

Rights By The Way.

AND SACRIFICE.

I am truly glad to find that I am in my opinion of indignities. The editorial in the Ledger expressed my opinion on the subject. A general to me that that was would do. My reply was: "I had just as well do nothing as to be true? I find that people find money to do what they want to. Some of them do not realize that money is not the end of the world. They think it is the work of a fatal mistake. What a fatal mistake! Is it of us safe? The excuse is that they only lynched a crime, but the lynching is such that it is not the case. Do not employ one of our laws to see to it that he does not. Let every colored man and woman in Maryland getthng. Pennies, nickels, as well as dollars. It is just as giving to the Maine fund. If some of our step forward and pledge to work and not talk volunteer by voice and the women. I have my God. He will help me get money too. Never until a law is passed to make lynching a crime, and see that it is enforced. There is the gauntlet who it up. I am dead in earnest will sacrifice time, talent, and money until I feel it, and there are hundreds will be the same. How can we My country 'tis of thee, and of liberty," with the of our race staining the my heart aches when I sing the more like wailing: "Oh head were waters, and as a fountain of tears, that weep day and night for of the daughters of my May God rouse us.

MARY R. BURKETT.

Burkett our excellent content of Keisterstown strikes note in the words "Money sacrifice." We have had too ready of the flim-flam and nic stuff. What we need is "Money and Sacrifice." We need a league with as constitution as possible, business before us is work, scientific debates. We are presence of a great evil. That is worse we are not without guilt. We only work ourselves in way, but we must co-operate among our white friends expression of vice and godliness. We do not far men being able and something along this must confess that we are encouraged at the of practical interest by our women. Let work go on. Let us see the Lord's side in this matter, willing not only personal service but money. Some who will do this ought to get together, many, and inaugurate a campaign against, so-called, lynchings and all which are destroying people. "Money and sacrifice" needed, and the person in his heart that he purpose, as an honest give some of his means, as work, ought to shut up, be silenced.

with regard to singing our hymn we take issue with friend. We can and do My country 'tis of thee," greatest enthusiasm and we do this in spite of violent influences at work out the manhood and self of our people. Our fore by their industry, by their me, by their humility and by their past unflinching to our American flag.

have gained the right and title for themselves and their descendants, as fellow-citizens, indeed, and in truth of this Republic. The ideal is reached only through sacrifice, and oft-time through a sea of blood, but thanks be to God the ideal must eventually triumph, and when the servile spirit of caste has been completely conquered and slain, future generations, who shall keep the feast, will praise the memory of their illustrious fore-fathers, who through shell and shot, abuse and oppression, maintained a firm and unshaken allegiance to their country. Then, this dear National hymn will have attained its prophetic fulfillment, and then in America, the one American race representing in its ancestral origin diverse racial connections, shall with one heart and one voice sing the song of the final triumph of the noble and true American nature over the old effete and barbarous one. And because we are enabled with large vision and an unshaken faith in the Almighty to see in the distance the coming of the glorious day of actual and complete liberty, we dare, even now, in anticipation, sing with all the ardor and enthusiasm of our nature,

"My country 'tis of thee."
A Hot Time in New Orleans.

All About Negro Labor Supplanting White Labor.

They are having a vast outcry and excitement in New Orleans just now because Maj. J. B. Quinn of the United States Engineer Corps, in charge of river and harbor works in that district, has employed negro labor at Fort Jackson. The New Orleans States denounces this as "supplanting white labor," and then proceeds to explain that of course Maj. Quinn knew the whites would quit as soon as he gave work to the negroes. This leads to a tremendous explosion.

