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Social. Personal and Ecclesiastical Items of Interest from Our Special Correspondent.

Philadelphia, Pa., May 20.— (Special.)-Long, tiresome, tedious and boisterous, was the session deovted to the election of the General officers. It did finally end and with it the agony of the office seeker and the apprehension of those who feared the election of men not fitted for the positions to which they aspired,

One of the most interesting features of the election, was the candidacy of Miss Halle Q. Brown, who sought the suirrage of the conference for the position of secretary of education. Thoroughly capable for the position, which she sought, the one objection to Miss Brown, was the fact that she was a woman, And with many, of course, this objection was insuperable. To the surprise of the most hopeful Miss Brown received 44 votes, and she regards this as an augur of a more generous recognition of women of the church in the future. Miss Brown's fight was for the principle of woman's rightful recognition in sechurch and she is to be congratujated on her pioneer work. Women's brains, piety and money sustain the church and it is but just that when honors are being parceled out she Sould receive her share. The result of the election was upon the whole ratifying, Messrs Embry, Derrick,

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suith and Johnson, were re-ejected the positions they formerly held. H T. Johnson, of Arkansas, succeeds in Lee as editor of the Christian Recorder, T. H. Armstrong, of Florida, succeeds Dr. Handy as financial secretary and A. M. Green, of Louisjana, succeeds Dr. Bradwett, of the Southern Recorder.

It was generally conceded that the premature little electoral ticket sprung upon the conference during the week of its session, was a colossal failure as a vote maker. There is a lesson in its utter ineffectiveness, for the projectors, which, if they possess half as much sagacity as they claim,

they will heed in future. To Dr. Derrick belongs the honor of receiving the largest number of votes east for any person elected. This hearty approval of his efficient work as missionary secretary is alike gratfiving to the genial Doctor, and

Dignified, impressive and affecting was the ordination of the new bishops which, occurred Thursday at high noon. The sermon was preached by the venerable Bishop Payne, and he was assisted by the entire bench of bishops. If I could have driven from my mind numerous instances of discourtesies received by the bishops from obstreperous members of the conherence on previous days, the ceremony o'l ying on o'hon's wouli have been more effective to me. That men on whom the Divine unction is supposed to rest after that ceremony, should be subject to like impertinences as other men, was an incongruity, which I could not reconcile with my ideas of the reverence, which belongs to the high office of a bishop, and the fact that the clergy had so often and so signally failed in the respect which the position demands somehow marred the ceremony to me. After the ordination the Holy communion was administered to the bishops, clergy and laymen of the conference and I do not recall a more impressive scene than that goodly company, of men who knelt to receive the communion, while Bishop Grant sang as he only can sing his favorite-"Where he leads me I will follow." There were many good men and true among the communicants, but none partook of it more worthily than our own lay delegate. I felt as I watched his gray head lifted up to the Source from whence his strength comes, that to him as to me, it was a memory to be treasured while life

lasts. It is often the ungracious duty of the chronicler of events to and all criticise unfavorably unwillingly I pen my criticism of this event. In almost every particular the dignity which belongs to so solemn an event was observed, save in the music. There are no finer voices to be found among any body of men than were found in this conference and among the number were some who possessed musical ability of no mean order. This being so I thought it would have been befitting the oceasion that some special effort should have been given to prepare a musical program embracing some of the anthems and psalms of the church service instead of the gospel tunes. which more properly belong to class and prayer meeting than to so solemn and formal an occasion as the ordination of bishops.

For the social pleasures of the deleleocum, of Union church, and Dr. hands.

Heard, of Bethel church, on Thursday evening. The lengthy description which I planned to write of these events is necessarily omitted, as when the guests assembled at either place I was engaged with a severe attack of neuralgia, which prevented my attendence. Those who attended were loud in praise of the lavish hospitality extended by their hosts.

The last days of the conference were directed to changes in the! discipline. Among the resolutions offered, which struck me as being very pertinent was one forbidding the use of the church and pulpit on Sundays by members of secret orders. The committee on Organic Union sent to meet a committee at Harrisburg, from the Zion conference in session at Pittsburg, reported in favor of union under the

name of the A. M. E. Zion church. If I am not mistaken there are twenty-three churches for Afro-Americans in Philadelphia, and from the vast hordes of the race to be met on the street whose deportment declared that they did not attend any there

is room for twenty-three more. One of the possibilities in the future is a steamship plying between here and Africa, under the auspices of the church. A noble project, nobly planned, but I hope the good fathers will not be unmindful of those vast hordes of heathens nearer home.

One of the most interesting results of my stay in Philadelphia, was a visit to the home for aged colored men and women, which was built by Stephen Smith and wife, two good quaker souls in '74. Their work has been generously supplemented by donations from both white and Afro-American friends since. There are now 113 inmates, comfortable, happy and what is rarer grateful. The building is surrounded by ample grounds, which afford the more able of the men light and pleasing occupation as a large part of them are devoted to garden purposes. Back of it is the Home cemetery where Bishop Camp. bell and his daughter, Mrs. Becket are buried. Their graves are marked by a grand marble shaft and surrounded by all that love and care can do to make the last resting place of the dead bbeautiful. Mrs. Campbell is a member of the Board of Directors.

Another Car Law.

Frankfort, Ky., May 23.-The Separate Coach Law passed the lower house of the State Assembly May 20th and only requires Gov. Brown's signature to become a law. As Gov. Brown is understood to be decidedly in favor of the measure he is sure to sten the bill forthwith, when Kentucky will join the ranks of a small number of Southern States that have drawn the color line with a ven-

The bill provides that separate coaches on all railroads within the limits of the State shall be furnished for the use of black and white passen-

The bill further provides that railroads may fulfil the latter of the law by dividing a single coach into two compartments. The latter provision is for the benefit of small railroads that run mixed trains.

A Cruel Stepfather.

Columbia, S, C., May 20.—While two boys were berrying yesterday, about two miles from Alken Court-House, they found an Afro-American boy chained to a pine tree. He was in a demented contition and nearly starved to death, and his body exhibited marks of brutal whipping. Isaac Alsten and wife have been arrested. Alsten is the boy's stepfather, and he has been in the habit of chaining the boy in the house and beating him.

Sixteen Drowned.

Pine Bluff, Ark., May 20.—(special.) -The destruction of life and property in the Arkansas Valley north and south of this city caused by the flood increases the magnitude with every new report. Sixteen were drowned on Hensley Island, forty miles north of here, last night, and a hundred more families were to-day taken to a place of safety by a Government boat which was ordered there. Several more people lost their lives in the flood at Red Bluff, near this

This loss of the growing cotton crop is incalculable. All the bridges on the Iron Mountain road, south of this city have been swept away, and all railway traffic below here is suspended. The water in the eastern and southern parts of this city is now from three to four feet deep. In reply to Mayor White's dispatch, United States Senator Jones telegraphed this evening that the President had directed that a Government boat be ordered here to aid the suffering. The Adams will arrive here to-night and proceed down the river. The river is still rising.

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-New Orleans, May 22.—(Special.) The color question has led to the disruption of the Grand Army of the Republic department in Louisiana and Mississippi.

At a special meeting of the department encampment held the night of the 18th it was decided to surrender the charter. The eight white posts will form a new society.

There is great glee among the Airo-American members, as the control of gates, banquets were given by Dr. the department passes into their that won the prise. He was undoubter. If not, call his attention to it, he

Peter H. Clark Makes a Common Sense Answer.

TO RATHER FLIMSY OBJECTIONS

And Quotes Interesting Bits of History in No-wise Derogatory to Martyred Lincoln.

No. 1907 Goode Avenue, St. Louis, Mo., May 18. 1892.—To the Editor.— In the interview published in your paper of the 15th inst. Mr. Hale G. Parker, of St. Louis, with a zeal that is exceedingly intemperate assails the call for a day of fasting and prayer to be observed by the colored people of the country as a protest against the murderous lynching of our race, to prevalent throughout the country.

This call to which Mr. Parker objects, was, before it was issued, submitted to the judgment of hundreds of the leading colored men of the country, and the general opinion may be summed up in the words of the Rev. Richard De Baptiste, of your city, who says: "I approve the tone and moderation of language by which the deepest feelings of our nature are so earnestly and so effectively set forth in the address."

Imagine our surprise then, when Mr. Parker declares that our paper is phrased with "intemporate zeal," and contains mistakes " of fact and

At the time the call was submitted to Mr. Parker the only objection he made to it was, "It is too religious and will therefore do no good, and that he "had a better plan." No pressure was brought to bear upon him. He was asked by the committee but once to sign it, and he will not be asked again. When he puts his we will loyally help him to carry it cavil about the manner in which he dots his i's and crosses his t's. Indeed we will follow his lead, even though a phrase or two be turned contrary to our ideas of rheterical

The words "forced from the unwilling hand of Abraham Lincoln the Emancipation proclamation" are what chiefly arouse Mr. Parker's wrath, and they are, I presume, the chief "mistakes of fact" to which he alludes.

Upon the point Mr. Lincoln himself should be good authority, and he says in the proclamation itself that it was issued "upon military necessity." There is no pretense of considerations of justice or of humanity. Mr. Lincoln was too honest for that. Nor did he in the original draft invoke the blessing of Almighty God upon what was a purely selfish act. The invocation was interlined at the suggestion of Mr. Chase.

What a man does from necessity, is presumably done against his will; and a man may fairly be said to be unwilling to do that which he has only done, because driven by neces sity. We therefore think ourselves justified in saying that the proclamation was forced from the "unwilling hand of Abraham Lincoln."

It is notorious that Mr. Lincoln repeatedly said: "If I can save the Union without destroying slavery, I will save the Union." In a letter to Mr. Hodges, of Kentucky, he declares that he countermanded the emancipation proclamations of Generals Fremont and Hunter, and forbade the enlisting of the blacks, because the indispensible necessity had not arisen." According to Mr. Henry Watterson, Mr. Lincoln said at the Hampton Roads conference with the commissioners of the seceding States: "Write 'Union' at the top of this paper, and you can write under it whatever you please." What he expected them to write may be inferred from the sentence in this inaugural address. That sentence reads thus: 'I understand a proposed amendment has passed Congress to the effect that the Federal Government shall never interfere with the domestic institutions of the States, including that of persons held to service I now depart from my purpose not to speak of particular amendments to say that holding such provision to be now implied in constitutional law. I have no objection to its being made express and irrevocable. Mark the words "express and irrevocable." That Mr. Lincoln considered the war between the States a 'white man's war' is shown by his refusal to permit the enlistment of colored men. because the "indispensible necessity to consider the idea of giving the ballot to the black man, he looked at it from the standpoint of the white man's interests and said: "Perhaps the ballot in the hands of the black man may some day serve to keep the jewel of freedom in the American fami-William H. Steward, who had op-

pressed slavery upon grounds of humanity and justice. who had proclaimed that the law of God was the higher law, was Mr. Lincoln's chief competitor in the convention which gave him the nomination of

the Presidency. Mr. Lincoln had oppressed slavery upon economic grounds, he proved that it did not pay, and because of edly an anti-slavery man, but all anti- will appreciate it as a favor.

slavery men were not friends to the A convention of Republicans in the

State of Illinois in 1858 resolved thus: 'We will preserve the virgin soil of our Territories free from the polluting steps of the Negro, bond or

The men who voted for that resolution were anti-slavery men, but they were not friends of the Negro.

Mr. Lincoln was a great, good, and humane man. He was, by nature, merciful to man and beast. But in that crisis in our National affairs he considered himself representative of those people who were both antislavery and anti-Nergo.

It was only when compelled by dire military necessity" that he enlisted colored men and give them their freedom.

He was above all else an honest man, and I believe that were he alive to-day he would say, "Let the truth be told. Let no fulsome flattery shade the page of history." For the committee.

PETER H. CLARK.

A Southern Man Talks on that Much Talked of Subject.

SOUTHERN OUTRAGES.

Editor of the Plaindealer:-I received a copy of your valuable paper to-day for the first time and regard it as an able exponent of the Afro-American's rights and I therefore send y in this article, hoping that you may find space to give it publicity, in order that the world may know what the colored man of the South is undergoing at this period.

Never was there a period so critical with the Negro as now. Never was there a time when the bloody sword of destruction was wield with so much vengeance, in open defiance to both law and order, as at this very day.

The columns of both weekly and daily papers are crowded with the accounts of the most diabolical depredations committed against a peo-"better plan" before the country, ple who have fought for the freedom of this government, and labored for out; and moreover will not stop to the moral, social, financial, and religious advancement of this country.

We do not indorse the Negro who wilfully and maliciously violates the law. We do not defend the guilty man because he is colored. We say punish every man who breaks the law, in prooportion to his crime. Hang the murder and rapist. Incarcerate and punish; but for God sake let them have the benefit of a fair and impartial trial.

What avail is the law to-day, to the colored man who may be charged with some hideous crime? None what. ever. Mob violence has done away with the law, and Afro-Americans, guilty or innocent, are the victima of a set of inhumane brutes who care no more for the soul of a Negro than they would for the life of a worthless animal.

Look if you please, at the Texar kana burning; the Memphis lynch. ing; the Negro murdering; the Nash, ville lynching, that occurred in the broad light of day.

Now, no longer than last Friday the 13th inst. in the city of Little Ro k. Aik., a mob took an Afro-American and hanged him, and the papers states that the governor was fearfully injured in attempting to vindicate the majesty of the law.

Who under the sun ever heard of such a thing, the chief executive of the state assaulted because he wanted the law to have its course.

While I do not indorse Hon, Fred. Douglass, when he advises the Negro to resort to violence unless a change is brought about, yet something must be done. "Patience has ceased to be a virtue."

The colored man is unprepared for a national conflict. Every thing is against him along that line. He could hard's accomplish anything by resorting to dynamite and the shot gun, but there is something that he can do. He can leave this cursed Southland. He can leave the American soil. He can return to the "father land," where he will be a man, a nation, and a people. No use to stay here where to attempt to assert your rights under the law and constitution as an American citizen is death, and there is no redress, as the work is always done by unknown parties. Mr. Editor, you are in a position

to give your terror strickened people wholesome advice, and Sir, you ought to do it. The Negro to-day stands in great need of wise and valiant leadership. He needs advice that will help him to solve this direful problem. I hope to hear from you upon this subject as I know you are competent to advance some ideas that will ultimately lead to a better state of affairs. Will you speak for the sake of

your race, your God, and your self? The clouds are dark. The storm is violent. The breakers are carrying away many to an untimely grave. -Brinkley, Ark., May 20.

At Last the Trial.

Memphis, Tenn., May 19.—The cases of the "curve rioters" came up for trial Wednesday. There are seven in all. A special venire of 200 men for the jury has been ordered and the case will continue till Monday.

Does your friend read the Plaindeal-

An Epoch in the History of American Liberty.

WHEN SEVEN MILLION PEOPLE

Pray for Salvation from Cruelty and Injustice-Will the Prayer be Answered.

From the Inter Ocean. If it be true that

"Satan trembles when he sees The weakest saint upon his knees" what will be the condition of the devil injustice, oppression, and barbarism when, on the 31st of May, he will see seven millions of people offering their fervent petitions to Almighty

God to be delivered from his cruel thralldom? That day the colored people of the United States have consecrated to fasting and prayer for the deliverance of their race from the oppression and injustice which they experience at the

hands of the white Christians of the great Republic. This event will, no doubt, make an epoch in the history of American liberty. Let no colored man or woman fail to "lift the heart and bend the knee" that day in the and bend the knee" that day in humble prayer for justice with peace. equal rights, equal opportunity, and full and adequate protection for his people in the every corner of our land.

It will be a spectacle for angels and men to behold with wonder! Seven millions of dusky Christian citizens praying God to shield them from the injustice and oppression of a Christian people whose nationality is builded upon the immortal declaration, all men are created equal," and which has long boasted itself to be the "sweet land of liberty," and secure refuge for the oppressed of earth.

whole people pray for shelter and salvation from na injustice of another people. But these petitioners are black and those from whose wrong they ask relief are white Christians. Will God hear them? For two centuries the American slave prayed for "Jubilee"-the year of liberty. God waited long for the American people to hear and render justice of their own accord. When he refused He punished them through their own madness and with the sword avenged the blood shed by the lash. Now, the colored citizens of the United States ask of God that He will incline the hearts of the white Christians to justice, that they may obtain equality of right and security in the exercise of just and lawful privileges. Will God hear them?

Will He heed their prayer? Whether God heeds this pitiful appeal or not the world will hear, and one can but wonder how it will be received by certain classes.

How will the white Christians of the South regard this appeal to heaven for deliverance from the brutality and oppression which it has not sought to remove, and which it has often encouraged and approved -for which it is wholly responsible, since it is within its power to prevent? Will they intercede with God to deny the prayer of their colored brethren?

And the white Christians of the North, those who profess to love liberty, to believe in equal right, and a God who is "no respector of persons,"-what will they do?

And the world beyond-what will it say of this strange spectacle? Will the world be strengthened in its faith in republican institutions and the unbelievers gather faith in Christian teaching from the sight of black Christians asking God to meditate between them Christ? them and the white followere of

Profoundly impressed with the gravity of these questions, the Bystander addressed to the representatives of the body representating the largest number of pronounced believers in human rights and equal liberty among the American churches, the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church of the United States, now in session at Omaha, the following memorial: To the bishops and delegates of the

Methodist Episcopal Church of the United States, in General Conference assembled. Men and Brethern-I should feel myself obnoxious to the most just censure as a man, as a citizen, as a humble member of the church whose interests you are met to consider, and especially as President of the National Citizens' Rights Association, should I fail to invite your attention to conditions not less perilous, as we believe, to Christian civilization than to the peace and dignity of the United States.

While you are met together to consider the things which pertain to the kingdom of God upon earth, most significent events are occurring among us which no Christian soul can afford to ignore, and for which no American Christian can hold himself wholly guiltless, since he who stands by consenting to evil in a self-governing country is himself guilty of the wrong done his fellows which might have been prevented by his action and protest.

In the very midst of your consult-Continued on Page 8.

EASTERN DYNAMITERS.

A Startling Report Comes by the Way of Boston.

From the Boston Republican:-In a deserted part of Cambridge, there has been noticed for the past two or three Sundays a number of colored men, well known members of several secret societies in Boston and Cambridge, with their heads close together earnestly discussing what

seemed to be a very serious matter. They have been closely watched, but nothing could be learned about the mysterious meeting and its object. The thread which the Republican re porter got hold of was as fine and fifmy as one of the parts of the parts of a spider's web, but he followed it up closely as best he could and this

is what he found: It is a fact that there are in the cities of Cambridge and Boston colored men who have been taking lessons from Socialists and Russians how to make dynamite, bombs and other

The thing has been going on for weeks and the families of these men have known nothing about it. They have taken an oath which runs somewhat after this order:

"We pledge ourselves that in case any of our number should fall in the hands of the white tyrants of the South while engaged in the hely cause of righting our wrongs, we shall never part our lips as to our number. strength, names or what we propose to do. That we will willingly die first, even through the death of the most horrible, rather than divulge anything which we hold to be sacred and inviolable, so help me God."

This shows that these men mean business, and that they are made of the right kind of material. The Republican representative resolved to feret out one of these men, at least, and after travelling about town and Cambridge for five hours, got the track of one. He was unwilling at first to say anything, but on being assured that his name and identity would be with-held from the public It is a terrible thing when a for the time being, he answered the questions put to him. Among other things, he said: "Yes, we are all supremely in earnest and will accomplish what we have in mind. We shall return to the South where we were born, and have made up our minds to do what all oppressed races and peoples have found it necessary to do, namely, to rid themselves of tyrants and despots. We are determined that this lynching, hanging

and other outrages shall be stopped. 'Are you going to take any colored men in the South into your confidence," was asked.

"Yes sir, we are. There are colored men scattered all over the South who are interrested in the movement. I should really like to give you the names of the places where they are, but, of course, it would not do. You can put it down as a settled and established fact, that a large number of colored men in the South have made up their minds to give up their lives in order to secure the rights that belong to them."

Do you and your associates purpose to start right in and make dynamite and bombs, and if so, how will you manage to take it South without being discovered?

"Yes the plan is to get right at it. We have no time to lose. So far as taking it South, that is easily done. There is not as much danger attached to it as is generally supposed. I think it is prudence to say nothing more at present. The country will hear from us by and by."

TO THAT BOURNE.

John H. Smith, of Baltimore, Md., died May 13th. For the past twentyfive years Mr. Smith conducted a livery. He was a man of good business qualities.

