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## BURNED A TOWN.

The Down Trodden Worm Turns at Purvis, Mississippi.  
Meridan, Miss., March 22.—The town of Purvis, Miss., was destroyed by incendiaries last night. Almost every store and residence in the place was wiped out. It was learned that the conflagration is the result of a bitter feeling between the white people and the Negroes growing out of the arrest of an Afro-American preacher. The town was fired in revenge. A posse of citizens left Meridan for Purvis on a special train late this afternoon.

## CIVIL RIGHTS FOR OHIO.

Columbus, Ohio, March 23.—Representative George Jackson, of Cincinnati, some weeks ago introduced a bill providing that all persons, irrespective of color, should be received on an equality at all hotels, inns, theaters, on all common carriers, whether by land or water, and in all institutions supported in whole or part by public taxation. The measure, he asserted, was not intended to force distasteful social equality, but to give the people of color rights that the traveling public possess and to permit them to partake of amusements as other people. In his speech to-day he made a point on the refusal of Senator John P. Green by the Gibson house, when he came to deliver the Labor Day oration last year. The bill passed by a vote of 86 to 2, and now goes to the Senate for concurrence.

—A bill has been introduced into the Texas legislature to provide for the free transportation of all Afro-Americans who desire to go to the Free Congo states.

## SOLDIERS OF BOSTON.

The Afro-American Citizen Soldier of the Old Commonwealth.

## HISTORY OF THE LIBERTY GUARDS.

Their Experience in the Street of the City—From Revolutionary Times Up to the Present Efforts.

From the Boston Courant.—  
From the time of the disbandment of the American Bucks, the first organized company of colored soldiers in the State of Massachusetts, at the conclusion of the revolutionary war, there was no special effort made by the colored people of this state towards organizing another military organization until 1849, when the colored citizens of Boston, met in the old Belknap street church, and appointed a committee to draw up a petition with signatures and present it to the Legislature then in session. The petition was circulated widely around Boston, Cambridge and Chelsea, and was signed by nearly every colored man in these places capable of bearing arms. Among the first to sign were John P. Coburn, Thomas G. Williams, Patant Steward, Lewis Gaul, Frank Clary.

This petition was carried before the Legislature by Watkins, who made an eloquent appeal in behalf of the colored citizens. Gen. Benjamin F. Butler was in that session as a representative from Lowell, and took a decided stand against the petition. However, no action was taken upon the petition, and it was left to go the way of others had that met the same fate.

The colored people were not discouraged, for in 1854, five years after the defeat of the petition, an independent company was formed in Boston, and had their armory in Auburn Mall, corner of Belknap (now Joy) and Cambridge streets, where they met night after night to drill with such arms as they could conveniently purchase. They were known as the Liberty Guard, and created a great deal of curiosity among the military circles in the city.

The officers were, Capt. Lewis Gaul; first lieutenant, Thomas Williams; second lieutenant, James Watkins; third lieutenant, Samuel Hawkins; first sergeant, James Gardner, and numbered about 50 men. So great had the curiosity grown in Boston to see colored men in uniform that Capt. Gaul was prevailed upon by some of his white friends to parade the Liberty Guards out for a parade. On October 18th, 1854, the Liberty Guards with Bond's Boston band, 25 pieces, made their first appearance on the streets of Boston with 75 men. For about an hour before the time of starting, Cambridge, Belknap and Chambers streets were black with people. The company filed out from the hall into Belknap street, and wore black frock coats with white roundabouts and cross-belts, with black beaver hats. Their arms and equipments were of an old fashioned type, having been borrowed from State Adjt. Gen. Schouler. Permission to parade as an independent company was granted them by Mayors Smith and Bigelow.

The route of the parade was through Cambridge Court, Hanover, Blackstone, Commercial streets, into Quincy market and out into Merchant row, up State, through Washington, School, Tremont, into the Park street gate, down Tremont mall, along the burying ground mall into Charles street gate on to Charles, Chestnut, West Cedar, Phillips, Irving, Cambridge and Belknap streets to the hall.

All along the route there were dense crowds. Nearly 70 years had passed since a colored man had appeared in the streets of Boston with a musket in his hands. All sorts of comments were passed. Along the route, the Liberty Guards were met with cheers and jeers, old hats, cigar boxes and other annoyances, yet they marched steadily on. In the Quincy market, they were jostled rather lively by the marketmen. On Merchant row, the entrance into State street had been blockaded by teams, and the Guards were forced to make their way to State street by way of the sidewalk.

On this same day the Boston Tigers were observing their anniversary on the Common. As the Liberty Guards passed down Charles street mall, the company which was at rest rushed for the ropes and cheered Capt. Gaul's company as they marched by, keeping step to the march dedicated to Capt. Gaul by "Old Bond himself."

That same evening, the Liberty Guards gave a levee in Fanueil hall, which was attended by some 700 white and colored people. On this occasion, Lieut. Thomas G. Williams presented the Guards with a flag that was presented by Gov. Hancock to the first company of colored soldiers in the colony of Massachusetts, who were called the Amer-

## ican Bucks.

This flag was presented in front of the old Hancock mansion on Beacon street in 1782. It was the old colonial flag made of white silk with an eagle on one side and a pine tree on the other. This flag fell into the hands of Domingo Williams, who was a descendant of one of the "Bucks," and at his death in 1832, it became the property of his son, Thomas. This flag was at one time carried by the old 2nd Battalion when it was under the command of Maj. Lewis Gaul. At the time of the presentation, it was understood that this historic old flag was to have been handed down to other colored military organizations. At the death of Maj. Lewis Gaul, the flag had disappeared and no one seemed to know where it was.

Out of the 75 that paraded on the 18th of October, 1854, there is living scarcely a dozen. Among them are Thomas C. Williams, 115 Lewis street, Newport, R. I.; J. N. Butler, Boston; W. G. Butler, Boston; Milton Crew, Boston, and a few others whose names cannot be recalled. It can be said that it was this company that formed the nucleus of the gallant 54th and 55th Volunteers. It was 50 of these men that stood shoulder to shoulder as a brace, that encouraged Dr. John S. Rock, Robert Morris, E. G. Walker and others, to appeal to Gov. Andrew in behalf of the colored people to be permitted to help fight the nation's battles. When Gov. Andrew called upon colored men to enlist, he found this company waiting and almost ready to be mustered.

Previous to the organization of the Liberty Guards there was in 1852, an organization which called itself the Massasoit Guards. They had officers and a few men, but the officers and men never had any arms and never made a parade.

## CHURCH RIOT.

Brothers Who Did't Dwell Together in Peace.

Nacodoches, Texas, March 22.—There was a bloody pitched battle among the members of a church three miles from town, Sunday night, the parson, Rev. Fred Jackson, leading one wing, and Samuel Forney, one of the elders, with his wife, the other. Pistols, knives, clubs and rocks figured promiscuously in the melee, which, after a few minutes of vigorous fighting subsided, only to be renewed within half an hour with greater ardor. All the participants were more or less wounded, some of them seriously. John Finniang had his horse killed under him, and stopped two bullets with his body, besides having his head laid open with a blow from a six-shooter. Jeff Rusk was also badly wounded by a pistol shot. The participants were all brought in, and the grand jury is investigating the trouble.

## MR. DOUGLASS' AMBITION.

Baltimore, Md., March 24.—Frederick Douglass, the ex-minister to Hayti, is negotiating with the owners for the purchase of one of the most valuable and beautiful estates in Talbot county. It is picturesquely located on Miles river. The magnificent mansion house on the grounds was built by Colonel France, and cost \$25,000. Mr. Douglass is a native of Talbot county, where he was born a slave and where he spent the greater part of his childhood. To finally own one of the finest residences in the county and spend there his remaining days would gratify his ambition he has long cherished. Mr. Douglass was in Easton, the county seat, to-day and was called upon by a number of the leading citizens and congratulated on his appearance. All would like to have the old man man among them. Late in the day he visited the public school, where he addressed the children and incidentally gave a sketch of his life to show that it was possible for any of his hearers to achieve distinction if they felt so inclined. The negotiations for the estate have not yet been completed, but there will be no trouble.

## THIS WAS NOT FOR RAPE.

Jackson, Miss., March 22.—Sheriff Matheny, of Copiah, was here to-day to confer with Governor Stone about continued White Cap outrages. The White Caps have until recently been satisfied with whipping colored men, but last Saturday night they called Doc Thompson, an offensive man from his cabin and riddled him with buck-shot. Thompson's wife and children witnessed the cowardly deed and recognized Ed Smith, of Crystal Springs, as one of the murderers. Smith, along with 5,000 others, attended the double hanging at Haleshot yesterday, was pointed out by the woman, arrested and jailed.

—Mr. F. D. Parker, of St. Paul, Minn., has secured the position of custodian of the Minnesota building at the World's Fair. Mrs. Parker will also have a position in the building.

## THE TUSKEGEE IDEA.

Conclusions of the Recent Conference at That Place.

## THE CONFERENCE DECLARATIONS.

Efforts to Be Made to Supplant the Mortgage System.—The Cash System a Much Desired One.

Tuskegee, Ala., March 26.—The Tuskegee conference made the following declarations: The interest awakened by the conference of last year and the practical results accomplished by it, lead us to believe in the wisdom of an annual gathering of the masses of the colored people who shall give to the public their own views as to the condition of the race, suggesting methods of improvement and remedies for existing evils.

As the outcome of our Second Annual Conference, we make the following declarations:  
First.—In our review of the past year we believe that progress has been made with reference to the vital points put forth by the last Conference, especially in the effort to supplant the Mortgage System by the Cash System; in the purchase of property, the supplementing of the school funds by private subscription and the building of better school houses; the greater care in the choice of teachers and preachers; the more considerate treatment of women; the making of religion a matter of daily living and the loosening of the cords of sectarian prejudice.

Second.—While we realize how much has been done for our race we are yet appalled by the vastness of the numbers who are still practically untouched by any inspiring or uplifting influences.

Third.—The unfortunate condition of the people manifests itself in the utter poverty of their surroundings; their homes are often mere hovels with a single room; their living is coarse and scant; the soil is poor; they are weighed down with accumulated debts; unplanted crops are mortgaged; the school runs for three and a half months; a suitable house is the exception; the teacher as a rule is poorly fitted for his work; what has been said of the school house and the teacher may as truly be said of the church and the preacher. Under these depressing circumstances immorality takes deep root and shows itself in the form of intemperance, gambling and loose habits generally.

Fourth.—As remedies in part for this state of things we would reaffirm the nine suggestions in declaration sixth of last year. In addition we would most earnestly urge the doing away with the one room cabin and call no place home that has not at least two rooms in it; we would discourage the indiscriminate use of excursions; we urge the diversifying of crops with the raising of our own meat and poultry; we advise our women to avoid loafing about the streets and other public places; we would discourage the habit of wasting Saturday; we deplore the tendency to leave the country to find a home in the cities; we advise greater care of our girls and boys and an earnest effort to find employment for them at home; we would urge the laying aside of all minor issues and the concentration of our energies upon the securing of property; that we may become taxpayers; upon the getting of an education; that we may intelligently exercise the rights of citizenship and upon acquiring of correct habits; that we may be able to establish a character among our neighbors that shall be above suspicion and compel respect.

Fifth.—That we are convinced that our standing among men is to be of our own making and that we shall best aid in the establishment of a correct standard of living by drawing a sharp line between virtue and vice and in visiting upon all wrong doers the full weight of a right public sentiment.

Sixth.—We believe if the railroads of the South will treat their colored patrons with fairness, that the increased travel on the part of the colored people will add largely to their revenues.

Seventh.—We believe that the many acts of lawlessness and the increased frequency of lynchings are not only injurious to the cause of good morals but that they greatly retard the prosperity of the South by keeping out capital and checking immigration.

## large outlay of consecrated service and of treasure.

Ninth.—That we express our love of country and our desire to lit ourselves for the best and most helpful citizenship and that we may become able to share in all the burdens as well as the privileges of good government. We regard the South as our home and we urge all to avail themselves of the opportunity now afforded to buy land and other property at exceptionally low rates and share with those around us, in the development of the country and in the increasing value of our property.

## PECULIAR SENTENCE.

The Mothers Seem to Have Chosen the Least of Two Evils.

Lexington, Ky., March 26.—Judge Jewell, of the Recorder's court, is nothing if not original. He it was who first brought out that trite saying, "Politics is Hell." Yesterday afternoon, in his court, he further distinguished himself by rendering a decision that would compare favorably with that handed down by Solomon when two certain women were in dispute before his august presence. Robert Clark and Andrew Hightower, young colored boys, were before Judge Jewell, charged with assault and battery on each other. The mother of each boy was present, and, of course, each one said her child was not the aggressor. After the testimony was all in, the judge looked over his eye-glasses in a most solemn and impressive manner, and announced this peculiar judgment:

"I will give you two women the choice of having your boys fined for assault and battery on each other or taking them to the station house, and in my presence give them a good whipping." The women being in straitened financial circumstances, quickly agreed to the latter proposition. A policeman provided a keel-whipped riding whip, and the party adjourned to the station house, where each boy was severely whipped by his mother. The judge then dismissed them, and told them not to appear before him again on penalty of being sent to the work house.

## IN A TRENCH.

Afro-Americans Await the Coming of the White Caps.

Atlanta, Ga., March 26.—Last night a pitched battle took place between White Caps, led by Marion Bryant, and a number of colored men on Bassett's plantation, led by Mr. Bassett. A month ago a crowd of white men assaulted the blacks.

Yesterday Bryant, who is a well known white man, served notice on the men that they would be visited last night. They went home and informed their master. He arranged them in a ditch and getting behind a tree awaited the coming of the White Caps. About midnight they appeared. Mr. Bassett called on them to halt. Failing to do so he grasped one of them, William Hatchett, whereupon the blacks fired, killing Hatchett, wounding several others and putting them to flight. The coroner's jury to-day held the killing to be justifiable.

Threats are coming in that the White Caps would call on the blacks again. Marshal Cooper has placed them under arrest and awaits the coming of the outlaws. If they appear they will be warmly met.

## CORPSE ON ITS HEAD.

Philadelphia, Pa., March 21.—At Bridgeville, Del., to-day an unusual disaster occurred. Undertaker S. P. Short was driving the hearse containing the body of Isaac Riggin, colored. The hearse became unmanageable and the vehicle collided with a tree. Short was dashed to the ground and his neck broken.

The dead man was tossed out of the hearse, the coffin broke and the body stuck head first in a ditch. The colored mourners were so overcome by grief and superstition that they left Riggin's remains sticking in the mud for half an hour. Then it and the dead body of the driver were placed in the hearse together and carried back to town.

## WILL HANG A BOY OF 15.

Trenton, March 21.—The court of Pardons to-day dismissed the petition of John Hall of Camden for commutation of his sentence from hanging to imprisonment for life. He will be hanged April 14 for the murder of a young colored man. He is only 15.

—It is said that L. A. Tillman and Dr. James E. Henderson, of Kansas City, Mo., are seeking the positions of Minister to Liberia, and fourth auditor of the Treasury.

## THEY SWUNG IN MID-AIR.

'Let Me Go, Ed, I Aint Married; Better One Die Than Two.'

## PERILOUS POSITION OF BROTHERS.

'I'm Going, If You Are, Aint You My Brother?—Gallant Rescue by an Afro-American.'

New York, March 20.—An aerial battle with King Death.  
Two young and stalwart men fought such a contest early yesterday morning, and the strong right arm of one of the fighters saved both from a fall half way up St. Patrick's Cathedral tower to instantaneous death on the pavements of Fifth avenue.

Edward and Paul Singer are brothers, living at No. 400 West Ninety-third street. Edward is 35 years of age and married, while Paul is 28 years of age and unmarried.

Both are employed by Byron C. Smith and company, No. 72 Seventh avenue, stone and marble dealers. A few weeks ago it became necessary to clean certain portions of St. Patrick's Cathedral, on Fifth avenue. R. C. Smith had the contract and he sent the Singers to do the job.

For days past they have been taking their lives in their hands, as they attended to their duties on the sloping roof of the gable, 156 feet in the keen air above Fifth avenue. When one remembers that from high water in the East River to the floor of the Brooklyn Bridge is just 185 feet, it is easily seen that the two brothers were at work in an airy situation far more dangerous than the Brooklyn Bridge builders ever faced.

Yet the two Singers met with no accident in this part of their work, but there was left, however, to the last a piece of work ten times more perilous than the one they had finished. It was in cleaning the massive spire that towers high in the air 330 feet from the pavements below.

At 7:30 o'clock yesterday morning Edward and Paul Singer stepped out upon their aerial perch. As they did so the wind, which was blowing a gale at their high altitude, swung their unsteady footway hither and thither.

"Are you sure you looked at that top pulley before we started down?" asked Edward of Paul.

"Yes," was the reply. "It looked all right."

That it wasn't "all right" the next second determined. Without the slightest warning one of the ropes that held the frail platform broke.

Thought was not quicker than the downward swoop of the platform. To be sure, but thought was quicker than the instinct of self-preservation that flashed through Edward Singer's mind.

He was nearest the rope that had not broken, and like a flash his right hand grasped it. His left hand at the same moment reached out and grasped his brother Paul's arm, for he well knew his brother was standing further toward the center of the flimsy platform than he, and that, therefore, Paul would have no opportunity to grasp something to save himself.

In a moment the two men were swinging practically like two gymnasts at the end of the rope, buffeted as no two gymnasts ever were by the wind that hurled them against the marble of the church's spire.

Suddenly the terrible strain caused the hand of Edward to slip an inch or so down the rope. But it showed Paul, who felt the drop, that his brother could not long stand the strain.

"Let me go Ed," whispered Paul. "I ain't married. Better one die than two."

"I'm going if you are," answered back Edward. "Ain't you my brother?"

Far down in the hurly-burly of Fifth avenue keen eyes had seen the desperate plight of the brothers. To the watchers it looked as if pigmies were hanging to a thread far up that desperate height. To Johnson Hall, a young colored lad, living at No. 256 West Twelfth street, belongs the honor of rescuing the two imperiled brothers. He was the first to discover their desperate condition and with the speed of the wind he ran to the church entrance and darted up the winding staircase that leads into the interior of the spire, calling upon several of the church's employes who were standing on the lobby to follow him.

"Hold on just a moment!" yelled Hall to the two despairing brothers. Edward had about given up hope, and was nearly ready to loosen his hold and dash to certain death. But the cheery cry of Hall revived him, and he clung desperately to his rope, and two seconds later the men were drawn to a place of safety, trembling, fainting and entirely unerved.

# FROM MANY STATES.

## BUSINESS IN MILWAUKEE.

**SHALL WE DANCE?**  
Milwaukee, Wis., March 27.—The concert given in Racine by Rev. Geo. Brown fully realized his promise that it should be the event of the season. Every number was successfully given and those present were highly pleased with the entertainment. It was a matter of regret that a number of Milwaukee people were too late for the train and missed this concert.

The literary grows in interest and we are glad to note that it is attracting such increasing large audiences. Strangers should especially be invited to these meetings that they may witness our efforts at self-improvement.