We note that they have managed to entice Maj. Quinn into a newspaper controversy, and we gather from such publications as have come under our observation that the Major knows less about polemics than he does about engineering. The States has him on the hip when it comes to palaver, and that is plain. But, coming down to the rights and equities of the matter, we fail to see wherein Maj. Quinn has supplanted anybody or misbehaved himself in other ways. He appears to have been ordered to perform a certain task, and, in the discharge of his duty, he set about employing labor. The whites who applied and were capable he put to work. Then came the negroes, and he enlisted them also. He knew and should have known no distinctions of race or color in such a case. He was not conducting an academy or a social function. He was collecting a lot of men to shovel dirt and pilot wheelbarrows. The idea of setting up precedence under the circumstances, naturally and properly, did not occur to him. His business was to complete the task ordered for him. The only question legitimately before him was a question of material. If the negroes were as effective as the whites he was right to employ them on equal terms. If the negroes were better, he should have given them the preference. And vice versa. The idea of making a race issue in such a connection was, for a United States Officer, or for anybody but a politician, simply ridiculous. Maj. Quinn was looking for laborers, not cotton leaders.

Of course we regard this controversy from a distance, but in the lights before us we find that Maj. Quinn has done his duty. If the white artists in excavation and wheelbarrow work do not want to make a living in the neighborhood of the negroes it is their privilege to run along somewhere else and suit themselves. To denounce and execrate Maj. Quinn, however, because they have chosen to throw up their jobs, strikes us as being fantastic. The social question does not enter into industrial pursuits. The man who cannot separate his business avocation from his private life is a fool.—Washington Post.

Race Doings.

BRIEF MENTION OF AFRO-AMERICAN NEWS FROM VARIOUS QUARTERS.

CAMBRIDGE GLEANINGS.

The most important topic of the day at this place is the election of City Councilmen. The citizens prepared themselves for whom they thought were the best men and the result Wednesday June 15th was seen.

The people are waiting for the opening of the canning factories, when many will be employed and things will look a little livelier in this place. There is no use in talking the people will work if it is given to them. Since the failure of the strawberry crop and peas do not bring much, the only hope we have now is that tomatoes and blackberries will be plentiful that we may get along until corn and peaches are ready for the canning house.

Many persons have returned from the country where they were in search for work, but the crops did not justify the farmers this year for labor and those who sought work found not as they expected.

The best way to encourage the farmer is to remain at home and assure them that they can have your services for gathering their harvest and they will plant larger crops.

Children's Day was quite a success at the M. E. church. The rendition of the elaborate program which gave the history of early Methodism was well conducted by those who took part. Presiding Elder Parker was present and helped to make the exercises successful.

Mrs. Alexander Johnson is having repairs done to her house. The building is neatly painted and those persons who visit her this summer will find things in excellent order.

Rev. A. L. Martin and his people are ready for the Convention. Those persons who anticipate coming to Cambridge during the convention will find that they will enjoy their trip. Come and help us in all matters that will improve the race; we are ready to be taught the ideas of the most learned.

REISTERSTOWN NOTES.

Sunday June 12th, was a gala day at St. Luke's. At 11 a. m. Rev. R. D. Jennings preached to parents and guardians, subject: "The Duties of Children's Day." It was excellent. At 5 p. m., the Sunday School entertained a large audience with "Pictures of Heroic Methodism," the Children's Day service. It was rendered and the officers and teachers were well paid for their labor in drilling. Aside from the program there were addresses from Mr. Milton H. Gross, Principal of our public school, and Rev. J. D. Jennings. A good collection was raised for the Children's Day Fund. Rev. Mr. Jennings preached at night on Prayer. The people were very much pleased with him and believe him to be one of our future great men.

INDIGNATION MEETING.

A large mass meeting was held on Thursday evening of last week in John Wesley church, the Rev. E. Lyon, pastor. The meeting was held under the auspices of the Ministerial Union of the city, the Rev. S. K. Hughes presiding. Vigorous indignation was expressed at the late lynching of Garfield King at Salisbury, Md., and a committee was appointed to wait on the Governor of the state to request him to offer a reward of \$1000 for the arrest and punishment of the offenders. Addresses were made by Rev. Dr. G. W. Norris, Lawyer W. Ashbie Hawkins, and Mr. Sol. T. Houston, of Salisbury, Md. Complimentary resolutions were passed approving the course of Governor Tyler of Virginia with respect to Negro troops commanding Negro troops.

