

THE PLAIN DEALER.

VOLUME IX. NO. 1.

DETROIT, MICH., MAY 22, 1891.

WHOLE NO. 418

HE IS A SLICK ONE.

AN AFRO-AMERICAN CROOK WHO FORGED HIS OWN PARDON.

Our Request in the Pardon Cost Him His Freedom—He Also Forges a Draft for \$20,000—A Readable Story.

George Lewis is the name of an Afro-American convict in the state penitentiary at Lansing, Kan., who came near getting the best of the Mercantile national bank of New York city by \$20,000. Lewis is a native of Virginia, 33 years old, 6 feet and one inch in height, of herculean build and very dark. He was enlisted in troop I of the Ninth cavalry of the United States army. While he was employed in the auditor general's office of the war department in Washington he committed a forgery for which he was sentenced, June 11, 1889, to 10 years' imprisonment.

He is a federal prisoner. Secretary of War Proctor thought his sentence too severe and commuted his term to five years.

Lewis is well educated. Soon after he began his sentence he got into the good graces of the Rev. W. B. Poinsett, the chaplain of the penitentiary. On account of his intelligence and skill with the pen he was taken into the office of the chaplain.

There are tasks by which the prisoners can earn money to buy newspapers and delicacies and to send their relatives. All money was sent in the shape of drafts drawn by the First national bank of Leavenworth, Kan., on its New York correspondent, the Mercantile national bank. The drafts were for sums ranging from 50 cents up.

The letters which the convicts receive are first opened in the chaplain's office and read to see that their contents are proper. Those sent by the convicts are handed in at the chaplain's office unsealed, in order that they may be examined. The work of inspecting and mailing letters fell to Lewis.

On Feb. 10 last Lewis appropriated a draft for \$1, which had been bought at the Leavenworth bank to enable a convict to subscribe to a paper. He raised the draft to \$20,000 and changed the name of the payee to his own.

Lewis sent the altered draft to the Fountaine savings bank, the True Reformer's depository, in Richmond, Va., of which R. T. Hill is cashier. The draft was accompanied by two letters. One was signed by Lewis in his own name. In it he said he was a colored man who went west to better his condition. He bought a ranch at Harkness, Kan., which he said he had sold at a handsome profit to an Englishman.

The draft which he sent to be deposited to his credit represented, he said, the proceeds of the sale. He wished to have the draft held until he was ready to draw against it. In order that there might be no doubt as to the genuineness of the draft he requested the Fountaine savings bank to communicate with the Mercantile national. Cashier Hill wrote to ask if a draft drawn by the First national of Leavenworth for \$20,000 was good.

The letter in reply said that it was, as the First national had a balance of \$30,000 with the Mercantile.

Lewis helped along the deception by accompanying the letter signed by himself with one dated "Trafalgar square, Charing Cross, London Jan. 20, 1891," and signed by John Scott. Scott purported to be an agent who had bought Lewis' ranch for Lord Rendlet. He wrote that he and Lord Rendlet were on the point of starting to cross the ocean in the latter's yacht and would stop at the ranch on their way across the continent to San Francisco, which they proposed to visit.

Both letters were type-written. Lewis had used the machine in the chaplain's office on them. The signatures were wholly dissimilar and gave no sign of having been inscribed by the same hand.

In the meantime Lewis' brain had been busy in other ways. There was an Afro-American convict in the prison named Sam Bryant who was serving a sentence of five years for a robbery committed in Shawnee county, Kan., whose term expired March 4.

Bryant is a professional criminal and is also known as Sam Reeves and Sam Cox. He readily entered into Lewis' scheme. When released he went to the printing house of Dodworth & Co., with an order for 25 letter heads printed in imitation of those in use in the office of the secretary of war at Washington. The order was signed "Captain Hills," but was written by Lewis. Bryant smuggled the letter heads into the penitentiary to Lewis through a third person.

Soon afterwards George H. Chase, the warden of the penitentiary, received a letter from Washington signed William Reeves, stating that a pardon for Lewis would be mailed by the war department May 10. This letter was written apparently on the paper of the secretary of war. It was written by Lewis and given to Bryant to mail in Washington.

Next came a letter for Lewis announcing that he would be pardoned. This was followed by a telegram saying the pardon had been signed and forwarded. The pardon, written on the letter paper of the secretary of war, arrived in due season. It would have been sufficient to have opened the prison doors but for a blunder that Lewis made, and this blunder is unaccountable considering his shrewd-

ness in other respects. The letter did that after the pardon and discharge of Lewis had been entered on the books that the letter itself should be turned over to Lewis to enable him to identify himself at the war department and secure his accumulated pay. To have surrendered the pardon would have left the warden with no voucher for the release of Lewis. The warden wrote to Washington asking if he might not give Lewis a certificate of some sort and keep the pardon in the records of the penitentiary. The answer he received was a telegram to the effect that no pardon had been granted to Lewis.

When Bryant was sent to Washington to take care of the correspondence from that place he was given an order on the Fountaine savings bank for \$250. Cashier Hill paid the check and sent the draft on to New York for collection.

The facts about the bogus pardon were extracted from Lewis by government officials who were detailed by the war department to make an investigation, but he said nothing of the draft he had raised.

The first day of May, in accordance with its custom, the Mercantile of New York sent to the national of Leavenworth a statement of the "account current" between the two banks. The First national at Leavenworth sent a similar one to the Mercantile. Each reached its destination May 4, and each bank immediately afterwards received a telegraphic inquiry from the other about a discrepancy of \$19,999 in the "account current."

The number of the draft showed that it had been issued to the chaplain of the penitentiary at Lansing, and the fact of Lewis' name appearing on it as payee fixed the work of altering it upon him. When confronted with the draft and the letters he had sent Cashier Hill, of the Fountaine savings bank he confessed.

Mr. St. John president of the New York bank had the correspondence between the two banks, said it was the most remarkable of its character that he had ever perused.

The First national bank of Leavenworth will prosecute Lewis for forgery on the expiration of his sentence. The government is looking for Sam Bryant to punish him for his part in the plan to palm off a bogus pardon. Why Lewis desired to take away the pardon is not known, unless it was to show how much smarter than the prison authorities he was. It might have been that he desired the pardon to destroy it and thus efface evidence of forgery in case he was recaptured.

Wall street men say that Lewis would make a bang-up Napoleon of finance.

RONALD, WASHINGTON.

A Growing Town Settled by Afro-Americans—Its Advantages.

Ronald, Wash., May 11.—This may almost be considered an infant town, being but three years old, but it is healthy and growing well. It was settled by Afro-Americans who were brought here by the Northern Pacific Coal company in whose employ they have been ever since. The climate is well adapted to our race as the Winters are short and mild and the summers long and pleasant, so we do not suffer from the extreme heat of the Southern Summer nor the intense cold of the Northern Winter.

While many of our race are taking advantage of the opportunity which all new states offer of securing government land and securing homesteads cheap, there are others who show great indifference to the fact that the land is rapidly being taken up and that very soon it will be impossible to secure one foot of government land in any desirable locality in this part of the state.

I would say to those who are seeking homes with small capital you can not do better than to come to Washington. If you are hunting work of any kind, if you are a business man, if you possess legal knowledge, whatever your occupation may be, Washington will prove a desirable field for you. Wages are excellent here and Afro-American laborers in demand.

We of Ronald and Roslyn have built three churches and have good schools in which race is not considered. We have lately organized an Afro-American League and hope to enlist every Afro-American in Kittitas county as a member. The promoter of the league is Mr. Vinc Carter, one of our successful business men. Mr. J. E. Shepperson of the Detective Department of the Northern Pacific Coal company, Messrs Press, Loving, Shafers and others are ably supporting him in his efforts.

IN HONOR OF THEIR GUEST.

Lansing, May 18.—Mrs. W. H. Hall of Grand Rapids visited Irene chapter, No. 11, order of the Eastern Star, last Thursday evening. She is the guest of Mrs. John Scott. On Monday evening the members gave a reception in honor of Mrs. Hall, which proved enjoyable to both hosts and guest. The hall was beautifully decorated and every convenience arranged for the complete enjoyment of the guests. They were entertained with musical selections by Messrs F. Davis and T. J. Thompson, readings by the W. G. matron, Mrs. John Scott, and recitations by Miss Lulu Fowler and Miss Jennie Dyer. The grand march was led by Mr. James Thompson. The refreshments were bounteous and delicious and like every other feature of the reception thoroughly enjoyable. Mrs. Hall leaves for Jackson Tuesday morning accompanied by Mrs. John Scott en route for Kalamazoo, Cassopolis and Day.

RE-DEDICATION.

A Large Number Take Part in the Services at Guelph.

The Plaindealer clips the following article from the Guelph, Ont., Daily Mercury of May 11. It will be noticed that among the clergy was Rev. J. O'Banyoun, Presiding Elder of the Western District of the A. M. E. church of Ontario, who took a prominent part in the services. This is as it should be, christian union among the ministers, the great fundamental principle to which all other church principles ought to be subservient. This is a move in the right direction among the churches of Ontario.

"Yesterday was quite a memorable day in the history of the British Methodist Episcopal church in this city in particular and of the connection in general in Canada. As per previous announcement the series of services began at 10.30 a. m. when the following marched in the procession from the parsonage:—Prof. T. Shaw, O. A. College; Rev. W. T. Minter, pastor; Rev. Dr. Oliver, and Rev. J. O'Banyoun, A. M. E.; Rev. S. P. Hale, and Rev. P. Brooks, Rev. W. F. Mellayne and Rev. S. A. Lucas, and Messrs J. Lucas and Robins. The service was conducted by the pastor and after prayer by Rev. O'Banyoun and the reading lesson from the 21st chapter of Revelations, Prof. Shaw was introduced as representative of the evangelical churches of the city. He took for his text the 22nd verse of the chapter read, and in a most impressive manner expounded the meaning of the text and the ancient Temple, and concluded a most instructive sermon by exhorting his hearers to be true to the Temple or Sanctuary of the Lord. He referred to the tangible truth shown by the people of Guelph to their Negro brethren in clearing off the large debt on the church.

The Thanksgiving sermon was preached at 2 p. m. by the Rev. W. F. McBayne of Toronto. The gentleman gave a very stirring and interesting discourse which was listened to with marked attention.

The dedicatory service took place at 3.30 p. m. when the church was packed. The ministers formed a procession from the parsonage and marched to the church, where they were met at the door by the trustees and other officials. The key of the church was handed to the Rev. T. C. Oliver, on behalf of the B. M. E. church of Canada; the dedicatory service was then read, Dr. Oliver and Rev. J. O'Banyoun taking alternate parts, assisted by the Rev. G. R. Blunt. The dedicatory prayer was offered by the Rev. O'Banyoun. The sermon was preached by Dr. Oliver, who took for his text the 8th chapter of 1st Kings, 27th verse: "And will God indeed dwell on Earth?" After explaining the circumstance which led to the asking of the question by King Solomon, he proceeded in the second place to answer in the affirmative by showing that God will. He dwelt very forcibly on the circumstances in which God would dwell in His church on earth, and in conclusion exhorted his hearers to live together in love, purity and union. He also spoke in high terms of the philanthropic citizens of Guelph for their noble rescue of the church from its financial embarrassment. The Rev. J. O'Banyoun, A. M. E., followed in a most eloquent and stirring address, in which he gave an interesting account of the fact that he assisted in the laying of the corner stone of the sacred edifice about 12 years ago, and when he afterwards dedicated the church about 10 years ago, and the singular coincidence in being called on to assist in the rededicatory services of the day. He gave a brief history of the exodus of the Negro people of Guelph from the townships of Peel and Wellesley and other places, and congratulated them on being comfortably ensconced in this beautiful house of God, and thanked the white citizens for their great assistance. To use his own words he said, "the noble city of Guelph, the royal city of Guelph, the unprecedented city of Guelph. God bless her noble hearted patriotic, Christ-loving people."

At 7.30 p. m. the church was crowded inasmuch as chairs had to be brought for the seating of the large assemblage. On this occasion Rev. P. Brooks, of Toronto, occupied the pulpit, and preached the sacramental sermon from the text, I Corinth, XV chapter, 1st verse. The preacher based his remarks on the word "Gospel." His sermon was appropriate to the occasion, and left a deep impression that the gospel was good news. This service was brought to a close by the administration of the Holy Communion. Rev. W. F. Clarke, of this city, offered the sacramental prayer at the close of the sermon, after which an experience meeting was engaged in, led by Rev. J. O'Banyoun, which continued until 10.15 p. m. A large number took part.

Took a Cast of Him.

Jeremiah is the civilized name of a young man from Melange, 400 miles inland in Angola, Africa. He was brought to this country several months ago by Mr. Hall Chatelain, a missionary and the Smithsonian institution has had a cast taken by the Sculptor Mills and his statue is soon to be erected in the African section of the National museum.

The "best citizens" of Pine Bluff, Ark., are greatly incensed because Alexander Archibald has so far departed from the traditions of his father as to marry an Afro-American woman.

"PLUTARCH'S TOPICS."

WHEN A MINISTER'S SERMON IN GLORIOUSLY FAILS.

He Points Out the Distinguishing Marks of a Fit Minister—Measure for Yourself If You Find the Marks.

NUMBER III.

Christ's announcement of the rule, "though shalt love thy neighbor as thyself" immediately brought out the question, "who is my neighbor?"

Christ defined "neighbor" by the parable of the Good Samaritan. Thus all along the line of human history perplexed men are asking "What meaneth this rule? or what does that precept direct?" The ministry is instituted for the purpose of expounding, to honest inquirers, the law. Every sermon should be either an exposition of the truth or be aimed at stirring up the hearers to action in the line of duty. A sermon that fails either to give some one a sounder idea of duty or a deeper determination and better disposition to perform duty has ingloriously failed.

The preacher must be able to form an adequate judgment of the moral character of his people; his duty is clear. He is simply to address himself to correcting defects, uprooting errors, and planting true and sound ideas; his next duty is to inspire to action and direct conduct. Simple as these duties are, performing them constitutes one of the noblest, most difficult, and most important tasks entrusted to man.

With the above points in view let us examine the Afro-American ministry.

(1) Is it able to form an adequate judgment of the moral character of the people with whom it should deal?

We answer, some ministers are able to do this and many are not. Those who are not, consequently, are not fit leaders. As to what proportion are thus qualified and what proportion are not, is a question "Plutarch" has too much good sense to attempt to determine. He will simply point out the distinguishing marks of a fit minister and let others perform the delightful task of measuring the individuals.

It is self-evident that an uneducated man is not able to form an intelligent judgment concerning the morality of the recreations, amusements, and aesthetic pursuits of the refined and cultured, for he knows but little more about what the cultured must have than a Wall street broker knows what food and care is requisite to the health of a lion.

As an illustration, imagine a preacher whose highest literary attainment is the ability to read the English Bible, but knows nothing of any side lights. Now, imagine such a preacher in a Philadelphia pulpit preaching to a cultured congregation. He would condemn as ungodly all readers of dramatic literature, of poetry (save hymns), of romance, of satire, or of fiction. He would be honest but his unfitness to dictate morals to such a congregation would be so apparent that not one word he would utter would have the force of authority, save as it might be found to accord with recognized authorities.

I have heard preachers who wear great literary titles condemning in most pronounced terms the reading of the very class of literature in which said preachers must have been proficient in order to merit the degree worn. Immediately I concluded, just as anyone else would have done, that they got the title by some other means than merit.

Think of our imaginary preacher delivering a sermon on amusements. His personal amusements consist in getting off behind the church during the sessions of associations or conferences and smoking a pipe, and telling vulgar tales, and other practices of like character. Now imagine such an individual instructing refined young ladies and gentlemen as to the propriety or impropriety of parlor games, social recreations, etc.

Why, his breath is simply wasted, that's all.

Ministers of that type are totally unfit to be moral guides to the cultured, however, fit they may be to lead those of their own class.

We have carried the illustration far enough to clear the way for the proposition, "no minister is fit to give moral instruction to persons whose character and tastes he cannot apprehend."

The preacher of the past who condemned the wearing of a collar or of a silk dress was no further behind his time than are those who today denounce many of the customs and practices of modern society.

