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The feature of celebrating the twenty-fifth anniversary of the issuance of the Emancipation proclamation at the Minneapolis exposition is a happy one, and as the occasion is so auspicious it is desired that all who have any race pride or any interest in the welfare of the race, will endeavor to make the day not only successful in a financial way for the management, but a successful one for us. Let us show to the people of the great Northwest that we are here in very considerable numbers, and that we are able to successfully cope with them in our acquired abilities. Let us show by our large attendance and genteel deportment that we fully understand and appreciate their motives in according us a special day. Of course we know that we are just as much American as any people can be, having been to the manor born, but as a distinct class we should endeavor in every way to impress our more highly favored brothers and sisters with the importance of paying more attention to us than they usually do. The committee of arrangements which is composed of some of the most active men in the state are putting forth every effort to make the number of colored people present at the exposition that day larger than on any former occasion in the state. The fact that they have gone to the expense of having Hon. John Mercer Langston, ex-United States Minister to Hayti, to come here and deliver an address on that occasion, shows their kindly interest in making the celebration all that we would have it to be. Let us, each, and everyone of us, do his or her part on that day. If you do not go on any other day, go on Emancipation day. Let the preachers from their pulpits impress upon their congregations the importance of making a good and favorable showing on that day. Let us all endeavor to get our uncles, sisters, cousins and our aunts from all parts of the country to attend on that day. Let it be a day we will all be proud of, to this end let us all work. Remember the day, Thursday, September 22.

"Fay," a noted correspondent of the Courier Journal, writing from Lake George, N. Y., has the following to say of Mr. Charles S. Morris, formerly our correspondent from Washington, D. C.:  
Mr. Charles S. Morris a young colored orator gave dramatic recitations in the parlor to a large and appreciative audience this evening. Morris is a native of Louisville, and was educated in the city schools. He is now a student at Howard University in Washington. Being poor, he, like his white brothers in the North, serves as a waiter in a hotel during the summer months. He acts in that capacity at the Fort William Henry, but devotes all his leisure moments to the study of Shakespeare. In stature and physique, Morris resembles Edwin Booth. That he fully understands the spirit of the pieces he recites is evident by the expression thrown into his voice and graceful gestures. "Ostler Joe," and "Sleeping at the Switch," were rendered with thrilling pathos, while selections from the "Merchant of Venice," "Hamlet," "Othello," and Julius Caesar were heroic, or argumentative as the lines demanded. The young man has decided dramatic talent, and all his yearnings are for the stage. Where is the philanthropist who will help the man to attain the

goal toward which he is reaching? Twice generous collections have been taken up in the hotel in return for the pleasure he has given. With training he may become a fine scholar and exponent of Shakespeare. It is to be hoped that he may not be disappointed in his worthy aspirations.

The St. Paul and Minneapolis Rapid Transit company has been formed for purpose of constructing and operating an elevated railway between the two cities. The motive powers is to be electricity or some other force other than steam, which is prohibited. With the inauguration of the new road a round trip fare of twenty-five cents will prevail which is nearer what it should be than the present rate. The estimated cost of the road is \$80,000 to \$90,000 per mile or about \$1,000,000 for the road completed and equipped. The line will certainly be a public benefit and we assuredly hope no opposition from any source will be made to it.

The Selma, (Ala.) Cyclone attempting to be funny at the expense of the unfortunate editor of the Montgomery Herald says:  
"If J. C. Duke continued to travel at the rate he passed through Selma, he is now somewhere in the mountains of Minnesota."  
We do not for a moment suppose Duke is in this state, but if he is, we will guarantee that he can express his sentiments without fear of being mobbed.

If anybody doubts the power of the Colored press, he should have his doubts removed, for it cannot be denied that the general howl that has been raised in regard to the infamous Glenn bill of Georgia, has resulted in the bill being defeated. The case of editor J. C. Duke is now under discussion and the Democrats will be sick of that before it is done with.

