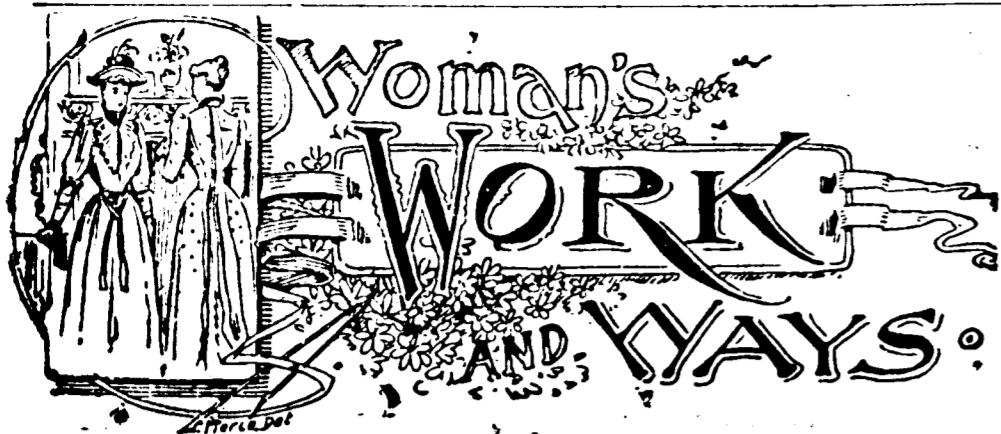
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The St. Louis, Mo., Republic, recently had a voting contest for the most popular school teacher and Mrs. Haydee Campbell triumphs by a vote of 960, while Miss Hickman acquitted herself most admirably by her attainment of second place.

"A voice from the South" is a new book recently placed on the market by its author, the cultured and scholarly Mrs. A. J. Cooper, of Washington, D. C., graded schools.

Star of Zion:—The truest friend and best help any minister can have on his charge is a true, faithful, prudent and lovable wife. One who feels that her success is locked up in the success of her husband, and that it is her God-appointed duty to contribute to his success because of the relation she sustains to her husband, and fellow Christians.

Miss Lillian Heywood, who was one of the first graduates of Provident hospital, has been favored with a position upon the forces of trained nurses which will serve on the Corps of Trained Nurses at the world's fair.

Miss Heywood is a most efficient nurse whose record in school and since her graduation has been a credit both to herself and the institution from which she came. Her application was highly endorsed by citizens and earnestly pressed by Mrs. Curtis. The appointment which follows will be creditable to Miss Heywood and the race she represents.

Mrs. Mary Church Terrell, wife of Robert Terrell, of the fourth auditor's office, is the first woman elected president of the celebrated Bethel Literary club, of Washington, D. C.

Miss Esther Shaw, whose work as a teacher in Tuskegee Normal Institute, began at the present term, died on the 5th inst. The institution regrets her death.

Mrs. Carrie Steele Logan is doing more than any colored woman in Georgia and so far as we know, more than any in the United States. Some years ago she dreamed of having a large tract of land and a magnificent brick building upon the same, and scores of orphan children in it, being cared for by her.

Mme. Sissieretta Jones, while in the West, was called upon by a committee of the world's fair commission of the musical department. They solicited her to sing at the opening exercises which she consented to do.

The New York Age is responsible for the following: "A little bird has whispered that 'Victoria Earle' is busily engaged preparing a story in book form to be a part of the exhibit for the State board of Lady Managers, at the world's fair. The work will be illustrated by Miss Mamie Payne, one of New York's Afro-American artist daughters. It was rumored in Philadelphia some time ago that Mr. L. B. Moore of that city was preparing an edition of Phillis Wheatley's poems for the same purpose. The volume was also to contain a sketch and the best poem of each of our female poets from Phillis Wheatley down. The Age woman has not heard if the work is still progressing, but hopes it is. A work of the kind is vastly needed, and it could sell rapidly. The volume of Phillis Wheatley's poems published in England one hundred years ago, is out of print, few persons have seen a copy, and fewer still possess one. It is sincerely hoped that Mr. Moore will carry out his original intention and preserve to us the lays of our first poetess.

Weddings.