The pretended Greek scholar who denounces the drama shows himself to be a hypocrite. The doctors of letters who make such assaults upon polite literature are donkeys in lion's hides. Much more ridiculous is the attempt of wholly uneducated persons to dictate the pursuits of the educated and cultured.

But, true as our proposition is, it must be qualified in its application, for, while illiterate men cannot sympathize with the cultivated tastes of the polite yet they can comprehend their human nature and human relations to a very large extent. They can clearly see that any pursuit that trespasses the rule of right as defined by the Bible is wrong. They can see that slavery, however craved by those cultured in certain ways, is wrong; they can likewise see the sinfulness of intemperance, etc. All such evils are pronounced against in the Bible

and a familiarity with his Book of instructions qualifies the most illiterate minister to speak on those subjects before the wisest man on earth. It is when he comes to deal with questions upon which the Bible gives no definite information that the proposition given above applies to the minister.

We all know that it is this class of little sins that must be weeded out of a man's life in order to develop a sound character. To do this the man must be well instructed as to his whole duty to God, himself, and to society. He must be made to know what he ought to do as well as what he ought not to do. Honesty not only requires one not to steal but it demands one to render unto every man his dues.

Another qualification as to the scope of ministerial duty is this, "the preacher is not to direct the people to the performance of particular acts, but simply to teach them the rule and encourage the disposition to obey it." By teaching the "rule" we mean as it applies to conduct rather than a mere abstract proposition.

To speak scientifically,—the most illiterate preacher, provided he be informed as to Bible teachings can speak authoritatively concerning "absolute rules" but concerning "relative ethics" his fitness to speak is modified by his ability to comprehend. That is to say, he is never wrong in denouncing murder, but in order to condemn a specific act of killing he must know and understand its relations.

But to cut the matter short let us return to a proposition laid down in Article 1, "a moral transformation must precede any real advance." The preacher deals (as guided) with those who have been regenerated.

N. B. In order to say a great deal in few words, we are compelled to refrain from that tedious process of reasoning that crawls inch by inch along the line of argument as a man at night feels his way along a wall. We are taking it for granted that those who read all of these articles will only be such persons as are familiar enough with the subjects involved to follow with ease the course our argument is taking.

In preparing these articles the writer has, during the past five years, examined as fully as so short a period would permit, the doctrine of ethics as taught by Aristotle, the Cynics, Plato, Socrates, the Stoics, Butler, Clarke, Comte, Hegel, Hobbes, Hume, Kant, Locke, Pakey, Smith Gregory, Spinoza and such other writings as "The Scientific Basis of Morals" by Clifford, "The Data of Ethics" by Spencer etc. That the Bible is given the supreme place any intelligent person could see by reading Article 1. It will also be as apparent, before we conclude that the narrow views and prejudiced mumbblings of many are renounced. "Plutarch."

Good for Kindling Wood.

The publication in the press of Wilmington, Del., that the old Delaware whipping post had been sold to be exhibited at the World's Fair raised a storm of indignation that the ancient relic should be so disposed. While most of the citizens were engaged in discussing the matter a party of enraged Afro-Americans took the matter in their own hands, broke into the yard where J. C. Wigglesworth, the purchaser, had it stored, and with saws and axes reduced the stocks and pilory and post to a mass of unrecognizable kindling wood. Wigglesworth paid \$5. for the post and it is said could have sold it for as many thousands.

Mr. Fortune in the Race.

In the event of the resignation of the Hon. Frederick Douglass as Minister Resident and Consul General to the Republic of Hayti; Mr. T. Thomas Fortune, of the New York Age, will be a candidate to succeed him. Mr. Fortune's success as a journalist has caused him to be widely known throughout the country. He is a conspicuous example of the ability and push of the rising generation and his candidacy will doubtless be supported by all those who believe in giving the young men a chance. The Plaindealer extends its hearty good wishes for his success.

Something New.

If our readers wish to see the latest thing out in the way of playing cards, they should send 15 cents in stamps to Geo. DeHaven, General Passenger Agent, Grand Rapids, Mich., for a pack of the new playing cards issued by the Chicago & West Michigan and the Detroit, Lansing & Northern Rys. These cards are quite novel and much useful information may be gathered from them. Geo. DeHaven, General Passenger Agent.

Would Like to See Him Do It.

Richard Reddick, is the name of an Afro-American living at Beaver Falls, Pa., who has papers in his possession that prove that he is 114 years old. The old man, it is said, has been making a garden the past week and is as spry as a man of 60. He makes no claim to have seen George Washington, or any other remarkable personage, but calmly states that he is going to try to live until he is 200.

Mr. James M. French of Sandusky has long been employed as clerk in the law office of Major E. B. King of that city. Major King is a candidate for the Republican nomination of attorney general and has the good will of all Afro-American constituents.

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

DISCOURTEOUS YOUNG MEN.

Saginaw, May 18.—The communion services Sunday were largely attended. The morning sermon was preached by Elder Hill and those of the afternoon and evening by Elder Lyons of Flint.

We regret very much the spirit which makes our people feel disinclined to send a delegate to Ypsilanti. Saginaw people should have too much pride to be left behind.

A number of visitors attended services here Sunday among whom were Mr. and Mrs. Vick and Mr. Lamb.

The flippancy of the young gentlemen who replied to Elder Hill's question, "how would Miss Lucas, who was elected delegate get to Adrian," that she could walk, reflected no credit on them, being disrespectful both to the minister and the young lady. One of the first needs of our race is self respecting young men and no man who respects himself is discourteous to others.

Messrs Christopher Smith and Tolbert of Bay City were in the city on Sunday.

The surprise tendered the Rev. Hill by the members of the church Tuesday evening was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Henrietta

ANDERSON—PRESTON.

Findlay, O., May 15.—The protracted meeting closed with 28 converts.

Mr. G. W. Anderson and Miss Victoria Preston were united in marriage May 11 at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. James King. After the ceremony was over the happy couple led the way to the supper room where all present did ample justice to the repast prepared by the hostess. When supper was over the guests repaired to the spacious parlors and spent a pleasant hour with the bride and groom after which they bade them good night wishing them a long and happy life. Many useful presents were received by them. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson's former home is Ypsilanti but they will reside in Findlay in the future.

Mrs. Lucy Anderson of Ypsilanti, is spending a week with her brother T. A. York.

On account of the protracted effort Easter services were postponed until last Sunday when an excellent program was rendered.

Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton of Cincinnati will spend the summer in Findlay.

Elder Mason returned Friday night from the district conference.

Mrs. W. H. Gray is quite ill. Friends are glad to note the recovery of Mrs. Thompson.

DISASTROUS FIRE.

Allegan, May 18.—Cold weather here is injuring the fruit crop.

Charles Levat will be tried to-morrow on a disgraceful charge and will probably be sent to Jackson for seven years.

Mr. Deamus Williams of Battle Creek was here last Saturday.

Miss Leana James of Vicksburg, Mich., attended King's show.

Miss Tuff of Berry county is visiting her aunt Mrs. Sewart.

Mr. Henry Houston who took the grip last winter has not yet recovered and fears are entertained that it will result fatally.

Mr. Wm. Auldrige who is 86 years old is suffering from rheumatism.

Mr. Carmel Hicks and Mr. Thomas Mitchell lost their homes and household effects by fire.

Wm. Bee is ill with rheumatism.

The Rev. W. H. Gurley will leave here this morning for his home in Battle Creek but will return May 30th.

Deamus Williams will return today to his home in Kalamazoo.

THE CHURCH FIRST.

Ft. Wayne, Ind., May 18.—Last Wednesday night Matchless Court gave a fan drill entertainment at the residence of A. R. Taylor under command of J. H. Roberts. The ladies were dressed in white with pink sashes and pink fans and made a grand appearance. The drill was well executed by the ladies and appreciated by all. After the drill the pink tea social was enjoyed by those present. Mrs. Taylor knows how to entertain her guests.

Mr. Charles Brooks of Logansport visited his father Mr. Bryant Brooks.

Mrs. Hodge Turner of Logansport, is visiting her aunt Mrs. S. M. Raines.

Mrs. James Stigues received a letter from her sister Mrs. Thurman who is at Columbus, O., attending their sister Della who has not been expected to live. Her many friends will be glad to know that she is recovering.

Mrs. Lydia Jeffries left for Kalamazoo, Mich., last Saturday to visit her mother.

The Rev. King William of Oberlin, O., is visiting Mr. Daniel Ridley.

Mrs. John Ridley has been very sick but we are glad to know that she is improving in health.

While secret societies founded upon the grand principles of morality are grand in their nature we must not lose sight of our religious duties. Let us learn never to put anything a head of the church or to be in opposition to any church work while we may be a member of any of these societies and may hold high positions, let us remember that consultation and mutual agreement is strength to any institution and above all let us ask God to lead us and follow his teachings for he says nothing shall stand that is in opposition to his church. There is no society or people who can stand in opposition to God's holy church. We hope the officers of societies will not be in opposition but be liberal in their duties giving the church the preference in our duties to God and to man. While I am a member of these societies I

know of no better way than to put the church first. We cannot be Christians and do otherwise.

MARSHALL MENTION.

Marshall, May 17.—Rev. Pope preached to a small audience in the A. M. E. church week before last.

Mr. Calvin who has been sick for the last month is gradually failing.

Mrs. Henderson and daughter of Battle Creek were in the city Thursday.

Those entitled to them drew pensions on May 6.

Mr. Marshall of Battle Creek preached Sunday morning and evening in the A. M. E. church to a medium size crowd. There will be bible reading of some other kind hereafter.

GORED TO DEATH.

Josiah Henson Meets Death in His Door Yard—An Infuriated Bull.

On Friday morning, May 14, Mr. Josiah Henson, of Adrian, Mich., went to his stable to lead out a Jersey bull. Shortly after getting him out of the stable door, the animal was seen to throw his head and knock Mr. Henson to the ground. He lay motionless, as if stunned and the brute was seen to plunge his horns into the prostrate body of his owner.

Several persons ran to the rescue and secured the animal. Mr. Henson was carried into the house, and medical assistance summoned.

It was found that one horn had entered the lower part of the body on the left side, passing clear through and entering the right thigh.

His wounds were dressed, and he was made as comfortable as possible, but it was plain from the first that he could not survive. In three hours afterward he died.

Mr. Henson was a man about 70 years of age, and had lived an honored citizen of Adrian for many years. His history is worthy of note, the claim being made that he was the son of the original Uncle Tom, of Harr et Beecher Stowe's famous story.

The funeral occurred Sunday and was largely attended by all classes of citizens. The A. M. E. Sunday school attended in a body and adopted the following resolutions:

Whereas, it has seemed good to the Almighty to remove from our midst our late worthy and esteemed brother, Josiah M. Henson.

Whereas, the intimate relations long held by the deceased with the members of this school render it proper that we should place upon record our appreciation of his services as a chorister and his merits as a man, therefore

Resolved, that we deplore the loss of Josiah M. Henson, with deep feelings of regret softened only by the confident hope that his spirit is with those who having fought the good fight here are enjoying perfect happiness in a better world.

Resolved, that we tender to his afflicted relatives our sincere condolence and our earnest sympathy in their affliction at the loss of one who was a good citizen, devoted husband and father and an upright man.

Resolved, that a copy of the foregoing resolutions be transmitted to the relatives of the deceased.

Committee: Mr. Henry Pate, Mr. Chas. Dean, Mrs. Mary E. Howard.

REV. FELTON'S FUNERAL.

Ypsilanti, May 19.—The Rev. Felton who died here last Wednesday and was buried Friday was born April 12, 1854 and was married May 10, 1880. His death was sudden and unexpected as he had been ill but a few days. By request the Rev. James Henderson preached his funeral sermon. He was assisted by the Rev. Collins of Adrian and Rev. John M. Henderson and Rev. Alexander of Detroit. The service was very impressive the congregation being moved to tears. The deceased was beloved by his parishioners who sympathize warmly with the bereaved wife in her affliction. The daughter who attended the funeral has left for her school duties in Washington, D. C.

The Light Seekers have re-organized and are now progressing rapidly.

The Ladies' Lyceum held their last meeting at the residence of Mrs. F. Bow.

Mr. Lero is visiting in the city.

Mrs. C. Johnson has returned home.

Mrs. Mary Rodgers of Adrian, is in the city.

Mr. James Kersey, Mr. F. J. Johnson and Miss Clare Johnson were elected delegates to the Sunday school convention to be held at Adrian.

Dress Cutting Academy.

Mrs. L. U. Pickenpack of 521 Broadway, Logansport, Ind., has opened a school where ladies who are interested in obtaining a perfect knowledge of Dress Making are invited to call and see our system of Ladies Tailoring. Ladies from a distance boarded free while learning. Write for terms and circulars.

Custer's Last Charge.

"Custer's Last Battle" continues in full popularity and is still regarded as one of the greatest sights of this city. Don't miss it. Admission 25 cents.

The devil has one arm around the man who never gives.

A lazy man will generally complain that he is overworked.

Troubles seen through the devil's telescope look very big.

The more unbaptized money a Christian has the poorer he is.

Keep looking toward God, and the devil's mud can't hurt you.

When the Christian walks in the light of God he throws no shadow.

The ice cream freezer has put out many a good fire on God's altar.—Ram's Horn.

At the closing session of the Western Unitarian congress at Chicago Friday, it was announced that the Theodore Parker memorial fund of \$10,000 had been completed.

In 1850 "Brown's Bronchial Trooches" were introduced, and their success as a cure for Colds, Coughs, Asthma and Bronchitis has been unparalleled.

The best time made by any train is on the Great Northern in England—70 miles in 56 minutes.

The Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass., are giving away a beautiful illustrated book, "Guide to Health and Etiquette." Ladies should send their address and stamp for a copy.

Farm lands in the United States, taking the country as a whole, occupy only 289 acres in every 1,000.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria, When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria, When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria, When she had Children she gave them Castoria.

Another universal language after Volapuk has been invented in Cbill by a navy surgeon. It is entitled "La Lengua Catolica."

St. Jacobs

SURE CURE Oil PROMPT CURE
CURES PERMANENTLY

Rheumatism Sciatica Back Aches all Aches NEURALGIA
IT HAS NO EQUAL. IT IS THE BEST.

Thats right! kick

THE GLAZED COFFEE OUT, FOR YOU DO NOT KNOW WHAT THE GLAZING IS MADE OF. IT BEING A CHEAP DEVICE EMPLOYED BY THE MANUFACTURER TO DECEIVE THE UNWARY CONSUMERS. DRINK WOOLSON SPICE CO'S LION COFFEE, IT IS ENTIRELY FREE FROM GLAZING AND DOCTORING OF ANY KIND. LION COFFEE IS THE MOST HEALTHFUL AND NUTRITIOUS OF ALL ROASTED COFFEES. Woolson Spice Co., Toledo. O LION COFFEE IS A TRUE COMBINATION OF MOCHA, JAVA AND RIO, AND EVERY PACKAGE CONTAINS ONE BEAUTIFUL PICTURE CARD. WHY NOT TRY IT?

PENNYROYAL PILLS
GCHICESTER'S ENGLISH, RED CROSS DIAMOND BRAND
THE ORIGINAL AND GENUINE. The only safe, pure, and reliable PILLS for sale. Ladies and Druggists for *Chicester's English* in Red and Gold metal boxes sealed with blue ribbon. Take no other kind. Refuse substitutions and imitations. All pills in pasteboard boxes, pink wrappers, are dangerous counterfeits. At Druggists or send 4c. in stamps for particulars, testimonials, and "Relief for Ladies" in color, by return Mail. 10,000 Testimonials. Name Paper. CHICESTER CHEMICAL CO., Madison Square, PHILADELPHIA, PA. Sold by all Local Druggists.

PISO'S REMEDY FOR CATARRH—Best. Easiest to use. Cheapest. Relief is immediate. A cure is certain. For Cold in the Head it has no equal.
CATARRH
It is an Ointment, of which a small particle is applied to the nostrils. Price, 50c. Sold by druggists or sent by Mail. Address: E. T. HAZELTINE, Warren, Pa.