Rev. P. Simco, of Indianapolis, one of the pioneer Baptist preachers of southern Indiana, died at Jeffersonville, Ind., Friday, April 29th. Bonham, Texas, May 13.—Aunt

Celia Stephens, an aged woman died in this city at the ripe old age of110 years. She was born in Virginia in 1782. She claimed to have seen Geo. Washington, and to have helped cook a big dinner for him. Sam Hichman, her former master, carried her to Kentucky, near Bowling Green, where he agreed to sell her. Aunt Celia, hearing of the sale, deliberately took an axe and cut her right hand off, leaving nothing but a stump of the thumb. The trade was broken off. She and the children were afterwards taken to Independence, Mo., and slod to George Stephens, who brought them to this country in 1845. After emancipation Aunt Celia moved to Bonham, and has lived here up to

Jessee Merriwether, a very distinguished colored citizen, died in St. James Old Folks Home, Louisville, last Monday, May 16, aged 84 years.

A Srange Hallucination.

-(hillicothe, O., May 18.-(Special.) -A peculiar case of insanity came up in Probate Judge Bitzer's court yesterday-that of an Afro-American John Hamilton, who hails from Bainbridge, and whose brain is possessed with a strange delusion. He imagines that he is a steam locomotive and keeps a continual puffing, and at times goes through the motions of a steam pump. At the inquest he wan adjudged insane and committed to the asylum.

Annie Turner. Fourth set, Misses Abbie Harvey, Mamie Jackson, Amanda Finch and Ella Bailey. The different manoeuvers these ladies executed elicited applause at every point. Their wheeling and turning was perfect. They were under command of Mr. Robert Rudd and his assistant was Miss Mary Clay. Mr. F. D. Hale came forward on behalf of the young ladies and presented Mr. Rudd with a fine Gold headed umbrella. Miss Jessie Page was presented

with a doll for largest number of tickets by the Ladies' Social Club. By request this drill will be repeated The net proceeds were

Mary Francis Kennedy peacefully away on the 17th and took her flight back to the God who gaveth her. This sainted little Christian, who was known and loved so well, will be greatly missed. She was at the age of 14 years 8 months 19days. She was converted Feb.12, 1891, and joined North street A.M.E. church. She was a faithful Christian, zealous in every good work. She leaves four sisters to mourn her

Four small boys are wanted at once to sell the Plaindealer. We want them to go all over this city with it Saturday and Sunday. We pay them more for selling the Plaindealer than any other paper they can handle. The Plaindealer meets with ready sale and they will have no trouble of disposing of them. Call and see D. Wilborn at once at 260 South Center street for terms.

On June 3rd Rev. A. A. Whitman, of Florida, will lecture at North street church on "Poetry and Art." Admisthemselves of the opportunity to hear this able divine. to hear this able divile.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Simmons, Cleveland, O., arrived in the city a few days ago. They are expecting to make this their future home. Mr. Simmons has charge of the Arcade Hotel dining room. The Bishops of the A. M. E. church

have been invited to hold their ses sion in this city the latter part of June.

Mr. Chas. Payne, of Xenia, was in the city last Sunday.

A large sign hangs in the entrance North Street church With the following inscription on it:-Grand rally first Sunday in June, our debt is \$15. Members and friends will you join in an earnest effort to pay it on that day. The many friends of Miss Eliza Jack-

son, daughter of Edward Jackson, are glad to learn of her convalesence. Paul L. Dunbar, of Dayton, Ohio, lectured at North Street church last Tuesday night.

The coachmen of the city will give a grand picnic at Yellowsprings next

Mr. and Mrs. T. Jones gave a very delightful entertainment in honor of their daughter Amie's 18th birthday. Those present were Misses Gertrude Denny, Josie Nelson, Bell Bailey, Hattie Allen, Miss Ramsey, of Yellowsprings, Stella McGruder, Mamie Jackson, Clide Collier, Clarence Jackson. Willie Wilborn, John Jackson, Navel Thomas Ashby Yates, Fred Smith Nathan Hunt, Robert Allen and Mr. Ramsey, of Yellowsprings. A very enjoyable evening was spent in plays and social games.

We hope our subscribers here will pay up their subscription at once as I want to turn it in to the office. You have had the Plaindealer lor enough to convince you that it is more than worth the amount asked, \$1.00 per year. So please pay me as you see me passing. I have not the time to call on you as would like to. Many are subscribing each day for this valuable journal. Friends please pay up.

Rev. Patewrick Williams, pastor of Second Baptist church, has been invited to accept a call from one of the leading churches of Washington, D. C. Should he decide to go Spring. field would loose one of her ablest divines as his discourses are clear, instructive and forcible. His general law is progressive, but his encouragement here has been at low ebb. In Washington he will have a full sway to meet his zealous am-

Mrs. Jennie C. Corbin, one of our charming society ladies and excellent teachers, has just closed a successful school year at Shelbyville. Ky., and will spend her vacation at home. Her score of friends welcome her, and will lend attention for her en-

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hoak, of Sandusky, was summoned home on account of the serious illness of relatives. Mr. Charles Connor has been bediast for some weeks. Charles has the sympathy of a host of friends, as he was quite popular. The Ivy Leaf Club met at the resi-

dence of J. W. Gazaway Friday May 20th, and elected new officers for the ensuing month. Mr. N. Hunt, president; Miss A. Turner, vice-president; Miss Jane Gazaway, secretary; Mr. F. Smith, assistant secretary : Mr. N. Thomas, treasurer; Critics Miss St. Albin and B. Bailey. After which a literary program was rendered. An comy by Mr. Clyde Collier an address by Mr. Ed. Grant and music by Miss S. McGrauder and St. Albin. A dainty lunch was served.

Mr. E. B. Jackson takes pride in calling his customers attention to the

Platadealer. We have been unable to furnish this on we will endeavor to order building recently donated by a lady without papers. enough to supply all. Call at the in New York.

following places or tell your friends for the Plaindealer: Mr. Z. R. Jackson, barber shop, West High street; Wm. Goosland, the barber, West High street: 260 South Center street. You

can always find them on sale. Rev. R. C. Ransom's book entitled Schooldays at Wilberforce" should meet with a ready sale. Price 75

Misses Abbie Harvey, Susie Thomas and Allice Bass, Mr. Ed. Nelson, D. Jackson and H. Nelson attended the commencement exercise at Selma last Friday night.

Miss Rosie Smith, formerly of this city, now of Pittsburg, Pa., has been called to the bedside of her mother, who is very ill.

Every friend of the Plaindealer should talk it up to their friends as they meet them. A little girl of 12 or 13 years old

is wanted at 260 South Center street.

Mr. J. W. Davis has the leading meat market on South Center street. He can furnish you with almost any

thing you want. Call and see him when your orders are dilled. Mr. Jackson Day always reminds his customers of the Plaindealer when they come in to get their work done

in the shoe line. Miss Rosie Dent, one of our talented young ladies of this city, has been appointed to the clerkship in the auditor's office. She deserves it.

The following are the well known talent who constitute the choir of Wylie chapel M. E. church: Mrs. Han- to no effect. The mob is now at the nah Laud, Mrs. Henrietta Wilborn, jail. Miss Daisy Laud, Miss Nellie White, Miss Ella Williams, Miss Mamie Taylor, Mrs. Laura Toles, Mr. J. W. Haynes, Isajah Squirrel, Howard lynching Charlie Everett at that Pratt. Mrs. Mamie Hale, organist; Mr. P. B. Hill chorister.

Decoration day will be duly observed here on Monday. Springfield Patriarchie will turn out in full uniform.

Mr. Alfred Turner, one of our leading citizens, has one of the finest meat markets in the city. When you attend market don't fail to call at his stand.

Mrs. Mary Petitt, 100 Euclid avenue, who for some years has been in very delicate health, was to-day operated upon very successfully by Drs. Thomas W. Burton and F. W. White. Dr. Burton, the attending physician says that there is great hopes of the patient's recovery.

The political Grits in these parts have been refined and the Negro is not in it. On the home stretch we may prove our ability to pocket the would be winners in our local affair, while as to national trotters, we can rest at ease and vouch a sure score for the winner at Minneapolis, yet we prefer McKinley, as we have no delegate to represent the race from old Clark, we will reserve our kicking until a more opportune time. You can bet we will read the handwriting on the wall at the proper of Tullahoma: "Fifty well armed men

God bless the ashes of our noble boys in blue, our hearts shall be it that the prisoner has not been carthrilled with gladness that we can ried to Louisville, but to another honor their graves by showering flor- Tennessee jail. It is known that if the al gifts as our token of memory; Tullahoma crowd had come here they And one day later we will pour our | would have found willing aid. soul's grief to heaven in behalf of a wronged race whose record for fidelity, patriotism and sobriety equal any race in proud America.

Col. Frank White, of Portsmouth, Ohio, on his annual tour of inspection of the uniform rank of K. of P., was magnificently entertained by our order. A stag banquet was tendered him at the City Hotel and Mr. and Mrs. Black did themselves honor. We are proud of our order of K. of P's, as all of their public demonstrations have been praise worthy and progres-

One consolation in our day of fasting and prayer will be that the Negro will once more be a unit in thought as they were some thirty years ago when in the bonds of slavery. Would that we could be in all race enterprises. It must be thus or the course of prejudice will still wield its power. Negroes must be firm, modest and intelligent in their demands.

New Orleans, La.

New Orleans, La., May 22. -(Special).-At Straight University the school term is now dawning to a close and all of the students in the various grades are taking their final

examinations. Our graduating exercises will be given on the 25th inst. Our graduates are as follows:

Miss Julia E. Lewis, Miss Hattie V. Ferger, Miss Alice Ruth Moor, Miss M. B. Walker, Miss V. C. McArthur, Miss Thekla Crawford, Miss Maria

Demas and Mr. J. M. Pittman. The class day exercises will be on Monday 23, and will consist of the

following program: Pres. address, Miss J. E. Lewis; class history, Miss M. B. Walker; vocal duet, "Come when my love lies dreaming," Misses McArthur and Demass; class oration "Natural aptitudes." J. M. Pittman; class prophesy Miss H. V. Ferger; Piano tion, "What is Time," Miss Lottie Miss J. E. Lewis; class poem "Our future," Miss A. Moore: Duet. "violin and piano" Misses Rochen and Walker; class song Miss Cora Livingston; calisthenics class of 92, words by Miss F. Craw-

ford. The pupils in instrumental music are progressing rapidly under the 1892, at Hudson, N. Y., Mary J. leadership of Miss Paddock. She is Punch. She was an earnest worker, one of the best teachers we have had, a sincere Christian and a faithful Miss Hubbell, our vocal music teacher | member of our order. She was unfis doing all she possibly can to cultivate the voices of her music class. She is excellent, and we always enjoy her instructions. Among some of our best planists are Miss M. B. Walker, B. Rochon, Lucille Hampton,

and Miss Carrie Hunter. A very interesting debate took place in the college room on Saturday last. The discussion of the Bland Bill with the Household of Ruth. For nine A. W. Rice, J. A. Herod and A Wicher on the affirmative, and S. S. Brown, C. Thompson, jr., and H. Thompson on the negative. After a careful consideration the question was decided in favor of the negative.

C. S.B.

The Tuskegee Institute, Tuskegee, Ala., has been very pleasantly surprised by receiving, unexpectedly, a check for \$10,000.00 from a gentleman in New York, for the benefit of our customers with the Plaindealer the institution. This gift is in addi-We run short every week, but from tion to the money for a large new laws. She was rebuilt and sailed

THE BLOODY RECORD.

-Manchester, Tenn., May 19.-(Special.)-Thirty men entered the town at 2:30 this morning and went to the jail and demanded Charley Everett, colored. The sheriff had spirited him away to a barn in the suburbs, but after thirty minutes' search he was found, carried to the railroad bridge just above the town and hanged. The rope broke, and as he lay on the ground below he was riddled with bullets. He was then strung up again and left hanging to the bridge.

After the hanging A. Y. Smith, of Tullahoma, announced himself as the leader and his willingness to assume the responsibility for the deed.

The room of a young lady relative of Mr. Smith at Tullahoma had been entered on Monday night. The Afro-American claimed that robbery was his sole object, but he was not believed.

-Chattanooga, May 19.-(Special.) -A crowd of 1,000 people gathered at the county jail to-night to lynch John Weems, the Afro-American who is charged with attempting to assault Mrs. J. M. Mavity.

The sheriff declared that he had been taken to Nashvi'le, but the crowd was not satisfied, and a committee was appointed to search the iail. They failed to find him. The crowd howled and hooted and continued to demand him. Speeches were made, but

The Afro-American left here at 2 p. m. for Nashville. At Tullahoma a mob of fifty men, returning from place, attempted to take him for a similar purpose, but after the car windows had been smashed with stones he was smuggled through. The greatest excitement prevails

and he will be lynched when brought back. -Atlanta, Ga. May 17.-At Clarksville, at 2 o'clock this morning, a

mob of 200 men broke into jail and took three Negroes, charged with the murder of policeman Carter, at Tocca last week, and hanged them all on one limb of a large oak tree. The Afro-Americans all protested

-At Anniston, Ala.-Three Afro-Americans were lynched last week who were charged with attempted rape

-Nashville, Tenn.. May 20.-(Special.)-Had not Frank Weens. the Negro rape fiend brought here from Chattanooga, for safe keeping, been remoned from Nashville jail early today he would probably have been lynched. Sheriff Holt took him to Knoxville early this morning via Louisville.

Late this afternoon the following telegram was received from citizens anxious to come to Nashville to have Weems. Can you use us?" Rumor has -Chattanooga, Tenn., May

(Special.)-Two dispatches were received here to-day from Nashville offering to follow Chattanooga leaders and lynch Frank Weems, taken from here last night to Nashivile to save him from hanging by a mob. The dispatches were read to a crowd in a saloon, and after speeches and much loud talk it was resolved to wait until the Negro was brought back here to stand a preliminary trial. When that event comes off Judge Lynch will probably determine the case.

Hudson, N. Y. Hudson, N. Y., May 23.-(Special.)

-Mrs. J. H. Teabout of New York. is the guest of Miss B. E. Davis, of this city. Miss Debra Punch, of Athens, was the guest of Miss. Joy Prince last

week. Mr. Fred Hogaboon, of West Ghent,

was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Tucker. Mrs. Albert Dales, of Coxsackie, was

in town last Tuesday. Rev. H. S. Hicks, the former pastor

of the A. M. E. Zion Church, of this city, was in town last week. He has a church in Kingston now, and said that with the aid of the people that city, he would build up his new charg so it will be one of the strongest and best working churches connected with the new State Conference.

The Gold Leaf Club gave their annual concert and variety entertain ment Wednesday evening. It was largely attended and the program was as follows:

Song, "Down on the Farm." Club; recitation, "A Pack of Cards," F. Bohite; duet, "Going to the Woods," Lottie and Cora; recitation, Never Despair." Miss Grimes; guitar duet, Miss Robinson and Mr. Groomer: song, "The Picture that is Turned Toward the Wall," by Club; recita-Jackson: "Black Sir Ralph," Miss G. L. Robinson; Bar Bell Calisthencis; bone solo, Mr. J. Grimes; recitation, hoop; song; scene, "The Levee.

It has pleased Almighty God to remove from our midst on May 4th, versally loved and esteemed. Many will miss her kind voice and her good advice as a sister and a friend. For many years she was taithful and regular in all her church duties. For thirty years she was a member of the A. M. E. Zion church. In all relations of life she will be greatly missed as well as in the church and years she was a member of the Guilding Star Household, No 287 of Hudson. The Household has lost a friend whose interest in its welfare was very great; and whose activity in its behalf was not relaxed, even when sickness had laid its hand upon her. She leaves a large circle of friends to mourn her loss. She was followed to her final resting place

sisters of the order. The steambarge Ella G., of Toledo, was fined \$500 for violating marine

in full honor, by both brothers and

Milwaukee, Wis.

Milwaukee, Wis., May 23.-The Afro. American league met Tuesday even. ing. J. J. Miles was made delegate! to represent the league at the na. tional convention in September.

The Literary met Thursday and transacted the usual routine of business with its usual interesting and intellectual program. There has been a committee ap.

pointe d to arrange a program for the 31st of May, the indications are that the day will be properly observed in Milwaukee.

Two delegates were elected at St. Marks church Sunday, to attend the Sunday school convention in the lat. ter part of June, at Glencoe, Ill. The delegates are, Mr. Jas. Johnson, the superintendent of the Sunday School, and Miss Martha Carter.

Rev. Williamson will attend the dis. trict conference at Glencoe, Ill., in June. An effort is being made to get up a testimonial benefit to Mr. Wm. Cook, the violinist on his return to this city from St. Paul, which will be at an early date.

We were compelled the other day to be a listener to considerable complaint arising from the alleged meth. od used by certain young men to es. tablish and collect for a paper they have recently begun to edit here. It is alleged they have been sending their paper to quite a number of our citi. zens with out having given them an opportunity to say whether they wanted it or not and as a conse. quence when the collector for the paper made his appearance at some paying for a paper that was not wanted, but which was of no avail. Being well acquainted with the young men who edit the paper, we feel certain that there is some mistake con. cerning the matter. We are sure these young men have no desire to force their paper on any one and it will only be necessary for those who have any complaints, to make a state. ment to these gentlemen to have them remedied. They certainly possess enough business sense to know that people must be given an opportunity to say whether they want the paper or not, before they are charged for it.

The Knights of Pythias, Cream City lodge, give an informal social and dance at their hall, on the 7th of June, invitations will be issued only to those whose presence is desired. So far as attendance is concerned it is to be strictly first class and will be the beginning of a series of similar entertainments.

We are sorry to say some of our young men are sadly defelict in their duty toward the Afro-American press. it is allright if their names are in the paper, but otherwise "the paper is no good.' 'and they rarely ever buy one, but sneak around and endeav. or to borrow it.

J. B. B.

St. Paul, Minn

St. Paul, Minn., May 11 .- On the 3rd day of February, 1892, Rev. L Reynolds, of St. Stephens church, Chicago, came to St. Paul to fill out the unexpired term of the Rev. D.P. Brown. At the time of his coming he found the church all torn to pieces by dissenters, on account of the last conference failing to make a change in their pastor. His coming was hailed as an omen of good success for the church, and success it has been.

Rev. Reynolds in the short period of three months has healed all dissatisfactions, and St. James A. M. E. church stands to-day as the great bulwark of African Methodism in the North West. Increase in the congregation from sixty to four hundred and fifty each Sabbath. The Sabbath collections have increased from \$6.00 to \$24.00 each Sabbath. He inaugurate\$d a rally under the management of Mrs. T. H. Lyles, which commenced Monday, May 2nd, and closed Saturday, May 7th; netting in round numbers \$1,050.45, thus eclipsing all previous rallies since the completion vention excepting that of voting. and dedication of the church. He also has had an accession of twentyone members, and the church has assumed the appearance it had the first year of Rev. J. M. Henderson's ad-

ministration. The Rev. Reynolds has had the advantage, of course, of not being an entire stranger to the members of the churches in this section, as four years ago he was pastor of St. Peters | practicable. church, Minneapolis, Minn., having built and completed that church; and upon its completion the Rt. Rev. J. M. Brown say fit to appoint him to the pastorage of St. Stephens at

Chicago. He was well known here and esteemed by all that knew him. He is an affabable, genial gentleman, a thorough Christian minister, an able speaker, a logical reasoner and a great worker for the cause. A brilliant future is predicted for him by those who know him best.

See what can be done when the right man is put in the right place. T.H.LYLES.

Spokane, Wash.

Spokane, Wash., May 14.-It is rum. ored that Jerry Flowers and Ford Wilson, are boasting that in consider. ation of \$250 they have pledged the Afro-American vote of this city to the Democraitc party, and that the ticket made up by that party will receive their support. Such however is not the case. The colored voters, with the exception of five in/ cluding the above named, have en. dorsed and will vote the straight Republican ticket.

Mr. Joseph Burnet and Mrs Jennie Smith were married at the residence of Mr. J. J. Brown, Wednesday April

Members of the John A. Logon club were out in great force last

Miss Jennie Knight, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Knight, died May 3rd aged 12 years and one month. The motion for a new trial in the

case of Charles Brooks, who was found guilty of murdering his white wife. comes up before the Supreme court Thursday.

If you want the Plaindeaerl call on S. H. Harris. guilty of murdering his white wife



OUR LODGE DIRECTORY. OFFICERS OF THE GRAND LODGE JURISDICTION OF OHIO.

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POLAR STAR LODGE MEETS EVery Second and Fourth Tuesday in each month. J. T. F. Carr, C. C. WILSON DIVISION, No. 2, MEETS every Third Thursday in each month. Chas. Sneed.

PROCLAMATION.

Office of Grand Chancellor of Ohio. Under jurisdiction of Supreme Lodge, N. A., S. A., E., A. & A.

