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TOPICS BY PLUTARCH.

Our Always Awake Correspondent Wants to Know

WHO INSPIRED THIS ARTICLE.

The Columns of the Christian Recorder Used to Boon its Newly Elected Editor.

Editor Johnson is off for Wilberforce university commencement. That institution would do itself credit by bestowing upon our young and talented editor the honorary degree of Doctor of Philosophy.

The above neat little squib is clipped from the Christian Recorder, of June 16th. It does not appear therein as a clipping or as a contribution, it bears on its face the editorial mark.

Of course all who read it are expected to presume that it was written by the business manager and appeared without the knowledge of the most editor. We ask, do the partners at the publishing house think it fair to work such games? But, Plutarch does not believe Dr. J. C. Corbin wrote the above. Dr. Emby is too honorable a man and has too frequently denounced just such sharp practice.

Who wrote it?
Dr. H. T. Johnson is too modest. He knows that there is nothing in either his attainments or course of study to entitle him to such a title if given by a worthy institution. He is also consistent and would not plot to secure a degree from Wilberforce after having been one of the very foremost in denouncing the practice of that school. Now, whence emanated that little article? Is the possession of a general office a sort of lever to be used in prying open doors and forcing one's way into otherwise forbidden avenues?

Dr. Johnson is a young man of fair talent and fair attainments and will in time become a man of real ability should he be true to truth, but if he permits himself to drop down into the rut with those who seek show instead of worth, display instead of merit, then we predict that his career will be blighted. He now has a splendid opportunity to retrieve all past mistakes and become a true and useful man. We advise him to take his predecessor the great Dr. Lee as a model. Let him seek to be classed with like Bishop Turner if he wants to become a real scholar and leader among the thoughtful. But should he join another class, that of study and grow, and seek to wipe his defects behind meaningless degrees conferred by baby institutions, then he will join the sad but noisy majority that nastens to the wall.
Plutarch.

PLUTARCH ANSWERS

Several Questions Put to Him by Rev. John M. Henderson.

After having talked out so plainly and so pointedly during the entire course of his "articles," it is a little strange that Rev. John M. Henderson should now be bellowing out in the "darkness of oblivion" in fanciful attempts to recall "Plutarch" to the stage for the purpose of having him "decide his true position." Plutarch has not gone so far out into the "darkness of oblivion" that anyone will find difficulty in getting him back should sufficient inducements be presented; but we do not think Mr. Henderson for wakening us simply to answer so foolish a question. Plutarch does not belong to the class of artists whose paintings must be accompanied with a "label."

If you wish to know Plutarch's position on any question he has discussed just read what he has said, you will find it all there.

There are none of the members' ministerial or lay in the colored the better type of religion organizations among us as worthy of all love and support the race can give. Plutarch would, as he has often declared, make any sacrifice necessary to perpetuate the churches were their existence threatened. He would be among the very last to do or write anything with intent to injure any worthy church. To this extent there are hundreds of others equally as devoted to the welfare of the religious organizations, but Plutarch's love goes farther.

He loves the churches so well that he would not only refrain from loosing or writing anything likely to injure them, but he would, has and will take all manner of risks in doing and writing things that are likely to promote the true welfare of the churches.

There are scores of clergymen who are very loyal to God and their churches so far as being active in supporting its work is concerned, but there are very few who are manly enough to take a hold and help free them from evils which weaken its power. John M. Henderson, as well as hundreds of ministers in his denomination, will know that there are evils in the A. M. E. church which seriously retard its progress. If the wheel is clogged, which is wiser, to waste strength pushing, or to first unclog the wheel?

Mr. Henderson, Plutarch knows all about the heroic course you took at the General conference at Philadelphia and approves it. Now, why do you fling your "blood boiling" at thought of Plutarch having prepared the way for the success of just such battles as yourself and others fought? You must have just come out of a "Midnight musing," when you wrote your Plaindealer letter. Of course, if you are not able to retain your appetite and fear going into a decline unless you "sall into Plutarch," why, we will try to accommodate you.
Can you afford to take sides with or become identified as one of those who help to screen evil by trying to bribe the surgeon who is about to remove it? If you are afraid to "sall into" the rascals, the scamps who are hindering the progress of the A. M. E. church, just take Plutarch's advice and stand to one side, don't go to obstructing the reformers. Do you now understand our position?
Plutarch.

Plead Guilty.
Chattanooga, Tenn., June 16.—The case of Frank Weems, was disposed of in eight minutes in the circuit court. Attempts to lynch Weems had been made here and in Nashville and at Wauhatchie, as detailed two weeks ago. He was brought here from Morristown, Tenn., where he had been taken for safe-keeping. He was escorted by twenty-four policemen and thirty-two deputy sheriffs and was taken from the train to the court-house. He entered a plea of guilty, and was sentenced to twenty-one years' imprisonment in the penitentiary at hard labor. From court he was taken to Nashville train and sent to the state prison. J. H. Mavey, the husband of the woman assaulted by Weems, came into court with the avowed intention of killing the Afro-American, but he was taken out of the room after being relieved of three pistols was allowed to return and see the trial.

A Superior Educator.
Prof. J. C. Corbin is the principal of the Branch Normal College and is well known all over the State as a most superior educator and worthy man. Since he assumed charge of this school, years ago, he has done more to elevate his race than any other man that can be named. Scholars who graduate under him are industrious and law-abiding and make most useful citizens. A diploma signed by him is an assurance that the holder thereof, has been well qualified for almost any position in life. Would that Arkansas had many more citizens of his race like him. Were such the case it would be but a short time before a great change would be apparent and the much talked of "race problem" would adjust itself and all of our people would live together in peace and harmony.—Pine Bluff (Ark.) Daily Commercial.

Yardley Excited.
Trenton, N. J., June 15.—A murder at 2 o'clock Sunday morning, and the organization of a lynching party in the afternoon, were the events that kept the little village of Yardley, Pa., in a state of agitation all day. Yardley is four miles above Trenton. Chas. J. McCarthy, a white boatman, and Isaac Robinson, a colored farmhand, met on the bridge in Yardley, which connects the Pennsylvania and New Jersey shore, shortly after midnight, and had words. It is said that both had been drinking, and that they had quarreled over the right to some change which had been made in the tavern, and which Robinson had picked off the bar, although the money belonged to McCarthy. The men parted, coming to blows, but met again on the bridge at 2 o'clock, when the quarrel was resumed. This time Robinson drew a pocket-knife, with a long, sharp blade, and plunged it into McCarthy's breast. Robinson thereupon fled, and McCarthy wandered about the village in quest of a doctor. He could not arouse one, and at 8 o'clock this morning he was found lying dead in a pool of blood in the entryway of the Odd-fellows' hall.
Robinson claims that McCarthy imposed upon him because he was colored; and that he used the knife only in self defense.

An Injured Man.
W. H. Bonapart who edited a race paper in Boston several years ago, afterwards was a special correspondent of the Plaindealer, and who later was sentenced to a term in Virginia penitentiary, charged with a crime by a white woman not above suspicion, will gain his liberty in about twenty months, if not pardoned sooner. Two weeks after entering the penitentiary, he was made a clerk in the industrial department. Very shortly afterward his proficiency earned promotion. Being a good mathematician and rapid penman he was transferred to the shoe department's main office as assistant. No colored and very few white prisoners ever received such favor. It is an office of trust and business confidence. As a reward he was granted a salary and I am informed that he enjoys the fullest confidence of the entire official crew of the prison. He has become a Christian.
Equal to the task, the duty and responsibility when we shall get down to the real fight that is so close, it must come on cruel outrage

THE BLACK PHALANX.

Will be a Special Feature of the G. A. R. Encampment.

THE OLD GUARD OF FREEDOM.

The National Capital—Senator Peffer's Bill to Investigate the Southern Outrages.

Washington, D. C., June 22.—(Special.)—Senator Peffer, of Kansas, Mr. Houck, of Ohio, General Henderson, of Iowa, Mr. Johnson, of Indiana, have been stalking around the senate and house during the past few weeks to such an extent and in such manner and way, that they will no doubt be charged with an attempt to revive the bloody shirt or bring up the past. Let it be as it may, charge them how the Democrats and pro-slavery folks may; the question nevertheless is here and it will find its way to the surface, the race question.

Injustice holds a high place in this nation to-day, and the carnival of murder, outrage, lynching, and so on is about to get an airing. Not only from the Northern press, but in Congress, and why? It is an admitted fact among the wise men from all over the land of both parties, that a solid colored vote in Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Iowa, Illinois, Pennsylvania, Ohio, and New York will determine who shall occupy the White house from March 4, '93 to the end of the term.

No, there is to be no revival of the bloody shirt, neither in Congress or on the stump, but the American people especially in the North are to be re-introduced to cold facts and statistics in relation to, and about the Southern question, the situation and the danger that is liable, very liable to come to the Nation from that section of the country if matters are not adjusted somewhat different from the present.

Mr. Peffer's speech in the Senate is a gentle warning to the Anglo-Saxon, that murder, outrage, and lynching must cease. Mr. Mouch's of Ohio, that the North has not approximated any where near its duty to its loyal and faithful allies, General Henderson's, that the colored man had been outraged, insulted and degraded in the lines and breastworks of the Republican party.

So it goes. I was an intent listener during the debate that drew out these speeches. I occupied almost the identical seat that I did when I listened to Mr. Sumner, Mr. Thurman, Mr. Sherman, Mr. Conkling in the Senate Mr. Stevens, Mr. Shellabergen, Mr. Wilson, (of Iowa), General Logan, Paline, Mr. Boutwell and the other great men in the house on the first measures of reconstruction. How the recollections and reveries of other days passed and repeated. 'Twas to me a real bit of romance. In those days I furnished "sketch notes" for the colored Citizen, of Cincinnati, the Christian Recorder, of Philadelphia, and the New Nation, edited by Robert Hamilton, of New York. In the Senate there is now but one Senator who was there then, in the house but thirteen members out of nearly three hundred that I remember in the 39 and 40 Congress.

The truth of history will bear the statement that there has been no time since the first to the present Congress that it contained anything in the nature of "omnaron" as to great men as the 39 and 40, there was Henry Wilson, Charles Sumner, Ben. Wade, Oliver P. Morton, Roscoe Conkling, Zachariah Chandler, Gen. Logan, Judge Shellabarger, Thad. Stevens, George F. Edmunds, Judge Bingham, Judge Nye, Mr. Howard and then of the 14 amendment, Mr. Clarke, of New Hampshire, Mr. Spaulding, Mr. Anthony, Mr. Ashley, (General) Butler, Simon Cameron, Mr. Carpenter, Mr. Colfax, Mr. Cullom, Mr. Windom, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Howe, George H. Williams, and a number of those whose names beds and tams will crown the pages of history as having had the convictions of duty and the courage to maintain them in the hour of the Nation's peril and the "race destiny."

How our folks should honor and revere these names, and they do. Thanks be to a divinity that shapes our ends. We do know who to be thankful to and for what to be thankful. The days of great men are yet with us, just in proportion to the great souls that arose, stood and were counted when the real battle for liberty unqualified freedom was waged upon the Nation, that drew out such names as these.

Old Guard of Freedom.
Finney, Grimes, Hale, Burlingame, Brown, Furness, Forten, Mott, Beecher, McKim, Bias, White, Gaines, Gerritt, Smith, Dr. McCune Smith, Remond, Nell, Downing, Garret, Logan, Ward, Hayden, Corwin, Quincy, Pennington, Gibbs, Vessey, Jullias, Corode, Joliff, Delancy, Treas, Longfellow.

So shall we be rewarded with men and justice to our people in the South. When the war against slavery was in its baby clothes who could

foretell that the struggle would envelop.

Lincoln Sumner, Morton, Phillips, Garrison, Lovejoy, Stevens, Conkling, Wade, Andrew Wilson, Giddins, Chandler, Speed, Elliott, Chase, Ingersoll, Nye, Ruffin, Curtiss, McLean. No one, but these were born to that struggle and each of them played his part when the question of abolishing slavery was raised, some of the Union Generals even went so far blind mad on their pro-slavery idea that they turned their backs upon Lincoln, and the proclamation and they held that grand spectacular attitude until the close of the war, and many of the living hold it to-day, but they are not counted or reckoned when we cite the names and deeds of our heroes. No man is counted in this land by loyal fingers that turned his back on Lincoln, or opposed Emancipation. No matter how much military glory crowned his laurels for all he can have put to his credit up to 1863, if he spurred the act of freedom and the employment of colored soldiers and sailors to save the Union from being incorporated as a defeated institution, and to prevent Mr. Jefferson Davis and General Robert E. Lee from dedicating a real Confederacy, that now is without glory and has only the fame of being what he is not and yet could had been had his eyes been squarely opened, and his heart in the right place.

The Grand Army is to be here in September. Four hundred thousand, the remnant of the Grand Army and Navy 1861 to 1865. The black man is to be in that parade, to be witnessed by a million people. It will without doubt be a great sight, and many features of interest will present themselves, chief among these will be a banner containing the old flag of two hundred and fourteen battles and skirmishes on land and the ships of war, in which colored men as soldiers and seamen, participated. It is proposed to have such a banner, to be carried on a truck, handled by twenty-four men of "The Black Phalanx." Whether or not it will turn out all right remains to be seen, in other words of there is patriotism enough, also the requisite race pride and a quantity sufficient of financial consideration to make the contemplation a success, we shall witness the scene, and the American people will thus be afforded an opportunity to read what they do not seem to know, namely, that there were fields of battle, besides Wagner Hudson, and Fort Pillow, and ships of war, which is to the public almost not known, whereon and in black men "tracked in blood," for the safety and success of the American flag.