HIRES ROOT BEER DRINK
THE GREAT HEALTH DRINK.
Down With High Prices. THIS SEWING MACHINE ONLY \$10!
Top Buggies, \$55.00 Harness \$7.50 Head Carts, 10.00 Wagons, 35.00 A 240-lb Farmers' Scale, 3.00 6000-lb Hay or Stock Scale, 40.00 Forge and Kit or Tools, 20.00 1000 other Articles at Half Price. CHICAGO SCALE CO., Chicago, Ill.

LEWIS' 98% LYE
POWDERED AND REFINED (PATENTED)
The strongest and purest Lye made. Will make the best performed Hard Soap in 20 minutes without boiling. It is the best for softening water, cleaning waste pipes, disinfecting sinks, closets, washing bottles, paints, trees, etc.
PENNA. SALT MFG CO.
Gen. Agts., Phila., Pa.
W. N. U., D.—9—21.
When writing to Advertisers please say you saw the advertisement in this Paper.

The Ladies' Home Journal
Mailed to any address from now
TO
Jan. 1, '92
(BALANCE OF THIS YEAR)
On Receipt of only
50 Cents



A FEW of the leading features embrace
MRS. BEECHER'S Reminiscences of
HENRY WARD BEECHER
Sketching their entire home-life. Society Women as Housekeepers. "How to Make and Save Money," by HENRY CLEWS, the eminent New York Banker. Musical Helps, by CLARA LOUISE KELLOGG, ANNIE LOUISE CARY, CHRISTINE NILSSON, SIMS REEVES, and others. "How to Keep City Boarders," by KATE UPSON CLARK—and hundreds of other good things for the autumn and winter numbers.
CURTIS PUBLISHING COMPANY, Philadelphia, Pa.

A MAIDEN FAIR.

BY CHARLES GIBBON.

CHAPTER II. CONTINUED.

In spite of this well-known declaration there were men who would have been glad to make him forego his vow so far as the lady was concerned; only, she seemed to be as much disposed to observe it as her father. At any rate, no one had yet obtained her favor; and there seemed no likelihood of that favor being easily won.

To herself there was the simple fact that her life was a happy one and there was no need of change. Even if one should appear possessed of that strange power which draws a maiden away from father, mother, and kindred to trust her whole life to him, she believed that she could resist it, until her father said—"Go, and take my blessing with you."

"Here is Mr. Ross, father," said Annie, as she entered the room, and added with some surprise—"Mr. Cargill has gone?"

"Ay; did you not see him?—he wanted to see you. . . . How are you, Bob? I'm wanting you to come with us as far as Peterhead. Can you manage it?"

The captain was a burly little man with a very ruddy face—shrewd, sharp, and yet not ill-natured.

"When?" was the prompt query.

"Next week, on Tuesday maybe, but on Wednesday sure."

Ross looked at Annie—his eyes turned to her involuntarily, asking the question, was she going too? But she looked down at the table examining some forms which her father had thrust towards her whilst he was speaking.

"I'm not sure. But what should you need me for?—you know the roads better than me."

The captain's quick pale eyes looked up at him sharply, and he said good-naturedly—

"I'm perfectly aware of that, Bob, but next to myself I think you ken them best."

"Thank you captain."

"And as I am to have a friend wi' me, I dinna want to hae mair fash mysel' nor is just necessary. That's the reason why I want you wi' us, though what you are see particular about kenning for, I canna make out. What's wrang wi' ye?"

That was a question not easily answered, for the man himself did not know precisely. He felt that there was a great deal wrong with him; but as he found it difficult to discover an explanation for it in his own mind, it was impossible to translate it in words to the understanding of another. So, he answered vaguely—

"Nothing, captain, except that I would like a bit rest."

"Rest!—you that fetched aff they three blisses frae the smack this morning, and was able to walk out here as if naething had happened—ye to talk about rest when you are gaun aboard the *Mermoid*!—hoots man, that's na your reason."

"What is that about the smack, father?" broke in Annie, with eyes brightening, as she remembered the explanation Ross had given for being late.

"A daft thing—that fool-fellow gaed out in the teeth of a gale because he saw a smack capsize."

"Did you save them?" she asked of Ross; but the father replied—

"Oo, ay, he brought hame three o' them—but he might hae made the loss o' his ain crew as weel as that o' the smack. It was cleverly done as I am taid, all the same; but ye should mind that life in the hand is worth twa in the wrack. But that's na the question; are ye to come wi' me or no? Cargill is coming."

Annie by a flush of the cheeks and a movement of the hand—instantly checked as if she would take that of Ross, appeared to think that the saving of the men was very much the question.

The father did not observe the movement, and Ross was entirely occupied with the announcement that Cargill was going to Peterhead on board the *Mermoid*.

"I'll go wi' you, captain," he said quietly; and any one hearing him speak would have thought that he was merely closing an ordinary bargain. But through his mind was passing the panorama of Cargill, all the way along the coast courting Annie.

"That's a plain word, and I think you ought to hae spoken it sooner, for it's an easy job to you, and you'll be among friends. Take a dram on the head o' it."

CHAPTER III.

AT THE GATE.

He had been in a dream during the last ten minutes of his stay in the captain's room. He was in a dream now that he got out into the fresh air. Cargill going with them—Cargill had been at the cottage just before him—why, then it was all settled and there was no hope for him.

What fiend, then, had prompted him to say he would be pilot of the *Mermoid* on this voyage? Why should he be with them when it would be only to intensify his sense of loss into hate, and—maybe, crime?

He should have said, No, no, no!—and he had said "yes" for the very reason which should have compelled him to say no.

It was not yet too late. He could find some excuse; he could feign illness—he could drown himself. Anything rather than go on board that vessel and see them together, knowing the man to be so unworthy. He did believe that if he had thought Cargill an honest man he could have said goodbye in sad resignation to the inevitable; he could have steered them safely into port with no chagrin, but only sorrow in his heart.

As it was—he must escape from the embarrassment. He could not answer for himself if he fulfilled it.

As he was mechanically opening the gate his arm was grasped by a friendly hand.

"Sop a minute, Mr. Ross, I have been noticing that you are not well, can we do anything for you?"

Not well! What a poor thing was it, then, that the wreck of hope and future should come to be a mere question of "Can we do anything for you?" So much medicine—so much fresh air—and lo, hope is restored and the figure is as bright as ever. That is the current mood—and a happy one—but to the homely nature of a man like Ross it brought no balm. He had ventured his all in a single boat and it had sunk.

He turned and saw Annie, the bright sympathetic eyes fell upon him. Like most men deeply in love he was most shy of the being

he most loved. So he answered somewhat ungraciously.

"That is true—I am not well; but thank you for coming to say a kind word to me."

"I am very glad to have given you any comfort. I doubt you have been overtaking yourself to-day."

He rested on the gate. The sweet voice was echoing in his brain and he listened. Then speaking to the voice he breathed the name, "Annie."

She did not draw away from him. She stood breathless.

"Will you let me speak to you?" he said, so quietly now that he could scarcely realize himself that he had been for a moment in dreamland.

"If it will do you any good, to be sure I will," she answered with an endeavor to speak quite frankly and easily; but the voice faltered a little.

"Anything I like?"

"Of course."

The permission granted he appeared to find difficulty in taking advantage of it. So there was a pause, and the outcome of it was—

"I'm a stupid gowk."

But ridiculous as the expression might be to other ears they were not so to those of Annie Murray, and she asked tremulously—

"What for?"

"Because I care more for you than for anybody or anything else, and—I have been aye feared to tell you. Now it is useless telling you."

He spoke almost fiercely as in the throes of a strong man's agony; but with the evident effort to restrain his passion.

"You are not to speak any more," she said, drawing a long breath; "you are to listen to me. You are young, and you can go where you will find friends to comfort and cheer you—"

"So it is said of all men," he muttered.

"My father is an old man," she went on, "and has only me as his constant friend and companion. Well, can you think of it? I said to myself long ago that I would never leave him until he sent me away. Well, can you think of it? The only time that I ever wished I might leave him was—"

But there the blood came rushing to her face and a startled expression appeared in her eyes as if she had caught herself in the commission of some crime, and she became silent. She, who had been calm in the midst of storm, trembled.

"Well?" he asked, surprised by her sudden stop and looking into her face for an explanation.

"Well," she said, softly—an entire change of tone and manner—"there's nothing more to say except that I am glad you are to be the pilot of the *Mermoid* on her next trip."

He took her hand gently and for a moment each looked into the other's eyes. Then—

"Now it is my turn to ask you to listen to me," he said slowly. "Whilst I was coming down the path, I made up my mind that I would not go. You shall decide me. Is Cargill going by your wish?"

"No."

"Do you wish me to go?"

"I do—because father wishes it."

She added the latter words quickly, as if fearing that he should misunderstand the import of her wish; and again they looked into each other's eyes in silence.

"Very well," he said, "I will go."

And then they said good-bye. The understanding between them was complete, although no word of compact had been spoken. She was to be faithful to her father, and he was to wait until the father spoke.

Wait!—ay, he would wait all his life. And he had no doubt that after this trip of the *Mermoid*, a little conversation with Captain Duncan would enable him to arrange matters satisfactorily. With that conviction he went merrily on his way.

CHAPTER IV.

A DUTIFUL SON.

The original part of the village consists of two rows of buildings forming a narrow street. The buildings have two flats; the upper one is approached by a staircase with a thick wooden railing outside the wall; and the landings of these "outside stairs" form the rostrums of the fish-wives from which they harangue their gossips. Poles jut out from windows carrying ropes to form a triangle, and on these hang men and women's clothes to dry. On the stairs are broad-haunched women gossiping to others below, on either side, or across the way. Beneath the stairs are others preparing bait, mending nets or clothes and also gossiping.

At the foot of one of these stairs is Dick Baxter. To him approaches a big lumpish man, jauntily. He is dressed in the latest fashion of tailors, has a large signet ring on the third finger of his left hand, and carries a slim umbrella in his right, which makes his own figure the more conspicuous. He is evidently conscious that such a dandy is out of his element in this place. He is rendered still more conscious of it by the salutation of Dick Baxter.

"Weel, Jeems, you are a grand sight, but you might hae come sooner, for your mither's in a great way about you."

"Thank you, Mister Baxter."

"That's as muckle as to say that I ought to call you Mister Cargill," said Dick, pityingly. "Na, na, laddie, I canna do that. I hae kent ye since you were a bairn running barefoot here in the Row, and you maun just thole me sayin' Jeems to the end."

Before Dick had finished his observation, the gentleman had ascended the staircase and entered the dwelling at the top. There he was saluted by an elderly crone—

"Ye hae come at last, ye deevil's buckie. What's keepit ye? Wait or I get up and I'll learn ye manners. Did I not say that ye was to be here at twa o'clock and noo it's four?"

This came from an old woman who was seated in an old-fashioned arm-chair. She wore a high white "mutch," which rendered her shrivelled features and shrunken eyes the more marked; and the passion on the face at this moment made it appear more haggard than it naturally was.

The lumpish dandy was not at all disturbed. His mother, Bell Cargill, had been paralyzed in her lower limbs for ten years past; and although she was always expecting to recover and making her arrangements for that event, it had not yet come to pass. She was constantly telling her neighbors what she would do when she "got up," and they kindly humored her hope, and the hope sustained her. She had been one of the briskest and strongest of the fish-wives, and by a singular business tact had been successful to a degree almost beyond precedent. Although living in this poor dwelling, sur-

rounded by her creels and fishing-tackle—it was her humor to have all the relics of her trade about her—she possessed a considerable fortune, the result of her own energy and industry. Bawbees had grown to shillings in her hands, and shillings to pounds. Then, whilst she still carried her creel, she had started a small fishshop in the High Street, Edinburgh, and out of that had grown two large fishmongery establishments, one at the West End, and the other in the main thoroughfare leading to Newington. She had been careful in the selection of her managers, and she had prospered.

She had once said—but she never repeated it—that the only mistake she ever made was in getting married; and the only good her man had ever done her was in "deeing sune." But he had left her with a son as useless as himself.

Notwithstanding all her prosperity, she clung to the abode in which she had been brought up, and out of which she had reaped everything. Her son, however, had different ideas.

"You see, mother, I was detained by—"

"Can ye not speak your native tongue, you idiot? What's the use o' puttin' on your fine airs wi' me?" cried Bell irately.

"I really thought that I was speaking my native tongue as far as I knew it, mother; but if there is any other form which will please you better I shall be happy to adopt it," he answered, taking a chair and seating himself on it carefully, as if he feared that it might break under him.

The old woman eyed him all over, and the twinkling of her eyes showed that she had a secret pleasure in his grand appearance, although she maintained her querulous manner.

"Weel, you hae a guid Scotch tongue in your head if you would only mak, use o' it; but ye'll do naething usefu'. You just spend, and spend, and spend."

"If you would allow me," he said in a lazy way, "I am quite willing to take the management of the business—"

"Catch me lettin' ye do that. I gie'd ye a tether o' three months, and if I had gie'd ye three mair there wouldna hae been a penny to clink agin another left ye."

"Very well," he said, shrugging his heavy shoulders, "I am content. Only don't blame me."

"Na blame you, ye lazy loon! Oh, wait till I get up; and it'll na be lang noo or that. Na blame you! If ye had been half a man ye would hae been the greatest fishmerchant in the kinty by this time."

"But I don't want to be a fishmonger," he said as before, and folding his hands on his paunch.

"Fish-merchant, I said, and mair shame to ye! Is it na the grandest trade and the bravest trade in the world? Can ye na think o' what it means—men's lives gien to feed the livin'? And can ye na think what it has been to you? Whaur would your bonnie cles come frae and your rings, and your watches, and your breast-pins if it hadna been for the fish?"

"I am quite ready to make my acknowledgement to each particular fish if you'll only tell me their names," he answered coolly, as he re-adjusted a horseshoe pearl breast-pin.

TO BE CONTINUED

A Royal Baby's Toilet.

A royal baby's first toilet, in Arabia, consists in winding a bandage about its body after it has been bathed and perfumed. The little creature is then placed on its back, its arms and legs are straightened, and the entire body is swathed to the shoulders.

In this position it remains motionless for 40 days, but the bandage is removed twice a day that the child may have a bath. The Arabs believe that this process will make the body straight for life. Under such circumstances it seems fortunate that babyhood is not a period which can be remembered in after years, for nobody would choose to suffer such days of misery again, even in recollection.

If the child be a girl, on the seventh day after her birth, holes, usually six in number, are pricked in her ears, and when she is two months old heavy gold rings are attached to them, to be worn throughout her lifetime, except during periods of mourning for relatives.

On the fortieth day the baby's head is shaved. This operation is considered a very important one, and thirty or forty persons are witnesses to it, for the performance of certain rites.

The disposal of the first hair is regarded as a very weighty matter; it must not be burned or carelessly thrown away, but buried, thrown into the sea, or hidden in some crevice of a wall.

Several charms are attached to its body for protection against the "evil eye," boys wearing them to a certain age, and girls still longer. The favorite charm consists of a gold or silver locket worn on a chain.

A Victorious Turtle.

One of the most amusing fights that ever occurred in this neck of woods, and which was witnessed by two hunters, took place on the Warrior river, Ala., a few days ago between a blacksnake and a mud turtle. What the cause bellum was is not known, but the snake had wound itself around the turtle and was trying to make some impression on its back with its fangs.

The turtle took things good-naturedly, seemingly, and every once in a while would poke out his head to see if the snake was looking. If the snake's head was too close the turtle would draw himself back into the shell, and if the head was far enough away the turtle would feize his antagonist, and when the snake, mad with pain, tried to revenge himself, the turtle would go back in his shell. This strange warfare was kept up for several hours, when the turtle succeeded in getting his antagonist by the throat and nearly severed the head from the body. Then, with the snake still wrapped around it, the turtle reached the water and the dead snake floated off on the surface. The turtle had been victorious.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury.
as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, and acts directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally, and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co.
Sold by Druggists, price 75c. per bottle.

A MAN RAISES HIS HAT.

When he bows to a lady or an elderly gentleman.

When he salutes a gentleman who is in the company of ladies.