Cincinnati, Ohio, May 24, 1892. To the Grand Lodge Officers, Supreme Representatives and Officers of Subordinate Lodges under this Grand Jurisdiction, Greeting. Whereas, By the requirements of

Article VI, Section 1, of the Constitution, the Grand Lodge of this State shall hold its Annual Session on the third Tuesday in the month of June, Therefore, By the power in me vest

ed as Grand Chancellor, the Fifth Annual Session of the Knights of Pythias of this Jurisdiction will convene in the Castle Hall of Pride of West, No. 5, at Columbus, Ohio, on Tuesday, June 21st, A. D. 1892. 1st. Attention is called to Article II, Sections 1, 2 and 3, of the Con-

stitution, relative to returns and

per capita tax. 2. Each Lodge will levy a per capita tax of 50 cents on every member carried on its rolls; and no Lodge will be admitted to representation until the returns are on file and the tax paid, nor will any Grand Reprea antitlad Grand Lodge until his Lodge has fully complied with the Supreme Lodge requirements of the Endowment Law. 3rd. No Lodge shall be represented on the floor of the Convention except by a duly accredited Grand Repre-

Grand Representative be permitted to represent more than one Lodge. 4th. Grand Representatives must be furnished with proper credentials from their representative Lodges. signed by the proper officers. Blank forms will be furnished in due time by H. L. Lewis, Grand Keeper of

Records and seals. 5th. Members entitled to the Past Chancellor's rank, must secure certificates from their Lodges certifying that fact accompanied by the prescribed fee, two dollars. All Past Chancellors must be in possession of their certificate which is issued only

the Grand Lodge. 6th. Past Chancellors will be en titled to the privileges of the Con-Grand Lodge Officers and Delegates are alone accorded the right.

7th, Subordinate Lodges are requested to forward a copy of their returns to H. L. Lewis, G. K. of R. and 8., No. 22 Sherman Ave., by June 14th, 1892.

8th. Each Grand Lodge Officer and Grand Representative will attend the session in full uniform as far as

9th. The Grand Lodge will assemble promptly at 9:30 A.M., organize and appoint committees, and attend to its routine business and will close Thursday with a Grand street parade. There will also be a competitive drill between the Ohio Divisions for the first and second prize given by the Sirs of Pride of the West

10th. All Representatives, Grand

Lodge Officers and visitors intending to be present at the Grand Session will communicate with either of the following committee at Columbus, Ohio; Isaac Scott, 78 N. 3rd street: J. B. Ridgeway, 1028 Leonard street Wesley Griffith, 596 Fultin street Chas. S. Keaton, 100 N. High street; John Adams, 80 E. Town street L. W. Mann, 1219 Franklin street; and C. H. Qualls, N. 20th street, so that places may be secured for them. 11th. On Tuesday evening there will be a grand musical and literary entertainment in honor of the Grand Lodge, also a public dedication of Pride of the West Castle Hall. Wednesday evening public installation of Grand Lodge Officers. On Thursday evening, a competitive drill between the Divisions of the Grand Jurisdiction of Ohio.

12th. The Grand Chancellor extends a cordial invitation to all Supreme and Grand Lodge Officers to be present with us and witness the steady and healthy advancement of the order.

> by order. L. H. WILSON. Grand Chancellor. H. L. LEWIS.

G. K. of R. and S.

Pythian Notes.

-- Syracuse, the home of Damon and Pythias, was the largest and most brother and put arsenic in the teapot which lies in the Mediterranean sea, and drank of the tea and died.

south of Italy. Sicily was a beau. tiful island, separated as it is from the mainland of Italy by the strait of Messina; in surface, it is a most picturesque country and in soil, and climate it has been so richly provided for by nature that the ancients claim. ed that the oxen of the Sun pastured in its rich fields. The Corinthians be gan the famous city of Syracuse about 734 B. C.—The attractive soil, sur. face and climate of Syracuse in. mediately caused the art, sciences and culture of the Greeks to be trans. planted to this beautiful island and such magnificient temples, costly and elegant palaces were erected that their ruins to-day attract the atten tion and admiration of the civilized world. The form of government of Syracuse was at first democratic, but as the city grew in wealth and popu. lation the seeds of discord and dissen. sion were gradually sown, by ambitious and unprincipled men, until internal strife broke out and this gor. ernment "for the people and by the people" was overthrown and a mon. archy and despotism was established in its stead. This discord among the people caused Sicily to become at once the world's greatest battle field and the most powerful armies of the Athenians and Carthagenians were sent against Syracuse in attempt to conquer the city; but after many bat. tles the invaders were driven out and the government maintain d. Some years afterwards, the original foun. First and Third Tuesday night in each ders of the city were expelled, and the sovereign power was again transfer. red to the people, forming again in 480 B. C. a democratic form of gov. houses there was a protest against month. E. B. F. Johnson, Command ernment. Gelon, who had become famous in the recent fusilade against the invaders, was chosen leader by the people, and historians say, he ruled in justice and through his genius all the material interests of the city were advanced. At his death the peo. ple chose to deify him from his faith. fulness to all the people. This brings us briefly, in the history of Syracuse, to the days of Dionysius the tyrant who became next ruler of Syracuse -The Sixth Annual meeting of the

Grand lodge of Ohio, to be held at Columbus June 21-22 and 23, will far surpass any previous session ever held by this body. Pride of the Vest lodge No. 5 at Columbus will spare no pains in the entertainment of its guests. On the evening of the 21st. there will be a public dedication of their Castle hall, an elaborate pio. gram has been prepared. On Wednes. day evening the 22nd there will be a grand concert given under the suspices of the K. of P. band and the Men. delssohn Vocal Club. On Thursday afternoon there will be a grand street parade and in the evening there will be a competitive drill and ban. quet. The sessions of the Grand lodge will be very interesting also, and much can and will be done to advanced the interests of the order at this session.

their Columbus trip. They expect to run the largest Afro-American excursion, that has ever left this city. The Dayton Sir Knights are very enthusiastic over their prospective

-The Knights of Dayton, are mak-

ing extensive preparations toward

camp. Knight Broady, Dayton wishes to know whether each Sir Knight will be required to eat as many baked beans while in camp, as he did while on his

"Eastern tour." -We are very confident that the sentative or Alternate, nor will a Quarter-master, will find it very difficult to provide for some of the Day. ton divisions. He will have to provide a very diminutive tent for Sir. Hart. well and the other exteme for Sir.

Tate. -Inspector General Frank White was in Cincinnati Thursday on offical business with Excelsior and Wilson division. After inspection he was banqueted by the division in royal style at White's hotel. Sixty Sir Knights were seated around the festal board and ate and drank to the health of Inspector General White and Pythianism. The following toasts were responded to: Sir J. F. F. Carr was our toast master. Our guests, Sir A. J. Riggs, Response, Sir. Frank White, Pythianism, Sir Sam. B. Hill, Progress of Uniformed Rank, Sir. S. H. W%son.

-General S. T. Sneed will visit Columbus, May 28 to complete arrangements for the Grand encampment. -Adj. Gen. J. T. F. Carr will visit

tion of Eureka division. New Richmond, O., May 25,- Mrs. Colonel Talley, of Cincinnati, came

Portsmouth, Ohio, Friday for inspec-

up for a short stay, to visit friends Sunday. Mrs. Julia Collins and Mrs. Jackson, are still on the sick list. Mr. Jerome Washington, cook on

the Telegraph, stopped off Sunday to visit relatives and friends. Mrs. Lee Burrel-left Sunday on the evening train to visit friends and relatives in Cincinnati.

Mr. Samuel Washington left May 18th, for Columbus, on business. Miss Lonetta Houston is visiting friends and relatives in Cincinnati this week.

Mrs. James Caldwel died May 24th, of old age. Miss Ella Platt was called to Cincinnati by the illness of her mother

Walnut Hills. -The Rev. E. R. Copton of St. Louis, is the guest of Mr. Thos Tyler, of Whitlow street.

-Seaborn Smith, colored, was hanged at Covington, Gas, May 20th for an assault upon a colored girl. Smith's victim was Leila Akin, a pretty girl only fifteen years old. He started with the girl in a buggy to a church entertainment, but they never reached there. The next day the girl was found wandering about in the woods. where, she said, Smith had assaulted her, after soliciting her to marry him and being refused. The Afro-Americans were so enraged that they attempted to lynch Smith, but white men came to his rescue. He was tried and convicted. Thousands were in town to-day to assure themselves

that the sentence was carried. -Harriet Smith,, not quite four cen years old, was convicted May 20th at Easton, Md., for murder in the second degree. She quarreled with her powerful city of the island of Sicily, for him. Her father came home first,

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Church Directory.

Inion Baptist Church, Mound and Bichmond Streets. Morning services, 11 a. m. Sunis recaped, 9.3) a. m. Evening service, 7.3) p. m Prayer meeting, Monday night. Willing Workers, Tuesday night.

grown Chapel, Park Avenue and Chapel, Walnut Hill. Morning service, 11. a. m. Sunlar school, 9.35. Evening service, 7.30. Rev. Charles Bundy, Pastor. Joseph L. Jones, Superistendent sunday school.

Allen Temple, A. M. E. Church, Sixth and Br. adway. J. W. Gazaway, Pastor. General grayer meeting, 6. a. m. Sunday school, 9. a m. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 8.30 p. m. Y. M. CA meeting, 3.30 p. m. Class meetings, Sunday, 1 p. m. and Tuesdays at 8 p. m. Official m-eting. Wednesday, 8 p. m. General prayer on Tuesdays, S p, m, Public generally are in ried to attend.

Lon Baptist Church, Ninth Street, near Jan Street, Rev. A. W. Puller, Pastor. Morning service, 11 a. m. Sunday school, 9.30 a. m. Evening a rvice, 7.30 a, m. General prayer merting, Wednesday, 8 p. m. Literary society Monday, Sp' m,

PERSONAL MENTION.

-E. T. Sherman and Rev. Jackson, of Dayton, were in the city last Satarday circulating among friends. -The Ladies' auxiliary society will give a tea at the residence of Mrs. pr. Jared Carey, next Wednesday

evening. The public are respectfully invited to attend. Mrs. Mattie Harding, nee Homer, s the guest of her brother, Prof. thas, D. Homer, of Cumminsville. -Mrs. Geo. W. Marshall, of New

York city, is in the city, the guest of er relative, Mrs. Julia Rice, of West The A. P. A. lodge, of this city, will give a grand pienic at the Look-

est house next Thursday night. -W. S. Tisdale made a flying trip to Louisville, Ky., last Sunday. -Mrs. M. V. Lovelle, of Chat-Saturday after a pjeasant visit in the city the guest of Mrs. Wm. Cope-

The many friends of Mrs. Dr. Eugene Cox, of Elmwood, will be pleased to learn that she is slowty convalescing.

Garnett lodge, No. 8, will give an all day outing at Woodsdale Island park, on July 13th. Mrs. Francis Clark left last Wed-

nesday for Charleston, W. Va., where she will spend a few months, the guest of her parents.

Rev. Harris, of Boston, Mass., delivered a very profound discourse from the rostrum at Zion Baptist church last Sunday night. Rev. Hartis is the guest of Rev. A. W. Puller. while in the city. He will probably be called by the branch, established from First Baptist church of Walnut

-The Willing Workers of Union Baptist church will give a concert next Wednesday evening.

-Mr. Robert Ellison has returned to the city after spending several weeks with his mother in Richmond.

-Mr. William Lawrence, of Middlelown. O., is in the city for a few days the guest of his brother, Mr. lalayette Lawrence, of George street. Mr. George O'Dannon, Humprey Dixon, Joseph Whalen and a number of others attended the dedication of the Baptist church at Glendale, O., last Sunday.

Mrs. William Mayo and son, of rankfort, Ky., are visiting Mrs. Ida Harding, of Oliver street.

Mr. Mordicai Yeizer, of Hot Springs. Ark., was the guest of his sister Mrs. Osbert Early the past

^{Mr.} Joseph Kelly and Hezekiah Breat left Monday for Indianapolis, and Chicago.

Mr. Wm. Stewart of Louisville, hy., passed through the city Friday n route to Philadelphia. He was

the guest of Mr. Edgar I. Watson. Gant will sympathize with her in the large for publication. loss of her daughter Sarah, who died Saturday and was buried Tuesday from Union Baptist church.

Mrs. Sarah Hagerman, left last Monday for Chicago where she will spend several months visiting friends. Col. R. G. Shaw Post No. 580 A. R. will hold its memorial arvices May 29th at 2:30 p. m. at Zion Baptist church, Sermons by Rev-Pends A. W. Puller and Rev. J. F. Morejand. An oration will be deliver-"d by Mr. C. C. Lewis, "Teaching our Traint generation the Cost of Lib-

Mr. Thos. L. Smith. General fihttp://iol agent of the general assoation, of the Western States and fritories of Keokuk, Iowa.is in the

A delightful soirce was given last solay evening by "The 9." a social th. as a token of the high esteem which the president Attorney harles Doll is held by the club. In arther appreciation of their high reards, he was presented with an gant gold charm, beautifully ineribed with the names of the members of the club. The presentation ras made by Miss Carrie Simonton, The also read an original poem. Mr. holl responded in a few well chosen marks. A dainty supper was served, after which the assemblage indulged Sterla were present: Miss Ida Toles, o

Louis V. Doll. A. S. Hill, Ernest Osative. The members of the club are as follows: Mrs. Ida Copeland, Mrs. J. F. Slater. Misses Alma Monore. Carrie Simonton, Susie Dunlap, Messrs Ernest Troy, Charles Dunlap, Tom. D.

Hill, John Plumb and George Shelton. -Mr. Wm. M. Porter, the popular undertaker, will attend the annual meeting of the Ohio undertakers, at Columbus, next week. Mr. Porter is the only Afro-American member in the

May 31. -Miss Bertie, of Paris, Ky., is in

the city the guest of friends at 18 Perry street.

-James M. Vena, of St. Louis, passhe has been several days on business. -Mr. Charles Doll, the only Afro-American graduate of the Cincinnati Law school, succeeded in passing a very excellent examination last week and was given a diploma at the commencement exercises last Wednesday evening. He left Thursday for Columbus to be sworn in by the Supreme court. Mr. Doll will locate at his home in Chillicothe, Ohio.

-Mrs. Eliza Page has returned from where she attended General Confer-

-- Talmage Scott, T. Allen and C. Williams, of Columbus, are in the city, -B. J. Palmer, of Lynn, Mass., is in the city, the guest of Dr. 8, R. the Taylor adjustable shoe manufacturing company.

-The Ideal Social club gave a reception last night at Wueblers hall. Troy, Cyrenins Grandison, and Capt. Fuil report next week.

-Mr. and Mrs. Boswell Churchill gave a tea for Mr. and Mrs. Blackburn and Mrs. Harrison Clark, last Tuesday evening at their residence, 322 Court street. A number of the friends were present and an enjoyable time was spent. The following able contributions of Plutarch and Harrison Clark, Missess Helen Blackburn, Mary Harris, Lillie Finley, Mary Mass., Messrs, F. C. Coleman, N. E. uel Frey, and Mr. Richardson.

Walnut Hill Notes.

of this column. --Mr. Pedro Whitlow while roofing a house in Avondale last week, fell and it was reported was seriously in tanooga, Tenn., left for her home last and it was reported, was seriously in-

jured, but his injuries are not so serious as at first thought to be. No bones were broken and we hope to see him improve rapidiy. -Miss Lulu Anderson, of Washington, C. H. has returned to her home.

-The Wajnut Hills Mutual Improvement circle have resolved to adopt the Chautauqua system of reading. zation be public instead of private, much good might be done.

-- Miss Laura A. Wells sang in Lexington, Ky., last week, where she added another star to her crown. -The Jennie Jackson concert company leaves this week for a short

tour through the State. spent a few days among his relatives

on the Hill last week. -Mr. Stiens, of Xenia, is the guest of Mr. Ed. Washington, of Westminister avenue.

-At the concert at First Baptist church, under the auspices of the Golden Leaf Club last Wednesday evening, quite an interesting program was rendered. Thirteen dollars and fifty cents was cleared.

The First Baptist Sunday school realized \$21.30 from their punch cards. Miss Lucille Edwards received the first prize, a beautiful gold ring, Mr. Elwood Ferguson the second. a gold dollar.

--Another U. B. F. lodge was made by Grand Master A. J. DeHart May 17. This young todge is working under a special dispensation for twenty days. The usual fee has been reduced. -Surprise party was tendered Mr. and Mrs. John Webb, Sr. last Monday

evening, by their many friends, that being the twenty-seventh year of their matrimonial bliss. A handsome silver tea set was presented to them, the presentation speech being made by Mr. Jos. L. Jones. Miss Ella Miller read a very interesting paper upon "Marriage," followed by remarks from Elders Darnell and Parker. The list of friends who gathered at the residence The many friends of Mrs. Elizabeth of the son. Mr. John Webb, Jr., is too

-Miss Ida Towjes was entertained last Thursday evening by Missess Minnie and Lillian Armstrong.

-The Wajnut Hills temperance society, which meets every Sunday afternoon at Brown chapel church is doing a grand work in presenting the evils of intemperance to the young people of the Hill. A very interesting program is rendered at each meet-

-Mr. Wm. Milton, barber at Elmwood and Chapel streets is out again. but a little lame, from his fall from a jadder last week.

-Mr. Charjes Dunjap and sister, M'ss Susie Dunjap, of Avondale gave a party in honor of Mr. Charles Doll. of Chillicothe, Tuesday evening.

-The Condors, our invincible base any amateur nine in this or adjoining counties. Last season they suffered no defeat. Challenges can be sent to half club will receive challenges from, Mr. Lowfr Todd, No. 100 Chap 1 street. Wajnut Hills.

Their Anniversary.

-Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dunlap request the pleasure of your company at the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage Tuesday evening, May 17th, from six until ten

In response to the above neat inin the light fantastic. The following vitations a large circle of the friends preparing to meet out to the offender cause a revocation of this unjust

Xenia, Mrs. Isaac Troy, Misses at the Asylum last Tuesday evening fenses receive, when the woman is Ida Liverpool, Lulu B. and Ernestine to welcome them upon the arrival of white and the man colored. Now that dice that promises to grow alarm-Ray, Dr. Ida Gray, Hulda Abrams, the twenty-fifth year of their mar- the reverse is true we suppose the ingly unless we meet it and combat it Ella Miller. Messrs Wm. Copeland, riage, and bid them "Bon Voyage." The presents were many and very lorn, Walter Stanton (yrenius Grandi elegant and costly. A beautiful tea son and the Plaindealer representa- set of frosted silver five pieces with initial letters engraved, elegant candelabra, silver cup lined with gold, souvenier spoon, mustache cup composed some of the presents. The tables were spread loaded with all the delicacies of the season to entertain the epicurean. The bride and groom were seated during the evening in the west parlors of the institution. The bride was attired in white lace over heliotrope. The groom was attired in the conventional diagonal. After supper the guests repaired to -Go to mass meeting Tuesday night the school-room of the asylum and were highly entertained musically by Mrs Jessie Slater, Miss Susie Dunlap and Mr. Chas. Dunlap. An original poem, dedicated to the bride and groom was read by the author, Mrs. ed through the city last Monday en Reed, extending from the courtship route from Washington, D. C., where days to the twenty-fifth anniversary of the happy couple, after which those who felt inclined tripped the light fantastic until the wee sma' hours of morn. Among those present we noticed Mr. and rs. T. M. Troy, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Boone, Mr. and Mrs Chas. Schooley, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Henderson, Mrs. and Mrs. Warren King, Mr. a ndMrs. E. I. Watson ren King, Mr. and Mrs. E. I. Watson. Mr. and Mrs. Thaddeus Bramlette. Mrs. Wm. M. Porter and her daughter, Jennie Margaret Slater, Jessie a very pleasant trip to Philadelphia, Slater, Mrs. A. S. Thomas and daughter Alice, Mrs. Percival Triplett. Mrs. Ann Baltimore, Mrs. Thos. Ward, Mrs. S. D. Easton and daughter Alice, Mrs. W. A. Brown, Misses the guests of Mrs. Nicholas Alexander. Lou B. Ray, Ernestine Ray, Ida M. Towles of Xenia, Blanche and Ida Liverpool, Marie Kenner Maggie and Rice. Mr. P. is a representative of Louise Clark, Carrie Simonton, Zelia Ward, Alma Monroe, Messrs J. C. F. Anderson, L. H. Wilson, Lou and Charles Doll, John Plumb jr., Ernest

HERE AND THERE.

Ford Stith.