A committee of representative people are now maturing the plan, when their report is ready it will be submitted and a collection asked to raise the amount that will be necessary to purchase a suitable banner to be turned over to the "black veterans in blue," as sort of tribute from citizens of all the States and territories. When the name of the person who is to act as treasurer is announced, no one will hesitate to drop something in the slot for this patriotic purpose. More in detail very soon.
George Arnold.

Mr. A. A. Mossell, of Lockport, N. Y., the first colored graduate of the law department of the university of Pennsylvania, has just scored a victory in the local courts at Lockport, the county seat of Niagara county. Being a colored lawyer with a colored client held on the charge of murder in the first degree, with the District Attorney an expert lawyer for the defense he won his case, securing a verdict of second degree with imprisonment for a number of years.

In an address given before Harvard University by Rev. Dr. A. F. Beard, of New York, he stated these facts: In twenty-five years, from three educated colored physicians the number has gone up to 749, of whom 654 are college-educated. From almost no educated minister the number is now 1,000 college graduates. There are 250 well prepared lawyers, and 247 Afro-American students are now pursuing their studies in European universities. Ninety percent of the 3,000 graduates of Howard University are engaged in teaching.

Fortune's Suit.
The case of T. Thomas Fortune against James Trainor was called up on appeal, in the Supreme court, General Term, on Tuesday, June 14th, before Justices Van Brunt, O'Brien and Paterson. Counselor T. McCants Stewart appeared and argued the case for the plaintiff and respondent, and Messrs. Julius Lehman and Charles Strauss appeared and argued the case for the defendant and appellant. Decision was reserved. Mr. Stewart made a short but eloquent argument and sustained at every point the positions laid down in his brief.

Hon. Fred Douglass was made to exchange cars the other day between Atlanta and Cheraw, on the W. & A. railroad. Mr. Douglass was engaged in an interesting conversation with a white gentleman when the conductor came in, and with the same old time, "next car for colored people." When the conductor was gone the gentleman asked him how he felt. Mr. Douglass replied, "I feel as though I have been kicked by an ass."—Anniston Justice.

THE TRUSTEES ACT!

They Heed the Note of Warning Sounded by Plutarch.

PROF. T. H. JACKSON REMOVED.

One Result of the Gallant Work of The Plaindealer—The Brilliant Scarborough Martyred.

Editor Plaindealer:—
Ever since I have been in the rank of the ministry I have had the honor of being a member of The Board of Trustees of Wilberforce University, but not until the 14th inst was it our pleasure to meet with this excellent body of our churches.

On the 13th inst. we left Lansing at 10 a.m., for the site of the university. We were "accommodated,"—as the railroad would say—as far as Hillsdale and then to make close connection at Toledo took a Vestibule Flyer. We made our connection, but found on arriving at Dayton that we had had a rapid flight to a long rest. You can imagine our chagrin when we stepped with alacrity to the ticket office to inquire the time of our train for Xenia, and were informed that no train would go in that direction, not even a freight, until 8:15 next morning. Our wings felt clipped and heavy. On our arrival at Xenia we were met by a good brother with a large carriage with unyielding springs, and driven at a clip of about three miles an hour to the university.

The 29th annual session of the board opened with Bishops B. W. Arnett in the chair and J. P. Maxwell as Secretary. Bishop W. J. Gaines conducted the devotions. Forty delegates were present at the session, from different sections of the church. The regular order of business was waived to hear the reports of the President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The Auditing Committee, G. F. Shaffer, James M. Henderson, R. H. W. Leake, J. A. Collins and W. H. Lucas found the reports correct except in orders No. 84 and 228. In these two orders they found a deficit of \$20.10 which, on a reexamination of vouchers, coupons and records were found to be a typographical error.

The regular routine of business was transacted without provoking much discussion until the case of Prof. T. H. Jackson was reached. The readers of the Plaindealer are acquainted with the charges which were published May 6th, '92, concerning Prof. Jackson, which the Board of Trustees felt it their duty to investigate. According to the committee consisting of John Coleman, James M. Henderson, R. H. W. Leake and R. G. Mortimore was appointed to ascertain (1) That the charges were inspired by a letter written by Prof. W. S. Scarborough. (2) That the general fact concerning the disturbance in Prof. Jackson's home were true. In the decision of the university faculty for the ensuing year neither of these professors were retained. Professor Scarborough, however, was employed by the directors of Payne Theological Institute as Professor of ancient languages. The friends of both these gentlemen regret the unpleasant occurrence. Prof. Scarborough is unquestionably the best classical scholar of the race. He is honored by the philological society as one of its most competent members. He has proved himself efficient in every department of his work. Added to this, he is a perfect gentleman; yet, without, in this matter he will grant that he was unprudent.

The Board of Trustees were not unmindful of Prof. Jackson's ability and his past service in the university, yet duty, and the good of the school obliged them to pursue the course which they adapted in his case. His removal was a necessity. While Prof. Jackson has some excellent qualities he is too impulsive to be entrusted with the education of men for the Christian ministry. There has been too much wrangling among us in the past at wickedness in high places.

The University Board accepted space in the Columbian Exposition and will furnish an exhibit. From what we have seen of the work of Wilberforce we do not fear, that her exhibit will suffer in comparison with that of any other college of equal advantages. Indeed the faculty is to be complimented on the large amount of excellent work accomplished with such meager facilities. Some adverse feeling was expressed against the President of the university. There were members of the board who desired to see James M. Henderson, J. T. JENNIFER or J. G. MITCHELL elected to this position. Each of these names received votes for the office in the order mentioned, but the former President S. F. MITCHELL was re-elected.

Prof. Talbot succeeds Prof. Scarborough in the university chair of Greek and Latin. It is not our habit to criticize adversely until we have given a new incumbent every opportunity to prove his fitness. But it is apparent to all who know both men, that there is a broad contrast between them. The jostling which the Faculty received this year will result in good. The Trustees Board are to be commended for correcting and evil which threatened the life of this school. We wonder that it has succeeded so well with such strong

counter force within. Whatever may be said of the course of the Plaindealer it has done a great good in compelling an investigation and a correction for a formidable evil. With the most thoughtful the Plaindealer will share a large part of the credit for effecting a reform in the corps of teachers of Wilberforce. Cringe and fume as we may, yet facts are stubborn things and will not easily dawn.
Every item of business within the province of the Trustee, and District boards was very faithfully transacted at the session. Each member of the board seemed anxious to improve the condition of the school.
There are in Wilberforce great possibilities properly patronized and fostered it may become an intellectual mecca of the race. The natural resources are at hand. No better site could have been chosen than beautiful Tawawa. Nature has here been wondrous kind. The land is rolling fertile and well watered. The scenery is beautiful; and there is gathered on this site so beautiful for situation some of the brightest and most hopeful young men and women of the race. Providence directed the venerable Bishop Daniel A. Payne to this place. In 1856 while looking around for a retreat in which he might educate his children apart from the evil influences of city life, his eyes fell upon Tawawa Springs, at that time a famous summer resort for pleasure seekers in the Southern part of the Buckeye State. It was not long before the purpose of God was unfolded and he was given the refusal of the property nominal \$10,000, which in no way approximated its value. He accepted the offer and appealed to his friends for aid.

We must not fail to notice that in the very inception of the work he encountered the bitterest opposition from his own people. Indeed so far did Bishop Payne think in advance of his day that his plans for the Christian education of his people were regarded by many as visionary.
(to be continued.)

Gets the Fortune.
Wytheville, Va., June 10.—(Special.)—The story published in the Plaindealer last week, that the Supreme Court of Appeals had decided the celebrated Bettie Lewis Thomas case in favor of the plaintiff was confirmed to-day. By this action a colored woman, who is a resident of Richmond, becomes the possessor of an estate valued at about \$200,000.
Bettie's father, W. Thomas, who was a white man, died in 1889 at the home of his daughter, leaving no will. Relatives to the deceased, as well as Bettie, engaged some of the ablest legal talent in the State, and sought to obtain possession of the property. The Chancery Court decided in favor of Bettie and the Supreme Court affirms the decision.
The evidence shows that Thomas had had nothing to do with his white relatives for years; that he had been living at the home of his colored daughter, whom he had always acknowledged, and that it was his intention to amply provide for her at his death.

The decision gives the heirs-at-law estate and cash in bank amounting to almost \$35,000, leaving to Bettie Lewis, in mortgages, bonds and negotiable notes, an estate which with accrued interest amounts to \$200,000.

Home for the Aged.
The Webster Colored People's Home, St. Louis, Mo., a home for indigent old people has been recently established at Webster Groves by the Colored National Home Association, a branch of which was organized in St. Louis in 1887. The Association which has a number of branches scattered throughout the country, is non-sectarian and its purposes are purely benevolent.
The home at Webster Groves consists of a three acre lot, beautifully situated on Bismark avenue, and a comfortable six-room house, modestly, but neatly furnished. The site was purchased on the second of March for \$2,000 and has been in active use ever since under the management of the matron, Mrs. Susan McElroy. There are six inmates at present in the institution all of whom are over sixty years of age. Old Aunt Polly Clark, one of the first to receive the benefits of the institution, died Sunday morning and was given a respectable burial by the managers of the home. Plans are being considered for the erection of \$5,000 dormitory building in the near future. The members of the board are Rev. Wm. Smith, President; M. Wade, Treasurer and Financial Agent; Geo. McDonald, Chairman of the Executive Board, and I. R. Kellogg, Supervisor.

Fire at Dallas.
Dallas, Tex., June 7.—(Special.)—A fire broke out in a two story brick building of E. J. Wiley, and in a short time it was a total wreck. D. Rouen, a very successful grocer was a tenant. The building and grocery stock were insured. Mr. Wiley and Mr. Rouen are Afro-Americans.

At Williamsport, Pa., G. W. Hagens, colored, is rated as the best blacksmith and machinist in the town. He also does machine forging and carries on a large manufacturing business.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Wilson, of Parkersburg, opened a hair store at 561 Central avenue about two months ago and are doing nicely.

THE BRAVEST BATTLE.

The bravest battle that ever was fought
Shall I tell you where and when?
On the maps of the world you will find it

A TRAMP'S GIFT.

It was at the hour when the shades
of night begin to fall and the curses
wagler homeward to roost.

neglected his work all day, broke his
adding-machine, and in his frenzy
figured on the faps of sixteen white

The puzzle permeated every nook
and corner of the village. Two popular
members of the Y. M. C. A.

This announcement resulted in a
prolonged and earnest debate upon
the part of the string band, which

At four o'clock in the morning the
door was burst open and the jury fell
down the stairs, fighting like demons.

When Isham G. Hicks, the husband
of the benevolent lady, returned home
somewhat later, he found the wife of

A SOUTHERN VIEW.

Another of the Series Letters from One
Southerner to Another.

My dear Harry:—I am glad, tho not
at all surprised that you took my
letter so good-naturedly. I expected

Did I ever tell you how I was once
reported in New York? If I haven't
I'll do so now; it seems to come in

One thing I like about our Southern
men is that they are gentlemen;
and a man can't very well be a

And yet you say—and here I am
inclined to believe—that you fall to see
why I object to your addressing only the

Right here I am forced to take issue
with you. You say that this is a
white man's country. I want to know

No, it is not a white man's country,
nor yet an Anglo-Saxon's. It is God's
country and that of his people.

Nor does the Southern part of it
differ one wit in this respect from
the Northern, Eastern or Western

I feel sure, Brother Bismarck,
that the world is coming to an end!"
"What cause have you for such an

legislation in order to conciliate a
reactionary section containing less
than one-third of the whole population;

God knows they get little enough
benefit from it. In the city in which
I live nearly one-sixth of the whole

Here are anywhere from seven to
ten million black people, Mr. Porter,
Superintendent of the United States

But split the difference, if you like.
Here are eight and a half millions
of colored people. They are docile,

Here, I say, are these eight and a
half millions of quiet, low-toned, in-
dustrial citizens. If this is only a

You cannot deport him, because you
do not want to go. This is not
Russia, nor are these people criminals.

You cannot deport him, for the reason
that the South cannot do without
him. You might as well cut off a man's

IN SPRINGFIELD CIRCLES.

The Champion City to Have Electric
Cars—A Big Camp Meeting.

Springfield, Ohio, June 21.—There
will be a camp meeting held in Clark
county fair ground, beginning Sun-

The Dayton Sunday school has
invited North Street Sunday school to
picnic with them at Woodland park

Mrs. Ida Austin, of Columbus, is
visiting in the city, the guest of Mrs.
Lizzie Greek, 62 North Jackson street.

This city will soon have electric
cars extended all over it. We have
only a few miles. The Citizens'

Allen church will hold their
annual picnic at the Dayton soldiers
Home, July 7. This will no doubt be

Mr. M. L. Peters, who has been
secretary of the trustee board of the
North Street A. M. E. church for

A benefit entertainment for John
Brown Post, No. 163 G. A. R. will
be given at Black's Opera House,

NEWSPAPER PICKINGS.

Berlin will cremate its paupers.
Church bells will soon be rung by
electricity.

