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THE PENDULUM.

Has the pendulum swung to its furthest point outward in the rule of the demagogues who ride into political office on the race issue? Is the South awakening to the fact that something should be demanded of her statesmen other than "cussing" the Negro and the railroads? It would seem so from recent events.

The pendulum began its outward swing when Ben Tillman made his appearance in South Carolina politics way back in the eighties. Some of those to ride into office were such men as Arthur Pue Gorman, James K. Vardaman, Jefferies Davis and Hoke Smith. These men played the race issue with all of their might and secured political preferment.

But at last it seems the pendulum has begun to swing the other way. Gorman is dead. Vardaman was defeated for the Senate by John Sharp Williams. Jeff Davis was repudiated by his state when it refused to send him to Denver as a delegate to the National Democratic Convention. Now Hoke Smith, of Georgia, has been defeated for a re-nomination as Governor by Joe Brown, a man whose candidacy was at first considered a huge joke by the Georgia politicians. The one remaining radical who has received no political reverses—if we except Hefflin, of Alabama, who is under indictment in the District of Columbia—is Ben Tillman, and he is an invalid.

These signs of the South's returning to the fold of conservatism are to be welcomed. It is to be hoped that as the pendulum swings back, if it is really on its way back, that it will knock into oblivion all those men who have used as their chief political asset their ability to stir up hatred between the races.

OUR NOBLE CHIEF.

Our noble Chief of Police has become a hero! Single-handed he went into a restaurant in a Northern city and knocked down an impudent Negro! He got his picture in the newspapers, a lot of free advertising and doubtless comes back to Nashville with such a hold upon the affections of some people of the city that all the civil service boards of the state, not to mention a little board like the one headed by Mayor Brown, can remove him from office.

Chief Curran is a hero possibly in the minds of those who are ready to dub any man a hero that assaults a Negro. But we can but believe that the better element of the white South must take a far different view of the

act, if it ever occurred, as outlined in the daily newspapers. The better element of the whites, those men who boast of the chivalrous actions of the Southern gentleman, are aware that Chief Curran violated the law of the city of which he was a guest and they must hang their heads with shame when they think of the incident. It certainly adds no laurels to the South that a man from this section should be guilty of assault and battery in a Northern city simply because the customs that obtain are different from those in Tennessee. The better element recognize these differences in customs and if they can not adapt themselves to the customs, they so arrange things that they may not come in conflict with them.

HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT

Would it not be a wise course for those who have in charge the graduating exercises of the Pearl High School to take into consideration the wishes and the comfort of those who attend these exercises? Besides being rather uncomfortable to be packed in the Auditorium on a warm night, few of the vast audience could hear anything that was said by the Principal of Pearl High School or the President of the Board of Education.

Doubtless both of the speeches possessed great merit, but few persons heard them. The majority of the audience did not want to hear them, because they came to see and hear the children of Pearl High School. They hold that the many good things said on the last night should be drilled into the students during the three years they are in the High School, so that it would not be necessary to keep them standing for an hour or more before receiving their diplomas.

This may be the wrong view, but is one very widely concurred in, as was shown by the general buzz that greeted the speakers, and it should command the attention of Prof. Smith and Dr. Lees when they prepare for the exercises next year.

The Taft supporters, it would seem, are in complete control of the National Republican Committee and are running things to suit themselves. The only question considered in deciding a contest seems to be whether the contestees be for or against Mr. Taft. The Committee is very high-handed in its actions, and its ruthless disregard of the questions of right in many of the contests is liable to create a factionalism that will be felt in the coming election. The committee's endorsement of "Hly-whiteism," if approved by the Committee on Credentials, will doubtless cause a large number of Negro voters in the doubtful states to stay at home on election day, if not to come out in active opposition. To secure a nomination by federal office-holder-Hly-white-bosses is one thing, but to secure an election after such a nomination is quite different.

All eyes are on Chicago. The Sixth Congressional district seems to be of great interest to the Committee appointed delegates. The "I won't hear you one minute" representatives from this district got on the grounds early and are fighting for their political lives and federal offices.

Mayor Brown should certainly intimate to the police department at his earliest convenience that women must not be allowed to violate the law by loafing in the low saloons of certain sections of the city. Break it up, Mr. Mayor.

If Governor Patterson will but finish the job Senator Taylor began in burying E. W. Carmack, he will be entitled to peans of praise from all the conservatives of the South.