It has been suggested that all Colored business men in St. Paul and Minneapolis close their places of business on Emancipation Day, in order to allow their employes an opportunity to attend the celebration at the exposition.

Thursday, September 22 is the twenty-fifth anniversary of the issuance of Abraham Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation, a quarter of a century has passed since that time, let us have a big celebration on that day.  
Brothers Bagby and Cooper of the Argus and World respectively should order coffee and pistols for two and settle their little differences. They may like mud slinging but their patrons do not.

Let every man, woman and child identified with the Colored People endeavor by all the means in their power to get up a big boom for Emancipation Day at the exposition.

**Sprechen Sie Deutsch?**  
THERE is an effort on foot among the good citizens of this city to induce Prof. C. F. Adams to remain and teach a class in German. If the requisite number can be obtained he has consented to remain, otherwise he leaves for Washington early next week.  
The following named persons have agreed to join the class:  
Mr. James K. Hilyard.  
Mrs. James K. Hilyard.  
Miss Mary Godett.  
Mr. Geo. Harrison.  
Miss Ella B. Smith.  
Capt. S. W. McKinley.  
Mrs. Lizzie J. Talbert.  
Mr. D. C. Cotton.  
Mrs. T. H. Lyles.  
Mr. Will Bloom.  
Mr. M. R. Chapman.

All others who desire to join will please give their names to Messrs. J. K. Hilyard, George Harrison or J. Q. Adams. The Professor has taught in Louisville, Cincinnati, St. Louis, Washington and other cities and at present occupies the chair of languages at the State University at Louisville, Ky. He teaches what is known as the Natural Method which has been so simplified that any person of ordinary ability who can read and write English well, can get a fair, practical knowledge of the language. No English is allowed in the classroom; all explanations are given in German. The system is that of nature, the pupil learning German very much like a child acquiring his mother tongue. His success has been phenomenal in every case, as he takes a class of pupils who never have read or spoken a word of German and in six weeks they will go before the public and give a literary and musical entertainment every word in German. Those who desire to avail themselves of this opportunity must do so at once as the professor leaves next week unless a sufficient number sign to make the class a success.

## CHICAGO.

### The Garden City—Done up in Small Parcels.

#### Doings of a Week.

Mrs. M. L. Mead has returned to Louisville.  
Mr. Cyrus St. Clair, of Frankfort, Ky., is in the city.  
Rev. R. Knight is visiting friends at Mt. Vernon, Ind.  
Mr. Thomas Smith, of Cleveland, Ohio, is in the city.  
Miss Fannie Buchanan has returned from Shelbyville, Ind.  
Miss Georgia Parker, of Hinsdale, was in the city last week.  
Miss Eliza Ramey has returned from a three years sojourn in Cincinnati.  
Mrs. A. Harvey after a pleasant visit to Frankfort, Ky., returned home Friday.  
Mrs. S. R. Snowden, who has been at Chautauque lake will return home this week.

Mrs. A. Boyer, of St. Joseph, Mich., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. A. Pointer.  
Miss Jennie Reynolds has taken up the study of shorthand under Charles Stewart.  
Mr. M. C. Cowan left for Danville, Ky., to visit his mother. He will be two weeks.  
Mr. Clinton McClarty has accepted a position as janitor in the Ottumwa flats, North Side.  
Misses Ophelia Booker and Mary Price, of Frankfort, Ky., is visiting Mrs. J. H. Stewart.  
Mr. James S. Tubbins and G. Hudson left for San Francisco, Cal., to make it there future home.  
Miss Nettie B. Mosby has returned from Midway, Ky., where she has been visiting her mother.