When he is with a lady and meets a gentleman whom he knows.

When he offers any civility to a lady who is a stranger to him.

When he is in the company of another gentleman who bows to a lady.

When he parts with a lady, after speaking to her, or after walking or driving with her, etc.

When he is with a lady who bows to any person, even if the other is a total stranger to him.

In the elevator, where there are ladies, men may keep on their hats with perfect propriety. Nine out of every ten do, with good and sufficient reason. Elevators are draughty places and are public conveyances, though within doors. To raise the hat when a lady enters is becoming courtesy, but this is very different from standing with the hat off while an elevator mounts to the thirteenth floor. A hat when not on the head is in the way in an elevator. It is embarrassing to the occupants to feel that they may unwittingly spoil a good hat by an unwary turn that knocks it in or makes havoc with the nap.—The Correct Thing.

The pope will give a life-size statue of himself to St. Mary's church in Hanover for a monument at the tomb of Dr. Windthorst.

Major's Cement Repairs Broken Articles 15c and 25c. Major's Leather and Rubber Cement 15c.

There are 203 postal sub-stations in Philadelphia.

"Hasson's Magic Corn Salve," warranted to cure, or money refunded. Ask your druggist for it. Price 15 cents.

Nine-tenths of Indiana's forests have been cut down.

Secure a Business Education at Home. A full Business Course given by mail. Perfect satisfaction, low rates; Bryant's College, Buffalo, N.Y.

It costs the Americans about \$1,000,000 a year to plug their teeth.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup, for Children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

There is only one sudden death among women to eight among men.

FITS.—All Fits stopped free by Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. No Fit after first day's use. Marvellous cures. Treatise and \$2.00 trial bottle free to Fitcases. Send to Dr. Kline, 381 Arch St., Phila., Pa.

Texas has appropriated \$50,000 for the destruction of the wolves and other wild animals within her borders.

Five cents saved on soap; five dollars lost on rotted clothes. Is that economy? There is not five cents difference between the cost of a bar of the poorest soap made and the best, which is, as all know, Dobbins' Electric.

It is said that the natives of Alaska spend so much of their time in boats that their legs are crooked and weak.

Miss Louise Imogene Guiney is to prepare an ode for the Sherman memorial exercises in Tremont Temple in Boston.

WHAT CURED YOU?

Mr. B. P. McAllister, of Harrisburg, Ky., writes: "Having been a terrible sufferer from catarrh, and being now sound and well, the question often put to me is, 'What cured you?' In answer to this often put question I feel it my duty to state that Swift's Specific (S. S. S.) is the medicine. I am such a true believer in the efficacy of Swift's Specific (S. S. S.) that I can honestly and conscientiously recommend it to any one suffering from catarrh. Have recommended it to many, and am happy to say that those whom I have induced to use it can bear me out in this statement. I also believe that it will cure any case of catarrh if taken according to directions."

Book on Blood and Skin Diseases Free. THE SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., Atlanta, Ga.

FAT FOLKS REDUCED
15 to 25 lbs. per month by harmless herbs and no bad effects. Strictly confidential. Send for free information. Address Dr. W. F. Snyder, McVicker's Theatre Bldg., Chicago, Ill.



Copyright 1898

A heavy burden

—all the ills and ailments that only female flesh is heir to. It rests with you whether you carry it or lay it down. You can cure the disorders and derangements that prey upon your sex, with Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It's a legitimate medicine, carefully compounded by an experienced physician, and adapted to woman's delicate organization.

For all organic displacements and weaknesses, accompanied by weak back, bearing-down sensations, and for all uterine diseases, it's a positive specific. It's guaranteed to give satisfaction, in every case. If it doesn't, you've only to ask for your money and it's cheerfully refunded. If it does, you'll want to ask for nothing more. It's the cheapest medicine you can use, because you only pay for the good you get. It improves digestion, enriches the blood, invigorates the system, and produces refreshing sleep.

SICK HEADACHE!

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS.

Positively cured by these Little Pills. They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Hearty Eating. A perfect remedy for Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coated Tongue, Pain in the Side, TORPID LIVER. They regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable.

Price 25 Cents.

CARTER MEDICINE CO., NEW YORK.

Small Pill. Small Dose. Small Price.

KIDDER'S PASTILLES. A SURE relief for Asthma. 25c. by mail. Dr. J. C. Kidder, 100 N. 3rd St., Philadelphia, Pa.

HAY FEVER CURED TO STAY CURED.

We want the name and address of every sufferer in the U. S. and Canada. Address, P. Harold Hayes, M.D., Buffalo, N. Y.

TWENTYFOUR PERCENT

In dividends is being paid by two different mines in Colorado. We have a limited amount of our stock for sale. TAYLOR & RATHVON, Mining Investments, Denver, Colo.

BORE WELLS! MAKE MONEY!

Our Well Machines are the most RELIABLE, DURABLE, SUCCESSFUL! They do more WORK and make GREATER PROFITS. They FINISH Wells where others FAIL! Any size, 3 inches to 48 inches diameter. Catalogue LOOMIS & NYMAN, TIFFIN, - OHIO. FREE!

I CURE FITS!

When I say cure I do not mean merely to stop them for a time and then have them return again. I mean a radical cure. I have made the disease of FITS, EPILEPSY or FALLING SICKNESS a life-long study. I warrant my remedy to cure the worst cases. Because others have failed is no reason for not now receiving a cure. Send at once for a treatise and a Free Bottle of my infallible remedy. Give Express and Post Office. H. G. ROOT, M. C., 183 Pearl St., N. Y.

GOLD MEDAL, PARIS, 1878.

GERMAN Sweet Chocolate.

The most popular sweet Chocolate in the market. It is nutritious and palatable; a particular favorite with children, and a most excellent article for family use.

Served as a drink, or eaten as confectionery, it is a delicious Chocolate. The genuine is stamped upon the wrapper, S. German, Dorchester, Mass.

Sold by Grocers everywhere.

W. BAKER & CO., Dorchester, Mass.



I have Tried the new five cent package of Pyle's Pearlina and like it—decidedly—economical for use—economical to hand to servants—no waste by upsetting.

I know Pearlina is never peddled—gives no prizes—is a prize in itself; and further I know, when a grocer tells me "this is just as good as" or "same as" Pearlina, he does not know the truth, or else is not telling it.

Manufactured only by **JAMES PYLE, New York.**

The (Detroit) Plaindealer.

Issued Every Friday

TERMS—PAYABLE IN ADVANCE.

By mail or carrier, per annum. \$1.00
Six months. .75
Three months. .50

THE PLAINDEALER COMPANY PUBLISHERS, TRIBUNE BUILDING, 11 ROWLAND STREET.

Entered at the Post Office at Detroit, Mich., as Second-class matter.

Address all communications to THE PLAINDEALER COMPANY, Box 92, Detroit, Mich.

DETROIT, FRIDAY MAY 22, '01.

The daily papers are calling attention to the little work of value accomplished by the present legislature. These economists have been too busy with partisan bills to gain a fleeting advantage to pay attention to the interests of the state.

Last week the Probate court heard a petition of Edward Steele for the guardianship of a little child known as Edna Irene. The little girl will be three years old in August and was left in the care of Mrs. Lowe at the age of three weeks. She has tenderly nurtured and cared for her until she is now both healthy and happy. Because the child was left in her care by the mother Mrs. Lowe refused to part with it. Steele's interest is not a sudden philanthropy, he is somewhat of a catspaw for another fellow who wants the child and takes this mean way to get it.

There is a life insurance company in the city doing business in the Telegraph block known as the Metropolitan. They do business on the plan of scale issuing policies for small amounts for which weekly payments are collected. They have a number of Afro-Americans insured but only agree to pay them two thirds of a policy because it is claimed they are extra risks. About two weeks ago a Mrs. Johnson died insured in this company. Although at one time behind in her payments she had paid up and has receipts for the same. Her family is now refused the two thirds of the policy which they should have because it is claimed the money did not reach the home office. There are a number of good insurance companies in the city anxious to take good risks and why Afro-Americans fool their money and prospects away with this discriminating company is a conundrum.

During the last presidential campaign and many times before and subsequently a number of our contemporaries bewailed the fact the Afro-American had no leaders. All of the race's brilliant, able, conspicuous men were incompetent for one reason or another. The people were told they needed a man at the helm like Charles Stewart Parnell. He was their best ideal of manliness, patriotism and of self-sacrifice but how has their Celtic idol fallen, today there are few who do him reverence. He has shown himself immoral, ambitious and selfish. He has sullied his own name, endangered Ireland's cause, clinched his fingers on the Irish fund and refuses to retire no matter what the loss to his people. What Afro-American leader of today has such a record? What we need today is to stop tugging at the reputation of men who are incompetent by inference only and stir up the mass of the people to union and trustfulness in one another.

If there is anything the average Democrat likes to prate about it is the poor farmer and the over-burdened tax-payer. Last week, the three gentlemen who went into the County Auditors office on this issue, allowed a bill which shows the hollowness of their professions.

It is the most ridiculous expense account seen in a long time. In this case it cost Wayne county \$63.25 to take one poor insane woman from Detroit to Kalamazoo. Twelve dollars of this was for hack hire! \$6.00 for for one day's hotel bill, \$20. for extra help, 4.55 for the Judge of Probate and \$1.20 for a single telegram. Besides the man who carried the woman out draws one thousand a year for performing this duty of about one patient a month. At this rate how long would it take Wayne county to pay its quota towards entertaining the G. A. R. encampment, if the state appropriates \$36,000. But this is Democratic economy, or as near as they can come to it.

As the season of picnics and excursions approaches, the Southern Afro-American journals open war on them as demoralizing to society. Time after time has the secular press taken up the question of picnics and excursions by which the discriminating railroads reap the harvest and the poor Afro-American loses both time and money in the busiest season of the year. It is claimed that every thing is sacrificed to go on these trips, many spending their last cent, who cannot clothe themselves decently. It is also

claimed that the late hours and promiscuous mingling of the people leads to gross immorality. The most peculiar part of the whole matter is that the moving factor in two-thirds of these excursions are ministers. Men who preach morals and economy on Sunday, and open the way to immorality and shiftlessness during the rest of the week. It is strange to see the secular press pleading against this way of making money at such a sacrifice to every manly, virtuous principle. This is why the church is justly subjected to so much and such harsh criticism. Those in authority have winked at these questionable methods of raising money so long, that the weaker have gone to excesses. It has been chronicled, time and again, where the good people of a community have been disgraced by affairs at church picnics organized by ministers.

A Cincinnati correspondent of the New York Age, speaking of the causes why a large per cent of the Afro-American scholars of public schools would fail, says:

"But the most reprehensible cause of failure among our children is the draft made upon them by the churches and societies for performances at concerts, fairs, festivals and other entertainments to replenish the coffers of the treasury. The preacher who can keep up the greatest excitement and raise the most money is regarded as most valuable to the church. He projects all kinds of attractions to draw money from the multitude and flatters the parent with the applause of the crowd who praise the talent which amuses them for the nonce. They seem to think they are serving the Lord and "praise God from whom all blessings flow" with an unctious born of salvation. They never pause to reflect upon the injury done the race in this "slaughter of the innocents." Rehearsals for declamations, for prize drills, for anything to attract a crowd, and greatest of all, the late hours they necessitate, all contribute to paralyze the energies of the student by the drafts upon his physical powers. And the greater his ability the more are the demands for his services. After a while comes a failure and then the community is surprised that so promising a youth should not have done better."

It is time these promiscuous excursions among genteel people (especially church people) for money making, was sat down on. No subject could better engage the attention of the coming A. M. E. conference.

The Afro-Americans of Pennsylvania are soon to meet in state convention for the purpose of organizing a league of some kind. Commenting upon this fact and the rocks to be avoided, in that convention, the State Journal, of Philadelphia, says "The National Afro-American League is dead." If this be true the Plaindealer would like to know who killed it? or upon what rock did it strand? The State Journal has upon its staff a man who took a part in the organization of that national body. He accepted a responsible position, and with the position the duties devolving upon it. Has he performed those duties? If he has performed them, if the National League is dead, it is through no fault of his. If he has not performed them, then he is as much to be blamed as any other person upon whom the responsibility devolved for the keeping up of an organization of such a grand nature. If he is in part responsible for its death(?) then advice as to future organizations of leagues comes with an ill grace from him.

The Plaindealer has carefully watched the growth of the League throughout the several states, and has always hailed with pleasure any indication of its having obtained a foothold, but as earnestly as it watched for action on the part of Pennsylvania in organizing a year ago, it failed to read of more than rumors of the growth of the movement throughout that state; nor could it hear or read of any movement on the part of the gentleman chosen to organize a state league in that state. If the Plaindealer is not mistaken this gentleman took a prominent part in the convention, was very active with points of order, and he seemed also earnest in the work of the convention. Possessed of youth, enthusiasm and ability it seemed as if Pennsylvania had made no mistake in the choice of its representative for member of the national executive committee. If the failure then to organize in Pennsylvania can be attributed to his neglect of duties, then Mr. R. G. Still, of the State Journal, is in part responsible for the death(?) of the National Afro-American League.

The Plaindealer, however, does not agree with the State Journal. The National League is not dead. It only needs a master mind to fan its dying embers into white heat. It only needs strong leaders at its helm to direct its movement, to call it into life, and to direct the strong springs of action in men that impel them to rise and overcome the bars against their advancement. There may have been mistakes in the construction of its organization, or in the choice of its officers, that may account for its silence, or it may be that the masses, content

with the present, are not yet ready for its aggressive plan of action. However, be this as it may, that public sentiment responsible for organization, though latent is still alive, and will not permit it to sink into nothingness.

The near approach of the annual convention of the national body is re-awakening its interest. Several states are preparing to call a state convention to elect delegates to it. In fact several states have during the year kept up an active organization, and have done excellent work within their borders. Judicious action now on the part of the national officers would arouse all that enthusiasm that attended the birth of the league and there is no reason why the convention at Knoxville in July will not be as successful as the one in Chicago, in January 1890. Many people are waiting only to hear the official announcement from the president calling for the "gathering of the clans" before going to work to make the convention a grand one and the work of the league for the future a great success.

The Plaindealer regrets that it is compelled to disappoint its many readers by the omission of its special articles on the schools of the South, but up to the time of going to press they have not been received. These letters have been well received by our patrons and we are sorry to be compelled to go to press without them, but "Always on time" is the motto of the Plaindealer and the least which it had hoped to offer its readers this week must be reserved for another time.

PERSONAL AND IMPERSONAL.

Afro-Americans of Waco, Texas, have formed a drug company. The capital stock is \$10,000.

Miss Susie Thomas has been appointed deputy clerk of the probate court of Springfield, Ohio.

John Lurnan, of Dennison, Texas, while fishing in the Red River caught a catfish weighing 86 pounds.

Miss Minnie B. Manning, of Huntsville, Ala., graduated with honors this term from the Central Alabama academy.

The only Afro-American pharmacist of Boston is Mr. Ambrose T. Holly, son of the Rev. J. T. Holly, bishop of Hayti.

Mrs. Isabella Tanner, mother of Bishop B. T. Tanner, died in Philadelphia, Thursday, May 14, and was buried in Pittsburgh Saturday.

An old man named Coleman, of Memphis, Tenn., has sworn out a warrant against two white men for criminal assault upon his 12 year old daughter.

Mr. George Powell of Evansville, Ind., an employe at Reed's saw mill was severely injured by a large stick thrown from one of the largest saws.

Citizens of St. Paul held an interesting memorial service in honor of their deceased townsman, J. K. Hilyard, at St. James A. M. E. church, last Sunday.

Miss Maria L. Baldwin of the Cambridge, Mass., public schools, has declined an invitation to take charge of the model school of Howard University at Washington, D. C.

Peter Shedrick, of Beaufort, S. C., has been given the captaincy of the steamer "Seminole," which will be used in connection with the "naval dry dock" of that port.

Memphis Afro-American papers are agitating the purchase of a park for recreation and amusement, there being no place of the kind in the city to which Afro-Americans can resort.

The corner of Elmwood cemetery of Memphis, Tenn., which is allotted to Afro-Americans has been discovered to belong to the Union Belt railroad and the railroad is bearing the expense of removing the dead.

