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The Colored Press Association met in Philadelphia, July 8.

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Correspondence that will be of interest to the readers of the APPEAL is solicited, we will not be responsible for opinions expressed by our correspondents, but all communications must be accompanied by the writers full name not for publication but for reference.

It is hoped that the efforts of the managers of the literary society just forming will not allow any technicalities to come into its meetings that will call forth unnecessary discussions that will disgust those that are interested in its success.

There is a movement on foot to place on exhibition the exhibit from the New Orleans exposition upon its arrival, which is looked for every day the things having been shipped on the 23rd of June, last.

Hon. Fred Douglass' letter to the Sunday Pioneer Press on the life of President Lincoln was a fine interesting paper, and one that it would be well for all to read.

We do not ask the authorities to be lenient with us in the transaction of any public business. If those of our people carrying on business of any kind, do not come within the pall of the law they ought not to be allowed any more privileges than white men have, especially since such treatment is used only for political purposes.

It is an old saying that charity begins at home; but this is no reason it should not go abroad; a man should live with the world as a citizen of the world; he may have a preference for the particular quarter, or square, or even alley, in which he lives, but he should have a generous feeling for the welfare of the whole. (Washington Record.)

It is hoped that our readers will think seriously of this matter, and give the APPEAL their hearty support, for much depends upon the support you give to this or any other organ published in the interest of our race in this community.

The Masonic parade promises to be a magnificent affair, and one that all of our citizens will take a great interest, the time has come when we as a people in this state should take more interest in affairs that are under the control of our societies, and are increasing in numbers every day, and that fact must be demonstrated to the whites of this state and city who do not recognize the fact that we as a race have increased from 100 to 2,000 in the city alone, in the short space of eight years—now it is hoped that the efforts of the Masons will be met with a hearty support.

Now that the way has been opened for the mayor to make an appointment of a colored man as patrolman, by the council increasing the number to fifteen, we hope to see a colored man upon the police force before long, and one that will represent the colored citizens of St. Paul, and not that element that has done more to harm our progress than they have ever done good. We hope the Mayor, will look well, for in this appointment we want you to satisfy yourself, as well as that class of your citizens who are always strong in their feelings for those, who in public life show any disposition to elevate and encourage them as a race, in the march of progress and civilization.

The abolition of slavery in the United States was the beginning of the end of the wretched system. It cannot last much longer in Cuba, and in Brazil under the law of 1873 it is rapidly passing away. In that year there were registered 1,540,796 slaves, now there are not more than 1,000,000. Thus in twelve years, more than 500,000 slaves have been set free, and the sentiment for the manumission of the rest is growing so rapidly that it is believed there will not be a slave in Brazil in 1895, perhaps not in 1890. (Memphis Appeal.)

We hope the belief of the Appeal in this matter may be fully realized.—Ed.

Masonic.

On Tuesday July 14, the African Grand Lodge of Iowa will meet in St. Paul and be the guests of Pioneer Lodge No. 12, of St. Paul, and J. K. Hilyard No. 6, of Minneapolis. The session will be held in Pioneer Lodge room, No. 12, on Jackson street below Seventh. On Thursday afternoon, the 16th, there will be a street parade of the Grand Lodge, A. F. and A. M., with an escort of Knights Templar, starting from the hall of Pioneer Lodge at two o'clock. All Master Masons, Royal Arch, and Knights Templar in good standing, are fraternally invited to join in the procession. Music by the Central Cornet Band of Minneapolis.

ROUTE OF PROCESSION.

Form on Jackson street, between Sixth and Seventh, down Jackson to Seventh, up Seventh to Tenth, over Tenth to St. Peter, down St. Peter to Seventh, over Seventh to Seven Corners, down Third to Jackson, up Jackson to Hall.

In the evening there will be a public installation of the Grand Officers at College Hall, corner Third and Wabasha streets.

The I. O. O. T. Supreme Council, met in convention on Wednesday, July 8, and the street parade was a very imposing affair. About 1,200 of the uniform rank were in procession. The competitive drill was excellent and called forth much applause.

Mr. Richard T. Greener is negro of the mulatto variety—whom the republican party has helped into some prominence, first by making him a freeman and; then by assisting him in various ways to make a living. Greener is now making democratic campaign speeches in Ohio. Between Roscoe Conkling and the negroes of the Greener stripe, the republican party seems likely to get a pretty thorough understanding of what rank ingratitude is.—(Minneapolis Journal.)

The republican party has done so much to help Prof. R. T. Greener along that one of its Northwestern Journals need bewail the step he has taken. He ought to be very grateful to the republican party for sending him to Harvard where he graduated with high honors and is to-day the first graduate of color from that institution of learning. Now we are not in favor of the course that the professor has taken, but whenever an intelligent negro step out from the rank and file of his race and asserts ideas or opinions that conflict with weak-kneed republicans, there is a howl and a row made about it. If you think so much of the negro and the strength of his following, why don't you consider these things when you are not in a pinch.