Mr. Robert Crawford has accepted a position with F. W. Harsh where he will be pleased to see his old friends.  
The WESTERN APPEAL will always be found on sale at Estella Cafe and Chas. Landre's, 111, E. Harrison street.  
Mrs. S. T. Hyram gave a sociable, Tuesday evening to her friends, quite a number was out spent a delightful evening.  
Prof. C. F. Adams passed through the city Monday enroute to St. Paul, thence to Washington, D. C., where he will organize a class in German.  
Miss Mary Maxwell after a week's vacation returned to her post of duty Monday, Miss Maxwell is one of the finest seamstresses in the city.  
Mr. T. M. Hill, janitor of the council building, has purchased a first class residence at 2,635 Butterfield street, where he will be pleased to see his friends.

Messrs. B. Murry, Joe Haggerman, Robt. Crawford, Hon. H. P. Symms were banquetted by Mr. Fred Carey, Wednesday, his honor leaving for an extended trip to the south.  
The entertainment given for the benefit of a soldier's widow and orphan, Monday evening, was a financial success. We are glad to see our people help one another in cases of this kind.  
The Silver Leaf social club gave an entertainment at Central hall Monday evening, which was largely attended. The club is composed of ladies, and is organized for the purpose of assisting the poor and needy.

Mrs. Anthony Williams of No. 14, Third avenue, gave a social on Friday in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bell and daughters, of St. Joe, Mich. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. A. L. McDowell, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Gilbert, Mrs. John Phelps, Misses Gertrude Jackson, May Stewart and Jessie Fulton, Messrs. W. R. Cowan, M. Cowan, E. Hudlin, J. Scott and J. Q. Davis.  
It is almost time for the clubs to get in trim for the winter dances, and the correspondent would like to suggest a few things. You send invitations that read: "Show your invitation at the door and you will be admitted," a stranger in the city would think he would be repulsed, but all he has to do is to go and if you have an invitation ball, let it be so, but see if you cannot stop a few of the disreputables from taking possession, it seems like this, that anyone that has got the requisite amount can get in, and it has got to be a dance without a lot of disreputable women and fly young men is a thing of the past. See if that cannot be remedied. Boys, let the people of the city see that you can give as nice an entertainment as any other city. Do not let it sail that this place cannot give anything that is nice. Now brace up, and we will make the first dance of the season to model to go by.

**Hurrah for Jefferson!**  
The following is the list of colored men holding positions in Wyandotte, Kan.: M. Benjamin, foreman of street gang; R. Burdette, deputy street commissioner; G. B. Anderson, metropolitan police officer; C. Patterson, sanitary sergeant; G. A. Dudley, sergeant-at-arms city council; Isaac Parker, constable and deputy sheriff; B. F. Tillery, metropolitan police officer; Wm. Miller, member of council, fourth ward; G. L. Fouche, dog-tax collector; O. S. Johnson, mail carrier; T. P. Shelton, deputy sheriff and policeman; A. Cato, janitor city hall.—WESTERN APPEAL.

We can beat that here, Bro. Adams, in the sunny, "solid south," old Jefferson county, once the home of the editor of the WESTERN APPEAL.  
The following is the list of colored men holding public positions in the city of Pine Bluff, also of the county and state:  
Hon. Ferdinand Havis, circuit clerk; A. S. Moon, deputy circuit clerk; M. C. Boyd, coroner; Hon. Ed. Jefferson, legislator; Hon. Will Jacko, legislator; Hon. H. B. Barton, legislator; Vince Henderson, jailor; C. R. Polk, constable, J. C. Rogers, W. H. Thomas, L. McCullum, magistrate, and a hundred others throughout the county.  
City officials—Ferd Havis, alderman, fourth ward; Essex Bellamy, John F. Wilson, metropolitan police; John Kennedy, school director; Essex Bellamy, S. P. Havis and a hundred or more in the county.  
We think our county is in the lead of any county in the Union.  
Good for Kansas though.—Pine Bluff (Ark.) Republican.