The railroads get \$22,000,000 a year
for carrying the mails.

In Philadelphia a "double event" is
not twins. It is a stew made of oysters
and clams.

A Liverpool sign that catches the
eye of the stranger is "egg-shell fuel
for gas stoves."

The only official in the country
whose right to be addressed by the
title of honorable is constitutional, it

WIT AND HUMOR.

REGULAR WEEKLY CROP NICELY
HARVESTED.

The World Would Starve on Monotony
Were It Not for These Little Rays of
Smiling Sunshine Creeping Through
the Shades.

Spriggins' Little Game.
Friend (at a French play)—Why did
you applaud so vigorously when that
comedian made his speech before the

No Cause for Complaint.



Mrs. Levinsohn—You give your first
wife a necklace, and dot picture on her
wall profes it. But a praecelet was got

Judge—"You say you want a divorce
for cruelty."
Sad Man—"Yes y'r honor."

Judge—"Now, see here! How could
a little bit of a woman like that be
cruel to a big fellow like you?"

"I ain't crying!" said little Ethel,
cheerfully, from the dining-room,
where she was having a late and solitary

"Why are n't you crying, dear?"
"Cause," said Ethel, as she placidly
watched the contents of her overtured

Husband—Where is the hatchet?
Wife—in the attic.
If you saw it in the attic, why didn't
you bring it down?

Uncle Wayback—Now wot's th' use
o' teachin' gals all these new-fangled
studies? Wot good is this 'ere astron-

Missionary—Was it liquor that
brought you to this?
Imprisoned Burglar—No, sir, it was
house-cleanin'—spring house-cleanin'.

Missionary—Eh? House-cleanin'?
Burglar—Yessir. The woman had
been house-cleanin' an' th' stair carpet

Husband (of a month)—My love,
what cook-book do you use?
Wife—Sometimes one and sometimes
another. Ma and grandma and my six

Lawyer—Well, what can I do for
you?
Hungry Hourly—Why a young lady
jilted me, an' I wants ter sue her



It's not for the Fool, the Wits
Might find their fame forsake 'em.
For, should all Polly intermit,
Their jests—how could they make 'em?

To Intermeddle is n't right,
It makes good people sore;
Yet 'way out West, both day and night,
Smelters put in their ore.

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Brown Chapel, Park Avenue and Chapel, Walnut Hill. Morning service, 11 a. m. Sunday school, 9:30 a. m. Evening service, 7:30 p. m. Rev. Charles Bundy, Pastor. Joseph L. Jones, Superintendent Sunday school.

Allen Temple, A. M. E. Church, Sixth and Broadway. J. W. Gasaway, Pastor. General prayer meeting, 6 a. m. Sunday school, 9 a. m. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 8:30 p. m. Y. M. C. A. meeting, 3:30 p. m. Class meetings, Sunday, 1 p. m. and Tuesday at 8 p. m. Official meeting, Wednesday, 8 p. m. General prayer on Tuesdays, 9 p. m. Public generally are invited to attend.

Zion Baptist Church, Ninth Street, near John Street. Rev. A. W. Puller, Pastor. Morning service, 11 a. m. Sunday school, 9:30 a. m. Evening service, 7:30 p. m. General prayer meeting, Wednesday, 8 p. m. Literary society Monday, 8 p. m.

Mr. S. B. Hill, Cincinnati, Editor of the Cincinnati edition of the Plaindealer, was elected Grand Chancellor of the Ohio Knights of Pythias, at its recent session at Columbus.

Mr. Horace Oulis, manager of the liquidating debt of Zion Baptist church has had the liberal donations of the citizens neatly framed and can be seen at the Zion Baptist church. It is hoped this will be an inducement for other friends to assist them in their noble effort.

Union Baptist church desires to thank through the columns of the Plaindealer, Schenker Bros. for 100 fans, Browning, King & Co. 50 fans, also Summers & Co.

The dedication services of the new Odd Fellows Hall, located on 8th and Central avenue, took place Thursday evening, June 6th. The exercises were participated in by the Messiah, and Principia Lodge, also Douglass and Queen City, Household, and Patriarch No. 29, Thos. J. Monroe, ex-Grand Director was master of ceremonies, everything passed smoothly, there was a large number present as the public were cordially invited and availed themselves of the opportunity to be present. The G. U. O. of C. F. of Cincinnati may well feel proud of their new meeting place, as they have a large and beautiful hall, capable of seating 500 persons, also 4 nice ante-rooms all of which are tastefully furnished. After dedication services refreshments were served by the ladies of the Household.

Masonic picnic at Prices Hill was well attended last evening. Woman's Relief corps No. 175 will meet on the third Thursday in every month at their hall, 195 West Fifth street.

Mrs. Cassie Smith, of George street returned home after a six weeks visit with friends in New Orleans, La., Katchez, Miss., and Birmingham, Ala.

Mr. Warren King left last Monday to summer at Oakland, St. Clair Springs, Mich.

Misses Winton W. Williams and Leon Holloway, of Piqua, Ohio, are guests of their aunt Mrs. George Merchant.

Dr. Jared Carey, of Kenyon avenue, is visiting friends in Chicago.

There are six colored graduates at the Columbus high school this year, among them was the daughters of two of Columbus' well known citizens: Miss Lulu Hall and Miss Eva Bowles.

Miss Bessie Withers will spend her vacation in Lexington, Ky.

Mrs. Fred Whalen, of Barr street, will spend the summer months visiting friends in Lexington, Paris and Louisville, Ky.

The First District Sunday school convention will be held at Oxford, Sunday, June 24th. Quite a number of Sunday school workers will be present.

Miss Maud Rossett, one of Chicago's charming belles, is the guest of Mrs. Ida Harding, of Oliver street.

Mr. Willie De Marcy, of Milford, is the guest of his cousin, Miss Letitia Alexander, of Elizabeth street.

Mr. and Mrs. George Doyle, of Hazardwood, Ohio, were circulating among their many friends last week. Mr. Doyle is improving in health.

Miss Lena Taylor, a teacher in the Frankfurt public schools, returned Friday, accompanied by the charming Miss Sarah Walker. They will be the guests of Mrs. Taylor, 261 West Twenty-ninth street.

Miss Lizzie Clark, of Sixth street has returned home.

Mr. Foster Wright will leave Monday for Put-in-Bay.

phia has gone to Chicago to visit friends.

The summer is on us and many of our young men are leaving town for the watering fields and pastures new; in wishing them God's speed we feel it a common duty to advise them not to squander their earnings, but to

Whooping cough seems to be rampant in the city. The doctors should be on the qui vive to check this wasting attack of this malady.

Dr. Carey is on the sick list, suffering from lassitude occasioned by the severe heat.

Mrs. Carrie Miller's little Belle is suffering from whooping cough, we trust the little one will recover soon.

We indulged recently in a very pleasant call on Mrs. DeHart, during our stay the moments passed away too swiftly in conversation exhilarating and enrapturing. It profits any one to steal a few minutes of her time. She expects to leave on the 15th of July for a concert tour with her troop. Unfortunately the lady suffers from the effects of a broken

Allen Temple's literary after a silence of four weeks reopened their parlors last evening. The parlors have been carpeted with a beautiful Brussels carpet, and a new platform erected and the ceiling and walls beautifully frescoed. The society was addressed by Mr. Ruffin, from Tennessee, also by Lawyer Davis, of Charleston, W. Va. The meeting was largely attended. After the regular program was rendered the lady managers served a delightful repast which added more pleasure to the grand opening.

Misses Dora Johnson and Dottie Coggins, of Richmond, Ind., are visiting in the city.

Mrs. Samuel Washington, of New Richmond, O., is visiting relatives in the city.

Mr. Theodore Troy, Jr., expects to leave for Sante Fe this week.

Mr. J. J. Minor left for Minneapolis last night.

Owing to the fact that Elder Gazaway failed to inform the trustees of the church his arrangement with Prof. A. S. Williams who was to deliver a lecture there on the 22nd inst., they refused to open the doors. This gentleman is an eloquent speaker and we regret the circumstance exceedingly.

Dr. Rice, the specialist in female treatment was telegraphed for to Paris, Ky., to undertake the case of a woman who had the attendance of many white doctors for years and failed to render relief. He left on the 16th and returned on the 19th.

We understand that the heavy debt which weighed as a millstone around the neck of Union M. E. chapel, has been defrayed by the gratuitous donation of \$35,000 by friends of the connection, the liberality goes further and the Plaindealer has been informed that some rich white friends have undertaken all expenses. It pleases us to note this fact, and sincerely wish Elder Johnson success in his struggles.

No wonder Elder Moreland is bound to succeed, the people are being educated and admire reason and intelligence, hence they flock round him. His discourse Sunday at Allen Temple was grand, he understands well how to apply the Gospel tea to his people and they certainly do pay for the tonic. The amount collected at his first rally was \$500. The intended church will be on its feet very shortly.

Mr. Eric Dixon, of 66 Richmond street, a law student of Ann Arbor, Michigan, is home to spend the vacation with his family. He commends the school highly. There are about 1,700 students there and among the class of '93 he hopes to stand well. We wish him success.

A reception was given Mr. William Davis, at Mound street Baptist church on the event of his retiring to one of the cool watering shades of Michigan. This young man belongs to the society of Willing Workers and always manifested great zeal in the up hill work of this society. His indefatigable efforts are deserving and the occasion special to him is well merited. Plaindealer represented by Mr. Williams was invited, and its toast recorded.

Lockland and Wyoming.

The older members of the A. M. E. church will give a concert to-night. The program is very interesting. An invitation is extended to all. Admission 10 cents.

Rev. W. H. Jackson leaves to-day to attend the Sunday school convention of the first district of Oxford, O. The Lockland Cornet Band furnishes music for picnics, parties and etc., and play first class music. All parties desiring to engage a band, address Jos. Vermont Leader, Box 251 Wyoming, Ohio.

The young people gave a party at Mrs. Turner's last Thursday night. A pleasant time was enjoyed in all kinds of amusements, after which an elegant collation was served. Those present were: Misses Ella Singleton, Naomi Batis, Hattie Johnson, Ida Miskell, Sadie Matherly, Lucy Whitehead, Lillie Parks, Amanda Matherly, Mary Berner, Blossom Turner, Hattie Scott, Eva McGinis, Mattie Little, Ella Penn, Messrs Chas Gray, Wm. Hudson, Edward Lee, John Smith, Horace Greely, Clarence Smith, Bishop Raymond.

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

St. Zion Baptist church holds a rally Sunday July 8. Rev. J. H. Jackson, of Dayton, is expected to be present.

Rev. J. C. Turner has returned to Mill Springs, Ky.

DAYTON, OHIO.

Dayton, O., June 21.—Mrs. Buckingham paid a flying visit last week to her aunt, Mrs. Howard, of Columbus, Ohio.

Among the number of Daytonians that attended Wilberforce commencement last week were Miss Lydia Elliot and Mr. Charles Moze, Miss Edith Moore and Mr. Robert Craig, Miss Luella Finley and others.

Miss Dora Leach, of Liberty street, will pay a visit to friends in Cleveland, Ohio, in the near future.

Miss Birdie Mayo, of West Washington street, was on the sick list last week.

Mrs. Smith, of Xenia, Ohio, was the guest of Mrs. Elliot, of Mead street, last Sabbath.

Mr. J. C. Thompson, of Detroit, Mich., is in our city. He is agent for a book entitled, "Lives of Harrison and Whitelaw Reid."

The dramatic reading of Mr. Paul Dunbar at the Wesleyan church last week was quite a success.

Miss Rose Roberts left Friday night for Detroit, Mich., which she intends to make her future home.

Mrs. Davis, of Dayton View, is visiting friends in Xenia.

Miss Jennie Hill, after a long siege of many months died Sunday morning, at her home on Perry street. The funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the Wesleyan church, Rev. Pierce officiating.

A DELAYED LETTER.

Editor the Plaindealer:—Since you have made a complete exposition of my mind and soul musings in your recent editorial, with respect to the rightly looked for and still anticipated special message from the president of the United States to Congress, concerning the appalling condition of our patient and savagely treated race, I can not refrain from giving an expression of my acquiescence to your thoughtful and pointed editorial. Especially when our rightful expectation is based upon the supreme law of the Republic. Section III article II of the constitution of the United States says, as we well know in no uncertain words: that "He (President) shall, from time to time, give to the Congress information of the state of the Union, and recommend to their consideration such measures as he shall judge necessary and expedient." "He (President) shall take care that the laws be faithfully executed."

Also we know that the President may at any time send to Congress a special message directing attention to matters requiring immediate attention. Now, when we seriously consider and weigh the expressions just recited, I truly think we have a good foundation upon which to build our expectation with respect to the looked for special message from the President of Congress, setting forth in a true light the condition of our oppressed race; yes, ill-treated; outraged; lynched; shot literally to pieces and made a torch-light of barbarian curiosity for lawlessness and excited prejudice. Now the question comes to me, does the President "judge" the present lamentable condition of the citizens of the United States belonging to the Afro-American to be a matter either of "necessity" or "expedient" consideration?

Having in mind the manly and statesmanlike ability and executive sagacity that President Harrison has indicated on more occasions than one, since he has been our chief executive, and especially the historical Chilian affair. I think if he would only come to the very useful conclusion that the unjust condition of our race is deplorable and politically defenceless in several parts of this country, we might anticipate a manly document from him to Congress upon the subject.