Judge Dyer a prominent citizen and fine orator is writing the history of his life and extensive travels. It seems to us that the great excitement and continual controversy over young people's dancing is entirely uncalled for and it should certainly not be considered necessary to harangue from the pulpit people who are constant in season and out of season in works of charity and benevolence, who support the church and other meritorious organizations simply because they prefer to amuse themselves in dancing. These comments are no good and might be left unmade. It would be an excellent thing for Milwaukee if we could secure a minister broad minded enough to respect the views of those who differ from him and earnest enough to leave personalities out of his sermons.

We take pleasure in calling the attention of our readers to the business places of our friends which have been mentioned in the Plaindealer. The catering establishment of Mr. William Hughes and L. H. Palmer will supply everything in the line of confections and ices. Mr. Albert S. Smith's restaurant on 3rd street is first class in every respect. Mr. Wm. Tate will supply you with wood and coal and the "Turf" kept by Mr. John Slaughter has a large and extensive assortment of imported liquors and cigars.

The meeting for the ladies who will form the Eastern Star lodge was postponed because the church was not properly heated.

The dancing class still meets regularly on Wednesday at the P. hall.

The waiters of the Plankinton still keep up their record for prompt service. Under the efficient management of Mr. J. J. Miles, they recently served a nine course dinner to two hundred guests in 45 minutes. The men of this hotel will send a delegate and pay his expenses to the Waiters convention to be held in Chicago, April 10 and 11.

The congregation of St. Mark's are to be congratulated on the excellency of their choir.

Mr. Wells, of Chicago, is visiting Mrs. Mattie King.

Mr. and Mrs. Robinson mourn the loss of their baby. Mrs. Robinson is seriously ill.

## CITY OF THE HILLS.

### AN INTERESTING LECTURE.

Frankfort, Ky., March 28.—Miss Maggie James, of Midway, spent Sunday with Miss Emma Harris, of the North Side.

Rev. Byron Gunner, of Lexington, Ky., entertained the students of the State Normal school Friday with an interesting lecture.

Mrs. Rebecca Harris spent two days in Louisville, Ky., last week. Rev. Jesse Stewart and William Reddickford, are in the city for several days.

Dr. E. E. Underwood's lecture upon the care of the body was very interesting and highly appreciated by the pupils and teachers of the city school.

Mr. James and John Norrell, returned from Oberlin, where they have been attending school, to attend the funeral of their aunt.

The cold hand of death has been doing its work very successfully in the last four weeks. On last Friday we attended the funeral of Mr. George Johnson. George was a very amiable child and was liked by everyone. His funeral sermon was preached at the First United Baptist church, by Father Salles. Mrs. Gordon funeral was preached by Rev. E. E. Evans. Mrs. Gordon was a very old but highly respected lady of the city. She leaves a large family and a host of friends to mourn her loss.

The city of hills has taken another step in music. We have in our midst, Mr. Lee Hancock, of Chicago, but formerly of this city. Mr. Hancock, though blind has graduated from one of Chicago's musical universities and is an expert music teacher having finished his profession. He is now located on Clinton street, near Ann street, where he will instruct all that desire his instruction.

Rev. Eugene Evans arrived from Philadelphia. Dr. Evans will certainly please the Easter people from the reading of the many commendable clippings given him by the Easter press. From the present prospects it looks as though we will have to give the Rev. Evans up. We regret very much to realize these facts, but if such is the case we can only wish him success and hope that prosperity may attend his path in the workings of his new charge.

The Whittier concert at the Corinthian chapel was very well attended and the program was well rendered.

The reception given by Mr. and Mrs. Parker Pealy in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas was a very enjoyable event. The doors were opened for callers from 10 p. m. and during that time the house was full of pleasant and lively young people. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas arrived from Lexington, Friday evening, where they were married the same day. Mrs. Thomas was formerly a teacher in the city schools, of Lexington, and ranked in the number of the best educators of the state, while Mr. Thomas hails from Kansas, City, Mo., where he has worked himself up to the lucrative position of secretary of the American Commercial League Coal company.

Mrs. Eliza Lay was buried last Thursday afternoon. Her funeral sermon was preached by Rev. J. M. Turner of the A. M. E. church. Mrs. Lay was an old citizen and very much respected.

## CHAPLAIN ALLENWORTH.

### ASSINIBOINE NOTES.

Fort Assiniboine, Mont., March 20.

The many acquaintances here of Chaplain Allenworth, had with delight his late appointment on the staff of the World's Fair. Although his duties may be of a very perplexing nature, we are positive that he will be equal to the occasion. Chaplain Allenworth is an earnest worker in his chosen profession, and is a credit to his race. When he was appointed by President Cleveland during his first administration, it caused considerable comment in the 24th Infantry, the regiment to which he was to be the religious counselor. The officers endeavored to snub him on every occasion, and positively refused to recognize him further than Army Regulations required them to, but by his superior education and gentlemanly bearing he succeeded in living it down, and not only winning the esteem and respect of the officers, and enlisted men of his regiment, but of all whom he came in contact with.

He does not only confine his labors to his flock in the garrison which he is stationed, but to adjacent towns and cities, where he has delivered a number of lectures and his silvery voice is heard in the finest church edifice in Silver City, N. West. Chaplain Allenworth has the pay, rank and allowance of a captain of infantry. He is an Odd Fellow high in the ranks, being a patriarch, and has extensively extended the Fraternity through New Mexico and Arizona. He is stationed at Fort Bayard, N. Mexico.

Mrs. Allenworth, is accomplished and philanthropic, and has a pleasant word for all. She has greatly assisted her husband to live down the prejudice that existed against them when they first entered the army. She is ever present at divine services and usually presides at the organ. They have two promising daughters. No doubt the chaplain's detail will necessitate his absence from his regimental duties for some months and perhaps for good, as this may be the stepping stone to something greater. We can safely say whatever his work may be at the Fair, it will be performed with accuracy and precision.

The Assiniboine Social Club proper gave a splendid entertainment last Wednesday evening. We are threatened with genuine spring weather. We trust that it is in earnest.

Mr. J. Clay Smith is on the sick list.

Crossed Sabres.

Cribbage is becoming the leading game here.

It still remains cold here. The thermometer often drops 15 degrees below zero. But then this is considered warm weather by old mountaineers. It was 62 below during the severe cold spell.

## A BAD FALL.

Mattoon, Ill., March 27.—Mr. Wm. S. Row is on the sick list. His wife and mother-in-law have recovered.

Mr. Press Gardner fell on the sled and keeps his bed yet from the effect.

Mr. Jacob Martin is called to the bedside of his mother at Crawfordsville, Ind.

Mr. Ed. Balenger, of Champaign, Ill., was in Mattoon Sunday, and went to Paris.

Mr. John Powell went to Chicago this week on business.

The Ladies Court turned out Sunday night to a sermon at the A. M. E. church.

The Baptist church is being papered, and will be ready for use in a few days.

## HOME BENEFIT SOCIETY.

Brantford, Ont., March 27.—Rev. Mr. Lucas returned home from Burton, Thursday, after a pleasant visit.

There is some talk of organizing a Home Benefit society to assist those who are ill and in need of assistance in any way. A meeting will be held Tuesday evening for the purpose.

Mrs. Nicholas McComas is suffering from heart trouble.

The new trolley cars were sent out for a trial trip on Friday for the first time, and gave great satisfaction. The managers expect to have them in full swing by the 1st of April.

An oyster supper and concert will be given in the church on Wednesday evening, for the benefit of the pastor. Your correspondent joins in wishing the Plaindealer and its many readers, a bright and joyous Easter.

## BADLY SCALDED.

South Bend, Ind., March 26.—Mrs. Catherine Jackson is on the sick list. Miss P. Griffin is in the city visiting friends and relatives.

Mrs. Nannie Simpson and Miss Sarah Coker, are visiting friends and relatives in Marcellus, Mich.

Miss Della Wilson, of Calvin Center, Mich., was in the city last week visiting friends.

Miss Lucy Ward, of Kalamazoo, Mich., was in the city visiting friends last week.

The Mount Zion Baptist church social Wednesday night was a success.

Mr. Leas Moxley who runs the milk dairy in the Southwest part of the city is the happy father of a bouncing baby girl. Mother and baby doing well.

Social at the Baptist church, April 5th for the benefit of the pastor. Lily Walker is one of the smartest little scholars in the Baptist Sunday school.

Robert Underwood, of this city, and Miss Ida Harris, of Logansport, Ind., were married at Logansport Tuesday night.

Miss Lizzie Jackson left last week for Marshall, Mich., for a three weeks visit among friends.

The many friends of Mrs. Geo. Stewart gave her a delightful birthday party. Thursday night, at her beautiful home on East Prescilla street, it being her 30th birthday, her friends took the occasion to surprise her.

Miss Alma Hughes narrowly escaped from being scalded to death last week by a hot water pipe bursting while she was at work in the kitchen of J. M. Studebaker.

The Mt. Zion Baptist church baptizing will take place Sunday, April 2nd at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, in the pool of the Swedish Baptist church, corner of Laurel and Napier street.

Jasper Sanders went to Logansport Tuesday to attend a wedding.

## CUPID AT WORK.

Ann Arbor, Mich., March 22.—Sunday was quarterly meeting at the Bethel A. M. E. church. Presiding Elder Alexander preached morning and evening, and Rev. John L. Davis, of Ypsilanti, gave a very able discourse in the afternoon.

The pastors of both churches are somewhat ill. Rev. Cotman has had a touch of pneumonia, and his daughter, Ohma improves very slowly.

Look out for orange blossoms and bridal trains soon. Cupid is beginning his usual spring work.

Mr. Jos. Neal, of Chicago, was the guest of Carrie Freeman, last Monday.

Mr. Levi McQuann, of Ypsilanti, paid Miss Beulah Johnson, a flying visit Thursday last.

New arrivals. At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hinch, a son, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Freeman, a daughter.

Mrs. V. J. Blackburn is confined to her home.

Mr. and Mrs. John Jones and daughter, Ruby, of South Lyons, were seen among the guests on Sunday.

Miss Mina Collins, of Ypsilanti, visited Ann Arbor, Friday.

The paper "Woman's Status," by Mr. B. Lester, was warmly discussed Friday evening at the Lyceum. Ladies very quiet for once.

Miss Eva Cooper is to take charge of the instrument at the A. M. E. church.

## LANSING DOTS.

Lansing, Mich., March 20.—Mr. Simpson filled the pulpit in place of Elder Collins, who was suddenly called away.

Will the Plaindealer kindly inquire the whereabouts of Alfred Fant. He is a barber, located somewhere in Michigan.

Social this week for the benefit of the pastor, Mr. Ferguson will address the occasion. The concert was well attended and much credit is due the little Misses Thompson and Jones, who delighted the audience with their performance.

A surprise party was tendered Miss Florence Simmons last Friday evening. It was greatly enjoyed by all who attended it. Miss Florence is an estimable young lady, meriting the high respect of her numerous friends.

The Afro-American League met to discuss the coming event at Jackson and to elect delegates for the same. Several will go from our city.

Milton Vaughn, of Kalamazoo, is in our city again.

Mr. Hammond is about to return to his former home at Kalamazoo. Mr. Simpson is able to be out again after quite an illness. Etta Leek is about the same.

Gloomy weather prevails, but everyone seems to be busy in our city.

Mrs. Frances Williams is much better.

Mr. Everett Leek who has been visiting in Battle Creek, has returned.

## SAW MILL CLOSED.

Cassopolis, Mich., March 21.—Messrs Waldon and Powell, spent Sunday in South Bend.

Mrs. Dancy is entertaining her sister from Niles.

The Misses Mattie and Cena Jones, were the guests of Mrs. Z. Beverly, Saturday and Sunday. The former from Penn, the latter from Allegan, Mich.

Uncle Henry Morton and Jacob Charve, and Mrs. Eliza Campbell, are on the sick list. The mature age of Uncle Henry is much against recovery.

## WAKELEE WAIFS.

Wakelee, Mich., March 20.—Mr. Herbert Jeffries, of South Bend, Ind., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. I. Jeffries.

Mr. Arthur Jeffries, a son of H. Jeffries, who has been in Wheatley for the last year, has come to spend the summer here.

Mrs. Henry Lewis, of Little Prairie, Rondo, is not expected to live.

Mr. Benj. Bland and father, were in Mendon last week on business.

Miss Grace Wilson has gone to South Bend, Ind., to spend the summer.

Mr. Wm. Walden, Sr., who is in his 92 year, is getting quite feeble.

IRWIN ITEMS.

Irwin, Ohio, March 27.—Several of the young folks here attended the experience meeting held at the Baptist church, of Mechanicsburg, O., Saturday evening.

Mr. Fred Bunch, of Muncie, Ind., and Lee Carter, of Mechanicsburg, were in Irwin, last week.

Mr. Wm. Webster and Miss Jennie Washington, called on friends here Sunday.

Gertie Moody who has been ill is still gaining.

The sudden change in the weather has caused a great deal of sickness here.

The Rev. W. H. Carter and Mrs. Viney, were the guest of Mrs. Wyatt Howell Sunday.

Mr. Pearl Stewart attended the baptizing in Urbana Sunday.

AFRO-AMERICAN INDUSTRIAL LEAGUE.

Kansas City Kan., March 26.—A large number of colored men of this city have organized an Afro-American Industrial league, the object of which is to send a colony of colored people to Brazil. The Brazilian government has offered to pay all transportation charges for colored colonies who desire to take up land there, and those interested in the new league feel as though it is a great opportunity for them.

LOSS BY FIRE.

The burning of Wiley Jones car house, at Pine Bluff, Ark., was the most sensational fire of that city, it is supposed to be prejudice, as he was the wealthiest man there, and is the only colored man in the world who owns a railway line.

He lost seventeen coaches and a number greatly damaged, harness and car house were completely destroyed to the extent of \$18,000; his insurance was light the sum of \$2,000. His friends are much irritated over the accident, it is supposed to be the scheme of an incendiary. The services of a Pinkerton detective have been secured to solve the fact.

ELECTED DELEGATES.

Adrian, Mich., March 27.—School reopened on Monday.

Mr. Geo. Young, of Jackson, is in the city.

Mr. Charles Dean and Miss Annie Waters, made a flying visit to Detroit to attend the quarterly session of the Grand Lodge.

Miss L. Case, of Jackson, spent a few days in our city as the guest of Miss E. Craig.

Mr. Tolliver, of Ann Arbor, is in the city on business.

Mr. Robert Henry left our city over the Wabash, en route to E. Saginaw, to attend the funeral of his little nephew.

Mrs. Jacobs who has been ill is convalescent.

Mrs. McCoy is and has been confined to her bed with severe illness.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss Gay Lewis to Mr. Robert Peiham, Jr. of Detroit, April 5th.

The citizens of Lenawee county, met at the A. M. E. church subject to the call of W. L. Burton and T. P. Wood, of Tecumseh. By motion the following delegates were elected to represent the citizens of Lenawee county at the convention held at Jackson, April 4th, '93 Rev. H. E. Stewart, Thomas Wallace, P. Johnson, C. Dean, Rev. R. Gaylord, W. Washington, D. Brown, of Hudson, L. Coleman, Mr. Miller, Rob. Henry and York Nicholas, of Blissfield.

Mr. Charles H. Tolliver of Ann Arbor has relinquished all claims in suit before A. F. Robertson against Theo. Wallace and further represents that when we left Seneca, we were not under wages or pay but just went as long with old Wallace for what could be obtained from voluntary contributions from our audiences on these terms all was settled.

A CASE OF BITTER PREJUDICE.

—Louis Deal who last week paraded before the public as being the only bar-keeper, of color in this city, employed by Mr. Beck, of the Atlas hotel, has been forced to resign.

Some three months ago he was employed as waiter in this popular resort and by his gentlemanly conduct and affability won a warm place in the esteem of his employer who promoted him to the position as bar-tender at the earliest opportunity. This was the end of no little comment by the proprietors and employes of the neighboring saloons and soon became a matter of open criticism at the several meetings of the Bar-tenders union, which was then organizing. Last week the organization of the union was perfected and their first act was to ask protection from the several breweries of the city against the employment of Afro-Americans and assist them in ousting Mr. Deal.

The brewery combine immediately came to their rescue and threatened to boycott the place if Deal was not discharged. After consulting his employer, Mr. Deal has concluded to accept a more meager position in the house and avoid further trouble with the combine.

—There are fifty-five Afro-Americans employed at the postoffice building, of Chicago, and thirty-two on the police force and ten at the city hall. There are now 80,000 colored persons in this city, and over 8,000 of them have come the past ten months.

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## PERSONAL MENTION.

—Charles Richards was appointed as Auxiliary stamper by Postmaster Zuehlstein, last Thursday. Mr. Richards is a graduate of Gaines high school.

—Miss Jessie Slater spent a few days last week in Dayton, O., the guest of her friend Miss L. Finley.

—Rev. Wm. A. Burch, formerly pastor of Union Baptist church, delivered very interesting, entertaining and instructive lecture upon the "The Colored Women of the late War," at this church, last Friday evening.

—Robert D. G. Troy is able to be out again, after a few weeks severe illness.

—Rev. C. B. Mason, who has been the guest of Rev. H. H. Harris, of Walnut Hills, for a week past, has returned to his home in Boston, Mass.

—Mrs. Edgar I. Watson has returned after a pleasant visit to Dayton and Xenia, where she was the guest of friends and relatives.

—Ernest Troy spent last Sunday in Dayton, Ohio.

—Mr. Benjamin Hickman, Sr., who has been quite ill for some weeks with an attack of rheumatism, left last week for Hot Springs, Ark., to recuperate.

—Miss Ada M. White was called to Xenia, O., to attend the funeral of her friend, Mrs. Charles Edwards, last week.

—Miss Belle Moore spent a few weeks in Lexington, visiting friends and relatives.

—A large number of persons assembled at Union Baptist church on Mound Street, last Sabbath afternoon and affected a temporary organization for the establishing of a Baptist Young People's Union for Hamilton county. Papers were read by Messrs. Zella Ward, Sarah Lewis, Artimesa Johnson, Dora Buckner and Miss Elberts and an address was delivered by Rev. A. J. DeHart.

—Rev. G. H. McDaniel, of Hannibal, Mo., editor of the National Baptist Standard, was in the city last week in the interests of his paper. (Cincinnati personal mention.)

—Mr. Heaster Gibbs, of John Street, for many years a resident of Cincinnati, was buried last Thursday from her late residence. She died of old age.

—W. D. Driver, of Indianapolis, Ind., was in the city a few days last week, the guest of his friends.

—A large number of citizens from Lockland and Wyoming, attended the anniversary exercises of the K. of P. lodges in the city last Sabbath afternoon.

—Professor Peter H. Clark will lecture at the Union Baptist church next Friday, April 7th. He will be greeted by a large audience.

—Death has entered the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Campbell and removed their infant child who was buried last Tuesday. They have the sympathy of many friends.

—Easter services at the several churches promise to be very interesting as special programs have been prepared for the occasion.