**The Fair Week Illumination.**  
The work of making arrangements for the grand illumination has been successfully completed and is a grand success. The great electric mast at Bridge Square is a thing of beauty, such as is seldom seen anywhere. The grand illumination and celebrations for next week will be as follows:  
Monday, Sept. 12—Grand illumination of the principal streets and promenade concert on Third street, from 7:30 to 10 p. m.  
Tuesday, Sept. 13—Illumination of the streets and parade of the entire St. Paul fire department at 8 p. m., followed by music on Third street until 10:30 p. m.  
Wednesday, Sept. 14—Grand display of fire works on high arches on Robert street bridge at 8 p. m., together with street illumination and music.  
Thursday, Sept. 15—Parade of the Patriarchal Circle of this and other cities, (1,000 men in masonic uniforms) through illuminated streets at 8 p. m. Selections by the band until 10:30 p. m.  
Friday, Sept. 16—Another grand pyrotechnic display on Robert street bridge, with music until 10:30 p. m.  
Saturday, Sept. 17—Promenade concert on Third street until 10:30 p. m.  
On no evening during the week will teams be allowed to cross the Robert street bridge from 7:30 until 11 o'clock. Vehicles crossing the Washaba street bridge are requested to pass the electric light mast, up Third street to St. Peter street. Third street will be swept each afternoon after business hours. The line of march of the fire department will be from Central fire hall up Eighth street to Washaba, along the latter and down Third to Jackson, and on Seventh to Broadway, returning to the engine house via Eighth street.

**Quicker Time to Chicago.**  
Commencing Sunday, Aug. 21, the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway will improve its train service, and its through trains will leave St. Paul as follows: For Milwaukee and Chicago (fast line), 7:30 p. m. daily; For Milwaukee and Chicago, (Atlantic Express), 2 p. m. daily; for La Crosse, Milwaukee and way (Day Local), 7:25 a. m., except Sunday. All these trains run via River Division, through Winona, La Crosse and Milwaukee, and all classes of tickets will be honored on them. The "Fast Line" train makes the run from St. Paul to Chicago in fourteen hours, serving breakfast in Dining Car before arrival. This is the quickest time made by any route between these cities. With its elegant Day Coaches, magnificent Pullman Palace Sleeping Cars of the newest and most improved pattern, the finest Dining Cars in the World, and the beautiful scenery of the Upper Mississippi River, this line offers to its patrons, advantages that cannot be excelled. For Time Tables and Map Folders showing details of time in both directions apply to any coupon ticket agent in the Northwest.

**Japanese Tea Party.**  
THE Japanese Tea Party which was given by the St. James A. M. E. church in the basement of the Baptist church, Thursday evening was a grand success and attracted a large crowd. The church was beautifully decorated by the committee in charge, and the ladies in costume enlivened the scene in a manner never before equaled here. The characters represented were as follows: "Katisha," Mrs. F. D. Parker, "Pittsing," Mrs. A. G. Russell, "Yum yum," Mrs. T. J. Boswell, "Kokio," Mrs. W. H. Clay, "Paternella," Mrs. T. H. Lyles, "Kioki," Mrs. J. P. Ball, "To to," Mrs. Geo. Duckett, "Peek-a-boo," Mrs. A. Halston, "Sooloo," Mrs. Addie Henry, "Titwillow," Miss Blanche Parker, "Loochoo," Mrs. F. M. Williams, "Kio-kum," Mrs. Lizzie J. Talbert, "Yesso," Mrs. C. B. Lazenberry, "Harikari," Mrs. W. C. Hawkins. The ladies presented a very charming appearance and the occasion was a very pleasant one to all.

**LIBERATE!** the greatest living cornet player and the 71st Regiment band began their engagement at the exposition Thursday. There will be a grand street illumination and display of fireworks at the exposition to-night.  
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## NEWSLETS.

