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## THE LAST SAD RITES.

THE FUNERAL OF RT. REV. RICHARD RANDOLPH DISNEY.

Bishops Brown, Tanner and Dr. Derrick  
Attended With a Number of the Clergy—  
A Large Concourse of People Pay  
Their Respects.

The news of Bishop Disney's death fell with startling suddenness upon the thousands who knew him and esteemed him.

While attending the Episcopal Council at Jacksonville, Fla., he became quite ill and acting upon the advice of his wife who was with him, he concluded to return to his home at Chatham instead of undertaking his official trip.

Bishop J. M. Brown and wife accompanied the deceased to the train and bade him farewell, little dreaming that it was forever. The last of his colleagues whom the departed saw on earth was the aged Bishop who last Friday delivered an eloquent eulogy over his silent remains.

At two o'clock Friday April 24, Bishops Brown and Tanner, Dr. Derrick and Rev. O'Banyoun stepped out of the broad doorway of what had been the happy home of the deceased. Following came Revs. John M. Henderson, E. Kane, J. H. Alexander, J. Bell, J. S. Matterson and attorney D. B. Davis, behind whom came, with bowed heads and solemn faces, six masons bearing the beautiful casket in which reposed the silent dead, and following the cold mortality of her beloved came the bereaved widow and a few immediate friends, the casket being placed in the solemn hearse, the cortege took its way slowly to Campbell Chapel. This beautiful and handsome building is one of the hundreds of enduring monuments which will ever stand as eloquent witnesses of the earnest life and successful labors of the departed.

The church was crowded to its utmost capacity while one aisle was filled with persons who chose to stand rather than miss the opportunity of being present.

Rev. J. O'Banyoun announced hymn 741 which was beautifully sung by the choir. Rev. J. S. Matterson offered and appropriate prayer; Rev. J. M. Henderson recited the 90th Psalm and Rev. J. H. Alexander announced hymn 748 which was tenderly rendered. The Rev. Dr. W. B. Derrick, with eyes fixed upon the calm face of the dead, paused a moment, his strong face melted in sadness, his iron frame quivered a moment with emotion, deep silence reigned, until broken by the low solemn tones of the true and staunch friend who said "I have come from the distant shores of the Atlantic, that mine eyes might once more look upon the face of him whom I loved. But a few brief weeks ago and the late Rev. M. E. Bryant, D. D. departed and myself shook hands and separated in sunny Mississippi. The intrepid soul of Dr. Bryant broke from the Tabernacle of clay and went forth into eternity as a bold courier to announce the speedy advent of that noble spirit, whose house was once the cold and silent body that rests in this casket.

My heart is sad, my place is not in the pulpit, I would rather sit and weep with the bereaved widow and mourning friends but in accordance with the wish of our beloved Bishop Tanner I will read the following brief sketch of the life of the lamented Bishop Disney."

Dr. Derrick then read as follows: Richard Randolph Disney was born in North East, Md., in the year 1831. His parents were Henry and Rebekah Disney. At the age of 13 he was converted to God, and ever after lived to his glory.

At the age of 22 he married Miss Sarah Elizabeth Harris. Weary with the life that Maryland promised he resolved to settle elsewhere. He arrived in Chatham, Canada, April 21, 1857 accompanied by his wife who has been the sharer of his joys for almost 40 years. Entering the conference the September following he was appointed to Peel or Queen's Bush. Successful here for two years, his next appointment was in Buxton. And so for years he received his appointments in common with his brethren. At the death of Bishop Nazrey, in the year 1875, by almost unanimous vote of the General Conference, he was called to the Bishopric, and in the month of November he was ordained by Bishop A. W. Wayman in the city of Hamilton.

As Bishop he was eminently successful, in keeping the church together and in extending its borders among the islands of the sea. Twelve times did he visit the West Indies. Three times did he cross the ocean and return.

In the year 1884 the union of the A. M. E. and B. M. E. Churches for which he had so long lived and labored was proclaimed, and he was assigned to the work in Canada to be known as the Eleventh Episcopal District.

In 1888 he was assigned to the Eighth District composed of the conferences in the states of Arkansas and Mississippi which he served with singular fidelity. At the meeting of the Bishops in Jacksonville, Fla., Feb. 1891 it was plainly discoverable that the health of the Bishop was by no means what his friends could desire. Purposing to return to Mississippi his better judgment prevailed, and he returned homeward to die. Where after sad lingering, he departed this life in great peace on the afternoon of April 29th.

Rev. J. O'Banyoun then introduced the Rt. Rev. John M. Brown who had been requested by the Rt. Rev. B. T. Tanner to deliver the eulogy.

Can those present ever forget the scene? The aged prelate stood in the pulpit looking down upon the little form and calm, smooth face of the strong man departed in his prime, while he, the speaker, bore the weight of nearly three score years and ten.

Announcing as his text, the 13th, verse of the 3rd, chapter of Samuel 11. Bishop Brown in clear and flowing tones related the story of which his text formed a part. Then, his eye kindling and his voice trembling with earnestness, he proceeded to point out the divine hand as revealed in the career of Bishop Disney. Said he, "When death was upon him, Bishop Nazrey, his soul sweeping thro' the future with prophetic vision, pointed out Elder Disney as his successor.—Elder Disney's elevation to the Bishopric was no accident, it was not the result of self-seeking, 'twas the will and work of the Great Head of the Church, Bishop Disney towered above petty prejudices and narrow views, his great soul from its lofty eminence of philanthropic love, beheld the possibilities of the future and his brave and noble heart dared to defy the storms of calumny and abuse and lead on toward the glorious destiny God had decreed. To the labors of the departed we owe the open door made for us in the West Indies, Mexico, Panama, and far off South America. Bishop Disney realized what all who live shall see. The mission of African Methodism is not local, it is world wide."

The Bishop proceeded to point out some of the marked traits of the deceased. Said he, "Bishop Disney had the patience that only the strongest souls possess. I never knew him to give way to anger. No provocation betrayed him into the slightest departure from the conduct of a Christian gentleman. He was remarkably firm." This the reverend speaker illustrated by relating several incidents transpiring in the career of the deceased. The Bishop closed with a touching and comforting address of consolation to the widow.

Rev. J. H. Bell then announced hymn 752 the rendition of which sent tears coursing down hundreds of cheeks.

The presiding Bishop, the Rt. Rev. B. T. Tanner, who with characteristic modesty had yielded the entire participation in the program to others, then arose and announced the concluding service. Those present filed slowly up the aisle and took the last look upon the face of the dead. The solemn procession numbering hundreds made its way to the cemetery. Here in the dry stoneless soil was laid to rest the mortal remains of the Rt. Rev. R. R. Disney, D. D. The solemn committal service was recited by Bishop Tanner, the sprig of acacia was cast into the grave by a score of the mourners after the performance of the usual rites, and then all turned their faces to the busy world again, and went forth to tread for a while the pathway that ever winds back to the grave again. The Bishops and clergymen stopped a moment and looked upon the grave of Bishop Nazrey which was pointed out by Mr. Colton, the undertaker, who also officiated at the funeral of Bishop Nazrey.

Saturday found Dr. Derrick whirling into New York city eager to speed on his way to a missionary field in the West Indies. Rev. Dorce; Bishop Brown at Detroit full of plans for the furtherance of the work of his church; and Bishop Tanner, at Windsor, energetically planning the extension of the Canadian work.

### Building Excellently.

The Plain Speaker of Orangeburg, S. C., gives place to the following: "Mr. Robert C. Bates, a graduate of Claflin University, and now the efficient superintendent of carpentry at the University, is rapidly gaining prominence as an architect. In Carpentry and Building, a monthly magazine published by Builder's Exchange in New York, Mr. Bates appears as a valuable correspondent. In the number for August 1890, he submitted a satisfactory answer to a problem that puzzled many experienced architects. In the number for April 1891, a problem is given which consists of "finding the diameter of a circle when the Chord and Spring are given." Mr. Bates solves the problem. Eight or nine other architects sent in answers but Mr. Bates seems to most nearly hit upon its solution. This is plain from the fact that his answer is given a prominent place among those sent in from New York, Philadelphia, and many other Northern and Western sections. We congratulate Mr. Bates on this valuable acknowledgement of his ability, and also his alma mater upon this evidence of the thoroughness of her instructions.

### Shot by the Clerk.

J. C. Decker, a hotel clerk of Peoria, shot and killed Rufus Eastman, the cook of the hotel last week. Eastman had accused the clerk of stealing his clothes which he denied. This enraged Eastman and he made an assault on Decker but was quieted by the proprietor of the hotel, who discharged him, and drove him from the place. When the two men met again the hotel clerk at once drew his pistol killing the Afro-American at once.

Every Afro-American student should read a good race journal. None better than the Plaindealer.

The members of the A. M. E. church in Windsor give a reception to their bishop, the Rt. Rev. B. T. Tanner, this evening.

## ENCOURAGING FACTS.

THE AFRO-AMERICAN MAKING PROGRESS IN ALL DIRECTIONS.

Becoming More Provident—More Moral—More Temperate—More Manly—More Cultured, Etc.

From the New York Independent.

Though the Negro is not increasing rapidly in numbers, the problem of his condition, political, social, industrial, moral, religious, is obtaining a firmer grip on the public mind. There was never a time when his interests were more seriously considered than now. According to the results of the census just announced the total of the colored people in this country is about 7,463,000. Compared with the returns of the census of 1880 this indicates an increase of more than 880,000. When we get the particulars of this census which are to be given in a forthcoming bulletin, we shall have materials for a very interesting study.

In the discussions which have taken place concerning the future of the Negro, at least two questions have been taken out of the arena of debate; first the idea of colonization is no longer set forth seriously from any quarter entitled to consideration. It is settled that the Negro is to remain in the United States, not to be deported to Africa or any part of the American continent, or to be put upon any reservation in the United States. He is to remain where he is, chiefly in the South, where he is most needed. The problem of his future is to be wrought out in his present relations to the country and to the other elements of its population. The second question that is settled beyond dispute is, that the Negro is capable of improvement and education. It is no longer a matter of doubt that he can easily master the rudiments of knowledge. Everybody admits this. On the average, he takes the elementary training as easily as the youth of other races. But there are many other important questions concerning him which need to be discussed, and his course will continue to be closely watched both by those who believe in him and by those who do not believe in him.

The most interesting question at present is as to his actual progress, and we have printed a number of articles this week designed to show that he is making progress in all directions—that he is becoming more provident in his habits, more moral in his conduct, more temperate in his religious zeal, more manly in his bearing, more cultured in his mind, and is, in short, becoming a more worthy member of society. When members of his own race point to the fact that many colored ministers are illiterate and unfit leaders both morally and mentally, Bishop Tanner, whose opportunity for observation and whose judgment are excellent, and President Grandison, of Bennett College, both cultured members of that race, reply by showing whence the colored man has come, and point with justifiable pride to the wonderful evidence of the progress he has made since he emerged from slavery. They admit and deplore his vices, but they ask us not to lose faith in him, for he is but treading in the path which other races have followed. No grander tribute has been paid to the influence of education upon him than that which President Grandison gives.

This is one of the most encouraging facts of the whole situation. The schools of learning, which he is so extensively patronizing, are not only cultivating his mind, rooting out the weeds of superstition, but, even more important, they are nourishing and developing his moral sense, teaching him the spirit of manliness and self-reliance. As this progress goes on the race will gradually, almost insensibly be elevated. A great opportunity lies in the direction indicated by Dr. Rankin and others. There is a great need for a thorough system of manual training for the Negro. There is a splendid opening for him in the various trades; and those schools that are affording him facilities for industrial training are doing quite as much for him and the community in which he lives as those which are training the mind.