—The remains of Samuel Gains, son of Mr. and Mrs. John I. Gains deceased, who for many years were residents of this city, were brought to the city for interment last Friday from Memphis, Tenn., where he had resided for several years. The funeral took place from the residence of his sister, Miss Arabella Gains last Sabbath morning. Rev. H. D. Proud, pastor of Union Baptist church performed the last sad rites.

—W. S. Tisdale has been indisposed for the past ten days.

—Mrs. Johnson, of Ripley, O., mother of Dr. Frank Johnson, spent a few days in the city this week.

—Bishop B. F. Lee will be in the city to-morrow and will deliver the Easter sermon at Allen Temple, Sabbath morning.

—Mrs. J. A. S. Clark who has been very low for the past few weeks, is slowly convalescing.

—Miss Luella and Willa Finley, of Dayton, O., will arrive in the city to-day for a week's visit, the guests of Mrs. Jessie Slater and Miss Susie Duniap.

—Miss Carrie Griffin, of Dayton, O., spent Sunday in the city.

—Jessie Adams, one of the converts at the revival just closed at Allen Temple, dropped dead at Sixth and Carr, last Sunday morning. He was buried Tuesday from Allen Temple. Rev. Charles H. Bundy, officiated. He was a member of Principia lodge, G. U. O. of O. F.

—Mr. Charles Hill, of Charleston, W. Va., who has been spending the winter in Mexico, spent a few days in the city last week the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Watkins, of Kossuth Street, while en route to his home.

The Rev. Mr. Fuller claims that his resignation as pastor of the Zion Baptist church was a voluntary act and that he was not asked to tender his resignation by the church officials.

—Miss G. A. Patton, M. D., of the medical college, Nashville, Tenn., is the guest of Rev. and Mrs. H. W. Simmons, 268 W. 9th Street. She leaves Thursday for New York.

—African boys sail for Liberia, Africa.

—Rev. W. C. Edwards, of Troy, and

W. L. Dickerson, of Oberlin, O., were the guests of Rev. Simmons.

—W. W. Tate, of Bellaire, Pa., will pastor Union chapel for the next conference year. Rev. H. W. Simmons is being sent to Steubenville, O.

## LOCKLAND — WYOMING.

Lockland, Ohio, March 28.—The ladies of the A. M. E. Church Aid society will give an "Easter Market," Saturday night, April 1. Take your baskets and pocket-books with something in it and you can take your basket home full. Admission free.

We are sorry to state that there was an error in the last week's publication concerning the Lockland lodge. It is No. 1710 instead of 1220.

Mrs. Cavalier will spend Easter visiting friends in the city.

Last Sunday was communion at Mt. Zion Baptist church.

Mr. Oddie Douglass, an employee of the Pullman Car company, was circulating among friends last week. Don't forget the date of the Maple Street Christian church concert, Saturday evening, April 1.

The Allen Mite society is progressing nicely.

Mr. John Nichols and Mr. John Young, of Cincinnati, O., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Perkins, Sunday.

Mr. Wash. Henderson and family, spent Sunday visiting friends in the city.

Miss Mamie E. Carter, one of our teachers who was on the sick list last week is back to her duty again.

Mr. William Coleman has opened a butcher shop. He sells neat and etc., very reasonable.

Mrs. Martha Matthews, of New Richmond, O., who is H. F. Fox's grandmother and Mrs. Maria Gray's aunt, is very low and is not expected to live. Mrs. Maria Gray and Mr. H. F. Fox leave Wednesday morning, March 29 for New Richmond, Ohio.

The Household of Ruth will give a festival at the Odd Fellows hall Saturday evening, April 1. Admission 10 cents.

## WALNUT HILL NOTES.

—Mrs. Geo. H. Bally, of Xenia, O., is visiting her father who has been very sick for the last three months.

—There was a good crowd of people out to the church Aid society of Brown chapel last Friday night.

—Rev. J. H. Artope, the pastor of Brown chapel, preached a grand sermon last Sunday, on "The gain of wisdom."

—The youngest child of Mr. W. Campbell, of Elmwood Avenue, died last Sunday, of bronchitis.

—Any person having items to put in the column of Walnut Hill notes, please send them to Albert E. Smith, 14 Willow Street.

## WITH INTENT TO KILL.

### FESTIVE SPRING, WHERE?

Dayton, Ohio, March 27.—The annual sermon of the K. of P.'s was preached last Sunday night by Rev. Jackson at Zion Baptist church to a large gathering of Knights.

Mrs. Jessie Slater, of Cincinnati, was in the city Sunday, the guest of Miss Willa Finley, of Mead Street.

A number of the friends of Mrs. Jefferson Harris, of Burns Avenue, assembled Monday evening and went in a body to her house, where they took things into their own hands, spread tables, set out an excellent luncheon, and had a general good time. The affair was a total surprise to the lady.

Married.—Miss Minnie Batt to Mr. Albert Clark, Friday evening last week.

The goat astride a barrel in the window doth appear; And the long haired poet sighs and sings.

The festive spring is here. Ernest Troy, of Cincinnati, spent Saturday night and Sunday in this city, the guest of friends.

Very unfortunate was the shooting of Edward Ward by Thomas Bailor, of this city, early Monday morning. There had been bad blood between the men for about two years which culminated in an altercation on the above named date in which Ward inflicted a slight knife wound in Bailor's breast, and received in return a bullet in his right temple. His death is only a matter of time, though several hours after the shooting he was still alive. Bailor is very well connected here and many deep, but vain regrets are expressed at the occurrence. He gave himself up and is awaiting preliminary hearing on the charge of shooting with intent to kill. But probably before this report is read the charge will necessarily be changed to murder.

The Y. P. S. C. gave quite an interesting and successful concert Friday evening, March 31st at Duster hall for the benefit of the Wesleyan Methodist church.

Robert S. Murphy, of West Washington Street, left last week for Chicago.

Charles Buckner, the genial head waiter at the Beckel house will resign his situation after the first of the month to accept a better one at the World's Fair City.

## ANNIVERSARY SERVICES.

Urbans, Ohio, March 28.—The greatest anniversary ever held in the history of the Second Baptist church closed last evening with a grand banquet and entertainment. Never was such a crowd of people during the exercises which were held three times on Sabbath. Elder George Ward, of Louisville, Ky., preached the greatest baptismal sermon ever preached in the church. It was a master sermon. After services twenty-one candidates were baptized. At 3 p. m., Rev. B. A. L. Powell, pastor of the church, preached the anniversary sermon. It was a very instructive sermon and was enjoyed by all who heard it. At night, Rev. Ward preached an able sermon which will live in the hearts of the people. Rev. Ward has made many friends during his stay here. One of the grandest concerts ever given was given in the church last night, the church being literally packed from pulpit to the doors. The concert

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was under the management of Mr. J. H. Chavers, who has had many years experience in the concert business and it is needless to say that it was a grand success. Mrs. Jennie Chavers is an excellent singer. The proceeds netted \$105.

Mrs. Ida M. Briggs, of Chicago, Ill., came to Urbana Saturday evening to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. Johnson, and to witness the baptizing of her son Charley Johnson. She enjoyed a pleasant visit and returned home Sunday evening.

## MECHANICSBURG MENTION.

Mechanicsburg, Ohio, March 28.—The ladies and gentlemen of the Second Baptist held their second meeting last Saturday evening to raise money. Quite a number were present. Several of the ladies paid \$10 on their subscription. Last Sunday was rally day and about fifty-seven dollars was raised. The Independent society held a very interesting meeting last Sabbath evening under the management of the president, Mrs. L. H. Black, Sr. Mr. John Laws and Mr. Fred Bunch, of Muncie, Ind., are visiting friends here this week.

Mrs. Dan. Clark, of Marion, Ohio, is visiting Mrs. Peter Harness, this week.

Miss Ida Weaver, of Marion, Ind., is the guest of Miss Mattie Phillips this week.

Elder B. A. Phillips has returned home from Contsville, Ohio, where he has been holding a revival. Eighteen persons were added to the church.

Rev. N. S. Merritt visited Columbus, O., this week.

Mr. Walter Powell and Mr. F. R. Brown were in Woodstock, O., on business Monday.

## GALLIPOLIS GLINTS.

Gallipolis, Ohio, March 27.—Mrs. Bettie Holmes, the wife of Mr. H. Holmes, departed this life Wednesday evening. She was 39 years of age, of which time she has been 30 years a citizen of Gallipolis, O. She was a member of the Third Street Baptist church. A kind, faithful and devoted mother, who has a great multitude of friends both colored and white. She leaves a husband, two daughters, two sons and many relatives to mourn her death. This family has been in a helpless condition for some time on account of sickness. There still remain the two sons upon their sick bed and one of the daughters just able to be up, and the other daughter who suffered a long and serious attack of the malaria fever, has gained strength enough to attend by the bedside of these sick ones that are left motherless. "Requiescat in pace."

Mr. Bertson Gordon is very sick.

Miss Sarah McGee is now able to go around in the house.

Mr. James Mason sold his property to Mrs. W. J. Polley and bought other property.

Miss Cora Jackson is on the sick list.

The Junior entertainment was postponed until the 26th of May, on account of so much sickness among the high school scholars, and in May the Junior entertainment and graduating exercises will be put together and they will be on the same night at the Court House.

Miss Maggie Courtney and Mrs. Henrietta Wilkerson, arrived just to late to attend the funeral of Mrs. Bettie Holmes who was closely related to them.

Mr. Fred Smith, the principal of the Ft. Pleasant high school, at W. Va., came down to attend the funeral of Mrs. Holmes.

Mr. and Mrs. George Washington, are looking as pleasing as they can. A fine boy.

Miss Roma Viney, Mrs. Fannie Stewart, Miss Estella Viney and Miss Bessie Viney, are visiting friends in Middletown, O.

Mr. Daniel Whitney departed this life Saturday morning. He was a citizen of Gallipolis, O., for 31 years. He leaves a good record behind as a kind father and a potent factor in the church. He leaves a wife, one daughter and three sons. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. H. Smith.

Mr. Hinton Jones is in our city from Fenton, O., visiting his parents and friends.

Mrs. Fannie Smith, of Columbus, came here to attend the funeral of her uncle, Mr. Daniel Whitney.

The sermon that Rev. W. H. Smith preached to the young men of this city was a fine one.

## A PRIZE FESTIVAL.

Lima, Ohio, March 28. An interesting program has been arranged for Easter Sunday at the A. M. E. church. The U. B. F. lodge will give a prize festival at their hall, April 12th. Two prizes will be given to the holder of lucky tickets.

Mr. Wm. Bond spent a few days last week at the bedside of his sick brother, Oliver Bond, of Columbus, O.

Mr. Lawrence Vena left Saturday for Toledo and will return home on Monday, accompanied by his grandmother, Mrs. Julia Cannon.

Mr. Frank Crowder is in the city, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Benson, of Muncie, Ind., are visiting in the city.

Mr. Robert Maxwell is ill.

There came to our city last week about 65 colored men and eleven women from Mississippi in a very miserable condition. They are to work on the Ohio Southern R. R.

## THE CHAMPION CITY.

Reasons Plenty for the Hearty Support of the Republican Ticket

Springfield, O., March 28.—The reason why we have repeatedly urged our citizens through the columns of the Plaindealer, to support the whole Republican ticket is because four years ago when Mayor Burnett was elected, we had one colored fire department in the West End with the chance at that time of securing another one. There were employed eight or ten firemen including the regular fireman minute men appointed by Ex-Mayor O. S. Kelly. Immediately after Mayor Burnett took his seat, all of these firemen were discharged, against the protest of every colored citizen, and were superseded by white men, who have had charge of the same ever since. Their claim was that the colored firemen were not competent of doing the work, when everyone knew that such an assertion was untrue. For we claim that a colored man is just as competent of being a fireman or holding any public position as any white man, and we say emphatically that the only reason these men were discharged was because they were colored, and not that they were insufficient. In some of our cities, for instance Chicago, we have a colored fire department equal to any in this country. And the men who had charge of this fire department, were some of our best citizens. Now we claim if the Democrats in this city have so much love for us, why didn't they let this colored fire department remain? Furthermore if they feel disposed to ignore us entirely as they did when they ousted us, why is it that they want us to support their ticket in this campaign? Why was it that we were refused in the matter of appointment of sanitary marshals last fall? Every time there is an election held in this city the Democrats have gall enough to go to some of our best citizens and ask them to support them and as soon as they are elected we are ignored entirely. When such candidates approach you you should ask them what are they to give in return for our votes? Of course they will make us every kind of promise to get the office and if they are elected some of us go to them asking for recognition they will say, we Democrats can't give the colored people positions until they learn to divide their votes and that is the kind of answer we get from them.

We ask you fair-minded man can we afford to vote for such would be friends as these? We have tried them for years and they have been found wanting on every occasion. It is not so with the Republicans, who are before us asking our suffrage, they are men who can be relied upon at any time and not only that they are working men. Mr. Todd who heads the Republican ticket is a true friend to the colored race and has always been. There is not a colored man who can say ought against him. If he is elected we as a race will receive our just proportion of the offices that are to be filled. So you see it is our interest to see that every colored man vote the straight Republican ticket from the top to the bottom.

This community has been stirred up considerably by a great many Methodists protesting against the movement of Rev. R. G. Mortimore in the establishment of a new church and Sunday school on Miami Street in the Southern part of the city. The statement made in the Plaindealer week before last that Rev. J. W. Gazaway had sanctioned this new movement seems to be untrue. Your correspondent was misinformed at that time, but has since learned the true facts in the matter. Rev. Ransom made an announcement in his church, saying that he did not want his members to take part or encourage the movement in any way until he (Rev. Mortimore) had the proper authority from the pastor and members of North Street church and the presiding elder. Rev. Mortimore was interviewed in the matter and said he was not here to come in conflict with any of the churches in the city, and did not ask the assistance of any of their members, that he was working entirely upon his own merits to establish this new work, and that he felt called of God to do so and was going right along attending to the work. He has thus far established a thriving Sabbath school and his place of worship is not large enough to accommodate the people. He has assisted him the Rev. R. B. Johnson, of Pittsburgh, Pa., a young man with much force.

Mr. Jackson's Civil Rights bill which passed the house this week by a vote of 66 for and 2 against it meets the hearty approval of all of our people. The two who opposed this bill were Democrats, Elber, of Brown county, and Garner, of Sandusky. The bill when passed will be a blessing to our people in this city, and Mr. Jackson is being congratulated everywhere for his able speech in defense of his bill.

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Mrs. Siretetta Jones, better known as the "Black Patti," made her first appearance in this city on the 23rd. Her success has been so pronounced, that when she made her first appearance on the stage she was received with a wild burst of enthusiasm. It was sometime before the audience could quiet down to hear her render her first selection. She is indeed a great vocalist and certainly deserves the name of being renowned. The people were much delighted with her and hope she will return to the city again. The North Street and Second Baptist church and Wylie chapel choirs assisted Mrs. Jones in her evening's entertainment, and was

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highly applauded for their excellent singing. Mr. Allen Corbin, Miss L. Anderson, Mr. Fred Hale, Mrs. Geo. Bailey and Mrs. A. B. Robinson, were very highly complimented. Mrs. A. B. Robinson received special complimentary notices in our city papers for her excellent singing.

Let each voter make it a special duty on next Monday to see that his neighbor votes the straight Republican ticket and commend for every right that is due as a citizen.

Miss Jessie Page left for an extended visit to Cleveland to visit her sister.

Allen Chapel A. M. E. Sunday school has at present one of the most interesting literary societies in the city. On last Monday evening the church was crowded with visitors and friends from all parts of the city to listen to the program. Those who took part in the exercises, were highly congratulated by all. The officers of the society at present are: Miss Katie Logan, president; Miss Cassie Nelson, secretary; Mr. Robert Walker, budget; Miss Mattie Dimley.

If you have not called at Adams and Odell yet to purchase your shoes, you should give them a call at their grand opening, April 1st.

North Street church has organized a ladies exchange which is meeting with success in every particular. They have a stand in the market every Saturday, attended by a committee of ladies of the church. When you go to market to supply your basket, give them your first call.

The Second Baptist church and Sabbath school will duly observe Easter Sabbath with a splendid program. It will be of an interesting nature and you will be benefited by attending there.

The Novelty social given by the ladies of North Street church, on the 22nd, was quite an interesting affair under the direction of Mrs. M. R. Hall.

Golden Star chapter, No. 1, order of the Easter Star, will hold their divine services at North Street church next Sabbath afternoon at 3 o'clock, conducted by Mr. John Wilborn, Grand Patron. The sermon will be delivered by Rev. Ransom.

There is no question about it Adams and Odell is the cheapest and best place in the city to buy boots and shoes. Give them a call and tell them that the Plaindealer sent you.

Mr. Hubbard Wilson, of Chattanooga, Tenn., was in the city a few days last week and left for Washington City.

The annual Thanksgiving services of Diamond lodge, No. 14, held their divine services at North Street church last Sunday. Opening address of the order by Z. R. Jackson, music by the choir, gospel lessons suitable to the order were read by both Diamond lodge and Corps of Colanthe, the sermon was delivered by Rev. R. C. Ransom. After the services at the church were over Diamond lodge left for Dayton.

To participate in the divine services with the K. of P. lodges of Dayton, Monday night, the lodge held an interesting entertainment at their hall, corner Market and Main Streets. There was quite a surprise tendered Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Moore, on Miami Street last week. The following ladies and gentlemen were present: Miss Effie Denny, Miss Gertrude Dent, Miss Mamie Blackburn, Miss Ada Brown, Miss Maud Wells, Miss Effie Hill, Miss Effie Cooper, Miss Eva

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NEW RICHMOND SOCIETY.  
New Richmond, Ohio, March 28.—Mr. Wm. Paxton, Jr., of Cincinnati, is spending a few days with his parents and friends here.

Elder Wm. Alford, pastor of the Second Baptist church, delivered two interesting sermons during the past Sabbath.

The Sabbath school is progressing under the management of Miss G. Boone, superintendent. The attendance is increasing and much interest is manifested.

Mrs. Rockold, formerly of Oxford, O., now of Avondale, spent a few days of last week with her daughter Hattie, at Elder and Mrs. Alford's.

There will be a masquerade social at the town hall, Friday evening, March 31, given by the young men for the benefit of the Second Baptist church. All are invited to attend.

Mrs. Robert Jasper, of Cincinnati, is spending a few days here with her mother, Mrs. Frank Garner.

Mr. Marshall Jones, Mrs. Martha Matthews and Mr. Joshua King, are still on the sick list.

Mr. Maybury and George Wernel, of Cincinnati, spent Sunday here with relatives and friends.

Miss Susie Dixon has returned from a short visit in Cincinnati.

Easter services will be carried on at the A. M. E. church, also at the Second Baptist church.

Mr. Alonzo Jackson spent a few days of this week at home with his wife.

The Willing Workers will give a literary entertainment and lunch Thursday evening, April 6. All are invited to attend.