About this time it is interesting to watch the grafters posing as race leaders, flop over to the side where they think the most coin is. Some of them got next several months ago.

ALPHABET IN BIBLE VERSE.

(From the London Globe.)

In the twenty-first verse of the seventh chapter of Ezra can be found every letter of the English alphabet. It runs thus: "And I, even I, Artaxerxes the King, do make a decree to all the treasurers which are beyond

the river, that whatsoever Ezra the priest, the scribe of the law of the God of heaven, shall require of you, it be done speedily."

But, still more wonderful, in the eighth verse of the third chapter of Zephaniah is contained every letter, including finals of the Hebrew language.

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This bank is located at Richmond, Va. At the close of business May 14, 1908, the following report was made to the State Corporation Commission:

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Undivided profits, less amt paid for interest, expenses and taxes	2,018.61
Dividends unpaid	
Individual deposits subject to check	22,001.91
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Time certificates of deposit	33,584.53
Bills payable	
All other items of Liability	
Total	\$85,114.73

Resources.

Loans and Discounts	\$22,202.26
Stocks, Bonds and Mortgages	5,000.00
Banking House	28,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	3,798.73
Checks and other items	2,350.11
Due from National Banks	7,233.43
Due from State Banks and Private Bankers	926.83
Specie, nickels and cents	4,115.60
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Total	\$85,114.73

I. E. C. Burke, Cashier, do solemnly swear that the above is a true statement of the financial condition of the St. Luke Penny Savings Bank located at Richmond, in the State of Virginia, at the close of business on the 14th day of May, 1908, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

EMMETT C. BURKE, Cashier, State of Virginia, City of Richmond. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 23rd day of May, 1908. Geo. W. Lewis, Notary Public. My commission expires February 19, 1910. Correct Attest: Maggie L. Walker, Lillian H. Payne, H. L. Harris, M. D., Directors.

HOW A CAT CAUGHT TWO RATS.

(From the Scotsman.)

I once had a cat who did a rather remarkable ratting feat. He stalked two young rats on the eaves of a low flat stable roof, and caught one in the usual way. The other jumped on to an elderberry tree just below.

Bob, however, not satisfied with the one, grasped it firmly in his mouth, and then jumped headlong for the other. Either he was very lucky or extraordinarily agile, for he fell to the ground with one rat still in his mouth and the other in his paws, and promptly killed them both.

BREAKFAST FOR BRIDAL PARTY.

A very pretty affair in all its appointments was the breakfast served by Prof. and Mrs. Richard Hill to those who composed the immediate bridal party in the Hill-Page wedding. The breakfast was served at the beautiful home of Prof. Hill on Fairview avenue Sunday morning at eleven o'clock.

The table in the delightful dining-room was very tastefully decorated, the color scheme being that used in the Wedding of Wednesday evening. At each plate was a heart-shaped place-card, depicting scenes from a marriage, faintly punctured by white ribbon.

The breakfast, which was served in courses, contained all of the delicacies of the season. Later in the day ices were served upon the spacious veranda. In these as in the decorations of the cake the color scheme was maintained. Those present as guests of the occasion were Misses Lillian Hill, Hattie Hill, Lillian Dean Allen, Clotelle D. Chappelle, Hazel Thompson, Messrs. Eugene T. Page, J. O. Battle, D. Wesley Crutcher, Wm. D. Boger, Talbert Hill.

H. T. G. M. CLUB.

The H. T. G. M. Club met Saturday, May 30, at the home of Misses Mollie, Elvora and Esther Berry. The early part of the evening was spent in playing progressive whist. The first prize, a novelty bon-bon basket, was won by Miss Alberta K. Davis on a cut with Miss Georgia A. Bradford. Miss Lillian A. Bright received the consolation, a set of beauty pins. A dainty menu of two courses was served. The visitors were Miss J. L. Smith, of St. Paul, Minn., and Miss Anna E. Dawson, of Cleveland, Ohio. The members retired for business.

The following officers were elected: Miss Lilla E. Badger, President; Miss Lillian A. Bright, Vice President; Miss Esther J. Pinkard, Secretary; Miss Fannie M. Banks, Assistant Secretary; Miss Minnie M. Hunter, Treasurer; Miss Carrie M. Bryant, Reporter.

In a call meeting Tuesday, June 9, arrangements were completed for a picnic on the lawn of the home of Dr. Jessie E. Wells, Friday evening, June 12. A very enjoyable evening is anticipated.