-The Plaindealer is without quesion the brightest, newsiest, and best edited Afro-American Journal published in the United States. The valuwere present: Mr. and Mrs. Black- Judge Tourgee are alone worth many burn, Mr. and Mrs. Williams, Mrs. times the price of the paper \$1.00

-Every Afro-American should con-L. Pope, and Amy Carter, Rev. A. sider it his indispensable duty to sub-W. Puller, Rev. Dr. Harris, of Boston, scribe and pay for some Afro-American journal. Other races do this and Smith, C. E. Alexander, C. H. Hunt, there are hundreds of Germans who N. H. Lloyd, P. H. Hardaway, Sam- never read any other than a German newspaper-this is worthy of imita-

-"Who doubts, if the pulpit was -Quite a number of Hill notes did what it stands for, that in this land not appear in our last week's issue, oppression would cease, immorality but the fault was not of the writer and intemperance vanish and justice reign? Surely not the Christian. How can purity, truth and justice

The last Grand Jury failed to indict Peter Bender, a member of the Board of Education from the Fifth ward, who some weeks ago shot and nearly killed a colored man in his (Bender's) saloon. The victim's wounds were at first pronounced fatal, but through a miracle he recovered. He was bound over by Judge Gregg to await the Should the meetings of this organi- action of the Grand jury, his bond was fixed at \$2,000. The Grand Jury ignored the case. The same jury could not find testimony sufficient to make a case against (harles Winans (white) of West Lock- | Prince.

land, who was arrested by the Law and Order League, of that place, on the charge of adultery, and bound -Mr. Preston Langley, of Dayton, over by the Mayor, his bond being fixed at \$500.

-The continual lynching of Negroes in the South should urge upon us the growing necessity of the observance of the 31st of May as a day of fast and prayer. Let the business places conducted by Afro-Americans be closed during the morning services from 10 to 12, and in the evening. Let all ask from their employers, the privilege of attending the morning services. Let the schools be closed and the teachers impress upon the minds of the pupils the cause and urge their attendance at the services of the day. Let the ministers urge upon their congregation the necessity of lending their voices in prayer and supplica-

-The County Commissioners have utterly refused to give the recognition that is due to the Afro-American vote in this county. This action of theirs may tell in the vote this

on the police force. Among the num ber are Harry L. Leonard, F. S. Magee, Martin B. French, Wilson Harris and William Harding, all very

well known in the city. -Let us all, saint and sinner, offer up our humble petitions to the Creator of the universe, that he may look in tender mercy upon the miserable condition of the Negro of the South.

-The pastors of the several churches will announce from their pulpits the order of services for Tuesday. The grand mass meeting at night should be well attended. Good speaking and music will be in attendance.

-We would not presume to advise with a body of men whose individual judgment can be commended in as many particulars as the board of trustees of the Orphan asylum .But they could not make a more serious mistake than in the selection of a superintendent, not calculated to meet the demands of the occupants of the institution. No superintendent will be entirely free from criticism, and the board knowing the value of the present superintendent and his family means possible to induce him to remain. Any change, whatever, will embarrass both occupants and institution for a time and may result for ter. Personal matters and the interests of friends should not infin. ence the selection, but the good of the orphans.

-We notice in the Cincinnati Post. of Tuesday, an account of an assault upon a young colored girl by a white of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dunlap gathered the same kind of justice that like of edict.

Governor may possibly discover some hitherto obscure technicality in the law which will authorize him to call ligiously, morally, physically and inout the State militia to quell the riot and protect the whites.

Delayed Personals.

-The A. P. A. lodge in the city will give a picnic at the Lookout house on Thursday, June 2nd. The committee promise good music which will prove a drawing card.

-The Afro-American ladies auxiliary society will give a tea at the residence of Mrs. Dr. Jared Carey, planet Mars. Kenyon avenua, on Wednad ye eding June 1st. The public are cordially in. vited to attend.

-Mrs. Julia Howard, of this city, who for some time has been employed on the New Mary Houston, died sud. denly while on duty on May 9th, near Greenville, Miss., from which place her remains were shipped to this

-Garnett lodge K. of P. will give their all day outing at Woodsdale Island park on July 15th.

-Mr. William West after a brief

trip to New Orleans, has returned -Last Monday evening was very pleasantly spent at the house of Mrs. Julia Broadel, where Miss Sallie Pry. or entertained in honor of the strangers who are in our midst, Miss

Lulu Anderson, of Washington, and Miss Ida Towles, of Xenia, Miss Anderson presided at the piano and until the small hours of morning she delighted those present with many beautiful selections.

Elder Robert G. Mortimer spent a few hours on the Hill this week. -The sick list includes the names of Mrs. Eld. Parker, Mr. Edmund

Jones, and Mrs. Jos. Hunster. -- The Young People's Aid society, and auxiliary to the First Baptist church is doing a fine work despite the many occurences which have tended to discourage them. By their efforts several hundred dollars has been raised, and last Monday evening their treasury was again increased by the receipts from the concert on that

-Mr. Wm. Milton, barber, corner Chapel and Elm, fell from a step-ladder last Tuesday evening and injured

-A lively blaze was discovered in the cellar of Porter Block at 322 Court street, last Wednesday evening at 9:45; the blaze might have been troublesome had it not been for the immediate efforts on the part of Boswell Churchill and others in putting

Lockland and Wyoming.

One of the most assignment occasions of the season was the marriage of Miss Bettie Waller to Mr. Thomas Pond and Mrs. Sarah Arnold to Mr. William Jack, which occurred Monday evening at the residence of Mrs. Eliza Merritt.

The ceremony was impressively conducted by Elder C. H. Hughes, of Warsaw, Ky., After the congratulations a splendid wedding supper was served. The happy couple were the recipients of many useful and elegant presents.

A large number of friends and relatives were present. Among them were noticed: Elder L. Estill and wife, from Loveland; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Walter, Mrs. Jennie Bass, Miss Lizzie

-At the rally held in the Maple St. Christian church Sunday the sum of

\$43 was realized. -The Baptist church in Glendale was dedicated Sunday and quite a number of persons from here were in attendence. Rev. Wm. Jackson, Mr. Louis Ray, Mr. and Mrs. DeBrad, Miss Mamie Odren, Miss Hamilton and several others were there, and all enjoyed the meetings.

-The members of Maple St. Christian church give a concert tonight for the benefit of the church. Admission 10 cents. The members are striving to decrease the debt of their church, and they earnestly desire the assistance of friends in accomplishing

-Between seventy-five and eighty people attended the meeting at Love

-Mr. Abram Perkins is an applicant for the position of night watchman. We hope he will be successful.

-There is a certain young man in our town, who has at last, after many unsuccessful attempts, succeeded in getting the company of a young again. lady. Good boy! Perseverance wins every time.

-The "electric light" in Chicago seven and one-half miles high, is Venus the evening star. We hope that it is known by this time, and we desire to inform those who are in the dark concerning it. Don't believe everything vou hear.

-Subscribers, please be ready for the agent when he comes to see you,

The Separate Coach. To the Editor of the Plaindealer:-

In the bright and glaring noonday of the Nineteenth century where intelligence is supposed to wield the scepter of thought, one stands surprised and amazed at the retrograde actions of the members of the legislature of Kentucky, in the passage of the "Separate coach act." Heretofore we have admired the

grand old commonwealth, her towering spires on her many edifices of learning. Her classical and theologichiselled form of her beautiful wo men. The generous and hospitable characteristics of her inhabitants. The boasted pride of the gallantry of her men all pale and fade into insignificance when we consider this crownthe worst, though made for the bet. on its colored citizens. We were in part prepared to hear that States like Tennessee and Texas had donned the habilliments of ignorance and superstition and had reversed the dial plate on the clock of progress, but we are astonished at Kentucky and tremble for its future when we think boy at Nashville, Tenn., which also of the aroused spirit of its Negro states that a race war is imminent. citizens who will yet assert their The colored people of Nashville are manhood and their intelligence and

We are confronted with a prejuin an intelligent manner. What we need is a thorough education, retellectually. Instead of wearing a long shining stove-pipe hat and smoking cheap cigars and going to picnics and joining secret societies, we must

brain with good common sense; It is not necessary that we know the name and location of the planets, nor understand the rules of trigonometry, neither is it necessary for us to know the amount of vitalized air we would consume if living on the

We should use every energy in our possession in cultivating race pride, in accumulating wealth and intelligence, and in beating backward the vices of ignorance, sin and supersti-

We believe that the meeting to be held in this city on the 31st of this month will mark an era in the future of the race as we join with the masses of this nation in stating our grievances. We also hope that the meeting called by Messrs Rudd, Hunter and others to convene here on July 4th and 5th will bring together the representative men of the race and in the multitude of counsel measures may be suggested and acted on that will tend to the amelioration and preservation of the race.

L. H.W. Cincinnati, O., May 23.

The Calico Hop. -The Iolanthe Social Club organized for the purpose of advancing the knowledge of its membership in the terpsichorean art gave a "Grand ('alico hop,' "as a fit closing for the season's meetings. The meetings of the class have been instructive as well as intensely entertaining and there was not a member of the club probably, but feels keenly a sense of regret that the end should come.

A more congenial, pleasant and seemingly happy gathering could not have assembled than those who attended the closing entertainment. The countenance of each seemingly ordered at 10 p. m. 'To on with the dance. Let joy be unconfined."

The ladies were all handsomely attired in very stylish costumes. The Gentlemen wore the full dress. The music as furnished by Prof. Hamilton's orchestra was excellent. Among those present were, Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Harlan; Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Alexander; Mr. and Mrs. John Thomas; Mrs. A. H. Henderson; Mrs. Chas. Graham. Mrs. Julia Ford; Misses Blanche and Ida Liverpool; Lulu B. and Ernestine Ray: Carrie Simonton; Cora Turner: C. B. Garrett; Hulda Abrams: Dr. Ida Gray.

Messrs Dr. Frank Johnson, of Columbus, Ernest Osburn, of Cl v 1 nd. A. S. Hill, Harry G. Ward, James A. Allen, John C. F. Anderson, Ed-Blackston Rankins Henry W. Forte, Charles Hillman. Woodson Douglass, Mr. Shanklin and the Plaindealer.

Findlay, Ohio.

Findlay, O., May 23.—Next Thursday evening, our spring fair will commence at the church. The ladies will spare no pains to make it a success. We were all glad to see Mrs. A. French able to be out and take her place at the head of the choir Sunday Mr. Albert French is on the sick

Mr. C. H. Johnson has torn away

the largest portion of his house and is preparing to build a new one. Miss Marceline Hopewell is spending a few weeks in North Bajtimore. with a sick friend of her mother's. Mr. James King who has been employed at the Carleton house left for Tojedo Saturday, to take a posi-

The lyceum has a good program for Tuesday night. The question for debate being Resolved that more men are saved through fear than through hone, T. A. York and H. Woodson, affirmative, T. J. Bond and G. Johnson negative.

tion on the railroad.

Mr. B. Floid was tried before Judge Johnson, for stealing a diamond pin and was given one year in Columbus. He was taken to his home this morn-

The Sunday school finished their election of officers and teachers Sun-

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FRIDAY, MAY 27, '92.

The Detroit Tribune, in speaking of the trouble in Wyoming, says

It is high time some one took summary steps for the restoration of peace in Wyoming. If the state troops are not sufficient for the purpose then the U.S. soldiery should be entrusted with the job. The present situation, even if due allowance be made for exaggerations in telegraphed reports be made, is worse than disgraceful. The merits of the dispute are not to be considered in this connection. The suppression of murderers is what is wanted and wanted quickly. It is just as possible to enforce the laws in Wyoming as elsewhere and it must be done. It is quite probable the Tribune

doesn't claim to be consistent, but the above statement is entirely at variance with all former views. It has been a disciple of the popular quasi-republicanism, which believes the state is sovereign so long as it is not in rebellion. And no matter how many murders are committed, or in what state of lawlessness the people may be, the general government can only look on and feel bad. The disorders that have reigned in Wyoming are respectable, yea christian, beside the hell of horrors that has reigned in Arkansas, Alabama and Tennessee, states that have fostered such barbarities that the civilized world wonders at it. Yet the Tribune has not suggested that government troops be used to suppress murder. On the contrary the Tribune is on record as being against the national government having any thing to do with it. The Plaindealer has always contended that, were the victims of these outrages white men, the national government would soon find power in the constitution to restore law and order.

What man can now deny that had the prominent men of the race wrapped their jealousy in a mapkin and helped to make the Afro-American league a success, that it could not do a world of good in relieving the suffering of homesteaders now in Ok-

The M. E. conference in Omaha, did not elect an Afro-American bishop, but they put their emphatic seal of condemnation on "jim crow cars" and lynchings, and this course if persistently pursued will be of more value than a bishop would have been. When the silence of the white christian church, in the face of these crimes against civilization, is considered, one has to stop and think whether this religion is a divine institution established by Jesus Christ, or a creation of men to devise the most popular mode of worship.

"The Battle Hymn of the Republic," seems to the Plaindealer a song eminently suited to the meetings to be held May 31st. There is no false sentimentality about it, no assertions that breathe a mockery. Besides it is soul inspiring, and breathes an exalted patriotism. Another hymn, fit companion, for Afro-Americans to sing at this time, when murder and outrage and denial of rights press hard upon him is Bishop W. F. Mallalieu's "Hymn of faith and hope." It is adapted to the present needs of the Afro-American in the South, and the Plaindealer reproduces it here:

1. Eternal God above, Reveal to us thy love, Inspire our song; Uplift us by thy might, Defend and guard the right, To us in darkest night Thy grace prolong. 2. We wait the coming day That sweeps all shames away,

And crowns the right; Break the oppressor's arm, Save every soul from harm, Let tempests change to calm. Let there be light! 3. Our fathers cried to thee,

And thou didst set them free: With outstretched hand; Great God! once more arise, Subdue our enemies While lawless outrage flies.

Far from this land. 4. With steadfast hearts and brave. Knowing that God will save The good and true: Joyous we march along,

Heaven echoes back our song, Jehovah smites the wrong, Day dawns to view.

The object of the National Citizen's Rights association are twofold, vis: 1. To remedy an undeniable wrong. 2. To obviate or prevent a danger of unprecedented magnitude to the Re-

The wrong is the denial of the rights and privileges of the citizens of the

that the denial of these rights will be the cause of the most cruel struggle ever witnessed by mankind. It cannot be doubted that there is sufficient reason or cause for such an organization, neither can it be doubted that the conditions of things in the South warrant an impending crisis. The present year has been one of bloody and inhuman murders. Its record puts to blush the bloody period of any history, and if continued is absolutely certain to breed internecine strife, for human nature can not submit to such great wrongs without an effort at retaliation. How are these things to be remedied and the danger prevented? The idea of the originator seems to be to arouse the sympathy of the liberty loving people of the country by frequent recital of the loyalty of the Afro-American to the Republic in the time of need, the wrongs under which he suffers, and of others whose opinions are not in harmony with those of the controlling political party. Then he shows the civilization of the South, how it was built up, and the motives that control their thought of to-day. He writes plainly and forcibly, in denunciation of wrong, he calls a spade a spade, and does not gloss over with a sickly sentimentality the evils of our day. He argues that a protest from millions of the people in the Republic against its wrongs would do much to correct them, hence the organization of the National Citizen's Rights association founded by Judge Albion W. Tourgee. Garrison and Phillips denounced the

AND THE RESIDENCE OF THE SECOND SECOND

constitution as a league with satan and a covenant with hell. John Brown tried to create a revolution. All these things were necessary then to bring the people of the country to the true realization of the strength and audacity of the slave power. These men sought to abolish elavery. Its extinction and the citizenship of the slave were complements. Naturally without the proper safeguard surrounding the new citizen arose the evils that now exist and Judge Tourgee and the Citizen's Rights association sprung into the breach to try to remedy them, and prevent the evils which will arise. No violent measures are talked of. Judge Tourgee tries to put himseff in the place of an intelligent self-respecting Afro-American, and with a commendable degree of success he depicts his feetings and tells them to the world. He is gathering under the wings of the association all classes of citizens by the thousands, irrespective of race or party. They are people who love liberty, and who think its preservation worth something. Hence it is that Judge Tourgee deserves to be ranked among those men who suffered so much for the abolition of slavery for his present work of elevating citizenship. It is this work that certain of our race writers denounce as "Tourgeeism," and who, while they profess to love and honor the man, condemn his methods. The two are inseparable. The work makes the man, and such work is indispensible to the race and will fittingly supplement the efforts of the race itself toward its own betterment. Oh! that there were more like him, ready to use their voice and pen for the preservation of the Nation's liberties!

To make the meetings of May 31st a success, each individual should endeavor to be present at them. He should show by his presence his sympathy for the oppressed, and his willingness to do something towards alleviating wrongs.

The hardest kind of earnest work is necessary to settle the race problem, and by far the greater share must fall on the Afro-American. Self help is the greatest of helps, and the race must use every effort to develop itself. The organisations of the race, and the effort of individuals must be encouraged and supported. The Leagues, The Unions, Associations, and efforts of any nature whose object is the race's betterment should receive earnest support. And while our efforts and support go out in this direction, with friendly eye we should look upon all the efforts of those who seek to create a healthful opinion amongst others in our favor.

Something in the air of Denver, seems to be auspicious for Afro-Amercan journalism. It is within the past two months that both the Statesman and Colorado Exponent enlarged, and both seem to have a good run of advertising patronage, for which, if they secure good rates, must make us fellow in this section green with envy. In addition to these journals the Denver Exponent now makes its appearance, and The Statesman exhibits further signs of progress by having a new head that is patterned a ter The Plain 'e lir'...

It is gratifying to the Plaindealer to observe that certain journals formerly opposed to the Afro-American League methods now admit that the success of all such organizations. and of the Afro-American, is dependent upon the efforts of the Afro-

is why it has been so persistent in urging the people to take hold of the League's methods. While the efwith us to his satisfaction, the Plain. dealer management has pursued its accustomed way in publishing the greatest, cheapest, cleanest, newsiest and best paper ever published by Afro-

The first page of the Message, of Brooklyn, N. Y., has the appearance of a first class newspaper in its get

The American Citizen is a very breezy paper, in fact, the characteristics of n more is made manifest on its columns.

The Freeman, to make its political attitude one of certainty to its readers announces that it will support the Republican state and national

Far greater results would probable be arrived at' if those having in charge the mass meetings to be held May 31st, would appoint their com in the beforehand so forts of The National League have not met with a brilliant success, the Plaindealer is pleased to observe that many local and State Leagues have proved of great benefit. In fact, the convention at Chicago in 1890 can be commission to Mr. Parham, of Cin. cinnati, as one whose after results

The readers of The Statesman, who are not likewise readers of the Plaindealer, must wonder if, after the weekly Phillippics delivered at the Palindealer for the past two months. The Plaindealer is still in business. In fact --ditor in his office has been wiping the sweat from his forehead after using his mental pabulum in mopping up the earth that they may commence their work

have produced more than ten cents

worth of good to the Afro-American.

The Conservator presented a decided improvement last week.

ED. Last Call. This is the last issue of the Plaindealer which will be sent to those who are in arrears for their sub-

scriptions. The Plaindealer, in its improved form, costs heavily and we can't possible carry subscribers who are not willing to contribute their share to the upbuilding of the paper.

At \$1.00 per year the margin of profit is small and all can afford to pay promptly.

We want 5,000 new subscribers and we are going to get them. You can help us in two ways.

First. By the prompt payment of your own subscription, and Second. By getting a friend to subscribe. He will like the paper. Help us make the Plaindealer the largest, brightest, best and cheapest paper published. Will you do it?

All persons having charge the meetings for May 31st should write to Judge Tourgee at Mayville, New York, and secure blanks for membership in the National Citizens' Rights association. There should be at least 200,-000 names go to swell the list which has already passed a million.

Let Judge Tourges know that we are doing our best to further his noble efforts in the cause of freedom. Some one should do this immediately. it but do it yourself. Don't wait for some one else to do'

"The Battle Hymn of the Republic" should also be put in every seat to be sung instead of "America."

Let every Afro-American observe May 31st. If there be no meeting you can attend, pray for the success of those being held. If there be a meeting in reach of you attend it by all means and have your name enrolled in the National Citizens' Rights

Dr. Merchant Wins.

-New York, May 20.-(Speciali)-Dr. William T. Merchant, the Afro-American physician, who came to New York from his home in West Virginia over a month ago, to take a course of lectures in the Post-Graduate Medical school in East Twentieth street, was admitted to the school last week. Dr. Merchant is the man who, as was told in The Plaindealer a short time ago, was kept waiting over a month before the faculty of the Post-Graduate school could decide to admit a colored physician to the privileges of the achool.

Dr. Merchant sought the advice of Col Robert Ingersoll, who was authorized to take the case into the courts if necessary.

When Dr. B. St John Roosa, the president of the school, received Col. Ingersoll's letter, the next faculty meeting was not so slow in forming a decision, but Dr. Merchant was asked to show his certificate before becoming a student. He had been invited to come to the school by its secretary, Dr. Clarence C. Rice, and in the correspondence no request for his diploma had been made. A physi-

cian said yesterday: "That was rather an unusal proceeding, as I don't believe the doctors' diplomas are asked for half the time. They didn't think of doing so waiting a little longer. It was nothing but a mild form of persecution."

it was nearly a month and a half of Afro-American journalism. We are says that the students, with scarcely an exception, treat him as a gentle. man, and that he can find no fault with the way in which he is received by the other medical men who are members of the school. Dr. Rice at one time stated that owing to the large number of Southern physicians in the school the presence of a colore dman would be likely to breed trouble and cau e many to leave. Su h. however, does not see mto be the case.