Even if he did no more than emphasize what he said in his first message to Congress, March 4th, 1889, that would be more of an encouragement to the oppressed than the now complete official silence on the subject. However, I think President Harrison is conscientious in no small degree, and I believe if the President had one half the encouragement to take under immediate consideration the Afro-American case as he had concerning the Chilian controversy, advocated by the lovers of the United States of America and her sons at home (?) and abroad and advocates regardless of party lines as well, I believe he would do more than he is doing. I do not confine my seat to the Democratic party as to the encouragement attended to, but I take in the Republican party, the party to which I belong, as well. For the Republican party has not kept all, or nearly all, of its promises. It has not carried out the platform promises of 1888 especially. The principles of the Republican party are all good, but she needs to pull herself together and to sharpen to a razor's edge the faculty of recollection, especially concerning the platform doctrine. Then when remembering it, have political courage to stand by it, sink or swim, live or die, if it takes all spring, summer, fall and winter to achieve the victory.

I am a Republican, truly so, and I expect when the time comes for me to go to the sweet home beyond, I shall, as to politics be a Republican still; but I do not say that I am going to vote every ticket that is gotten up by this party; for there (Continued on Gally 2)

is in my state, Lone Star State, Texas, in my state, and in some others as well, what is known as the white Republican party. Now that visionary office holding and prejudice stuffed party's ticket would be a last ticket for my consideration.

The most dangerous enemy is one dressed in the garb of a friend! Down and away with the white Republican party everywhere.

Now back to the special message AGAIN. When I read the expressions of the President that he made in 1889, with respect to the condition of our race, I was confident that there was going to be a redress made. Read his works, please, and see if you would not have thought so too, to some degree at least. What think ye of this although only on paper?

I have spoken on the subject of fasting and prayer in another of our true race journals. I can but say with you and others, I hope the day will be kept uniformly and in heart earnestness by us all.

I am yours for the life, liberty and pursuit of happiness of all men regardless of race or color, or previous condition of servitude, etc.

D. S. Moten.

Wilberforce University, room No.14, Wilberforce, Ohio, May 19th 1892.

There is a tribe of South American savages who live in tree tops near Venezuela and their singular mode of existence gave the name to that province.

It is announced that the secret of making odorless whisky has been discovered. The name of the discoverer and his process alike are hidden from the world.

Walnut Hill Notes.

Next Thursday, picnic First Baptist church, at Meyer's grove.

Kentucky has passed the "Jim Crow" coach bill which provides separate coaches for colored people. The colored people of the state protested against enacting such a law through their most able professional citizens, nevertheless, those legislators who were elected by the colored people voted for the bill. It passed. The prestige of great railroad companies was too much and outweighed honor, justice and right. Though such a vigorous kick was made against this measure, the colored people patronize the railroads just the same. In all the principal cities they are arranging for excursions. Posters have reached Cincinnati advertising their utter disregard for justice done them, in the shape of a dodger stating that the colored people will run an excursion to Lexington. The white man knows the Negro so well that he fears not to curtail his rights as a citizen of a free Republic, for as soon as the first few indignations are over all will be well.

Mrs. Ella Webb spent a few days at Delhi, last week, the guest of Mrs. Della Bush.

School is out and the young idea will shoot out towards green apple trees and watermelon patches.

Dairy Maids Supper—Stool Drill—Churn Drill, all for 15 cents at Brown chapel, July 26.

President Elder W. J. Johnson announces the following appointments for the Fourth quarter:

Selma, June 19, afternoon and evening June 20, Cedarville, June 19, morning June 18 Jamestown, June 20, June 27, Higginsport, June 30, night, Wallburg, July 1, night, Georgetown, July 3, morning July 2, Decatur, July 3, evening July 4, Winchester, July 5, Wilmington, July 10, July 11, Chillicothe July 14 and 15, Wilberforce, July 16, morning and night, July 18, Xenia, July 17, afternoon and night July 18, Sylvania, July 21, afternoon and night July 25, Greenville, July 31, August 1, Hillsboro, August 8, Frankfort, August 7, night August 10, Allen Temple, August 14, August 15, Portsmouth, August 21, August 23, Brown Chapel, August 28, August 29, New Richmond, September 4, September 5. Other appointments, will be notified by postal card.

On next Thursday morning the First Baptist church and Sunday school will picnic at Meyer's grove. All your friends are going. Are you? —Mrs. McKinney is on the sick list.

Mr. Woodyear, of New Bedford, Mass., preached at Brown chapel last Sunday evening.

Elder Garnett, of Louisville, Ky., occupied the pulpit at First Baptist church last Sunday.

Mrs. Lizzie Depugh Dugan will sing at Brown chapel on the evening of June 28. Mrs. Dugan is said to be the sweetest singer of the race and large audiences have welcomed her wherever she has traveled. It is seldom that singers of Mrs. Dugan's ability can be heard at any church and this opportunity is one rarely offered. That a large and appreciative audience will greet her is assured. Don't miss hearing, not only our best, but one of the best singers of the day.

The Walnut Hills school children spent a day life with pleasure and enjoyment at the Zoological garden last Tuesday and many were there who remained to listen to the evening concert.

Lulu Whitlow, daughter of the Mr. Pedro Whitlow, is spending the summer with her aunt, Mrs. George W. Bailey, at Xenia, Ohio.

The action of President Harrison, during the recent trouble at Okla-homa, is deserving and receiving the highest praise throughout the country. His ordering the United States troops to defend the life of a colored man who seemed doomed to be lynched is an evidence of what he would do towards prohibiting the common practice of lynching in the Southland had he the power. Criticism severe, has been heaped upon the executive head of our government by those unacquainted with the laws relative to State's rights, but his promptness in acting in this instance, where he was vested with the power to interfere, should receive from his critics commendation as strong as their criticisms were severe.

Many of our young men are in camp with the Excelsior and Wilson divisions, I. R. K. F. at Camp Perry, Ohio, during the Grand lodge meeting in that city. The boys seem well satisfied with soldier fare and looked away last Tuesday morning.

Next Thursday is June 30, the day of the First Baptist church and Sunday school picnic. Don't forget it.

We feel proud of the manner in which the Plaindealer has been received on the Hill, and appreciated. Every one is looking for the best and in the Plaindealer they get it. It advertises itself by furnishing good, pure matter and plenty of it. Were we to offer a prize to the person who would remain unclaimed. Read the Plaindealer and send any news item to Walnut Hills Editor, 158 W. Sixth street.

Mrs. Georgiana White, mother of Miss Adina White, is on the sick list.

The Plaindealer has been in error in the date of the Dairy maids' supper. The date is July 22. Remember it.

A very interesting program is being arranged for children's day at Brown Chapel on Sunday July 3rd.

Attempted Lynching.

Kingfisher, Okl., June 16.—James Holland, a colored real estate dealer, nearly lost his life at the hands of a colored mob, this afternoon. Holland is a member of the firm of Holland and Jones, both colored men, who advertised just before the recent opening of the Indian lands in the vicinity, that they were prepared to give every Negro applicant a claim in exchange for \$10. Hundreds answered the advertisement came to the new country, paid their money, but of course got no claims. The indignation among the colored people has been intense, and to-day they took Holland from his office and were about to hang him to a telegraph pole when the police interfered and rescued him. He was placed

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A PLAINDALER VICTORY.

The board of trustees of Wilberforce university recently held their annual meeting, and among other things that came before it was the conduct of Prof. Jackson, that not long since was made the subject of an article by Plutarch in this journal. As will be seen by correspondence to be found elsewhere in the Plaindealer, a committee selected to investigate the matter found (1.) that the information was given out by Prof. W. S. Scarborough and (2.) that the charges against Prof. Jackson were true. As the result of this report both Prof. W. S. Scarborough and Prof. Jackson were dropped from the faculty of Wilberforce. The Plaindealer regards the finding of the committee in the first instance, and the action of the trustees in removing Prof. W. S. Scarborough from the hair in the university, as a piece of the greatest foolishness and decided unwisdom. The conduct of Prof. Jackson was a matter of common report at Xenia and surrounding cities. It has been no secret either to the faculty at Wilberforce or of its board of trustees. In fact it was common property, and in view of this, the finding of the committee as to the finding of the committee as to the information upon which Plutarch based his article is decidedly absurd and a great injustice is done to a Christian gentleman, and the most celebrated Afro-American professor of Latin and Greek in the country.

The removal of Professor W. S. Scarborough reflects not only on the wisdom of the trustees, but substantiates other information in possession of the Plaindealer bearing upon past meetings of that body. There are facts connected with the management of the institution, as to the shielding of questionable acts, that will not bear the light of investigation, that seriously effect the great good that Wilberforce could do, and pity it is that it has become a prey to cliques, bent upon ruining Wilberforce on their own plan. This removal of Professor W. S. Scarborough without just cause is one of their ruinous policies. When the Plaindealer gets in possession of the full facts relating to this meeting, as it will, other facts bearing upon this piece of folly may be given to the public by it or its correspondent "Plutarch." As it is the greatest school of the A. M. E. church, in serious impairment by the removal of Professor Scarborough by the assinine act of the board of trustees, shall we say who were influenced by the cliques in the faculty.

The outspoken articles in the Plaindealer that have had a bearing upon many acts within the A. M. E. church have been a matter of surprise to some of the dignitaries of the church, who seem to think that Afro-American journalism can not be independent on matters which occur within the race that vitally effect it.

The Republican National committee will meet Monday June 27 to organize and perhaps to decide upon plans for the ensuing campaign. It is to be hoped that the committee realize the gravity of the situation and such a line of action will be mapped out bearing upon the equality of the citizen, and honest election, that will move them to make up to all true lovers of liberty, for the deficiencies of the plans in the platform on this and Southern outrages. The Afro-American is going to be one of the factors in this campaign and he is more strongly interested in the equality of the citizen than on questions of tariff and finance. There is no use to deny the fact that there is dissatisfaction among Afro-Americans, and the cause of such dissatisfaction is common property. The National committee ought therefore to take such measure as will appease this element of the party, and cause it once more to unite in a solid phalanx for the Republican party. This fact is certain if the Afro-American does not meet full justice in this campaign, and if the pledges of the party, if successful, are not kept, to the equality of the citizen, and the securing of free and honest election, his influence and support will go elsewhere in the future.

The Plaindealer extends its sympathy to that able politician and statesman, the Honorable James G. Blaine in this the time of his great affliction.

The Colorado Exponent should be ashamed of itself for ridiculing as it did the efforts of honest men to give aid to the Afro-Americans of the South. In its attack upon the Constitutional Union, it is guilty of indecent journalism. Shame! Shame!

It is one thing to differ honestly in opinion with a man of organization but such a difference does not entitle one to resort to virulent abuse, or to take steps to prevent the consummation of plans that may be of help to our fellow man.

The example set by the Afro-Americans of Danville, Ky., should be followed by the race in all those states of the Union where class laws are established, and all merchants favoring such laws, and who are not disposed to help to secure their repeal should be made to feel their displeasure, at the place that hurts them most, namely the pocket. The boycott should be put vigorously in use and the Afro-American should give his trade only to his friends. The same thing ought to be put in operation at Detroit, Cincinnati, Chicago, and other cities, and towns of the North and no houses should secure their business patronage except those who show a disposition to patronize Afro-American enterprises or who are willing to give employment to members of the race. A concerted action on its part in this matter would result in great good.

The Supreme court of Michigan has decided that the last legislature had absolute authority under the constitution to define the manner in which presidential electors shall be chosen. In so doing the court has limited the force of the constitution to what is expressly and strictly stated by letter. It holds what the constitution says, to be prima facie evidence of what it means. The court does not regard it as an instrument having consequential growth by means of continued popular acquisition, but as a charter fixed and unalterable both in letter and in spirit, save by certain slow and ponderous methods altogether useless in cases of emergency. The court or at least that part of it which must surely look upon this interpretation as conferring a dangerous partisan privilege, feels itself bound to assert that the will of the state has in no wise been jeopardized because for years all states have acted uniformly in this matter. In the undivided opinion of the Supreme court of Michigan, the state may choose its electors in whatsoever way the legislature then existing may devise.

To a layman unfamiliar with the mazes of constitutional law this construction seems unwisely narrow. Especially so when the whole trend of affairs indicates a popular demand for National uniformity in all things directly involving the National rights of the people.

At an early date however the United States Supreme court will be given an opportunity to affirm or deny. The recent decisions of the court on the original package, reciprocity and other like questions has indicated a much broader conception of the constitution. Its opinion will be awaited with interest.

The Afro-American is not asleep though he naps occasionally. The bourbons of Memphis, smarting under the same strictures of the Free Speech regarding lawlessness drove its editors from their homes by cowardly threats, but the New York Age which is yet more caustic will take its place. Southern legislatures have been busy passing jim crow car laws, but the Afro-American have met them in the courts and defeated them. He is cheated and mobbed, but he still thrives and accumulates property. He can't be frozen out or mobbed out.