RUNNING "BLIND TIGERS."  
Hopkinsville, Ky., March 26.—Ellen Talton, colored, and twenty years old, was fined \$75 in several cases for violating the local option law at Trenton, a station South of this city. She, as well as many others, including women, have long been suspected of running "blind tigers," and others will be arrested. She is believed to be rich, but rather than pay the \$75 fine, she has gone to the lock-up to work it out at \$1 per day.

—Mr. C. H. Mease was elected school director for the three year term in West Des Moines township, Iowa.

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FRIDAY, MARCH 31, '03.

It was a Republican Senate that refused to enact a measure looking to a fair ballot in the South. A number of its members believed in letting the South have its own way, if they do bulldoze and corrupt elections. But the boot is on the other foot now. This same bulldozing and shameful fraud has made the Senate Democratic and with their accustomed tactics when in power they now seek to bulldoze and brow-beat their Republican confederates. One of the first men to feel the meanness of this intolerant spirit was Senator Matthew Quay, whose private papers were thrown into the hall without ceremony. Whenever the white North gets a good big taste of Southern bulldozing and intolerance there will be a change. From present prospects there is evidence that they will get the taste. When the bourbon gets in the saddle it is soon apparent how he has accepted of the war and its issue. The same spirit that insulted Mrs. Custer, because her husband was an earnest Union general, passes Jim Crow car laws, lynches men without trial, and carries elections by murder and fraud.

The Plaindealer has received Mrs. A. J. Cooper's book entitled, "A Voice from the South, by a black woman of the South." Such a review as the Plaindealer can give will not do the book justice. It is by far the most comprehensive, logical and studied work of the kind that has come to our table. It is well written, shows large research and ability, besides the author shows that she has been thorough in her study of the question with which she grapples. There has been no book on the race question that has been more correctly or forcibly written by either white or black author. The book is not only a credit to the genius of the race, but to woman whose place and sphere in life men have so long dictated.

Had all the literary efforts of the race been as worthy as this, the standard of Afro-American literature would have been much higher. It is impossible to review the book in section for the main idea is conserved throughout and must be read to be appreciated. Every white student of history should read it and no Afro-American's library is complete without.

Where are the patriotic men of Michigan and Ohio who have been sighing for leaders. For two weeks the Plaindealer has published appeals for help in publishing a pamphlet to be distributed at the World's Fair to place the Afro-American in a proper light before the world, and there has not been one penny subscribed. Mr. Douglass has consented to act as treasurer of this fund and has given fifty dollars, besides he and Miss Wells are to give their time to the matter. Help the cause along, Mr. Douglass is the "Grand Old Man" of America, and the Plaindealer will publish the name and amount of every man who subscribes.

There could be no stronger argument offered as the animus of the South against the Afro-American than the article in the Times Democrat of New Orleans. It says: "It is not the black ignorant, dirty Negro who keeps his seat in a car when a lady enters, that we object to, but to the 'saddle colored darkey' who politely vacates his seat and forces an acknowledgment as a gentleman." The Plaindealer has contended that it is the gentleman, the man of energy and push that the Southern gentleman hates. Mr. Douglass could scarce find a better item for his pamphlet than this opinion from the Times Democrat.

Cleveland's private secretary has appointed Arthur Simmons, a Negro, as his messenger. Simmons was messenger under Lincoln and remained in the White House until Harrison removed him to place a white man at his post. Democrat Cleveland calls him back. How do you like it?—Negro Solicitor.

Now why don't you be honest, and say that Mr. Harrison transferred Simmons to the treasury department. The impression gained from reading your article is that Simmons was removed from office altogether. Take the same advice you give to others. Be consistent and truthful.

## ADVANCING A STEP.

The infusion of new blood into the Iron Duke Mining Company, of Denver, Colo., and the consequent life it exhibited is another prominent evidence of the transition the Afro-American is passing through. The mines of the company consist of four full claims, 150 feet wide, and 1,500 feet long, in Clear Creek county, Colorado, and the claim carries very high grades of ores, which run from \$100 to \$10,000 gold and silver to the ton. The company is chartered under the laws of the State of Colorado. The company does not operate the mines to their full capacity at present. While this is the most prominent of the mining ventures of the Afro-Americans it is not the only one. Individuals have valuable claims through the West.

The Afro-American Steamship company is another of the ventures that commands attention. It can not be doubted, but what if its promoters are successful in placing the company once on a financial basis the venture will be a profitable one, whether it carries out the original intention to establish a line of Steamships between the United States and Liberia, or if they change their plan for establishing a line of coast steamers to be used in the coast trade along the Gulf and the West India Islands.

Perhaps the most comprehensive scheme launched upon the public last year, the one requiring the most business energy and foresight, by reason of the active competition it would have to bear from other manufacturing companies, and the success of which would establish for all time the business sagacity of the Afro-American was the Columbian Cotton Mill Company of Chicago. The company intended to operate under the laws of the State of Illinois, from which it received its charter. The intent of the company was and is to found a town in Cook county, a few miles out of Chicago, to be called Butler City. Then, if conditions were favorable to establish a cotton mill, running thousands of spindles and giving employment to men and women of the race. The project has not yet been given up, but, as yet, it has not risen above a real estate scheme for selling a section of lands secured by the promoters. The Plaindealer hopes and expects to see the full plan carried out in all its details, but its success is dependent upon the interest which the public takes hold of the plan, and helps to carry it out by their co-operation.

A plan somewhat similar to that of the Columbia Cotton Mill Company, that would be as far reaching in its results if success crowns the effort is that of the Freedman's Manufacturing Company, of which the Honorable Frederick Douglass is president. This company has secured a charter for a term of years from the State of West Virginia with an authorized capital of \$300,000, divided into shares of ten dollars each. By the charter the company has the right to acquire lands, lay out a town, buy and sell real estate, organize and conduct manufacturing enterprises, to accept and execute trusts and to transact any other business which it may be lawful for an individual to transact. It is the purpose of the company to erect a cotton knitting mill, that will employ about 300 hands, most of whom would be women, to build a town about this mill and to carry on such business and raise such necessities, in the way of vegetables, that a city would require. The site chosen is located on the James River, Virginia, about ten miles above Newport News. It has a water front of one mile that is well adapted to oyster beds and fish fishing. The transportation facilities will be excellent, both by water and rail. Owing to the cheapness of labor in the South, the enterprise on a good business basis will be able to compete successfully in the market with the enterprises of New England, besides forming or rather creating, a labor market to which other sections may look too for their labor supply.

The fact that Mr. Douglass is at the head of the company should be assurance that the purposes of the company will be pushed to completion and to give the people confidence in the future. There can be no failure, if Mr. Douglass can bring to bear anything like the same energy, coupled with the wisdom of his years, that he displayed in the struggle against slavery. The success of the company would be a fitting climax to all his years of labor for the race and be a refutation to the slander that in his prosperity and elevation he had forgotten the people.

The Plaindealer has now instanced enough of the new ventures showing the transition the Afro-American is now passing through. The ventures named by no means comprise all the meritorious ones that have been put in operation. It can not be expected that they will all be successful, if so, the business sagacity of those venturers in these enterprises would be unparalleled.

Are you acquainted outside of your town? Yes? Then help us to get acquainted by sending the names of your friends. We want to introduce the Plaindealer in the homes of all the people.

They are indications of growth, the results of the efforts of those who have continually agitated the pursuit of business ideas. They show that the Afro-American is advancing a step towards his complete emancipation. Keep the work moving.

In some parts of Georgia and other sections of the South it is said, that owing to the high prices of cotton seed, many Afro-Americans have sold clean. Many of the white Southern papers say that these same people will buy the seed back again on credit at a higher price, and that such an act would be characteristic of the race. This may be true of the Afro-American in his present condition, as it is likewise true of the poorer classes of the whites in the South. The Plaindealer hopes to see the press ever watchful in watching the interest of the people and that it will take pains to advise them to be careful in all transactions that would prove a disadvantage to them. If the reports are true, the people interested could not do better than to turn their attention to the raising of corn and to truck farming. The South still buys by far the largest part of the corn it consumes from the West, and is dependent for other agricultural products that it could produce and with greater profit, than cotton. By turning the attention of the people to these things the condition of the Afro-American farmer can be materially improved. This is one of the lessons that Professor B. T. Washington tried to impress upon the small farmers that attended the Tuskegee conference a year ago, and with such success that their condition materially improved within a year. If those near at hand will follow his example, "the characteristic of the race" may inure to its benefit.

The Progressive South is a semi-monthly publication devoted to the industries of the South. In so far as it is an exponent of the advantages of the South, in describing its vast resources, etc., it does not belie its name, but when it comes to the consideration of the race problem it is anything but progressive. It announces that separate coaches on all railroads and compartment cars on all street railways in the South is one of the requirements of the times. This statement is both, it is narrow and unchristian. It tends to increase animosities. It prevents the races from coming together in harmony and hence stifles growth and prosperity. This much can be set down as certain, as distinct people the two races can not dwell together on planes of equality. There will be always contention and strife. One must go to the wall and history does not show that it is always the oppressed that comes out the lower in such a struggle.

It would be an excellent thing if the movement now on foot to try to limit the production of cotton in the South could be successful. Nearly every thing done there for years has been "running to cotton" and the consequence now is that the production has become so much larger than the demand that cotton raising is not so profitable. If once the people of the South get the idea that their land can bear other things besides cotton the South will have made one step more in its emancipation from narrowness and poverty, and in this emancipation the small Afro-American planter will participate.

In Galveston, Tex., recently Arthur Wright and Annie Wright, were put under \$450 bonds for contracting an illegal marriage, by the recorder. It is claimed that the woman is of African descent.—Exchange.

This sort of action puts a premium on immorality. If the two persons had made up their minds to live together, and had dispensed with the idea of marriage their methods would have satisfied the moral views of the people of Texas, and nothing would have been said. The white people of Texas are sadly lacking in their ideas of morality, and if the different boards of missions would send missionaries down there, they would find an immense field to labor in.

The status of educational affairs in Brunswick, Ga., affords a good idea of the different educational facilities granted the race. The whites have an enrollment of 350, and the Afro-Americans 450. The whites have three schools, and the Afro-Americans only one. The whites have eighteen teachers and the Afro-Americans only eight. This would indicate that the whites have better educational facilities in the proportion of over two to

one. Still with less schools, less number of teachers, and inferior school facilities, the progress of Afro-Americans is more rapid in educational matters than that of the whites in that state. The same thing holds good in other Southern States.

It has been quite recent since the Plaindealer, speaking of the lawlessness of the South, and the lynching of Afro-Americans for various causes, while the whites escaped punishment for their crimes, said that it expected to hear at any time of towns being given up to the torch, by a desperate people. The Plaindealer hardly believed that such a time was so near, and yet last week, for gross injustice committed against them they set fire to the town of Purvis, Miss. Is it not time for the South to mend its ways? Is it not time to consider what the logical out come will be of the condition there? Is it not time for the American people to denounce in positive terms against lawlessness, and put in motion the forces that will check them?

While laboring men are clamoring so strenuously for their rights and declaiming against man's inhumanity to man, they should not forget man's inhumanity to woman, and the Jim Crow car is one of this inhumanity's worst features. Laboring people as a whole can not rise much higher than the parts that compose it, and whether it be white or black labor that is oppressed and brutalized, all labor suffers in consequence.

Up to date Mr. Cleveland's appointments do not argue well that Mr. Arnold's predictions are to be fulfilled. A large number of them are from the South and the majority of these have been very conspicuous in the frauds and lawlessness that has made them their political prestige.

The Chicago Inter Ocean was twenty-one years old Saturday, and it celebrated the event by getting out a paper of sixty pages. The Inter Ocean represents a positive force in journalism. It believes in being what it claims to be, and the Plaindealer is happy in its success.

The Southern governors should endeavor to formulate some plan that will rid the South of lawlessness. When this is done, there will be no trouble in inducing good immigrants to go down there and settle, and help build up her waste places.

Suicides are becoming quite frequent among Afro-Americans.

## EPOCH IN JOURNALISM.

A New Departure by the New York Press. An Art Page.

On Sunday, March 12, The Sunday Press (New York), started a feature that will mark an epoch in American journalism. It consists of an Art Cover, in which the paper when folded to the quarter size, is encased, and it has created an unprecedented demand for the Sunday Press among all classes of people.

The front page of the Art Cover, next Sunday will show a beautiful reproduction of the German masterpiece, "St. Cecilia," and for the four Sundays in April it will present an original water color design with an art calendar, and original painting in the original colors by an eminent American artist, and two reproductions of famous paintings, admitted masterpieces. The inside pages of the Art Cover will always contain exquisite half-tone portraits and illustrations of people and topics of the then current week.

Every copy of the Art Cover of any issue of the Sunday Press would command in any art store at least \$1.

## TRYING SOUTHERN METHODS.

At Lexington, Oklahoma, a gang of twelve white ruffians, to an extent were successful in imitating Southern methods against the Afro-Americans. Afro-Americans at that place had been warned to leave, but they refused to go. During the absence of the men, the ruffians entered their houses, destroyed their property and outraged their women. Nearly all have now been indicted and jailed, and without doubt the United States authorities will deal with them differently than the Southern States are accustomed

## COLOR LINE IN SALOONS.

Cincinnati, Ohio, March 22.—The white bar-keepers of Cincinnati are up in arms because Louis Deal is employed as a bar-keeper at the Atlas hotel of the city. The proprietor asserts that Deal does his work well, does it better than anyone he ever had, and will keep him despite the protest of the white bar-keepers, who threaten to institute a boycott.

## ONE OF THE BEST.

Say what you will, but the fact remains that our Detroit Plaindealer is one of our best newspapers in every way. It is a well managed and well edited sheet, and bears the imprint of good treatment upon its pleasing face.—Living Stone.

Don't borrow this paper, buy it.

## CURRENT COMMENT

Chicago Free Speech.—The whites organize mobs in the South for two purposes. If a Negro is accused of assaulting a white woman he is lynched; in many instances before sufficient evidence is secured to prove his guilt, but if a white man assaults a colored woman, and is jailed, this same element of Southern chivalry(?) goes to the jail releases him and gives him money to get out of the country. Such is the growing condition that confronts the colored brother of the South. It is indeed discouraging from any point of view.

New York Age.—The Springfield Daily Republican exhausts the history of mankind for a parallel to the brutality and barbarity exhibited by the mob at Paris, Texas, when it tortured and burnt to death Henry Smith, and gives up the undertaking in disgust.

Baptist Signal Messenger.—If the colored planters of to-day would labor with one-half the energy of their forefathers in "olden times," no other race on the wide earth could supplant them as tillers of our Southern soil. Let them prove their right to live on the land where they were born, by noble department, honest work and faithful citizenship.

Seattle Standard.—Washington has three large mining camps worked almost solely by colored miners, Franklin, Newcastle and Roslyn, each of these work from two to five hundred miners. We have the assurance from other companies that their list will be increased soon. Japs, Dagos and other foreign ignorant disruptionists must go, American help for American capital will be the motto.

Langston City Herald.—The more education the Negroes procure, the more severe is the white brother's acrimony towards him.

Seattle Standard.—We are more thoroughly convinced than ever that the colored miners in King county could combine and put on deposit at least \$50,000 every year, if they would save their money. Why do you not do it? You will need it some day.

New York Press.—The Missouri dispatch stating that a Negro will be sold at public auction in that state next week to the highest cash bidder will make Americans hesitate to believe that slavery has actually been abolished. This will be the second sale of the kind that has occurred in Missouri within a year. It is claimed that these transactions merely amount to hiring out vagrant labor for a certain period. The most that can be said for such a system is that it practically makes the community a slave owner instead of the individual. The victim is no more the master of his own labor than the chattel of the ante-bellum days was. It is a significant fact that it is only Negroes who are thus disposed of.

Chicago Free Speech.—It is strange why the colored people of Boston and the New England States desire to widen the color line which has already been instituted by the World's Fair Managers. The Negro is out of it and a dozen "separate days" will not give him the recognition he deserves which the progress he has made in this country in the last thirty years ought to demand.

## WORLD'S FAIR IN WINTER.

The "World's Columbian Exposition Illustrated" for March, with its new departure in Department work, added to its usual amount of Elaborate Illustrations, renders it doubly interesting and valuable. The Exposition is divided into fifteen great Departments. Information and illustrations from each Department appear under an appropriate heading, specially designed. The value of this improvement can be seen at a glance. The frontpiece is a full page cut of Willard A. Smith, Chief of Transportation Department. Among the other illustrations is the Maryland Building and State Board, the Hayti Building, Esquimaux at Jackson Park, McMonnies' Fountain, Statue on the Peristyle, Grand Entrance to Manufactures Building, Log Cabin, Dwarf Tree from Japan, 150 years old, Ruins of Uxmal from Yucatan, South Entrance Electricity Building and Japanese Ho-maru, or Phenix Boat. The centerpiece is one Extensive Photographic View of the Entire Exposition. A cabinet photograph is given of the Hon. Frederick Douglass, accompanied by an able article from his own pen. The Woman's Department is replete with interesting information. Special information is given by the officials from each department, which renders this number very valuable. Every person interested in the Exposition should possess this Authentic Organ of the Fair. After the Exposition it will be known as "Campbell's Columbian Journal." Sample copy sent for 25 cents in stamps. Address J. B. Campbell, 159 Adams St., Chicago, Ill.

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## CHURCH NEWS

—Rev. Theo. A. Smythe, of Jamaica, W. I., is studying theology at the Boston university.

—The board of managers of the Foreign Missionary society of the Protestant Episcopal church, yesterday sent an invitation to Bishop Ferguson, of Liberia, at Cape Palmas, to visit the United States during the coming summer, for the purpose of attending the Congress of Christian Missions, to be held in Chicago while the Columbian Exposition is in progress. He will also be asked to be present at the sessions of the Missionary Council of the church, which will meet in the autumn at some place in the Far West. Bishop Ferguson is the only Negro member of the American House of Bishops. He was born in Charleston, S. C., a little more than forty years ago, but went to Liberia with his parents when he was five years old. He has been educated wholly in the schools, college and theological seminary which the Episcopal church maintains in that country. His consecration as a bishop took place in Grace church this city, in the summer of 1885, and he has not visited America since that time.

—Dr. Harvey Johnson, of Baltimore, has just completed his twenty years' pastorate of the Union Baptist church. Few men in Baltimore have done more in the past two decades than Dr. Johnson to give force and character to the race. He is a man of whom we can justly be proud.

—Bishop Fanner has gone to Tuskegee, where he will deliver twelve lectures on scriptural subjects, such as Biblical Chronology, Poetic Features of Old Testament Symbols, etc., before the Theological department of the Tuskegee Institute.

—Rev. G. M. Davis, of Evanston, Ill., fell out of an elevator last week and fractured two of his ribs. He also received other internal injuries.

## A VARIETY OF TAINGS

### NARROW ESCAPE.

Mr. Geo. Ruffin had a very narrow escape from death at the recent fire in Boston, Mass. Mr. Ruffin was employed as bookkeeper for a boot and shoe store, and was busy on the 4th floor when the fire was raging. All communication by the stairway were shut off and he had only two resources left, death by fire or by dropping to the street below. He chose the drop, but striking against a projection on one of the lower floors his body was thrown out into the street in a snow bank. He sustained some broken bones, but is thankful over his narrow escape.