It is hoped that the colored press association which met in Philadelphia on the 8th inst., will before its sessions close, shape some line of policy for us to pursue in unison with each other for the future good of our people. Too long have we been editing papers seemingly in the interest of the race, and it has always been turned to the aggrandisement of self; now the time has come when sacrifices must be made, and if it requires a selfish sacrifice why, let us, as the mouthpieces of Afro-Americans make it without fear or trembling, but manly and nobly advocate the rights of our race, until the flood-gates of public opinion has been opened to us and the tide is turned in our favor, when we may be able to stem the tide and compete with whatever opposition we may meet. Let the next convention be held in the west.

The youth of this age seems to forget that a man who lounges about, drinking and carousing, that with all his pomp and splendor, good clothes and fine jewelry, that self respect takes precedence of all that pertains to morality. Some of them seem to think that when under the influence of poisonous and and impure liquors that it makes him a bigger man than the Bunker Hill Monument, but it is not so, turn and scrutinize the inner man and you will find that you are a nuisance, a man when drunk is a public and a private nuisance, his ideas, his actions, his speech and his conduct are all unnatural and therefore intolerable he demands attention from his friends who are not always willing to give it, and is in the way of those who want to attend to business. He seeks to inflict his drunken notions upon those who have neither time nor inclination to listen to him, his familiarity with those whom he is acquainted with is of a repugnant character, and when repulsed he becomes abusive and often dangerous. He thrusts himself where he is not wanted and when shaken off he will not stay away; he is offensively persistent regardless of time and place, he will not take no for an answer.

Negro Must Go.

We want to call the attention of the public to the fact that because a colored man is doing business opposite the Ryan Hotel, he has been ordered to move or they would fix some way to make him. Now it is unfair to us as a race, to force any one of us from our place of business, when we are carrying it on in a peaceful and respectful manner. This is the treatment you, who support the democratic party, receive when you assist to put their party in power. They love you, oh! so much, on election day, and when their ends have been met they turn upon you and hamper your progress, in no matter what way you may be trying to make it felt—now if colored men feel as if they cannot support the Republican party don't support that party that would hang a millstone around your necks at all times and have always done everything to keep you down. How is it that the white men doing business adjoining Mr. Baptist have not been notified to leave, show us fair play, and stop this baby business, if the authorities wish to give us a fair and good government let them display it right, now, but don't bulldoze respectful citizens doing business because they are colored men.

STREET CAR POLITENESS.

"Have you noticed," asked one gentleman of another in a New York elevated railway car, the other day, in the hearing of a Tribune scribe, "that men are less courteous to women than formerly? See how many women are standing while the seats are filled with men who look like gentlemen. You and I can remember when such a thing could not have been seen in any car filled with respectable persons. Are we becoming less polite as a people?"

"I think," was the reply, "that in real politeness and in deference to women we are not losing ground, though I have noticed the change that you speak of, in some of its out-ward manifestations. It has been gradual and not without a well-defined cause. Women are themselves responsible for it. By their manner they seem to demand as a right what men are only too glad to confer as a gift, and what they expect to be received as such. After a man has given up his seat in a car a few times without receiving a word or even a smile of thanks he usually thinks it about time to stop. It is amazing how rude a woman can be in a public conveyance who in private circles is the very soul of grace and cannot receive the smallest attention without prompt acknowledgment."

"A few days ago I saw a young woman enter a car at Grand street, accompanied by a young man. A gentleman immediately rose and gave her his seat, which she took. At Ninth street a person sitting next to her left the car, and the gentleman who had relinquished his seat was about to take the vacant one, when the young woman moved over into it, motioning to her companion to take hers. I think that gentleman will be less prompt in his courtesy in the future."

"Do you see that woman over there with the 10-year-old lad by her side? When she came into the car a few stations back, a gentleman gave her a seat. At the next station the seat by her was vacated and she pulled her boy into it. Women were standing in front of her at the time, but she saw no reason why her boy should be sacrificed for them. Do you ever see a woman request a child of hers to get up and give his seat to a woman? I have seen such a thing once in awhile, but not often. Men are as essentially polite as ever, according to my observation; they are simply learning the lesson women teach them and discriminate as to the times and places where they can exercise their politeness without wasting it." (Tribune.)

Good News from the South.

In the United States Circuit Court of Baltimore, Tuesday July 7, Judge Bond affirmed the decree of the District Court awarding to three colored women damages of \$1,000 each, for having been excluded from first-class sleeping apartments on the steamer Sue, after they had purchased first-class tickets.

Good for Maryland. Let Minnesota follow the example set for her by her southern sister state.—Ed.

Game of baseball played between the Fort Snelling and Blue Stockings of Minneapolis, on the Fourth of July, 1885, game closed in the ninth inning with a score of 14 to 15 in favor of the Fort Snelling club. It is thought best for Minneapolis to take more practice before attempting to play the Fort boys again. I believe they have been left for some reason three times this season, although this game was very closely played.

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PROFESSOR GREENER'S LETTER ANNOUNCING HIS COURSE IN THE OHIO CAMPAIGN.

As we were going to press we received a copy of Prof. Greener's reasons for advocating the election of some other candidate for Governor of Ohio, than Judge Foraker, which we publish for the benefit of our contemporary, the "Minneapolis Journal." It would be well for the colored voters of this state to read this letter thoroughly and consider their condition and the treatment they have received at the hands of those holding office by the republican vote of this state, through the assistance of the colored voters. The following was wired to the Associated Press at New York June 28.

HON. JOHN P. GREENER.—My Dear Friend: I thank you for the many stand you have taken so early against the nomination of Foraker. Stick to it and rouse the colored vote, which is grossly insulted by such a nomination. He was deservedly beaten two years ago, and ought to be beaten worse now. I think the colored people of this country have eaten political crow long enough, and if Republicans do not respect us sufficiently to pay some slight pretense to a decent regard for our feelings, then let them be taught a lesson. I am no stranger to Ohio politics. I know of a dozen good men, true men with an army record, men who are Republicans worthy of the state and the party, men who could carry the state. When such men are sacrificed for men like Foraker, the Negro ought to show that he has something to say. The Republican party has been courting and inviting defeat for eight years by its arrant cowardice, truculence, and exaltation of little men with big ambition, no heart, and a contempt for principles.

The Negro is not responsible for its plunders, timidity, or consequent defects; but when the party goes on adding insult to treachery and cowardice, it is high time for every self-respecting Negro throughout the country to cry "Halt!" I confess I have held some slack allegiance since 1877, but I have smothered my personal feelings for the sake of the interests of the race, hoping we should get better and truer men nominated to carry our banner in the State and nation. They get worse. The only way to rebuke time servers and cowards is to whip them. You have a colored vote sufficient to do that thing in the October election. The question of our civil rights in this country is one wherein honest men may differ as to the expediency of pushing it; but when once it is up for action, the man who is against it is an enemy of the progress, the manhood of the Negro race in this our native land, and we must brand him, no matter what party he hides behind.

When I think of the worthy Republicans passed over by such a convention, I am disgusted, and I shall pray earnestly for a crushing defeat of the republican ticket.

Very Truly Yours,

RICHARD T. GREENER.

Echoes from Lake Minnetonka.

MR. EDITOR.—

Your very interesting paper reaches here every Saturday, one all of its columns are carefully perused. Every thing is running smoothly at this place. There is about 35 young men here, capable of filling every capacity from a preacher to a jockey, Messrs DeLyons and Butts, rise at 4 o'clock every morning, and take a row over the course, from Lake Park to the Lafayette, these two gentlemen bid fair to become experienced, oarsmen, they pull very nicely together. W. W. Coleman, coaches them.

P. Q. Miller is the tonsorial artist of this hotel, and is doing a rushing business. The Lake Park B. B. C. defeated the Lafayettes on last Saturday by a score of 10 to 6. The former club is composed of some very good players. The Quartette under the management of Mr. Frank Sillsby, makes things hideous around the woods every night. T. McIntosh has his banjo here but, "it now hangs silent on the door."

H. S. Green is the only dude on the lake shore, but the girls give him but little encouragement. I will write you again next week.

"Pique."

The insult offered the American Flag in the state of Utah on the 4th of July, calls for some very decisive action on the part of the Government, if they allow the stars and stripes to be insulted at home what may we expect to happen to it abroad.

The First Regiment M. S. W. went into camp at White Bear July 8. The camp is called Camp Bend in honor of its colonel, who is now under arrest for insubordination.

Several communications were received too late for this issue, but will appear in the next.

There will be a feast in the wilderness on Monday evening at the Methodist church for the benefit of the Pastor whose time is about to expire, let every body turn out and help them at this time so as to enable them to let their minister go away with a glad heart and if possible full pocket.

The annual meeting of the Pilgrim Baptist church was held on Monday evening July sixth.

The following gentlemen were elected to fill expiring vacancies.

Class No. 1. Wm. Stevens.
John Trotter.

Class No. 3. David E. Talbert.
Moses Martin.
Albert Roberson

COMMENTS OF THE PRESS.

The first number of the WESTERN 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 deserves, "come early and stay late." (Cleveland Globe.)

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

The WESTERN APPEAL is the latest venture in the newspaper world. It is published at St. Paul, Minn., and starts out under fair circumstances—Silver and gold have we none, but such as we have we cheerfully extend our best wishes for a long life and prosperity. (American Baptist.)

The WESTERN APPEAL, published at St. Paul, Minn. by F. D. Parker, J. T. Burgett and S. E. Hardy, is the latest addition to colored journalism. (New York Freeman.)

WESTERN APPEAL comes to us from St. Paul, Minn., and is a bright, clean, six column folio, and a credit to its publishers Messrs. Parker, Burgett and Hardy.—(Detroit Plaindealer.)

We cordially welcome the second issue of the WESTERN APPEAL to the field of journalism. It comes with spice vigor and aggressiveness, remarkable for one so young. (Philadelphia Tribune.)

From all parts of the country we hear the glad tidings of the birth of colored journalistic enterprises. This time we are glad to hail the advent of the "WESTERN APPEAL," published at St. Paul, Minnesota, and edited by Messrs. F. D. Parker and J. T. Burgett. We extend the right hand of fellowship to your youthful contemporary, and wish it a hearty "God speed." The "WESTERN APPEAL" is a good name and chimes in well with the Advocate. May they walk hand and hand to the betterment of our race and the credit of Negro Journalism. (Washington Advocate.)

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EDITORIAL NOTES.

Don't fail to see the Colored Exhibit next week.

Vice-President Hendricks is down East holding political prayer meetings for 1888.

Show your encouragement to the enterprise by subscribing for the APPEAL and paying for your subscription.

Ho! for fun let everybody go to the grand Excursion on Aug. 1st. Take the old folks, young folks and the babies, to the Excursion on Aug. 1st.

The subscribers must understand that a news paper cannot run on air, and it requires money to keep the business in good shape, so when the collector comes around please be ready for him.

The subscribers to the A. M. E. Church fund, are requested to give the matter their attention at once as we wish to make a public statement on or about the 25th inst.

R. TAYLOR, Sec'y.

Let every body turn out and give the Masonic Grand Lodge a hearty welcome during their parade on Thursday, it is hoped that every colored person will decorate their residences and places of business,

Let the people turnout and in full force on the 1st of August and go to White Bear Lake to celebrate the emancipation of the slaves of the West Indies 51 years ago.

The Mayor will receive the Grand Lodge at Market Hall on Thursday afternoon at three o'clock, the procession will halt on its march down St. Peter street to be received by His Honor, after which they will resume the line of march published in another column.

Again we call attention of the city authorities to the fact that there is a number of tramps hanging out in the vicinity of sixth street and Minnesota street to the disgust of every respectable citizen and the officers should be given strict orders to have them move on so that persons having business in that neighborhood can attend to it without molestation.

The Public Installation of the officers of the African Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. for Iowa, and Jurisdiction, will be held on the 14th of July 1885, at Music Hall cor. of 3rd. and Wash St. Admission one dollar, ladies free all are invited to attend.

COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS

Minneapolis. St. Paul.

J. L. Neal, Edmond James.
C. W. Newton, Geo. B. Williams,
W. J. Johnson, Wm. A. Hilyard,
Jas. K. Hilyard, David E. Talbert,
J. C. Todd, Richard Reynolds

No Improper Characters Will be Admitted.

The adjourned meeting of the Literary society met at Pilgrim Baptist church on Thursday evening. Mr. John Burgett in the chair. The Secretary reading the minutes of the preceding meeting which was received and adopted. The committee appointed to draft the Constitution and by laws made their report and submitted a constitution, which was received. On motion it was adopted by sections. The first section of the first article was amended, to read instead of church aid society, Excelsior Literary society. The officers elected were, Rev. B. Wilkins for President; Jas. Loomis Vice-President. J. H. Hickman, Rec. Sec. J. D. Underwood Cor. Sec. Miss Laura B. Coats Treas. The adoption of the constitution called forth, considerable discussion, Messrs. Loomis, Hickman, Evans, Anderson and Parker taking part. The meeting adjourned to meet on next Thursday evening.

Gov. Hoadley of Ohio having consented to run again as Democrat candidate for Governor. Judge Foraker's chances are very slim, and the action of the negroes in this contest is being watched with a great deal of interest, we hope they will prove themselves men and assert by their votes, not that they endorse democratic ideas or principles, but the man who despite the howls of party recognizes in them a quality worthy of merit and reward, we as a people have too long been the footstool of the Republican party to be kicked and abused as they deemed necessary, but thank God that the negro is aroused to the sense of duty and are fast assuming a bold front, that declares to the white man and weak kneed friend that they have rights and privileges as an American citizen that must be respected.

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