MR. DOUGLASS LEAVES FOR ST. LOUIS.

Mr. J. L. Douglass, of 305 Third avenue, South, left last Thursday night for St. Louis on business pertaining to the National Primitive Baptist Convention, which will hold its second annual session in this city in July, beginning on the 15th and continuing until the 21st. Mr. Douglass is one of the leading spirits in the development of the National Primitive Baptist Convention. He is the Chairman of the local committee of arrangements, and is putting forth strenuous efforts to have everything in readiness for the opening at McNairy Hill Primitive Baptist Church. Mr. Douglass was present at the organization of the original United Primitive Baptist Big Harpeth Association in Franklin, Tenn., in 1866, and has been an active member of his church since that day. He is one of the substantial citizens of this city, having been engaged in the stone contracting business for many years. He stands high in his church, the community and throughout the State as a man of strong character.

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES.

Sunday-school opened with a good attendance.

The teachers held their regular weekly meeting Friday night in the pastor's study. Great interest was manifested in the lesson, "Jesus Appears to the Apostles," which was conducted by Mr. R. L. Hayes. Several visitors were present.

Morning and evening services were well attended.

Rev. G. B. Taylor, pastor, was at his best. His sermons were practical and powerful.

Rev. E. W. D. Isaac was with us at 3 p. m. and assisted in administering the Lord's Supper. His presence was an inspiration and help to all present.

Children's Day will be observed with an excellent programme. Parents and friends are cordially invited to be present.

COMMENCEMENT SEASON, TURNER NORMAL, SHELBYVILLE.

Beginning with May 26th, and ending June 6th, Shelbyville has just witnessed probably the greatest event in the closing exercises of Turner Normal Institute that ever took place in this town. Antedating Commencement week proper, the students engaged in two dramas on Tuesday and Thursday nights, titled, "The New Woman," and "Not a Man in the House," respectively. The exhibition of the primary and intermediate grades took place Thursday, May 27th.

The cantata, "Jephthah's Daughter," was rendered at the City Opera House. This was considered the greatest event of a literary and musical nature that ever took place among colored people in this city. It was the first time that colored people had ever been accorded the use of that place of amusement. The auditorium was filled with the best people of Shelbyville, white and colored—the two races occupying each one-half of the first floor. Miss Maud E. Brookins, the music teacher in T. N. I., was pianist and musical director. The star actress was Miss Mattie Campbell, representing Iphigenia, Jephthah's Daughter. Mr. Hubert Cowan acted the part of Jephthah.

Miss Madge Boddie took the house by storm singing a baritone solo, "The Ocean Wave," and responded to an encore.

Rev. R. B. Brookins, of Memphis, preached the baccalaureate sermon Sunday morning at the college chapel.

One of the most brilliant features of the season was the oratorical and elocutionary contest for gold medals Tuesday night. The prize winners were Miss Gussie Daily and Mr. T. J. Ryalls, gold medals; and Miss Ethel Fritz, gold cross, and Mr. Willie Stanfield, silver cup. These annual prize contests usually cut quit a figure in T. N. I.'s commencements.

The Alumni was addressed on Wednesday night by Rev. W. H. Shelby, of Waverly.

The graduating exercises of the English class took place Thursday night, when twenty-five persons received diplomas. The following representatives appeared on the program: Eva Z. Thompson, salutatory; Leoda Morris, class historian; Willie Mai Stewart, class poet; valedictory, Frank W. Gardner, Rev. F. W. Gardner, of Clarksville, delivered the baccalaureate address.

Friday was Commencement day. Two young men, Mr. James A. Moore and Mrs. J. R. Williams received diplomas from the Normal department. Dr. T. W. Haigler, of Nashville, addressed the class.

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The Trustee Board met during the week, and steps were taken to add new buildings for the fall opening as the school has already fully out-grown its present capacity in every way.

All the present corps of teachers were re-elected, and their salaries increased. Dr. J. A. Jones was re-elected by acclamation, there being no opposition. He received the congratulations of all upon his great success as president during his administration.*

DIED AFTER SHORT ILLNESS.
Mr. Thomas Murray, after a brief illness, died Sunday and was buried Monday at Greenwood Cemetery by Company G. The casket was draped with the United States flag. The company, under command of Capt. Henry Bowman, accompanied the remains to the cemetery and fired the regular military salute over the grave.