Westchester, Pa.—Miss Elizabeth Waggoner to Mr. Wm H. Cross, Jan. 26th.
Memphis, Tenn.—Mrs. Lula Horne to Mr. R. L. Anderson. Miss Lily Gill to Mr. James A. Adams. Miss Maggie Bryant to Mr. John Allen. Miss Hattie Webb to Mr. Mack Randle. Miss Lula Cartright to Mr. Robert Jackson. Miss Lizzie Boyd to Mr. Robert Holmes, of Denver, Colo.
Omaha, Neb.—Miss Maggie Thorne to Mr. Edward Brown.
St. Paul, Minn.—Miss Maud Conway to Mr. J. Webber.
Kansas City, Mo.—Miss Luella Edwards to Mr. Alfred Creel.
New Orleans, La.—Miss Emeline Parr to Mr. Joseph Wilfred.
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Harvest of death.
Philadelphia.—Daniel T. Adger, 50 years of age.
Memphis, Tenn.—Mrs. Ruth A. Jones.
Indianapolis.—Mrs. Julia Rutledge, aged 80 years, mother of Rev. E. R. Martin.
Dayton, Ohio.—Sanford Williams, at his home in Xenia, Jan. 5th.

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

Walter Borwn, of Pittsburg, Pa., will be a candidate for minister to Liberia under the Cleveland administration.
R. G. Still, of Philadelphia, candidate for recorder of deeds, has secured some strong endorsements.
Monk Overton, arrived at New Orleans to ride for the Sluder Steabe on last Saturday. He had three horses with him.
Herbert A. Clarke, formerly of Ohio, now of Missouri, is slated for a chief of a division in the Sixth Auditor's office, vice M. M. Holland and Robert Still, of Pennsylvania will probably be chief of a division in the Fourth Auditor's office, vice Robert M. Terrell.
Mr. James Jones, of Little Rock, Ark., was elected Circuit court clerk recently, and is thereby ex-officio recorder. J. M. Palmer, formerly of Memphis, Tenn., is his deputy. Mr. Jones is one of Pine Bluff's leading young men and a creditable citizen.
The Grand Fountain of the United Order of True Reformers, which has headquarters at a bank at Richmond, has disbursed during the past twelve years, in sick benefits, \$350,000, and paid in endowments on 653 deaths, \$80,125. Rev. William W. Browne, is G. W. M., of the order and president of the savings bank.

DISPROVES THE "SCULLION" IDEA

Robert Carter has been tendered and accepted a lucrative position with the Congo coal mine of Lancaster, O.
Mr. J. H. Cisco, of Cleveland, has been re-elected enrolling clerk of the Ohio Senate.
Professor James M. Gregory, formerly Superintendent of Public Instruction of Mississippi, is now president of the American Association of Educators of colored youth, was in New York, last week, where he was one of the four speakers before the Congregational Club on the subject of "The Progress of the Negro."

Bishop Abraham Grant, of the A. M. E. church, has been transferred to the bishopric including the States of Georgia and Alabama. He has also been appointed a member of the advisory council on the religious congress at the world's fair.

The Rock Island railroad, beginning with January 1, raised the wages of its train porters to \$50 per month.
Butler Campfield who has been for several years one of the best postal clerks on the St. Louis & Texarkana railroad post office, has the distinction of the best examination record in the Eleventh division for the last year, this average for the year being 99.97 1/2 per cent. the rate of speed being thirty cards a minute.

The Messrs Armatead Robinson and A. H. Lee, two Democratic Afro-Americans, were given lucrative employment under the sergeant-at-arms of the Missouri legislature.

Charles Brown, of Brooklyn, N. Y., has been re-appointed as Assistant Superintendent at Albany, N. Y.

Henry Weaver and I. P. Holden, have been elected members of the Common council, Chatham, Ont.

Mr. Paul Vanhook, of North Louisiana, Ohio, shipped a car load of lumber to Dayton last week, and this week has an order for a car load from Canada. Mr. Vanhook is a successful young lumber merchant and full of business. He graduated from the high school here a few years ago.

Edward Jones has opened a furniture establishment in Philadelphia.

A Mr. Turner is professor of biology at McMeekin university, O.

Mr. O. D. Bogess has been highly honored by the city council, of Youngstown, Ohio, he being the first Afro-American in the county or city that ever was honored by naming a street after him—Bogess street, he owns all the land through which the street passes.

E. J. Robinson, the skillful blacksmith's tool sharpener, of Albany, N. Y., has been engaged upon the building of Mr. Vanderbilt's paternal residence at Belmore, Ashland, N. C., for two years, together with his son Charles. Mr. Robinson is practically breaking the color line in business. He is identified with one of the greatest enterprises developing skilled artisanship, in this country. He speaks in the highest terms of Mr. Vanderbilt's liberality to the race. There are according to his statement not less than five hundred Afro-Americans employed on the work at Belmore.

Mr. Charles H. Blaines of the house c and Ruel painters, of Fifth avenue, New York City, left this week for Canada in the interest of the concern. Mr. Blaine's commission is to exhibit some of his work and make a general collection of scenes of the British Dominion. He will soon return and go West with a similar object in view.