Judge Tourgee has at last placed his plan of organization in shape and week before last the Plaindealer gave it in full. It seems entirely practical and should meet with the hearty approval of every Afro-American. As at present outlined the most effective work could be done by the Afro-American church, which is already organized. Our churches are not doing their full duty not even what they might, in the direction of making useful citizens of their members. Its entire aim is to make men good not to make them useful. White churches cannot be criticised for lack of interest in human rights when we, the most interested party, are not doing all we can to help ourselves. The ordinary Afro-American church is open almost every evening, either to class meeting or concert. The very logic of our situation declares that one of these evenings should be given to awaken interest in public matters and to instruct the people in the same. Such a course would be of immeasurable benefit to both congregation and community. We as a people and the churches among us can never attain their best position for good until every man of intelligence is awakened to the issues of the day that affect him in his business, his home life and even his church relations. What pastor is far sighted enough to put such a plan

in operation
The Conservator lends its columns to a severe attack on Rev. J. T. Jenifer by a Mr. Theo. Jones. Mr. Jones doesn't state specifically wherein Dr. Jenifer has erred, but proceeds to rake him, fore and aft, because he preaches on topics of public interest that are not strictly outlined on bible texts. The Plaindealer does not enter this discussion to vindicate Dr. Jenifer, his long life of usefulness does that effectually, neither does it believe in narrow captious criticism. But it does hold that the province of the pulpit is not bounded by the ten commandments or the sermon on the mount. One reason why so many Afro-Americans are not more useful is because the pulpit has been given to picture painting instead of guiding and directing thoughts into healthy channels of activity concerning the questions of the day. The world runs riot in frivolity while the pulpit pictures the beauties of religion less its practicability. Public morals get to a low ebb, but the pulpit must be silent because it isn't popular to attack corruption. If Dr. Jenifer has attacked any of these evils no matter how he has styled them he is doing his duty to his congregation and his God, no matter how virulent men may cry out "Let us alone we know thee who thou art."

Democratic orators will soon be going about the country ranting about what they expect to do for the people, and the benefits that will follow the policies they expect to carry out. There is nothing to date that the Democratic party can boast of having done in the interest of humanity or good government either in the States where they control or in the Nation, therefore their claims for support must necessarily be based on future prospects. As the party is now organized this state of prospective blessing gives no promise of holding good for some time no matter what the fortunes or misfortunes of the coming election may be.

A number of Southern papers are becoming very glib about the "white man ruling and the Negroes obeying the law or exterminated." That same talk was used just before the rebellion and became more virulent as the spirit of secession grew more bold. This government isn't built on the mob rule plan and it will not be long ere the people will rule: be they white or black.

The next guessing contest that any of our enterprising contemporaries get up should be "What is John M. Langston position," more of us would like to know that than who is the prettiest woman or the most popular letter carrier.

Almost as many white men are now being lynched as Afro-Americans. This is just as the Plaindealer has predicted, lawlessness is a terrible epidemic.

Does not this third nomination of Grover Cleveland look like Caesarism in the Democratic party?

The Afro-American Democrats who met in the so-called National convention Tuesday and requested the Democratic party to be more explicit on the equality of citizenship have received a slap in the face. The convention puts itself on record as opposed to all effort to secure free elections, enunciates the doctrine of States-rights and declares that all efforts to secure citizens' rights by the Federal government would only make it worse for the Afro-American of the South. The platform of the Democratic party expresses its sympathy for the oppressed of Russia, but it had no sympathy to express for the oppressed Afro-Americans of the South.

A number of Afro-Americans, styling themselves Democrats, met at Chicago Tuesday, in what was supposed to be a National convention. They were self-elected delegates, and seventeen States have to acknowledge them as their poor deluded mortals.

Take it for granted that the Republican party has not kept its promises to the Afro-Americans, and that among its ranks have grown up a new set of leaders like Wolcott and others who have proven recreant to the pledges and principles of the party, what is there in the career of the Democratic party, either in the past or present that would prestage a fuller measure of justice to the Afro-American? Is not the Democratic party in control of the South, and in the South are not Afro-Americans brutally outraged, their women raped, and attempts to secure justice met with scorn? Does not a man in the North who walks hand in hand with these murderers and libertines give them moral support by his aid, and does he not become equally guilty, by his silent acquiescence in those things that press down so hard upon the race?

Should not the blush of shame mantle the cheeks of those of the race who are willing to condone these evils by giving to that party their

political allegiance? The Plaindealer stands for the Afro-American and the equality of the citizen, and it does not believe, nor can any sensible man believe, that as at present constituted the Democratic party is willing to grant the equal protection of the law to all classes of the people.

Despite its fault and its unfulfilled pledges, the Republican party is the only party now existing through which such equality of the citizen can be gained, and they who look for such ends in the Democratic party will be carefully disappointed.

COLORED DEMOCRATS.

Self-Appointed Delegates Emphasize their Short-sightedness.

Chicago, June 21.—A meeting was held at the Democratic headquarters to-day by colored Democrats from all parts of the country under the auspices of the Negro National Democratic committee. Many of those present claimed to be Republicans, but said that the treatment of the colored race by President Harrison did not meet their views of justice. They said they desired henceforth to enter the Democratic fold. W. J. Scott, of Illinois, was made chairman. Among the prominent colored men present were Dr. J. E. W. Thompson, Minister of Hayti under President Cleveland; C. H. J. Taylor, ex-Minister to Liberia; Henry F. Downing, ex-Minister to St. Paul de Leon; S. L. M. F. Alexander Easton, president of the Negro Democratic Club of Missouri; James M. Verner, of Missouri; Hon. J. Milton Turner, of Missouri; F. C. Lawson, colored representative of Tammany Hall; G. W. Lamer and J. Allen Ross, Kentucky; Hon. W. G. Scott, of Illinois; W. H. Johnson, of New York; Senator James A. Ross, of Iowa; Hon. R. A. Jones, of Ohio; G. H. Samuels, of Chicago; Secretary of the Afro-American Democratic Club of Illinois; J. W. Brown, president of the club; W. A. Williams and G. Hammons, Springfield. About fifty others were in attendance.

Before permanent organization was effected addresses on the tariff and President Harrison's alleged ill-treatment of the colored people were made by Messrs Johnson, Turner, Ross, and Taylor. Mr. Johnson, in part, spoke as follows:

We are here to-day because the Republican party has outlived its usefulness, at least so far as it relates to the Negro and it is our duty to cast about for a safer and more sure anchorage. We believe Grover Cleveland, when president of the United States gave the best assurance possible that under Democratic rule the Afro-American's best interests, his liberty and happiness, were fully conserved. I know by experience and personal observation that the civil, public and political rights of my race were never better conserved by any executive than they were by Senator David B. Hill, when he was Governor of the great State of New York. The political parties of the day are not the parties of the last decade. Their names are the same, but new men represent them both. The great Democratic party has gained wisdom by experience. It deals with great national questions on fundamental principles. It is forgetting the past unpleasances; is living and flourishing in a grand and real present. Its policy of good government embraces all people, white and black, rich and poor, North and South. The Republican party of to-day, which we turn away from in sorrow, stands as a sectional party, as a political necessity. It is dictatorial, overbearing, autocratic.

The roll of delegates showed seventeen States represented. At the evening session a permanent organization was formed as follows: President, S. L. Marsh, of Iowa, delegate-at-large to the national Democratic convention; first Vice-President, A. E. Manning, of Indiana; second Vice-President, Prof. M. F. Alex Easton, of St. Louis.

The platform adopted expressed the belief that the best interests of all the people would be best subserved by the ascendancy of the Democratic party, and concluded as follows:

Resolved, that a national Afro-American Democratic committee be and is hereby created, to consist of five members from each State, and one from each territory to serve four years or until the first day of the national Democratic convention, whose duty it shall be to maintain and disseminate Democratic principles and invigorate and prosecute an aggressive campaign for the success of the Democratic nominees for President and Vice-President, keeping always in mind the best interests of the Afro-American citizens and the general prosperity of the country at large.

A second session will be held tomorrow morning at nine o'clock.

TO THAT BOURNE.

Hon. John M. Freeman, of Charleston, S. C., a prominent politician, died recently. At the time of his death he was chief Deputy Revenue Collector at that city.

Mr. Frank Johnson, of Baltimore, died during the latter part of May. Mr. Johnson was a fairly successful commission merchant.

Richard A. Brown, an aged Afro-American and one of the most prominent citizens of Boston, died recently.

William T. Gilbert died at his residence on third street, Monday, after an illness of two weeks, of pneumonia, aged 42. Mr. Gilbert was a bright young colored man, and from 1877 to 1882 was a short-hand reporter on the Boston Globe. He worked for a while in General B. F. Butler's office, and of late years with Jerome F. Manning, who was interested in the Alabama cases before the Court of claims in Washington.

The State Capital.—The Denver "Statesman," the Richmond "Planet" and the Detroit "Plaindealer," are worthy journals, and are destined to accomplish much good in solving the race problem. Let our leading ministers and all lovers of the race to subscribe for good race paper.



HARRISON AND REID.

The Strongest Ticket Possible and a Sure Winner.

From The Burlington Hawk-Eye:—"The Hawk-Eye" congratulates the Republican party upon the wise action of the convention. The renomination of Mr. Harrison means more than the party victory which is certain to follow. It means a continuance for four years more of an administration which, in many respects, is the best the United States has ever had, an administration so excellent that it is one of the strongest arguments for continuing the Republican party in power. It was the wise thing for the convention to nominate the man who was at the head of the administration that made the incomparable record of the last three years. Mr. Harrison best represents the party principles, and he is the best man therefore to stand for them in the coming appeal to the country.

From The Kennebec Journal:—While the Republicans of Maine would, naturally have preferred to have seen this honor come to Mr. Blaine, they will nevertheless accord to Mr. Harrison the same cordial support that they gave him four years ago. They recognize in him one of the greatest citizens of our Republic. They appreciate fully the courage, the ability and the integrity of his splendid administration of National affairs. It is a record distinguished alike for its Americanism and its statesmanship. It is to the credit of the President that in the contest that terminated yesterday in his renomination these facts were not only universally conceded, but a just recognition of them embodied in the party platform.

From The Portland, Me. Press:—President Harrison has been fairly nominated, and it is the duty won of Republicans, whatever their preference may have been, to afford him a cordial and active support. From this day forth let the Republican party close up its ranks and fight the common enemy.

From The New York Journal of Commerce:—In the common estimate of his personal gifts he stands much higher with the masses than he did at the time of his first nomination. His public addresses to the people, delivered on special occasions and during his excursions through the country, have been singularly felicitous, and there are few persons in this country who could have equalled him in this respect, no matter how elaborate might have been their preparation.

From The Lewiston Journal:—Harrison's first term as President will not be his last. His administration is recognized at home and abroad as the most fertile of all administrations in the appreciation of the forward necessities of American social, economic and commercial life. In solidarity and probity it is without a rival. In foresight and loyalty to political conviction it has realized both the wisdom of business and the business of wisdom.

From The Brooklyn Standard Union:—We do not know that is a serious objection that the candidates for President and vice-President are both men—both from the famous Miami county and graduates of Miami university.

From The Boston Transcript:—The country is to be congratulated on Mr. Harrison's renomination because it renders free silver coinage under existing conditions impossible and makes it morally certain that no further legislation degrading our currency will succeed.

From The Concord Monitor:—Comparing the history of previous conventions with the history of the Minneapolis gathering, only one thought appears: the President's strength. The strength that enabled Benjamin Harrison to receive a renomination in June upon the first ballot will enable him to achieve a triumphant re-election in November.

From The Columbus Journal:—Even his political enemies recognize his integrity and patriotism and willingly yield him their respect. He will be re-elected in November amid the acclaim of the people and the approval of the world.

From The Syracuse Journal:—Harrison and Reid is the strongest combination of personal and political qualities the Republican party could have agreed upon. The ticket is one which cannot fail of success in the coming great National election.

From The Newburg Journal:—The nomination will also be satisfactory to the great business and labor interests of the country which are concerned in having at the head of the Government a safe, prudent, conservative and patriotic man, who has given abundant proof of the possession of those qualities and who may be depended upon to resist to the measure of his power all unwise and harmful policies.

From The Springfield Union:—He has shown himself a man of strong American common-sense, and when we have said that we have included all that Americans include in true statesmanship. He has not won upon the people by the brilliant y of his administration so much as by his broad grasp of affairs, his sturdy integrity, his earnest purpose to do the best and get the best in the administration of the Government.

From The Toronto Empire:—The lesson for us is that, just as Americans look first of all to their own country (as in this ticket and platform), and care not a whit for the interests or welfare of others, so we should in this Dominion maintain a sturdy, vigorous program of Canada, first, last and all the time.

From The Norristown Herald:—Reason to be proud of the dignified Every patriotic American citizen has and successful performance of public duty which has characterized the rise of a President. There is nothing of which any reasonable person, Republican or Democrat, can complain in the management of public business. On the contrary, there is

everything to approve and applaud. From The Elizabeth Journal:—Mr. Harrison has exhibited a quality of statesmanship unsurpassed since the days of Abraham Lincoln, and in him the people feel that they have a man who is progressive without being radical, and who has the ability to determine what is right and needed and the firmness and prudence to carry out his convictions.

From The Torrington Register:—We think it is safe to say that during no administration since the foundation of the Republic has there been such an extension of the arm of Government—the settling of international complications, the entering into commercial union with so many powers, great and small, and at the same time holding firmly in our own hands the master key whereby our own material interests are given the place in the arrangement.

From The States Islander:—Richmond county will indorse the nominations with all her strength, and will bring to the support of the ticket named yesterday in Minneapolis all the votes which can be collected by the earnestness born of sincere belief in Republican principles.