### ALMOST BURIED ALIVE.

New York, March 22.—Abraham Lincoln Worth, was nearly buried alive in a pit of quicksand at Elizabeth, N. J., yesterday, in Pennsylvania avenue. He was making an excavation for a sewer connection when the hole of the hole caved in on him, burying him over his knees. He felt himself being slowly drawn downward and shouted for help. He was sunk in the earth, so that only his head and arms were visible when assistance reached him, and it took six men nearly half an hour, with a block and fall, to extricate him.

### THIS IS TOO BAD.

Columbus, Ohio, March 21.—E. S. Jones, a colored man, was engaged in an engagement at the Board of Trade Auditorium, is mysteriously missing and it is supposed that he has skipped with the receipts of her last night's performance. Mrs. Jones has been meeting with poor business recently and it is said that the money taken by Jones was due him.

### AND THIS IS BOSTON.

Boston, Mass., March 24.—A Boston jury has acquitted a waitress in the Temple house of "color discrimination," in refusing to serve two colored men and an apparently white woman. It turned out that the woman had African blood in her veins, but she did not show it. The rules of the house forbade entertainment to mixed companies and the jury endorsed the action of the waitress by acquitting her.

### ACCIDENTALLY SHOT.

Piqua, O., March 24.—Fred Tate, colored, aged 19 years, while out hunting yesterday afternoon, three miles North of this city, accidentally shot himself. The ball passed into his body immediately over the heart. He died an hour after the accident. He resided in Rossville, a suburb of Piqua.

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FRIDAY, MARCH 31, '93.



Be sure to vote on Monday.  
Afro-Americans in Wayne County should use their best efforts to defeat Judge Gartner for re-election. Any man who will distort the law as he did in the Ferguson-Gies case is too partial and narrow to be a judge.

Vote for the Republican nominees for judges, and you will be right.  
Mrs. Lydia Parker was in the city Monday en route from Cincinnati to Chatham, where she will spend a week with her daughter, Mrs. Joe Johnson.

Samuel Evans left Sunday evening for Port Huron to fit out the steam barge Westford, which plies between Buffalo and Alpena.

James E. Harris, of Montreal, is home on a month's visit to his family.  
Rev. N. F. McBayne will preach at the Second Baptist church Sunday at 10:45 a. m. and 7:45 p. m.

David Roy left last week for Chicago, where he will make it his home for the summer.  
Fred Slaughter is expected in the city the last of this week.

The Porter-Cole chorus gives an entertainment in Chatham, Friday, April 7th, for the benefit of the Baptist church in that city.  
St. Patrick entertainment at Bethel church, March 17th, by Bethel Aid society, cleared \$43.

The invited friends of the Young Men's orchestra will give a promenade concert at Fraternity hall on April 4th. The refreshments for the evening will be in charge of the Willing Workers.

The wedding cards are out for the marriage and wedding reception of Miss Gabriella Lewis, of Adrian, Mich., to Mr. Robert Pelham, of the Plaindealer, Wednesday April 5th.

The Enterprise Athletic Association will give their first annual grand ball at Clawson's hall, April 26th. Finney's music has been engaged.  
Mr. William Finney is reported to be very ill.

James N. Brown is slowly recovering.  
Mr. Robert Bennett is confined to his home with the pleurisy.

Several gentlemen met at the residence of Mr. Charles Webb's last Monday evening to discuss extemporaneously the live issues and questions of the day.

Mrs. J. F. Richards is lying very ill at her home from malaria.  
Mrs. Canterberry, of Beaubien street, who has been very sick, is slowly recovering.

The Pearl Button Works of Beaubien street employ several colored girls in different parts of their factory.  
Mr. Gabriel Davis, who is in the employ of the Citizen's street railway company, can be often seen plying the brakes or collecting tickets on the city's new motor cars.

Mr. Warner Park who was run over by a Michigan Central train last Wednesday night and killed, was buried Saturday. The remains were taken charge of by his sister and brother, Mrs. Rice and Mr. Geo. Park.

Mr. Charles Williams who is traveling for Remond and Sons, hardware firm of Lansing, spent a few days in the city last week.  
Mr. James Cole, Sr., has been confined to his home for the past ten weeks from a slight attack of pneumonia.

Mr. Will Warner, generally known as "Cap," has accepted the position as head waiter in the new Detroit club.  
Under the direction of Mr. Frank E. Schewcraft, Paul Dunbar, the poet and reader of Dayton, Ohio, will give a reading at Bethel A. M. E. church next Wednesday evening, April 5th, for the benefit of the building fund. Admission 25 cents.

Remember the Dunbar recital at Bethel A. M. E. church next Wednesday evening, April 5th.  
The best local talent has been secured to support Mr. Dunbar at Bethel A. M. E. church next Wednesday evening, April 5th.

Next Sunday being Easter, St. Matthew's church will be handsomely decorated by the ladies of the Altar Society. The Sunday school will present a most interesting program of music and recitations, entitled "Calvary" for which the associates and children of the Ministering Children's League have been studying during the Lenten season, under Messrs T. Lambert and Superintendent Rickards. It promises to be very fine.

Mr. Charles Cook who is employed on the elevator in the firm of F. G. Smith, Sons and company, slipped and fell last week on a banana peel and broke his arm between the shoulder and elbow. The little fellow had presence of mind to go to a doctor's and have his arm set and at present is getting along nicely.

There will be an egg social at the Bethel A. M. E. church on Easter Monday. Five cents admission. Souvenir egg given.

Attend the Dunbar recital at Bethel church, Wednesday evening, April 5th. Advertise your entertainments in the Plaindealer.

Be sure to vote on Monday.

Last Sunday at St. Matthew's church, there was a most interesting scene, it being Palm Sunday, and the occasion of the bishop's visitation for administering the rite of confirmation. The principal interest seemed to one its importance to the fact that the little church had just donned its fresh spring colors from kalsomining to tapestry. There was a class of four confirmed and one received in the church. Bishop Davis addressed them most festively on their consecrating themselves to the church. A crowded house, beautiful weather and lovely palms on the altar made a picture long to be remembered.

The best local talent will assist in the Dunbar recital at Bethel church, Wednesday evening April 5.

The associates of the M. C. L. are preparing a most unique entertainment to be held on the 10th of April, consisting of a beautiful tableaux and music and reading, all of which will be duly advertised in this paper next week.

Mrs. McCorkle was called to Ypsilanti last week to attend her grandmother who was very ill.  
The funeral of Maud Armstrong, the young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Armstrong, who died March 17th, took place Sunday afternoon from the residence of her aunt, Mrs. Robert Thomas. Rev. John M. Henderson conducted the funeral services.

The Porter-Cole testimonial concert to be given April 14th, at Bethel church, should be attended by every lover of progress and progressive spirit in the city. Tickets may be secured from any member of the chorus. Remember the date, Friday, April 14th.

You doubtless intend to have some paper hanging or frescoing done this spring. If so you will find that Treadways, 79 Michigan avenue, furnishes good workmanship at the lowest prices.

Be sure to vote on Monday.  
Miss Martha Miller, school teacher of Marshfield, Ont., will spend her Easter holidays with her sister, Mrs. J. W. Trotter, 64 Brush street.

Miss Hattie DeJarnette, of Oberlin college, is spending her Easter vacation with her uncle, Rev. Charles McDonald.

Mrs. J. M. Wells and son, of Brewster street, left last Monday for a short visit to friends and relations at Bay City.

In sending news to the Plaindealer always sign your own name.  
Mrs. Augusta Johnson has removed from Calhoun to Leland street.

Mrs. Alice Jones, of Antoine street, is seriously ill.  
Tickets for the Dunbar recital can be obtained from the ladies of the various church societies. Admission 25 cents.

Miss Dora Grayson, of Tecumseh, Mich., is visiting friends in the city.  
The Willing Workers will hold their last meeting at the residence of Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Brewer.

Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Bryant, have both been very ill.  
The Willing Workers held their meeting last week at the residence of Mrs. J. T. Martin. After the regular business of the meeting was completed, the ladies were very elegantly entertained by Mrs. Martin and her daughter, Mrs. Preston.

Little Belta Cheek has an attack of the measles.  
It costs but a trifle to get notice of your entertainments before the readers of this paper.

The Wayne Glee club give their sixth annual entertainment at Fraternity hall, Wednesday evening April 12th. Vocal and instrumental music, and a promenade. Don't forget the day and date.

The probating of the will of the late Daniel Webster has again been postponed, this time to April 18. The executor, Mr. Duffield is out of the city and both witnesses to the signing of the will are dead.

Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Alexander, have issued invitations to their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary at their home, 61 Calhoun street, Wednesday, April 12th, from 7 to 11 p. m.

City subscribers to the Plaindealer will oblige the management by paying the collector promptly. Don't fail to meet your obligations.  
Vote for the Republican nominees for judges, and you will be right.

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#### A COMING EVENT.

The flowers are one by one appearing. The birds are singing and the voice of the turtle is heard in the land once again and to add to these enchanting harbingers of spring the Detroit Patriarche, No. 55, G. U. O. of O. F., will give a musical and literary entertainment at Abstract parlors, Wednesday, April 19, at which time Mr. John Johnson will give several cornet solos. Among other interesting features, three prizes will be given, a patriarch's sword, a patriarch's jewel and a patriarch's P. G. M. C. reversible badge. A promenade concert will follow the musical program, music furnished by Finney's orchestra. Tickets 25 cents, promenade checks sold after exercises. Committee F. D. Hamilton, W. H. Russell, C. H. Christian, chairman.

—On the night of the 10th inst., near Clinton, Miss., the house of Albert Hooker, an Afro-American, was riddled with bullets by a mob. His wife was hit and fatally wounded.

Chatham, Ont., is having trouble over the question of colored children attending the public schools. A mandamus has been threatened to make all schools free to white and colored children alike. Feeling runs high on both sides.

—The state of Illinois has a number of leading Afro-Americans who want to hold office under Cleveland's administration. L. G. Wheeler, of this city wants to be the Recorder of deeds at Washington, D. C.; Dr. A. A. Westley, minister to Hayti; W. S. Scott, of Cairo, minister to Liberia; S. N. Casey, of Springfield, minister to San Domingo; J. R. Smith, of Peoria, Recorder of the General land office.

## Bazoo and Bootjack.

Bazoo didn't look quite so disappointed when he came into the office this week. "You have improved in your appearance," said Bootjack, as Bazoo took a seat.

"Oh, yes," replied Bazoo, "I couldn't afford to look like a bum plan for a long time and Mr. H. Williams delayed my fondest hopes for a few days. I have been wondering for a long time how Hon. R. Dick Nevels, Professor S. Oliver Williams and a few others live so well and do such little work. I have been scrapping around all my life working as I supposed it was an honest man's duty to do and yet I can't get fat and sleek as these individuals who seem to do nothing, but walk the streets and drink budge. It is true that they look a little seedy at times, but again you would think they were the corner-stones of some vast and heartless corporation. So I just started out this week to play my hand at living well without work. First I represented myself a deacon in a little struggling church which had an enormous debt on it which must be speedily paid or the moral and christian tendencies of my poor oppressed people would go to the 'demonition bow-wow's.' In no time, although my nose was a little red and my breath a little strong, the glib public came down with their ducats for the good cause and I had all the bug jules I could stand for a few days. When the people began to get on to me as a preacher, I turned lecturer and sold tickets for the greatest lecture on earth, on such popular subjects, as 'Where to get the best free lunch.' 'The use and progress and success of a bum,' and by this means I secured enough to keep my breath in trim. Then I became a politician and found it the softest snap of all. I sold my influence to all the candidates of all the parties and didn't overlook the prohibitionists. I just coined money and if my appetite had not made such demands on me I would have had money enough to have bought me a decent suit of clothes. Work, well you catch me working again as long as I can live on the philanthropic public."

"I was just getting ready to go and collect some money to build and equip a public library for colored children when I received the following letter:

Dear Bazoo:—  
Will you please call at No. — Antoine street as the widows' club meets this afternoon and we have a very important matter to lay before you.

Committee.  
"At first I thought I wouldn't go. Every correspondent I have had lately has got me into trouble. My exciting episode with Fair Sex and H. Williams were fresh in my mind and I didn't know but that Committee was another one that wanted to get me in some dark room and do me an injury. But I thought of the old saying that God hates a coward and I took up my courage and went. I must say that I was both surprised and non plused by my surroundings. There I was the only man among a whole room full of women of all ages, sizes and colors. I have always believed in women's rights and had I not been before I would have been at that time. I was politely given a seat and showed every courtesy one could wish, when the president arose and addressed me somewhat as follows: "Mr. Bazoo we believe you are a man who espouses the cause of the weak and the oppressed; we believe more over that you have good taste, and judgment (at which I blushed profusely) and that you express your convictions honestly and candidly. We have been considering a very important move concerning which we would like to ask your advice. You are aware that the single girls have formed a trust or combine on all the boys to the great harm and detriment of us widows, until we have been compelled to organize for defensive and offensive purposes. Now to the point we have concluded to take advantage of the crinoline craze and steal a march on the unsuspecting society girl. We have two of our members in hoops and we want you to inspect them and give us the benefit of your experience." As she ceased speaking the two ladies referred to came out of a back room looking like balloons upside down. One was thin and the other buxom, and as they posed in the different society attitudes, my attention was called to the effect. I came to the conclusion that hoops are a decided advantage to the thin girl as they make her look as plump as the more buxom. And by the way, Bootjack, I made a discovery. I never knew what all the lace and trimming was put on ladies' underwear for until I saw those two women sit down in those hoops. All these frills and laces like Greys' desert roses would be born to blush unseen without the aid of hoops. I don't wonder that they are coming into vogue. I couldn't give the widows a decision on the spur of the moment and I begged for one week in which to contemplate. Now if you or any of my correspondents have anything to offer on the "hoop" question I shall be thankful for the suggestion.

M. C. R. R. REDUCED RATES.  
On account of the State Christian Endeavor Convention, the Michigan Central will sell tickets to Benton Harbor and return at one and one-third fare for the round trip. Tickets on sale April 4th and 5th, good to return until April 7th. Apply Union Ticket Office, 86 Woodward Av., or at depot, foot of Third st.

—Robert Jackson, of the East End, is being urged for the position of police magistrate.  
Don't borrow this paper! Buy it.

## BADLY MIXED UP ALLIANCE.

Through the mediation of the courts a badly entangled case of matrimonial alliances has been straightened out. Two years ago last December, Albert B. Booker, a colored widower with two children, was married in Grand Rapids to Catherine J. Brown. A few months afterward, the husband found out that his wife had a husband living, from whom she had never been divorced. It is alleged that Mrs. Booker had not been treating him very kindly in their short married life and so he took occasion of the existence of her former husband to apply to the Wayne Circuit court for the annulment of the marriage. Mrs. Booker's answer to the bill was a stunner to Booker. She acknowledged that she had been married to Calvin O. Brown on March 28, '84, but three weeks later, she declared, she found that Brown had three children and a wife living, from whom he had not taken the trouble to obtain a legal separation, and she immediately ceased living with him. Judge Gartner held that the marriage with Brown was not valid, and affirmed the legality of her marriage to Booker. The latter was ordered to pay the costs of the suit, together with the fees of his wife's attorney.

DEATH HATH ITS CLAIMS.  
Scarcely is the mind at rest from the sorrows of a loss of a relative or friend before death comes again with its key grasp to take from us some beloved one. On last Sunday afternoon about the hour of one o'clock, Mrs. George Bennett, who has been suffering but a short time from pneumonia, passed away. George was loved by all who knew her and she leaves a large number of friends, both young and old to mourn her loss. She being the only daughter was the chief solace of her grief stricken mother and was idolized by the whole family, and heart-felt sympathy is extended to the grief stricken family in this sad hour of their bereavement. The funeral took place at the First Baptist church, Wednesday afternoon.

WINDSOR NOTES.  
Windsor, Ont., March 28.—Rev. Ball has returned from Toronto. The revival meetings are doing wonderful work.  
Rev. Hawkins is expected here this week.

Miss Hattie Nell and Mr. Geo. Haggin, won the cake at the A. M. E. church last Thursday evening.  
Miss Jessie Larter is visiting in Chicago.

The party given at Mrs. Allie Smith's for Miss Lee, was a grand affair.  
Mr. and Mrs. Shreaves are visiting their relatives in Amherstburg.  
Mr. Thornton, an old and respected resident, died on Tuesday. He leaves two sons, and many friends to mourn his loss.

The social given by the Household of Ruth at Mrs. Bell Johnson's was well attended.  
Mr. Robert Price is very sick with rheumatism.

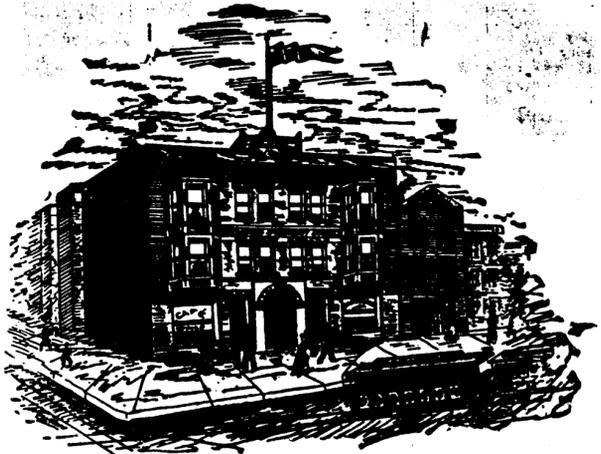
Mr. F. Smith and Mr. Stevens, of Amherstburg, made a flying visit to Windsor this week. E. R. V.

—At the recent inauguration of President Cleveland there were two colored battalions in line; one from Richmond, Va., and the other from Washington, D. C. The Northern papers spoke in admirable terms of the colored troops.

—Among the civic and military organizations that composed the grand pageant that honored the inauguration of Grover Cleveland was the Gray Invincibles, Philadelphia's crack military company. They made an excellent showing, numbering about 97 men. Commanded by the dignified Captain Hallett. The supper at the inaugural ball was served by 200 waiters, all colored.

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PYTHIAN GALA DAY.