One of the most gratifying evidences that the problem of his destiny is being earnestly grappled with is that of the gradual change in the feeling of the Southern whites towards him. It gives us great pleasure, indeed, to welcome in our columns the able manly and Christian-spirited articles by Congressman Breckinridge, of Arkansas. He says there are three modes of securing the homogeneity of our people,—"by education, by separation and by extinction." "The last," he adds, "belongs to the cruel and savage state, the next to the hasty, proscriptive and passionate state, and the first accords with the dictates of wisdom and the principles of Christian religion." This is a grand and noble utterance.

While we differ from Mr. Breckinridge with regard to the propriety of the enactment of the Federal Elections bill, and with regard to the capacities and character of the Negro, we admire the spirit of candor and kindness which his article breathes toward the Negro. He tells us that the South appreciates the great responsibility that rests upon her, and will undertake it in the fear of God. If the South proceeds on the line which he has laid down and governs itself by "the great active principle of love, the great bond of the brotherhood of man and the great practical rule of patience," wonderful results will be accomplished. The Negro in the South is slowly securing that recognition which belongs to him as a man, slowly overcoming the strong prejudices which separate

him from the rest of the population; slowly securing that attention from the State in educational matters that his numbers and conditions demand. He seems to be making no progress at all in the direction of the constitutional rights. The figures of the census applied to the returns of the recent elections are most eloquent on the subject. But these rights cannot be forever withheld. If the government may not, through the recency of certain Republican senators, extend the strong arm of law toward him, he is slowly but surely preparing himself to fight his own battles. That we hope and believe will be a bloodless one. God forbid a war of races. But, conscious of the manhood that is in him, and aware of the constitutional rights belonging to him, the intelligent, industrious, self-reliant Negro will conquer his rights at the polls as he has conquered them in the schools.

## PERSONAL AND IMPERSONAL.

John Mannix, the Brooklyn policeman, whom W. G. Overton, the new Afro-American policeman, found off his

A Young Men's Christian Association has been organized among Afro-Americans of Newark, N. J.

The Afro-American newspaper men of South Carolina are to organize an association at Columbia, May 14.

Ex-Senator Bruce spoke on "The Race Problem" before the Bruce association at Wilmington, Del., April 30.

It is feared that Isaac Murphy, the noted jockey, is in poor health and may be compelled to withdraw from the turf.

Anthony Edwards who fills the gasoline lamps in the suburbs of Memphis Tenn., was frightfully burned by an explosion of a gasoline can recently.

Southerners in Opelousas, La., are issuing circulars under an indignation meeting to be held for protesting against the appointment of Henry Brock as postmaster.

As the result of the persistency of his friends, Mayor Chapin of Brooklyn has finally appointed T. McCants Stewart as a member of the Board of Education to succeed the late D. P. A. White.

George Dixon the champion bantam weight fighter gave an exhibition of his skill in a six round contest with Martin Flaherty, last Friday night, in Chicago, in which he easily carried off the honors.

Aaron Prescott, son of John W. Prescott, a prominent citizen of Alexandria, La., shot a small Afro-American boy last week. He claims to have been shooting at a dog and wounded the boy accidentally.

post of duty and in a liquor shop, where he had gone to make an arrest April 5, has been found guilty, and fined three days' pay for leaving his post without excuse, and five days' pay for entering a saloon in uniform.

A society of ministers in Pittsburg called the "non-denominational colored council of human rights" passed bitter resolutions regarding the treatment of the race in the North, in a meeting held in Pittsburg this week.

Wesley Mayo, of Burlington, Ia., a fireman on the steamer Hudson, while turning the wheel of the boat last Thursday, lost his hold and fell into the water, and was drowned before his comrades could render any assistance.

A state convention of Afro-American citizens has been called to meet in the council chamber of Minneapolis on May 27, to form a state branch of the National Afro-American League and to elect delegates to the convention to be held in Knoxville, Tenn., July 9.

Capt. O. S. B. Wall, one of the most prominent Afro-Americans of the District of Columbia, died Sunday April 26, after a long illness. Mr. Wall was the brother of Congressman Langston's wife. He was educated at Oberlin and made an honorable record in the late war, being captain of his company when the war closed.

Pete Jackson has so far recovered from his recent accident that he has thrown away his crutches and gone into active training. A San Francisco dispatch says that Corbett was out to the races recently full of liquor and narrowly escaped being shot by a Spaniard, who is a strong backer of Jackson, because Corbett abused the Afro-American pugilist.

John Harris, a janitor of the Astor Flats, New York, is under arrest for the murder of his son, a young man of 20 years of age, who assisted him in his work. It is alleged that the son, while eating, was ordered to stop and attend the elevator. The boy saucily refused and the old man struck him across the head with a board. He became unconscious and a few minutes after died from the effects of the blow.

Abraham Davis a lawyer of Pine Bluff, Ark., was sentenced to one year's imprisonment in the Detroit House of Correction and fined \$100, for forging names to pension affidavits. He was entitled to a pension on account of service performed by his father in the late war and in getting up evidence to establish his claim he forged the names of witnesses and the signatures of officers. The fraud was discovered at Washington from the fact that Davis dated one of the affidavits on Sunday.

Rev. C. H. Thompson, of the St. Mathew's mission has returned from Nashville, Tenn., where he delivered a series of lectures. They proved so interesting that the Doctor may be called upon again to visit Flak university and lecture before the theological department.

Rev. Carr, of Grand Rapids, visited the city Wednesday, calling at the Plaindealer office.

## LIFE OF FRED DOUGLASS.

CONSUL DURHAM AT THE STATE DEPARTMENT.

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Special Correspondence.

Washington, April 27. A copy of the Life of Fred Douglass, written by Frederick May Holland and published by Funk and Wagnalls of New York has been received by the Plaindealer correspondent. A brief notice would be considered a full return to the publishers for their kindness were it not for the prominence of the man whose biography is written and the relation he sustains to the Afro-American people. It is safe to say that Fred Douglass has done more than any other man of his race to correct the wrong ideas, prevalent in all sections of the country concerning a people who have been circumscribed by barbarism in the old world and by slavery in the new. His story has been told in thousands of homes and around many of these firesides he has become a hero whose story is told along with that of Abraham Lincoln and George Washington.

To write a biography therefore at this time must be difficult as well as dangerous,—difficult because his life is so much the public property that little could naturally be said anew,—dangerous because occupying the conspicuous position which he does the race he represents cannot afford to suffer his illustrious name in any way dimmed. In the present work Mr. Holland announces that he writes the book partly because he hoped to reduce color prejudice and partly because of his admiration for the man, and from the sources of his information which he mentions our expectations are high as we turn to the first chapter, "The Slave." Nor does our interest cease until we have finished the fifteenth and last chapter.

As a literary work the name of the author is sufficient guarantee; as a careful portrayal of the life of Fred Douglass no fault can be found for it is most accurate. As a biography, in the highest and loftiest sense of that term Mr. Holland has not accomplished his task. Perhaps he has not attempted it. The true biographer of Fred Douglass must have felt his feelings, seen through his eyes, suffered the same prejudices he has suffered, and have known by similar personal experience the terrible struggle that Fred Douglass has made from infancy to the present time. The present work is clear, concise and accurate and is a valuable work for any library, but the biography is yet to come.

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Hon. John S. Durham, consul at San Domingo, has spent a few days in the city adjusting reports at the State Department. Discussing with him various issues he said Prof. D. A. Straker is pre-eminently fitted for Judge of the Relief Court and should receive the appointment. He had many excellent things to say in behalf of the people at whose country he is a representative.

Dr. Thompson, ex-minister to Hayti, Mr. Marks of New York and John S. Durham have during the last few days been guests of Mr. Robert Terrell and a jolly good time they have had.

Mr. Edward H. Hunter, formerly of Raleigh, N. C., now of this city was recently elected superintendent of the Metropolitan A. M. E. Sunday school. Mr. Hunter being a young man hardly 25 it is an honor commensurate with the responsibility to receive such a recognition. Mr. L. M. Hershaw, the talented correspondent of the Atlanta Times, was likewise recently honored in Plymouth Sunday school. These two young men with Mr. David Clark, superintendent of the 19th, st., Sunday school and Mr. J. J. Goode, superintendent of the 15th, st., Presbyterian school all young men, form conspicuous examples of our future if "The hope of the future is in the young men."

Mr. E. L. Thornton, of the New York Age, has been confined with the grip but is now at his desk, and his excellent column in his paper will again appear.

Mr. John B. Hyman, of the firm of Hyman Bros., will wed Miss Hattie Grey, May 6, Mr. Hyman has demonstrated that success in business means success in other pursuits.

Cleveland's Colossal Colored minstrels have been an immense attraction this week. They had packed houses and the wit and fun which they furnished can be heard echoing on every hand. The city press gave them a huge send off and they will have a great reception when they return.

Capt. O. S. B. Wall, died yesterday at the age of sixty-nine. He was born in Virginia, was sent to Oberlin when quite a lad and he and Hon. John M. Langston married sisters. He has been prominent here in many ways and was practicing law up to the time of his death.

Mr. Lally R. Holmes, of South Carolina, a clerk in the Adjutant General's office is very seriously ill. His physician expresses but little hope and his many friends among the young men with whom he was so intimate and in whose behalf he was faithful are very solicitous lest he may not recover.

The new departure of the Plaindealer is a subject of many congratulations. The Plaindealer is becoming so popular here, through its successful departure in Newspaper enterprise that the publishers may be called upon to publish a Washington edition each week. T. J. Calloway.

Hereafter no Correspondence will be published that reaches us later than the first mail Wednesday morning.—Editor.

THE CHURCH CONTROVERSY.

Lansing, April 27.—The truth is like the sun beam the more they are concentrated the fiercer its burns. So we find the pastor in charge here, like Paul of old staggering under the light of truth. The facts have bewildered him. When he makes such a sweeping denial of the facts, so mildly stated in the letter from Lansing two weeks ago, he must be beside himself. It would have been better for him, better for the ministry with which he is identified, if the letter of "Slight notice" had never been written. When one resorts to such vile terms, such as "high toned faction," "swell heads," "without the brains, without money and religion," he is almost cornered for facts. Read his letter of last week and you will have a full synopsis of his usual Sunday morning sermon. Add to it rebels and secession, thieves and band of robbers in the church, and you have his Easter morning sermon and yet he says there is no revolt in Lansing.

Then ask why some of the members are asking that their names be dropped from the church list. Miss Ella Manspaugh, Mrs. Maggie Barber, Mrs. Harrison Trent and Miss Katie Jackson have made the request, four in all not one.

The society is composed mostly of A. M. E. church members and their sole object was to raise \$200. to fresco the walls of the church. They have never entertained the idea of starting a high toned faction of some kind, or "another poorhouse to starve some minister to death" as the pastor puts it, intimating that he has charge of one. The tone of his letter is ridiculously insolent to the members that have stood by him. The matter of it is lamentable.

Mr. Peaker has not only had trouble with this society since he has been here but two of the trustee board refused to sit on the board with him. The secretary of the board resigned as the pastor was arbitrary. This is lengthy but the half has not been told and I hope the opportunity will not present itself for the other half.

Presiding Elder Henderson is here attending quarterly meeting and pouring oil on the troubled waters. If there were more ministers of his kind the church would hold its prestige. Bystander.

INCREASING THE BUILDING FUND.

East Saginaw, April 27.—In spite of the warm weather the grip is still lingering. We are glad however that thus far there has been no fatal cases.

At the residence of the bride's mother, on Monday April 13, Miss Eliza Freeman was married to Mr. Lincoln Bundy. The affair though limited to the immediate friends of the contracting parties, was very successful, many useful presents were received and the young couple went directly to house-keeping on the corner of Atwater and Warren avenues where they will be pleased to see their friends.

On April 14th Mrs. G. T. Thurman, the elocutionist of Jackson, assisted by a chorus consisting of Misses Hattie Butler, Kate Barney, Maria Harris and Messrs Hill, Windsor, and West of Flint, with Mrs. John Harris as accompanist, gave an excellent entertainment at McCormick's hall. The net proceeds, \$35.00, will be given to the fund for church building.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Vincent died April 25th from scarlet fever. The remains will be taken to Flint for interment.