From The Kansas City Journal:—The coming campaign on the Republican side will be based upon the record of this administration. Its bright prospects of success are due chiefly to the work accomplished by the President and his assistants. Mr. Harrison is therefore in a position to take things calmly and complacently. He knows he has done his duty and that the country is proud of him. He had a right to expect the popular indorsement which is manifested most plainly in a renomination and re-election. New York Echo:—The Planet of Richmond, Va., alleges that Lynch law must go. Yes, it should go and stay, and it will never go as long as the public sentiment sustains it, and public censure at this time, especially, as far as the lynching of black men are concerned is scared, dormant, dead.

Christian Advocate:—A grand old man he is. We never shall forget the cordiality and warmth with which the good Bishop received us a few years ago, in the Episcopal Residence at Buffalo. Bishop Coxe has an interest in the welfare of our suffering brethren at the South, and he is not ashamed to be identified with their cause.

His prayer and ready acquiescence in the plan suggested by some of our most prominent men, respecting the day of prayer and Thanksgiving to Almighty God, on behalf of our poor and defenseless people indicate most plainly that his grand heart is as large and massive as his towering and magnificent intellect. God bless the dear Bishop, and grant him many years of usefulness in His vineyard to do battle for truth and justice.

Philadelphia Press:—Bishop Fitzgerald of the Southern Methodist Church will surprise most Northern people by the implied apology which he makes in an interview at Atlanta, Ga., for Southern lynching. Many sober and religious Northern men will be amazed that any clergyman, let alone a presiding elder or bishop, could open his mouth upon the frequent lynchings at the South save to condemn them.

Yet Bishop Fitzgerald undoubtedly expressed the sober, settled judgment of the great mass of conservative Southern men. Incredible as it may seem to Northern public opinion there are entire States in the Union where white public opinion firmly believes that the honor of women and the lives and property of men can only be protected by a swift lynching whenever either is called for by flagrant crime against one sex or the other.

Regret this as we may, it is a fact and a fact that every Northern newspaper is bound to recognize in commending to its lawless crime, and equally lawless justice which disgrace and demoralize so large a part of this country. It is because we know, recognize, and understand this sentiment that the Press steadily condemns lynching as a barbarous revenge which never suppresses the crimes against which it is directed. Over a great area of South is far more thinly settled than any Northern States east of the Mississippi. In these desolate empty reaches of cane-brake, pine-barren, or mountain, law is but slightly regarded. The white race is prone to murder. The Negro is open to a yet graver charge. Over broad regions white women live in perpetual panic, mitigated only by an occasional lynching and the habitual revolver. There are small, obscure settlements scattered all over the South, now of one color and now of another, often white than black, known for leagues around as centers of brawling, rapine, and murder. A Memphis paper apologizing not long ago for a lynching near that city, said that there was not a house along the road where the lynching occurred whose inmates had not been the victims of murder or murderous assault.

The lawlessness of the South is one wide crime, affecting all classes, blighting all sections and apparent in all the States from the Potomac and Ohio to the Gulf. The favorite Southern remedy for this crime is lynch law for three-quarters of a century this ineffectual cure has been applied. It has failed, utterly and completely. It always will fail. Lawless justice never suppressed lawless crime. The South needs settled law and ordered justice more than it needs new capital or material development. Nothing will cure its crime but inexorable law. A strong constabulary, fearless judges, upright juries, and busy hangmen are the crying want of every Southern State. Until these come, crime will not depart.

The South may easily go on for generations as it has, with mob law as its most frequent remedy for crime; but as long as it does it is a mercenary community, fit to rank with Sicily, Albania, and other dark corners of Europe. Granting all that Southerners and Southern papers say of the criminal population of the South, black and white, this fertile cause of crime will never be warded off by anything but the steady, even hand of law working without passion. Unless this is done and done soon, the South will become the abode of a criminal section of the land whose record in American civilization is principally made up of rapes, murders and lynchings.

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Wendell H. Parker, age 15, son of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Parker, of Monroe avenue, died last Sunday with typhoid malaria.

The Misses Carrie Sampson and Emma Tate were among the Toledo excursionists last Sunday.

Mrs. Mattie Moore died at her residence on Hastings street last Monday evening, with dropsy, age 80, scarcely had an hour elapsed when Mr. James Woods, an uncle of the deceased, also died.

Mr. Peter Anderson, sr., of Mullett street, has fully recovered from his recent sickness.

The lemon social given last Monday evening at Bethel church, by the church Aid Society, was well attended.

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Instrumental and vocal lessons taught by Miss Agatha Ray Duncan, 285 St. Antoine Street.

The Rev. E. E. Gregory and wife after a lengthy visit to Detroit, returned to their field of labor, Thursday June 16th.

At the last communication of Pythagoras lodge, No. 13, F. and A. M. Messrs Reuben Davis and John Jackson were raised to the sublime degree of Master Masons.

Mr. Wm. Anderson entertained Mr. Robert Pelham, Jr., at tea Sunday evening. Covers were laid for six.

Mr. Joseph Dickinson entertained the Rev. John Smallwood and other friends at tea Tuesday evening.

Mr. Elmer Lewis has gone to Wellington, Ohio, for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Gray, of Toronto, are visiting Miss Annie Brooks, of 317 Macomb street.

Messrs Robert and Fred Pelham, spent a few days in Adrian this week.

Miss Mollie Lewis who has charge of the musical department of the Wilberforce Institute, at Chatham, Ont., is herself taking a classical course at the conservatory of music, under the direction of Dr. Carl Demmer.

Fashionable dressmaking and millinery establishment, including the dyeing and reblocking of hats in all the newest shapes and colors.

Mr. James P. Butler, of Jamesville, N. C., who was a delegate to the Minneapolis convention, paid a short visit to his sister, Mrs. Jas. H. Standish while on his way home.

Miss Martha Miller who has been attending the Toronto Normal school for the past six months returned home for the summer.

The Willing Workers will give the first excursion of the season, Wednesday July 6, to St. Clair, touching at intermediate points.

Children's day was observed by the Sunday school children of the Second Baptist church last Sunday. Music and speeches were the order of exercises.

Mr. R. J. Willis, law '93 and family leave for the West Wednesday.

Fred Hollingsworth, of Toronto, paid a flying visit to the city.

Mrs. William Finney paid a visit to her old home in Sandusky the past week.

J. B. Roane, of Philadelphia, was in the city on business the past week. William Hudson has returned home from Chicago.

Mr. George Meredith, of Elizabeth street will spend a few days in Chicago, Ill.

The feast of lanterns, the entertainment which was to have been given by the Ready Workers society, June 29 and 30, has been postponed to a later date.

Mr. Maxum, brother-in-law of Mrs. Aidy, of Division street was buried Friday afternoon from Bethel church.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Will Warner, of Russell street, died and was buried last Thursday afternoon.

Mr. George Rice has accepted a position in the Detroit exposition office.

Mr. W. H. Slaughter 378 Champlain street was taken very sick on Wednesday June 15, and has been confined to the house ever since.

Mrs. G. W. Dawson, of Texas, is in the city, and is taking a course at the Detroit Business College.

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Miss Eva Evans left for her home at Ypsilanti, Saturday.

Battle Creek will celebrate the glorious Fourth in grand style. The committee say that they will spare no pains or money to make it a success.

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MILWAUKEE, WIS.

Milwaukee, June 20.—The flower entertainment at St. Marks church Thursday and Friday evenings of last week, was voted a complete success by all of the large numbers who attended it. The supper and refreshments were served in an elegant manner and much praise is due Miss Lydia Hughes, who managed and conducted the entertainment. Prizes were awarded to Mrs. D. P. Redd and Miss Lottie Hughes. The entire committee labored for the success of the affair and should be very much gratified at the results.

Mr. J. J. Miles visited Madison last Tuesday to witness the graduation of Mr. Green, who read a fine paper at the commencement. The Rev. Williamson, Mr. James Johnson and Miss Martha Carther attended the Sunday school convention at Glenage, Ill., on the 14th.

Mrs. N. Healey, of Chattanooga, is here, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hooley, of Bowling Green, Ky., are also here. Miss Minnie Hearst has returned.

George Townsend and Mr. L. H. Palmer, left for Chicago Saturday. L. H. Wallace visited his family Wednesday and left Thursday for Chicago.

Mrs. James Durling, who has been visiting her mother and brother Mrs. and Mr. Ellis, left Saturday for her home in St. Louis.

Mr. Joe Davis has gone to Chicago where he will reside in the future.

Mr. Geo. Bland is recovering his health slowly. A number of strangers have visited the city during the past two weeks.

J. B. B.

ST. PAUL, MINN.

St. Paul, Minn., June 19.—Mrs. W. H. Parker departed this life June 14. Funeral services were held at St. James' church on Thursday, the 16th. Richard Harrison is meeting with much success in St. Paul. He has read in several entertainments and read last Thursday in the Peoples church, to a large audience.

MATTOON, ILLS.

Mattoon, Ill., June 20.—Miss Lulu Archey is in Chicago visiting her mother.

Miss Anna Dunkin went to Tuscola, Sunday. Mr. Daniels, of Indianapolis, has no one to cook at the Essex house.

Mr. Lewis Anderson the old cook for 20 years at the Essex, will leave soon for Cheloa, Indian territory to live with his son William Anderson.

Mr. Jacob A. Anderson will be head cook. He has been at the Essex for 18 years.

PIQUA, OHIO.

Piqua, Ohio, June 2.—Miss Lucy left Friday morning for Muncie, O. Mr. George Gross left Tuesday for Cleveland, O., to make it his future home.

The Park Ave. Baptist church gave an entertainment at Scott Clarkson hook Thursday evening, which was a success.

Mr. Young, of Louisville, Ky., is here and will make this his home.

Miss Lenora Wilson has returned home from Baltimore where she has been some time.

The Misses Johnson's, the two nieces of Rev. N. M. Mitchell are in the city. Mr. More is visiting his sister, Mrs. Washington Williams, on North Broadway.

BRINKLEY, ARK.

Special to the Platdealer.—The Disney Literary Society at St. Paul A. M. E. church last Friday night was an occasion of much interest. The subject discussed was "Is Early Marriage Advisable?" Affirmative, Mr. D. M. Moody and M. H. La. Perchman; negative, R. D. Floyd and A. L. Ridgel, A. B. Able speeches were made on both sides of the subject. The negative won.

The Lyceum is to be addressed Friday night, July 1st, by Rev. Carl, O. H. Thomas, D. D. L. B. of Brook Haven, Mississippi.

The St. Paul A. M. E. church has undergone a complete renovation, and is now a thing of beauty and convenience. The Sunday school is large and jubilant over the melodious tones of the grand Estey organ that has just been put in the church. Rev. A. L. Ridgel, A. B., the pastor, has done a grand work. He can not soon be forgotten by the progressive people of Brinkley. He has done more in six months than he has done previously in five times that length of time.

The church will have a grand reopening, Sunday, July 3rd, at which time Bishop B. W. Arnett, D. D., Rev. Carl, O. H. Thomas, D. D. L. L. B., Rev. W. A. Phillips, D. D., and Rev. W. H. Jones are expected to be present and participate. Bishop Arnett will preach the dedicatory sermon at 11 a. m.

Rev. A. L. Ridgel, A. B., ran over to Forest City a few nights ago and preached a fine sermon to an immense congregation. He reports Rev. W. H. Jones as moving old St. Luke A. M. E. church to the front.

The choir under the direction of Miss Sarah J. Waterford is a feature of special interest during devotional services.

The protracted meeting at the Second Baptist church was very successful. About 50 souls were happily converted to God. Rev. G. W. Gaines, of Little Rock, conducted the meeting.

Rev. D. H. Humphreys will also baptize about thirty persons on Sunday, July 19th.

Rev. A. L. Ridgel will be granted a leave of absence after July 3rd for one month, during which time he expects to visit many points of interest in the East.

The weather is fearfully hot out

here just now. Crops are looming up and politicians are smiling the old deceitful smile as usual.

The Judge's Charge.

Port Jervis, N. Y., June 20.—The Grand Jury of Orange County convened this morning at Goshen. In his charge, the presiding justice, Edgar M. Cullen, of Brooklyn, denounced the lynching and the lynchings in most scathing terms, and impressed on the minds of the jurors the necessity of fearless and searching investigation, and if possible, of bringing to justice those responsible for the deed.

He said that it had been the boast of our civilization, that no American citizen could be deprived of life, liberty or property excepting by due process of law; that Robert Lewis was a citizen of Port Jervis and of Orange County and that he was deprived of life by a mob who constituted themselves judge, jury and executioners. This was unjustifiable from any point of view. In a frontier town or mining camp, where government existing only in name, it may be conceding that law-abiding citizens are sometimes obliged to resort to extreme measures for the sake of striking terror to the hearts of evildoers and of protecting the lives and property of citizens, but Orange County was constituted over 200 years ago, and its existence antedates by 100 years the beginning of our independence. The courts and all the machinery in justice are in full operation. As citizens and grand jurors under oath, it was their duty to investigate the matter fearlessly and impartially, to the end that the humblest citizen may know what he is under the protection of the laws.

TOLEDO, OHIO.

Toledo, Ohio, June 21st.—There was an entertainment given at the Masonic rooms last Tuesday evening. The installation of officers was very interesting and every one enjoyed themselves. The evening was spent in dancing, and ice-cream and other refreshments were served.

There was a large excursion Sunday from Jackson, Mich.

Mrs. Geo. Powers entertained a few guests Sunday; Mrs. Hill, Miss Barbara, Mr. J. and Wm. Goodall, of Jackson Mich.

Mrs. Wm. Goodall entertained a few guests, Mr. Wagoner and others also from Jackson Mich.

Mrs. Harris, of Indiana avenue, entertained Mrs. Bindman and brother and Mr. Phillips also of Jackson, Mich.

Mrs. White, of Ontario street, entertained Mrs. Pines and others. Mrs. Pines is still here.

Mrs. Nancy Bell, of Missouri street, entertained Miss Ada Roberts, her daughter, of Jackson, Mich.

Mr. J. Henderson, Kelley, Thomas and others left for St. Clair, Mich., to spend the summer.

Miss Mattie Kemp, of Bartlett was united in marriage Sunday afternoon. The bride was dressed very handsomely and also the groom, Mr. Woodson of Findlay.

The Platdealer will be at sale any week, if any one should want one, at 381 Missouri street, Eva Cox.

NEW RICHMOND, OHIO.

New Richmond, Ohio, June 21.—Mrs. Julia E. Collins departed this life June 8th, after a lingering illness of nearly two years, from a cancer, aged 51 years, 9 months and 3 days. Funeral services were conducted at her late residence, June 10, by Rev. M. M. Smith. Being an old and valued citizen many friends mourn her demise.

Miss Katie Horde, of Cincinnati, who has been very sick here at her cousin's Mrs. Joseph Roberts, is slowly improving.

Miss Lizzie Graves and Miss Minnie Wilson are visiting relatives in Cincinnati.

Mrs. Clara Brooks who has been very ill at her mother's, Mrs. Lizzie Toney, has returned to her home in Cincinnati, but sorry to say she is still very ill.

Mrs. Alice H. Dixon, who was called to the bed side of her mother Mrs. Collins two months ago, returned to her home in Cincinnati, Sunday. She has the sympathy of her many friends at the loss of her mother.

Dame Rumor says we are soon to lose one of our leading society low street, which makes quite an Boston, Mass., has won her hand and her heart went with it. Success to them both.

Mr. Joseph Roberts is having an addition built to his residence on Wil-Improvement.

Mr. Noah Dixon, of Avondale, spent Sunday with his mother Mrs. John Dixon.

The Fair given by the ladies of the A. M. E. church, was largely attended and was a great success. Proceeds \$54.11.

Mrs. Emma Burrell paid a flying visit to friends and relatives in Cincinnati this week.

IRONTON, OHIO.

Ironton, O., June 22.—Miss Sarah Magee, of Gallipolis, is visiting Miss Effie Bryant.

Mr. Clinton Barnett and Miss Effie Bryant graduated out of a class of thirteen of the Ironton high school. They acquitted themselves with credit to the race.

Mr. Clinton and Josie Barnett left for their home at Gallipolis, O., Saturday.

Miss Cora Brooks, of this city, spent Sunday in Huntington, W. Va.

Miss Lottie Kibby had her right foot amputated Friday morning.

Mr. William Bryant seemed to stay very close at home Sunday. Wonder why?

Mrs. Robert Thomas is somewhat indisposed.

Our hotel boys are doing good business.

Mr. Bert Craig is still in our midst.

Mrs. Mary Elliot was down Sunday from Catlettsburgh, Ky.

Mrs. Emiline Woods, of Middlefort, O., after a pleasant visit to Mrs. A. G. Moore, left Friday for W. Va.

Mrs. Jud Peters, of Proctorsville, O., spent Sunday in our city.

Harry Holt and James Polley have made improvements on their shop.

A. G. Moore has opened out a fine

tonorial parlor on Second street. Thomas Lane is suffering from a severe spider bite.

G. W. Banks, of Portsmouth, O., was in our city Friday.

Chas. Robinson made some change in his shop.

James Tanner has moved his shop across on Second street.

Miss Lillie Cranshaw, of Portsmouth, O., was in our city Sunday.

Richard Brooks is building an addition to his house on Ninth street.

George Fox was down Sunday from Catlettsburgh, Ky.

The Tabernacle attended in a body their anniversary sermon, Sunday, at the Tied Stone Baptist church preached by S. S. Cochrane.

Dr. Gynn, of Ashland, was in our city last week. He is often seen in our city. Wonder what attracts him.

Levi B. Moore, G. M. of E. and A. G. Moore, Grand representative of Heronian lodge, No. 11, K. of P. left Monday morning for Columbus, O., to attend the Grand lodge, K. of P.

Mr. John Gillard and brother, and Dr. Kerney and Miss Jamison, of Huntington, were the guests of Miss Cora Brooks.

FINDLAY, OHIO.

Findlay, O., June 20.—Miss Jennie Overton who went to Tiffin to visit her aunt a few weeks ago, died last Sunday and was buried from her aunt's home.

Mr. and Mrs. Moreland, of Washington, D. C. were in Findlay visiting relatives. Mr. Moreland only stayed over night as business urged him on to Washington. Mrs. Moreland spent a week here visiting her brothers Messrs. Herman and Woodson, and her sisters from different places in the South who arrived here in time to spend a few days with Mrs. Moreland, who left for Washington last Thursday. Miss Minnie Woodson, of Bowling Green, Ky accompanied her home.

Miss Luly Ramsey, of Dunkirk, spent Sunday here visiting her sister, Mrs. M. Powell.

Sunday was children's day. The regular program was lengthened out and every one that took part did well. Our Sunday school is having quite a boom at present and the future looks bright. The collection was \$7.70.

The Baptist church held an ordination service last Sunday. Elder Ladd, of Bellfontain, O., Elder Brandon, of Iowa, and Elder Moss, of Lima, O., assisted Elder Guillard through the meeting. There were three ministers and the deacons ordained.

Grand rally day next Sunday at A. M. E. church.

Mr. C. H. Johnson is building a nice house.

Mrs. Cook, of Lima, went home Monday after visiting her daughter, Mrs. Powell for a week.

Mr. Herman Woodson went to Toledo Sunday, accompanied by his two sisters. Miss Kate and Minerva brought back a blushing bride, formerly Miss Mattie Kemp.

Mr. T. J. Bond leaves today for Springfield, where he will be joined to marriage to Miss Oglesby Wednesday evening and will be at home to their many friends Thursday. We wish both couples a long and happy life.

T. A. Y.

AND SO THEY MARRIED.

At Brooklyn, June 9th, occurred the marriage of Mr. Henry Simpson Mars and Miss Ella Augusta White, daughter of the late Philip A. White.

Mr. James Walter Johnson and Miss Phoebe Alberta Gindrel were married at the home of the bride's parents, 41 No. Anderson street, Boston, Mass., on Tuesday evening, the 14th inst.

Mr. William A. Fisher and Miss Margaret E. Page were married at their home, Wednesday evening, June 8th, No. 8 Hatch street, Everett, Boston, in the presence of a large number of friends and relatives.

One of the most brilliant weddings in colored society in Chattanooga, Tenn., took place week before last, at the residence of Mrs. Ward. The majority of the guests were whites, name of bride Miss Amanda Drake; groom Mr. George Ward.

In Defense of Jennifer.

To The Platdealer.—Everybody is talking about Theodore Jones' letter in the Conservator. Because it is likely to be misunderstood and thereby wrongfully injure a good man. I wish to anticipate this circulation by making some corrections. It will be referred to by other papers and thus secure a wide reach. I feel sure that the extensive circulation of the Platdealer among all the leading churchmen of the country, will enable this explanation to fully counteract the errors made by Mr. Jones.

Theodore Jones, having been expelled from the trusteeship of Dr. Jennifer, is not qualified to take a charitable or even a just view of Dr. Jennifer's conduct. I feel all the more persuaded of this fact when I recall Jones frequent and spiteful attacks upon his former pastor. Jones is known to be a very vindictive man, and in this case, having grave cause to feel aggrieved, we need not expect him to be fair.

In introducing the villain Sheerwood and making his subsequent rascality possible, Dr. Jennifer was certainly involved in a bad piece of business. But those who know him will not believe that he had a knowledge of Sheerwood's character. The villain had several times been highly puffed by writing in the Christ-credulous parson. There are no grounds for holding Dr. Jennifer guilty of wrong when he sent for Sheerwood. In defending him afterwards, the doctor was the victim of a misguided sympathy. This unwillingness to denounce evil does and expose evil is a common sin among A. M. E. ministers. In being forced to tolerate a certain local preacher, the good parson no doubt long since concluded that it would not be best to act rashly.

Dr. Jennifer, like most of the ministers of the church, is greatly deficient in moral courage. He belonged to the general conference which came near permitting a reputed drunkard to be elected to the bishopric. Jones cannot, even pushed on by spite, deal too severe blows at this lamentable weakness, but when he implies that Dr. Jennifer is immoral

or comparatively ignorant, he widely mistakes.

That the good doctor lacks practical business sense, no one acquainted with the affairs of his church can deny. That he listened to bad advisers when he dropped Jones from his board, none will dispute. Having lost Jones and J. Q. Grant from his trustee board, he had no real business men left.

The church may not be lost, but it will lose lots of money in being saved. And finally, if Mr. Jones wants to enter a crusade against bad preachers, he can find much better subjects to begin with, and that too right under his view.

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While enroute to Minneapolis, Mr. Witte, principal of the High School of Galveston, Texas, was outrageously mistreated by employees of the Chicago and St. Paul Railroad.

Mr. Witte had taken his seat in the cars when the brakeman asked him to move to another seat and give his seat to a white woman. He refused to do so and was thereupon brutally dragged to another part of the car by employees of the road. He will enter suit for damages.

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Current Opinion.

We want and demand one of the numerous candidates who are running for nomination, to say without fear they will appoint one of our race as a clerk or deputy under him, then every Afro-American in this county will vote with pleasure for him.

U. S. Cook saw the sights at Dayton last week. He was highly entertained by the Plaindealer correspondent.

Mr. Arnold, our hustling mail carrier, attended the commencement exercises at Wilberforce.

Miss Maud Ferguson, of Muncie, is the guest of her sister Capotolia. Mr and Mrs. Frank Kolston spent Sunday at Xenia, O.

Our Tonsorialists. —Wot Burdin has purchased a shop on North 14th street. —Henry Clayborn entertained Hon. H. Bassett Sunday.

In his speech, May 25th at Washington, D. C., in the halls of congress before one of the leading bodies of men of the Nation.

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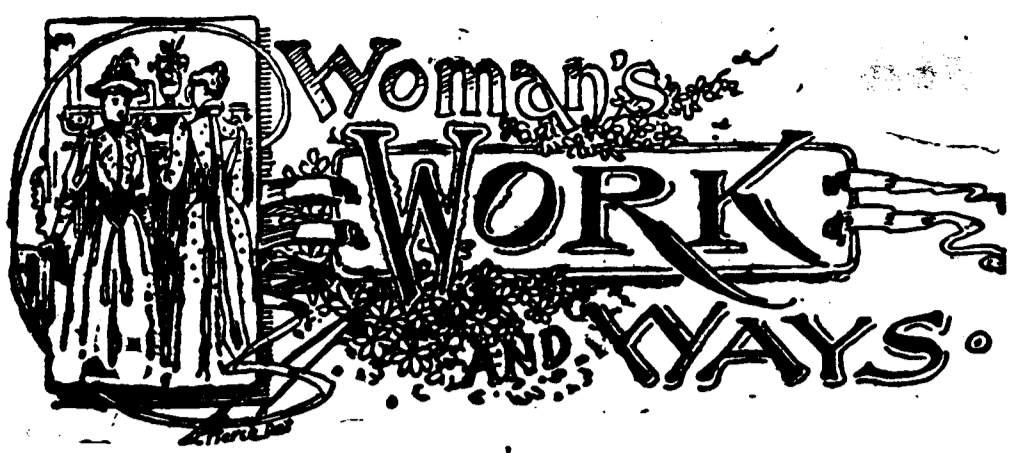
down the river Tohinga. All men and women and children were drowned of those who denied the truth of the doctrines preached by Tane.

It is now the fashion in New York high society to hire altars for use at home weddings.

A new religious sect has been established in Virginia by a negro named Nathaniel Brown, which he calls the "No Meat Eaters."

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Miss Bessie Cook, Mrs. Dr. Shadd, and her two children, of Washington, will be here this week for Germany. The party will go to Hanover, where Mrs. Shadd will put her children in school, there to remain for a year or two.

Cambridge.—Miss Ireston who has been for fifty years a teacher in the Washington Grammar School, will resign at the close of the term. She was one of the first graduates of the first normal school in Massachusetts.

FASHION'S FANCIES

If you are observing, you have probably wondered as I have, why so many women array themselves in their best attire and go scowling up and down the avenue. It may be the too bright rays of the sun, the impossibility of adjusting their spending money to their needs, the trouble of matching dress goods or the imperfections of the automaton behind the counter which brings the wrinkles to their brows, but whatever the cause wrinkles are not becoming and should not be worn in public. Be sure to clothe your mind in becoming thoughts when you bedeck your body. If you desire to appear at your best. An unhappy frame of mind and worry, long thoughts stamp their marks on a woman's face and give her that unattractive air of being a woman with a grievance and between you and me such a woman is always disagreeable. Byron said, you know that every woman should have a grief, but never a grievance. On the principle I suppose that real grief dignifies and enables the mind and imparts to the countenance and disposition as well as a peculiar sweetness, but fussing and fretting over petty ills is a petty selfishness which warps the mind, spoils the looks and is the sure fore runner of a sure enough grief, because in time it will rob you of all your friends.

