AFRO-AMERICAN COUNCIL.

The National Afro-American Council of the Negro race of the United States convened in Indianapolis last Tuesday with an unprecedented number of delegates present. Bishop Alexander Walters called the meeting to order promptly at 11 o'clock, and the picture presented to the spectator was the most representative body of Negroes that had ever before assembled in this country. While politics will be a side issue in its deliberations, yet it is expected that such wll bob up here and there during the entire proceedings. At the last meeting of the council a move was made to censure President McKinley for remaining silent on the lynchings in the South. That same feeling exists at present, but another trouble has arisen for the organization to discuss since the last adjournment, and it is the disfranchisement of the North Carolina Negroes. Both the Republican and the Democratic parties have their friends among the delegates who who will work assiduously to prevent the council from becoming pronounced one way or the other as to political parties. Bishop Walters is said to favor the election of Bryan, but a great majority of the delegates seem to favor the re-election of McKinley. They seem to think that of two evils it is better to choose the lesser.

The American people, being determined to have a merchant marine equal to the needs of American foreign commerce, naturally look to the Republican party—the party of construction—to pass an effective measure. The Democrats, on the other hand, being the party of destruction, are only able to oppose such a measure—they are apparently as incompetent as they are indisposed to put American ships upon the seas.

Our exports of breadstuffs compare as follows:

Fiscal Year—	Values.
1890	$154,925,927
1891	128,121,656
1892	299,363,117
1893	200,312,654
1894	166,777,229
1895	114,604,780
1896	141,356,993
1897	191,090,341
1898	324,706,060
1899	263,655,106
1900	253,223,525

Farmers will notice how the exports steadily declined during the last Democratic Free Trade Administration, and how much larger our exports of breadstuffs have been under the Republican Administrations and protective tariffs.

The payment of nine million dollars a year to build up American ships in the foreign trade, says Senator Frye, will, through the keen competition that will be engendered, effect a reduction in ocean freights on American imports and exports equal to about twenty-five million dollars a year.

Sailor Sharkey might follow a distinguished example and write a book on "The Last Battle."

The Democratic ticket canot have the support of Tammany without its taint. They go together.

The Georgia up-to-date minstrels, who are at the Seattle theater next Sunday and Monday, matinee and night, are well recommended by the press of the cities in the East. The St. Paul Pioneer Press of recent date says: The Georgia up-to-date minstrels have just closed a week's engagement at the Bijou to one of the most successful week's business of the season. The Butte Miner says: George & Hart's up-to-date minstrels are in every way in keeping with their name. Messrs. George and Hart have this year consolidated the Georgia up-to-date minstrels with the Georgia University Graduates (who made such a hit on the Pacific coast two years ago); as a result they are offering the most pleasing performance, of such a diversified nature that the most fastidious will find enjoyment and laughter provoking comicalities by the score. The engagement is only for three performances, Sunday and Monday night, and a matinee on Labor day.

"Under Sealed Orders" will be the attraction at the Third Avenue theater next week, commencing Sunday, September 2. The company is under the direction of Joseph Muller, a manager who in past seasons

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has always brought something good to Seattle. The company carries special scenery for each act, and the costuming of the play is said to be unexcelled. The action of the play alternates between London and Algeirs, and a group of decidedly interesting characters help to work out the idea that it is a decided innovation to the stage.

The Baltimore Sun proclaims President McKinley to be a weak candidate. The Baltimore Sun is a very deliberate institution, and it may be that it has not yet had the time to look at the election returns of 1896.

Washington will send a Missouri Democrat to congress this year—nit. Most Northern states have gone out of that kind of business.

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TIMBER LAND, ACT JUNE 3, 1878.—Notice for publication. United States Land Office, Seattle, Wash., Aug. 25, 1900.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the states of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington Territory," as extended to all the public land states by act of August 4, 1892, James Christman, of Snoqualmie, county of King, state of Washington, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement, No. 7,181, for the purchase of the SW¼ of section No. 14, in township No. 25 N, range No. 8 E, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the register and receiver of this office at Seattle, Wash., on Thursday, the 22d day of November, 1900.