The young ladies of the Sabbath school will give a May Queen party on May 27th which promises to be one of the finest ever given in Saginaw.

Mr. Lewis Bowles of Ypsilanti, is in the city.

Mr. Daniel Henderson, the young man who had an operation performed about two weeks ago is suffering from another abscess.

Rumor tells of another wedding in the city soon. Henrietta.

VISITED THE ASYLUM.

Ann Arbor, April 21.—Mrs. Roper of Dexter was in the city last week the guest of her sister, Mrs. Madera. Mrs. Eva Wright of Jackson was visiting her mother, Mrs. Madera.

Miss Coleman left Wednesday evening for her home in Marshall. Miss Ora Green entertained the Misses Coleman and Jones one evening last week. Invitations are out for a birthday party at Mrs. Green's on Wednesday night.

There is to be a birthday surprise to Mr. Adams tonight.

Mr. and Mrs. York and Miss Pierce of Ypsilanti were in town last Saturday.

Dr. A. M. Brown went with his class last Friday to visit the insane asylum at Pontiac. Dr. Herdman accompanied the boys.

Mrs. Charley Taylor is able to be out again. Lottie.

MARSHALL MENTION.

Marshall, April 26.—Miss Frankie Coleman has returned from Ann Arbor after a two weeks visit.

Mrs. L. Coleman is very sick but her friends hope she will be better soon.

Mr. Calvin who has had a relapse of the grip is rapidly improving.

Mr. Jefferson Lyons has gone to Detroit where he intends to go on the boat.

There were several strangers in the city last week.

Mr. John Allen has had a pension granted him.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Duer have sold their horse to a farmer out south. B. T.

A coroner's jury in Maple Rapids has decided that Ransom Bannister who pitched forward on the walk in that place last Friday and was picked up dead, died of heart disease caused by the excessive use of tobacco.

WHERE THEY FAIL.

A Spirit of Niggardliness Destroying the Influence.

Milwaukee, Wis., April 27.—We regret that we must acknowledge some of our young men are not as charitably disposed as they might be. A poor woman, a widow, applied to quite a number of them recently for a little assistance toward burying her child; she was a deserving and hard-working woman, but the long illness of her child had used up all her slender means and she was compelled to seek aid from othersources. Mostofour young men responded nobly, contributing as much as their respective means would permit. But there were one or two who decidedly refused to give anything whatever and these same young men were better able to give than many who did. We do not intend to encourage mendicancy but we do think that we should assist the deserving poor, of our own race especially. It is true that many of our people are not as thrifty when they are in good circumstances as they should be thus paving the road for better times, instead of by extravagance, losing what little they possess, yet there are also many who have not had the opportunity we have probably had to better their condition and are deserving of all our sympathy and of our financial aid. It is to these we should never fail to render all the assistance we possibly can when they apply for it. Some of our young men who would otherwise possess considerable influence in this community, lose it all by their niggardliness and narrow mindedness in this respect.

Mrs. Henry Bland has recovered from her recent illness.

Mr. Sol. Jackson, with many others is on the sick list.

Mr. Fred Lee died Saturday evening. The funeral takes place from St. Marks A. M. E. church.

The Carpe Diem met last Wednesday at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Stewart. The club have decided to give an entertainment on a grand scale some time in the early part of May.

Mr. David Royal paid a flying visit to the city last Tuesday. He was the guest of Mr. L. H. Palmer.

Miss Annie B. Roderich left last week for her home in Toledo, Ohio. She left a host of friends behind, none of whom will mourn her departure with more sincerity than our friend George.

Our genial friend Mr. Frank Chapman met with an accident while playing ball last Sunday, dislocating his thumb. This will be a lesson to Chapman not to play ball on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Burgette who have resided at 705 Grand avenue will be pleased to see their friends at 619 St. Paul avenue J. B.

THE ORGAN FUND.

Boyer City, April 27.—Supervisor Morgan of Wilson township is out taking estimates of the real and personal property in his district.

The proceeds of the school exhibition recently given here were used to pay for the school organ and not the school as recently stated. M.

SCARCITY OF WHALEBONE

Will the Coming Woman be Able to Secure Any of It?

Arctic whalebone made a remarkable advance last week to \$5.25 a pound for choice quality, says the New York World. This is the highest price remembered by the trade. Fully 10,000 pounds were sold at \$4.70 to \$5 a pound; and the commoner kinds, such as Japan sea and northwestern, brought \$4.15 to \$4.35 a pound. As with all whale products, this article is yearly diminishing in supply, and, unless commerce permits a long breeding rest, it is too much to imagine that any gigantic enterprise can come with the magic aid of scientific economy and manage to organize some sort of a whale-preserve or maritime ranch at a feasible point of the ocean, our noble aquatic animal must soon practically disappear like the buffalo of the prairie.

In late years a few moneyed speculators have continued to get control of the bulk of the "catch," and in the condition of matters all possible cheapness is wiped out. The stimulating whips of enthusiastic jockeys and those of stylish family and road turnouts, the symmetry of comfortable corsets, of bridal or other expensive waists must hereafter pay extra tribute to the extravagant drain that has been going on in whalebone for the last sixty years.

There are many useful substitutes, but none seem to satisfactorily fill the place for best purposes of pure Greenland baleen, or as the witty dress-maker remarks: "Nothing else has such staying excellence."

Worth and a host of foreign and American gown contractors of renown are extremely particular in selecting this material, and cannot be induced to experiment with the best imitations. In fact, no first-class workman or woman would attempt to turn out a bridal, reception, or ball gown that had not an incorporation of genuine whalebone where needed.

The best whalebone is obtained from the Greenland or right whale. There are about three hundred thin plates of it in the mouth of a full grown animal, varying from ten to fifteen feet in length. These are arranged transversely in rows and fringed at the edges with a thready substance, which enables the whale to secure the peculiar suction food on which it subsists.

Mrs. J. S. Meenze of Holland dropped dead in her house Saturday night from heart disease supposed to have been brought on by the grip.

CURIOUS PETS.

Leopards, Wolves, Foxes, Bears and Monkeys That Are Tamed.

The Russian humorist, Pushkin, tells a pretty story about a widow who had survived four husbands, and was going to ratify the preliminaries of a fifth alliance with a Crim Tartar.

"Do you know that your admirer carries six pistols and a bandit's knife?" inquired an anxious friend.

"Yes, I have seen them," said the woman, calmly; "but judging from experience, I do not believe that there is any such thing as an untamable creature."

Zoological experts incline to a similar opinion. The most perfect embodiment of reckless fury is a trapped leopard during his first week's experience of prison life. He will rush to and fro with a persistency worthy of better success; his eyes glare defiance at every visitor; every now and then he will attack the iron bars of his cage with absolute disregard of consequences, or roll about the floor, biting his own paws in his frenzy of despair. Yet in Hindustan, a near relative of that four-footed demon, the cheetah, or hunting leopard, has been so perfectly domesticated that he can be trusted to run at large, and return from a night expedition to share the proceeds of his enterprise with his trainer.

Wolves terrorized our pastoral forefathers in a way that has made the name of the canis lupus a synonym of fierce hostility, says the New York Ledger, yet that adversary of stock-raising mankind is more than probably the ancestor of the faithful shepherd dog. On a stock farm near Zacatecas, in northern Mexico, I saw a tame wolf that seemed to get along on the best terms with his canine relatives and in the morning was always on hand to greet his master with romps and caresses, and if kicked away would cringe in a manner suggesting the deprecatory maneuvers of a fawning spaniel. He could not be trained to find his way home from an extensive hunting trip, but was often left to guard the farmyard poultry, and to the best of his own's knowledge, had never betrayed his trust.

Foxes, too, can be trained to restrain their predatory instincts; and a Tennessee neighbor of mine raised a litter of fox whelps with his puppies, and induced them to stay about the house by treating them to an occasional dish of their favorite delicacy—fresh milk, sweetened with sorghum treacle. Young bears can dispense with such premiums. After a few weeks' petting they will stick to a farm-house with the tenacity of loyalist office holders, and never leave the premises after dark.

The pet monkeys of the East Indian country towns manifest a similar disposition in an even more demonstrative fashion. Ten or twelve of them will congregate on the roof of a Hindu farmhouse, waiting for lunch or utilizing the palm leaf thatch for a rain shelter, but, on the whole, pay for their board and lodging by making a watchdog wholly superfluous. At the first glimpse of a suspicious looking biped they will give the alarm by a chorus of coughing barks, and often actually attack an intruder with all the pluck of a resolute bull terrier. Their personal safety remains a secondary consideration in emergencies of undoubted risk.

WOOD PULP AND ITS USES.

Result of Investigations Made by the Secretary of Agriculture.

It can be said without fear of contradiction that in no field of industrial activity has a more rapid development taken place within the last few years than in that of the use of wood for pulp manufacture. The importance of this comparatively new industry for the present, and still more for the future, can hardly be overestimated. Its expansion during the next few decades may bring revolutionary changes in our wood consumption, due to the new material, cellulose fiber or wood pulp. Though rapid in its growth, the industry has by no means reached its full development.

Not only is there room for improvement in the processes at present employed, but there are all the time new applications found for the material. While it was in the first place designed to be used in the manufacture of paper only, by various methods of indurating it its adaptation has become widespread.

Pails, water pipes, barrels, kitchen utensils, washtubs, washboards, doors, caskets, carriage bodies, floor coverings, furniture and building ornaments and various other materials are made of it, and while the use of timber has been superseded in shipbuilding, the torpedo ram of the Austrian Navy received a protective armor of cellulose, and our own vessels are to be similarly provided. While this armor is to render the effect of shots less disastrous by stopping up leaks, on the other hand, bullets for rifle use are made from paper pulp.

Of food products, sugar (glucose) and alcohol can be derived from it, and materials resembling leather, cloth and silk have been successfully manufactured from it. An entire hotel has been lately built in Hamburg, Germany, of material of which pulp forms the basis.

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To overcome the convict system of the South it will be necessary to keep great moral forces behind the movement backing it in a substantial manner.

Twenty emigrants have returned from Liberia to their homes in the South; ragged, dirty and emaciated. They tell a sorry story of their sojourn in Africa and from their looks it is evident, that either Liberia is not what it is represented to be or they are not the stuff of which colonists are made.

It is impossible to be successful in great reforms without the aid of public opinion boiling over the recital of its infamies. The American people as a whole must be made to understand that in their own country greater injustice and greater cruelties prevail than ever existed in pre-Revolution Ireland or in any part of despotic Russia.

The Hon. Don. M. Dickinson has gratuitously offered his legal abilities of late for the peoples' interests. His latest role is as the champion of organized labor. Is he sincere is the question? The rights of organized labor should be as sacred in Mississippi as in Michigan. Mr. Dickinson cannot fight for one here and vote against the other there, without playing a double role. In two-thirds of the Southern States, no Afro-American labor organizations are allowed under severe penalties. Such a condition is fostered by Mr. Dickinson's party. Now let him be consistent and denounce the laws that forbid labor to organize for its protection. He can show the sincerity of his position and make a master stroke that will give him a greater reputation than he has hitherto acquired.

The future welfare of the Afro-American, in a great measure, depends upon the way in which the parents raise their children. No child should be taught that he is inferior to another child by reason of birth or complexion, neither should he be impressed with any idea of having to occupy, because of such reasons, subordinate places in life. The child should be taught to aspire to all that is good, great and noble, to fit himself for any position that his capabilities will warrant, to be patient in perseverance, to use all efforts in surmounting obstacles, and the greater they are the greater the determination should be to overcome them, and that while there are positions above them that their abilities will enable them to fill, to never rest content with the present. The greatest foe any race that is struggling for equality can have is to be content in letting things take a natural course. No man or race ever rose in the scale of progress by waiting, Micawber-like, for something to turn up.