The criminal court of Memphis spent an entire week trying to decide whether Annie Gantt, on trial for perjury, was Caucasian or African. If justice is blind what difference did it make, whether she be white or black.

Messrs Hughey and Polk, of Gainesville, Fla., have refused \$18,000 for a section of land near Franke and which could have been bought a short time ago for \$2.50 an acre. A recent find in phosphate is the cause of the boom.

Mr. Ralph Tyler of the Columbus Dispatch, through the influence of a New York capitalist, who was impressed by Mr. Tyler's ability as a stenographer, has received an offer from a New York daily of \$35 per week.

Lulu H. Griswold, a recent graduate from the school of stenography in St. Paul, Minn., has received an appointment with the St. Paul Book and Stationery company, one of the largest establishments of the kind in the city.

Miss May F. Lester, of Dryden, N. Y., whose parents are now in Washington, will graduate from Wyckoff phonographic institute at Ithaca, N. Y., in August. Miss Lester carried off the honors in a prize speaking contest by her class in the Dryden schools last year.

Sergt. Daniel Freeman, of the 7th., battalion, Company A, Washington, D. C., the only Afro-American competitor for the medals offered by the Star and Herald ranks among the best shots in the country, and has been awarded marksmen buttons from Brigade Headquarters.

Smith Printing Company.

The complete stock of wedding cards, invitations, tickets, calling cards, etc., kept always on hand by the W. L. Smith Printing Co., 97 Woodward avenue, satisfies the most exacting. Excellent quality of work, prompt service, and courteous treatment to purchasers, are characteristic features of all concerned in the business. Give them a call.

NEGRO BLOOD IN ROYALTY

BROUGHT TO MIND BY THE NASSAU-MEREMBERG ALLIANCE.

The Bride Descended From a Negro Servant of Peter the Great—Ex-King Milan of Serbia of Partly Negro Ancestry—The Morganatic Marriage of Duke Charles of Parma—An African King Who Loved a French Woman—The Sultan's Negro Wife.

Correspondence Kansas City Journal: New York, May 8.—The marriage of the Countess de Meremberg to a member of the imperial house of Russia calls attention to the fact that this is not the first instance of the descendant of a Negro intermingling with royalty in Europe. The prejudice of color in Europe is very slight where it exists. Shakespeare could not have married the daughter of one of the proudest families of Venice to a Moor if in his day the color line had been severely drawn. And a marriage such as that of the daughter of the poet Pushkin to a member of the ancient dynasty of Nassau would have been out of the question in a country where the prejudice of race predominated. Pushkin was the descendant of a full-blooded Negro, a favorite of Peter the Great, and he had unmistakable Negro features himself. When his high serenity, Prince Nicholas of Nassau, took Pushkin's daughter to wife, his brother, Duke Adolph, so far from presenting any objection, received the young woman to his own palace and his table and obtained for her the title of Countess of Meremberg. The young countess who caused the recent tragedy and scandal in the Romanoff family was the daughter of this union.

The lovely Marie Katargi, mother of ex-King Milan, of Serbia, and grandmother of the present king, is said to have descended from an African servant for some time in the sultan's palace at Constantinople. The mixture of the blood is still apparent in the Obrenovitch family which appears to have degenerated of late years. Besides the instances mentioned, there have been several morganatic unions of women of African ancestry. The late Duke Charles, of Parma, had for morganatic wife a daughter of Mohammed of Tasi, a North African chief, whom the duke met while on a journey in Algeria. The young princess, whose name was Nazimeh, was of undoubted Negro origin on the maternal side and Arab on the father's. After the assassination of Duke Charles, Nazimeh went home to Africa with her children, three in number.

If the marriage of the grand duke Michael had been morganatic the czar would probably not objected to it for his own uncle, the Grand Duke Nicholas, lived for years with a Negro woman bought in Smyrna, and whom he did not discard, even when married to the Princess Oldenburg. The grand duke is said to be blest with several colored descendants. In this connection it may be mentioned that an English state paper gives a list of the colored offspring of an English duke and other noblemen who have ruled over the colony of Jamaica. It is needless to say that no reference to the list is to be found in Burke's peerage.

As a reverse of the situation it may be mentioned that one reason that the king of Dahomey is said to be angered against the French was his failure to win the attention of the daughter of the French trader, Vidal, at Kossou. The sable monarch had been educated in France and wanted a Frenchwoman for his queen. His disappointment at rejection was very great and probably hastened his attack upon the French settlements. Mademoiselle Vidal is pointed out at Kossou as the young lady who refused to become queen of the Amazons.

The sultan of Turkey has one Negro favorite in his harem at Constantinople, the Sultana Salike, the mother of the Prince Mohamed. Like most Turkish sultanas, Salike was originally a slave and a gift from the former khedive of Egypt to the sultan. She was however well trained and educated, having been born in the palace at Cairo and is by some supposed to be the daughter of Ismail. Her features are regular and she is evidently not of pure black descent. Her influence over the sultan is very great and she is regarded with respect and fear by the officials of the court. It is said to be largely to her influence that the sultan has shown such a persistent desire to recover Egypt.

Among the higher rank of Turks Negro wives are not uncommon. Munir Pasha, grand master of ceremonies to the sultan, has two colored wives who attract a great deal of attention in their occasional visits to the bazars of Stamboul, for the Turkish veil does not always conceal identity.

May Queen Festival.

The long talked of May Queen festival given at Ebenezer church May 11th was repeated May 18th by request. After an excellent program was rendered the May Queen party entered Miss Hattie Kindle and Miss Lottie Brown as "maids of honor." Miss Mabel Wood and Mabel Dean as "crown bearers," Miss Estella M. Alexander as "May Queen," who wore an extensive train and carried a staff, she was accompanied by nine fairies all arrayed in white, carrying bouquets of fragrant flowers. They proceeded to the stage where the queen was hesitated to the throne by one of the maids and after being crowned all sang "May Morning," the fairies joining in the chorus, "Fairie Voices," sung by fairies was a notable event. The drill and winding of the May pole by twelve small boys and girls concluded the evening's exercises. Each boy wore a sash and tie the color of his ribbon. The children were under the watchful care and training of Miss Estella Alexander. Many thanks are extended to Mrs. J. Parker who so kindly assisted in playing and those who patronized the entertainments.

Mrs. Chas. J. Osborne of New York city, who died a short time since, left \$10,000 to her Afro-American servants.

Our Next Week's Issue

The Plaindealer for May 29 will contain Plutarch's Topics, Letters from T. J. Calloway, now in the South, on Afro-American colleges, another article on Detroit Schools, besides the usual amount of General News, Editorials, Local Items Etc. Read the Plaindealer. Subscription price within the reach of all. One dollar per year.

A VARIETY OF THINGS.

Many of Madame Selika's friends deplore her connection with the Foote specialty company which is now travelling in Europe and with whom she has a contract for three years. They regard it as a sacrifice of professional dignity, but Selika evidently considers \$7,000 a year a very fair equivalent for unpaid dignity.

Afro-Americans of Richmond are very proud of the new bank building which has just been completed by the society of True Reformers. The building besides the regular bank offices contains a well appointed theater and four lodge rooms. It was built by Mr. Geo. Boyd a successful contractor and builder of the city and is a significant monument of race enterprise. On last Monday the members of the order held a jubilee a commendable feature of which was the personal deposits of one dollar and upward in the bank. Mr. R. L. Hill is the cashier and the Rev. W. W. Brown is president of the bank.

The Statesman, Denver, Col., says: The Detroit Plaindealer has a new correspondent on religious topics, who calls himself "Plutarch." In his first letter he lays down the principles of the christian religion in a manner to prove himself familiar with his subject and then squares himself to consider the question—"What is the quality of the Negro churches as inculcators of sound moral ideas, and what their efficiency as promoters of good moral practices."

The Sunday Sun a paper published by white men of New Orleans recently contained an article offensive to one of the best citizens of Plaquemine, La. The best citizen attempted to obtain redress from the correspondent and was shot dead by him and he is now in jail awaiting trial for the murder. The Sunday Sun is sold in Plaquemine by an Afro-American and the regulators who have taken up the quarrel caught him the other night and beat him half to death, in the meantime the murderer in jail and the publishers in their office have not been molested. The "best citizens" as usual display their fine sense of justice, their superiority and chivalry by attacking the innocent and defenseless "Negro."

The Plaindealer acknowledges with thanks the invitation to attend the May party given by the Lotus Social club of Chicago Thursday evening May 28th. It was the happy fate of one of its representatives to attend the initial entertainment of this club and it seemed then that nothing was left to be desired for the complete enjoyment of the guests. The attending later entertainments say of them that like good wine they improve with time and the Plaindealer would regard it as "great good fortune" if circumstances permitted an acceptance for the coming entertainment.

The Electoral College.

The electoral college for the selection of lay delegates from this district to the general conference of the A. M. E. church which meets at Philadelphia next May, was held in the A. M. E. church of Ypsilanti Wednesday. The recent death of the Rev. Felton of this charge was deeply regretted by those present although Mr. Burdine ably filled the position of host to the visiting delegates.

The college was opened by devotional exercises which were conducted by the Rev. J. H. Alexander of Detroit. Mr. Isaac Burdine was made chairman and the Rev. J. H. Roberts of Fort Wayne secretary. John F. White of Ann Arbor, Mr. I. Times of Flint and John Wilson of Grand Rapids were appointed committee on credentials and the following named gentlemen were declared members of the electoral college: Isaac Burdine, Ypsilanti; J. H. Roberts, Fort Wayne, Ind.; John F. White, Ann Arbor; William J. Lyons, Flint; John H. Wilson, Grand Rapids; Robert Pelham, Sr., and Daniel Mills, Detroit; J. J. Beard, Adrian.

On motion of Joseph H. Wilson a vote of sympathy was passed for the bereaved wife and church in the death of Rev. Felton and the college then proceeded to the election of the following delegates: Robert Pelham, Sr., John H. Wilson, John T. White and Wm. I. Times. An excellent dinner was served the delegates by the ladies which the delegates thoroughly appreciated. A vote of thanks was tendered them for their kindly hospitality and the college closed with a general class meeting in which all the delegates took part. The remarks of Robert Pelham, Daniel Mills and John Wilson being especially pleasing to those present. The Revs. Watkins, Grand Rapids, Alexander and Pharis, of Detroit, were present. With mutual expressions of good will and congratulations on the successful session the college adjourned. J. H. R.

Their Fifth Anniversary.

The wooden wedding reception given by Mrs. and Mrs. Charles Stone, on their fifth marriage anniversary was largely attended by their friends who brought with them numerous gifts as testimonials of their friendship and good wishes. Mrs. Stone was assisted in the reception of her guests by Mr. and Mrs. Edward Carter. The Detroit City band of which Mr. Stone is a member furnished excellent music during the evening.

The New Orleans Crusader says that Postmaster Hill has taken charge of his office at Vicksburg, Miss.

CITY DEPARTMENT.

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.

Subscribers not receiving THE PLAIN DEALER should notify us at once. We desire every copy delivered promptly.

THE PLAIN DEALER always for sale at the following places:

Aaron Lapp, 496 Hastings street.
John Williams, 51 Croghan street.
Cook and Thomas, 42 Croghan street.
Jones and Brewer, 389 Antoine street.
W. H. Johnson, 469 Hastings street.

To City Subscribers.

On and after June 1, 1891, all unpaid subscriptions will be charged for at the rate of 50 cents for each three months. The present low price of the Plaindealer,—One Dollar per year,—cannot be allowed to those who do not pay in advance, when bills are presented.

MERE MENTION.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Mulberry,—a girl. Mr. Walter Boyer visited Ann Arbor Sunday.

Mr. Wm. Starks is employed by Jas. Nall and company.

Mr. Wm. Peiffer has been very sick this week with neuralgia.

Mr. Manfred Hill is in line he mounts a Typhoon safety bicycle.

Mr. George Owen spent a few days in the city the past week.

Misses Clara Morris and Mary Smith have been visiting in Ann Arbor.

Mrs. Caraway left the city Monday to visit her sick daughter in Buffalo.

Mr. Frank Johnson of Cincinnati, is visiting friends and relatives in the city.

Mrs. Lucinda Ramsey is suing for a divorce from Newton Ramsey claiming desertion.

Mr. Joseph M. Wells has been ill with an attack of indigestion. He is able to be out.

Mr. Morgan Gray contractor of London, Ont., was the guest of J. W. Johnson Sunday.

The wooden side walk around St. Matthew's church is being replaced by stone flagging.

Mr. D. H. Langton, cornetist, of Topeka, Kansas, is a late addition to the Detroit City band.

Mr. Ed. Coleman of St. Louis, formerly of Detroit, is in the city visiting the Stone brothers.

Miss Mamie Hughes of Chatham, Ont., sister of Mrs. R. H. Hansbury will spend the summer in Detroit.

The Rev. T. Morris, pastor of the hatham, Ont., Baptist church, was in the city last Friday visiting friends.

The Rev. E. H. McDonald visited Ann Arbor Sunday and assisted in the dedicatory services of the Baptist church.

Mr. Monroe Weiner of the Detroit City band has just received his new uniform and initiated it last Monday night at C. H. Stone's.

The musicians, Will Finney, John Johnson, Fred Stone, John Smallwood and Frank Mosby will play on the steamer Kirby this season.

The Stone brothers hold their dancing school on Friday evening now at Good Samaritan hall, corner of Woodward avenue and Larned street.

Mrs. Johnson of Alfred street has returned from an extended visit in the South much improved in health. She brought a young niece with her.

The Young People's Earnest Endeavor society will repeat the social which was so successful last Thursday. It will take the form of a "Tramp's convention."

Mrs. John A. Loomis will leave the city next week to assist the Caledonia choral union in a concert at Grand Rapids. She will also spend a week at her former home in Dutton.

Mr. Wm. Gauze, the famous male soprano of Detroit has just closed a season of 40 weeks with the Richard and Pringle minstrels and can be seen shaking hands with his many friends.

The Rev. J. H. Roberts of Fort Wayne, Ind., correspondent for the Plaindealer, spent Thursday in the city en route from the electoral college and made a pleasant visit to the Plaindealer office.

Mr. Geo. Felder of Wilkins street who was mistaken for a criminal wanted in Chicago was awakened last Monday by three detectives who on inspection discovered their mistake and left without their man.

George Dorsey, who was with the Beck and Fursman company, has been with them two seasons. He was with the Draper Uncle Tom's Cabin company in the title role during the seasons of '88 and '89 when the Hyer sisters played "Topsy."

Mrs. M. G. Ashton wishes to return thanks to her friends and neighbors for their kindness during the illness and after the death of her daughter, Miss Alice Ewell, who died May 7th, of consumption after a lingering illness of a year's duration.

The Lone Star quartette that sang to such advantage last week at Whitney's with the "Uncle Tom's Cabin" company is composed of Will Homer, leader, Dennis Walts, tenor, Daniel Shivers, baritone and Wm. Currie basso. They divided the honors with the actor who played "Mark" having to respond to three or four encores nightly. They closed the season here.

Judge Durfee has appointed Henry A. Mandell and Thomas G. Kennedy commissioners in the matter of the estate of Moses Chappel. Both are white men. Mr. Mandell was also commissioner in the estate of John Jackson a wealthy Afro-American who died a little over a year ago. Every estate of value belonging to Afro-Americans has been handled entirely by white men. It is a small matter and no doubt goes by favoritism but a few dollars in a young struggling Afro-American's pocket is appreciated as a favor also.

Barber Wanted.—At once, first-class workman at Black's barber shop. Two dollars a day. Wm. J. Black, Box 408, Hancock Mich. i t.f.

Dr. A. L. Thompson, of Dennison, Texas, has been elected city physician.

Glances Here and There.