He names as witnesses: Joseph Emery, of Snoqualmie, Wash.; E. G. Plum, of Snoqualmie, Wash.; Max Winter, of Snoqualmie, Wash.; Frank Welerd, of Snoqualmie, Wash.

And all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 22d day of November, 1900.

EDWARD P. TREMPER, Register.

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE.—IN THE Superior Court of King County, State of Washington. In Probate. In the matter of the estate of William C. Hill, deceased. No. 1,142. Notice.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the order of the above entitled matter I, the undersigned, as administrator of the estate of William C. Hill, deceased, with the will annexed, will on or after the tenth day of September, 1900, at 10 o'clock a. m., at 22 Haller building in the city of Seattle, county of King and State of Washington, sell at private sale to the highest and best bidder for cash, United States gold coin, the real property of the above named decedent hereinafter described, that is to say: Lot's seventeen (17) and twenty-five (25) of B. W. Johns' and C. H. Hanford's Five Acre lots, situated in section twenty-three (23), township twenty-four (24) north, range four (4) east, King County, Washington.

Bids must be in writing and left at my office at 22 Haller building aforesaid or delivered to me personally, and must be accompanied by ten per cent. (10%) of the amount of the purchase price in cash or certified check on some reputable bank of the city of Seattle.

Dated, Seattle, Washington, August 31, 1900.

WILLIAM H. LEWIS,
As Administrator as Aforesaid.
L. T. Turner, Attorney for said Arministrator.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE State of Wasmington, for King County. Emma P. Plumiey, plaintiff, vs Willard Ives, his administrators and heirs, and all persons, if any, having or claiming an interest or estate in and to the hereinafter described real property, defendants. No. ..... Notice and Summons.

State of Wasmington to Willard Ives, his administrators and heirs who are the owners, or reputed owners, or, and all persons unknown, claiming or having an interest or estate in and to the hereinafter described real property.

You and each of you are hereby notified that the above named plaintiff, Emma P. Plumiey, is the holder of a delinquent tax certificate, No. B 223, issued by the treasurer of King county, Washington, embracing the following real property situated in King county, Washington, and more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

SE ¼ of SW ¼, Sec. 8, Tp. 22 N., R. 5 east.

That said certificate was issued on the 2nd day of November, 1899, for the sum of $32.94, for the delinquent taxes for the years 1895 and 1896; that the taxes for the following years have been paid by the plaintiff, to-wit: The year 1897, the sum of $12.06; the year 1898, the sum of $8.48; the year 1899, the sum of $9.28, which several sums bear interest at the rate of fifteen per cent. per annum from said date of payment.

You and each of you are hereby directed and summoned to appear within sixty days after the service of this notice and summons upon you, exclusive of the date of service, in above entitled court, and defend the action or pay the amount due, together with the costs. In case of your failure so to do, plaintiff will apply for judgment, and judgment will be rendered foreclosing the lien for said taxes and costs against the real property, lands and premises herein named.

EMMA P. PLUMLEY, Plaintiff.

LYMAN E. KNAPP,
Attorney for Plaintiff.
Office address, 10 Haller Building, Seattle, Washington.

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State of Washington to Willard Ives, his administrators and heirs who are the owners, or reputed owners, or, and all persons unknown, claiming or having an interest or estate in and to the hereinafter described real property.

You and each of you are hereby notified that the above named plaintiff, Emma P. Plumiey, is the holder of a delinquent tax certificate, No. B 228, issued by the treasurer of King county, Washington, embracing the following real property situated in King county, Washington, and more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

East ½ of SW ¼ of SE ¼, Sec. 7, Tp. 22 N., R. 5 east.

That said certificate was issued on the 2nd day of November, 1899, for the sum of $32.98, for the delinquent taxes for the years 1895 and 1896; that the taxes for the following years have been paid by the plaintiff, to-wit: The year 1897, the sum of $4; the year 1898, the sum of $3.16; the year 1899, the sum of $5.75