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Shreds and Patches.

Rich communities of colored people are being developed in the Indian Territory.

The National Baptist Convention will be held in Birmingham, Ala., September 17th, to 22d.

Editor J. C. Duke, of Pine Bluff, was re-elected grand chancellor, K. of P., state of Arkansas at its last session.

The True Reformers are planning to open a bank at Indianapolis, Ind., one of the best cities in the country for colored people.

Rev. Ponce Lucas has been appointed general superintendent of the A. M. E. missionary work in Cuba, with headquarters at Santiago.

A newsy little sheet called "Thrift, Jr.," comes to us from Bates, La. It is under the guidance of O. E. Duncan, G. A. Blaundon and Miss Sedoria V. Williams. It is devoted to the interest of thirty men and women.

Atlantic County, and principally Atlantic City, is the great Negro center of New Jersey. This is because of the big hotels. There are 6,290 Negroes in the permanent population, an increase in ten years of over 4,000.

Prof. I. Garland Penn represents the colored people upon the executive committee of the International Sunday School Union, and has charge of the Sunday School work of that society among the Negroes of the United States.

Mrs. Frances Clark, wife of Prof. Peter H. Clark, of the St. Louis public schools, died in that city last week. Her remains were shipped to the old home in Cincinnati, Ohio, for burial. The funeral was attended by a large circle of friends.

Prof. R. J. Johnson, a skilled veterinarian and horse-trainer has opened up new and commodious headquarters in Philadelphia, with branch office and stables in New York. He is a native of Warrenton, N. C., and has lived in Philadelphia ten years.

Dr. C. Henri Woode, of Vicksburg, has been chosen as president of the Colored Medical Association of the State of Mississippi. He is a graduate of Howard University and was at one time a clerk in the General Land Office at Washington.

Simon Sam, while president of Hayti, who fled before the revolutionists of the island, is said to have taken with him \$1,000,000, and is living in great splendor in Paris. He is highly colored, but that makes no difference in Paris as long as he has the money.

Rev. Chas. R. Uncles, of Baltimore, the first colored priest to be ordained in this country, who has been teaching in the Industrial School at Clayton, Del., has been appointed to a professorship in Epiphany College, Walbrook. He will assume his new duties in the fall.

A new Negro poet, said to be the equal of Dunbar, has been discovered in Cairo, Ill. His name is Leland M. Fisher, and he is twenty-seven years of age. He is a printer by trade, and his works as a lyrical writer is

"O. K-ed" by the literary savant of the Memphis Commercial-Appeal.

C. J. Lewis, of Troop M, Tenth Cavalry, thinks the army is a good place for the colored man, to learn discipline, regular habits and save money, and affords an opportunity to study on the side. He speaks well of Santiago as an outlet for American Negro talent. He joins his troop at Fort Robinson, Neb.

The second annual meeting of the Michigan Federation of Colored Women took place August 19th at Detroit. The national president Mrs. J. Silone Yates, of Kansas City, Mo.; Mrs. Fannie Barrier Williams, of Chicago, and Prof. W. E. B. DuBois, of Atlanta, were among the prominent persons in attendance. The state of Michigan was well represented.

Things are not harmonious in the camp of the ex-slave pension agitators. In Memphis, S. P. Mitchell, an officer of the association was before the courts growing out of some trouble with a man about the latter's wife. Then came I. H. Dickerson, of Washington, D. C., president of the Ex-slave M. R. Bounty Pension Association who states that Mitchell was expelled from his association on account of irregularities of his account. The whole scheme is a "fake" and sensible people should take no stock in it or its promoters.

Miss Metta Warrick has returned to her home in Philadelphia, after an extended course in sculpture in Paris, and will open a studio there. In Paris Miss Warrick has twice had a special exhibition of her work, the last of some twenty-two members, exhibited in June at "L'Art Nouveau, Bing," on the Rue de Provence. "In her work," writes the critic, Mr. Edouard Gerard, "there is much promise because there is in them the most precious qualities that one can find in a young artist—sense of form, originality of few, an easy daring and force of expression."

The school supervisorship is still in the balance, and the severing of the Gordian knot must be kept to firm. The Gordian knot must be left to the Board of Education for final action September 10th. The trend of public talk is strongly toward F. L. Cardozo, Jr., who has many qualifications for the place, and whose eminent services have earned liberal recognition. Other able persons have been mentioned in this connection, but as they are at present so happily stationed and in environments where their removal might not inure to the good of either themselves or the school system, the feeling pretty generally obtains that Cardozo has the logic of the situation too clearly in his favor to be defeated. His selection would give satisfaction to 90,000 inhabitants of the District, one of whom by a decree of Providence, is

EXPOSITION AT CHICAGO.

The Middle States and Mississippi Valley Exposition conducted entirely by Negroes was opened at the First Regiment Armory, in Chicago, Thursday night, August 14th, and will continue thirty days. President Roosevelt at Oyster Bay pressed an electric button setting the machinery in operation. Exhibits of the various kinds of work done by colored persons from the time the first American slave was put to work in rice and cotton fields to the present day are on exhibition. To show that Negroes are capable of better work than they are generally given to do, there are on the floor of the exposition a post-office and telegraph and express offices. Actual business is transacted by Negroes at each of these places, mails, telegrams, and express packages being delivered to officials and exhibitors of the show. An attendance of 5,000 greeted the inauguration of the exposition. All the profits of the enterprise will go to the endowment fund of the Home for Aged and Infirm Colored People located in Chicago.

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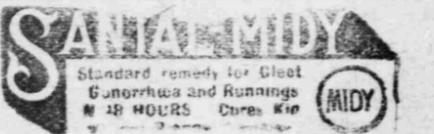
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