SCHOOLS SHOW UP WELL. Chillicothe, Ohio, March 28.—Sunday was a glorious day in the history of Pythianism in Chillicothe. It was the occasion of the 15th anniversary of the institution of the order of Knights of Pythias among Afro-Americans. Scoto lodge, No. 18, numbering 36 brave men, assembled in Castle hall, and marched to the First Baptist church, where the anniversary exercises were held. The fine appearance of the brave, and not brave men, in line, caused a murmur of admiration. The devotional exercises were conducted in a very impressive manner by Rev. Grant Leeper. Rev. D. D. Lewis, of Quinn chapel A. M. E. church, recently initiated into the mysteries of Pythianism, delivered the anniversary sermon which was a masterly effort. Then came the oration of the day by Sir Knight A. W. Bailey, of Xenia, Ohio. This was a masterpiece, giving a succinct history of Pythianism, elaborating upon the cardinal principles and growth of the order. The exercises were interspersed with appropriate music kindly furnished by the choir of the First Baptist church. Mr. Dr. J. W. Abrams left Monday morning for the Capitol City, to visit her daughter, Mrs. Della Evans. Mrs. Rachel Mason, the aged mother of Mrs. Samantha Bell, sustained a serious and painful injury by a fall, breaking her hip. Her recovery seems doubtful owing to her advanced age. Professor John W. Hayes, principal of the schools at Bainbridge, spent Saturday and Sunday with his family in this city. Charles Ellsworth, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Brown, was buried Sunday afternoon. The funeral services were held at the house, Rev. D. D. Lewis officiating. Mr. Zach Bunch, of South Union, Ohio, removed his family to the city and is now residing on Mechanic avenue. Mr. J. H. Lange who has been visiting his sister, Mrs. Fisher Sutton for the past two weeks, left Monday morning to take a lucrative position in Chicago. Professor W. E. Viney, the efficient principal of our schools, left Tuesday morning for his home in Lancaster, to spend his spring vacation with his parents. Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Viney. Mr. Robert Meredith who was recently appointed janitor of the court house, is now lying seriously ill with pneumonia, but little hopes being entertained of his recovery. Mr. Moses Pease, left Monday morning for Chicago, after a delightful visit of two weeks with friends and relatives. Friday, the 24th of March, was set apart by the "powers that be" as a Public Day in our schools, and was accordingly devoted to a display of the work and ability of the pupils in penmanship, drawing, music and elocution. Kindergarten work in paper cutting and designing, recently introduced into the public schools, formed one of the most attractive features of the exhibit, and was pronounced equal, and in some respects superior, to the corresponding grades throughout the city. The work of the pupils throughout the grades was in the highest degree commendable, and reflects great credit upon our able corps of teachers. Principal, W. E. Viney, assistants, Mrs. A. J. Hayes, Misses Sallie M. Gatliff and Jennie L. Harris. During the day there were nearly one hundred persons who availed themselves of this opportunity to visit the school. Mrs. G. Butler who has been quite ill for the past week, is now convalescent. Professor A. W. Bailey left Monday morning for Xenia to resume his labors in the school room. Mrs. Rosa A. Rainey who was born and raised in this city, died Saturday morning at her residence at an advanced age of 64 years, from an attack of pneumonia. The funeral services occurred from the First Baptist church, Rev. Benj. Sales, assisted by Rev. D. D. Lewis, officiating. The Masonic Fraternity will hold their anniversary services at the First Baptist church, Sunday April 2nd, on which occasion Rev. T. D. Scott, a professor in the scientific department of Whiteforce university, will deliver the anniversary address. Mr. James I. Lucas is erecting a handsome residence upon his property on West Main street. Mrs. Pettiford is lying seriously ill at her residence, near the fair grounds. A very pleasing surprise was tendered Rev. Benjamin Sales, at the residence of Mr. Wm. Harrison, Mechanic avenue, Friday evening. As a token of appreciation of the services he has rendered during the protracted services at the First Baptist church, the members and friends presented him with a large donation and a handsome purse. Mrs. Minerva Lewis, the estimable wife of Rev. D. D. Lewis, is very much indisposed and confined to her room. Mr. Joe. Doll left this week to visit friends and relatives at Xenia, Ohio. Mr. Clarence Gray, of Cincinnati, will be home Sunday to spend a few days with his parents. Protracted services at the Baptist church have closed with more than thirty accessions, but still continue at the Methodist church with twenty-six accessions, twenty-four conversions, and two at the altar seeking salvation. Rev. Grant Leeper occupied the pulpit at Quinn chapel A. M. E. church last Sunday night and, after the trustees had lifted a collection of \$5, Rev. Lewis asked for a contribution for Rev. Leeper whereupon the congregation quickly responded with \$10.50. Quarterly exercises will be held by the Sunday school of the First Baptist church, Sunday, April 2. An interesting program has been prepared, and a cordial invitation extended Quinn chapel A. M. E. church Sunday school to attend.

Memorial services in honor of Bishop Brown, D. D. G. C. L., late deceased, will be held in Quinn chapel A. M. E. church Sunday night, April 2, on which occasion resolutions of respect will be read, papers on the life of the deceased presented and voluntary addresses made. These services the public is cordially invited to attend. The Wendell Phillips social and literary club held a very pleasing open session Friday night. The Journal of the club, which was an exceedingly witty and humorous production, was read by Mr. H. G. Cox. The debate, "Resolved, That a Country boy is greener in the city than a city boy is in the country," excited considerable laughter, and was decided in the negative, by a vote of 4 to 1. Last Tuesday night a very pleasant surprise was tendered Mrs. I. Morris, by Miss Katie Beard, whom she is visiting. The spacious parlors were brilliantly illuminated and tastefully decorated. The ladies wore their handsomest toilettes, and looked lovely. The hours were made pleasant with bright conversation, social games and charming music, both vocal and instrumental. At midnight an elegant collation was served. A PRODIGAL RETURNS. Rendville, Ohio, March 27.—Mr. Jas. Hazlewood and wife, of Charleston, W. Va., contemplate spending some time among friends and relations in this vicinity. Mrs. Julia Boxton, of Congo, was called to Cambridge Sunday by the illness of her mother. Miss Maud Harris was tendered a surprise on last Saturday evening. The young people present, spent a most enjoyable evening. Miss Bertha Dotsen, also was agreeably surprised by a number of her friends on the same evening. Aunt Mahala Smith was made happy Sunday over the arrival of a son long supposed by her as being dead. It had been 17 years since she had seen or heard from him and her joy can be better imagined than expressed. Mr. E. Dandridge, of Denison college, is spending vacation among friends here. Revival services are in progress at the Baptist church. Mr. John L. Jones, Mr. Charles E. Jones and wife, attended the funeral of Professor James McJones wife at Marietta, on last Tuesday. Professor Jones has the sympathy of a large circle of friends in Rendville. Attacks Lodge, No. 12, K. of P., observed the anniversary of establishment of Pythianism in a befitting manner on last Sunday. At 2:45 p. m., the lodge headed by Deacon's band, marched from the room to the Baptist church where an excellent program was rendered. The lodge elicited many complimentary remarks from its fine appearance. The introductory remarks of Mr. J. L. Jones was a rich treat, depth of thought and beauty of diction serving to make them so. The sermon by Rev. A. J. Means was based upon the words found in I Cor. 16 chapt. 13v. Quit yourselves like men, be strong. It was a practical discourse on "True Manhood." The brethren will do well to remember some of its salient points. Everybody here says the Plaindealer is the best colored newspaper published. HAMILTON AFFAIRS. Hamilton, Ohio, March 28.—Mrs. Hardy, of Oxford, was in this city shopping Saturday. Mrs. Calbert, of Oxford is also visiting in this city. Miss Minnie Sampson and William Owatz spent Sunday in Oxford. Miss Leola Sampson has gone to Cincinnati to visit friends. Mrs. L. D. Hazard has returned from Dayton. There was a grand musical concert on Thursday evening, by the Church Aid society in Payne's A. M. E. chapel, the participants did well. Mr. Huggins, of Whiteforce university, lectured in our lecture room Monday evening. The young man is an orphan and is self-made so far. He is seeking knowledge as he goes. His subject was "How to Succeed." Easter will be Missionary day, but class No. 2 kept the banner. Class No. 2 had the banner. Last Sunday the young ladies were determined to excel. FIRE AT OBERLIN. Oberlin, Ohio, March 27.—An interesting lecture was given at the town hall last night, by Miss Julia Thomas, of Jamaica, Ga. She is quite an interesting speaker and spoke more particularly in the interest of a school near her home to which she is connected. She will be in town for some days and all favors shown her will be well appreciated. On last Saturday night at half past twelve, the quiet little village of Oberlin was aroused by the terrible alarm of fire. The old Gleicher planing mill, formerly known as the Colburn building, was alive with flames. The fire department arrived on the scene too late to save any part of the old mill from ruin, but just in time to prevent the angry flames from converting the beautiful residence of Mr. C. M. Glenn into a heap of ashes. A few dollars will easily repair his damage. Owing to a strong wind from the West, the flames were blown furiously across the street and set on fire in numerous places the carriage works of Messrs Baker and Strieter, the blacksmith shop of Mr. Banor and the residence of Mr. John Wall. But the hook and ladder company was equal to the occasion and prevented further destruction. There will be an entertainment given at the town hall on Friday evening, in behalf of the St. Ron Baptist church. Miss Mary Brown, of Cleveland, the accomplished elocutionist, together with other trained assistance will favor the audience with the productions.

On account of the exceedingly hard winter, Rev. B. H. Hill, of the Second Baptist church, waived a portion of his salary in order not to be too much of a burden to his members. Next Sunday, April 2nd, there will be a grand rally at the church to pay off all back indebtedness. Mr. J. A. Collins, an intelligent and thrifty young man left the seminary yesterday to resume his studies at Hiram, Ohio. Mr. Wesley Day, of Cleveland, formerly of Detroit, Mich., who was recently bereft of his wife, is now living with his sister, Mrs. A. Stimms of Oberlin. George Davis, of Paris, a member of the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows, died at his home on Monday, March 20th, and was buried at this place Thursday. Rev. S. Nunn conducted the funeral services. Mr. Thomas Bennett is prostrated with a severe attack of the grip. Mr. Fred Copeland has had considerable trouble with a severe pain in the head and eyes. Mr. A. G. Harvey has been on the sick list this week. A ROW AT A DANCE. Youngstown, Ohio, March 27. Mr. John Ross is able to sit up. Mr. and Mrs. John Vactor, and Mrs. Anderson Vactor, returned home Tuesday, after a few days visit with friends in New Briton, Pa. While there, they visited Mr. and Mrs. Redie. He is nearly 113 years old, and she has gone blind from old age. Mrs. West, of Poland, Ohio, was in the city last week. Her health is falling fast. There will be an excellent program rendered by each of the churches on Easter Sunday. W. H. Miller is now working in Warren. At the rally held at the Union Baptist church Sunday, they raised a little over \$90 for the addition on their church. Rev. Meadows preached a very able sermon Sunday evening. Turn out and hear him Sunday afternoon. The concert and festival given at the Third Baptist church Tuesday, March 21 for their benefit was a success, realizing nearly \$20. They have built the frame work of their church and if the weather permits they will have it enclosed by Tuesday. It will be two stories, the lower floor will be for the Sunday school and festivals. All turn out Sunday and give them a helping hand. The trial in the Jim Thornton case was dismissed by Mayor Miller, because there was not enough evidence. Jim, Holland, Ed. Fitcher and M. Barrett, gave a dance at his residence, on Fosterville road Saturday evening, March 18 and Jim, Holland, Ed. Fitcher and M. Barrett got into a quarrel, and Thornton shot three times and one struck Barrett's suspender buckle on the left side and glanced off in the wall, then they jumped on him and beat him severely. He has not been seen since the dance, and the citizens are much alarmed of his whereabouts. J. Saunders and Henry Jones were arrested Monday for disturbance and released on a deposit of \$5 each. Mamie Hane left for Cleveland, Monday to visit her mother. There was a party given by the young folks to Miss Alice Kelly at her home on West Wick street, Friday evening. The evening was an enjoyable one. ASSISTANT TO HERRMAN. HIS FAREWELL SERMON. Toledo, Ohio, March 28.—Regular Easter services will be held in Warren chapel on Easter Sunday as usual. Elder Asbury will preach both in the morning and evening. In the afternoon the Sunday school will render an Easter program. Mr. H. H. Dennis, of New York, was in the city last week as the assistant of Herrmann, the wonderful magician. Mr. Dennis is a young Afro-American of fine intellect, being a former associate and college chum of Prof. B. T. Greener. While in the city he was the guest of Mr. Albert Speed. Mr. John Henderson of Fort Wayne was in the city Sunday. Miss Lucy Jones who teaches in Kentucky is home on a vacation and will return to her school in August. The Hawthorne club was entertained on last Wednesday night by Mr. and Mrs. John Davis. Mrs. J. Stuart received the first prize and Mr. Tamer, the second. Mrs. Dora Duncau will entertain the Hawthorne club on March 29. Rev. Dyer, pastor of the Third Baptist church preached his farewell sermon on Sunday. Mrs. Louisa Elliott, who died last week, was buried from the A. M. E. church on March 25. Mr. W. Voss, Mrs. Geo. Welcher and Miss Effie Elliott are on the sick list. TWO BOYS HURT. Ironton, Ohio, March 27.—Rev. Geo. G. Gray preached a sermon Sunday at Portsmouth, Sunday last. Mrs. O. R. James, who has been quite ill, is much better. Mr. Richard Rucker died Monday at his home on Third street. Mrs. Wash. Howard is quite ill at her home on Ninth street. Mrs. Minnie Clay is visiting her mother, Mrs. Cauley, of Ninth st. Little Edith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Brooks, who has been very sick is much better. Master Frank Osburn had his thumb badly hurt by exploding a cartridge, while Gene Robinson had his thumb and three fingers badly hurt Saturday forenoon in the same manner. Mr. Isaac King is building a new addition to his home. Mrs. Sarah Gray had a splinter run into her finger one inch and a half. Tried Stone Baptist church will have their baptizing Sunday. The A. M. E. paragon is progressing so rapidly as possible. Mrs. Sylvia Moore is visiting her nephew, Mrs. Lewis Moore. Mr. Walker Davis was shot from Ashland, Ky., last week. Mrs. Wm. Cornute was hurt last

week by falling backwards. The K. of P's attended in a body their memorial sermon which was delivered by Rev. J. W. Garner. A PHOTOGRAPH GALLERY. Lorain, Ohio, March 28.—Mr. Webster celebrated his 53rd birthday last week by inviting several friends over to spend the evening. Mr. Ben Diskeley has been confined to his bed for sometime, but is some what improved. Mr. T. D. Thomas has fitted up a photograph gallery at Avon, at which place he is engaged at work three days in the week, while during the remainder he is busy in Lorain. Mr. Harrison Cooley has purchased two lots in the south end of town and talks of building later on in the Spring. Mr. Charles Garner pastor of the Second Baptist church spent last week in Cleveland. A social hop was given last Monday evening by the Pleasure club in honor of Mr. Tom Holl, of Wellington, who is here visiting his parents. Miss Laura Copes, and brother, Edward of Oberlin, are here on a visit with their sister, Mrs. Nettie Williams. There is much sickness in Lorain at present. Mrs. J. Pernan and Mrs. R. F. Mary shall, of Elyria, visited in Lorain one day last week. Mrs. Winnie Cooley is some better. Her sister, Mrs. P. Burrell, of Oberlin, last week returning home Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Copes made their parents a visit in Oberlin last week, returning home Monday. Mr. A. Puresh is about to purchase property here. Mr. Wearing, of Oberlin, visited his daughter, Mrs. O. Copes, last week. Mr. S. Scott is going to Chicago next week. Miss Angie Moore, of Cleveland, is visiting her parents here, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Moore. Mrs. S. Grimm is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Winnie Cooley. Miss Lavinia Moore did well the evening of the Junior exhibition, she being the only colored exhibitor deserved much praise. A FINE DRILL. Xenia, Ohio, March 28.—Mrs. F. E. Ward died March 22nd and was buried March 25 from St. John A. M. E. chapel, Elder H. N. Clark performing the services. Mrs. Ward was 22 years old and leaves three small children. The Rev. Johnson, providing elder, will preach at the chapel Sunday. Elder Young will move to Dayton Monday. Mrs. Elmira Scott and children visited Urbana to witness the baptizing of her niece and nephew. The little child of Mr. and Mrs. Goodin was buried today from their residence. Bally Thomas, an old Xenia boy, now of Chicago, is visiting relatives. The drill by the boys and girls at the G. A. R. hall under the management of Mr. Fred Payne was a fine exercise. The proceeds will be used to make a payment on the hall. All the churches are preparing for Easter. John H. Adams and Albert Langburg are improving their property. All persons in debt for the Plaindealer are requested to pay up at once or we shall be compelled to drop their names from the list. ACCIDENTALLY SHOT. Piqua, O., March 28.—The Amusement club held their first regular meeting at Miss Blanche Collins', where they were entertained. After indulging in games of all kinds, Miss Annie Wilson read an essay which was highly appreciated. A menu was served in courses which everyone present enjoyed. Those present were: Misses Nannie Wilson, Bertha Moss, Mollie Grose, Lillian Miller, Nellie Miller, Minnie Huggard and Messrs Philip Lee, George Reese, Edward Collins, William Collins, Frank Delany and B. H. Morpin, Jr. We are glad to see the number increasing so rapidly, and so much interest manifested. The K. of P. lodge listened to their first annual sermon at Cyrene A. M. E. church, Sunday by Rev. N. W. Mitchell, who was assisted by Rev. R. Meredith, of Park avenue Baptist church, and Rev. J. D. Singleton, of Troy. Fred Tape, a young man while out hunting Thursday, was accidentally shot. He received the contents in his breast, and lived but a short time after. Mrs. J. D. Singleton is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall. Mrs. B. Coles and daughter, and Mrs. Hill, are the guest of Mrs. E. Taylor. Mrs. Joe. Wilson was called home to Maryland on account of his mother being very sick. Mr. G. Newman is the guest of Mr. Pettiford. Mrs. B. Coles and daughter, and Mrs. Hill, of Troy, were the guest of Mrs. E. Taylor. Mr. C. Perrin was in Urbana, O., last week, visiting. Mr. A. Johnson is in the city visiting. Miss J. Watson is ill. C. E. M. GOOD FOR GOSSIPS. Zanesville, Ohio, March 28.—Dr. Lyon, of Harrisburg, Pa., preached morning and evening at the Union church last Sunday. The church will hold its 15th anniversary, April 16th. There will be a debate before the Young People's society next Monday night. Mr. D. D. Williamson was in the city last Monday. Miss Callie Jackson, of Grandville, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Mattie Gault, who is quite sick. Mrs. D. Melford and Mrs. Chas. Gault, are no better. The arrest of Enoch Harper, on a charge preferred by Julius Peyton, furnished good gossip. The quarterly conference of St. Paul's church on last Friday, adopted sacrament reform, which was presented on Sunday for future ratification.

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BISHOP BROWN

Touching Comments by the Afro-American Press on His Death.

To the people of Detroit, over whom he so lately ministered and to whom he was so dear a friend, the news of Bishop Brown's death was as sad as sudden. Because of his connection with the Methodist church here and of the many personal friends he had made, he was regarded by his church people here as peculiarly their own bishop and heartfelt regret was felt when it was known, after the close of the last general conference that his work for the next four years would be on another district. Bishop Brown was born at Odessa, Del., September, 8th 1817, where he lived until the age of twelve years, when he went to Philadelphia. At the age of 18 he joined Bethel church of that city and commenced his preparation for the ministry, studying at Wilbraham, Mass., and at Oberlin college. He began his pastorate in Detroit, and supplemented his work in the church, by additional work in the school room, doing the same thing later on in Columbus, O.