-Ohio Falls Express:-The G. R. in Louisiana and Mississippi, will in time consist of the colored military element only, the cause being the objection of the whites to affiliate with the colored. The unnecessary prejudices of these uncultured white people is great a disparagement to the progress of parts of this coun-

-The Courant:-It has been charged recently through the Associated Press, that there are secret organizations formed amongst the Negroes of the South for the better protection of themselves against outrages. It is very probable. And the fact needs no other than commendable com-

The Negro is hunted still as the partridge upon the mountain. We think when he makes up his mind to protect his home and fire-side at all hazards. gunning for him will be considerable less of a pastime in parts of h's coun.

-The Avalanche:-Will the Negro be an anarchist? Is the parplexing question of to-day.

-Star of Zion:-Sixty colored men were lynched in as many consecutive days, by the white South, is a disgrace to this section. It tells of a developing condition of savagery such as would put to the blush the horrors of the massacres of St Bartholomew. Will an intelligent, law-loving, Christian South longer submit to these death-dealing maraudings of an inhuman part of its population? Echo answers will you?

-Ohio Falls Express:-Let us have the contest square and fair, as the people demand. Harrison is the Republican candidate by assent and common good judgment, while Cleveland is the choice of the Democrats for President. Let them start. The peo ple are willing to trust the one who wins. Harrison is so strong among the Republicans that there is no one yet named against him, while the Democrats over the country are two to one for Cleveland.

-New York Would -We have looked in vain through the editorial columns of several of our esteemed Republican contemporaries for some words of condemnation of those Southern Grand Army men who severe d their connection with the G. A. R. rather than accept association with the colored members. No ex-Confederates could expect to indulge in such race discrimination without being severely lectured therefor, and it is to be hoped that a great print ciple will not be surrendered merely because its application happens to be inconvenient.

-Atlanta Times;-The great Bap. tist convention lost its religious tem. perament when the question of color was mentioned. May God have mercy

-The Progress:-As a paper of general race news, the Plaindealer seems to hold its own with any of our race journals, without exception.

-Kaufman Weekly Pilot:-Ex-Gov. John Ireland says to reduce the Democratic majority of Texas to about 25,000 or 50,000 would check the recklessness of the party. Had you given it a thought?

-The Free Speech:-Down with the excursions and picnics. The ministers have all nobly done their duty in advising the people, not one has been a traitor, keep it up and urge them to keep off such things.

-The Church Advocate:-The Methodist family is having a grand time The General Conference of the A. M. E. church is now in session in the city of Philadelphia. Three new bishops were elected last week. The A. M. E. Zion General Conference is also in session in the city of Pittsburg, Pa. Two additional bishops were selected in that connection last week. The M. E. church the Northern branch of the white Methodist church is in session in Omaha, Neb. This organization has quite a work, and many thousands of communicants among Afro-Americans.

-The Free Speech :- A white man was in the Nashville jail for raping a colored girl, when the mob bent on protecting their wives and daughters," hung Grizzard. Nothing said about protecting Negro wives and daughters from the brutal lust of white men.

-New York Record: According to Judge Tourgee and the Rev. Dr. Paine in 1891, seven black men were burned alive in the South, one was flayed to death, one was mutilated. disiointed and tortured for two hours before he died, and 21 Negroes lynched during the past year. Yet that "cruel war is over," isn't

-The Pilot:-Black men of the North step up to the polls and vote the Republican ticket, your vote will be counted. Black men of the South step up and take office, your vote will not be counted.

-Lynchburg Herald: If the Negro would rise in the world, he must

-The Planet: The Detroit Mich., Plaindealer is a most excellent jour-Dr. Merchant arrived in this city nal. Its improved appearance is a April 1, ready to enter the school, but gratifying evidence of the progress before he succeeded in getting in. He | glad to see it and feel assured that it will cause others to strike out on the same lines.

-Virginia · Lancet: The death of Senator Barbour removes from the politics of the State the man who has done more than any other in the State to make fraud in elections popular in Virginia.

-The Pilot: Outrages by the police on colored citizens are multiplying in Washington. It is time that a Republican administration that favored the election bill, should see to it that the police of this city are checked in their ku-klux proclivities, and that a man be placed at the head of the force, whose training has been such as will allow him to respect all men's rights-black or white. -The Washington Pilot: Rev. Dr.

James A. Handy, so long and favorably known in our midst as a man earnest, faithful and enterprising in serving the A. M. E. Church, has been elected a bishop. A more worthy, competent and Christian gentleman than James A. Handy is not to be found in the Connection. His management of the financial affairs of the Connection, is a monument to his industry, his integrity and his business capacity. He has collected one hundred thousand dollars more money than any of his predecessors, and at fifteen per cent less expense.

-Virginia Lancet: Dr. Price, President of Livington (N. C.) College, again put aside the Bishopric last week week at the General Conference of the A. M. E. Zion Church in Pittsburg, Pa. The doctor positively relused the honor and urged the school work as being of more importance than the honor which would come to him as bishop. Price is certainly a grand unselfish man.

Attempted Suicide.

-Columbus, O., May 23.-(Special.) -Mrs. Nellie Cook, colored, attempted suicide by hanging herself with the bunk chains in the city prison the 19th. She was discovered in time to save her life. Despondency was the cause. Mrs. Cook created a short lived sensation about her daughter, who she said was in Cincinnati, where she had been kidnaped. On the wouldbe suicide's person was an Adams Express order showing that she had sent \$2 to Jennie A. Warren, at Cincinnati, and letters signed by the girl (who is Mrs. Cook's daughter), indicating that she is in the House of Correction at Cincinnati.

The Absorbing Question.

-Indianapolis, Ind., May 18.-(Special.)-A large meeting of colored voters was held here to-night to consider Southern lynchings, Rev. J. Morton, secretary of the Alliance in the course of a speech said:

There is a doubt in mind as to the wisdom of the Negro sticking so close to the Republican party since the party does not carry out the principles of Republicanism. When a good thing becomes corrupt it should be abandoned. The parties are about played out so far as the condition of the Negro is concerned.

At Hampton.

Fort Monroe, Va., May 19.-Special.)—The twenty-fourth anniversary exercises of the Hampton school were held here to-day. The chief gladness of the hearts of Hampton's friends was because General Arm. strong was able to be present. It was the general verdict that the exhibits and the work of the shops and classrooms justified the assertion that the school's work had been as good as that of any year in its history. The shops were running all the morning, and their products were collected in a large room, the handiwork of Negro and Indian apprentices.

At the afternoon exercises a young colored (woman who graduated in 1882 and who ever since has remained at the school in charge of the industrial training of Indian girls, gave a humorous account of her work among them. Dr. Susan La Flesche, an Indian graduate of 1886, gave an interesting account of her work as a physician among her peo. ple, the Omahas, since her graduation at the Woman's Medical college, Phil. adelphia. A beautiful scenic effect was the representation of Columbia's roll-call, in costume, by the Indian students. The part of Columbia was taken by a Piegan girl from Monf tana with queenly dignity. Diplomas were presented to a class of thirty. eight, including five Indians, by Robert C. Ogden, of Philadelphia, senior member of the board of trustees, in the absence of its president, Elbert B. Monroe, by reason of illness, and Dr. Striker, its vice-president, who is in Europe. Ex-Senator B. K. Bruce, of Mississippi, made a speech worthy of his reputation as an orator, and the wife of the Rev. Mr. Quinton spoke last.

The Cadiz School,

-The Cadiz Normal and Theological college building at Cadiz, Ky., recently dedicated, is a handsome structure of modern style 46x38 containing four rooms 20x19 and twelve foot ceiling; five doors and sixteen windows, four to each room, one main hall 10x10. The house cost \$3,000 all of which has been secured except about \$800 and is seated with modern style desks. The partitions are arranged so that the house can be thrown in one room on an extraordinary occasion. There has matriculated since the school opening last year, 219. The school will turn out at the closing of the present session fourteen graduates from the Normal department and two from college. The school has a future and of which the denomination, Baptist, should feel proud.

-The first glass refrigerator that was ever made, was made by Mr. James Webb, a colored man of Montigomery, Ala., says the Southern Re-

-The Y.M.C.A., of Jacksonville, Ill.. have drawn the color line. greatest part of which is colored.



-A cranky colored man near Nash. ville, Tenn., named Monzolu, claims to be a Zulu king. He came to this country five years ago and is creating a sensation among the Afro-America cans of East Tennessee, to whom he is preaching. He wears through his nose an ivory ring which hangs down over his mouth. His costume consists of a red skirt, a red jacket, black woolen stockings, a black silk sash and a Turkish fez. In his sermons he says that he came from the Garden of Eden.

-J. B. McMichael, a native of Scotland, born in 1800, is a remark. able character in Central and South. ern Illinois. He will be 93 years old in January and though he has never taken a dose of medicine or called on a physician for treatment, he is well preserved, and one day last week walked from Vandalia to Herrick, a distance of twenty-six miles,

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He came to Madison county, Illinois, in 1820, read law under Abraham Lin. coln, and graduated with Dick Yates. at which time he had a wife and five children. He was Sheriff of Madi. son county at Edwardsville for twelve years and postmaster in the same town for sixteen years. He has seen every president of the United States from John Adams down to Benjamia Harrison, and served in the Black. hawk war under Abraham Lincoln in 1821 and after Lincoit, ander Col. onel Jefferson Davis.

The old man is proud of the fact that he helped in the organization of the Republican party, voted for Fillmore, and went as a delegate to Philadelphia, Mr. McMichael has teen and is no ard nt Republican. He was a firm friend of Abraham Lin. coln, and saw the lamented president breathe his last. He was accidentally at the depot when Guiteau shot Garfield. He saw Mrs. Surratt hang. ed, and beheld the ashes of the barn in which Booth was shot by Boston Corbett.

Has seen fifty-four men and four wo. mer hanged and two women burned, and says emphatically that he is op. posed to capital punishment. He saw Lovejoy murdered at Alton. He saw year 1837, and for being a "black abolitionist" the old man had his lega nearly shot off, and carries bullet marks on his body and about his head He has lost a fortune, but it is said that now he has a competency. He is a believer in women suffrage.

THE BLOODY RECORD.

The Free Speech prints a letter from the wife of a man at Mound Boyou, Miss., whose life is threatened because of an altercation with a wuite man, in which the Afro-American was fully justified in his position. The man has taken to the woods with others to secure that protection which the law should give to him. His wife is in a terrible agony of suspense. She writes:

Everything here is undergoing a terrible suspense, men, women and children have gone to the woods for that protection which the law ought to give. I have suffered more agony in the past three nights than language is able to express. We have a nice home but alas, we are not free, and I say to those who expect to purchase land in the Delta to abandon the idea, freedom here is a mockery and a lie. Please send me the name of a reliable man out west, I wish to correspond with him. for there will be no peace in my house until Mr. Green sells out, and leave this miserable place. And I am told Miss Editor that the only way to save our community from destruction is that Green must make an apology. Yes, to save the dark ing babe of his bosom, he must now o nonor, to sacrifice his no ma appease the wrath and whims of the whiteman. Oh justice, thou are fled to brutish beasts! And men have lost their reason.

Mrs. Eva P. Green. -Saturday, May 14th, in the sixth ward of East Baton Rouge parish. under the shadow of our State capital, Oscar Picou, a beardless youth. shot dead Frank Nicholls, a Negro laborer on his father's plantation. Young Mr. Picou has not even yet

been arr**e**sted. -The lynching of a Negro Tues day night, May 18th. in Ouachita parish, La., for killing, in a difficulty. the store clerk on the plantation where he was employed and of another at Manchester Tenn. Wednesday, is also reported, but no particulars given.

BUSINESS NOTES.

-H. Wren has opened a photographic establishment at East Liverpool, Ohio.

-Dr. A. H. Darns, an experienced practicing physician of Jacksonville. and among the oldest colored practitioners of the State, has opened up his popular bathing apartments at Pablo Beach for the season. -James R. Hamm is a confectioner

and stationer at Corahill, Mass. -Т. В. Adams, Jeffersonville. Техая. is an extensive dealer in dry goods and groceries.

CASUALITIFS.

-Richard Hughes, the mail carrier of Gamesville, Fla., youngest child about five years old, was kicked by a horse Tuesday, inflicting a very painful and severe injury of the jaw-bone. -A terrible wind storm. accompanied by rain, unroofed box-care and blew down Negro shantles at Terrell-Texas, a few days ago.

FOR BETTER OR WORSE.

-Robert J. Wilson, of Baltimore, and Miss May Boyzett, of Washington. May 11th. -Mr. C. F. Price and Mrs. J. Alford.

were married Wednesday, March 11th at Minneapolis Inda.

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Miss Martha Taylor, of London, paid jew days visit this week to her sister, Miss Mary Taylor,

Robert Price left Tuesday evening for Cleveland, O., where he will engang in the oil business. William Brown. of London, Ont.,

was in the city, the past week. go to the meeting at Bethel M. E. church next Tuesday. Miss Florence Cole leaves the last

of this week for a few weeks visit to Mrs. Eugene Robinson, Wellington, William Starks is running between

petroit and Grand Rapids, over the & M. railroad. Mrs. Shedduck Martin, of London, ont. is in the city on a visit to Mrs. Peter Anderson, Dubois street. Thomas Dosten, father of the Dosen Bros. left for Woodstock, Ont.,

yonday for a few days visit. Mrs. Eugene Robinson, of Weilingtoll, Ohio, who was in the city on a visit to Mrs. Frank Cassey, Catharine greet, returned to her home Wednes-

Mrs. Holcomb, of Chatham, was in the city for a few days visit. Don't forget the meeting of the Airo-American league which takes gace at the Bethel M. E. church, Tuesday evening, May 31st '92. tome out everybody and show your

ove for freedom. Geo. Lawson, of Cleveland, has again returned to the city, for the

Alonzo Dempsey has accepted a poation in Peninsular Saving's Bank on

ort street West. William Burnett was given a surprise party Tuesday evening at his nother's residence on Indian avenue, or a number of his friends, the occawas the celebration of his birthlay a sumptious supper was served, and a jolly good time was had until the wee hours in the morning.

Remember that Tuesday May 31st s a day of fasting by the Afro-American league. Come one come come all, to the Bethel A. M. E. Church. Mrs Al. McCorkle has returned home from Yysilanti, Mich.

James Richards, of Chatham, was in the city Tuesday. Mrs. Millie McArthur, of Hamilton,

paid a few days visit in the city, the past week. Mrs. A. V. Inge has gone to New

Berlin, Ohio, to reside in the future. Mr. George Young has returned from Wellington, Ohio.

Mr. Ralph Owens is working for the Detroit, Lansing and Northern railmad ticket **office.**

Members of the Willing Workers oriety are requested to meet at the esidence of Mrs. H. C. Clark Thursday, June 2. Important business is to be considered and a full attendance

Mr. Robert Pelham, Sr., who has pent the past three weeks in Philadelphia in attendance at the Gen-

eral Conference of the A. M. E. church returned Saturday evening. Mrs Mary Price died after a short liness Monday evening and was buried om the Second Baptist church Thursday afternoon. At St. Matthews church next Sun-

day afternoon at 4 o'clock p. m. The Rev. W. W. Wilson, of St John's church and formerly rector in charge of St. Matthews will preach in the in-Prest of the Altar Society. The ofertory will be for the above society. The Independent Order of Calanthe brough the Supreme Worthy Counrllor, Rev. Israel Derrick's, of New lork have paid to the family of Mr. L. Martin, of this city, \$60 on the drath of Miss Lillian Preston, who was a member of that order.

The election of trustees for Ebene-Tchurch held Thursday evening. lay 19, resulted in the election of the following named persons. H. M. velly, Geo W. Thomas, Wm. Taylor, ^{f.} Lancaster, and Geo W. Moore.

The Old Folks concert will be given t Ehenezer church next Monday evenng. May 30.

The May Day festival was given Miss Estelle Alexander at the A. M. E. church, of Windsor, Tuesday

Mrs. Joseph Ford, of Grand Rapids, the guest of Mrs. L. H. Johnson. in Ford is a delegate to the W. T. which is now being held in the

Henry Weaver, of Chatham, paid a lew days visit to the city the past

Albert Parker has recovered from his tent sickness, and resumed his duijes again.

Mrs. Frank Thurman, of Jackson, is delegate to the W. T. U. She is Ruest of Mrs. D. Augustus Straker, ark St.

Mr. Geo. Smith, of Chatham, is on visit to his many friends.

The Newsboys' Association.

The above named association was tablished in Detroit about four Jean ago. It numbered about 800 Its superintendant was Mr. Crane, an experienced newspaper han A musical band was formed of about 40 boys, and so rapid was their progress that in a year they ciated.

Were heard in public processions and Mrs. Morgan of Kansas is in the

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at private entertainments with delight. But in the unorganized condidition the association soon became disintegrated. It has recently been reorganized under the basis of the State of Michigan and is now in a prosperous condition. Among its members are several Afro-Americans. Its parlors include some of our most prominent citizens, chief among them are Genki Russal A. Alger and Geo. H. Barbour. Its officers are I. E. Sterling, President; R. C. Butler, Vice-President; Joseph B. Moore, Treasurer; Henry L. Bland, Secretary; D. Augustus Straker, Attorney. Executive Board, J. B. Moore, Henry L. Bland, D. Augustus Straker, James E. Sterling and W. P. Ratigan. Superintendant A. G. Crane and a Board of Directors of fifteen persons. The new hall for the boys is on Monroe avenue formerly known as the Foresters Hall.

Ypsilanti, Mich.

Ypsilanti, May 23.-Miss Claribel Thompson, of our city, and Mr. Wm. C. Blackwell, formerly of Chatham, Ont., were married on the 18th by J. L. Davis, at Brown's Chapel which was beautifully decorated with flowers, under the direction of Miss L. B. Mashat. At seven o'clock Mr, F. J. Johnson played the wedding march, and the bride was ushered in on one side by her little sister Maggie, who was dressed in white, carrying a beautiful basket of white flowers. Her sister Genevieve, who wore a dove colored albatros, was maid of honor. The bride was beautifully dressed in pearl gray silk, bedford cord and roses. She was followed by Miss Ella Leatherman, of Jackson, in dove colored cashmere. The groom was attended by Mr. J. W. Montgomery, of Chatham, who was best man, and Mr. Robert Handy, of Detroit. Although the weather was inclement there were one hundred and fifty people at the chapel, which credit is due the young ladies who gracefully acted as ushers.-Miss Eva Cooper, of Ann Arbor, and Miss Louise Mashat. A reception was given at the brides home, 105 Cross St. They received a number of lovely and costly presents; regrets were sent with presents from Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Hillman, of Evansville, Ind., Mrs. Robert Jarvis of Kalamazoo and Mr. S. T. Wiggins of the U. of M. Amongst the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Jones and daughter, of South Lyons; Miss A. Johnson, Detroit; Misses Jewette, Cooper and Mr. Oscar Jones, Ann Arbor; Mrs. E. Leatherman and son, Jackson; and Mr. Thomas, of Toledo O. The couple left at 10 o'clock for Chicago, where they will remain until the 24th, and then they will be at home to their friends 1186 Greenwood Boulevard Evanston, Ill. Mr. John Montgomery left the same evening for Chatham. Mrs Wm. C. Blackwell, nee Claribel Thompson was honored and esteemed by all who knew her, and she will be missed very

The young men of our city were out | May 24. serenading Friday night. Mr. Fred Anderson played with the Lakeville, Ind., spent Sunday in the

high school ball club at Cherry Hill | city. Friday p.m. Mr. E. H. Johnson has moved to his ne whome, corner of Washington and

Huron streets. Miss L. B. Mashat teaches a private class in mathematics Saturday after-

The prize social given by the Masons

was quite successful. Mrs R. Hamilton won the prize. Miss W. Herse, of Ann Arbor, is canvassing in the city.

Battle Creek, Mich.

Battle Creek, Mich. May 20.-Our county will again vote on local option June 20th, at which time, they will determine whether they will be dry or wet. The temperance people say they will leave nothing undone to secure the ejection.

Rev. J. C. Cross, formerly of this city, but now of Ashland, Kentucky, is visiting in the city. He preached at the Marshall street Baptist church Sunday. Mr. Cross is fast improving as a minister.

The May party given at centennial hall last week was a decided success. Several strangers were in attendance from Kajamazoo and Jackson, and a pleasant 'time was enjoyed by all.

Miss Blanch simmons, of Kalamazoo, is visiting in the city.

Mr. J. J. Evans was in Detroit,

Barnum and Baileys advertising car is in the city to-day, posting bills for their great show. В. В

Bay City, Mich.

