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Delinquents, Attention!

We have sent notices to those of our subscribers whose terms of subscription have expired, and to those to whom we have been sending the paper through courtesy; for the purpose of having them send us the money due if they wish the paper continued. We wish to keep every name we have on our subscription list, and to get as many more as possible, but we wish PAY for the paper. Those to whom this refers will do us a great favor by forwarding the amount due AT ONCE.
It is very unjust to us, and shows a great lack of honest interest in the work in which we are mutually interested, to continue to receive the paper and not pay for it. PLEASE PAY UP RIGHT NOW.

The nomination of Mr. James M. Trotter for Recorder of Deeds in Washington has been confirmed by the Senate and his commission has been signed by the President.

The trouble now arises as to what will become of Matthews; there are various rumors afloat but none have so far had substantial foundation.

We admire the pluck of the President in sticking to Matthews and in appointing Trotter to fill his place. We are not particularly glad these men are alleged Democrats, but being colored men they can not be very ardent ones, and we are glad they have so good a friend in Cleveland. Mr. President does not represent his party in these appointments, but is simply acting upon his own convictions we give him the credit, alone, and his party is entitled to none, and will get none from the thinking portion of the colored people.

The alleged colored Democrats are so few and far between that the Democratic party could well afford to put every one of them in a lucrative office. But the Democrats need not think that the colored people are going over to them body and boots because they give us one officer whose name is published all over the world. If they wish to have us, believe they are the friends to us they profess to be, and are more our friends than the Republicans are, they must do more for us than the Republicans did, and do—which was and is just as little as possible. We wish to have a hand in home affairs, and a share in the honors and emoluments at home. This city and county, one may say, is under Democratic control and there is only the colored fire company composed of five members to represent us in any way. This is also true of most cities under Democratic rule. We have men capable of filling any office in the country and we wish to see some of them placed in positions of honor and trust not only by appointment but by election. Colored men have been elected to high State and National offices by Republican votes and appointed to honorable paying positions by them. The only colored man holding a clerkship in this county is the appointee of a Republican.

We do not all wish to be janitors, firemen, or policemen; all of whom are good enough in their places, and for such appointments we are grateful; but we aspire to something higher. We hold the balance of power in this county, as the recent elections prove, and, it is an open question if under certain circumstances we would not do so in National politics. We are cheerfully disposed to be in and of the Republican party, and while we ask for nothing because we are colored, we do not wish to be so glaringly ignored because we are colored, which undoubtedly is and has been the case, heretofore.

We do not purpose longer to be catspaws, and we intend to demand our just recognition from the powers that be in the Republican party, and unless the Democrats show a disposition to do better by us than the Republicans have done they need not hope to gain any acquisition from us to their members except a few rapid soreheads who wield no influence at all. We are for ourselves first, parties afterwards; the Republican party has done better by us than any other party, and we will stick by our friends until greater friends arise.

A man is not always guilty who is charged with crime. It is an easy thing to accuse, but a very difficult thing to prove guilt, and we would like to emphasize that because one colored man is proven to be a criminal, it is no more evidence that all colored men are thieves, than when one white man steals, that all white men are rogues and scoundrels.—Virginia Lancet.

My dear Lancet, you are off, away off. By the white man's scale—for colored folks—one black man bad, all bad; one black man good, smart, honest, intelligent; no other one like him. The rule don't work both ways in this case.

Congress ought to pass a law prohibiting States from appropriating funds from State treasuries to build monuments to the confederate dead.—Montgomery Herald.

That's what's the matter! The reconciliation policy has made it more honorable to be a confederate soldier, living or dead, than a federal one. Had this government disfranchised every rebel, and debarred them for ever, from holding any office within the gift of the people there would have been much less trouble in this country.

In the death of Rev. Henry Ward Beecher, the country loses one of the greatest men of the age, and the colored people a true friend. His theological views were probably too advanced for the present generation, but the fact that he did more good than harm in his life will entitle him to have all our differences of opinion buried with him. Time will prove whether he was wiser than his day and generation. He was a valiant soldier of the cross and we hope he has gone from labor to his reward.

The APPEAL congratulates Bro. E. E. Cooper, of the Indianapolis World, upon his acquittal of the charges which were brought against him in hide-bound prejudiced Kentucky.

We tender our thanks to Mr. R. C. O. Benjamin, of the Negro American, for a copy of his pamphlet "The Future of the Negro."

The lamb-like deportment of March continues, and a majority of us are happy.

Minneapolis.

Mrs. Rev. L. H. Reynolds still remains quiet ill.

The congregations at Second A. M. E. church are quite large, especially Sunday evenings.

There was a very successful sociable at the Second A. M. E. church last Tuesday evening which a number of St. Paulites attended.

Among the visitors this week were: Miss Mary Godett and Mrs. F. D. Parker, of St. Paul; Mr. and Mrs. David McGowan, of Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. White, of Leadville, Col.

James Porter, a young colored hotel man and Frank Schultzer, white, a young blacksmith, had a private slugging mill Monday night which resulted in Schultzer being knocked out in the third round, and Porter took the purse of \$100.

A CARD OF THANKS.

The officers and members of the Excelsior Literary and Social Club desire to express their gratitude to the ladies and gentlemen who so ably assisted in the entertaining program of their inaugural soiree at Northwest College Hall on the 1st inst; also to all who by their presence gave evidence of their good will toward us and their desire to see our efforts successful; also to the WESTERN APPEAL for the admirable report of the entertainment.

Done by order of the Club,
H. W. B. GREER, Pres.
M. W. LEWIS, Secretary.

KNOTS.

Matrimonial, Tied with the Tongue but which cannot be Undone with the Teeth.

Seekers after Wedded Bliss.

Mr. B. Sanders and Miss Jennie Bell, of Madison, Ind.

Mr. J. Brant and Miss Mattie Syers, of Philadelphia, Pa.

Rev. W. C. Trevan and Miss Maria Adams, of Chicago, Ill.

Mr. John Elsie and Miss Jennie Sharp, of Burlington, N. J.

Mr. D. W. Jackson and Fannie L. Payne, of Nashville, Tenn.

Mr. Ben Johnson and Miss Lillian Bancroft, of Lansing, Mich.

Mr. Stephen Braxton and Miss Sarah Jones, of Terre Haute, Ind.

Mr. Albert N. Wade and Miss Lucy Duniap, of Cleveland, Ohio.

Prof. W. C. Green, Albany, and Miss Sallie T. Banks, of Forsyth, Ga.

Mr. P. C. Copelain, of Vicksburg, and Miss Julia Huff, of Brandon, Miss.

Mr. R. C. Hancock, of Gurley, and Miss H. Garner, of Huntsville, Ala.

Mr. Lafayette Cannon, and Miss Gonzala Redding, of New York, N. Y.

Mr. W. E. Caldwell, of Keokuk, Iowa, and Miss M. E. McCoy, of Hamilton, Ill.

Mr. Julius Matthews and Miss Arabella Pinkerton, of Montgomery, Ala.

Mr. Edward Smith, of Jamaica, W. I. and Miss Cornelia Walker, of Wilkesbarre, Pa.

In a Dead Man's Pocket.

Stephen Allen Price was a man who was liked and looked up to by all who knew him. He was honest, kind and true, a warm friend and good neighbor. The boys and girls all liked him because he never forgot that he had been young once himself. He was never stiff and cross and bossy with them, but was their good friend. He became rich, was Mayor of New York city, and lived to be very old. He lost his life in a steamboat disaster. Those who found his dead body found a scrap of printed paper in his pocketbook. It was so worn with oil reading that they could scarcely make out the words, but this was upon that paper.

Keep good company or none. Never be idle.

If your hands can not be usefully employed attend to the cultivation of your mind.

Always speak the truth. Make few promises.

Live up to your engagements.

Keep your own secrets, if you have any.

When you speak to a person look him in the face.

Good company and good conversation are the very sinews of virtue.

Good character is above all things else.

Your character can not be essentially injured except by your own acts.

If any one speak evil of you, let your life be so that none will believe him.

Drink no kind of intoxicating liquors.

Ever live (misfortune excepted) within your income.

When you retire to bed think over what you have been doing during the day.

Make no haste to be rich, if you would prosper.

Small and steady gains give competency with tranquility of mind.

Never play at any game of chance.

Avoid temptation, through fear you may not withstand it.

Earn money before you spend it.

Never run into debt, unless you see plainly a way to get out again.

Never borrow, if you can possibly avoid it.

Do not marry until you are able to support a wife.

Never speak evil of any one. Be just before you are generous.

Keep yourself innocent if you would be happy.

Save when you are young to spend when you are old.

Read over the above maxims, at least once a week.

ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVEN YEARS.

"Aunt" Julia Taylor, a colored woman generally supposed to be 111 years old, died last week, at 1413 Picker street, of apoplexy. Although reared in Virginia, Aunt Julia was neither a nurse nor a youthful acquaintance of George Washington, and in declining years was not in the habit of relating personal reminiscences of the Curtis family. She is believed to have been born in 1776, near Culpepper Court House, and was, during her girlhood, a slave of the Bullitt family. She was then sold to the Thurstons, and was by them carried to Kentucky. 1829 she was sold to H. S. Cox, and was by him brought to St. Louis, being afterwards sold to Mrs. Ellen Farrar, of this city. She remained the property of Mrs. Farrar until the end of slavery in the United States. She was married twice during her slavery days and was the mother of ten children. Of these, two daughters are yet living, Mrs. Lucy Ann Medley, who lives in St. Louis, and is 70 years old, and Mrs. Nancy Gilchrist, who is in Wisconsin, and is 98 years old. Four of her grand-children are living, Thos. Medley, of Minneapolis, who is 58 years old, and Joseph E. Mitchell, Mrs. Mary Armstadt, and Mrs. Elizabeth

Thornton, of St. Louis. She also had seven great-grandchildren, the ages of those living ranging from 10 years to 28 years, and two great-grandchildren one 6 and the other 3 years old.—St. Louis Advance.

Articles of Incorporation OF THE Northwestern Publishing Company.

KNOW all men by these presents: That, we, the undersigned do hereby associate ourselves together and adopt and sign the following Articles of Incorporation, for the purpose of becoming and constituting a body corporate as hereinafter provided.

ARTICLE I.
The name of this corporation shall be "The Northwestern Publishing Company."

ARTICLE II.
The general nature of the business of this corporation shall be the printing, conducting and publishing of a newspaper, and the conducting of a general job printing office; and the principal place for the transaction of the business of this corporation shall be the city of St. Paul, County of Ramsey and State of Minnesota.

ARTICLE III.
The time of commencement of this corporation shall be the first day of February, 1887, and the same shall continue for the period of Thirty-years thereafter.

ARTICLE IV.
The number of the shares of the Capital Stock of the corporation shall be five thousand (5,000) and the amount of each share shall be ten (\$10) dollars. And said capital stock, shall be paid in such manner and at such times as the board of directors of said corporation shall direct.

ARTICLE V.
The highest amount of indebtedness or liability to which said corporation shall be at any time subject shall be two thousand (\$2,000) dollars.

ARTICLE VI.
The government of said corporation shall be vested in a board of seven directors, from whom shall be chosen a president, a vice-president, a secretary and a treasurer for the corporation.

The said board of directors shall be elected annually by the stockholders of the corporation at any regular annual meeting of the said stockholders to be held on the first Monday in February in each year, at the office of the said Northwestern Publishing Company.

Each successive board of directors shall hold their offices until their successors are elected and qualify.

The Board of Directors shall have power to fill all vacancies occurring in its numbers by death, removal or resignation, and the persons chosen to fill such vacancies shall hold their offices until the next annual meeting and until their successors are elected and qualified.

ARTICLE VII.
The names of the first Board of Directors of said corporation are as follows: John L. Neal, Minneapolis, Minn.; Geo. Duckett, St. Paul, Minn.; J. Q. Adams, St. Paul, Minn.; Will Turner, Minneapolis, Minn.; L. H. Reynolds, Minneapolis, Minn.; Thos. H. Lyles, St. Paul, Minn.; J. K. Hilyard, St. Paul, Minn.

ARTICLE VIII.
The names and places of residence of the persons forming this corporation are: John L. Neal, Minneapolis, Minn.; Will Turner, Minneapolis, Minn.; Thos. H. Lyles, St. Paul, Minn.; J. K. Hilyard, St. Paul, Minn.; Geo. Duckett, St. Paul, Minn.; J. Q. Adams, St. Paul, Minn.

In testimony whereof the parties hereinbefore named have hereunto set their hands and seals upon this 15th day of February, A. D. 1887.

Signed and delivered in presence of Ernest A. Ringnald, H. W. Wood.
JOHN L. NEAL, [Seal.]
WILL TURNER, [Seal.]
T. H. LYLES, [Seal.]
J. K. HILYARD, [Seal.]
GEO. DUCKETT, [Seal.]
J. Q. ADAMS, [Seal.]

STATE OF MINNESOTA.

County of Ramsey, } ss.

Be it known that on this 15th day of February, A. D. 1887, personally appeared before me, John L. Neal, Will Turner, Thos. H. Lyles, James K. Hilyard, Geo. Duckett and J. Q. Adams, to me known to be the persons described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and they each acknowledged that they executed the same as their free act and deed.

ERNEST A. RINGNALD, Notary Public, Ramsey County, Minnesota.

STATE OF MINNESOTA.

County of Ramsey, } ss.

This is to certify that the within instrument was filed for Record in this office, at St. Paul, on the 23rd day of February, A. D. 1887, at 11:15 o'clock a.m., and that the same was duly recorded in Book F of Incorporation, pages 5 and 6. M. J. BELL, Register of Deeds.

STATE OF MINNESOTA.

Department of State, } ss.

I hereby certify that the within instrument was filed for record in this office on the 26th day of February, A. D. 1887, at 2:15 o'clock p.m., and was duly recorded in Book Q of Incorporation, on page 1160. H. MATTHEWSON, Secretary of State.

TOURS.

Taken for Business and Pleasure by the People one Reads About.

Spring Movements.

Miss E. Hooper, of Omaha, is visiting Denver.

Mrs. M. Smith, of Chicago, is visiting Keokuk, Iowa.

Mrs. R. Gunn, of Chicago, is visiting Keokuk, Iowa.

Bishop A. W. Wayman, is visiting New Orleans, La.

Rev. H. H. White, of Chicago, is visiting Louisville, Ky.

Mrs. John White, of Cleveland, Ohio, is visiting Chicago.

Mr. W. C. Evans, of St. Louis, Mo., is visiting New York.

Mr. Frank Rector, of Middleton, Ohio, is visiting Cincinnati.

Miss Alice Bibrew, of Marion, is visiting Birmingham, Ala.

Miss Lulu Kinley, of Chicago, is visiting Kalamazoo, Mich.

Miss Julia Marshall, of Selma, is visiting Birmingham, Ala.

Mr. M. F. Butler, of Chicago, is visiting Hot Springs, Ark.

Miss Ida Thompson, of Boston, is visiting Camden, N. J.

Miss Mary Howard, of Decatur, is visiting Springfield, Ill.

Miss Lillie Jones, of Hastings, Neb., is visiting St. Joseph, Mo.

Miss S. E. Wilkins, of Cairo, Ill., is visiting Indianapolis, Ind.

Miss Alice Dohpahn, of St. Joseph, Mo., is visiting St. Paul.

Miss Susie Bradford, of Indianapolis, Ind., is visiting Cincinnati, Ohio.

Mrs. Belle Davis, of Water Valley, Miss., is visiting Birmingham, Ala.

Mr. and Mrs. William Harper, of New Castle, are visiting Indianapolis, Ind.

Mr. and Mrs. Ford Bazal, of Louisville, Ky., are visiting Indianapolis, Ind.

Mrs. Alice Highwarden, of Red Wood Falls, Minn., is visiting Indianapolis, Ind.

Alderman J. W. Simpson and daughter, of Harrisburg, Pa., are visiting Newport.

Dr. and Mrs. Samuel L. Cook, of Washington, D. C., have returned from Europe.

Miss Menervia A. Henderson, of Nashville, Tenn., is visiting Hopkinsville, Ky.

St. Louis, Mo.

The funeral of Mr. James A. Johnson, the prominent citizen who dropped dead, took place last Sunday afternoon at the Central Baptist Church, the very best element of our people crowding this edifice to suffocation, to pay the last tribute of respect to the deceased. The remains followed by a long procession were slowly wended to Bellefontaine Cemetery where interment took place. The discourses of Elders Shaffer and Anderson deserve special mention. It is understood that Mrs. Johnson will continue the business of her husband at his old headquarters on Washington avenue.

Since the re-districting committee made their report—recently adopted—changing the wards of our city, numerous political moves are noticed. All available persons (males) have an eye on either House of Delegates or School Board. Each body has twenty-eight members, so that fifty-six of our patriotic citizens may soon be happy. One ward (the 10th) has been so changed that a colored delegate and member can easily be elected. Of course there must be union to accomplish this result.

Whist parties are still the order of the day among us. It is a noticeable feature that few of our ladies attain to any great degree of proficiency. Many of the gentlemen are experts. I may as well admit the truth by saying that many of the teachers indulge in this pleasant pastime.

Several of our leading educators have organized a Kant Philosophical Class. It meets weekly—Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock—at No. 1 School Building, Supt. E. H. Long is the instructor. The work of the class is said to be progressing very interestingly. Among the bright lights in this new organization are: A. D. Langston, D. E. Hordon, O. M. Wood, H. D. King, J. A. Kelley, R. H. Cole, Hutchings Inge; Misses Gertrude Wright, H. Georgiana Whyte, Katie Crawford and Miss Oliver.

LOCALS.

SPRING is here in good shape.

DELIGHTFUL weather, isn't it?

SENATOR C. K. DAVIS has returned to the city.

MR. JAS. H. JACKSON, of Minneapolis, was in the city this week.

MR. J. K. HILYARD, Jr., of Hudson, Wis., was in the city Tuesday.

WHEN you wish any printing done give us a call before going elsewhere.

SENATOR THOMAS KELLUM, of Fort Snelling, paid the APPEAL a call this week.

MR. J. S. MURRAY left the city Thursday for a trip across the continent to California.

Don't fail to attend the Red and Blue

contest at Pilgrim Baptist Church next Thursday evening.

INVITATIONS are out for the inaugural soiree of the Selika Club, at Fort Snelling, next Tuesday night.

Mrs. S. W. MCKINLEY, of Charleston, S. C., has arrived in the city and is the guest of Mrs. T. R. C. Taylor.

MR. HOWARD GREEN, formerly of this city, has been appointed local reporter of the St. Louis, (Mo.) Advance.

Mrs. JAS. A. THOMAS, of Dale street presented her husband with a fine baby boy last Sunday. A nine pounder.

MR. AND Mrs. H. W. B. GREER and Mr. A. G. Plummer, of Minneapolis, were guests of Mrs. Milton Fogg last Sunday.

COUNTY ASSESSOR J. I. BEAUMONT was re-elected Thursday for another two years by the mayor, president of the council and county auditor.

MESSES R. A. WAGNER and A. Plummer who formerly entranced our belles with their musical renditions are now holding spell-bound the belles of Denver, Col.

MR. AND Mrs. DAVID MCGOWAN and son, of Chicago, of the firm W. H. Schunpferman & son, are in the city the guests of Rev. C. S. Jacobs and Mrs. F. D. Parker.

FRANK E. DOWNIE and Richard Cronin were Thursday appointed policemen on the regular force to take place of Michael Daly and Dan Ahern, promoted to be detectives.

GOV. MCGILL Thursday appointed C. L. Brown of Morris judge of the new Sixteenth judicial district and C. W. Sleeper, of Brainerd, judge of the Fifteenth judicial district.

MR. M. FINNEY JOHNSON, an enterprising young railroad man of Chicago, who has been connected with the C. B. & Q. Ry. for over ten years and is still with the company, is contemplating taking up his residence in St. Paul. He is a very worthy young man and will be an acquisition to our city.

HARRY WOODSON, the Black Diamond, has challenged Billy Wilson, for another fight Marquis of Queensberry rules, for \$300 or \$500 a side, and 75 per cent of the gate receipts to the winner; the fight to take place in St. Paul three weeks from date of signing articles with two or four ounce gloves.

THE officers and members of the A. M. E. church, headed by the pastor Rev. C. S. Jacobs, are making a grand rally to pay of the present indebtedness and make preparation for a general repairing of the church. The friends of the church are requested to be as liberal as possible in their contributions.

THERE was a delightful surprise party tendered to Miss Cora French, who has recently returned to the city, Wednesday night. Those present were: Misses Blanche Parker, Minnie Scott, Dodie Roe, Lulu Griswold, Ollie Durant, Alice Lawrence; Messrs. C. C. Wilkins, L. F. DeLyons, O. D. Howard, Chas. James, R. C. Beaumont, Thos. Bennett, W. H. Brown, Chas. White, Chas. Bush, C. W. Mason. The evening was passed away with music and pleasant conversation, and after partaking of some elegant refreshments the party returned to their homes.

A VERY pleasant surprise party was tendered to Mr. and Mrs. David McGowan at the residence of Mrs. F. D. Parker, 19 1/2 Martin street, Thursday evening. The party met at the residence of Mrs. W. C. Hawkins and thence to Mrs. Parkers. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hawkins, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Lazenberry; Messdames William Liggins, Frank Williams, Geo. Duckett, Addie Henry, Cora Jeffers, Thos. Griswold, Anna Robinson, Martha Black; Misses Ella Smith, Dodie Roe, Blanche and Birdie Parker; Messrs. William Queen and J. Q. Adams.

MAYOR SMITH under the provisions of the recent acts of legislature, on last Monday made appointments on the police force as follows: Chief, John Clark; senior captain, John Bressette; captains, Thomas Walsh, A. M. Lowell, William Hanft; lieutenants, I. D. Morgan, Dennis Murphy, William Dowlan, Henry Bahe; sergeants, Charles Rolean, Olaf Larson, William Budy, Ernest Boerner, John Pendy, P. L. Getchell, Phillip Sweitzer, John U. Zerkelbach; detectives, John O'Connor, chief; Thos. Kenaly, D. J. O'Connor; and Dan Ahern, Michael W. Daly, assistants. He also appointed the new board of public works as follows: John C. Quinby, Eighth ward, two years; Richard L. Gorman, Fourth ward, two years; Wm. Barrett, Third ward, one year; Edward C. Starkey, Second ward, one year. The term of office commenced Monday. The salary is \$3,000 a year.

MR. J. K. HILYARD, of No. 468 Robert street, had occasion to go to Minneapolis, Tuesday night, and when crossing Hennepin and Second streets slipped upon the icy crossing and fell upon his back. A little later he was recounting his mishap to a friend who accompanied him, and just as he stepped upon the pavement at the corner of the city hall block and Nicollet avenue he fell again, spraining his left ankle severely.

With the assistance of his friend he again started for the depot, when he stepped into a hole in the pavement, twisting his already weakened ankle and snapping the fibula bone. He was taken to the house of a friend, and Dr. J. E. Moore was summoned, who reduced the fracture, and he