In 1852 he was appointed to New Orleans, and his experience there was one of toll, adversity, and persecution by whites, who imprisoned him many times unjustly, and did many other things to harass and annoy him. In 1868 he was made bishop and since that time he has been especially interested in improving the educational status of the ministry. His interest in the schools of the church was enthusiastic and earnest and he was always especially insistent on the intellectual progress of the ministers in the dioceses of which he had charge.

BISHOP BROWN'S DEATH.

The freeman—in the death of Bishop Brown, of the A. M. E. church, christianity generally loses a devoted, conscientious servant, and the race an honored, shining light. Peace to his ashes.

Chicago Free Speech:—It is with sorrow we note the death of venerable Bishop John M. Brown, who died in Washington, Thursday of last week. He was one of the pioneers of progressive African Methodism in this country and his place will be hard to fill in that connection. He was buried in Washington, last Monday, the 20th.

New York Age:—It was a graceful act on the part of President Cleveland to send a wreath of immortelles to be placed upon the coffin of the late Bishop John M. Brown.

In the death of this distinguished prelate the race loses one of its strongest men,—one who for forty years has stood in his place and done his duty for race and country as God gave him light to see his duty. A strong man has fallen in Israel.

American Baptist:—Bishop J. M. Brown, of the A. M. E. church, died at his home in Washington City, Thursday of last week at an advanced age. He was an acknowledged leader in his church and aroused quite an antagonism by his opposition to organic union among the Methodists of the country, and his opinions upon political questions in the last campaign. His church suffers a severe loss in his death in which they have the sympathy of ever one. He was the bishop of this district.

The Appeal:—It was with deep regret that the Appeal learned of the death of Bishop John M. Brown at his home in Washington, D. C., last week. We have known him for many years and had for him the highest regard and esteem. He was a man of large attainments, broad and liberal views and most acceptably filled the exalted position he held for years as bishop of the A. M. E. church. He died at the ripe age of 75 years and has gone to reap the reward of a well spent life where sin, sorrow, suffering and parting are no more. Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord.

Baptist Signal Messenger:—Bishop Brown of the A. M. E. church, died at Washington on Thursday, the 18th, aged 75 years. The bishop was a literary light and a man of great ability, and was a great exponent of African Methodism. In the death of Bishop Brown the A. M. E. church loses one of its ablest divines, the Negro race a great man.

Afro-American News:—Bishop John M. Brown died Thursday, March 16, at his residence in Washington City. Bishop Brown was one of the most widely respected and distinguished bishops of the African Methodist Episcopal church. During the late campaign he was an earnest advocate of the election of President Cleveland. He was 75 years old.

GARFIELD CLUB BANQUET.

Grand Rapids, Mich., March 20.—The banquet and party given by the Garfield club members, at the Lincoln club rooms, on the 15th of March, was quite an affair and success; between 30 and 40 couples attended. The ladies were very attractively dressed. The music

was grand. Representative, Mr. W. W. Ferguson, of Detroit, was present and delivered an address to the members of the club. The officers are: Robert C. Bowman, president; A. C. Crockett, treasurer; J. C. Ford, vice-president; Robert Price, secretary; reception committee, S. A. Pinkney and George Glenn.

Dr. L. H. Johnson visited the city, March 21st. He was kept busy examining the new members who have joined the Masonic lodge here.

CYCLONE'S DEADLY WORK.

Tunica, Miss., March 23.—This afternoon at 3:30 o'clock a cyclone from the Southwest struck this town and left wreck and ruin in its wake. The Masonic and Knights of Pythias lodges, a handsome two-story frame building, is a total wreck. The white, Presbyterian church and the colored Methodist Episcopal church were blown down. The court house roof was blown off, and the colored school building, a two-story frame was blown down, in which there were 150 children, and several of them were badly hurt but none seriously.

Mobile, March 24.—Early this morning a tornado passed one mile North of Shubuta, Miss., going Southwest. At Arista Johnson's place a tenement house containing ten Afro-Americans was levelled and two were killed and three injured. A mile West of this two houses were blown down. Ten miles further East three tenement houses were destroyed. No one was hurt in these houses. Much timber was felled.

Bowling Green, Ky., March 24.—The cyclone which passed over this city at 8 o'clock last night, did great damage to property, but no lives were lost. A colored employe of the Louisville and Nashville railroad, Jim Wallace, was hurt. His leg being broken.

Memphis, Tenn., March 24.—Reports from yesterday's cyclone in Northern and Northwestern Mississippi continue to come in, and show that the first story was not exaggerated. As there are no crops growing the damage was chiefly confined to buildings, fences and live stock. The worst damage was done within 100 miles of Memphis from the Mississippi river back to the line of the Kansas City, Memphis and Birmingham road. The only loss of life reported was at and in the vicinity of Kelly, fifteen miles South of Memphis. So far as known the killed are: Ben Payne, his eight-year-old daughter, Chris Burford, Jim Payne and his little son, and a child of William Cox, all colored except the last. Fifty persons were injured, nearly all colored, and none fatally. Thirty of the fifty buildings in Kelly are in ruins and there is not a house left standing in the path of the cyclone, which was from a quarter to a half mile in width, extending from Kelly Southwesterly.

ORANGE BLOSSOMS.

Memphis, Tenn.—Miss Mary Gaines, of Jonestown, Miss., to Mr. George Ling, formerly of Pekin.

Baton Rouge, La.—Miss Emma Tyler to Mr. Isaac Freeman, Wednesday March 8th.

Harrodsburg, Ky.—Miss Martha Hill to Mr. Delgo, Tuesday, March 14th.

Mayville, Tenn.—Miss Katie B. Wilson, to Professor C. H. Tinsy, Thursday, March 23rd.

Brooklyn, N. Y.—Miss Julia Teagle to Mr. Wm. F. Thomas, Thursday, March 23rd.

Chicago, Ill.—Mrs. Fannie Shows to Mr. Samuel Hirschell, Thursday, March 9th.

Canton, Miss.—Miss Susie Montgomery to Mr. Grant Drain, Wednesday, March 15th.

Eaton, O.—Miss Lillian Connor to Mr. Robert Moses, Wednesday March 8th.

Lexington, Ky.—Miss Carrie L. Paey to Mr. J. J. Thomas, Thursday, March 23rd.

DEATH'S HARVEST.

Brooklyn, N. Y.—Mrs. Caroline E. Hill, Tuesday, March 14th.

Somerville, N. J.—Miss Mary E. Veghte, Wednesday, March 8th.

Brooklyn, N. Y.—Charles A. Fisher, Friday, March 10th.

Morrison, Conn.—Mr. M. A. Johnson, Friday, March 10th.

Michaux, Iowa.—Mrs. G. A. McDowell, Wednesday, March 15th.

Denver, Colorado.—Mrs. George Davis, Monday March 18th.

Kansas City, Mo.—William Jones, committed suicide Thursday, March 9th.

Memphis, Tenn.—Mrs. Harriet Morgan, Monday, March 6th.

Fort Scott, Kansas.—Miss Mary Reid, Wednesday, March 8th.

Parsons, Kansas.—Mrs. Rosa McGleason, Tuesday, March 14th.

Lawrence, Kansas.—George Fenli, Friday, March 10th. Drowned while duck hunting.

Chicago, Ill.—Henry Hargan, Saturday, March 11th.

New York City.—Mrs. Emily Jones, Thursday, March 9th, aged 47 years.

Petersburg, Va.—Mr. Moses Bates, Tuesday, March 14th.

BARGE LOST.

Philadelphia, March 26.—The barge Equator, which was lost off Fenwick Island light, was commanded by Capt. John Feehaney, of this city, who, together with three Afro-Americans, shipped in Richmond, were lost. The barge left Norfolk on Monday with a cargo of railroad ties for this port. The barge parted during a storm on Thursday and the vessel drifted on to the shoals surrounding the island. The tug was unable to render any assistance.

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PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

Personal and otherwise.—There are at least 150 candidates for the office of Recorder of Deeds for the District of Columbia, representing almost every state, territory, district, race, color and condition. Would it not be a wise thing if the president were to create 150 positions, call each one Recorder of Deeds, and salary each one at \$4,000 a year. Then give each one of these worthy dignitaries a position as Recorder of Deeds.

Mr. H. E. Baker, formerly on the staff of the Plaindealer, was asked to serve on the staff of the Norfolk Advance, and modestly declined for the following reasons:

To attend to my duties as Assistant Examiner here ought to require and fill up all the time I have to work, and yet, in addition to this, I am secretary and manager of our Building Association, secretary of the Capital Savings bank, treasurer of our church, treasurer of the Manassas Industrial school, secretary of the John Brown Monument Association, and Librarian of our Sunday school.

Western Washington has only two genuine stone carvers, one of whom is a colored man, Mr. J. S. Murry, of Tacoma. Mr. Murry is now doing some work on the Tacoma court house that can not be surpassed.

Dr. E. M. Brawley has been elected to deliver the Alumni address at Bucknell university next June. This is a white institution and only four colored students have graduated from it, Dr. Brawley being the first and is a member of the class of 1875.

The Afro-American Steamship company of Liverpool and London have ordered that all young Africans seeking an education in England for ministerial and professional business, shall have free passage on their ships.

An Afro-American prisoner at New York city tried to commit suicide last Thursday.

There will soon be established just outside of the city limits of Lynchburg, Va., a soap factory, under the management of R. W. Kose, Esq., with a capital of \$10,000.

Mr. L. W. Pullis, of Washington, is, perhaps, the most successful Pension Claim Agent in the country. He says that in the past few years, covering the period of his work, he has handled more than seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars of pension money. The majority of his clients are Afro-Americans.

The white citizens of Scranton, Ala., gave the colored firemen of that place, \$50 for valiant and effective services rendered in a recent conflagration, which threatened the destruction of their town.

Mr. Samuel Lawson, of Canada, about twenty-eight years of age, is the first African to be naturalized in Oklahoma and file a claim for one hundred and sixty acres of land, according to the Oklahoma Constitution.

Wm. F. Brown, of South Chester, Pa., is a successful building contractor. He recently built four houses of which three have been sold. He is now building six houses at Front and Edward streets and five at Front and Abbott streets and is about to build one at 10th and Edward.

The Galveston Evening Tribune speaks in enthusiastic terms of a drama called "Desolations, a Single Chapter from Hayti's History," written by Mr. W. E. Easton, and now in the hands of publishers. Mr. Easton is one of the brightest men of the race and the public will await his production with great interest.

Jethro Spivey, a well known colored man in Providence, Pasquotank county, one of the oldest persons in North Carolina died last week at the advanced age of 110 years.

Mrs. R. D. Boone, one of the leading and active colored women of Chicago has been elected vice-president of the Illinois Women's Alliance, an organization composed of the most influential white ladies of this city.

A committee will soon go to Springfield, Ill., to secure extradition papers from Governor Altgeld, and at once proceed to the city of St. Louis, Mo., and bring back to Chicago Charles W. Prentice, O. M. Woods and Wilson F. Fields, of that city, and prosecute them on the charge of swindling. These are some of the colored bogus Masons that were in this city a short time ago, and established a crooked, clandestine and bogus supreme council of the 33rd degree of Freemasonry. Their victims will prosecute them to the bitter end, and that will not only teach these fellows a splendid lesson, but it will serve an excellent warning to some others that are traveling around through the country imposing upon and swindling the people.—Negro Soli-tor.

The Arkansas Legislature, on February 23rd, passed G. W. Bell's bill to prohibit bastardy between the white and Negro races. It imposes a fine of \$1,000 and imprisonment on the white father of any child by a Negro woman. The fine is to go to the support and education of the bastard.

The Afro-American band of Lincoln, Neb., has accepted a proposition from the merchants of the city to give concerts in the postoffice square this summer. The season to begin May 1st, '98.

Knowing ones in McDuffie county, Ga., say that Afro-Americans have been selling off cotton seed to get the boom price in cash, and will soon buy it back at any price on credit.



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EXCELSIOR DIVISION, NO. 7, meets every fourth Thursday night in each month. E. B. F. Johnson, Com.

WILSON DIVISION, NO. 2, MEETS every third Thursday night in each month. Wm. Johnson, Com.

The thirteenth anniversary of the introduction of Pythianism was celebrated by the 250 Pythians of this city last Sabbath afternoon at Allen Temple.

The subordinate lodges under command of Samuel B. Bush, were out in full force and Wilson and Excelsior Division under command of Captains Wm. H. Johnston and E. B. F. Johnson, made an excellent military display and their movements along the line of march were executed with much skill. The Brigadier General and staff were out and made a fine showing. The exercises at the church were of the higher order and the numbers on the program were well rendered.

The following program was carried out: Music, Allen Temple choir; invocation, Samuel H. Bush; solo, Miss Ada White; anniversary address, L. H. Wilson, P. G. C.; solo, Mrs. H. T. Jackson; solo, Miss Alma Monroe; anniversary sermon, Rev. Chas. E. Bandy; solo, Clarence W. Johnson, remarks by Grand Chancellor S. B. Hill; solo, Miss Leona Travis.

Col. A. H. Henderson was master of ceremonies and was equal to the occasion. Allen Temple was unaccountably filled and large crowds were gathered along the line of march to witness the military movements of the divisions which were generally greeted by hearty applause. The committee consisting of J. T. F. Carr, D. T. Thomas, L. H. Wilson, P. O. Starks, W. Lumpkins and Geo. G. Green, desire much praise for the excellent arrangements of the whole affair.

The Grand lodge, of Louisiana, has been called to convene at Lake Providence, La., April 17, 18, 19. S. W. Green is Grand Chancellor and A. J. Toussaint, Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.

The unknighly conduct of Supreme Chancellor, Dr. E. A. Williams, in his endeavors to break into the jurisdiction of Ohio and force Edwin Cowles Lodge, No. 17, of Cleveland, to pay her Endowment Tax into the hands of the Supreme Master of Exchequer is to be condemned by every Pythian in the jurisdiction. But, we are glad to say that his efforts have been futile, as the good sense and better judgment of the members of this lodge have prevailed and a resolution adopted at their last meeting unanimously that the Endowment Tax for last quarter be paid into the hands of the Grand Chancellor. This is as it should be and the efforts of those who labored to bring about this conclusion is to be commended. If the Grand Jurisdiction of Ohio was not able to obtain the money due the widows in the state and forced to withdraw. It is not reasonable to expect that any death claim would ever be paid to this lodge by Supreme Lodge, while Ohio with its separate State Endowment Bureau will be able to ere six months more to meet her claims within 90 days, or possibly sooner. The first death in our jurisdiction since the establishment of the Bureau of Endowment for Ohio occurred at Wellsville February 24th '93. The death claim will be paid at the Grand Lodge session at Cleveland, in June, 120 days from the date of death.

Damon Lodge, No. 3, at Xenia, Ohio unanimously adopted the following resolutions at their last regular meeting: Whereas, Since the edict has gone forth from the Supreme Chancellor that the Grand Lodge of Ohio would be suspended unless it sent the Endowment tax due to the Supreme Lodge.

Whereas, Since the \$1,000 due has been applied toward cancelling a debt due five widows of our worthy deceased Sir Knights, and Whereas, Since the Supreme Chancellor would not deal justly and rightly with those widows and our Grand Lodge, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we endorse the action of the Grand Lodge in asserting its right in demanding what is due it, and the needy widows in its jurisdiction. Resolved, That the magnificent management of the Endowment Fund by our worthy G. C. S. B. Hill, the courage shown by him in executing the orders of the Grand Lodge, his careful and thoughtful efforts to right a wrong, meet our approbation. Resolved, That we condemn in severest terms the narrow, and unbusiness like management of said Endowment by the Supreme Chancellor, and his unbrotherly stand against the G. L. of Ohio.

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HE WILL BE MISSED. A POPULAR COOK. Mackinac Island, Mich., March 22.—Henry Allen, the colored porter, died Friday evening of cerebral complications. In the death of Henry Allen, the race has lost a living example of what the Afro-American may achieve, whether he be educated or not. Mr. Allen came to this country some twelve years ago and filled the position of porter at the St. Cloud hotel on the island, that he made his services very needful to his employers is shown by the fact that hotel proprietors in four different towns hereabouts, have had him up at auction, so to speak until his salary was increased from \$20 to \$45 per month at his last place of service. By his strict honesty and sterling worth, he made himself liked by everyone who knew him and he practically had the freedom of the part of Michigan. Mr. Allen could not read or write, but by strict economy he was worth at the time of his death over \$5,000, all made since he came to this country from Tiffin, Ohio. He had no bad habits nor was he miserly. He was a credit and honor to this place and an affable and companionable gentleman. F. H. W.

HER CURE FOR WARTS. An old colored lady who used to make money by charming away warts had a habit of rubbing her greasy fingers on the wart daily, and a suspicious patient took the trouble to ascertain what the grease was. He found it was crude castor oil of a very nauseous character, and thus discovered the old woman's secret. She had marked the specific action of castor oil on warts, and had made for herself a reputation for witchcraft by aid of it. Few people use castor oil for this purpose, but it is a sovereign and an almost infallible remedy.

ALLEN ON THE TICKET. EASTER SERVICES. Findlay, Ohio, March 28.—There will be Easter exercises at the A. M. E. church Sunday. It will be quite a treat to hear F. Hill, Ollie Cooper, Minnie Cooper and others. Mr. Ben. Williams and wife will render a sacred guitar duet. Misses Cletia and Amanda Curry, have gone to Upper Sandusky to attend the bedside of their uncle, who is very sick.

Mr. Henry Phillips and Chas. Guy, moved to the country this week. They both have secured good locations near the city. Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Holley will soon move back from Toledo, where they have made their home the last winter. Several of the young men, under the leadership of Professor G. U. Johnson, are preparing to give a concert and literary entertainment Tuesday evening, April 11th. The program will be first class in every respect. It will be the swell affair of the season. The strong arm of the law has demonstrated its power with in the last week, as some are prepared to testify. The Ladies Church Aid society met last Thursday evening at Rev. Mason's, and after the business of the evening, an elegant oyster supper was served. One of our enterprising young men is F. D. Adams who is conducting a conveniently arranged barber shop on Main street. He has higher aspirations than the ordinary tonorial artist, and we must not be surprised to hear of him seeking other fields more suitable for developing his mental powers. The residents of East Findlay, are treated to a very delightful serenade last Thursday evening. Messrs G. Johnson, A. Johnson and F. Russell. This trio is becoming very popular. Mr. Richard Chancellor has gone on a visit to his daughter at Lancaster. Elder Mason preached, two sermons Sunday. Mr. Howard Brooks has severed his connection with B. F. Allen and will spend a few weeks in Deahler, prior to going to Chicago. The whooping cough is still in the family of Mr. Ramsey and Mr. Grey, and the little ones are suffering greatly. Mrs. Kate Sharp who was left for her mother, Mrs. Allen, who at present is lying at death's door. Mr. Ben. Williams is the most expert performer on the guitar in the city. He is the composer of several beautiful productions. Those who are indebted to the editor for yearly subscriptions will please settle with me as I am authorized to collect and give you a receipt for the same. Please attend to this at once as I wish to remit as soon as possible. B. F. Allen is a candidate on the Republican ticket for the office of inspector of weights and measures. Mr. J. Ramsey has moved into the property he recently bought on West

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BAY CITY SPARKS. Bay City, March 28.—Mr. W. P. Smith who was complaining last week is able to be around again. Mrs. Wells of Detroit is here visiting her sister Mrs. Wallace. Miss Ida Hamilton is on the sick list.