Bay City, Mich., May 19.—At last we have an A. M. E. church in this city, with a membership of 13 members and James E. Lyons pastor. The church is situated on Broadway. Our Sunday school is prosperous with Mr. John Sims as superintendent. Leo Lanchie as secretary, and Miss Emma Pierce treasurer.

The social given at the residence of of Mr. Wagoner, was very success-

Mr. Joshua Pierce has been very sick, but is now recovering. Mr. Willis Edmunds is also improving.

The A. M. E. church will carry out the request of the Plaindeaelr on May 31st, with prayer and fasting for our suffering brethren of the South. M. J. L.

East Saginaw, Mich.

East Saginaw, May 23.—Our city has been somewhat quiet for some time, but we are glad to say at this writing, times are livening up a little. We trust our many readers will not think we have vanished from existence, for it is a mistake; we are still here, slow but sure.

The yellow social given by the ladies of the A. M. E. church was a decided success. The receipts being about \$18.00.

The concert and entertainment given by Misses Ida Nelson and Diana Cotillier of Detroit, for the benefit of the Zion Baptist church was very good indeed, and the young ladies deserve great credit for the manner in which they trained the children. Mrs. W. L. Goderich, assisted by

Mr. Benj. Steogal, acted as pianist. Their aid was very heartily appre-

city visiting her nieces Miss Birdie Vetter and Miss Mamie Hammond, Mr. Benj. Butler, of Albion, N. Y., is in the city.

Miss Ida Nelson, who has been visitfriends in this city, will leave for her home in Detroit on Monday.

Mrs. Abraham Logan left the city last Wednesday for Ludington, where she expects to join her husband, as they intend going to housekeeping in that city.

Mrs. Anderson is still very ill and there are little hopes entertained for her recovery.

Mrs A. E. Butler is somewhat better Mr. Adams is still on the sick list. Miss Clara Henderson is ill.

Friends please have the money ready when the boy calls, for you are all aware of how I am situated and it is impossible for me to call. HENRIETTA.

Marshall, Mich.

Marshall, Mich., May 23.-Misses May Taylor and Lulu Harrison attended the May party at Battle Creek, last Wednesday.

Rev. J. J. Hill, of Battle Creek, preached in the A. M. E. church Sunday morning. Sunday school at the A. M. E. church every Sunday afternoon at 2:30.

Mrs. B. F. Crosswhite and Mrs. M. A. Harrison, will visit in Battle Creek, this week

A. R. Taylor and S. O. Harrison, attended Fields day at Albion, last Saturday. **B. A.**

Niles, Mich.

Niles, Mich., May 16.-Mrs. Carter, who has been quite ill for three weeks is able to be out.

On Monday evening at the residence of the bride's mother Miss Anna Cousins and E. S. Curtis, were unit. ed in the holy bonds of wedlock, they have the congratulations of their many firends.

J. W. Harrison and daughter, Ida, of Buchanan visited in the city. Oille Stafford, of Kalamozoo, spent Sunday in the city, the guest of Miss Lillian Winborn.

Rev. C. R. Brown, of Indianapolis, Ind., has accepted the call from the Second Baptist church, and will immediately assume his duties of pastor. Rev. Wm. Collins will hold quarterly meeting next Sunday. Rev. James Henderson, of Detroit will also be

A. Jenkins, who has been afflicted with paralysis for some time is no better. He is 70 years old to-day. Geo. Bass is very sick at the home

Miss Lulu Hill is visiting relatives in Dowagiac. Mrs. Ed. Hamilton, an old resident

of his sister.

of this city, died Sunday, after a serious illness, age 52 years. The Second Baptist church will give a hen's nest social, Tuesday,

Mr. Johnnie and Walter Hill, of

Mabel.

Monroe, Mich.

Monroe, Mich., May 26.-Mrs. R. Fox died Monday morning of consump. tion, at the family residence on Cass street. She was born in Bardstown. Ky., June 1st, 1858. She came to Monroe Michigan with her parents in 1867. She lost her husband four years ago, and has been teaching school ever since. She had been teach. ing at Paw Paw, W. Va., but was compelled to give it up on account of ill health. She leaves one son to mourn her death. She was buried the 16th, from the family residence. Mrs. Jane Lowry, of Washington, D. C. and Samuel Ward, of Detroit, attended the funeral.

J. H. W.

-The Odd Fellows, of New Orleans, cleared \$1,100 on their twenty-fifth anniversary.

-Grinesville, Texas, has 4 Afro-American churches, 2 groceries, 1 dry good store, 2 ice cream parlors, 2 first class hotels, 1 salogn, 1 meat market, 1 public hall and a brick school house.

-James Jones, who was rescued by Green County, Ala., officers from a Pickens County mob on Sunday, 15th, was brought to Birmingham to-night and lodged in jail for safe-keeping. He was taken to Livingston last week, but the mob turned up there Saturday and the man was hurried off. He reached Birmingham via Selma, a roundabout trip of some 200

-Charles Robinson, a very promising young man of Springfield, Ill., died May 18th. -Simon Crane died at Eaton, Ohio,

May 5th, aged 48 years. -Mrs. Malvina Colson, of Boston, respected Afro-American, living in Den-Mass., died May 20th.

-Rufus K. Filton, an old and highly ver. Col., died May 14th.

Executor's Sale of Real Estate.

In the matter of the estate of Jesse

Stowers, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of an order granted to the undersigned, executor of the estate of said deceased, by the Hon. Edgar O. Durfee, Judge of Probate for the County of Wayne, on the 10th day of May. 1892, there will be sold at public vendue to the highest bidder, at the westerly, or Griswold street, entrance to the City Hall in the City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan, on Friday,

the First day of July, 1892, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, the following described real estate, to-wit: Lot numbered thirty-three (33) of T. W. Palmer's subdivision, of out-lots six (6) and seven (7) and the south two hundred and ninetytwo and eighty-five one-hundredths, (292 85-100) feet of out-lot five (5) of the subdivision of the rear part of the Louis Moran farm, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 9, page 90 of plats, Wayne County records, Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan, together will all improvements

Walter H. Stowers, Executor of the last Will and Testament of Jesse Stowers, Deceased.

W. H. Woodbury, Attorney for Es-

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-While Deputy Sheriff Wilkes, was making his rounds to the different cells in the jail at Cheyene, Wyo., he came to one occupied by Kinch Mc. Kinney, a horsethief. The deputy had no sooner made his appearance than McKinney opened fire upon him from the cell. Deputy Wilkes, taken by surprise, got out of reach of the bullets and saw that the prisoner was armed with a revolver in each hand. Several of the different attaches master of the situation. It is a mystery how he obtained his weapons.



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of the fail heard the shots and coming up were also fired upon but no one was injured. McKinney fired fifty shots in all and appears to have plunty of ammunition left. At present he is most an of the situation. It is a most and the situation. It is a most an of the situation. It is a most and the situation. It is a most and the situation. It is a most and the situation.

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"Ardee" Reflects and then Asks Several Questions,

Louisville, Ky., May 23.—(Special.)— Within the breast of every Afro American at this juncture, there are strenuous efforts being made to answer this question: Why must we be ostracised from the railway conches inhabited by members of the Caucasian race?" It must be from some deficiency in ourselves,-what is it?

Mind is the greatest possession of man; 'tis that which distinguishes him from the lower animals or makes him their ruler. In every vocation of life it is with the mind that the man has to deal. That orator whose words have the power to sway a multitude, whose eloquence holds spell. bound, thousands is a man of a great mind, because by the cultivation of its faculties and by the observations of human nature through the aid of these faculties be is able to control the minds of his hearers, so with the successful lawyer, minister, teacher. The poet's or author's fame rests upon his ability to impress the minds of his readers. The sculptor and painter strive laboriously to produce such works that when looked upon the impress becomes indelible. Those musical composers that have appealed to the mind of people are the masters. All labor, works of art, surely all things speak of and to the mind.

We worship God. Why? Because He bids us do so? No, but because of the infinite mind that was able to conceive a thing so grand as the Universe; a mind whose immeasurable magnitude conceived the plan of redemption; a mind the power of whose faculties planned the wonderful mechanism-man. We love Him for his tender mercies, but worship the Infinite mind. Can it be that because the Negro is deprived of this great possession that he is banished from the railway coaches, restaurants, hotels, soda fountains and etc. of the caucasians?

I am assured and every one else that this is not a fact. Compare the school reports of the Negro and Caucasian child throughout the entire United States, see the respective standing, convince yourselves. Note the activity with which the brain encased in a black skull, perceives, memorizes, reasons, imagines, and judges. Take a further glance and see if within the past quarter of a century, the Negro has not produced orators, statesman, physicians, musicians, sculptors, painters, inventors. poets and authors. Yes, in a quarter of a century this has been done to an astonishing degree. Then must I over look all this and say, his treatment is due to a deficiency of brain power. Far be it from me. Yes he has a mind, the power of whose conception will ere long electrify the world. Is it because of a lack of strength

of character? Is he by nature dishonest, heartless, cruel and licentious? To these questions, my Caucasian friends you can give a better reply in the negative, that I, for you hold the convincing proofs. You have him in your employ. Can you trust him, to watch your house, your jewels and all? I know of numerous instances in which people of this city have invels in the keeping of Afro-American servants. This city and cities, North, East, South and West of here contain Negroes in whose hands are placed important trusts and the number of instances of the betrayal of the same is far below the member of Caucasian bank-clerks missing. Dishonest as a race? No, No. Is he heartless and cruel? No, not heartless for heating beneath these chony bosoms are hearts so filled with love of race, that at times they almost burst with sorrow for the

treatment received by us and our brothers. Think you that when we enter a restaurant, ice cream parlor, or approach a soda fountain where they are not allowed to sell to Negroes," think you we feel it not? Ave. could you but get one glance into the recesses of a h h art , see the con list. ing passion, anger and pity, I imagine it would save us a great deal of em. barrassments carned by such refusals

Anger in one's heart? Yes, right. cous anger. Anger because man, that great product of an infinite mind. in our hearts, when we behold a peril His best gift to him, that it is not able to grasp the broad idea, "We are all some flesh and one blood."

When we beheld one deformed in any way our first kensation is pity. Such a sensation combats with anger son so shrunken and blind. Pity for him who in his blindness can not see that before him stands one gifted with talents equal to his own, one possessed with all the sensibilities that inhabit the person of a member of any race. Would that I were a mental optician that I might remove, without harming the person, the obstacles that obstruct the clear mental vision and let him look through the black exterior of the person in front of him to the heart and mind, and let him see therein also the form of a man and not a beast to be staughtered whenever the opportunity affords

You my friends look look with horror upon the Roman and Pompeiian games where the greatest enjoyment tay in beholding man in deadly conflict with a hungry lion or tiger or other ferocious beast. Such a sight not many centuries ago thrilled the hearts of the populace of Rome, when to be a "Roman was greater than to be a king." When reading an account of such barbarism you lift your hands and utter carnest supplication "God forbid that man shall ever more be so cruel and inhuman." But what difference is there in the spirit, when persons count it amusement to "Chare a 'Nigger' down, hang him to a tree and riddle him with bullets?" Is not the difference this, the savage ferocity is only transferred from the beast to the men engaged in such inhuman practices?

But you tell me, "We, the higher class, do not countenance any such treatment of your people." Granted,

nor do you. There entered one day upon the talwart gladiator, very handsome and muscular. The more will be had if necessary. O'-Romans, awaiting his arrival burst Rourke asked Johnson if he wanted Homer A. Flint, forth into cries of welcome as he to make an outside bet of \$1,000 on

atrode erect into their presence. From the result. nent. An Athenian, not quite so striking in personal appearance, but whose the man in daring to enter against so dread an opponent. As far back as the Roman could recall and even further, records showed his ancestors to be Gladiators. With the Athenian it was different, he was away from his native clime and the first of his noble name to take part in such dead-

ly honor gaining. The contest begins. His opponent having the decided advantage amused himself greatly with numerous sword thrusts that serve only to would him a little. The crowd tripyed the poor Athenian's discomfiture greatly and burst forth into loud roars of deris in at every attemp of his to gain a point. Stung to the quick by the thrusts and more so by the hers of the throng of observers, the Athenian seemed to have become inspired, and every art at his command he exercised to prove himself the equal of his opponent. The jeering ceased—silence—long and deep -then cries of look to thyself Roman then cries of "Look to thyself Roman" came from the excited mul-

Following was such a display of artful fencing as had not been seen for many years in Rome. Nothing now was heard but the sounds of the ushing of the two weapons. Now the Roman had the advantage, now the Athenian vice a versa till the Romans assured that their man had met his equal called for a shalt, and immediately both swords fell to the ground and the Roman with a smile of approbation extended his hand to the Athenian who received it with equal warmth.

This higher class of Caucasians to me seem to be represented by the Roman gladiator and the Negro the Athenian. You in your advantageous position, thrust the sword point of your prejudice at us and wound us. The world looks on and laughs at our position. You seem to enjoy the fun as much as they. It gives you pleasure to see us banished to a separate coach-one of the most severe thrusts you could inflict, for it tells us you recognize us as inferior beings and not worthy to occupy seats with you. To be thought of as an inferior being produces the same effect upon a man as a dagger pointed to his heart. It bestirs him into activity to save that heart from the thrust. So does this idea of separate cars bestir in our breasts the ambition to prove to our persecutors that the object of their derision maltreatment is one whose pride like truth, "being crushed to the earth will rise again," and show the true metal of which the Negro is made. To all your places of amusements you banish u- to separate sec. tions, in veri depots we are assigned serwate apartments. My friends, all these sword thrusts are wounding. Our honor, pride, and loyalty to this country, have been insulted and assailed enough. We have awakened to the fact that to live in this country to combat successfully upon this American arena, we must use the great weapon God has given us-our minds with all the power at our command and in this may prove our self able to stand upon the field. Money is power. We acknowledge your superiority to us in power as seen from this standpoint. Can it be that you base your grounds for thus treat. ing us, on our poverty? No, for it is an established fact that the greater number of men of influence ever known have been those of meagre circum stances. No, poverty is not your reas-

Can it be, your motive is to amuse the dormant energy of the brain, to call every faculty of the Negro mind into operation, to arouse every sensibility into activity and thus lift him from the disadvantageous position he now occupies? Is your motive, to benefit him by forcing out of him those mental qualities which alone acknowledge him your equal. Laudable motive, but allow the suggestion-"kindness will do what force can never accomplish." Encourage us and see the pace at which we are moving towards a higher plane will become accelerated. In stead of putting your hand out to push us down hill, when you see us trying the arduous ascent, reach our your strong hand and help us up, for we have reached that turning point upon the hill of success where we can not go backwar I, forward we

Again I have thought that the reason of our ostracism might be because God has seen fit to darken the color of our skins. But as soon as this thought comes I drive it away as absurd, for are the Indians, Malays, Mongolians excluded from your railway coach? No. And many of the Caucasians are as dark and even dark. er than some Negroes and I am assured that this can not be the reason, for you are well aware that our black will not rub off, for were this true, most of you to-day would be as black as the "black mammy' 'that nursed vou.

In vain have I searched the cause of this inhuman treatment and no plausible reason, one that could be the product of an educated mind comes to me. Will one of your race kindly enlighten me?

When asked why he wanted Aristides ostracised, a Greek peasant replied, "I'm tired of hearing him called 'the just." You are writing the name Negro on the shells for our ostracism from railway coaches occupied by you, I ask why? Why?

Sporting Notes.

-New York, May 23.-(Special).-The final arrangements for the fight between Fred Johnson, of England. and Geo. Dixon, of Boston, for the feather-weight championship of the world has been completed, and the pugilists are now likely to meet. Tom O'Bourke, who looks after the colored boy, met Johnson and his trainer W. Rowland, at the Illustrated News office to-day, and signed articles petition. of agreement to appear before the Coney Island Athletic Club on June 27th, for a purse of \$5,000 and \$500 to the loser. They will weigh in at 117 pounds at 3 o'clock on or after paper printed and circulating in said noon of the fight. Twenty rounds or County of Wayne.

"Not now," was the another direction entered his oppolanswer, but it was understood that; he might do so later, as Johnson's backer desires to know about the arnoble carriage bespoke the courage of | rangements before putting up any money.

-The Afro-American jockeys were "in it" at the Latonia races at Cincinnati Saturday.

Kalamazoo, Mich.

Kalamazoo, Mich., May 24.-Mrs. Revels, of Ovid, Mich., is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. William Philip. Miss Vivla Salter is visiting in the

Mr. (has. Hains is on the sick list Mrs. Jos. Coats is spending a few weeks in Battle Creek. Miss Liddie Coats paid a visit to

her sister, Miss Luella Coats, of Constantine Wednesday. About thirteen couples attended the May party given at Battle Creek,

Mrs. Thomas Manuel is visiting in

Decatur. During the past few weeks the Kalamazoo river has been higher than ver before. Pay for your paper when it is de-

ivered. Miss Bessie Wheatly is recovering

rom a serious illness. Miss Hattie Evans gave a very oleasant tea Tuesday evening. Mrs. John Thomas had charge of the dining room and Miss Lottie James presided over the chocolate urn.

Mrs. Daniel Buckner and son Bert, of Battle Creek, spent Tuesday in the

Mr. William Coats left Tuesday for Chicago, to make that city his future Getters Minstreils played in Plain-

well Wednesday night. This city has had plenty of rain. Mrs Thomas Stuart is again in the

It is reported that another one of our society iellers is soon to be mar-

The public schools will close in June. There will be quite a number of

graduates this season. Mrs. Rev. Lewis is visiting in Cleve land, Ohio. Mr. George Jackson spent Wednes

day in Battle Creek. The Second Baptist church is being remodeled to quite an extent. Mr. and Mrs. Kendal played in the city in their new production "The Ironmaster" to a crowded house.

Quite a number of young people expect to attend the Pioneers picnic at Cassopolis Mich. Miss Estella Hector left Wednesday, May 17th, for Battle Creek enroute for Lansing to spend a few

days in that city. Mr. Frank Hammond is on the sick list suffering with rheumatism. Mrs. Liddie Day is slowly recovering

from quite a painful illness. Mrs. S. S. Wheatley entertained about twenty of her friends Monday evening. Dancing and cards were the features of the evening and a

very pleasant time was enjoyed. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Leigans, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Philips, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Philips Mr. and Mr. Sylvester Philips, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Smith. Mrs. Helen Janis, Miss Ellie Hackley, Miss Lottie Janis, Miss Florence M. Smith, Miss Edith Janis, Mr. Thaddens Ash, Mr. Bert Shepard, Mr. Wilbur Burton, Mr. Frederick Mount. Refreshments were served at a late hour.

Brantford, Ont.

Brantford, May 22.-The Rev. G. Blount was called to Niagara Falls, on the 14th by the severe illness of his adopted daughter, Mrs. Montague. The sad intelligence of her death has since been received. She leaves an infant daughter, besides her parents to mourn her loss. The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Blount deeply sympathize with them in their bereavement.

Mr. Harry Logon, whose health has been improving ventured out too soon last week and has since had a re-

Brantford, Ont., May 16.-Mrs. ant daughter is Charle very ill.

Bishop and Mrs. Hawkins arrived in the city Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock and were conveyed to the residence of Mrs. John Lucas. After their arrival, friends whom Mrs. Hawkins had not met for thirty or forty years began to file in until quite a number had gathered. After the greetings, supper was served. Covers were laid for twelve. The latter part of the evening was spent in recalling old reminesences.

A very handsome gold brooch was presented by Mrs. Nancy Mitchell. to Mrs. Hawkins. Mrs Thomas Snowden sent beautiful bouquets to Mrs Lucas for the table. Mr. Logan is improving very slow-

Mrs. Charlotte Jones is able to be

out again. Mr. John McCurtis is improving his house

Bishop Hawkins preached Sunday evening to a large congregation, assisted by Elder Blount. Ida

State of Michigan, County of Wayne: 88. At a session of the Probate Court for said County of Wayne, held at the Probate Office, in the City of Detroit, on the twenty-third day of May, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety two. Present Edgar O. Durfee, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Evalina Carter, deceased. William W. Ferguson, the administrator of said estate, having rendered to this court his final administration account and filed therewith his petition. praving that the residue of said estate may be assigned to the persons en-

titled thereto. It is Ordered, that the twenty-first day of June next at ten o'clock in TELEPHONE 2005 the forenoon, at said Probate Office. be appointed for examining and allowing said account and hearing said

And it is Further Ordered, that a

copy of this order be published three

successive weeks previous to said day

of hearing, in the Plaindealer, a news-Edgar O. Durfee, (A true copy.) Judge of Probate.

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In the Matter of the Estate of Anna Bowles, a mentally incopetent person. On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of James Artist, the guardian of said Anna Bowles, praying that he may be licensed to borrow money by way of mortgage on certain real estate of said Anna Bowles, for the purpose of paying her debts and for her support and for repairing the house on said real

It is Ordered, That the twenty-first day of June next at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be appointed for hearing said petition, and that the next of kin of said ward and all persons interested in said esiate appear before said Court, at said time and place, to show cause why a license should not be granted to said guardian to mortgage real estate as prayed for in said petition. And it is further Ordered. That a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Plaindealer, a newspaper printed and circulating in said ounty of Wayne.

