

and race hatred as our own Boers in the South who do not treat Negroes as equals in law or otherwise because they prefer to regard us as an inferior race.

As I have stated Mr. Croffutt's article is most interesting and instructive from a historical view point, but it can hardly be convincing to those who have studied the Negro side of the Boer question. I have no sympathy whatever with the Boers, believing as I have to, that they are a set of psalm singing "nigger" hating hypocrites. It will be dollars to doughnuts that when the colony of Boers which it is proposed to transplant somewhere in the West in the near future have been here long enough to vote they will to a man support the democratic party because it, like themselves, believe the Negro to be an inferior race and hence is against it as they are.

BRUCE GRIT.

Theodore Drury as a Dramatic Tenor.

Mr. Theodore Drury is a singer of the very highest culture and few vocalists, even those whom grand opera has attracted to our country, has passed through the ordeal of analytical musi-



MR THEODORE DRURY.

cal criticism by competent critics with more success. His notes possess all the liquid, melting tones of the true tenor and his lower register is of grand power and resonance, vibrating with an intensified, passionate emotion which thrills the hearer. There is an added charm, too, in the perfect enunciation of this artist, and a simple ballad tenderly sung, every word delivered with a true sense of its value and with distinctness is a desirable rarity. Mr Theodore Drury is more than a singer, he is a thorough musician and like most artists is an adept at many accomplishments. He is almost as good a pianist as he is a singer. His technique is excellent and he is a devotee to the interpretation of the composer's music with sympathetic exactness, rather than mere brilliancy or the striving for startling effects.

Mr. Drury's songs embrace compositions by nearly all the great masters from Wagner to Massenet, Gounod to Bizet, with a sprinkling from writers of lighter music, such as Tosti, Offenbach and M-year Helmund. Mr. Drury is a delightful companion apart from his gifts as an entertainer. He is well read, inclined to be scholarly, speaks German and French fluently. To Professor Howard of New York, the most scientific teacher of singing, perhaps in the world, is due the production of his wonderful voice and the presentation to the public of the first highly cultivated male singer of the Negro race.

The Hon. John Wanamaker praises Mr. Drury's singing is a letter copy of which we give below:

Philadelphia, Penn.

I beg to say that it gives me pleasure to state that the singing of Mr. Theodore Drury at Bethany yesterday delighted everybody. He has a fine voice and sings with great feeling.

Yours very truly,

JOHN WANAMAKER.

EDUCATIONAL NOTES.

All the Negro institutions in North Carolina, such as the asylums for the insane, the blind, and the deaf mutes, and the normal schools, will hereafter be managed exclusively by Negroes.

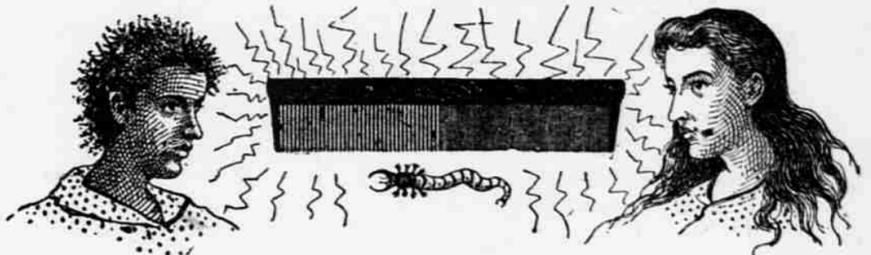
Prof. W. H. Diamond, C. E., formerly professor of mathematics at Paul Quinn College, and later occupying the same position at Wilberforce, has resigned to accept the lucrative and honorable position of Asst. Engineer in the Michigan Central Railroad central office. No similar position is held by any other colored man in the United States. It is the position once held by the brilliant F. B. Pelham, who died on the threshold of his career. Prof. Diamond has accepted the editorship of the Scientific and Engineering department to be introduced into the A. M. E. Church Review.

The trustee board at its session here during commencement in addition to conferring a large number of degrees also made a number of changes in the faculty. Among the most prominent of these changes were: Rev. Joshua A. Jones, pastor of St. Paul African M. E. church, Zanesville, O., elected president in place of Prof. S. T. Mitchell; Prof. Charles H. Johnson, of Kittrell college, to fill the vacancy in the art department caused by the resignation of Miss Beatrice Joyce; Mrs. Armstrong, widow of the late Bishop Armstrong, was elected matron of University hall; Prof. S. T. Mitchell will fill all the chair of mathematics; Bishop B. T. Tanner was elected dean of Payne Theological Seminary; Bishop B. W. Arnett was elected a member of the executive board. It is said that Miss Halle Quinn Brown, M. S., declined the position of lady principal.

Miss Moten at Congressional Library.

Miss Katie E. Moten of 726 Fourth Street, Northwest, has been placed upon the permanent roll of the Congressional Library, and is rendering most efficient service as file and correspondence clerk, besides turning out some expert work on the typewriter. Miss Moten is a lady of rare intellectual and social accomplishments and for several years was regarded as one of the most capable and reliable clerks in the office of the Recorder of Deeds, from which she resigned. No one more richly deserved the honor that has just come to Miss Moten and her good fortune will carry untold satisfaction to the hearts of her host of admiring friends,

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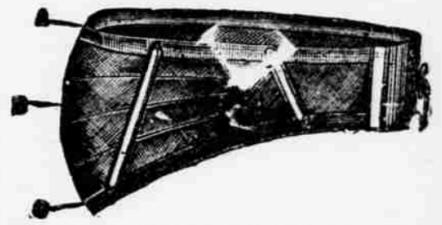
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