It is now an assured fact that could a free and fair ballot be cast in the South President Harrison would be renominated and elected by an overwhelming majority. As matters now stand, with the so-called force bill out of the way, it is quite evident that the Republican party will have to do some mighty hustling to elect their candidate in 1892. It is generally conceded by all parties that Benjamin Harrison has made a good president and the most ignorant man, in the South voting for him would be in line with the most intelligent ones in the North doing the same thing.

The most valid and persistent claim made by the bourbon for his methods is, that the Afro-Americans cannot vote intelligently as a people. They will not be allowed to vote for Mr. Harrison because of their ignorance, and Republican senators were found who had not the courage to demand that this unconstitutional nonsense be stopped. The election of Mr. J. S. Clarkson, president of the Republican League, with his square, earnest and persistent demand for the supremacy of the law and the constitution, is a party rebuke to the traitors who broke the pledges in the last Congress. Yet with Mr. Clarkson's strong personality and President Harrison's unflinching justice to all, how hollow these issues will sound in '92, when they will assuredly form the gist of the party platform. However, General Clarkson's unanimous selection shows that a fair ballot and an honest count expression of views is not a "sapless"

issue, for Mr. Clarkson is an avowed and an uncompromising champion of those issues.

The Plaindealer has deservedly taken its place in the homes of the reading Afro-Americans of this community and is a household word in many parts of the country. Since the first issue in May 1883, there has been no deviation from the determination of its owners to make it a journal that could command the respect of the best citizens of all classes, and it has earned that respect and also won their admiration as well. During the eight years of its existence, many journals published by Afro-Americans have come and gone, others have shifted from one policy to another and have been managed by different individuals without success, but the Plaindealer has gone steadily on without either change in management or policy. It has long been conceded on all sides that it is in the front rank of Afro-American journalism.

The Plaindealer has been at pains always to give the latest news of interest to the race, and many special articles that have cost much in effort and money have found place in its columns. More are to follow.

Mr. Thos. J. Calloway, our very efficient Washington representative, leaves Washington today, May 1, for a trip through the South in the interest of the Plaindealer. He is to visit many points of interest and especially the schools and colleges of prominence. His special letter will be an interesting feature of this paper for the next few months and every Afro-American should make it a point to read them.

Arrangements have also been made for a number of special articles, of local importance, in which the Afro-American pupils of the public schools will figure largely, and pen pictures of a number of Detroit's peculiar characters be given.

To keep posted you must read some Afro-American journal, and you cannot do better than subscribe for the Plaindealer at once.

Sometime ago The Plaindealer referred to the inequality of the division of the federal appropriation for mechanical and agricultural colleges in the State of South Carolina. By the decision of the last legislature of the state the money was to be equally divided between the Clemson Agricultural college for whites and the Clafin college for Afro-Americans. A few days ago Governor Tillman, of South Carolina, addressed a letter to Secretary Noble applying for South Carolina's quota of the fund. To this Mr. Noble replied that the state's quota was at his disposal to be divided between the two colleges on the basis of the proportion of the school population, which under the census of 1890 was 36.7 white and 63.3 Afro-American and the secretary announced that it was only by pledging a division on this basis that South Carolina could get her money. To this the Governor replied that the money was due South Carolina and Secretary of the Interior Noble had nothing whatever to do with the division of the fund.

Secretary Noble on his part thinks it is his duty to see that the money is distributed according to the proportion of students in each race and cannot see why the whites should demand half of the money when they number so many less than the blacks. He, therefore, refuses to give up the funds until the terms of the act shall be observed. He has received the following decision from Governor Tillman: "South Carolina has always dealt liberally with the colored colleges, and I am sorry to see it crippled by a refusal on your part to accept the money under the terms you offer." The money will therefore remain in the hands of the Secretary until Congress meets when the state can appeal to Congress for the money.

The Plaindealer takes pleasure in announcing that arrangements have been made for a series of articles from the pen of another able and interesting writer on living issues, after the style of "Billy Smith," whose talks will be given marked attention by "Plutarch," our new correspondent, who will make his bow to Plaindealer readers in our issue of May 8. Every one should read these articles and especially the Afro-American clergy.

Mr. Griffin of the Board of Public Works has resigned and the Mayor is deeply grieved because thereof. He will now search around for another good man, (politically), to fill his place. Just what element he will try and become solid with is hard to say. It will certainly not be an Afro-American. He has been recognized munificently by one appointment as chimney sweep. Hurrah for Mayor Pingree!!

Our correspondents will do well to remember that to insure publication their letters should reach here Wednesday noon.

## GROWING WITH FAVOR

### ALL CLASSES OF CITIZENS ENDORSE OUR CANDIDATE.

His Ability Attested—The Democratic Press South Here It—The Afro-American Press Give Him Due Credit.

Having given the expression of the members of the Detroit Bar upon Prof. Straker's fitness for appointment as a Federal Judge, the Plaindealer is pleased to call attention of its readers and those interested to the expressions of a number of prominent legal gentlemen given some few years ago, when Mr. Straker was practicing in the State of South Carolina.

Says Hon. J. P. Richardson, then governor of South Carolina: "Mr. D. A. Straker is, in every respect, well cultured, and has won for himself an enviable reputation at the bar as a lawyer of ability."

Chief Justice, W. D. Simpson, and his associates, Hy. McIver and S. McGowan, said: "We take pleasure in stating that we have known Mr. Straker, as a lawyer, for a number of years. He has practiced in all the Courts of this State, and has repeatedly been before us, and always exhibited fidelity to his client; careful preparation and ability."

Hon. F. W. McMaster, an able attorney at law and at the time a State Senator, wrote: I have known Mr. D. Augustus Straker for a number of years. The first conspicuous effort of his as a lawyer, was his defence in the case of State vs. Coleman, reported in 20 S. C. I heard the case when in the Circuit Court, and read the argument of Mr. Straker in the Supreme Court and said to him: "Were it not for the color of your skin, your speech would give you a high position at the bar in this State."

Prof. Jos. Dan'l Pope, Law Professor of the State university of South Carolina, said: "We have many colored lawyers in South Carolina,—one on the Supreme Bench,—but I have never met one of whom I would say that he was the equal of Mr. Straker. This is Mr. Straker's due."

The Waterbury, (Conn.) American, in speaking of the appointment of Afro-Americans for the Federal bench very pertinently says:

"The fact that these names are not familiar to the average reader and those of able lawyers does not disprove in the least their competency. A great many able jurists were unknown to the country—jurists of first-class reputations at the local bars where they practiced—until they were elevated to the bench."

Watchman, Athens, Tenn., Hon. D. A. Straker, of Detroit, Mich. has received the endorsement of the State bar for U. S. Judge. He was formerly of South Carolina, and in legal circles he ranks as an able first class lawyer. The whites are doing all in their power to secure for him the appointment. This speaks well for Michigan, and notwithstanding the fact that he is a Negro, if he is competent we hope Mr. Harrison will name him for the high position to which he aspires."

American Baptist, Louisville, Ky.: The movement to secure the appointment of a colored judge in the new court established by the last Congress, is growing in power and magnitude. It is but a simple act of justice, and since it is being so generally conceded, promises to be realized. Many names have been mentioned, but the one having the strongest endorsements seems to be best equipped, both by nature and training for the position. Hon. D. A. Straker, the distinguished attorney, of Detroit, Mich., is eminently the man for the place, and the commendations from the bar of that city irrespective of party, is a most flattering compliment. Mr. Straker, many years ago resided in this city, and its citizens have watched his career with interest, and would be more than gratified should the President honor him with the appointment.

Commercial, (Dem.) Memphis, Tenn.: The Afro-Americans of Michigan are about to put President Harrison in the nine-hole. Recently a committee of the Afro-American Press Association called upon him and requested him to appoint a colored lawyer as one of the new United States circuit judges who will comprise the so-called Relief Court. The President replied that if the association would name a good man he would give the suggestion "that consideration which its importance commands." The Afro-Americans are taking him at his word and will present the name of D. A. Straker of Detroit, for whose character and qualifications several judges and about one hundred prominent and able members of the Detroit Bar voted. The Charleston News and Courier, after thus reciting these facts comments and says: Straker used to live in South Carolina and filled several public positions in this State. He is black enough to suit the most exacting negrophilist, and is perhaps as capable a Negro lawyer as there is in the United States. We do not think that he would make a competent judge, or that he is in any way fitted for such an office, but he is doubtless not much, if at all inferior to some of the white lawyers who have been exalted by the present administration.

Home Journal, Windsor, N. C.: In speaking of the great men of our race we do not overlook the well qualified lawyer and gentleman, D. A. Straker for judge. We think it will be a glorious representation for the race if he is appointed to fill such a distinguished place.

Will Woods has gone to join the Cuban Giants for the season.

Mrs. E. Lewis, of Hamilton, is visiting her mother, Mrs. H. Joiner of Antoine street.

The net receipts from the "Festival of days" given last week by the Furnishing club were \$60.

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## CURRENT COMMENT.

Fair Play, Meridian, Miss.: The Negro press is now looking up a Negro who can hold down a section of the Federal "bench." What's the matter with Garrett, McLeod, Settle, Straker and Langston?

Free Speech, Memphis, Tenn.: San Domingo was the first to accept the invitation to exhibit at the World's Fair. San Domingo was the island on which Columbus first landed when he discovered this country, and San Domingo is a black Republic besides.

The Statesman, Denver, Col.: Did you ever notice that some colored men who are afraid to stick their heads into the office of a daily newspaper that has scored them want to eat up a colored editor who dares to republish the article or offer any other criticism? But they usually stop before they get through the eating.

The Press, Roanoke, Va.: A newspaper man's lot is not a happy one; especially when every other man he meets is brim full of gratuitous advice as to how to run his paper. It should be remembered however that if the newspaper man knows any one thing above another, it is that it's impossible to please everybody. And the man who attempts to perform this most difficult feat will have his labor for his pains.

Republican, Vicksburg, Miss.: Will the Afro-Americans get a representative on the bench? That's the question. The President has shown that nothing daunts him where competency is established. We believe this case will be no exception. It is well said that "we desire nothing that others may not claim." Let our application and examination stand the test with every other. The result will be satisfactory.

Monitor, Brooklyn, N. Y.: The average Negro is still subject to some of the hurtful influences of previous condition. The most pernicious, perhaps in its social effect, is his lack of confidence in the colored man's scholarship and his fitness for leadership. He mistrusts men of his own race, who if clothed in white instead of black, would be recognized as stars of the first magnitude, and becomes the willing tool of a white charlatan.

The Negro problem has an interior as well as an exterior. A part of that interior is the subordination of black folks found in abundance in every department of our social life.

## AS SEEN ABROAD.

The London, England, Press on the Southern Outrages.

The English press has of late been giving more than passing notice to the outrages perpetrated in most of the Southern States. Here is a sample of the letters now being received by a London editor from his readers: "And let me say at once, deliberately and without hesitation, that if the events in Bulgaria were the radical crimes and outrages in the Southern States were taking place in a semi-civilized part of Europe and were only half as well advertised as public sentiment of Europe would at once insist upon and would within six months secure reform even at the cost of war. Such a situation as sulks the South is a disgrace to the fair name of Anglo-Saxon civilization. It is not for me to attempt to apportion the blame. Doubtless there are grave faults on both sides. As an unprejudiced observer I can merely declare generally that the condition of affairs is not only a scandal, so far as the United States are concerned, but also a matter of which all civilized humanity has cause to be ashamed."

## HE MAY RESIGN.

Reports Say That Recorder Townsend is to Return to the Ministry.

For sometime the Plaindealer has been in possession of facts that pointed to the return of Recorder Townsend to the ministry, but did not care to announce it for various reasons. The Indianapolis World of his state however says: Hon. J. M. Townsend will probably resign his position at Washington and return to the ministry. We have always maintained that he made the mistake of his life when he severed his relations with the church. The World hopes for him nothing but success and prosperity in the future. We have great admiration for Dr. Townsend.