Friendship is a very fragile affair and is very easily broken. It never seems to presume too much on it. The ideal friendship to be sure is supposed to be warranted to stand all sorts of draughts on it, but if you have a friend and desire to keep her friend, don't be too importunate in your demands and have a care about running counter to her prejudices. The greatest excess of friendship will hardly warrant you in telling her she looks like a fright in the hat she thinks becoming or has failed to please she imagines herself admired. You know how it is yourself. The friend who feels she can be "blunt" with you because she has known you so long, soon loses her power of attracting and you decide without quite knowing just why, that you and she have not much in common after all. It takes a great deal of the oil of politeness to make the machinery of friendship run smoothly and though it is not very flattering, its a fact that the approbation you show your friends is to a large extent the secret of your popularity with them.

The ideal hostess in these trying and oppressive days will not let her guest depart without offering her something cool and refreshing to drink, lemonade, sherbet or iced tea are equally prepared and very acceptable to the warm and tired caller who has braved the discomforts of the season to pay her social debts. During your vacation when you are taking the health walk which is so tone you up and prepare you for the work of the busy cold season, it will be well for you to remember the old rhyme of your childhood—

Hold up your head,
Turn out your toes,
Throw back your chest,
And breathe through your nose.

I saw the other day, something that pleased me. It was a hat with an elastic for keeping it in position instead of the hairpins which, beside leaving their marks on delicate trimming and braid has a way of falling to secure the hat which is very exasperating on a windy day. Pins are all well enough and some, of course, are really ornamental, but I shall invest in elastic enough to supply every hat I have, and I wonder why I didn't do it before.

Something which many people who can afford only a few gowns, seem never to remember, is that even in midsummer there are days when a woolen gown can be very comfortably worn, and for the reason the summer wardrobe should never be composed wholly of light and airy textures. On a dark and gloomy day there is no surrier sight than a light hued filmy dress. In this climate even in periods of the greatest heat it is well to remember that summer is of short duration and the Frost-King never very far off.

The young girl who has tested her future by eating dumb cake, eggs stuffed with salt, or throwing burning matches over the fire on Hallow e'en will find that tricks tried to-night are equally potent for revealing what fate is in store for her. By universal consent all over the world June 24 is mid summer day and according to tradition the spirits have special sway to-night. Among the plants held to be sacred to this night is St. John's Wort, the pretty weed with its starry yellow flower which is found in waste

A BYSTANDER'S NOTES.

The Country Still True to Liberty and Justice.

THIS SHOWN AT MINNEAPOLIS.

What Course Will the Members of the National Citizens' Rights Association Purue.

From the Inter-Ocean.
The Republican party has held its convention; the President has been nominated to succeed himself. These facts are a week old. The question now is, what course should the individual voter—who believes in liberty and justice, human rights, and equality of privilege and opportunity—pursue with regard to the election of next November?

It is an especially serious question to the members of the National Citizens' Rights association. They confront the fact that by merely refraining from exercising the election franchise in half a dozen States of the North they are able, beyond all question to defeat the ticket put out at Minneapolis. On the other hand, by earnest and active support, they are able to secure to the Republican party in those States, in all probability, a safe majority. Under these circumstances three questions arise which every one should carefully consider and decide for themselves:

1. What is to be reasonably expected from the success of the Republican party on the platform it has adopted and with the nominees it has chosen?
2. What would be the probable result of a general refusal to vote at all?
3. What would be the probable and reasonable effect of concerted, organized protest?

These questions should receive careful and earnest consideration in every home circle in the land.

The action of the convention made two things curiously, yet clearly apparent. First, that the public sense of justice and liberty is, as usual, far in advance of the knowledge or desire of the political managers. The allusion of temporary chairman East to this subject was unquestionably intended as a feeler of the public pulse, and the public gave no uncertain response. Tom Reed's splendid brochure put the matter beyond all controversy. The heart of the Republican party still beats true to liberty and justice, and demands equal right and security for every citizen in every State of the Union. It is evident that a popular majority of the Republican party is in full sympathy with the principles and purposes of the National Citizens' Rights association, and it seems to be equally apparent that those having control of the party mechanism do not propose to give full effect to this popular desire of the mass of its voters at the present time.

The contest is no doubt destined to be an earnest and perhaps a protracted one, and the question to be considered is whether the time has arrived to assert by ballatorial action the power of this sentiment, and so convince party managers that they must not trifle with it in the future or by further united and friendly protest, seek to obtain the express and unequivocal pledges of its nominees; both State, Congressional and National, to promote and secure action upon this subject. This question should not be lightly considered nor rashly determined. It would almost break the heart of many an earnest Republican to withhold his voice and vote from the support of the party he has loved and served so long. Yet there is no doubt that the time very often comes when a party is like a wheat field, in that no good can be derived from it unless it is first thrashed.

On the other hand we must remember that it is only seven months since there has been such a thing as an organic protest against such action on the part of the managers of the party. As the Bystander has often pointed out, the idea has long prevailed in what are termed the convention circles of the Republican party that those who believe in liberty and equal justice to all men are simply an insignificant fringe of poor and uninfluential voters whose wishes can be safely disregarded and whose loss can be easily made up by the purchase of a few more mercenary. It is not strange that the purely mechanical politician should not be ready to comprehend the mighty change of public sentiment that has come over the country and the question arises whether it is not better to accept what has been done and continue our course of preparation and education until the party organization is compelled by universal demand to accede to our demands. If the association had been able to show 1,000,000 members instead of 250,000 voters on its rolls in the States of the North, there is no doubt that the convention would fully have acceded to its reasonable demands. These demands were, not for the nomination of any particular candidates, but for an unmistakable assurance of earnestness in the practical adoption and enforcement of a specific policy.

The question may be asked whether such assurance is not given in the platform? The platform adopted at Minneapolis will bear study both for what it says, what it fails to say and the manner in which it says certain things. Structurally considered, it is a hotpot, without error or uniformity of style or purpose. It is singularly barren of historical allusion. One might almost infer, with out extraneous knowledge that the Republican party had its birth with the inauguration of President Harrison, or that all the creditable features of its existence attached to his administration. At the same time it is very chary of the future tense. It promises little and the most important of its promises are very singularly phrased. It has been termed a "fox and goose" platform, about

which a man may be chased for any length of time without danger of being "cornered."

An instance of its character in this respect may be found in the plank of special interest to the National Citizens Rights association. It declares that the party demands that every citizen of the United States shall be allowed to cast one free and unrestricted ballot in all public elections, and that the same "shall be counted as cast," etc.

If this declaration is to be taken as it reads no man or party can defend it, since "citizens of the United States" includes women and children as well as adult voters. It does not mean what it says, what does it mean? It will not do to say that those who drew the platform did not know the character of their own work, and the fact that this declaration is so peculiarly phrased suggests an unpleasant suspicion that it was intended to catch voters and let politicians and candidates slip through.

Again, the platform "denounces" outrages on citizens of the United States perpetrated "for political reasons." It is quite silent as to outrages committed on account of "race color or caste prejudice." Even as to others it suggests no hope of remedy.

In determining the course he will pursue the honest voter, who esteems liberty above all things, and justice above spoils, must consider the real as well as the apparent quality of these declarations.

Attention will be given also to the fact that not only the "suppressed vote" of the Southern States was made effective in the nomination, but the clearly ascertained will of the Republican majority of some of those States was set aside with hardly the shadow of a pretense of right to effect the result.

This is one of the most subtle dangers of the suppression of the Republican vote by violence and intimidation at the South. It not only impairs the legal right of the voter but it tends directly to impair confidence in the voluntary organization of the Republican party itself. The Bystander has often called attention to the fact that the wrong done the colored citizen of the South is by inevitable necessity bound to recoil on the white citizen of the North. It is a law just as universal as that of gravitation, whose operation can only be avoided by earnest effort to do justice.

In like manner, the evil the Republican party has permitted to exist unrelieved and unremedied, because those of its adherents who were especially affected by it were colored citizens, has come now to curse with the sting of injustice, the white constituents of the party at the North. This is a result which might have easily been foreseen from the first. Southern Republicans are of two classes, first, those who desire the equal security and equal rights of every citizen, and second, a class of men who do not desire any Republican party at the South beyond such a select few as may suffice to fill the Federal offices in those States. This office-holders' pool very naturally desires to suppress the Republican majority of those States for their own benefit and takes advantage of the Democratic suppression of the Republican vote to parade themselves as the Republican party of their States.

It is a fact very greatly to be regretted that this latter class of Republicans received an encouragement and support at the hands of the convention that it will require many days to obliterate from the minds of the true Republicans of that region.

In connection with this idea it may be well to call attention to the fact that the alliance conventions in several States have come out very squarely in their demand for an equal and protected suffrage. Indeed, the testimony of very many Republicans throughout the South is to the effect that the alliance has had a very liberalizing influence upon the thought of that section. This fact, taken in connection with its present pronounced position upon the question of suffrage, makes it quite possible that when the time comes that the colored man shall exercise his rights as a citizen it will be found that Republican neglect has driven him into the arms of another party.

It is quite within the range of possibility that the question of the Nation's right to protect its citizens in the various States of the Union may become the leading issue of the campaign. The Democracy, encouraged by Republican apathy and mischance, seem now determined to force the fight along this line.

The move is a shrewd one, especially when we consider the loosely worded, shambling uncertainty of the Republican platform upon this subject. Such a course, while it will leave the Republican party at a great disadvantage, will compel a public discussion of the questions involved, from which the cause of liberty can not but derive substantial advantage. The Presidential and Congressional candidates of the Republican party in that event have to supplement the weakness of the platform by more explicit and unmistakable utterances upon this subject, and what could not be gained by persuasion, it is quite possible may be secured by a well-grounded fear of permitting their chances for election to stand upon an unequivocal platform while their lips are dumb. So that what seems now like a check upon our hopes may yet prove a substantial victory.

Indeed, The Bystander, thinks the spirit of the people, as shown at Minneapolis, and the concession made to it in the speeches and platform of churches who more sincerely regard organization like the National Citizens' Rights association, and greed in a party contest. What was really won can only be fairly measured by the fact that only in a single State convention at the North was any resolution upon the subject of suffrage or citizenship adopted and in nine of them, such resolution was either voted down or strangled in committee.

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Under such circumstances to have compelled the National convention to take such a stand however important the language in which it speaks, is a victory of which every lover of liberty may well be glad and proud.
Albion W. Tourgee,
Mayville, N. Y., June 15, 1892.

A Waiters' Strike.

Chicago, Ill., June 20.—(Special.)—In order to make things interesting for the visitors, the Waiters' Union selected this time to declare a strike, and nearly all restaurants, clubs and hotels are without waiters to-day. This includes the Oroquois and the Union League and Standard Clubs, which made preparation to entertain on a grand scale.

At the Sartoga, Rector's, the Chicago and Boston Oyster-Houses and a number of lesser places the union men are out to the number of 400. The management of the Great Northern and McCoy's have been given time to consider the proposition of the strikers. The Tacoma has surrendered to the men. The Boston put in a non-union force of seventy-five waiters on Saturday.

A Reason for It.

The following from the Anniston Weekly Justice, of Anniston, Ala., gives some reasons for the numerous reported cases of rape in the South, in which the convict system and the chain gang are prominent.

We constantly see the same thing over and over repeated.
In every paper that comes to us there are some one or two accounts headed "another Negro lynched," etc. Let us reason together a bit—let us use the application of a little common sense.
In the South, especially, there is the practice of chaininggang prisoners, each having a short chain with each end fastened to either leg, immediately above the ankle. These prisoners are put under task-masters, so to speak, and driven and abused with both curses and profane language and the sting of the whip. The prisoner knows his helplessness as

to the treatment from this master, the guard or overseer. He continues from day to day in this condition until a pain of conscience proceeding from a sense of guilt has lost its sensitiveness, and that which seems to keep man above the level of the lower animal is completely killed and nothing left to him but that vile and vicious nature.

Now, since there are so many more Negro prisoners in the described condition, it is not remarkable to conclude that there are more depraved natured persons of our own race.

We have interviewed persons, both white and colored, who have served out their time in such imprisonment, and it is even worse than astonishing to hear how vile their nature has grown. Their manhood, they say, have been taken from them; they are deprived of all remorse and conscience; they have been subjected to every conceivable low practice while in the gang; in short, they say no one cares to meet them, no one cares for them and they care for nobody. One expression we must quote, and that is "I don't care what I do, just so I don't do right." Now, when a man lives to such a degree he is a desperate and dangerous character.

Now, to the Negro. There being such a greater number of those among us, we should not wonder to know of the difference of committed crimes. He is set free again, and among the high, the middle and the low; made worse by the treatment in the gang than ever. The treatment had the tendency to suppress his disposition to wrong practices, and the acquired disposition causes him to be blind as to what is right and to what is wrong; he cares no more for one than the other.

It is a rare thing, if ever, to hear of such crime of rape, especially being committed by any other than this class of persons.
Now, mothers, now, fathers and guardians, here is a prescription given which, if properly filed and each done as directed, the disease will immediately and speedily be cured.
Less ignorance, less crime; less crime, less chain-gang; less rape, less