THE BABY WAS BLACK.

Birmingham, Ala., Jan. 19.—In Pickens county, two nights ago, May Davis, a white girl, aged 13 gave birth to a Negro child, confessing that James Williams, an Afro-American, was its father. Williams was arrested by officers who, while taking him to Carrollton jail last night, were overpowered by a masked mob at Coal Fire swamp and he was taken and hanged to a tree. His body was then riddled with bullets.

BENJAMIN F. BUTLER.

On Sunday, the 15th the remains of Gen. Butler were transferred from his home in Lowell, Mass., to Huntington Hall, where his remains lay in state.

When the march to the hall was taken up, arms were reversed and the officers fell to the rear of the detachment. The streets were crowded as the band signalled by dirges the passage of the General's body from the house to Huntington Hall, where it was to lie in state. A great crowd was waiting to be admitted to the hall. In the hall the coffin was placed in the center of the floor. From the ceiling to the floor a wall of black extended. The dim light did not extend to this wall of black, and the effect was dismal and gruesome. Grand Army men guarded the coffin. It rested the sword and epaulettes that were worn from Lowell to the Gulf and back again, in the days when the Afro-American was made a contraband of war by the brain that lay under the glass plate of the coffin lid. Behind the catafalque rested a bank of flowers, that had come from President Harrison, from the convicts of the State Prison, and from all classes of people between those extremes. President Harrison's wreath was placed in the coffin in Washington. Senators Dawes, Chandler and Hale, Governor Russell, Frederick Douglass, militia companies, societies and friends in Lowell, Boston, New York, Washington, Chicago, and other places sent pieces that took up one side of the hall.

The crowd was immense, and it poured in a continuous stream through the hall to see the remains of him they loved so well. It was a great occasion for Lowell, greater than anything that ever before happened in its history.

The Freeman—Abraham Lincoln wanted Benjamin Butler to be his running mate on the presidential ticket in 1864, but Butler being in the field fighting the battles of his country, refused the proffered honor.

The Afro-American:—The death of General Benjamin F. Butler removes another one of the few American statesmen who have stood as a wall of defense in favor of equal rights for all American citizens. New York Review:—Among these historic figures Benjamin F. Butler stands in the van, the exponent of justice, equality and fraternity. His place in the heart of the American Negro is enriched with the flowers of memory and gratitude. With Garrison and Cheever and Sumner and Phillips and Lincoln and Lovejoy he stands the central figure, crowned with the love of a grateful and loving people. To-day 8,000,000 Negroes point to him with pride and say with the poet:

"The path this breach has left is wide, The loss thereof can never be supplied."

Agas hence, when the history of the Negro is written, Benjamin F. Butler will stand like the Goddess of Liberty, the exponent of truth, justice and liberty. He stands alone, as the Divine in the Deserted village: "Like some tall cliff that lifts its awful form, Swells from the vale, and midway leaves the storm; Though round its breast the rolling clouds are spread, Eternal sunshine settles on its head."

Cleveland Gazette:—The death of Gen. F. Butler removes from the field of action an historic and a very warm friend of our people, as well as the ablest man in the world. He was a broad-minded, brave and able a defender on "the government at Washington" as ever commanded troops. It is with the keenest regret and sorrow we record the fact of his death the past week. Although caricatured perhaps more than any other man living, he commanded the respect of all, from the highest to the lowest, because of his wonderful ability. He was one of the half-dozen truly master minds in America.

Southern News:—General Butler is dead; a great man has fallen and there is a vacant niche in the gallery of American statesmen. No man was ever more roundly abused yet there have been few men who have been accredited with greater legal acquirements and sagacity. The Negro has lost a friend and his state, a brilliant son.

Pioneer Press:—The death of "Ben" Butler removes from life, one of the most singular of men. As a lawyer, few, if any in this country excelled him; as a general and true union soldier he was one of and among the best, as a statesman, the world knows him; as a politician, he won; and best of all, as a friend to the colored people he never faltered—peace be to his ashes.

The Ferret Journal:—On Tuesday there passed away to the realms of Heavenly bliss one of the most remarkable men of the century.

Benjamin F. Butler, though maligned during life, will go down in history as one who was always the champion of right and the defender of the oppressed.

In his death the world loses a good man, our country will miss an able counselor, and we of the colored race lose a good and true friend.