Mr. McPherson, of Chicago, visited the Second Baptist church Sunday. Rev. T. C. Johnson conducted the funeral services of the only son of Mr. and Mrs. George Henry of East Saginaw last Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Roman of Saginaw have decided to make Bay City their future home and will reside on 15th street. The net proceeds of the concert given by the A. M. E. church last week was over \$17.00. The Silver Leaf literary society has accepted the play written by Mr. L. E. Richardson and will produce it as soon as possible. The Musical held a meeting at the residence of Mrs. D. Harris, Thursday and after the exercises those present enjoyed pleasing and sociable amusements. An Easter program will be carried out at the A. M. E. Sunday school next Sunday. Miss Lillie High received the sad intelligence of the death of her cousin, Miss Georgie Bennett of Detroit, last week. The Silver Leaf literary society held a mock trial at the residence of v. a mock trial at the residence of Mr. B. A. Hamilton, Tuesday. Plaintiff, who was injured by a hole in the sidewalk recovered damages to the full amount of \$5,000. W. L. Christopher, plaintiff, W. H. Tolbert, attorney for plaintiff, T. C. Johnson, attorney for the city. B. Hamilton, an interesting time was enjoyed and refreshments were served. The next meeting at Mrs. Williams' next Tuesday.

CUT MR. CLUGSTON. Mansfield, Ohio, March 28.—The nomination of Geo. A. Clugston, mayor of Mansfield, if not, ought to be repulsive to every colored voter in the city. His treatment of Mr. John L. Howard was enough to convince any man that he should never in the future receive recognition from any colored man. Mrs. Sarah Davis appeared before him on another occasion to have a warrant issued against a drayman for horse-whipping her son; the mayor positively refused to issue said warrant. Let every colored voter scratch the name of Geo. A. Clugston. Mr. Ed. Byrd, of Ashland, was married last Wednesday to an estimable young lady of Cleveland, O. Mr. Byrd and wife will reside at Ashland. The birthday party of Miss Mand Fleming, of East Second street, was one of the pleasantest events of the season, the supper was served in courses, consisting of all the delicacies of the season. An orchestra of the city furnished music for dancing. Search Clugston for mayor.

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# Woman's WORK AND WAYS

Miss Lilly Lee teacher of drawing in the Summer high school of St. Louis, Mo., has received gratifying recognition of her skill as a teacher. Twenty art studies from her class, have been selected by the committee on Missouri School exhibits to be put on exhibition at the World's Fair. A larger number than will be exhibited by any other class in St. Louis.

Mr. Charles S. Morris, of New York City, is now acting as an advance agent for Mme. Sissieretta Jones.

A white lady of Gallatin joined a colored church and all the colored ladies in the church stopped attending. This is what might be termed "racial reciprocity" on a small scale.—Future State.

A ladies club of New Lisbon, call their club the Edmonia in honor of Edmonia Lewis.

Miss Ednorah Nahar has established an entertainment bureau at Chicago, Ill.

Miss Josephine Jackson, the accomplished daughter of Rev. J. W. H. Jackson, of Springfield, Ill., has been asked by the committee of the Art department of the World's Fair, to exhibit the head of Niobe.

Phillis Wheatley displayed a literary taste beyond that of any other American woman of her time.

The male mind has never yet been able to master the idea that a home to be fit to live in requires constant going over and cleaning. If he is neat in his tastes, he realizes that soap and water have their uses in emergencies, and that there are occasions when open windows and household airings are desirable, but he looks upon the regular weekly renovation, as a delusion of his wife and plies her for a weakness, which demands such an expenditure of time and strength. To be sure he objects to disorder, but he is too obtuse to understand that it is too obtrusive to annoy him extremely, but he never has nor never will understand that if the house is to be clean and sweet, inviting to eye, smell, and touch, some one must at regular and oft recurring periods go over it from garret to cellar, and that the housekeeper shows great, good sense who cleans before her home is palpably untidy.

Sweet spring is returning and good housewives are beginning to look forward to the annual season of renovation and restoration. In some respects this must be a period of some discomfort, but most housekeepers clean now with system and avoid the awful "chaos" which formerly attended this domestic function.

The first place of course to begin with, is the closets and when they have been cleaned and aired it is in order now to beautify them.

For instance in the linen closets after the drawers and shelves have been thoroughly scalded and dried make a pad of cheese cloth sacheted with your favorite scent and filled with sheet wadding; tie in spots with tiny ribbons like babies' coverlet, and place at the bottom of the drawer or on the shelf; then cover a band of elastic with shirred ribbons with long ends left to tie in a bow. The piles of tablecloths and napkins should each have one of these elastic bands, and another drawer or shelf fitted in the same way should have its bands for sheets, pillow cases and towels.

The high balloon puff sleeve is sharing its popularity with the double puff and the puff above a wide ruffle. Sleeves on evening differ little save that for other than fall dress wear the low sleeve generally tight to the arm is added and may be taken out and replaced at will. Thus a silk, satin or velvet gown may be made suitable for various occasions.

The association of green and purple grows more marked. An exquisite example is a hat on which high standing and large velvet rosettes of loveliest purple are tied about the stems with long loops of bright green ribbon.

This is to be a season of brilliant color so we are assured, and the woman who must be fashionable will select her summer attire with this idea in view. Under the warm summer sun we may expect to see such a woman attired in a bright hood dress, distended with crimoline, with balloon sleeves and carrying an immense chignon on the back of her head surmounted by a flaming poke bonnet and there are hundreds of her misguided sisters who will think she looks awfully sweet and hasten to copy each monstrosity severally and collectively.

One club of women who intend visiting the World's Fair this summer have resolved to throw off the burden of clothes and take in the sights and what pleasure that may be incidental to them free from any thought of the where withal they are clothed. They pledge themselves to go "in a simple, serviceable gown, easy and comfortable in fit, and unhampered by extra length of skirt." A small light bag which may be carried in the hand, must hold all the other necessities, and with minds free and bodies com-

fortable, they expect with a minimum expenditure of nerve force to enjoy a maximum of sight seeing.

One has acquired a goodly store of wisdom who has learned what she can afford and what must be given up. It is a fact that most of us from a mistaken idea of what is economy, deny ourselves of pleasure which we might enjoy. To buy some extra nice piece of furniture or extra fine garment many a woman never sees a good play, hears a fine concert or listens to a lecture. For an extravagantly ordered table, books, pictures, music, and worst of all comfort, is sacrificed. The money which should add to our spiritual and mental resources go for fripperies and materialities which profit nothing and our lives are barren and narrow for lack of the intellectual and artistic re-enforcements which are necessary for true happiness. Most of us must go without something and the choice should not always be for the hanks of living rather than that which is representative of the true bread of life.

## FEMININE IDEAS.

### Queer Superstitions That Often Vex Women—And Others.

"Are you superstitious? No? Well perhaps you think you are not; but you are, and it will crop out sooner or later, for 'all the world's queer.'" I don't know that it does any harm to have our pet superstitions. It's rather nice to believe in the certainty of one or two things in this world, if they are nothing but signs, and, as they have been handed down to us since the bow was set in the heavens as a covenant, I suppose we shall never get rid of them.

But most of us know them for what they are worth, and allow them to afford amusement—nothing more. I was surprised to see with what seriousness one writer admits to one of "her girls" that she has a superstition about sitting for her photograph, and has never had one made. No doubt that is her "pet" superstition, and she is entitled to it, but I think the acknowledgment must have weakened the effect of her good advice in the minds of some of her practical girls, and I don't think I'd do it again if I were in her place. But we are all weak "critters."

We've all had experience with the servant girls who don't stay in the house after a mirror is broken—I wish it was broken tea-cups they are afraid of—and who believe it's sure death if a dog, howls under the window or an owl hoots on the chimney.

That's superstition.

I once was able to help wash and tie up a very ugly wound on the head of a very dirty youngster, who happened to fall down a flight of steps to a stone walk, as I was passing through the street. It was in a tenement district, and all the neighbors immediately flocked in to "help." They were excitable women, and when they added their wails and groans to the howls of the little unfortunate, I felt like shaking the whole lot and turning them out of doors, but I finally convinced them that the child was not fatally hurt, and, with some hot water, soon had the blood stopped and the soreness out, as she followed me to the door. The mother was very grateful, and she said she wouldn't "hev bin so weart of it had a bin Jim, but Eddie had always bin so good that she never expected to raise him."

Now that was superstition.

Am I superstitious? Oh no. I just have a deeply-rooted conviction that if I see a pin and pick it up, then all day I'll have good luck. I have such funny experiences with pins anyhow. I have a troupe of black pins on my dressing table now that come and go, apparently at their own sweet will. I don't know when or how. Sometimes a solitary pair of them, lying in the tray, make known to me that they could, but wont tell where their fellows have gone, and their beady black heads fairly shine with impudence. Sometimes they straggle in on at a time, and occasionally they plan a surprise party and all come together. Of course, it's all done on the sly—they wouldn't let me know when they come and go, not for a pin-cushion. But I have observed a certain regularity about their tours which is somewhat trying. They are always there when I don't want them and never there when I do.

When you call your favorite collee when you are persistently late to breakfast in a boarding-house it's a sign that the cook doesn't love you, to share the sofa with you and he only pounds his bushy tail on the hearth rug, it's a sign that he's a lazy rascal.

When a man is as polite to his wife of ten years as he was to his bride of ten days, it's a sign that he loves her very much or that his father-in-law is a rich man.

When in two weeks after Grover Cleveland begins putting into practice some Democratic ideas of "reform" business all over the country becomes depressed, it is a sign that the people made a mistake.

When a woman who was born with an artist's tastes and a poet's song in her heart, patiently scrubs the kitchen floor and darns the stockings, it's a sign that she's as

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brave as any martyr that ever faced death or any soldier that ever fell in battle.

When a woman tenderly but firmly gives up the man she loves and sweetly devotes her years to caring for her invalid mother and bringing up her dead sister's children, it's a sign that she's a dear, good woman and a wise woman besides, and will some time wear a crown.

When a man gets up in the night to make a light, it's a sign that he'll bark his shins before he finds a match.

When it's your housemaid's afternoon out and the cook is in bed with a "mbery," it's a sign that all your friends will call. I have never known this sign to fail. It's as sure as the bow in the heavens.

When a lawyer settles up a case, it's a sign that there isn't any more money in it.

When three or four doctors are called in consultation, it's a sign that the patient will not be buried alive.

When a woman wears hoops it's a sign she's a fool, but when she can make as good a bread pudding as the one I'm going to tell you about, it's a sign that her husband isn't afraid to bring his friends home to dinner.

Take sweet milk—unskimmed is best—enough to a little more than cover your bread, which should be broken in small bits. Let stand till soft, add a few bits of butter and sugar and seasoning to taste. Put in the baking dish on top of the stove, over a quick fire, and heat while you beat very light the yolks of three or four eggs, or more, according to the size of the pudding. Stir the yolks into the bread and milk, till thoroughly heated through. Lastly, beat stiff the whites of the eggs—be sure your beater is perfectly clean or they won't be stiff—and stir them in lightly. Put the dish in a quick oven, and in about fifteen minutes you will have a pudding fit for "company."

It is an idea with many people that to look often in a mirror is a sign of vanity. It is not necessarily so. We see our defects as well as our beauties if we study ourselves in earnest. To look often into a glass sometimes tells you more than the attempt to look into your own heart. But do not merely glance at the mirror when the smile is on your face; remember to turn to it when you are in a passion or annoyed. Most people instinctively turn away from it then. It will very likely prove a revelation to you. In moments of excitement a woman is either much more beautiful or much more ugly than at other times, and it will be a great lesson to her to find out for herself which transformation takes place, for it is only noble anger, true indignation, which beautifies. Trivial passions distort the face, as I have said, and as anyone can find out for themselves by making the looking-glass a judge, instead of prying it to be a flatterer, as we habitually do.

## KNEW HER WANT.

### Why One Cook Lost Her Place and Another Need Apply.

I discharged my cook this morning, she began, with any icy tone in her shrill voice, as she stepped into the Commercial Gazette office, ground floor, and laid her bundles on the counter.

"Did you hear what I said?" she continued frantically, leaning over the counter and tapping an attitude on the shoulder with her umbrella.

"Yes, madam, I did; but I can not see that it is any of my business if you have discharged your cook—that is your inalienable privilege. Now, if your cook had discharged you—"

"Don't get funny, young man—I ain't in the humor for funny business. That cook flirted with my husband, that's what she did!"

"She did?"

"Yes, sir, she did. And he thought he could pull the wool over my eyes. 'Humph,' says I, 'I'm no spring chicken!' 'No,' says he, 'No, you ain't—if you are, then that old hen out in the back yard is a fresh laid egg yet!'—and that there cook dared to laugh—to laugh at me!"

"And the visitor struck an attitude of fiery indignation and went excitedly on: 'And when she laughed at me that settled her hash—she had to go! And I wish to put a "want" in the paper—our cooking is ordinary!'"

"Very well, madam, it shall be in to-morrow morning's issue. 'Want'—a woman to do plain cooking—"

"No, sir," she interrupted excitedly, "no, sir, that won't do."

"Why, madam, I—"

"No, sir, that won't do at all! I've advertised for all the women to do plain cooking I am going to. You put it in your paper 'Want'—a Plain Woman to do cooking, if you needn't put it in at all. I'll break up this flirting business or I'll break up housekeeping!"

And she knocked over two small boys as she flounced out the door.

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Text of the Lesson, Job v, 17-27—Memory Verses, 17-19—Golden Text, Heb. xii, 6—Commentary by the Rev. D. M. Stearns.

Three of Job's friends—Eliphaz, Bildad and Zophar—having heard of the afflictions of Job, made an appointment to come and mourn with him and comfort him. When they saw him they knew him not because he was so changed. They wept, and rent their clothes, and sat with him upon the ground seven days and seven nights without speaking a word, for they saw that his grief was very great (chapter ii, 11-13). Then Job spoke and cursed his day, after which Eliphaz was the first of the three to speak, and this lesson is part of his speech. Job had borne meekly and without complaint the loss of children and cattle and even his bodily affliction (chapters i, 22; ii, 10), but these friends, with their false accusations and insinuations, stirred all the old man that was in him. These three condemned Job without cause, and yet their words have much in them that is helpful.

17. "Behold, happy is the man whom God correcteth; therefore despise not thou the chastening of the Almighty." This is sound wisdom and very profitable if put in practice. Blessed is the man that endureth trial! Count it all joy when ye fall into divers trials. Whom the Lord loveth He chasteneth. If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons (Jas. i, 12; Heb. xii, 6, 7).

18. "For He maketh sore and bindeth up; He woundeth, and His hands make whole." Or, as it is written elsewhere, "I kill and I make alive; I wound and I heal; neither is there any that can deliver out of my hand" (Deut. xxxii, 39). But though He cause grief, yet will He have compassion according to the multitude of his mercies, for He doth not afflict willingly, nor grieve the children of men (Lam. iii, 32, 33).

19. "He shall deliver thee in six troubles; yea, in seven there shall no evil touch thee." Not even Satan can touch a believer without permission, for he had to obtain permission to touch Job, and if God allows us to go to the furnace he knows how to deliver. So that Daniel's friends were right when they said, "Our God, whom we serve, is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and He will deliver us out of thine hand, O King" (Dan. iii, 17). In the promise, "There shall no evil befall thee" (Ps. xci, 10), we must not think to escape trouble, for just that is promised us (John xvi, 33), and possibly imprisonment and death (Rev. ii, 10; Math. x, 28), but in the resurrection it shall be seen that we have not been hurt, nor a hair of our heads perished.

20. "In famine He shall redeem thee from death and in war from the power of the sword." The upright shall not be ashamed in the evil time, and in the days of famine they shall be satisfied (Ps. xxxvii, 18, 19). He who fed Elijah by the brook and in the widow's house during the three years' famine, who fed Israel for forty years with bread from heaven, who fed over 5,000 with the lad's few loaves and fishes, is the same yesterday, today and forever. And as to the sword, think of David's deliverance from the sword of Goliath and his victory over him.

21. "Thou shalt be hid from the scourge of the tongue; neither shalt thou be afraid of destruction when it cometh." The tongue is often as a sharp sword (Ps. lv, 21; lvi, 4), but He will keep us secretly in a pavilion from the strife of tongues (Ps. xxxi, 20). Inasmuch as the angel of the Lord encampeth round about us, the tongue that would touch us must first touch Him. Not even a dog can shove his tongue against us without permission (Ex. xi, 7).

22. "At destruction and famine thou shalt laugh; neither shalt thou be afraid of the beasts of the earth." One would almost think the speaker was describing the millennial times, when the wolf and the lamb shall feed together, and they shall not hurt nor destroy in all God's holy mountain (Isa. lvi, 25). But with such records as that of David over the lion and the bear, Daniel over the lions, and Job over the poisonous reptile (I Sam. xvii, 36; Dan. vi, 22; Acts xxviii, 4, 5), we see what may be even now as forebodings of coming glory. Let us "have faith in God."

23. "For thou shalt be in league with the stones of the field, and the beasts of the field shall be at peace with thee." David comes to mind again with his stones gathered from the brook, one of which, slung in the name of the Lord of Hosts, sank into the giant's forehead (I Sam. xvii, 49). And the 700 left handed men who could sling stones at a hair and not miss (Judg. x, 13) show him to be, for it is written, "Lord, thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations" (Ps. xc, 1).

24. "Thou shalt know also that thy seed shall be great and thine offspring as the grass of the earth." The promise to Abram was that his seed should be as the stars of heaven and as the sand upon the seashore (Gen. xxii, 17). When Rebekah left her home to become the bride of Isaac they prayed that she might become the mother of thousands of millions (Gen. xxiv, 60). Jesus has said, "There is no man that hath left house or brethren or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or lands for my sake and the gospel but he shall receive an hundredfold now in this time, houses and brethren and sisters and mothers and children and lands with persecutions, and in the world to come eternal life" (Mark x, 29; xxix, 29).

25. "Thou shalt come to thy grave in a full age, like as a shock of corn cometh in in His season." It turned out so in Job's case, for he lived after his affliction 140 years and saw four generations. So Job died, being old and full of days (Job xlii, 16, 17). With the believer in Jesus length of years in a mortal body is not the greatest blessing except in so far as God is glorified thereby.

27. "Lo this, we have searched it; so it is; hear it and know thou it for thy good." We might with Job have somewhat to say to Eliphaz, but we are trying to forget the man and get something out of the message, and therefore we notice that it is good to search out a good matter, but especially good to search the Scriptures, for therein is the best of all matter.

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