## A Pretty Howdy Do.

The editor of the Statesman of Denver, Colo., visited Memphis in 1890 and the "Hustler" of the Memphis Free Speech calls him to time by saying: "Hackley of Denver,—I repeat that Memphis has more pretty and well dressed girls than any city in the world. This is '91 but there have been no changes since '90.

The Far West editor wincing under fire exclaims: "Great Guns! The Detroit Plaindealer and the New York Age are after me about that 'press' convention, and here you come with your pretty girls. Isn't this enough to distract any old bachelor unused to so many repressibles. Say Mr. Hustler—Let's leave it to Fortune and Pelham. They are both actually 'great' judges when it comes to pretty girls. But they can't 'do up' the Statesman."

## A Family Outrage.

Aaron Hogan of the Yarbrough settlement, near Culbert station, Chickasaw Nation, while attempting to defend his neighbor, George Finn, from the persecutions of white men, who had set fire to his house and barn and threatened to kill him, was set upon himself by the villainous whites. They began a fusillade over thirty six shots entering his cabin and wounding several members of his family. Hogan was also wounded and he and his family are now in Dennison, Tex., for medical assistance and to place the matter before the United States authorities.

## A VARIETY OF THINGS.

Among a sale of Washington relics and autograph letters of notable persons and other interesting mementoes of American history, which was held at Philadelphia last week was a letter signed by Washington showing the first President's opinion of slavery.

The letter is dated Mt. Vernon, 17th August 1799 and is addressed to Robt Lee. In this letter which was sold \$402 Washington says: "To sell the overplus I cannot because I am principled against this kind of traffic in the human species. To hire them out is almost as bad, because they could not be disposed of in families to any advantage, and to disperse the families I have an aversion. What, then, must be done? Something must, or I shall be ruined for all the money, in addition to what I raised by crops and rents that have been received for lands sold within the last four years, to the amount of \$50,000, has scarcely been able to keep me afloat."

A committee of Afro-American citizens of Columbus, Ohio, has raised by subscription among the race, fund of \$600 to test the constitutionality of the legislative act of 1887, by which a normal and industrial department was established at Wilberforce University. They will base their suit on the grounds that the state has no right to endow a secretarial school. If the legislature decides to divide the Congressional grant with Wilberforce, the committee, which was appointed at a mass meeting, will test the legality of the division.

The Rev. Dr. Bothwell, of Brooklyn, who was at one time president of Straight university, New Orleans, is the victim of a very queer accident. While giving a dose of medicine to one of his children, the other day, he held the cork of the bottle between his teeth and, in laughing at the pranks of another child, the cork slipped down his throat into one of his bronchial tubes nearly suffocating him. Physicians have decided, after several efforts to remove the cork, that it has settled into the left lung from which it will be impossible to remove it. At present Dr. Bothwell is doing well but the accident may prove fatal.

Mr. J. K. Hilyard, Sr., of St. Paul, Minn., died in Philadelphia April 21. Mr. Hilyard was one of the most prominent citizens of the state of Minnesota and his death is sorely lamented by a large circle of friends. At the time of his death he was visiting a son hoping that a change of climate and surroundings would prove beneficial to him. His remains were shipped to St. Paul for interment.

A party of Tennessee mountaineers rode into a tan bark camp situated in the Cumberland mountains, near Chattanooga, Sunday before last, and without warning shot and killed six Afro-Americans and wounded ten. The mountaineers, it is said, had been discharged for incompetency and took this method of vengeance.

Children's Day will be celebrated June 14 this year. The Rev. C. S. Smith, of the Sunday School department of the A. M. E. Church fers three prizes for this occasion. The history of the A. M. E. Church by Bishop Payne will be given to the pastor or superintendent reporting \$10. A copy of the same to the presiding elders whose districts report \$100. And a lithograph containing a picture of the Sunday School publishing house, and a portrait of Bishop Payne to every person who gives 50 cents on Children's day.

Overton, Brooklyn's Afro-American policeman, is still on trial and he is standing the test nobly. It will be remembered, that early in his career, he was arraigned for neglecting to arrest the proprietor of a saloon, that he found open on Sunday. His excuse was that another and an older policeman had been in the saloon and made no arrest, and that as he himself was off duty and in plain clothes, he was in doubt what to do. The other officer stoutly denied Overton's charges but they have been proved true and the offending officer has been fined three days pay, while Overton has been vindicated. The New York Tribune speaking of the matter says Overton: "Has thus far been a model policeman."

## To Whom It May Concern.

A lie is being circulated, among the colored people of Detroit, concerning my husband and myself. I wish to state to the public that the rumors are all lies. I was away visiting a sick family for one month and it was said that my husband beat and drove me out of doors. He never did. We have been married for 24 years and my husband has yet the first time to lay his hands on me. He has always done for me as a husband and for his adopted daughter as a father. I will say that if all men were as good to their wives and families they would not have any trouble. We have had an adopted daughter for 13 years and a lie has been circulated about her and my husband. If I could find the liars I would give them trouble. I will pay for information as to who started the stories. Mrs. H. J. Smith, wife of the Rev. J. A. C. Smith, pastor of the First Colored M. E. Mission, 195 Willis avenue.

Mrs. Hackley, mother of Mr. Edwin Hackley, of Denver, Colo., has gone to live with her son in the far West. She will spend a week in Chicago en route.

Mrs. Sarah Lough left a few days ago to join her husband in Lincoln, Neb., where she expects to reside. Mr. Lough being head-waiter at the Lincoln house.

The old crew are returning to man the Detroit club. Reuben Battles has been put in charge as head-waiter. The Chicago waiters did not flip the bill and Mr. Battles is fast replacing them with efficient Detroit hands.

The Rev. Feiton, of Ypsilanti, made a short visit to the city this week.

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### MERE MENTION.

We hope our city patrons will faithfully meet their obligations and not keep our collector running after them to no purpose. We are under many obligations to our large number of patrons who have stood by us so nobly in the past, and we are sparing no pains or expense to make the Plaindealer second to no paper published by Afro-mericans, and with the assistance of many new subscribers, we intend to make the Plaindealer a far better paper than ever before.

May 1, 1891. Plaindealer Co.

Mrs. Theo. Finney is very ill.

Mrs. Mary Lawrence has been ill during the past week.

Frank Shewcraft was on the sick list during the week.

Mr. James Cole, Jr., spent last Monday in Chatham on business.

When you tell the collector to call don't fail to meet your obligation.

Bishop Brown was the guest of Mr. Robert Pelham, Sr., while in the city.

Mr. John Johnson, of Antoine street, is visiting friends at Sandusky, O.

Messrs John Cook and Robert Warren are members of the Florence Yacht club.

Mrs. Stone, of Chicago, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Moore of Calhoun street.

Mrs. H. Joiner, of Antoine street, who has been quite sick is steadily improving.

Detroit pupils in the public schools should read the Plaindealer. See next week's issue.

Mr. Robert Pelham Jr., entertained Mr. L. H. Latimer of New York at dinner Sunday.

Master Freddie Williams of Chicago is visiting his grand mother, Mrs. Williams of Watson street.

Messrs John B. Anderson, Robert Thomas and Wilmot Johnson visited Chatham one day last week.

Mrs. I. P. Inge, of Catherine street, who has been visiting friends at New Berlin, Ohio, has returned home.

The Rev. Alexander entertained Bishops Brown and Tanner and the Rev. John M. Henderson at dinner Sunday.

Revs. John M. Henderson and J. H. Alexander attended the funeral of the late Bishop Disney at Chatham last Friday.

Send in your news items. A reporter will be sent to write up anything of interest to the race. Drop a card to the Plaindealer.

Mrs. J. H. Brown, of Toledo, spent last Friday in the city on business. She was the guest of Mrs. Postal Smith, of Antoine street.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Carter have removed from Catherine street to Mrs. Carter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Crisp of Champlain street.

Mr. W. H. Dupont, who had recovered from a severe attack of grip is now suffering from a relapse.

The members of the Meykdi Literary club were pleasantly entertained at their last meeting by Mr. Richard Harrison at his home in Windsor.

Deputy Collector of Customs Robert Thomas twisted his ankle while getting off a street car in Chatham last Saturday. Mrs. Thomas is also unwell.

Mrs. Jane Gates, widow of the late Chas. Gates died last Friday morning of inflammation of the lungs and was buried last Monday afternoon from Bethel church.

Mrs. H. Lewis, and her daughter, Mrs. George Smith and the Misses Smith, all of whom have been seriously indisposed with the grip have regained their usual health.

The next regular monthly meeting of the Young Peoples Christian Endeavor society will be held at the residence of Mrs. Wm. Wilson, of Adams avenue, Thursday May 7.

Mr. Palmer, father of Mrs. Thompson and Miss Mary Palmer, died at his home on Watson street, Sunday evening and was buried from Ebenezer church Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Mattie Childers who has been spending the past two years in the city of Brooklyn will visit Detroit shortly. Miss Childers has just recovered from an attack of malarial fever.

"Lige" Bullard, who shot "Sonny" White, waived examination at the Police court, Friday and was bound over to the Recorder's court in the sum of \$2,000. He awaits trial in jail.

At the hearing of the Moses Chapel will, last Tuesday, David Griffin was appointed executor with Collins B. Hubbard, Edwin F. Mack and R. H. Fye, sureties, his bond being for \$8,000. The heirs concluded not to contest the will as was first reported.

Mr. J. M. Arter, a former graduate of Hilldale college of this state, but recently connected with Storer college, Harper's Ferry W. Va., as teacher, preacher and missionary, is in town striving to secure aid in building a John Brown memorial college and church at Harper's Ferry.

## Glances Here and There.

The Michigan Annual Conference of the A. M. E. church, which meets here next August is already casting its shadow over the community. Many little things of no great importance to the public in themselves, when viewed in this light are found to possess a grave significance. At any rate it is safe to say from the preparations now in progress, that Detroiters are not going to imperil their reputation for hospitality and as it is to be taxed to the uttermost this Summer they have begun operations early. An instance is enough to show that the good house wives are taking time by the forelock. The lady in question was telling a friend of a splendid brood of little chicks, that had just come out into the sunlight, and her friend replied that she wished very much to buy some young chickens. "Oh," said the envied possessor of the downy creatures, "I have not thought of selling them, but I wanted to get a good start for conference."

The Peoples' Course of Lectures, that has furnished so much instruction and entertainment to the great mass of people, whose purses will not allow them to take advantage of much in this line, closes next Monday evening. The closing lecture will be by the Rev. Radcliffe, of the Fort street Presbyterian church, who will talk on Rome. Mr. Hitchcock, who has recently returned from Europe, promises that this shall be the best of the series. A great many people have said to the Gleaner that they were so sorry they did not purchase tickets. These and all who have enjoyed this excellent course will be glad to know that they are to be continued next Winter.

Curses against the peculiar quality of railway service, furnished in Detroit, have for a long time, among its citizens, been deep if not loud, and the remark has been common that on most lines one could walk to his destination as quickly as he could ride, with the advantage of saving his nickel. But last Thursday and Friday when Mr. Hendrie's coaches ceased entirely their snail like motion through the streets, and walking was compulsory, the realization was forced home to many, that there are few conditions so bad that they may not become worse. The Gleaner walks generally from motives of economy, as well as disgust, but Thursday afternoon a press of business, and a slight indisposition, made the indulgence in the luxury of a five cent ride almost a necessity; but all in vain he looked for a car, and as he wearily trudged to his destination, he mused sadly on the truth of the proverb "Blessings brighten as they take their flight."

### BISHOPS AMONG US.

The Right Reverend Gentlemen In and Out of the Pulpit.

The Rev. John M. Henderson, whose labors have been more constant and onerous, than those of any minister who has preached at Bethel church, enjoyed a well earned rest on Sunday. According to an arrangement made sometime ago, the Rev. Wm. Dawe, of the Tabernacle M. E. church of this city, preached in the afternoon.