"Do you know, I think one may err by reading too much as well as by not reading enough," said a lady the other day. "There is so much to read," she continued, "and the desire to keep posted with the latest novels and other books of the hour, causes one to skim through book after book without getting a real enjoyment or profit out of any one of them. That's the way I do but for the past four weeks, church and social engagements together with my regular household duties have left me no time for reading and the other day I took a book and commenced reading with a keener sense of pleasure than I ever felt before. Why, it was like meeting a friend you have not seen for a long time or taking a drink of water when you are real thirsty. Every line was a delight and although I was compelled to lay aside the book in a few minutes I got more good out of those first pages than I have from the perusal of a whole volume." Certainly thought the Glancer, in these days of making books, it is worth something to know what to leave unknown and not to let our reading advance beyond our power of assimilation.

One of the most popular numbers on the Gilmore program, and one which is always given, is the singing of Columbia by the school children. The flags they waved, the sweet tones from the fresh young voices and the stirring band accompaniment was inspiring. It brought to the Glancer's mind an occasion similar, yet dissimilar, when he a tiny tot listened to the same tune from school children, who are now staid men and women. 'Twas near the close of the war, appeals for more troops had been issued and to create popular sentiment and instill patriotism in the minds of the children the school board appointed a day when the National airs should be sung, by all the school children in the city. Many an Afro-American boy and girl who dimly caught the meaning of what the fight over the Union and the "old flag" meant to them, cherished throughout their school life the flags and rosettes used that day. And as the Glancer looked into the faces of the five representatives of the race who, in the Gilmore festivals mingled their voices with those of their fairer companions, he contrasted the "then" and the "now" and in spirit gratefully joined in the "three cheers for the red, white, and blue" whose sentiment insures to them the blessings denied to their fathers.

The citizen, who takes his walks abroad this Spring, cannot fail to notice how rapidly the old landmarks are disappearing, and how the Quaker like style of architecture is giving place to the modern idea, which combines with utility, grace and beauty. The desire to improve is general and extends to the surroundings as well as the house proper. The householder who does not add to the attractiveness of his home by a grass plot and bed of flowers is an exception rarely seen. The improvement is confined to no locality, all classes and conditions of men are manifesting a growing love for beautiful surroundings. The Afro-American, to his credit, is decidedly "in it" and a glance at the cosy interiors and tasteful exteriors is insignificant at this time, when environments are regarded as so potent an element in race development. The lowly cabin, isolated hut, and shabby cottage produced some fine specimens of Afro-American character and he is a pessimist who does not, from the improved condition of the race, expect a corresponding improvement in character. Among the bright-eyed boys and girls, who come out of well ordered Detroit homes, to mingle on equality with boys and girls of other races in school life, there may probably not be one Douglas or L'Ouverture, because the times do not demand them, but there will be a class of genteel, intelligent and refined citizens, who, despite their color will be the pride and support of our common country.

The New Cadillac.

The long felt want in Detroit has at last been filled and in the completed Hotel Cadillac Detroit presents to the traveling public accommodations in every respect worthy its claim as a progressive city.

The house is commodious, convenient and elegantly furnished in every department, and the ripe experience of the proprietors, Van Est and Graves is everywhere notable.

On Monday it was formally opened to the public and thousands availed themselves of the opportunity to inspect its elegant features.

The complimentary banquet to the press, Monday evening, was thoroughly appreciated by them. It was laid in the new dining hall which is one of the finest in the country. Mr. F. H. Hosford, of the Free Press, was the toastmaster and to a greater or less extent every newspaper man in the city responded to toasts. The songs of Mr. Fayram, of the Free Press and McCabe of the Michigan Catholic added to the pleasure of the evening. The service of the waiters is in keeping with the other appointments of the house, being almost perfect in its ease and smoothness.

As a close to a delightful evening a committee from the press escorted the proprietors and clerks of the house to the dining hall where they were tendered an ovation from the happy guests.

Furnished rooms—From ten to fourteen gentlemen can find neatly furnished rooms at W. H. Smith's, 227 Cass avenue. Very convenient to the Hotel Cadillac. Four lines of street cars pass the doors.

To rent.—One pleasantly furnished front room, for a gentleman only. Apply 37 Mullett street. 411 4t.

Rooms to Rent.—Mrs. Tyler, having moved from 26 Jay street to 117 Antoine street has neatly furnished rooms for gentlemen, with or without board.

Visitors to the city and others can find first class accommodations, 193 Congress st., west, one and one half blocks from the central depot.

"WE MAKE THE PRICES,
YOU WEAR THE SHOES."

OUR WHOLE TIME
IS GIVEN
TO
SELLING FINE SHOES.

OUR SUCCESS IS NO SECRET.

WE KEEP

UP TO THE TIMES.
A CHEERFUL STORE.
THE MOST COURTEOUS CLERKS,
THE FINEST SHOES MADE.
PRICES REASONABLE.
ONLY HONEST SHOES.

IT PAYS OTHERS
TO TRADE WITH US,
IT WILL PAY YOU!

EISMAN & MAY,
AT 85 GRATIOT AVENUE.

HENRY MERDIAN,

—DEALER IN—

COAL,
WOOD, COKE
—AND—
CHARCOAL.

361 & 363 Atwater Street.

Telephone 329.



WM. GEIST.

LOUIS R. GEIST



[WILLIAM GEIST.]

Geist Bros.,

UNDERTAKERS
AND EMBALMERS,

73 Gratiot Ave. Near Miami Ave.

Detroit, - Michigan.
Telephone 2313.

Paul Wieneke,

MENS' FURNISHING GOODS

Shirts Made to Order.

Latest Styles

Lowest Prices

226 Randolph Street
Detroit, - Mich.

Albert Schaub

105 GRATIOT AVENUE
NEAR BRUSH.

The Latest Solid Gold Birth-
day Rings at \$1.50 Each.

Souvenir Spoons.

—IN—
Orange, Coffee and Tea
From \$1.50 Upwards.

Read the advertisement on page 8
and get a new subscriber or two for
the Plaindealer.

THE DIME SAVINGS BANK

Open Every Evening.

4 PER
CENT

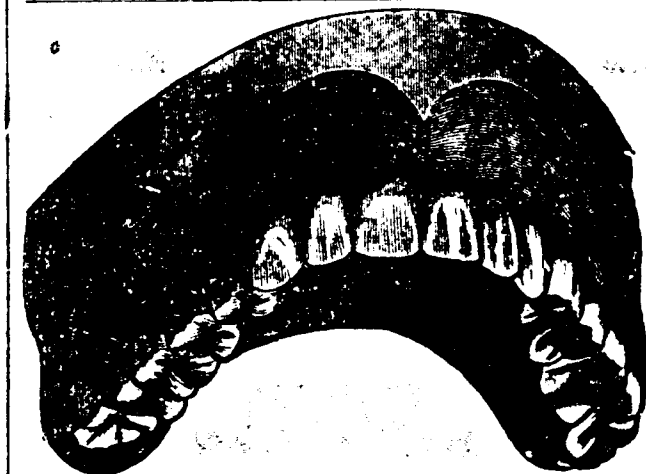
Pays 4 per cent on all Savings
Deposits. Money deposited before
the 5th will draw interest from 1st
of month.

53,000 Pleased Purchasers!

Weber, Boardman & Gray and
Newby & Evans Pianos.

If you would like to join this army and become the
possessor of one of these Superb Pianos, call at

LING'S MUSIC HOUSE,
67 Monroe Avenue, corner Randolph Street.



SCIENTIFIC DENTISTRY.

TEETH

Natural and Artificial.

A perfect and natural set of Molars for

\$5.00 AND UPWARD.

Gold Filling \$1.

Amalgam 50 cts.

Painless Extraction of Teeth.

Dr. McCullough's "Odontunder" Dental Parlors.

175 Griswold St. Over Inglis's Drug Store.

Peninsular Savings Bank.

94 Griswold Street.

Capital, - - - - - \$250,000.

Four per cent Interest paid on Savings Deposits.

Accounts solicited and every accommodation extended consistent with safe
banking.

JOSEPH B. MOORE, Cashier.

MURRAY WATSON
Furniture & Piano Moving
Storage &

Shipping.

Telephone 1573 2 R.
Office 200 12th St

GO TO

C. R. RICHARDSON & CO'S

GREAT INVENTORY

SHOE SALE.

41 and 43 MONROE AVE.

"YOU WE MEAN"

—SMOKE—

"VIM,"

THE BEST & CHEAPEST ON EARTH.

ED. BURK'S,

36 MONROE AVE. WE MAKE 'EM

A. Laitner,

Manufacturer and Dealer in

White Wash, Kalsomine, Paint, Varnish

Horse Scrub Shoe, Hair and Cloth

BRUSHES, ETC.,

87 Gratiot Ave.,

DETROIT, MICH.

TELEPHONE 329.

JAMES CORNELL

Painting In All Branches.

Dealer in Wall Paper.

Paper Hanging

and Freeing

Wall Paper 5 Cents Per Roll

60 MICHIGAN AVENUE.

Notice.—To all whom it may concern.
A grand celebration to be held at Ann
Arbor, Mich., in honor of Emancipation.
Day Aug. 1, 1891.

THEY WONT BE "IN IT."

Milwaukee, Wis. May 18.—We were recently over to see the Berg statues and fountain, and while we do not claim to be a critic of statuary we cannot refrain from saying that if Henry Berg was the consumptive looking individual that statue represents him to have been as needed as much sympathy as the animals upon which he bestowed his benevolence. However the water in the fountain looks natural enough. A nice and neat blue suit with brass buttons and a cap to correspond would look much better than does the grey suit and ridiculously large jockey cap that the young Afro-American now wears who attends to the wants of the equines at the fountain. Since it is necessary to costume him, make it as pleasing as possible.

The Afro-American league held its regular monthly meeting last Wednesday evening at Pythian hall and elected Mr. L. W. Wallace as delegate to the convention of the national league to be held in Knoxville in July next. Mr. J. B. Buford was elected as alternate. It was not thought necessary to call a state convention as there is really no state league, there not being enough Afro-Americans throughout the state to make the organizing of a state league successful.

Mr. Chase, the manager of the Plankinton, has increased the salary of the Plankinton house waiters to \$27 per month including room in the house, thus making their actual salary \$32 per month, which is \$2. above the schedule recently adopted by the Waiters' Alliance.

Miss Emma Trapp and Mr. Joshua Simonds were united in marriage last Friday evening. The bride is quite a pretty German young lady and the bridegroom an Afro-American.

Mr. R. E. Moore, of Chicago, and M. R. W. G. S. of the masons was in the city last Saturday, the guest of Mr. D. T. Coates.

Messrs Scurry and Townsend want it distinctly understood that it was not the scientific playing of Messrs Howell and Minor that caused their defeat in the recent game of nine, any one desiring to know the real reasons have only to apply to Mr. Townsend, when they play again your correspondent ventures to say that Messrs Minor and Howell wont be "in it." J. B.

CHURCH DEDICATION.

Ann Arbor, May 17.—The people were much surprised to hear of the death of Rev. Felton. His last sermon here was on quarterly meeting Sunday. Quite a number went to Ypsilanti on Friday to attend his funeral.

Miss Minnie Collins of Ypsi is the guest of Miss M. Jewett for a few days.

Mrs. Turner, daughter of Mrs. Landers died Sunday morning. She leaves a son Cornelius Turner.

Sunday was a lovely day for the dedication of the 2nd Baptist church. In the morning Elder Scruggs preached one of his fine sermons. In the afternoon the dedicatory sermon was preached by Rev. Carman of the first church. The music was very good. Solos were sung by Miss M. Jewett. In the evening the services were concluded by an able sermon by the Rev. McDonald, of the 2nd Baptist church, Detroit. Rev. Taylor, of Adrian, also assisted. A number of strangers were in the city.

Misses Clara Morris and Mary Smith, of Detroit, were guests of Miss Josie Thomas.

Mr. Walter Boyer, of Detroit, was in the city Sunday.

The Baptist church is a very pretty edifice. One for the pastor and people to be proud of. They have all worked hard for the completion of church. The collection for the day was \$226.85.

Mrs. Carrie Gough was in the city last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Brooks have opened a first-class restaurant on Detroit st. Lottie.

JOHNSON-CROWDER

Piqua, O. May 18.—Last Thursday evening the 2nd Baptist church was well filled with eager spectators to witness the ceremony that made Mr. Gilbert Johnson, of the Cincinnati Corrogated works, the husband of Miss Cordella Crowder. Rev. P. M. Weddell performing the ceremony.

Mr. G. A. Payne, of Lockland, is in the city.

Mr. Joseph Homager, of Lima, spent Sunday with friends.

The Miama brass band gave an entertainment and judging from the number present it was a success financially. D. A. M.

EXCELLENT RESULTS.

Marion, O. May 19.—Rev. Smith preached an interesting sermon Sunday. The congregation were much affected by it.

The concert given by the sewing circle on the 18th. was a success financially and socially. \$40 were realized.

Miss Sadie Nichols has gone to attend the Sabbath school missionary society which convened on the 19th. The family of Mr. Jersey Stout, of Springfield, Ohio; are in the city with the intention of residing here.

Miss Jessie Seton has returned from Lebanon where she was called to the bedside of her sister who was not expected to live, but is now recovering. A. P. J.

BETTER THAN THEY EXPECTED.

Ann Arbor, May 20.—The first effort for raising money for building the new A. M. E. church in this city was held April 15, at which time we realized in subscriptions and actual cash over \$100. Our second rally was held May 19 and was even more successful for we raised \$200. It was our intention to raise \$100 each month in doubling the amount this month we have exceeded our brightest expectations and look forward with renewed hope. The Rev. John M. Henderson, of Detroit was with us at our second rally and lectured on the progress of the A. M. E. church. His eloquent lecture and genial manner was highly appreciated by all who heard him and we trust he will respond to the cordial "come again" which he received from all present. Rev. Cotman.

John C. Galt, the well known retired railroad man, was stricken with apoplexy at Chicago Friday.

DECORATIVE ART.

The old-fashioned hinged towel racks similar in shape, only smaller, to the clothes-horse, make admirable fire screens if covered with a full drapery of some Oriental fabric.

Five o'clock tea cloths may be handsomely embellished by darning in the woven pattern around the edge and outlining the center designs in contrasting colors, as indigo and dead gold, coral pink and willow green, sea blue and golden brown and finishing the edge with a rather full frill of lace.

The common wooden settee with railed back and arms will make a very useful and artistic piece of furniture if properly treated. First, paint the whole settee with three coats of cream white and rub it down to an even smooth surface. Stencil on the broad back-piece a graceful pattern of flower festoons and fluttering ribbons in plain gold. Fill the seat with a cushion of Oriental silk and the settee is a thing of beauty and a joy for a long time.

Pretty aprons for morning wear may be made out of white linen, with roses or other flowers cut out of flowered sateen, and tacked on lightly, then button-holed with white or colored thread. A particularly pretty one was made out of brown holland and trimmed with bands of turquoise blue sateen, flowered with moon daisies, which were put on in straight lengths and button-holed around the edge with a stitch here and there to give effectiveness to the petals of the flowers.

A sponge bag is made of pongee in the natural color and lined with oil silk. The proportions are 10 by 12 inches when finished; it is made like a pillow case, the oiled silk not running up into the shirring. The word "sponges" is embroidered on one side in straggling letters almost diagonally across the bag. Twining about these letters are sprays of sea-mosses with a branch of coral in one corner. On the other side are sea mosses and shells. All are worked in coral-colored wash silk, and the bag is drawn up with a coral-colored satin ribbon.—The Decorator and Furnisher.

CURIOUS FACTS.

Modern humanity has larger heads and shorter legs than the ancients.

The total forest area in the United States is estimated at 461,764,599 acres.

Australia has begun to ship eggs to the British markets. They are six weeks on the way.

In Germany's public schools stuttering boys are over twice as numerous as stuttering girls.

The result of the effort made to preserve piling by a process of crosscutting is very satisfactory, and shows that the wood is kept in as good a state as when first put in the water.

There is now in cultivation in Kaw Gardens, 1342 species of orchids, besides 174 varieties, and more than 100 undetermined plants. There are amateurs, though, having collections to beat that at Kew.

In Prussia it has been recommended to abolish the use of gunpowder and other slow explosives in fiery mines, but that dynamite should be used, provided the proportion of fireamp present does not surpass the safety limit, as shown by the safety lamp.

