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Oh where is the Northwest Review?

If the wide open policy is not the order of the day, the community would like to know it, for a free fight is a common occurrence now on Minnesota street.

The Minnesota Exhibit has been packed and shipped and will be ready for distribution in a short time.

We understand Indiana has had a test civil rights case. A colored man was refused the use of a billiard table, and the proprietor was fined $5 and costs; that is more than Minnesota can say.

Would it not sound better for the morning and evening papers of this city, in reporting any occurrence of the colored people either here or elswhere, to use some other word than "darkies" and "coon," for though we belong to a despised race, we are not vagabonds or brutes, and are endowed with all the facilities for feeling, and aspire to become noble men and good citizens, and not the butt of ridicule at all times; call a halt, gentlemen.

We call the attention of the public to the fact that some, pernicious villian and black leg, has been circulating around the city that we dare not say this paper was owned and controlled by Negro men and that it is not in the interest of the Negro race. Now we are not given to pay little or any attention to these skulking vagabonds, because a barking dog never bites. This is the only paper owned and controlled by Negro men in the north west.

We call upon the aurthorities of this city to have the vagrant law, enforced, so far as the colored people are concerned, for though we have no names upon the roll of the poor house, yet it is sad but true that there are men in this city who have not done an honest day's work for years and yet they are allow to loaf arund and remain ilde, creating, mischief, and corrupting the good standing of the race, the time has come for action and we insist on it.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

We regret to announce that Mr. John W. Crowmwell of the PEOPLE'S ADVOCATE of Washington has severed his connection with that paper, after giving nine years of hard earnest labor to the interest of his race in the journalistic field, we trust he may be as successful in whatever other avocation he may choose. The ADVOCATE will in the future be controlled by Mr. C. A. Lamar as publisher and proprietor, Mr. F. Hamlin as manager, Geo. H. Richardson and Rev. Walter H. Brooks as editors.

NIG-GER.

This is an age when all sober minded people lose Their gravity and drop in to levity cease from philosophizing and takes up the task of being funny, this is sad but true, this may be said of the Minneapolis neapolis Tribuue they have been dealing in prize fights, and spellling nig-ger with two gg's for negro, now Mr. Tribune we are not in favor of prize fights, neither are we given incite prejudice in the minds of inteligent people, we admire the zeal with which you give news to the public, and we also admire the obtuseness of the negro who buys it, paying five American cents to see himself soundly abused and maligned, perhaps the anglo African will learn some sense before the world come to and end.

I suppose the Tribune will feel supremly happy when it has alenated the negro beyond civilization, suspened your prejudice aud give him an equal, chance and he will show that is a better promoter of morality than the so styled reporter that drank the old stale beer hence the difference in the reports.

CHILDREN'S DAY.

Last sunday was observed by all the churches of the Methodist denomination as Children's Day, and exercises were held by them of a very excellent character, at St. James A. M. E. church, which was beautifully decorated; The Pastor, Elder R. Knight delivered an eloquent sermon, text;

DUTY OF PARENTS TO CHILDREN.

A Discourse delivered by R. Knight, Pastor of the St. James A. M. E. church, St. Paul, Minn., June 14, 1885.

"One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all and in you all."

The definition of this word as given by several eminent Lexicographers, is, that which one person owes to another, or that a person is bound by any natural moral or legal obligation to pay, do or perform, &c. The Bible tells us that the Christian has but one God, true and living, who by this appellation is highly distinguished from the Gods of the heathen, who were many. This one God is father of us all, being the author of our spirits and life, hence he is above all and through all and in you all. He has given earthly parents as teachers and guides to their children, and from whom He should ever receive praise and thanksgiving. It then becomes necessary to cultivate an early religious or Christian life, and thus prepare your children against offering offences to God or man.

THE ANCIENT CHRISTIANS

seems to have observed and enforced whatever of discipline was necessary to the cleansing, purifying and establishment of good and pure home and public life. See to it then, parents, that the home of our own times be protected by the same earnest spirit which prompted them to the observance of the most valuable of all blessings to man.

Once a mother was left to the care of several children; what to do, was, with her, the great perplexing question, but while in the spirit of meditation and prayer, the angel of peace and consolation appeared and bid her to be contented and trust God in the abundance of faith; the result of her obedience was the joy of a pleasant and happy family of children to bless her declining days of a long and interesting life.

When Mrs. Penn commenced to train her son William, disappointment surrounded but to startle her into thought and to spring suspicious of this world's vanity; born for a better as all are, she soon discovered that this world was not the place of her rest, a land of shadows where hardly anything is but trouble, and nothing certain but death, instantly she gave her heart to God; she sought an equal happiness for he son, who proved a great blessing both to himself and those around him in the world. Many examples of the result of early piety rise before us; Timothy knew the scriptures from his youth; Joseph was but a young boy when he interpreted the will of God to the heathen king; Samuel worked before the Lord from childhood to old age; Josiah was but eight years old when he ascended the throne of Israel, Daniel knew the Lord from his youth; Francis Asbury, second bishop of the M. E. church and the first ordained in the United States, was trained by pious parents, at an early age was placed in good schools, and when between six and seven commenced reading the Bible regularly, with the historical part of which he says he was greatly delighted, and at 14 years of age was converted and at 18 commenced preaching the everlasting gospel.

Let the cardinal virtues, justice, prudence, temperance and fortitude, which even the pagans supposed and taught, be your guide. Bring your children to the sunday school and house of mercy, here you will find an able body of good teachers and officers who are ever ready and willing to assist you in shaping their future destinies. May the interest of Children's day in the church of our choice, move on and on through the world, in spurring and rousing all to thrust in the sickle and "gather in the sheaves" until the knowledge of the Lord shall be known among the nations as the waters cover the sea, and, as the crowning light of the king of day, may this good work go on, till men be constrained to say, "that a nation of good children is born unto God in a day. The mission of christian and non-christian parents will be more forcibly discerned, and presenting these at the Redeemer's feet the sight to him will be more imposing than the seven wonders of the world, richer to him than all the kingdoms of earth. We hope to see the day when this church and school will have so advanced in sacred literature and in numbers, that a thousand voices may be herd pouring forth songs of praise to Him, whom to know aright is life forever more. And, when the days of the years of our pilgrimage are at an end, we shall go up from the land of clouds and sorrows to spend eternal years with our friends and loved ones upon the mountains and highlands of an unfading day.

The exercises of the sunday school were very interesting and were listened to with marked attention by the many persons present. The supt. Mr. Taylor, delivered a stirring address, after which the school gave responsive exercises. Mrs. Jas. Henry read an essay on "the duty of teachers," which was an instructive and an excellent paper. Mr. Wm. Queen made an able address to the school. The singing was exceptionally fine, and, taken all in all, the efforts of the day were a grand success, and all went to show the great improvement made in the last year.

"PORE WITE TRASH"

Washington, "Where every prospect pleases and only one man is vile.

Washington is the most beautiful and the most cleanly city on the American continent, not excepting Denver.

It contains not far from one hundred thousand inhabitants, one third of whom have African blood in their veins. The latter vary in color, all the way from the coal black negro to the octoroon, who shows scarcely a sign of the Ethiopian either in skin or features—and, as a class, are nearly if not quite as intelligent as the middle, non-office holding classes of the city. The poorest of them are far more honest and useful than the "poor whites," who are sprinkled quite liberally through the less respectable portions of Washington, as they are always ready and glad of something whereby they can earn their living.

These "poor whites" are really the saddest to contemplate of all the remaining relics of slavery, and are a "peculiar institution". They may, in the words stolen by the secessionists from Byron, "be conquered but never subdued." No, never, never, never-r-r. They can be seen on most any warm day hanging around the long bridge which leads from Washington across the east branch of the Potomac to Uniontown—the same bridge that carried Booth safely over after he had murdered Lincoln. Some of them will be "trying their luck" at catching small fish from the bridge with a line held in the hand, as they are too poor to buy a fish pole, or too lazy to cut one in the bushes, and have not sufficient ingenuity to fasten a line on one if they had it. How they manage to get worm impaled on a hook for bait is more than I can comprehend, though I believe they first stick the worm on one end of the hook and leave the creature to do the rest himself by endeavering to wriggle away from his indolent captor's tobacco juice. These ragged "missing links" are as respective as a nest of young, open-mouthed turkey buzzards to everything except a chance to earn their living by work. But ask one of them if he would like a job by which to earn a little money, and a sudden change sweeps over his entire system. His drooping shoulders will become erect, the tobacco juice, which usually runs down his chin into his thin beard, will be concentrated and ejected in a vigorous squirt, and looking you over with an expression of mingled contempt and astonishment he will answer:

"What der ye take me faw? Do I look like a gentleman that worked fer a livin'? No, sah, I hain't got down to that yet!"

These creatures will become extinct after a while, as they are too lazy to perpetuate their existences by becoming tramps.

The streets of Washington are wide and well shaded, and many miles of the principal ones are paved with cement which renders them as smooth as a house floor and hard as a granite rock. I do not wonder that men who can find something to do in Washington are anxious to stay, as its climate in winter and its lovely land and water scenery in summer renders it a delightful city for a home.

Among the finest residences are those of Windom, Blaine and Ben Butler. The latter is empty because no one cares to rent it for $12,000 a year. (Spectator)

JAMES G. CLARK.

COLORED PEOPLE BUILDING A CHURCH.

VICKSBURG, Miss., June 7.—The ceremonies of the laying of the corner stone of St. Mary's Episcopal Chapel for colored people occurred in this city this evening, the Stringer Lodges, A. F. and A. M., Thomas W. Stringer, Master, Officiating. The music for the occassion was furnished by the choir of St. Mary's Chapel and Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, and was exceptionally fine. After the Masonic rites an oration by the Rev. Mr. Thomas, colored, was delivered. It was entirely wrothy the time and place. Then followed a collection in behalf of the chapel. when an appropriate hymn from the choir closed the services. The throng was immense, the new building being densely packed. All the participants in the ceremonies were colored except the Rev. Mr. Ayers, of Baltimore, Rector in charge. This church is the only Episcopal church for colored people in the State and is the result of the indefatigable labor of the Rev. Hugh Miller Thompson. Assistant Bishop of Mississippi, who has received the earnest support of the venerable Bishop Green, of this State. The funds for the building of this chapel were principally raised in New York City, and the great interest demonstrated by the colored people shows a great era of advancement of the Episcopal Church with that race. The final dedication service will be held on the 21st inst.

WHAT THE EDITOR WOULD LIKE TO SEE.

A choral society formed by some of our young men and women.

A live literary society amongst us.

A more univeresal desire among our people to advance intellectually.

A greater desire to seek such things that would tend to elevate us as a race, and not make us the butt of ridicule at all times.

All persons subscribing for the WESTERN APPEAL.

He was no Gentleman.

One of the incidents of the dinner of the Sinclair club in New York was the presentation of a hat, umbrella, and blackthorn stick to the president, James Dunn. The latter in thanking the unknown donors, said that he would retain the stick, which appeared to be genuine, and gave the umbrella to Mr. Dodge and the hat to Pat Kehoe. Dodge hoisted the umbrella and sat beneath it until the end of the banquet, while Kehoe wore the hat. While flushed with enthusiasm and wine, he removed the hat, and rose to respond to a toast. Mr. McCarthy placed the hat upon Mr. Kehoe's chair. Kehoe dropped into his seat at the end of his speech, and looked for his hat, which he had left on a chair at his side. He accused several parties of stealing it, and finally arose in his indignation and began to search for it. McCarthy held the crushed tile aloft in the gaslight. Kehoe snatched it from his hand and ruefully gazed at it. The whole table was rippling with merrimeut, but everyone exploded when he slowly and deliberately remarked; "Gentlemen, fun is fun, but the gentleman who sat upon that hat is no gentleman, and I can welt him.—(Hatter and Furrier).

G. W. O. OF O. F.

We republish a letter from the Phila., Sentinel, of June 6 inst. for the benefit of the members of the order living in this city, to show that the lodges in the city of Brotherly Love is in a prosperous condition, and it is hoped that it will awaken an interest and result in doing much good in that direction.

Good will Lodge, No. 1025, Norristown, celebrated their 42nd anniversary on Wednesday evening, May 27, at Michs Hall, Main street, with a concert and reception. P. C. M. R. Jones delivered the anniversary address. All enjoyed themselves. We believe there are about three of the founders of the lodge now living: brothers N. Currey, Williams and Bruff. Others have taken their places. Among the leading lights in the lodge at present is T. F. Simth, J. Dorsey, J. Taylor, J. Marshall and others. There are also Chas. Nichols and Starkey, members of the lodge. But since they have gone up higher they forget the vine from which they came. Better look after your old mother; you may want to return home some day.

The last B. M. C. was composed of 252 delegates—one of the largest and did less.

Three hundred and six lodges failed to make their annual report to the S. C. of M. The general laws should read: "Lodges failing to make their report shall not receive the pass word." How about the $500 fine Mr. S. C. of M., for lodges failing to report.

The Philadelphia delegates must have gotten lost in the debates at the last B. M. C. Well boys you must do better the next time. We hope the next B, M. C. will keep an eye to bustness.

Whole amount paid to sick last year $37,757.82, for funerals $21,002.45, amount invested, value of property and funds, $343.196.60.

Last Wednesday we dropped in to see old Unity, 711. The lodge was well attended. One new member was added to their roll. P. G. M. Henry Boyer was elected delegate to the District Lodge.

Household of Ruth, No 3, held their stated meeting last Wednesday. It was largely attended. The report of the secretary and treasurer shows the Household to be in good financial conditio. Five new members were elected and two admitted to membership. The new by-laws were presented and placed on sale for the members. Each sister and brother should procure a copy. The Household meets the first Wednesday in each month at 602 Spruce street.

It is sure to come without any regard to civil service rules; another republican official has been displaced, the appraiser of customs, Mr. W. L. Wilson, by a staunch democrat, Mr. J. O'Connor. So it will be until all offices held by partisan officials are filled by tried and hungry democracy.

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COMMENTS OF THE PRESS.

The first number of the WESTREN APPEAL, came to us in a beautiful dress. It is a six column folio, edited by Messrs. Parker, Burgett, and Hardy, Mr. Frederick Douglass Parker, is an Ohio man born in Cleveland. To the gentleman editors we wish them all the success their enterprise richly deserve, "come early and stay late."
(Cleveland Globe.

The first number of the WESTERN APPEAL was received this week, with its patriotic sentiments.
(Washington Bee.

A glance at one of our Business house. The Domestic Laundry located on the corner of Rice and Martain Streets this mamothe establishment is conducted on modern Bases haveing been refited and improved at a great expense is now prepared to do any and all kinds of work in connection. They have added a clothes cleaning and Dye works. Mr. R. D. Smith the proprietor is very courtious gentleman, and wolud be pleased to meet any one desirous of haveing any work done in his line to give him a call.

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