In the pulpit with him were Bishops Brown and Tanner, who were returning from Bishop Disney's funeral and spent Sunday in the city. Mr. Dawe was introduced by the Rev. Henderson and prefaced his remarks by expressing the pleasure he felt in meeting two of the distinguished heads of the A. M. E. church, saying it was semi-occasional that he had the honor of preaching before bishops and on this occasion, though he was there by appointment, he would feel it no breach of courtesy to defer his sermon to another time, that he might listen to those so much better fitted, by long service and experience, to speak than himself. Mr. Dawe has the reputation of being one of the most interesting and eloquent ministers of his denomination, in the city, and he was listened to with close attention by those present, who were well repaid by the earnest eloquence of the speaker.

At the morning service Bishop Tanner gave a thoroughly practical sermon from the text, "The righteous shall inherit the earth," and in the evening the venerable Bishop Brown's appeal to the young men from the text "Almost thou persuadest me to be a Christian" drew tears from the eyes of many who are not wont to display emotion. The full choir was present at the services and many compliments were given them for the excellent music rendered by them.

On Monday morning accompanied by the Rev. John M. Henderson the Bishops attended the Methodist ministers' meeting, where their reception was most cordial and hearty. Their responses to this welcome were dignified and fitting, the whole affair being of such a nature as to become a treasured memory of their brief visit to Detroit.

Last Tuesday evening the Detroit City band serenaded a number of prominent citizens.

Mr. Wm. Palmer who has been ill with pneumonia for the past month has recovered.

Little Harry Hawley is suffering from an aggravated attack of the grip.

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Not Pressed for Time.

The train made a stopping at the twenty-ninth crossing, and then the mid-looking passenger turned and blandly inquired of the conductor what was the matter with the train.

The conductor (surlily)—If you don't like the way this train runs, you can get off and walk.

The bland passenger (more affably than ever)—Oh, never mind—I'm in no special hurry.

Some Men Are So Sarcastic.

"You couldn't guess my age now, could you?" said Miss Passiegh to Billy Bliven.

"No," was the reply, "I am sure I could not."

A Startling Thought.

"Hickory, dickory, dook. The mouse ran up the clock. He innocently sang, when she exclaimed, 'How very shocking!'"

Never Hear Anything Good.

"You seldom hear a good word for the American girl who marries a poor nobleman," remarked the Snake Editor.

A Pushing Man.

"How is your friend doing out in Helena, Mont?" "Oh, he's carrying everything before him."

What Makes Balls So Popular.

First guest (at grand ball)—Hark, isn't that the champagne popping in the supper room?

An Indiscreet Remark.

Young Mother—What in the world makes the baby cry so?

Not a Man to Sigh For.

He—Will you marry me? She—How many ciphers are there in your income?

Not Her Own.

"In the bright lexicon of youth," simpered Miss Oldemede, "there's no such word as fail."

Two Views.

Boston Girl—I have always been taught that marriage is the end. Chicago Girl—Well, I haven't. Out here we regard it simply as a means to the end.

A. D. 200.

"What was the result of the murder trial?" "The murderer was acquitted, but the jurymen were sentenced to be hanged."—Puck.

A Snow Squall.

A man named Snow, living in the suburbs, was made a father a few days ago, and he sent this announcement to the local paper: "A little Snow drifted into my house last night."

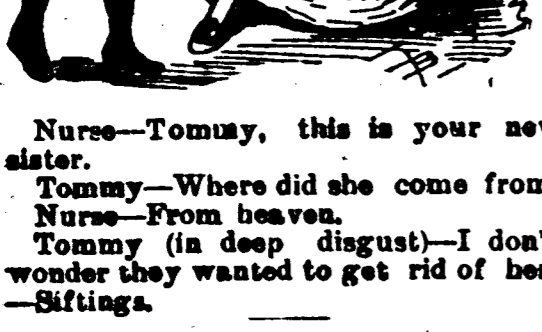
A Test of Memory.

Of all the four hundred methods of improving the memory invented, nothing up to date beats giving a thirty-day note.

A Good Shot.

Mrs. Taylor—Do you like men's clothes? Miss Creedmoor—Yes: when there is a man inside of them.—Puck.

He Was Not Surprised.



Nurse—Tommy, this is your new sister. Tommy—Where did she come from? Nurse—From heaven.

A Presumption.

Husband—"Why do you always find fault with me?" Wife—"I presume it is because you always have fault with you."

Frederick Wolf of Greenville was the victim of a runaway accident last week which resulted in his death on Sunday.

A FINE AFFAIR.

The Young Men Successfully Entertain Their Friends.

Y. S. ILANTI, April 28.—'Twas a bright and happy lot of people who filled the spacious parlors of Mr. and Mrs. S. Bow on Washington street April 23rd at the reception given by the young men.

Everything had been made ready to entertain the expected guests in the best manner possible. It was opened by the literary program as follows: Address of welcome by Mr. F. A. Merchant; alto solo, Miss A. Roper; recitation, Miss J. Thompson; tenor solo, Mr. R. C. Johnson; recitation, Miss L. B. Mashat; guitar solo, Mr. H. W. Gaines; soprano solo, Miss A. Wilson; tenor solo, Mr. A. H. Anderson.

The orchestra then discoursed sweet strains beguiling all to that fascinating recreation, dancing. There were but few who could resist the charm of the dance and they busied themselves at cards, now and then casting glances toward the rooms where the merry throng passed to and fro in glad forgetfulness of aught but their seductive occupation.

All present responded to the given subjects from the toast master Mr. Merchant. After supper the happy company once more engaged in the pleasures of the hour until the clock "struck one twice."

Mr. F. J. Johnson was surprised by a fine boy Monday night April 30th. Miss Mary F. Hill was buried from Brown's chapel Sunday p. m. at half past two o'clock; she will be missed by all of her friends.

After attending the funeral of their sister Messrs. James and Wm. Hill returned immediately to Detroit. The old folks concert given Tuesday night was quite successful.

Mr. James Green of Ann Arbor, was in the city Monday. Mr. R. C. Johnson has returned home to remain during the summer. Mr. S. Dew is visiting his brother Mr. D. Dew on Grove street.

The Ladies' Lyceum met in the parlors of Mrs. Felton Tuesday evening. Miss Mary Beckwith is very sick, Mrs. Fox and Mrs. Wood are also sick with the grip.

Mrs. Albert McCorkle is the guest of her grandmother Mrs. D. Rosey. NIDIE. A CLOSE CALL. CASSOPOLIS, April 27.—Walter Canady has moved to his farm in Calvin.

Mattie Johns returned from Cheshire Tuesday. The maple sugar festival at the A. M. E. church was well patronized on the 28rd. Z. Beverly has been quite sick but is now convalescent.

FOR STRAKER AND THE LEAGUE.

Editor Plaindealer, Sir—I am receiving the paper regularly and am proud of it. It is a fine race paper and I hope it will find its way to every home in our state.

Prof. A. C. Foster delivered an able address to a large audience at Palestine, Ark., on the 11th inst. He tells the Arkansas people of Michigan and her liberties. He is creating a new love for the North in every Southern heart.

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THE OMNIBUS.

Pressed for time—Mummies. When two souls have but a single thought they should stop spooning and take up study.

Mr. Gould cannot deny the impeachment that at one time in his career he was a poppin' Jay. The merchant may know nothing of the pugilist, but he has daily struggles with the price-fighter.

If you don't want people to look always on the dark side of life give them an occasional peep at the other side. If you are told that you resemble a great man say nothing. It may be that the resemblance will cease the moment you open your mouth.

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"A Savior of her sex," is a title bestowed upon Lydia E. Plankham by the women of the world, millions of whom are indebted to her for health.

General Booth has invited a boom for the Salvation Army in Berlin by endorsing the use of beer as a beverage, "used as the Germans use it."

"Brown's Bronchial Troches," are widely known as an admirable remedy for Bronchitis, Hoarseness, Coughs, and Throat troubles. Sold only in boxes.

George W. Childs will not permit a witticism aimed at women to appear in the columns of his papers.

If Dobbins' Electric Soap is what so many insist that it is, you cannot afford to get without it. Your grocer has it or can get it and you can decide for yourself very soon.

The Princess of Wales has not altered the shape of her bonnet for years, although in other matters she follows the fashions of fashion.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL COUNCIL.

Marion, Ind., April 28.—It has been unusually quiet in our city lately. The Sabbath school council of the Indianapolis district convened here Tuesday April 14th at two o'clock p. m. and remained in session two days.

The family of John Smith is recovering from the measles. Mrs. Emma Peford is also ill from measles. Communion services were held here on the 19th. There were 64 communicants and two accessions to the church.

The late Lady Rosebery bequeathed to her secretary, Miss Molick, \$1,500 a year. "Hansen's Magic Corn Salve," warranted to cure, or money refunded.

The only woman in America who is an operatic conductor is Miss Emma Steiner. Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup, for Children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, always pain, cures wind colic. Etc. a bottle.

George W. Childs of Philadelphia has subscribed \$500 to the Mary Washington fund. Ask your storekeeper for our Fruit Jar Opener. Don't see how you get along without it.

Gen. Sherman's personal property, including the furniture of his New York house, did not exceed \$2,500 in value. HOW TO MAKE MONEY. I read what Mr. Bell said about making \$50 per month.

The manicures say that a pretty woman seldom has a pretty hand. The French Chamber of Deputies has voted \$100,000 for excavation at Delphi.

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**THE DIFFERENCE.**

When Washington was President,  
As cold as an icicle,  
He never on a railroad went,  
And never rode a bicycle.  
He read by no electric lamp,  
Nor heard about the Yellowstone,  
He never licked a postage stamp,  
And never saw a telephone.  
His trousers ended at the knees,  
By wire he could not send dispatch;  
He filled his lamp with whale-oil grease,  
And never had a match to scratch.  
But in these days it's come to pass,  
A work is with such dashing done—  
We've all these things; but then, alas,  
We seem to have no Washington!  
—Robert J. Burdette.

**SHADOW LAKE.**

"Good morning, sir—a lovely day!" I started rather guiltily from the stooping position in which the voice of my unknown colloquist had accosted me. I was engaged in examining the padlocked moorings of a graceful little boat, and meditating to myself how very agreeable a row across the crystal lake would be.

"Good morning!" I responded, turning to meet the inquiring gaze of a tall, gentlemanly-looking personage, apparently about thirty-five years of age, who stood leaning against a little gate.

"I beg your pardon, sir," I stammered, rather confused; "I—I hope I am not trespassing on private grounds?"

"Why, sir, you are undeniably on private grounds," returned the stranger smiling, "but I think we won't call it by any such harsh name as trespassing. You are staying in the neighborhood?"

"I am staying at the Lake house for the summer," I explained. "To tell the truth, sir, I was just thinking how cool and pleasant a short row would be. In fact, if the boat had not been fastened I should most assuredly have braved all consequences and boldly adventured the experiment."

"I think we can overcome that objection," said the stranger quietly turning to an old ruined tree, whose gnarled trunk overhung the transparent tide, and drawing a key from its hollow depths. "Suppose we get up an appetite for breakfast together?"

"Really, sir, this is an unexpected treat. I scarcely know how to thank you sufficiently for your courtesy," stepping into the fairy-like shell and taking an oar.

"Then do not attempt," said the gentleman inclining his head with a dignified, high-bred politeness which impressed me more and more in his favor. "I assure you the gratification is entirely mutual. Pull to the right a little; we shall get entangled in yonder floating sheet of water lilies, if we are not careful. Upon my word this is a most perfect morning for the water."

"I wish I were an artist!" broke almost involuntarily from my lips.

My companion smiled.

"Need a man be an artist to enjoy the beauties of such a scene as this?" he asked. "A little more toward yonder point, if you please, sir. Now we are out in the channel, and you can pull as hard or as easy as you choose. The boat will almost move of herself, in fact."