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The Plaindealer will contain a brief latement of the leading events of world's history, and the best ought upon all the living issues il be briefly reported from the pen some leading Afro-Americans. Life a complex term and all ithings the up that which we call life. ence no newspaper is complete that In mot give a modicum of its space these questions the whole newserfield is not cultivated in Indi-Many nooks and corners teem matters of interest pertaining American Negroes which have wen the light of day. way we reach a citisens not reached

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and we thank exchange editors for their ness, and truly hope they will or the Richmond office with a of their valuable sheets and us battle all along the line for ional prosperity by holding fast the constitution of union. For donal prosperity will be a logical and with prosperity the people develop the wonderful resources the United States. Peace is to had by the merhods which the litation prescribed, and these are which the common sense of akind has yet discovered. Hold The "Constitution and Union ' an inseparatble, now and for

Indiana Manager.

Current Topics.

Republican State Convention dake a great mistake if they nominate an Afro-American Anditor of State. To be plain the matter we demand the We have deserved the place strong fidelity to the party. Afro-American Sentinel and the an Citizen gave Hon. Geo. L. terrible rap last week.

Bruce, jr., a brilliant young a candidate for Secretary of in the great State of Kansas. Bruce is a nephew of Hon. B. K. our ex-Senator.

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There is nothing which adds so much to the beauty and power of man as a good moral character. It is his wealth, his influence, his life. Notice to the Plaindealer regular- It dignifies him in every station, exis should notify us at once. We de- alts him in every station, exif every copy delivered promptly. fies him at every period of life. Such The Plaindealer office is located at a character is more to be desired The ranks treet, where all news items than anything else on earth. No 85. Sixtue Richmond department will be servile tool, no croaking sycophant, no treacherous honor-seeker ever bore such a character. The pure loy of truth and righteousness never springs in such a person. If young men Bethel A. M. E.-South Sixthand would give these subjects a careful thought, and imagine how much a good character would dignify and exp. Funda, 7:30 p.m. Praise meet- alt them, how glorious it would make mg every Wednesday night. Dr. their prospects, even in this Mfe, oster, superintendent Sunday school. never should we find them yielding Mt. Moriah Baptist.—South Ninth to the grovelling and baseborn pur

Briefs.

-It is an easy matter to appear wise. A fool will appear wise in his own estimation.

-Come down on a level and seek the glorious Lord, trust him and obey him, and He will be merciful. -Work has commenced on the

Bethel A. M. E. new church founda-

-Mrs. Fannie Croaker, of Cincinnati, spent last Sunday in the city, being the guest of her sister, Mrs. M. E. Harrison.

-Mr. Lewis F. Wilson came over from Paris, O., Sunday. -Mr. Wm. Coltern has removed to

the city from Greensburg, N. C. -Miss Emma Parks visited her sister Miss Verna, at Eaton, Ohio,

-A church aid society was organized at Bethel Tuesday evening and a Bible class association for the study of theology, under the instruction of Dr James M. Townsend.

-She had her wedding dress made and then he vanished from sight.

-The Lawn festival given Thursday evening, under the auspices of the stewardess board, (a connection of Bethel A. M. E. church) on the beautiful lawn, at the residence of Rev. James M. Townsend, was the grand spring opening, and to say it was a success does not half tell it. Brotherhood brass band furnished excellent music. All the delicacies of the season were served by careful attendents. The "Lawn" was one blaze of light. mirth and social pleasure. It was a success every way.

-Ol. Dixon had the contract for tearing down the west portion of Bethel church and with some able assistants he accomplished the task in three days. He promptly settled with his assistants.

-Mr. Chas. Goins who is connected with the Pan Handle railroad has been promoted from a \$43 to a checker.

\$50 per month position, as train A special meeting was held at Mt. Moriah Baptist church Monday evenvery important undertaking which ing to perfect arrangements for the special prayer condemnation meetings ant and all it implies and science, large number of leading citizens were bilosophy, art and religion, find in out, and on that day the most pathhe newspaper some vital form or etic prayers will go forth from this edifice that were ever uttered therewere ever uttered thereointing out a thousand different in. At the Bethel A. M. E. church the doors will be open from six a. m. until 12 p. m. and at 7:30 on May 31st the greatest and largest mass meeting that was ever held in this city will assemble at this church and Hon. James M. Townsend, the greatest race advocate in America, who is an ex-member of the Indiana legislature, ex-secretary for the foreign missionary of the A. M. E. General Conference, and who recently resigned his position as register of the General Land Office at Washington D. C. will be the principal speaker of the evening. His speech will appear in our next issue and by the way, while Dr. Townsend held his his position in Washington, he was not airaid to attack the government

and he proved that an Afro-American can be brave and that is what no other so-called race advocate has dared to do. Last Sunday during his sermon he said there had been more murders committed during the present administration than there has been since 1876. We must pray God will hear us for he is always waiting for an honest prayer. God Almighty heard the Puritans in 1619 and the strong Christian appeals for liberty of our suffering slaves who were released from the shackles in 1863, and now he will hear us if we get down send up an earnest pathetic prayer for human justice.

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Pulpit.

-Rev. S. M. Smothers, of Kokomo, says the greatest of all blessings is a clear conscience.

-Rev. James A. Davis, of Indianapolis, says, if you desire to be beloved, take the hand of the friendless, smile on the sad and dejected, sympathize with those in trouble, strive to scatter around you sunshine and joy.

-Rev. J. W. Carr that noble gospel exponent of Indiana, says, let us all try to live and act so that our lives will be a blessing to mankind. Be a Christian.

-Benjamin Smith, of Mt. Moriah. Baptist church, Richmond, is an able minister, some of his thoughts expressed in words are food for the

soul. -Rev. John W. Staunton, of Terre Haute, is the Hebrew spendthrift of our able ministers.

-The members of Bethel A. M. E. church, at Indianapolis, can compliment themselves for securing such a pleasing logical and eloquent pastor as Alexander Smith. He is a Christian gentleman, being one of those men who honestly believe that re-

and correct their mistakes -- Rev. N. L. Bray, of Portland, says lar proprietor of the Bates house

of God will come streaming down.

-Every man, woman and child will be doing a duty to suffering humanity if they will get down on their knees and pray to our blessed Father in Heaven on May 31, asking him to protect our poor suffering friends, not only in the South, but throughout this wicked world from tortures of all, kind from the intense prejudice feeling that exist against us. Oh! Father we all pray thee to wield a Christian stroke of influence so powerful that it will stop these base wicked and pestiferous feeling against us. We only ask to be let alone and treated as human. Our suffering has been great and we as men and women have been patient. If every Christian man, woman and child will get down on this day and offer an honest pathetic prayer, God the great ruler on high will hear us. Do not forget to or neglect this appeal for it is a duty to our suffering fellow people.

About the State.

-James Gee, of Warren county, is the proprietor of an extensive coal

-James Pitigan is the proprietor of a grain elevator at Goodland. -Branch Jones has removed from Lafayette to La Porte, where he has opened the only first class barber shop in the city.

-William Ferguson is the leader of a fine orchestra at Wabash. -Modoc, located in Randolph county has four stores run by Afro-Ameri-

-John Douglass is the leading vet-

erinay surgeon at Muncie. -Mr. Harry Imes, of Bloomington, is a lay-delegate to the conference at Philadelphia. Mr. Imes is the leading barber of this college bred city. -Martin Bundy is an extensive

farmer at Blountsville. --Jeff Sizemore has erected a fine business block at Marion.

-Hon, John D, Kessly, of Frankfort, has returned to the fold of the Republican party. Mr. Kessly is an able stump speaker.

-Bluffton is a city of six thousand and the county seat of Wells county, where the greatest oil field in the world is located and the people of this city do not allow an Afro-American to stop one minute in the city. How is that for bourbon rebellion and by the way Huntington, the beautiful judicial seat of Huntington county, with more than 8,000 inhabitants, has just become civilized, and are allowing Afro-Americans to locate there. There are now four families of African descent in that city. -James King, of Lebanon, is one of

the most prosperous stock raisers in Boone county. -Lewis C. Mitchell has purchased a fine wet goods establishment at

Terre Haute.

-John W. Robinson is the proprietor of a large saw mill plant at Farmjand. -John H. Weaver is postmaster at Weaver, Grant county, and also proprietor of the largest general

store in the town. Mr. Patterson is a blacksmith and Chas. H. Robson is a boot and shoe merchant. This is one of the wealthiest Afro-American settiements in the State. -William Stokes, J. P., is an exten-

sive real estate owner at Muncie. Musical.

-Mrs. Lizzie Pugh Dougan is the equal of Mme. Sclika. -Thos. Sizemore, of Terre Haute.

is an expert cornet, mandolin, guitar and violin player. -Miss Lucy Patterson has a large

class of scholars at Crawfordville. -Mr. Fred Banks a mail carrier is the chorister at the Presbyterian church at La Porte. This church

has the largest and finest choir in the city, this is a white church. -Johnson the puglist has retired from the profession.

-Henry Umphrey, of Crawfordsville can make one hundred yards in 93.4

seconds. -Rev. Chas. Gillmore, of Muncie.

ean jump 36 feet in three straight broad jumps. John Patterson, of Crawfords, has a record of 7 minutes 58 seconds for

walking one mile. -Mr. Sam Grant, the pugilist, of La. fayette can put a sixteen pound shot

41 feet 2 inches. -The Greencastle and Brazil base ball clubs will combat for supremacy

decoration day, at Greencastle. Educational. -Mr. Frank B. Allen, one of our leading educators is now manager of

the World Publishing company, at Indianapolis.

-James H. Thomas is principal at Evansville.

-Robert Roberts, of Carthage, is a classical graduate.

-Miss Lillian Carter, of Richmond. will teach at Harrodsbourgh, Ky., next season, which will make her fourth season in the blue grass vil-

-It is strange 'that with the num. ber of progressive intelligent people this State can boast of, there is no college of any kind conducted by ot own people. We believe a good Industrial school in this State would be a success. We can be admitted into any college in this State, and receive our just dues, but Indiana which has the best general public school system in this nation is not supplied with enough Industrial schools and we would like to see one started by our Afro-American citizens. We need to educate our hands, for mechanical skill is the greatest boom that can be

-Mrs. Forte Bazel is the leading pianist at Indianapolis.

given to a people.

-Connersville has a brass band. -Henry Hart the old minstrel of Indianapolis, has a dance orchestra. that is second to none in this State. He is called to all parts of Indiana to furnish music for special occas. ions. His daughter Myrtle, is a fine Italian harp soloist.

-Dr. Chairs, of Indianapolis, is quite a violinist. -Edward Robbins, of Muncie, is chorister at the A. M. E. church, Mr.

Robbins is a classical vocalist. -Jacob Fiddler has developed into a first class humorist.

-Hon. George L. Knox, the popu-

and especially the mistakes of prejud- you must stand on the rock with a shop and alternate delegate at large rod in your hand and then the love to the National Republican convention, is a fine classical reader, he recently appeared in a concert at Indianapolis, and gave an excellent selection from Othells. His daughter, Miss Nellie is also an accomplished

> -Miss Ollie Gulliver, of Muncie, has developed into a great elocutionist. -Dallis Pope and P. Lytle, of Rich. mond, have returned home after a successful season with an Uncle Tom's cabin company, also George Johnson. who has been with Prof. Victor and master Jimmie Johnson, who was out all last season with a dramatic com-

> Mr. Gus Hall will travel next aca: on with a minstrel company. Mr. Hall is the popular author of Indiana.

Toledo, Ohio.

Toledo, Ohio, May 22.-Miss Etta Moxley will leave for Saginaw, where she will spend a few days with her friend, Miss Pearl La Van.

Mr. Isaac Grassam has left our city for his home in Adrian, Mich. Miss Harris, the sister of Mrs. George Fields, left our city for her home in Xenia.

Mrs. John Brown, of John street, spent a few days with friends in Piqua_

Mr. John Brown, also spent a very pleasant trip in Detroit, Mich. last Miss Fannie Grear, of Delaware, is

the honored guest of Miss Lyda Revels. of Canton avenue, and expects to make this her home. Mr. Snifler, of Jackson, Mich., is

visiting his cousin, Mrs. W. Goodall, and expects to reside here for the Mrs. John Tate has returned home

from Omaha, where she spent a very pleasant visit with her daughter. Mr. John Tate is expected home this week to spent a few weeks with his mother.

Georgie Jackson, the son of Mrs. Frezher, died May 18th; was buried Sunday afternoon, May 22nd. The funeral sermon was preached at the Third Baptist church, by the pastor, Elder Dyer. The friends wish to sym. pathize with the family.

The pastor of the A. M. E. church Elder Ross, returned home from the South, but has gone to Philadelphia, to attend conference.

Mr. Frank Wright an old citizen of our city, died May 5th. He was a member of the A. M. E. church and was well thought of by every one. Mrs. Lee an old citizen of our city, died May the 17th, and was buried May the 18th. Her age was 70 years 4 months and 16 days. She leaves

three sons, and one daughter. There will be a humorous concert given at the Third Baptist church, May 31st, by the Sons of Kings and

daughters. Mr. Charles Porter. a well known citizen of our city, dropped dead at

his home in Windsor. wedding whispering around that we all are anxious to see. Look out!

Mr. Webb. of Detroit, Mich., made Toledo a fyling visit alst week in interest of the Plaindealer. Every one seems anxious for the Plaindealer, as it is a good newsy paper, it ought to find ready sale, and we hope all those who have been kind enough to give their names will be ready for the paper Saturday, and we will try to make it once more the success it used

to be in our city. Mr. Geo Hopper, from Zanesville, Ohio, is visiting in the city. Mrs. Jones will be home this week

to visit her mother, Mrs. Williams. Sick List. Mrs. Joe. Dallas, of Michigan street, is indisposed.

Mrs. Gilmore, of Germania street. is seriously ill.

Quarterly meeting will be held Sunday, May 29th. E. B. C

Toledo, Ohio.

Toledo, Ohio, May 17.-For the past month or more the churches and various societies have kept the people well entertained; but on May 12th, the "May Carnival" by Amazon Lodge No. 4, F. and A. M. eclipsed all that has been given here in many a day in points of attendance, entertainment and otherwise. A well rendered program of twelve numbers was given and the vast multitude were refreshing themselves at the tables. The refreshments were insufficient to half accommodate the buyers. In the annex hall the young folks were enjoying themselves in the skip of the light fantastic. As an inducement for selling tickets several prises were offered. Among the prises won was an hundred and eighteen piece, English china dinner set, by Mrs. W. E. Clements; a beautiful masonic charm by Mr. John Dent, and a Masonic apron by G. U. Highwarden. The committee who conducted the entertainment to success, consisted ofG. U. Highwarden, W. E. Clemens, A. M. Woods, Jno. C. Fountain and Jno. Tandy. The net proceeds were fifty odd dollars. So pleasing was the affair that the leading daily papers of the city spoke in high terms of the carnival, and it is now a household chat. Not quite two months ago the lodge was renting of the Odd Fellows, desiring to secure a home for themselves a committee of Messrs J. H. Watkins, W. E. Clemens and A. M. Clemens, set about to secure a home. After viewing several places they secured a magnificent hall at 606 Summit street, which was furnished according to direction with all modern improvements. The main hall will accommodate two hundred people, with an anti-room of sufficient size to all purposes.

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Urbana, O., May 24.-Afton son of Wm. Stewart, while cleaning J. Slaughter's barber shop suddenly took | are preparing to have a May fair a lit Tuesday and fell against the from the 25th of May to the 2nd of stove. He was severely burned before June. he was rescued.

It is rumored that one of our Urbana belle's and a prominent young gentleman of Springfield, will soon travel the same road as one. If this report is true we sincerely hope that their life will prove to be successful. Sherman Cleveland and Wm. Black, formerly of this city, but now of Kenton, came down Saturday to see old acquaintances.

D. Boyd has started a new livery stable and desires the patronage of the public.

8. Hill came up from Springfield, Saturday on a little tour.

Jerry Thompson a highly respected citizen, of this city, died Saturday at 6 P. M., of complications of diseases. Funeral services were conducted at St. Paul A. M. E. church Monday by Rev. Palmer. The bereaved family has the sympathy of their friends.

The "Clever Comedy co." which has been playing at "Bennetts opera house" for ten days, decided to give to the prettiest colored girl Saturday night a diamond ring. Miss Lucy Hawkins was the lucky one in being selected as the prettiest young lady. Mrs. Rev. Smith, of Zanesville, is visiting her mother, Mrs. J. Nooks. Rev. Palmer and Rev. Woodson, of

Mechanicsburg, exchanged pulpits Sunday. Rev. Woodson preached two very Ploquent sermons and was greeted by

a large congregation. It is reported that several of our barbers are violating the law by shaving customers on Sunday, and if such is true we sincerely hope that they will be brought to justice.

Ed. Gant, of Springfield, spent Sun day in this city. Mrs. D. Wickers, of Troy came over Monday to attend the funeral o' Jerry

Thompson. Mrs. Chas. Penny has returned from Hartwell.

Mattoon, Ills.

Mattoon, Ill., May 22.-Mrs. Brown, of Terra Haute, was in Mattoon, and returned with Mrs.; L. Archey, her daughter-in-law to visit a few days in Terra Haute, Ind.

Mr. Wm. Huffeman and wife, went to Charleston, Ill., Sunday. Mr. Ward is visiting her sisters,

Mrs. Brooks and Mrs. Powell, in Mat-Mr. H. N. Rankins, of Memphis, is

in Matton, for a few days only, he gave an interesting lecture Sunday night on the condition of the Afro-American, with thriling naratives and facts in Southern history. He is on his way to Ohio where he aims to commence a work in the defense of Mrs. Ida Bass's funeral took place

at the A. M. E. church on the 18th. She died at Indianolo, Ill. Mr. Jacob A. Anderson, her father, wired to the remains and as the answer was her mother took the big 4, by way of Paris. Itl. After her departure, Mr. Anderson received word that the corpse was coming on the I. C. R. R., and would reach Mattoon at 7:5 p. m. He then wired to catch his wife at Paris, being five minutes too late, they wired her at Farmer City, where she had got in a buggy to drive 7 miles across the country. When the conductor got the telegram he called her back, sending her to Paris, from where she arrived at Mattoon on the 10 o'clock train, to met her four son-in-laws and daughters with grief of Ida's death. Mrs. Barnett, of West Superior, could not get here in time. Miss Mabel Anderson, at Knoxville college, could not reach home. It is well to note here that the Bass and Anderson stock are a live people in Christian principles, hence the grieved family is named. Jacob, Jeremiah, Isaac, and Joseph, their mother and

Covington, Ky.

Covington, Ky., May 24.-The members of St. James A. M. E. church

The G. A. R. will have their ann. ual sermon delivered to them Sunday

the 29th at Odd Fellows hall, Epworth league meets Wednesday May 25 at the M. E. church. Miss Clara Stepp has returned home

from the State university at Louis. ville, Ky. The members of the M. E. church.

are well pleased with their new pastor, Rev. Evans.

That a colored man is not wanted in the Covington pool (nuisance) rooms is evidence in the decision of a jury in the case of J. M. Boler, v s the pool room. Boler went into the pool room some time ago and was forcibly ejected. Boler brought suit for \$5,000. It took the jury less time than it takes to write this article, to decide that a Negro has no rights that a pool room man is bound to respect.

J. E.

Dayton Ohio .

-Rev. Artis and wife, of Richmond. Ind., were the guests of Mrs. Sellers

last week. -Miss Laura Matthews, of Sprague street, is quite ill.

-Madame Rumor has it that one of our Dayton belles is to soon to visit Hymen's altar accompanied by a promising young M. D., of Baltimore. Md. Watch this column for particu-

-Mr. John Young was on the sick

list last week. -- The mite supper given by the Christian endeavor society of Zion Baptist church last Friday, was a booming success.

-The U. B. F's. gave a grand entertainment at Odd Fellows hall last

-E. T. Sherman and Rev. Jackson were in Cincinnati, last Saturday on a business trip.

E. B. M.

St. Paul ,Minn.

-Mr. Andrew Bush, after spending some months in St Paul in search of health, finds our climate doesn't agree with him and left on the 19th lor New Bedford, Mass., where his parents

Mrs. W. H. Parker was taken very sick two weeks ago with paralysis. Age about 70 years.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Wilkins has been made sad by losing another son. He was 10 years of age and died May 14th. Funeral May 16th.

marry?" Van Pelt-"Most certainly not; judging from the sons of actors I have seen on the boards." "Johnny, it isn't right for you to make your little brother haul you in his wagon all the time.'

has the fun of ownin' the wagon, don't

Wool-"Do you believe actors should

"I can't take 100 words a minute," said the stenographer. "I often take more than that," said the other in sorrowful accents; "but then I have to. I'm married."