A new system of house wiring for electric lighting consist of fitting the building with continuous tubes of insulating material, through which the wires are drawn. The tubes are made of paper soaked in a hot bath of bituminous material, and are said to be hard, strong and tough.

WORDS OF WISDOM.

Yes, the happiness of others. You have sometimes known happiness, eh?

The best books are those that are not written. Tell me whom you love, and I'll tell you who you are.

Happiness is the health of the soul; therefore the soul is always sick.

Don't let us speak ill of our enemies; they are the only persons who do not deceive us.

One reason why some people do not do any good, is because they are not willing to do a little at a time.

The majority of the people live poor in order to die rich; it is a great deal wiser to live rich and die poor.

Woman is perfect in good as in evil; while man, pretending to be a reasonable animal, is nothing but an animal.

He who is not born with a grain of madness in his composition is disinherited by heaven. He will be neither poetic nor artistic, nor victorious, nor amorous, nor young.

THE WORLD OF LABOR.

A substitute for platinum is announced. New York has an Italian stonemasons' union.

Southern iron production increases wonderfully.

Frisco has 500 union barbers. They close at 8 P. M.

The Hamburg cigarmakers spent \$100,000 on a strike.

The big ocean steamships use 466 pounds of coal a minute.

The Teutonic, 565.08 feet long, is the longest steamship.

The Australian miners' union has 24,000 members and \$135,000.

A proposed law in Spain prohibits Sunday work by persons under 18.

The Dublin tramway-men's union includes nine-tenths of the workers.

The walking delegate of a New York brewers' union has ten assistants.

New York will be asked to establish a labor bureau as a city department.

RAM'S HORN NOTES.

Real faith is fire-proof.

A pig pen is not a good pearl market.

An eagle reared in the dark would never want to fly.

Men run toward the devil and creep toward God.

POPULAR SCIENCE.

The effect of removing tassels from corn is to turn the strength of the plant to the ovaries, and so produce a larger amount of grain.

In its native habitat the shell of the oyster is always a little open, and microscopic, waving hairs set up currents which carry the food plants to its mouth, where they are engulfed and afterward digested.

By a comparison of records extending over a number of years, it has been concluded that the moon has an influence in lowering the height of the barometer in the month of September to January at the time of full moon, and in raising it during the first quarter. No effect has been perceived in the other months.

The discovery of an enormous underground reservoir of water in the midst of the Sahara desert will undoubtedly develop trade and travel throughout that region. Explorations have shown that there are large portions of the Sahara which are really capable of cultivation, and after a time it will doubtless be as completely effaced from the map as has been the Great American desert.

Few people can form a definite idea of what is involved in the expression "an inch of rain." It may aid such to follow this curious calculation: An acre is equal to 6,272,640 square inches; an inch deep of water on this area will be as many cubic inches of water, which, at 2.27 to the gallon, is 22,000 gallons. One-hundredth of an inch, 0.01, alone is equal to one ton of water to the acre.

Certain animals have teeth which grow during all their lives. The rat and the squirrels are examples of this. Our own teeth are developed from pulps, which are absorbed and disappear after the teeth are grown, but in a rat's tooth the pulp is perpetual, and is continually secreting material by which the incisor gains length. Therefore the animal is obliged to gnaw all the time to keep the tooth ground down to the proper length. It is commonly imagined that the rats keep gnawing from pure cussedness, but such is not the case.

HORSE NOTES.

Goldsmith Maid, 2:14, is the fastest trotter that has produced a sire.

"It's a poor mule that don't work both ways," remarks the Farm Journal.

Hinda Rose, 2:19 1/2, is in training again for the purpose of reducing her record.

Gen. Wellington, full brother to Sunol 2:10 1/2, has 15 daughters of Red Wilkes on his book.

The great side-wheeler Johnson, 2:06 1/2, has two full brothers with trotting records below 2:30.

The yearling wonder Freedom, 2:39 1/2 will be trained for a still lower mark as a two-year-old.

Thomas Jefferson 2:23, famous in his day as a trotter and now as a sire, died at the age of 28.

The fast team of trotters Pitti Sing and Yum Yum, by Ben Eranklin, 2:29, owned in Boston, are twins, and cannot be told apart.

Axtell, 2:12, will not attempt to beat his record this year. It is expected that he will be trained again next season, as he will by that time have more than paid for himself in the stud.

Every jockey on the four great Eastern race courses is compelled to take out a license, which he may secure free if his record is good. Crooked work by the rider forfeits his license and his occupation is gone.

NO HORSE SENSE.

He was way up in anatomy, and a judge of fossil bones.

He could give the exact dimensions of a whistle from its tones.

And although on natural history he was perfect, so to speak.

You should see the awful beast he got when he bought a horse last week.

ALMOST INCREDIBLE.

A large fox tried to steal a goose from a barnyard near Butler, Pa., the other day, but the fowl fought so bravely that she killed the would-be thief.

An Indianapolis man swore in court the other day that he did not know his wife's first name, though they have lived happily together for thirteen years.

A veteran hunter of Danforth, Me., in attempting to kill a huge bear with a knife, was carried three miles on the animal's back before the wild beast died from the loss of blood.

An English army officer says that it has rained only twice in twenty-nine years in Aden, and then only enough to lay the dust. The last time it rained there was three years ago, after twenty-six years of draught.

An engineer on the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western says that recently during a storm he saw a huge ball of fire coming on one of the rails toward the engine. It looked about the size of a twelve-inch football, and struck the driving wheels of the locomotive, and, after running several times around them, crossed over on the axles to the opposite side of the track and went spinning away in the direction from which it came and vanished around a distant curve. The engine was not injured.

The Richmond (Mo.) Democrat relates the following duck story: "A hunter got after a gang of didapper ducks in the lake. These birds are said to be able to dodge a bullet. The hunter shot away all his cartridges without hitting a duck. When the didappers saw a puff of smoke from the gun they would dive before the shot reached them. The hunter was determined not to be outdone so he lit a cigar and began to puff as fast as he could. In this way he kept the ducks under water until he drowned the entire flock."

HISTORICAL FACTS.

The publication of Mrs. Stowe's "Uncle Tom's cabin" took place on March 29, 1852.

The original Magna Charta is preserved in a case in a shapeless form like a handful of torn scraps of paper. It is six centuries old.

Argand lamps were invented by Aime Argand, a native of Geneva, about the year 1782, and were introduced for general use in London in 1785.



ONE ENJOYS

Both the method and results when Syrup of Figs is taken; it is pleasant and refreshing to the taste, and acts gently yet promptly on the Kidneys, Liver and Bowels, cleanses the system effectually, dispels colds, headaches and fevers and cures habitual constipation. Syrup of Figs is the only remedy of its kind ever produced, pleasing to the taste and acceptable to the stomach, prompt in its action and truly beneficial in its effects, prepared only from the most healthy and agreeable substances, its many excellent qualities commend it to all and have made it the most popular remedy known.

Syrup of Figs is for sale in 50c and \$1 bottles by all leading druggists. Any reliable druggist who may not have it on hand will procure it promptly for any one who wishes to try it. Do not accept any substitute.

CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO.
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.
LOUISVILLE, KY. NEW YORK, N.Y.

"German Syrup"

Here is an incident from the South—Mississippi, written in April, 1890, just after the Grippe had visited that country. "I am a farmer, one of those who have to rise early and work late. At the beginning of last Winter I was on a trip to the City of Vicksburg, Miss., where I got well drenched in a shower of rain. I went home and was soon after seized with a dry, hacking cough. This grew worse every day, until I had to seek relief. I consulted Dr. Dixon who has since died, and he told me to get a bottle of Boschee's German Syrup. Meantime my cough grew worse and worse and then the Grippe came along and I caught that also very severely. My condition then compelled me to do something. I got two bottles of German Syrup. I began using them, and before taking much of the second bottle, I was entirely clear of the Cough that had hung to me so long, the Grippe, and all its bad effects. I felt tip-top and have felt that way ever since." PETER J. BRIALS, Jr., Cavuga, Hines Co., Miss.

If afflicted with sore eyes, use Thompson's Eye Water.

MANHOOD RESTORED. A victim of youth's full impudence, causing premature decay, nervous debility, lost manhood, etc., having tried in vain every known remedy, has discovered a simple means of self-cure, which he will send (free) to his fellow-sufferers. Address: J. H. REWART, Box 289, N. Y. City.

WANT AGENTS
WILMOT CASTLE
ROCHESTER N.Y.
EARN 100 DOLLARS

If change of location, business or visiting takes you West, go on Tourist Sleeper through to San Francisco, leaving Chicago every Wednesday at 6 p. m. Money saved, you ride on Limited Express Trains. Address, for particulars, JNO. SEBASTIAN, G.T. & P.A., Chicago.

FREE LANDS
Illustrated Publications, With Maps, describing Minnesota, North Dakota, Montana, Idaho, Washington and Oregon, the best Government Land and Cheap PACIFIC R.R. Best Agricultural Grazing and Timber Lands now open to settlers. Mailed FREE. Address: CHAS. B. LARSON, Lead City, N. D. R. R. St. Paul, Minn.

The Soap that Cleans Most is Lenox.

Railroad Time Tables. THE SHORT LINE

—From—
Detroit and Toledo to Cincinnati, Indianapolis, Louisville, and All Points South.

Leave Detroit, M.C.R.R.	10.05 am	1.30 pm	7.30 pm
Toledo, C. H. & D.	6.45 am	10.15 am	8.30 pm
12.01 am	3.30 pm	8.00 pm	2.36 am
Dayton	12.05 pm	2.53 pm	8.45 pm
Hamilton	1.22 pm	3.58 pm	2.48 pm
Cincinnati	2.10 pm	4.45 pm	16.50 pm
Indianapolis	7.25 pm	7.26 pm	12.35 am
			9.30 am

Through parlor cars on day trains and Pullman palace cars on night trains between Detroit and Cincinnati.

*Daily. *Daily, except Sunday.
M. D. WOODFORD, Gen'l Manager, E. O. McCORMICK, Gen'l Pass. Agt.
D. B. TRACY, Nor. Pass. Agt., 155 Jefferson avenue Detroit, Mich.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

Depot foot of Brush street. Central Standard Time Oct. 7th, 1899.

Leave	Arrive
7:40 a. m. Toronto, Montreal and East.	9:40 a. m.
12:00 p. m. Port Huron	4:10 p. m.
*10:50 p. m. Port Huron Express	*11:30 p. m.
*10:50 p. m. Toronto and Montreal Ex.	*9:10 p. m.

DETROIT, GRAND HAVEN & MILWAUKEE RY

Depot foot of Brush street. Trains run by Central Standard Time. April 22th, 1890.

Leave	Arrive
*Muskegon & Grand Rapids Ex 50 a m	9:50 p m
*Through Mail & Saginaw	11:00 a m
Stemboat Express	4:30 p m
*Chicago Express with sleeper 8:00 p m	7:45 a m
*Night Express with sleeper 10:30 p m	7:30 a m
*Daily, Sundays excepted.	*Daily

6:50 a m in 11:00 a m and 4:30 p m trains connect at Durand for Saginaw and Bay City.

Grand Rapids Express and Morning Express have parlor car to Grand Rapids.

Steam boat Express has Wagner parlor Buffet car to Grand Haven.

Chicago Express has elegant Pullman sleeping and Buffet cars to Chicago daily.

Night Express has sleeper to Grand Rapids daily.

Sleeping car berths can be secured at general ticket office, 169 Jefferson avenue, cor. of Wood ward, and at the depot foot of Brush street.

E. J. PIERCE, W. J. SPICER, City Ticket Agt. General Manager

WABASH RAILROAD.

City Ticket Office, 9 Fort street West Depot foot of Twelfth street. Standard Time.

Leave	Arrive
Indianapolis Lafayette, Kansas City and Western Flyer	8:25 am
St. Louis Express	11:30 am
St. Louis and Ind. Express	10:50 am
Chicago Express	11:10 am
Chicago Express	10:50 pm
Ind. Louisville & St. Louis Express	9:50 pm
Daily	Daily except Sunday
Except Saturday	Except Monday

A. F. WOLFSCHLAGER, City Ticket Agent
R. G. BUTLER, Division Freight and Passenger Agent.

The Detroit, Lansing and Northern.

Three Elegant Trains to and from Grand Rapids Daily, except Sunday. Five Express Trains to and from Lansing Daily, except Sunday. Leave Detroit

7:05 a. m.	11:15 a. m.	1:15 p. m.
5:00 p. m.	6:30 p. m.	

Connecting in Union Station, Grand Rapids, for THE CHICAGO AND WEST MICHIGAN.

Trains leave Grand Rapids for Chicago 9 a. m., 1 p. m., and 11:35 p. m., time five and one-half hours. Trains leaving Grand Rapids at 11:35 p. m. daily has through sleepers arriving at Chicago 7:05 a. m.

Train leaving Detroit 1:15 p. m., arrives at Grand Rapids 6:05 p. m. Direct connection with C. & W. M. train north, arriving at Manistee 10:05 p. m., and Traverse City 10:30 p. m.; arrives at Holland 6:45 p. m.; arrives at Muskegon 7:10 p. m.

THE SAGINAW VALLEY AND ST. LOUIS

In the Shortest Line between Grand Rapids and the Saginaw. Trains leave Grand Rapids 7:30 a. m., 4:30 p. m. Leave East Saginaw 7:30 a. m., 6:10 p. m. Time, four and one-quarter hours.

WM. A. GAVETT, Gen'l Agt, Detroit, Telephone 898.

Freight and Ticket Office, Hammond Building, Ground Floor, 120 Griswold St., also entrance from Fort St.

CHAS. M. HEALD, Gen'l Mgr., Grand Rapids.
GEO. DEHAVEN, Gen'l Pass. Agt., Grand Rapids

There is nothing, unless it be the sewing machine, that has lightened woman's labor as much as Dobbins' Electric Soap, constantly sold, since 1869. Now, why rub and toil, and wear out yourself and your clothes, on washday, when this perfect soap is provided, to lighten your labor and save your clothes? If you have ever used it, in the 22 years we have made and sold it, you know that it is the best, purest, and most economical soap made. If you haven't tried it, ask your grocer for it now. Be sure and get the genuine with our name on the wrapper.

Read This not the selling price alone, that must be considered, in arriving at a knowledge of the value of an article. There is as much real pure soap in a bar of Dobbins' Electric as in four bars of any other soap made, and it will, if used according to directions do four times as much work as any other. Its cost is but a very slight advance on that of inferior soap. Insist upon Dobbins' Electric. I. L. CRAIGIN & Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

FIRE INSURANCE
AND REAL ESTATE
GOODRICH BROS.,
Walker Block
26 West Fort Street
DETROIT, MICH.

JOHN P. HENSIEN
Wholesale and Retail Dealer in
STOVES AND HARDWARE.
Manufacturer of
Tin, Copper and Sheet Iron Ware.
132 and 134 Antoine St., Cor. Fort,
Detroit Mich

Church News-

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

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

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

Second Baptist.—Crogan street, near Beaubien. Services at 10:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School, 2:30 p. m.—Rev. E. H. McDonald, pastor.

St. Matthew's Episcopal.—Corner Antoine and Elizabeth streets. Sunday services: Holy Communion, 7:00 a. m. Morning Prayer and Eucharist, 10:30 a. m. Sunday School, 2:30 p. m. Evening Prayer and Sermon, 4 p. m. C. H. Thompson, D. D., rector.

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

(Brief items of news will be welcome from other pastors or laymen.)

The Florida Baptist Herald is the name of a new religious paper published at Deland, Fla., by the Rev. J. N. Stokes in the interests of the Baptist churches of that state.

The Ontario conference of the A. M. E. church have appointed Delos A. Davis, Canada's only Afro-American lawyer and Amos Johnson, as delegates to the general conference which meets in 1892.

The congregation of St. Cyprians' P. E. church, Key West, Fla., is composed mainly of native Africans, who were slaves in Cuba, and is perhaps the only church in the country having native African worshippers.

Dr. C. H. Parkhurst, of New York, would simplify the work of hastening the coming of God's kingdom thusly: "The great problem is not how to save the world, but how to persuade each Christian that it is his business to be the means of saving some one man in the world."