He threw down his oars and leaned back in the stern, adjusting his straw hat so as to shield his eyes from the too vivid glare of the morning sunshine.

"One scarcely thinks of civilization in such a secluded spot as this," he murmured lazily, "I suppose there isn't a living soul within a mile of us, always excepting birds and fishes."

"I suppose not," I assented.

"But, nevertheless, the forms and ceremonies of society can not entirely be cast aside. May I know whom I have had the pleasure of helping to an hour's pleasure?"

I drew my card from my waist-coat pocket, and handed it across, with a smile.

"Vernon Cheveley, eh? A very pretty name, sir. I congratulate myself on making your acquaintance. Will you allow me to reciprocate your frankness?"

He bowed low as he presented me with a crumpled bit of brown paper that he extracted from an old cigar case. Upon it was inscribed, in staring letters of red ink, the one word, "Albert."

"Albert—who?" I involuntarily questioned.

"Albert, sir," returned my companion, starting to a sitting posture, and regarding me with stern dignity. "Prince Albert, sir! Albert of England, Scotland and Wales!"

I stared at him, aghast. Was the man mad or dreaming?

"To your knees, sir!" he said, with a sharp, sudden imperiousness. "Have you no reverence for royalty?"

I obeyed his quick sign almost before I knew what I was doing. He smiled complacently, at the same time drawing a gaudy tinsel star from his pocket and gravely affixing it to the left breast of his coat.

"Yes, my friend," he went on impressively, "you are now in the presence of the prince consort of Great Britain! Men have amused themselves by disseminating the idle tale that I was dead; that's all they know about me. I am not dead, and what is more, never shall die. I am privileged

with the gift of everlasting existence. As long as I wear this jeweled star, death can never come near me!"

I felt the cold perspiration oozing from every pore in my body. I could almost feel myself grow pale as I became fully convinced that I was out upon the solitary lake alone with a madman! I had heard when first I came to this mountain retreat that there was a large asylum somewhere in the vicinity, but I had never given the affair a second thought. Now I was reaping the consequences of my own folly and recklessness.

His dark, piercing eyes roved restlessly from object to object. Suddenly they rested on my appalled countenance.

"You don't believe what I am saying?—take care! Where are you going?"

I had thought to take advantage of the new path into which his troubled mind had wandered to divert our course a little more shoreward, but his cunning, roving eye was upon me in an instant.

"It—it is getting very hot here," I stammered. "I thought, perhaps, we should find it cooler on shore."

"Ah-h-h!" he hissed, putting his face so close to mine as to glare right up into my eyes, under the very shadow of my wide brimmed hat; you're a traitor and a hypocrite; like all the rest of 'em! But I'm prepared for you. See?"

And with a burst of laughter, so dissonant that the very tide seemed to tremble and quiver, he flashed a long, sharp, knife in the air describing a circle of gleaming light around his head. My blood seemed turned to ice in my veins as it dazzled across my vision.

"Put up the knife, your royal highness," I said, counterfeiting an off-hand ease that I by no means felt. "Where's the use of it between friends? Let's talk about the queen."

I was the more anxious to secure his attention, as I saw moving figures on the shore, scarcely half a mile away from us.

"No, not about the queen," said the poor maniac; "that grieves and afflicts me." He closed his knife as he spoke.

"But do you know," he continued, "I am haunted? Yes—haunted by a horrible, ugly old woman, a female fiend. Sometimes she climbs up among the stars at night and sits there winking through my bedroom window all night long. Sometimes she comes jumping down from the clouds and sometimes—There she is, now, with three pairs of fins and a face like a fish!"

He uttered an eldritch screech as he looked down into the clear, shining deep.

"Let's escape from her," I exclaimed, vigorously seizing my oars. "She can't follow us on dry land, that's certain. Pull away."

No, she can't. We might hide among the woods, only if she was to turn into a squirrel and jump up and down among the trees—she does sometimes."

"Well, then, we'll borrow a gun and dispose of her," I said, still pulling desperately toward the shore, while the perspiration, cold and clammy as midnight dews, streamed down my temples.

"What are you in such a devil of a hurry for?" demanded my companion, rather morosely. "Hold on a little, can't you?"

I checked my exertion. Evidently he was in no humor to be trifled with.

"No hurry at all," I said as calmly as possible; "only, you see, the old witch is following you up pretty closely, and—"

"We are too near the shore," he interrupted, abruptly. But as he turned his head away I caught up the sheathed knife and flung it hurtling upon the shore.

"What's that?" he demanded, turning around.

"It's your witch," I said, as unconcernedly as I could. "You ought to address her in a conciliatory manner, and if you could once bring her to terms what would prevent you from assuming your proper station once more in England?"

"That's very true. Here, head her in toward the land. I wonder I never thought of that before." Then my strange companion started to his feet, with a yell that aroused all the echoes floating over the peaceful lake.

"Traitor! you have been deceiving me. Your hirelings lurk among yonder bushes. But it is in vain!—the royalty of England shall never fall prey to base artifices like these."

He sprang toward me like an infuriated tiger. At the same time the shore seemed to become alive with hurrying figures. I could see a tall form plunging waist deep into the water to grasp at it; and the clinging arms of my terrible companion were wreathed around me, and I knew no more.

"Are you better, sir?"

"Better? Where am I?"

"Here snug in bed; but what possessed you to go in a boat with that man?"

"Mad, isn't he?" I asked with all the frightful occurrences crowding back upon my mind.

"Mad as a March hare, sir. They say he's the worst case in all the asylum—except last night and has

been wandering about the shores all the morning."

"Is he safe at last?"

"Yes, sir, they had the deuce of a time getting hold of him, though. He threw you overboard as if you had been a willow twig, and then swam like a fish himself. Dick Dayton—that's his keeper, sir—says he's got the strength of twenty Samsons in those long arms of his."

So ended that long, frightful morning among the peaceful solitudes of Shadow lake; but I carry an everlasting memorial of it in the shape of a single lock of hair that gleams white as silver among the chestnut luxuriance that curls over my temples. While I live, and while that lock retains its whiteness, I shall never remember my peril and deliverance without a shudder.—New York World.

**OEN FAIR DAMSEL'S WOE.**

The True Story of What Befell a Washington Girl at a Party.

"My dear," said a society girl to her bosom friend, "I found a gray hair this morning, which I am sure must be the result of an adventure I had the other night at the Snook's party. If you'll promise on your sacred word and honor not to tell—"

"I promise."

"Well, you know young Jimmy Traddles?"

"Used to fight with him when we were little."

"He took me to supper."

"A bad selection on your part, for he almost always takes too much wine."

"So I had heard. He may have been lingering for more champagne, and so left me longer than he should have in the corner of the supper room, after bringing me some terrapin and salad. Anyhow I wanted a chicken croquette, and I asked a young man whose face was familiar to me to bring me one. He did so promptly, and I engaged in conversation. I think he was rather bashful, and his reply to my first remark was simply, 'Yes mees.' His accent made sure that I was safe in saying:

"I think I met you the other night at the French Legation?"

"No, mees; I do not think so," he replied. "But we had met on other happy occasions."

"By this time I was convinced that he was an attache of one of the foreign embassies. I have a weakness for foreigners, you know; they do flirt so charmingly. So I giggled and said: 'It is very nice of you to say that they were happy occasions.'

"Ah, mademoiselle must know it!" he responded with an air of ecstasy.

"But you foreigners are so given to compliments that one hesitates to believe anything you say."

"Ah, mees," he said, sighing heavily, "ze ladies of Amerique are so very beautiful."

Evidently he was not so bashful as I had imagined. In response to this gallant remark I ventured to inquire in what respects he considered that American women excelled as to loveliness.

"In every respect, mees," he replied. "Particularly in ze beauty of—what you call it—ah, yes, their hides."

I couldn't help giggling again at that, but I checked myself and corrected him, saying:

"You must say skins—not hides."

"But," he objected, with an accent of doubt, "I had been told that it is not proper to speak of young ladies' skins."

"Then I giggled some more, but, not wishing to pursue the discussion further, I changed the subject and said, as I saw the delinquent Jimmy Traddles making his way in my direction, that my day was Tuesday and I should be very pleased to have him call. I permitted the amiable foreigner to relieve me of my empty plate—a courtesy which he thereupon proceeded to bestow also upon seven or eight other girls in my immediate neighborhood, extending with the utmost coolness a line of the plates in order to avoid the vulgarity of piling them along one arm all the way from his finger tips to his chin. Then, waving a napkin at me with the other hand, he said as he turned away:

"It will gif me much pleasure to call upon you, mees."

"Within the last thirty seconds the situation had suddenly dawned upon me. I had been conversing with a waiter."

**Why London Increases So Rapidly.**

Some idea of the immense size of London may be gathered from the fact that there were registered during the week ending Jan. 24, 2,789 births and 2,212 deaths. The births were 128 below and the deaths 168 above the average for the last ten years.

Here we have people enough born into the world in one week to constitute a "city," in the ambitious phraseology of Western English, and enough deaths in a time of profound peace to render memorable a battlefield.

But the most striking fact in this table is that not one of all the 2,212 died of smallpox. It is not a little strange that, with so grand a record to show, there is to be found a considerable number of really able and well-informed people opposed to vaccination.

**Quick as a wink**

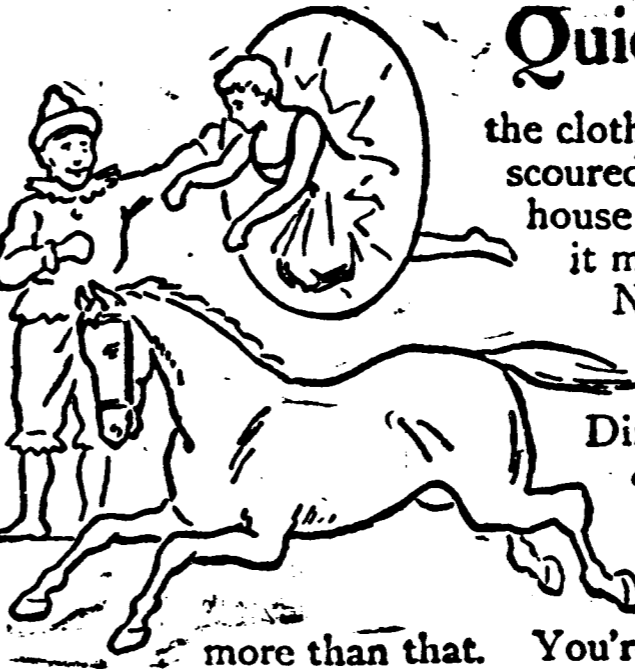
the clothes are washed, the paint scoured, the dishes washed, the house itself and every thing in it made bright and clean.

