

**WHY WE SHOULD BE THANKFUL.**

Everybody ought to feel thankful for something. That man must be a miserable wretch who can not recall some beneficence that has brightened his existence if but for a passing moment.

That there no more Southern States  
That things are no worse than they are.

For four years more of the plethoric dinner pail.

That Ed. C. Allen has only one set of vocal organs.

That the National Colored Teachers' Bureau is a fixture.

For such a promising impresario as Mr. Clarence White.

Because Mr. Bundy is serving the city well as school trustee.

That age only adds to the inimitable and trenchant pen of Bruce Grit.

That Hon. Bill Pledger has new hopes of breaking into Uncle Sam's pork barrel.

That Col. Perry Carson is good for a side of bacon out of the political smoke house.

That Tuskegee's endowment fund continues to receive such substantial accretions.

That Washington has the best colored detective in the country, Mr. Henry Lacey.

Because Mrs. John R. Francis is making a most enviable record as a school trustee.

Because the 'possum crop is said to be exceptionally good. (Bruce Grit will please note.)

That not only the race but the country has such a gifted woman as Mrs. Mary Church Terrell.

That the irrepressible coy and winsome Bill Houston is on the mend after a protracted illness.

For the splendid management of Superintendent Montgomery of the Washington public schools.

Because times are so good that every laboring man who wants to work can now wear corns on his hands.

For the magnificent services of Hon. Judson W. Lyons, Register of the Treasury in the recent campaign.

That Mr. Dug. McCary has so ably demonstrated the Negro's unquestioned capacity in the financial arena.

That The Post has stopped tampering with our leaders(?) by throwing nose-gays at them.

That Afro-American Council affairs are in such able hands as the distinguished Bishop Walters.

For the clean record that Hon. H. P. Cheatham is giving this municipality as Recorder of Deeds.

That the Masonic fraternity is graced with the presence of Washington's most brilliant young men.

That Prince Hall Lodge had the honor of being presided over during the past year by the talented Dr. Cardoza.

That Texas has blessed us with such a royal good fellow and sterling business representative as Dr. Leroy Harris.

That brand-new papas, like Dr. John Outlaw for instance, can be coaxed into entertaining the public on baby love.

That the Business League under Mr. A. F. Hilyer's unselfish leadership proposes to move on the enemy's works.

That the great and growing West had a chance to see our own Judd Malvern a few weeks ago on his visit in those parts.

That the Hon. John P. Green insist

on the party keeping its republicanism on straight as regards its treatment of the black man.

That the government at Washington still lives and continues to do business at the same old stand every first and fifteenth.

That Dr. J. Julius Chilcoat is always found at the helm of every movement that has for its purpose the uplifting of the race.

That the North Carolina red-shirts did not make a colander out of Mr. Charles Lane's anatomy when he went down there to vote.

That there are palpable evidences that the recent barbarous savage Colorado holocaust has got a few of the other race to thinking.

That the tribe of sma't and offensive, obnoxious young 'nigga who has come up since de surrender' is becoming beautifully less.

Because Negro business and professional men and women are at last beginning to realize that they must merit patronage in order to obtain it.

For the irreproachable conduct of Freedmen's Hospital under the peerless administration of the race's most distinguished surgeon, Dr. A. M. Curtis.

Because it would be an honor to any race, however advanced, to point with pride to the splendid professional achievements of such a man as Dr. John R. Francis.

As a member of the Board of Charities Prof. George Cook is putting the race in debt to him by reason of his distinguished comportment as its representative.

That we have literary societies galore where spavined politicians can bathe in the limpid wates of bombastic oratory and find complete rehabilitation—be made whole.

For the illustrious example of a Bishop Turner—a man who is a profound thinker, a forceful writer and who possesses the courage of his convictions.

To know that Howard Medical School is flourishing like the proverbial green bay tree under the direction of its able secretary—the affable, the genial, the only Dr. F. J. Shadd.

It's worth untold thanks to know that Prof. R. H. Terrell as principal of the Colored High School of this city is maintaining such a high standard of excellency in that instituton.

That the new Directress of Music, Miss Hattie Gibbs, brings to the position such musical talent and culture as must give a new impetus to that feature of the public school curriculum.

Miss Etta Tolson of 1223 C st., s. e., has gone to spend the winter with relatives in New York.

There will be Thanksgiving services at Shiloh Baptist church L st., between 16th and 17th streets, a sermon will be preached by Rev. J. A. Taylor, D. D. at 11 a. m., and a Thanksgiving dinner from 7 to 11 p. m., admission 25 cents dinner free.

Lawyer Giles B. Jackson, vice president of the National Negro Business League and one of the attorneys for the Afro-American Council in company with Rev. W. R. Cullins of Richmond passed through the city this week en route to Baltimore on business.

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