Miss Greathead-"I think you were foolish to throw Jack Stuyvesant over." Miss Nohead-"You wouldn't if you saw his family jewels. Not one of them is in style."

"I am going to start my boy in lifeas a maker of weather-vains," said Parkly. "What an idea!" "Yes. In that business one gets to the top at. once, don't vou see?"

A newspaper writer asks the question, "Why is it that a young man will" sit beside a young lady for hours and yet say hardly anything to her all the time?" We venture to suggest that perhaps he is too polite to interrupt

Mary.

all four of their wives were named

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The girl who has been starving her self from the mistaken idea that impoverished blood will be a potent element in producing a good complex. ion, will probably be glad to hear that the latest opinion of the physic. lans, is that generous feeding is a necessity for brilliant color, and good looks. And that instead of three meals a day, a healthy woman shoudl enjoy five. The jast being taken just before retiring, that the blood may be drawn from the head in promot. ing digestion and sleep more readily

Cheap fabrics and machine work have contributed towards making mending as practised by our grandmothers one of the "last arts". Many women argue with reason that their time is worth more devoted to some other purpose and when cloth is cheap they can better afford to buy new than mend old. And yet the darn. ing needle still has place among wo." manly belongings. There is some thing very wholesome about a dainti. ly darned pair of stockings and every growing girl should be taught to darn with all the dainty stitches of the

Darning is essentially a lady's occupation, akin to embroiding in definess and gentleness of touch. It requires skill and judgment to select the thread, which should be a trifle coarser than the web of the stock. ing or in the case of cloth, than the web of the goods. When a cloth may be easily ravelled it is best to darn it with the ravellings, unless it is in a place where more than or. clinary strain falls on the goods. Thick cloth should be darned between the layers and when done by a skillful hand and well pressed, the work becomes almost invisible..

A darning case fitted out with a pretty olive wood egg to hold under the stocking, a long narrow cushion of darning needles, cards of various colored wools and cottons, and all the necessities for the complete outfit of the darner, is a useful present for a growing girl, and one that she should be instructed to use faithful-

One half of the misery of life, at least, if not more, comes to people from not being able to make both ends meet, and yet a great deal of this carking care and worry of mind is unnecessary. For instance, what is more useless than the frantic struggle which some people make to keep up appearances which their means do not warrant? It is pitiable to think of the straits to which these misguided people are brought in order to appear what they are not, and how seldom they fool anyone else but them. selves. Yet half the world are spoil. ing the good times they might have in the station in which it has pleased Providence to place them by vainly striving to appear fitted for some other. Truly man with all his intellect is a complex creature and tangles himself voulntarily, it would seem, in a net of his own weaving.



-Robert Spencer, of East Liverpool, O., is a clerk in Repin's grocery store. -G. Taylor is motor man on the oew street can line at Sandusky, o. -An Afro-American league was organized at East Liverpool, Ohio.

-The Star of Zion is to be located at Pittsburg, Pa., also the Book concern of the Zion M. E. church.

The graduates of Hampton Normal institute, a school for colored girls, are co-operating with Mrs. Paul, lady manager for Virginia, in the endeavor to secure a complete exhibit of the progress of the race. Several fine plants of the Virginia creeper, taken from the entrance of the celebrated Juray caverns, will be sent next week to the woman's building.

Mrs. F. Green, of Charlottesville, Va., was supposed to be dead, and every preparation had been made for her funeral when she suddenly arose from her trance and disappointed the undertaker, and made her friends hap-

In the Courte.

Edmund Dietz has begun a suit in the Superior court, room No. 2, Indianapolis, for the appointment of a receiver for the World Newspaper company. Mr. Dietz alleges that he is a stockholder in the company, that it owes him money and that it is insolvent and weighed down with two mortgages, and finally, that its property is being wasted by the management and is practically abandoned. By agreement of all the parties concerned, Judge Harper has appointed Newton Todd, (white) receiver of the World Publishing company.

The most important case in the circuit court Gainesville, Fla , occurred colored, vs. the F. R. & N. railroad recently, the case of Wm, Brice Reed, company for \$20,000 damages for loss of leg and injury to foot. The accident occurred in March at Silver Spring Park, King & King appeared for the plaintiff and W. W. Hampton for the railroad company. The virdict of the jury was gave Reed 31, 200 damages. -Chicago, Ill.-For the second time

within a year the "2-11-44" gig was pulled from the Kentucky wheel on the 10th, and the policy players of Chicago beat the lottery company to the tune of \$65,000. It was the most remarkable drawing ever made, according to old policy players, inasmuch as the three combinations universally played came out. These combinations or "gigs" were 3-11-33, 4-11-44, 5-11-55. It is estimated that this would not occur

again in 29,000,000 drawings. -Dr. Peter W. Ray, of Brooklyn. was recently elected treasurer of the Brooklyn college of Pharmacy and the Pharmaceutical Society and also a delegate to the American Pharmaceutical association.

-Prof. McCoy, United States minister to Libera arrived at Morocco March 26th and presented his credentials to President Chesseman on the 29th, and was cordially received.

-James Vaughan was drowned in a pond near Hopkinsville, Ky., in which he was fishing recently. The water was deep and cold, and he had gone far out to spread a seine, when he was suddenly taken with cramps and sank. Later on his body was recovered.

-Afro-Americans have been great sufferers because of the floods in Arkansas, Mississippi and Louisiana.

-The newly elected bishops of the A. M. E. church were ordained Thursday afternoon May 19th.

-Rev. E. W. S. Hammond, of Kentucky, succeeds Rev. A. E. P. Albert, as editor of the South Western Christian Advocate for the next four years. -Gainesville, Texas, has organized an Afro-American Democratic club.

-Thomas Stanfield, an Afro-American mail carrier, has been jailed at Atlanta, for tampering with the

-The house of Thos. Moore, standing in the flooded region just back of Brooklyn, Ill., was burned the forenoon of May 20, and Mrs. Moore and her child were drowned while attempting to escape.

-The A. M. E. Zion conference on Wednesday night the 18th, presented the retiring editor of the Star of Zion, Mr. J. C. Dancy, with a handsome gold watch on Wednesday night

-St. Johns A. M. E. church of Norfolk will have a new \$5,000 organ.

-Rev. G. W. Clinton, of Pittsburg, was chosen editor of the Star of Zion -At the twenty-fifth Annual Council of the Diocese of Nebraska, which met in Trinity Cathedral, this city, freedom, shorn of all means of securon Wednesday and Thursday of this | ing its exercise, proposed in this year week, the Rev. John A. Williams, of St. Philip's Epicsopal Church, was elected Assistant Secretary of the

Miss May V. Dandridge is bookkeeper and cashier in one of the largest stores in Akron, Ohio, and has the confidence of her employers and the people in general.

A BYSTANDER'S NOTES.

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ations seven millions of our fellow citizens are arranging for a day of fasting and prayer throughout the length and breadth of our land that God-our God. from whose teachings sprung the earth-illuminating thought of the universal brotherhood of man-will incline the hearts of the American people to do justice to those whom American slavery debased, and to whom our Christian civilization for two centuries and a half denied all the rights of man; who were forbidden by law the sacred ordinance of marriage in one-third of the states of the Union, whose eyelids were sealed in impenetrable darkness, lest they should learn the lessons of liberty hidden in the words of Jesus of Nazareth; who were denied the right of self-defence, legitimate love, a family name, possessory power-everything, indeed, that civilized man holds dear save what the grace of the master might permit

them to enjoy. This people freed in the Province of God, as the result of a bloody war, but left to meet in poverty and ignorance, unsecured and unprotected, the ruthless spirit which had drenched the land in blood to perpetuate their enslavement and degradation, after twenty-seven years of patient endurance of the wrongs attending a precarious and dependent semi-freedom come now with one accord to the God whom for generations they besought with secret, fear-muffled prayers to give them liberty and invoke His intercession to secure for them from the white exemplars of American Christian Civilization, equal opportunity, equal right and adequate protection under the laws of the great Republic, in the exercise of all legal privileges.

While you are here counseling of the things of God, a thousand Christians, dark-skinned indeed, but with the high courage of discriminating freemen, refuse to sing a hymn which the Christian church with unconscious mackery dedicated to the praise of liberty when the winds that swept our country's plains bore to the ears of a wondering world the moans of enslaved millions, and her mountains echoed with the baying of the hound on the trail of the fleeing fugitive. They declare that they cannot as Christian freemen of right entitled to the equal blessings of liberty and justice, chant the glories of a land which had been to them so harsh and cruel a stepmother, and in which to-day their people suffer injustice and oppression which make one wonder whether Christianity is indeed an element of civilization of which we boast.

This is no light matter. These are not enemies of the country, but lovers of liberty and intelligent believers in justice and righteousness as defined by Jesus of Nazareth. They are the sons and daughters of those Christian martyra who waited with dauntless faith through the long black night of bondage for the coming of the promised "Jubilee." As such, while they can not vaunt a freedom they do not share, they join with streaming eyes in the stansa they have changed to an invocation:

"Our Father's God to Thee, Author of Liberty, To Thee we sing!

Make Thou our country bright

With Freedom's holy light, Great God, our King?

This people are our brothers, sons of the same great Father, believers in the same Christ. They are almost one-eighth of our population and joint heirs with us of American citizenship, for which their blood has freely shed, and whose preservation was only secured through the valor of a quarter of a million dusky sons who sought and bled to maintain the liberties of the people who had given them only stripes and oppression.

They are black-more or less; we

are white, outwardly at least. They have never done us harm. For 250 years we wrought upon them every evil that the unregenerate heart could devise. Their patience, forgiveness and desire for peace with those who have despitefully used them is unprecedented in the world's history. It can only be accounted for by the effect of the Christ-spirit in restraining the natural inclination. Our conduct toward them could not be expressed by the father of Methodism in that outburst of graphic horror, "the sum of all villainies!" When this relation ended, we gave them liberty—we could not do less for those who had preserved ours-but took care to provide that they should have no security for protection in the rights professedly conferred upon them.

It is a matter of public report endorsed by one, at least, of its leading officials, that colored members of the general committees of our own church are entertained at a public hotel in the city of New York, only on condition that they shall not sit at a public table except in company with some of the bishops or leading officials of the church.

It is a matter of report in our own church journals that one honored official of the church was unable to obtain a meal in a Southern town because the editor of one of our church Advocates" was in his company.

It is-or should be-well known to every member of this General Conference that the life of this same ed itor was recently threatened by a mob because he occupied a berth in a sleeping car which he had bought and paid for.

It is, or should be, known to every member of this body that in several States of the Union a man or woman having a trace of colored blood is not permitted to ride in the same car with a white person except in the capacity of a nurse to a white child or invalid.

And now, this people whom our Christian Republic wronged for so many generations by enslavement, and then mocked by the promise of of our Lord 1892, to meet in their various places of worship throughout the land on the 31st day of May and pray the Christian's God to shelter and protect them from the cruilty, the oppression, the injustice, the barbarism of the white Christians of the great Republic!

In all history there is no grander picture-no more impressive spectacle. A race oppressed, despised, and condemned by those who claim to be the special exponents of Christian light and truth, instead of appealing to violence or staining the blessing already received with blood, stretch forth their hands and lift up their voices to God in earnest prayer that He will incline the hearts of white Christians in our land to justice. They do not ask for favor, only for equal right, equal opportunity, equal security, equal chance to assist their manhood and maintain their rights. It is at once the most marvelous miracle and grandest triumph Christianity has witnessed since Mary's son triumphed over death on Calvary! Is there need of this appeal? What

are the facts? No intelligent Christian can be ignorant of the fact that in all our land the prejudice of race is so strong as to constitute a serious burden and disadvantage to anyone having a traceable admixture of colored blood. So terrible is this curse that in our Christian land the greatest blessing next to life itself is to be born white. So intense is the sentiment upon this subject that there is hardly a white member of our honorable body who would not prefer death to a black skin even for the remainder of his expectancy of life. What it this? Not from any sense of inferiority, for such a thing could not be in such a case. Each nature would remain the same, but every man would feel that Christian civilization has only scraps of pity for the colored man, whose doom he would thus be compelled to share. From such a sentiment only justice can be expected, and this tendency, instead of being urged, as it often is, in excuse of wrong, should be kept ever in mind as an insidious temptation to evil. That this sentiment is plainly in conflict with Christian truth there can be no question. since no man has yet been base enough to stand up before a Christian congregation and thank God for the inestimable blessing of a white skin. How does this tendency find expression?

There are three rights which are of paramount importance to civil and religious liberty. To their assertion is due all the blessings which have flowed from or attended the spread of Protestant Christianity throughout the earth. Take them away and the world must perforce slip back into the darkness of the Middle Ages. They are the rocks upon which civilization is founded. They are (1) free speech and unrestricted co-operation in all lawful ways in matters of personal faith, individual right, and the public welfare; (2) the right of selfdefence and adequate protection of the law in the due exercise of all legal privileges, and (3) the right to be tried and convicted in a legal tribunal for all offences charged, and that the same responsibility shall attach to crimes committed by or against one class of citizens.

In one-third of the States of this Union the man who advocates equal rights for all citizens of the United States does so at the peril of his life. Freedom of speech, so far as the rights of the colored man is concerned, is hardly more permitted than in Russia. Fraud intimidation, and even murder are openly excused if designed to prevent the colored man from securing the free exercise of his legal rights as a citizen of the Republic. The colored man who defends his life against the white man's violence or his home against his lust is doomed, while the law is so administered as

to punish his offenses with a barbarism which shocks the sense of justice when compared with the lenity shown to white violators of its precepts. In a quarter of a century only two or three white men have been executed in a dozen states for the murder of a colored person, and not one, so far as can be learned, has ever been punished for the ravishment or seduction of a colored woman. Yet these are crimes of almost daily occurrence. Indeed, during these twenty-seven years of semifreedom there has hardly been a single one that has not witnessed the killing of more colored citizens by white men in these States than there are days in its calendar. The aggregate of such known and signable killing is one of the most appalling pages in history. It is altogether safe to say that not one in a thousand of the slayers have been punished-probably not one in five thousand.

Such a universal failure of justice and denial of legal right to one class of the citizenship of the country is but a natural complement of another wrong, which, though less harmful in its results, is so much more shocking in its evident brutality as to have commanded even more attention from the race subjected to them. Within the short space of sixteen months last the public press has heralded to the world the fact that nine colored men have been burned alive by American mobs, that two have been flayed alive and nearly two hundred hanged or shot by bands of lynchers with scarcely more fear of legal responsibility than if their victims had been cats and dogs, rather than human beings with souls and citizens with rights. These acts, as the appeal set forth by the colored people of the land truly says, are "not infrequently perpetrated in the shadow of churches whose ministers are, perhaps, overawed by the prevalent passions of their communities, or worse, their consciences are seared, their ears are deaf and they fail to hear the voice of their brother's blood when he cries to them from the ground."

Because of these things which make the heart stand still with fear that some refluent wave of barbarism is about to engulf and overwhelm the covilization of which we boast, this people, the long-suffering victims of Christian oppression, propose to invoke Almighty God-to do what? This people, whose inferiority and capacity of civilization has been urged as an excuse for such barbarities, by this action sets an example to all the Christian world which it would be well for civilization and the cause of Christ if other people would follow. In their hour of tribulation they propose to meet in their churches, draped with mourning emblems, and "devoutly pray to Almighty God."

"1. That if it is our fault that the hearts of our fellow countrymen are so cruelly turned towards us, He will show to us the evil and give us wisdom to remove it.

"2. That our white fellow citizens may be made to see that the only security for republican institutions is to be found in the observance of law by all, however powerful, and the extention of its protection to all however weak."

Could nobler subjects inspire a people's petitions or an oppressed race assume a grander attitude than on their knees appealing to God to mediate between them and the authors of injustice they suffer, in order that righteousness may prevail; i nour common country? Can there be any doubt that, when seven millions of believers thus humbly and submissive prostrate themselves before Him, our God will hear them? Already in our land He has shown Himself no "respecter of persons." The pride of the master, at whose demand the slave was denied all rights of common humanity, and of the instruments by which emancipation was wrought, has alike been humbled. The lesson was plainly taught to all who are willing to read the story of our past with candid minds, that God controls the destiny of nations and peoples; that He is on the side of justice against oppression; that He can lift up the weak and pull down the strong. Does it not teach that He will hear those who cry unto Him

out of the darkness? And now, men and brethren. let me ask,-Is the Methodist Episcopal Church ready to respond to this appeal? When the colored citizens of the United States on bended knees shall ask God to turn the hearts of white American Christians to righteousness and justice will the Method-

Will the board of bishops ask that the churches throughout the land echo the prayer of the oppressed: "Oh, God, if the fault is in us, show us the evil, and give us wisdom to remove it?"

ist Episcopal Church respond "Amen?"

Will the general conference intermit its routine work upon the 31st of May, and with the colored Christians of the United States fast, and pray that God may lead our nation in the path of righteousness and incline our hearts to do justice to all his child-

I do not forget the stand of Methodist Episcopal Church took on the subject of salary, and I do not doubt that the years of unprecedented prosperity which followed were the evidence of God's blessing on its faithfulness. But the present instance is somewhat different. It is our wrong, our own apathy, our own unconscious cruelty that we must condemn. It is easy to be kind; pleasand to give alms; not difficult to pity and pray for the unfortunate; but it is hard, terrible hard, to be just, especially to the weak. Are the white Christians of America willing they should have mercy. We do not want them burned, or shot. or hanged, or beaten with stripes. These are unpleasant things to think about. But are we willing that they should have justice-that they should occupy the same plane of right of liberty and have the same security in the exercise of their legal privileges as the white citizens of the United

I know these are unpleasant questions, but the rights of man have no more regard for the equanimity of Christians than repose of nations. This the exactly what seven million colored Christians will ask God to give them; and every white Christian, and especially every member of the Methodist Episcopal Church

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should make up his mind whether to join in this prayer or file a petition in the Chancery of Heaven asking that it be disallowed. There is no middle ground. We must either join in the prayer for justice or pray for the continuance of injustice. To be silent is to ask God to perpetuate wrong and prosper oppression.

Men and brethren, I do not ask

these questions nor affirm these things to offend, annoy, or stir up strife with any class of believers or any body of men whatever. A member of the church since my fifteenth years though not always agreeing with everything it has done, there are not a few who can testify that I have battled stoutly for the right and sought not to weaken, but to strengthen and extend the influence and power of the Christ-thought both in the church and without its borders. It seems to me-I doubt not that it so appears to the millions of colored Christians in our land-that the time is crucial, not only in the National affairs, but as regards our Christian faith as well. What will be the influence on the skeptical and unbelieving when they shall see the colored

vent petitions rise to God? In my view and in that of the hundred thousand white citizens who are members of the 'National Citizens' Rights Association and have commissioned me to speak for them in this behalf, the questions presented by this strange juncture of affairs are infinitely above the purview of party strife and the conflict of faction, resting on the eternal truths of God. But yesterday God commanded the American people, after unnumbered signs of special favor to the nation and the people that they should let the slave go free. The nation refused; the church paltered; unrighteousness and greed prevailed. He threatened the nations life; took out first-born and on hill and plain wrote

in blood his immutable decree. Why?

Christians of America praying for re-

lief from white injustice, if the altars

at which white Christians worship

are cold and silent while their fer-

Because justice is the foundation His throne, and slavery was the ver essence of injustice. "Let my po ple go !" was the sole conditioned which victory was granted and the Nation saved. To-day the same per ple implore the same just God to # cure to them justice—equal right equal liberty, equal opportunity, equal security—in the land where the have so long waited for His promis The questions this strange spec

tacle represents for our considers tion are: 1. Whether the peace of the United States and the grant of National citizenship are of any significance value in securing to the colored cit

life, liberty, equal opportunity and the equal protection of the law. 2. Whether Christianity has suff cient vital force to require the both of white believers to do justice to

colored Christian people, who have long been subject to their control. were for two centuries and a had the victims of almost unprecedents wrongs, perpetrated under the flag s the Republic and under claim of distract right to oppress?

These questions are of the utmos gravity both as affecting the future of free institutions and the progre of Christianity. Is the American Br public able and willing to protect the lives and liberties of America citizens on American soil? Have the white Christians of the United State sufficient faith in a God of justice and Righteousness to demand equal right, equal opportunity and full peo tection for every child of the comme Father in our land, regardless of race color, or previous condition? God grant that the answer be in consonance with justice the right, and that the Methodis both to God and liberty, may pos

Episcopal Church, true in the pass falter in her response to the appre which Christian fellowship and tional citizenship are making equal right, equal liberty, and quate protection from violence terror in the Christian land. ALBION W. TOURGEE

Pres't National Citizens' Rights of sociation, Mayville, N. Y., May