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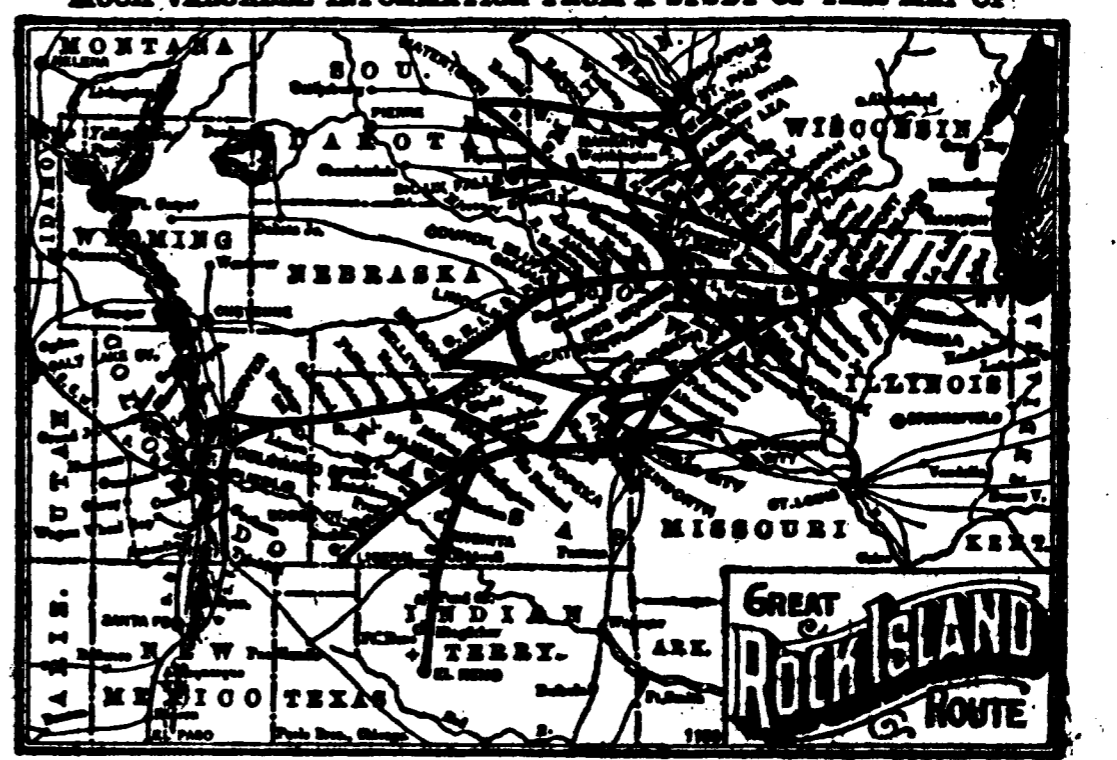
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Church News-

**Bethel A. M. E.**—Corner of Hastings and Capelon streets. Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School, 2:30 p. m.—Rev. John M. Henderson, pastor.

**Abraham A. M. E.**—Cathow street, near Beaubien. Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School, 2:30 p. m.—Rev. J. H. Alexander, pastor.

**Union A. M. E.**—Services 10:30 a. m. 7:30 p. m. Sunday School, 2:30 p. m. Rev. E. H. Harris, pastor.

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

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

**Shiloh Baptist**—Columbia street, near Rivard. Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School immediately after morning service.—Rev. W. A. H. Lewis, pastor.

Brief recaps of news will be welcome from other pastors or laymen.

Among a class of 45 confirmants at the Church of Ascension, Washington, D. C., who were confirmed by Bishop Paret Sunday, April 19 were four Afro-Americans.

The new chapel of Lincoln university, Pennsylvania, was dedicated recently. It will be known as the Mary Dod Brown Chapel and is a neat brick structure seating 1,000. It is the gift of Mrs. Brown of New York, who gave \$20,000 for its erection.

The portrait gallery of the Philadelphia State Journal contains a portrait of the Rev. B. W. Christian, a young man who has worked his way upward, step by step, until he is now pastor of the Shiloh Baptist church of that city, the largest Baptist church this side of the Potomac.

At New Haven, Conn., the congregation of the Immanuel Baptist church, Zion, Union, and Congregational churches closed their own churches Sunday before last to assist Bethel church of which the Rev. G. I. Hammond is pastor. This combination of forces resulted in a very interesting service and a collection of \$80 for the benefit of the pastor.

At a recent session of the New York Presbytery, a resolution advocating the dissolution of the Shiloh Presbyterian church of that city was read by Dr. Buckard, and after a long discussion was passed by the Presbytery. The contentious spirit of some of its members was assigned as a reason for the action. The pastor, Rev. W. T. Carr may show reasons for its reconsideration at the next meeting.

A pamphlet containing constitution and bylaws of the National Y. M. C. A. has been received by the Plaindealer. It contains a history of this institution among Afro-Americans and shows that since its organization in 1887, it has grown to a membership of nearly 3,000. Albert Mack, one of the founders of the Young Men's Christian Association of Louisville, Ky., is the chief executive of the National Association.

The Rev. Dr. J. E. Rankin read a paper before the Congregational society of New Jersey which held its 23rd annual meeting in Philadelphia last week, entitled "The Oneness of Blood in Humanity." He said that a few years ago the popular view of modern science was that man could not have originated from one parent centre. This position he repudiated in an able argument for the brotherhood of mankind.

Is it not because Christian do not often speak of special answers to prayers that organizations like the Christian Scientists gain such power. "Ye are witnesses of these things" and yet Christians allow continual evidences of God's power to pass without giving him the glory. Individual instances where God has miraculously delivered from sickness, death and danger are seldom made the subject of Christian experience.

The Mt. Zion Baptist church of Charlottesville, Va., of which the Rev. J. Francis Robinson is pastor has published an address, explanatory of the difficulties between them and the First Colored Baptist church of that city. The trouble began by the Rev. R. A. Scott, pastor of the latter church, wishing to control both churches. Mr. Robinson resented his interference and publishes the pamphlet to show that his flock is in the right.

"If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above!" With this text Dr. Theodore S. Cuyler, through the New York Evangelist seeks to incite Christians to higher living. He says "That our churches need, in these days of self indulgence and scrippled contributions and few conversions, an upward passion towards Christ, and a new consecration by His Spirit. An ungodly world will never be converted by men and women who are grasping for life themselves.

At Mount Pleasant, Ia., an Afro-American named McCracken joined the M. E. Church by letter. Some of the members made such an indignant protest at this that the pastor, the Rev. Mr. Thorne gave McCracken's letter back to him denying him admission to the fold. McCracken, however, nothing daunted appealed to Bishop Joyce who has just replied that church membership cannot be severed by mere return of a letter, when it has once been accepted, and orders the church to admit the brother in black.

The Presiding Elder's Investigation.

Editor Plaindealer.—It was a part of my duty on my recent visit to Lansing, to investigate the matter of the Willing Workers vs. the pastor of our charge in that city. I found the facts somewhat different from the impression created by the statements which appeared in recent issues of your paper from the correspondent and pastor. The pastor is sustained in his ruling as to the relation of this society to the church. All societies, in the A. M. N. church, are amenable for their actions to the steward or trustee board, according as their object is to aid the spiritual or temporal interests of the church. But the pastor is not sustained in his ruling as to the status of members of the church who were members of this society requesting withdrawal. Both articles were heated and colored more largely than the facts in the case warranted. Detroit, April 28. Jas. M. Henderson. (We trust this will close the matter and all will move smoothly.—Ed.)

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

LESSON VI.—MAY 10—ISRAEL'S OVERTHROW FORETOLD.

Golden Text: "Whosoever hath not, From Him shall be Taken Even That Which He Seemeth to Have."—Luke 8:15.

DAILY READINGS.

M. Lamentations for Israel. Amos 5:1-13  
 Tu. Exhortation to Israel. . . . . 5:14-27  
 W. The wickedness of Israel. . . . . 6  
 Th. The king's complaints. . . . . 7  
 Fr. Israel's overthrow foretold. . . . . 8:1-14  
 Sa. Certainty of God's judgment. . . . . 9:1-10  
 S. Restoration of Israel. . . . . 9:11-15

The setting of the lesson.—The warnings of our last lesson were followed by gracious invitations and pleadings: "Seek ye me, and ye shall live;" "Seek him that maketh the seven stars;" etc.; "Seek good, and not evil," etc. (Read carefully chapter 5). Chapter 6 is full of warnings against the luxury and wickedness of Israel. Chapter 7 contains the first three of a series of *visions*: 1, Grasshoppers destroying the heritage; 2, A vision of destruction by fire; 3, A vision of a plumb-line, indicating that Israel was like a wall leaning far from a perpendicular line; 4, The vision of a basket of fruit, chapter 8; 5, The vision of the Lord come to judgment, from whose presence there is no escape, chapter 9. Our lesson includes the fourth of these visions.

After Amos had spoken the first three visions, the false priest, Amaziah, undertook to silence him, first misquoting his words to Jeroboam, and next threatening the prophet himself, as though silencing the prophet would prevent the coming of the judgments. So do men now try to burn or banish the Bible. "Poor blind fools! as if breaking the alarm bell would put out the fire; as if tearing down the light-house would save the vessel; as if shutting the eyes to the precipice would make the path safe."—Dr. Peloubet.

I. The summer ended.—V. 1. Thus hath the Lord God showed.—So the prophet proceeds after Amaziah's interruption. He would declare the Lord's message, let men say and do what they might. Behold a basket of summer fruit.—An object lesson by which God taught the nearness of Israel's end. Such fruit indicated that the summer was about over. Its ripeness also taught that Israel was ripe for judgment.

V. 2. The end is come.—The Hebrew word for "summer fruit" is *katzir*; for "end" is *ketz*. There is thus a solemn play on these words. I will not again pass by them.—At the prophet's intercession, the Lord had withheld previous judgments (see preceding chapter).

V. 3. The songs of the temple shall be howlings in that day.—The revelries in the idolatrous temple at Bethel (or the king's palace—the word may denote either) will suddenly be changed into howlings of misery and despair. So shall the songs of the impotent be changed into howlings at Christ's coming. Many dead bodies.—Slain by pestilence, famine or the sword. Cast them forth with silence.—Without the ceremonies and wallings usual at eastern funerals.

II. Transgressions denounced.—V. 4. Ye that swallow up the needy.—Or, "pant after the needy," that is, after their possessions. Make the poor to fail.—Crowding them out by oppression.

V. 5. When will the new moon be gone and the Sabbath.—Though they observed Sabbath and sacred times outwardly, in heart they did it grudgingly, longing to spend the time in getting gain. Making the ephah small.—The bushel measure, containing three pecks and three pints. In selling they gave short measure. Shekel great.—The shekel, half an ounce Troy, was the weight by which silver was counted out before the captivity. By increasing the weight the seller got more money than he ought.

V. 6. Buy the poor.—Unable to obtain food and raiment, or to pay debts, the poor became bond-slaves to the rich. The refuse of the wheat.—Literally, "that which fell" through the sieve. Imperfect, withered grains.

III. Judgments at the door.—V. 7. By the excellency of Jacob.—By God himself. He was the "Excellency of Jacob" (Psalm 47:4; 68:24; Deut. 32:26-29.) I will never forget.—Though God does not execute judgment immediately, he keeps our sins and shortcomings in mind.

V. 8. The land tremble.—As in an earthquake. Every one mourn.—A picture of universal sorrow. As by the flood of Egypt.—Referring to the overflow of the Nile. A figure of speech used to picture the commotion about to sweep over Israel.

V. 9. The sun go down at noon.—Possibly referring to eclipses, but significant rather of the sudden overthrow of the kingdom of Israel (Compare Jer. 15:9; Ezek. 32:7, 10).

V. 10. Turn your seats into mourning.—This verse describes the sorrows which should attend the overthrow.

V. 11. A famine . . . of hearing the words of the Lord.—Amaziah had just tried to drive Amos out of the land, but the time would come when they would long for a prophet of the Lord.

V. 14. Swear by the sin of Samaria.—Or that by which Israel sinned,—the golden calves at Dan and Bethel.

LEARN FROM THIS LESSON.

1. God bears long with sinners, but his offers of mercy, if continually despised, will come to an end; 2. If we do not by God's grace make an end of sin, it will make an end of us; 3. He that oppresseth the poor reproacheth his Maker; 4. God looks at our heart observance of the Sabbath; 5; He never forgets our sins, though he does not punish immediately; 6. Our highest privilege is the gospel of Jesus Christ; its withdrawal would be our sorest curse. How are we improving it!

THE COLLEGE WORLD.

About \$53,000 are spent for athletics at Harvard yearly. The trustees of Columbia College have received and accepted the resignation of the venerable Prof. Theodore W. Dwight, LL. D., of the law school, and placed his name on the emeritus list, which gives a half salary for life. Prof. Dwight has been identified with Columbia since its organization in 1858. He is now 69 years of age. Party men are trying for the University of Pennsylvania crew.

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