### Gathered From All Parts of the Country.

#### Multum in Parvo.

Mr. Chas. H. Butler, colored, is learning mechanical engineering in Chicago.  
Mr. John G. Gladman, colored, is a member of the council of West Chester, Pa.  
A lodge of the Brotherhood of Railway Porters was organized in Denver, Col., last week.  
"Men of Mark" by Rev. W. J. Simmons D. D., is just out; it contains 1,138 pages and 106 portraits.  
Mr. John H. Lawson, colored, has been appointed to a clerkship in the post office at Washington, D. C.  
There are 1,554,78 colored Baptists in the United States, and they have 26 educational institutions and 36 newspapers.  
The first colored United States Senator, Hon. H. B. Revels, of Mississippi, is now presiding elder of the Holly Springs District of the M. E. church in that state.  
The Colored business men of Raleigh, N. C., have organized a board of trade with the following officers: R. H. Allison, president; C. Miller, vice president; J. F. Holland, Secretary.  
Mrs. Elizabeth Sellman is the post-mistress at Camp Parole. Mrs. Sellman has the honor of being the only colored post-mistress in Maryland, she has held the position for more than five years.  
The school census of Huntsville, Ala., shows the number of children to be as follows: White males, 444; white females, 444; colored males, 463; colored females, 537. Total, whites, 888; total, colored, 1,000.  
Since the small sized row on account of a colored man drinking from a cup on a certain side of an ice water tank erected by the Christian Women's Temperance Union in Norfolk, Va., it has been decreed that Colored People may drink from any of the cups.  
Last week Coffman and three other white men murdered a colored man who was working for them at the stove camps near Brunswick, Tenn., and threw his body in the river. Three hundred colored men armed themselves and went to the camp and ordered the seventy white men to leave the country. The workmen armed themselves and refused to go and now great trouble is expected.

**A Hero's Act.**  
Payton Spencer is the name of a young colored man who earns an honest livelihood as porter on a Pullman car running to this point says the Omaha Herald. And Payton Spencer is more; he is a hero. Yesterday at Council Bluffs while his train was backing into the transfer depot he was standing on the rear platform and discovered a 2-year-old child on the track. No one was near enough to rescue it, and those who rushed forward to attempt it turned their eyes away when they saw they could not save the little one, to avoid seeing it crushed to death. But Payton Spencer, with quick decision and cool nerve sprang to the bottom step, lunged out on the iron rod of the platform guard, leaped ahead of the car as far as he could and grasped the child with his strong hand just in time, raising it to the platform in safety.  
Such deeds have been praised in poetry and prose when engineers have gone on the engine pilots to rescue thoughtless toddlers when certain death was bearing down upon them, but Payton Spencer is as great a hero as any. He was the one man to act in that awful emergency, and he acted gloriously. Bravo for the brave colored porter, and bravo again! And who shall gainsay that he should not have some more substantial recognition for his valorous deed?

**State Fair Notes.**  
The Great Western and Fort Snelling bands will be on the grounds every day.  
Saturday, the last day of the fair, will be Labor and G. A. B. day, with a grand procession and sham battle.  
Thursday, the 15, is St. Paul day, and Friday, the 16, is Minneapolis day. Special racing programs have been arranged for each.  
Madame Marantette, the famous rider, will exhibit her Kentucky Park horse Woodlawn, and running team, Maj. Banks and Evergreen, between the races on each day of the fair.  
Minnesota, or Farmers' day, will occur Sept. 14. The machinery parade will take place, as well as a band tournament, in which thirteen bands will contest. St. Paul and Minneapolis being barred.  
Visitors to the State Fair will bear in mind that the St. James A. M. E. church has a refreshment tent on the ground, where all the good things necessary to supply the needs of the inner man can be obtained at reasonable rates.  
The members of the G. A. B. who are to participate in the sham battle will camp just to the south of the fair grounds, between the railroad tracks leading to the grounds and Snelling avenue. On the day of the battle they will march around the west side of the grounds to the state agricultural farm, and make the attack from that point. The battle will be fought inside the race course.

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