The members of the New York conference of the A. M. E. Z. church in New York city received an invitation from St. Peter's Episcopal church, of Portchester, through the Rev. Chas. B. Burgler, pastor, to receive holy communion last Thursday. Bishop Hood and the members of the conference went in a body and the eucharist was administered to white Episcopalians and black methodists around the same altar.

Bishop Brennan, of the new diocese of Dallas, Tex., has made arrangements with Sister Catharine, Miss Catherine Drexel, for the establishment of a school for Afro-American children in that city. Sister Catharine provides the money and members of her new order are to manage the school. This will be the first work of the order which Miss Drexel has founded with the special object of laboring among Afro-Americans and Indians.

"Christian Giving" is the title of a paper in the Christian Recorder, by the Rev. James M. Henderson, P. E., of the Michigan district. Mr. Henderson in speaking of the need of more liberal giving says: "Churches are groaning under ponderous debts, their notes are going to protest, their credit is being impaired because of a lack in so many professedly Christian hearts of a genuine Christian spirit. It is the duty of the church to teach the world true generosity."

Bishop R. W. Arnett's charge to the East Florida conference, which appears in the latest issue of the Christian Recorder, breathes the spirit of a sincere devoted Christian worker. After congratulating the conference on its excellent reports and the amount of money raised, he warns his ministers against putting dollars before living souls and forbids the turning out of any member who may not be able to pay his dollar money or other church dues. In speaking of Children's day, he said, "I charge you upon that day to baptize every un-baptized child belonging to your congregation." To encourage the work Dr. C. S. Smith would be requested to prepare a certificate, to be given to every child baptized on that day to hang up as a record of baptism. "I believe in marking the lambs, the old sheep will certainly be marked." The whole address is permeated with lofty ideals and it is safe to say if the pastors of the Florida conference will work along the lines suggested, their congregations will be better off in material as well as spiritual things.

MAKING IMPROVEMENTS.
Grand Rapids, May 19.—The members of the Spring Street A. M. E. church are preparing for a grand May Queen entertainment.

Mr. Harry Tate who has been spending the winter in Jacksonville, Fla., has returned much improved in health. Mrs. Tate who stopped en route to make some visits is expected soon.

Mrs. Nettie Bass who has been very sick is so much better that her husband has returned to his business in St. Johns, Mich.

Mr. N. Carter has remodeled his house making it one of the finest residences in East Grand Rapids. Mr. Carter is a prosperous barber doing a very excellent business on South Division street.

Mr. C. H. Pinckney has increased the value of his desirable property on Mason street by building another beautiful cottage. Mr. Pinckney is an energetic and successful carpenter and exhibits his skill on his own property as well as that of his patrons.

There are many more prosperous Afro-American citizens in Grand Rapids whom we hope to mention in succeeding letters.

The jug breaking entertainment given for the benefit of the pastor of Zion church last Thursday was a pleasing success. The pastor Rev. Williams is much gratified at this evidence of appreciation on the part of his friends.

Now that the Plaindealer can be had for one dollar per year every family in Grand Rapids should subscribe for it. Let us not only recognize merit but support it. If we show our respect for our own institutions we will compel others to do so. Subscribe and pay your subscription. J. D. W.

Wanted.—A middle aged Afro-American woman, good wages and a home, at 45 John R. street. 413.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

LESSON IX—MAY 31—THE TEMPLE REPAIRED.

Golden Text—"God Loveth a Cheerful Giver."—2d Corinthians 9:7.

DAILY READINGS.
M. Offerings for tabernacle Ex. 35:20-29. Tu. Offerings for temple. 1 Chron. 29. W. The temple repaired. 2 Chron. 24:4-14. Th. The temple repaired. 2 Kings 12:1-16. F. Offerings rewarded. Malachi 3:8-16. Sa. The spiritual temple. 1 Peter 2:1-10. S. The giver God loves. 2 Cor. 9:8-15.

Time—During the reign of Joash, king of Judah, who reigned from 878 to 839 B. C. He began to reign in the seventh year of Jehu's reign in Israel, 2 Kings 12:1. We go back now about 150 years before the captivity of Israel, to take up the story of the fall of Judah.

God's covenant with David was remarkably fulfilled in the preservation of Joash from the sword of Athaliah, when she undertook to destroy all the seed royal (read 2 Kings 11 and 2 Chron. 22:10-12 and 23). By the preservation of Joash in a room in the temple, God's promise to David that he should not fail to have a son upon the throne was fulfilled.

1. The king's worthy purpose.—V. 4. *It came to pass after this*—Probably after his marriage, mentioned in the previous verse. He began to reign when seven years old. It was after he reached manhood that he formed this purpose. *Was minded to repair*—The necessity for such repairs is explained in v. 7. Every good work begins in the purpose of the heart.

V. 5. *Gathered together the priests and the Levites*—Who had charge of the temple and the temple worship. *Go out into the cities of Judah*—All the people were to have a part in the work, and Joash ordered a personal solicitation to awaken them to their duty. *Gather of all Israel*—"Every man of his acquaintance" (2 Kings 12:5). *The Levites hastened it not*—By the 23d year of the king's reign, nothing had been done toward repair (2 Kings 12:6). The indifference of the priests and the spiritual deadness of the people made collecting a hard work. Besides, the method adopted was not the best.

V. 6. *Called for Jehoiada*—Who had hid him from Athaliah, and instructed him, to whose influence under God all the good in Joash was due. *Why hast thou not required*—Why was Jehoiada not more zealous in this matter? Probably because of his great age (see v. 15). *The collection of Moses*—In 2 Kings 12:5 three kinds of offerings are mentioned: 1. The temple tax, "The money of every one that passeth the account"—the poll-tax of a half shekel yearly required of all over twenty years of age (Ex. 30:13). 2. Votive offerings. "The money that every man is set at—the offerings vowed by Nazarites or by persons in distress (Lev. 27:2-8). 3. Free-will offerings. "The money that cometh into any man's heart to bring."

V. 7. *The sons of Athaliah*—A daughter of Ahab and Jezebel whom Jehoram married (chap. 21:6). She was of like spirit with her mother Jezebel.

II. The people's liberal offerings.—V. 8. *They made a chest*—A new method of raising money was now adopted, the free-will method. This is the first contribution box of which we find any mention. *Set it without at the gate*—"Beside the altar, as one cometh into the house of the Lord" (2 Kings 12:9). Beside the altar of burnt-offering where the people came to sacrifice. The contribution should be set near the cross of Christ. His dying love should constrain us to give liberally.

V. 9. *Made a proclamation*—They set before the people intelligently the need of liberality. *The collection that Moses*—See under v. 6.

V. 10. *The princes and all the people rejoiced and brought*—Hearty giving unto the Lord fills the soul with joy (see 1 Chron. 29:9). Especially when the giving takes the form of worship.

V. 11. *The king's scribe and the high priest's officer*—"The secretary of state and the representative of the high priest... two responsible persons." They put the money in bags, weighed, marked and sealed it (2 Kings 12:10). No room was left to misappropriate the money. Such means would increase the people's confidence.

III. The workmen's faithful service.—V. 12. *Such as did the work*—Masons, carpenters, engravers, etc.

V. 13. *The work was perfected by them*—Special mention is made in 2 Kings 12:15 of the faithfulness of these workmen. "They dealt faithfully." Would that we could all realize that we like them, are laboring for the Lord, and be faithful in all things, great and small.

V. 14. *Whereof were made vessels*—2 Kings 12:13 says: "There were not made for the house of the Lord bowls of silver," etc.—There is no contradiction. The writer in Kings enumerates certain vessels which were not made; the Chronicler names vessels which were made. Or, which is perhaps the better explanation, no vessels were made until the repairing of the house was completed; then these vessels were made. *Offered burnt offerings*—The regular Levite service. *All the days of Jehoiada*—After his death Joash relapsed into idolatry (vs. 15, 27). Flattery led him astray.

LEARN FROM THIS LESSON.

1. God's faithfulness to his covenant in preserving the life of the child Joash; 2. There is continual need of work to repair the ravages of sin; 3. Every good work begins with a good purpose in one's heart; 4. Public contributions are better than private solicitations, for the former partake more fully of the nature of worship; 5. Our contributions should be all hearty, free-will offerings; 6. In presenting the contribution-box the love of Jesus Christ as seen on the cross should also be presented; 7. There should be a system in our contribution-gathering, presenting and expending; 8. There should be faithfulness in service as well as in giving; 9. Liberal offering is a rich means of grace; 10. The influence of one good man.

ODDS AND ENDS.

This country has 1,000,000 miles of telegraph wires, enough to reach forty times around the globe.

Farm lands in the United States, taking the country as a whole, occupy only 239 acres in every 1,000.

QUARTERLY MEETING.

Battle Creek, May 18.—Our citizens were pained to learn of the death of Rev. Felton at Ypsilanti. A good and useful man has gone.

It is quite sure now that our city will have an electrical railway in the near future. The fight is with the Maple street residents who want a railway but wish it on any street excepting their own.

Miss Carrie Jones is quite sick at this writing.

Mr. Willie Mitchell, of Day, is the guest of his brother, C. H. Mitchell.

Rev. Gurley preached at Allegan on Sunday.

Quarterly meeting will be held the first Sunday in June. Presiding Elder Henderson will be present.

Read the Plaindealer.

V. Geist. Charles Geist.

V. Geist & Son

Undertakers AND

Practical Embalmers.

51 Monroe Ave., Detroit.

Established in 1861.

TELEPHONE 637.

Cheapest Wall Paper House

-In the City-

Paper 3, 4 and 5c per Roll.

White - 6 cts

Gilt - 8 and 10

Painting

Paper Hanging

and Decorating.

James Cliff

210 Michigan Avenue.

ICE CREAM

FLINN & DURFEE'S

One Quart 30c Two Quarts 50c One

Dollar per Gallon Delivered.

SPECIAL RATES to Churches, Societies and

Boarding Houses.

TELEPHONE 257.

204 MICHIGAN AVENUE.

ATTENTION!

MILLIONS IN IT!

Pensions and Bounties.

New Laws, New Rulings,

New Decisions,

Soldiers, Sailors.

Their Widows, Children.

Mothers, Fathers, Sisters

and Brothers entitled to

PENSIONS.

NEW LAW.

Soldiers and Sailors who have become

disabled since the war are entitled to

Pension—No evidence required.

WIDOWS and CHILDREN

Are entitled to pension—regardless of

cause of the soldier's death—Thou-

sands of claims heretofore reject-

ed are now good.

Apply at once to

L. W. POLIES,

Ex-U. S. Examiner of Pensions, Solic-

itor of Claims and Patents.

Office, 1739 Tenth Street, N. W.,

Washington, D. C.

Lock Box 445.

Is Your House or

Household Furniture

Insured

Against Loss or Damage by

"FIRE?"

If Not Get Your Rates From

W. W. FERGUSON

FIRE INSURANCE &

REAL ESTATE AGENT.

Office 101 Griswold St.,

TELEPHONE 2106 DETROIT, MICH.

Or 225 Alfred Street.

GRAND STEAM LAUNDRY

196 Randolph Street,

Lyceum Theatre Block.

Lace Curtains and Prompt

Work a Specialty.

Goods Called For And Delivered.

Telephone 448

Here's Your Chance!

IN ORDER to increase the circulation of THE PLAINDEALER to 10,000 copies, the price of the paper has been put at ONE DOLLAR per year. The publishers, in order to secure this number of subscribers without fall by January 1, 1892, will give to those assisting in introducing THE PLAINDEALER into new homes a number of valuable premiums. The premium list includes Sewing Machines, Watches, Choice Books, Histories, Household Utensils and Toys.

THE PLAINDEALER is the best Newspaper published by Afro-Americans in this country.

No paper compares with THE PLAINDEALER for fullness of news, enterprise and excellence. Its popularity is proved by the fact that it is now in its 9th Year, circulates in every part of the Union, and is universally acknowledged by the press, as being in the front rank of journalism. It is CHEAP, CLEAN, CHEERFUL and COMPACT, and agents find it the best paper to canvass for.

Popular Price \$1. per Year

SIX MONTHS 75 CENTS, THREE MONTHS 50 CENTS.

PREMIUM LIST.

Sunday School Libraries.

To any Sunday School, church officer or organization that will secure a club of 75 yearly subscribers at the Popular Price of One Dollar we will give a library of 50 choice books, valued at \$25.

Or for a club of 30 yearly subscribers we will give a library of 20 choice books, valued at \$13.

All American books—nearly every volume illustrated—written by authors known to Sunday-school workers and popular with all readers—nearly 18,000 pages of matter, averaging 350 pages to a volume—put up in four rows in a neat and strong wooden case—each volume strongly bound in attractive covers of a uniform shade of dark-brown cloth, D. Lothrop and Co. publishers, Boston.

Or for a club of 25 yearly subscribers we will give a library (another style) of 50 choice books valued at \$13. If your School needs books of any kind write the Plaindealer for other offers. Send stamp for answer.

Sewing Machines, Etc.,

To any one who will secure a club of 30 yearly subscribers to the Plaindealer at the popular price of one dollar per year, we will give a Light Running American Union Sewing Machine, No. 6, with six side drawers, latest style, with full set of attachments. Regular price of this machine is \$45.

To any boy who will secure a club of 15 yearly subscribers at the Popular Price of One Dollar, we will give a Boy's Nickel Watch, a handsome, perfect time-piece, valued at \$5.

To any one who will secure a club of 10 new subscribers for one year we will give either a Carpet Sweeper, or Clock as may be selected.

To any boy who will secure a club of 5 yearly subscribers, we will give a Chicago Target Air Rifle, with target, dart, package of bullets and full directions.

The Plaindealer company having secured a number of copies of the Life and Biography of Zachariah Chandler, a superb book, of interest to all good citizens, will send the same to any address, together with the Plaindealer for one year, for the low price of \$2.00 for both book and paper.

The Chandler book contains much valuable information, the never to be forgotten "4 a. m. speech on Jeff. Davis," is handsomely bound in cloth, and would be an ornament to any library. It deals of the stirring times when that stalwart of stalwarts was a central and leading figure in National affairs. Every Afro-American in Michigan should have this book in his library. Every Afro-American of all the other states should have the same. The original cost of the book was \$2.50. Send at once as we have but a limited number.

Such books of the race, as the "Black Phalanx, a history of the Negro Soldiers in the United States," "Men of Mark," by Prof. Simmons; "Recollections of Seventy Years" by Bishop Payne; and the "Afro-American Press and its Editors" (just out) by I. Garland Penn given as premiums. Send stamp for instructions, sample copies, etc.

If you are in need of any household utensils write to the Plaindealer company for their inducements on the same. Send stamp for answer.

No two premiums given on the same subscription.

As cheap as the cheapest and equal to the best. Subscribe for the Plaindealer. One dollar for the year.

Prizes to Agents or Others.

INTENDING TO MORE THAN DOUBLE THE CIRCULATION OF THE PLAINDEALER IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS, THE PUBLISHERS OFFER THREE PRIZES TO THE PERSONS SENDING IN THE LARGEST NUMBER OF ANNUAL SUBSCRIBERS, (NOT IN COMPETITION FOR ANOTHER PREMIUM) BETWEEN NOW AND JAN. 1, 1892.

FIRST PRIZE.

The person sending in the largest number of subscribers between now and January 1, 1892, will be given a prize of Twenty-Five Dollars Cash.

SECOND PRIZE.

For the second largest number of subscribers sent in before January 1, 1892, there will be awarded a prize of Fifteen Dollars Cash.

THIRD PRIZE.

The person sending the third largest number of subscribers before January 1, 1892, will be awarded a prize of Ten Dollars Cash.

GO TO WORK AT ONCE! WITH A LITTLE "HUSTLING" YOU MAY WIN.

Popular Price \$1.00 A Year.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ADDRESS

THE PLAINDEALER CO.,

Box 92.

DETROIT, MICH.

James A. Doston

William H. Doston

DOSTON BROS.,

NEW AND COMPLETE CAFE

Sample and Billiard Rooms,

Wine Parlors in Connection.

25 Macomb St. Cor. Brush.

IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE.