

Washington Talks.

HE DECLARES THAT THE EDUCATION OF THE NEGRO PAYS.

Denies That the Graduate of the Schools Is to Be Found in the Jails and Prisons.

New York, Feb. 12.—Negro industrial education and its bearings on the race problem was discussed here to-night at a meeting of the Hampton Institute by Andrew Carnegie, President Eliot, of Harvard; Booker T. Washington, of Tuskegee Institute, and Principal Frisell, of Hampton Institute. Mr. Carnegie presided.

Ex-President Grover Cleveland sent a letter in which he said:

"I am so completely convinced of the importance of this cause, as it is related to the solution of a problem no patriotic citizen should neglect, that I look upon every attempt to stimulate popular interest and activity in its behalf as a duty of citizenship."

Booker T. Washington, speaking of the problem from a moral and religious point of view, said:

"It is not possible to improve the condition of any race until its mind is awakened and strengthened. Does the American Negro desire to improve his mind, and what has been the result of his efforts? Will it pay to invest further money in this direction? In partially answering this question, it is hardly fair to compare the progress of the American white man who, in some unexplained way, got thousands of years ahead of the Negro in the arts and sciences of civilization.

"But to get at the real facts and the real capacity of the black man, let us compare for a moment the American Negro with the Negro of Africa, or the black man with the black man. As was recently suggested by Mr. Carnegie in South Africa alone there are five million black people who have never been brought, through school or other agencies, into contact with a higher civilization, in a way to have their minds or their ambitions strengthened or awakened. As a result, the industries of South Africa languish and refuse to prosper for lack of labor. The native black man refuses to labor because he has been neglected. He has few wants and little ambition, and his crude and few wants may be satisfied by laboring one or two days out of the seven."

"In the Southern part of the United States there are more than eight millions of my race who, both by contact with the whites and by education in the home, in school in church, have had their minds awakened and strengthened—have thus had their wants increased and multiplied many times. Hence, instead of a people in idleness, we have in the South a people who are anxious to work because they want land, and houses, and churches, books and papers. In a word, they want the highest and best in our civilization. Looked at, then, from the most material and selfish point of view, it has paid to awaken the Negro's mind, and there should be no limit placed upon the development of that mind.

"Does the American Negro take advantage of opportunities to secure education? Practically no school house

has been opened for the Negro since the war that has not been filled. Often hungry and in rags, making sacrifices of which you little dream, the Negro youth has been determined to annihilate his mental darkness. With all his disadvantages the Negro, according to official records, has blotted out 55.5 per cent. of his illiteracy since he became a free man, while practically 95 per cent. of the native Africans are illiterate. After years of civilization and opportunity in Spain 68 per cent. of the population are illiterate, in Italy 38 per cent. In the average South American country about 80 per cent. are illiterate, while after forty years the American Negro has only 44.5 per cent. illiteracy to his debit.

"From both a moral and religious point of view what measure of education the Negro has received, has paid, and there has been no step backward in any State. Not a single graduate of the Hampton Institute or of the Tuskegee Institute can be found to-day in any jail or State penitentiary. After making careful inquiry I cannot find a half dozen cases of man or woman who has completed a full course of education in any of our reputable institutions like, Hampton, Tuskegee, Fisk or Atlanta, who are in prisons. The records of the South show that 90 per cent. of the colored people in prisons are without knowledge of trades, and 61 per cent. are illiterate.

"But it has been said that the Negro proves economically valueless in proportion as he is educated. Let us see: All will agree that the Negro in Virginia, for example, began life forty years ago in complete poverty, scarcely owning clothing or a day's food. The reports of the State auditor show that the Negro to-day owns at least one-twenty-sixth of the total real estate in that Commonwealth, exclusive of his holdings in towns and cities, and that in the counties east of the Blue Ridge Mountains he owns one-sixteenth. In Middlesex county he owns one-sixth; in Hanover, one-fourth. In Georgia, the official records show that largely through the influence of educated men and women from Atlanta schools and others the Negroes added last year \$1,526,000 to their taxable property, making the total amount upon which they pay taxes in that State alone \$16,700,000.

"Few people realize how under the most difficult and trying circumstances during the last forty years, it has been the educated Negro who counseled patience, self-control, and thus averted a war of races. Every Negro going out from our institutions properly educated becomes a link in the chain that shall forever bind the two races together in all essentials of life.

"We must be sure that we shall make our greatest progress by keeping our feet on the earth, and by remembering that an inch of progress is worth a yard of complaint."

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