The Freeman:—The Negro never had a braver or more outspoken friend than Benjamin Butler was the last thirty years of his life. His death another name is added to that band of high-souled, philanthropic friends, that when the Negro counts his jewels, should not be forgotten. God bless him, he kept his oath. He was not a courtly man, was General Butler, being void of those graces that courtiers and vassals are noted for, but—was a man. He believed in fair play and justice to all alike, and beneath his rough uncouth exterior beat a heart, than which, no more gentle, or sweetly attuned, ere throbbled in delicate woman's breast. The wires told us that as his silent remains were borne a few days since past the throngs of the factory hands in his beloved Lowell, the grief on all sides was

spontaneous and unaffected. A great man has laid down his work, a leader in the battle of humanity is fallen, a chieftain who was a friend to the Negro has gone to his rest.

Ohio Falls Express:—The wisdom with legal knowledge and impartial justice which he possessed made Ben. Butler a noble and reverend name that could not be improved by titles possessed by many of his inferiors. Notable among his acts acknowledging the colored man in his rights, were his early recognition of the colored soldier as an equal with the white soldier, his efforts in Congress for equal civil rights regardless of color, and the appointment of a colored man as judge while that power was vested in him as Governor of Massachusetts.

American Baptist:—Gen. Benjamin F. Butler, one of the best known men in the country and one of the most earnest and pronounced friends of the colored people, suddenly died in Washington City early last Tuesday morning, aged 75 years.

Boston Courant:—Gen. Benjamin F. Butler, the soldier, the statesman, the lawyer, the millionaire, the philanthropist is dead. But few men were his equal. The Negro has lost a friend.

Pittsburg Mirror:—When the soul of Benjamin F. Butler left its tenement of clay there passed from the scene of earthly action one of the truest friends of the Negro race. While we deeply deplore his death, his memory will ever live in our hearts, and it will be a sacred heritage to transmit to our posterity.

Inter Ocean:—That eulogy perhaps the most acceptable to the friends of the late Gen. Butler appeared in the Boston Globe. The most vicious kicks given the dead lion came from the Nashville American. Between these extremes has ranged a good deal of honest criticism with but little lamentation. Mr. Dana's paper, in its editor's absence, gave this remarkable American eulogy but discriminating editorial tribute with the mourning list that are not often used in the Sun.

Colorado Exponent:—Gen. Benjamin F. Butler is dead. He was the only Union general who taught the Southern men and women that they were rebels and traitors to their country. He taught the Republicans of Massachusetts that a Negro could and should be a judge, and sit on the bench in blue-blooded Boston. He was commander of the Negro troops in the "Army of the James." He extolled their bravery in the highest in Congress. Ben Butler entered the army as a Union War Democrat. He joined the Republican party and stayed with it as long as it seemed to do justice to the Negro. When it went back on the Negro he left it. Another friend of the Negro gone. Peace to his ashes. All of the great actors on the side of the Union during the war are dropping off.

Denver Exponent:—In the death of Gen. Benjamin F. Butler, the nation loses one of its most powerful intellects, and the race a staunch friend.

Philadelphia Tribune:—Gen. Butler lived to a good old age and served his day and generation a vast deal better, than have some who take the pains to criticize him for this or that fault. Despite his political views he was a patriotic American, and this virtue, if no other will cause his name to shine resplendent in the galaxy of America's most distinguished and revered citizens.

The Statesman:—Gen. Benjamin F. Butler, father of the contrabands of war, and an unusually consistent and good friend of the freedmen, died at Washington, D. C., Wednesday morning. Ben. Butler will yet live long in the memory of the American people, as a valiant soldier, a liberal statesman and a great and good man.

Omaha Progress:—Gen. Benjamin F. Butler died last Wednesday morning closing the career of one of the most noted characters in American history. General Butler was not only famous as a soldier, but equally famous as a politician, jurist and manufacturer.

THE AMERICAN PASTIME.

LYNCHED A BOY.

A 13 year old Negro boy was hanged by a mob a short distance from Ouachita, Ia. He was charged with waylaying and discharging a load of buckshot full in the face of one Wm. William Wheeler, who was seriously wounded, while hiding on the public road in company with another party. The boy is furnished to have surrendered and, with tears in his eyes, confessed his crime, saying he was sorry for what he had done, because he had shot Wheeler through mistake, taking him for a Dr. Taylor for whom he was lying in wait.

HE FOUGHT HARD.

Bob Ray, an Afro-American, was shot down last week at Keyser, N. C., by the ubiquitous posse. The slain man was merely suspected of a murder and attempted robbery committed on the night of Dec. 1, in Pocket township, Moore county. When he was ordered to surrender by the mob he dashed at them and fought like a tiger, but was brought down.

THEY HAD WORDS.

Jas. Fisher, an Afro-American, on the Peru plantation, Washington, Miss., was shot and killed on the 7th inst. by S. C. Harvey, the manager. They previously had had some words, and for this Fisher was sent to the other world.

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