NORTH-WEST BALTIMORE.

Items of Interest Furnished By Our Correspondent.

The closing exercises of the Blind and Deaf School at Sharon Baptist church June 9th, was a great event. The large edifice was packed and the best order prevailed. The pupils honored themselves and their teachers. Mr. Geo. H. Siddons, florist, 418 Myrtle avenue, presented to the principal a beautiful bouquet. Remarks were made by Mr. John T. Morris, President of the Trustee Board, Mr. F. D. Morrison, Superintendent, Pastor W. M. Alexander and Bishop James A. Handy. The twenty-fifth marriage anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Jones was celebrated at their residence 1368 North Carey street recently, and Mrs. Jones received a great many beautiful and valuable silver presents.

Colored voters of N. W. Baltimore are much enraged over Marshal Hamilton's order to club Negroes.

Dr. M. D. Brown is one of the most useful men of the race in our section of the city. He takes an active part in church work and is interested in every movement for the good of humanity.

Payne Memorial A. M. E. church, Patterson avenue and Calhoun street, is reported progressing nicely under the leadership of its new pastor. Mrs. Bishop Handy takes great interest in the church and Sunday school.

The Colored Episcopal mission on Calhoun street, near Presstman street, is said to be doing a good work by the directors and friends interested in it.

On all sides the inquiry is when will the new Grammar School be erected. The lot has been secured on the corner of Mount and Saratoga streets, and it is the general opinion that the money to build the school was put in tax levy for 1897.

Mr. James Kollins a practical politician of the old 20th. ward is pushing his petition for a position under Collector Wm. F. Stone.

COLORED TEACHERS.

The School Board, has at last decided to turn over the Rogers avenue colored school to colored teachers. It was decided by the Board last Tuesday evening to transfer the white faculty in colored primary school No. 2, and employ only colored teachers in the school after September 1st. It was also decided upon motion of Commissioner Foley to separate colored Grammar School No. 2, into male and female departments.

BAPTIST CONVENTION.

The new Colored Baptist State Convention will assemble next Wednesday at 10 a. m., in Union Baptist church of this city, the Rev. Harvey Johnson, pastor. Among the distinguished visitors from abroad who are expected to be present, and who will make addresses or preach, are Prof. Gregory W. Hayes, President of the Virginia Seminary, Rev. Mr. Wilbank, and Rev. Dr. W. Bishop Johnson, of Washington, D. C.

CHILDREN'S DAY.

A very large audience was present at John Wesley Church last Sunday to assist the Sunday-school in observing "Children's Day." The decorations consisting of evergreen, bunting, potted plants and flowers were beautiful to look upon. At the morning service the school was addressed by Hon. H. S. Cumming who gave a very instructive and appropriate talk.

The program entitled "Pictures of Heroic Methodism" was the order of the day at the afternoon service. The Supt. Mr. Thomas H. Smith conducted the literary part of the program, while the musical part was in charge of Mr. John E. Robinson. The concluding exercises of the day consisted of a grand service of song at 7.30 p. m. under the auspices of the choir. The entire day was one of pleasure and profit.

Local Items.

DOINGS OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO OUR MANY BALTIMORE CITY READERS.

The funeral of the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman O. Cully, of Annapolis, took place from the residence of Mrs. Wayman, East Baltimore street, on Wednesday morning the Rev. Geo. F. Bragg, Jr., rector of St. James' church, officiating.

Invitations have been issued for marriage of Miss Florence Gray one of the popular school teachers of No. 10 school and Mr. William Murray, assistant principal of the same school. The happy event will take place at Bethel church on Wednesday evening June 27.

Rev. C. M. Murray, preached at St. James' church last Sunday morning, and Rev. R. H. Paine, rector of Mt. Calvary, in the afternoon, the rector of the parish being absent in Cumberland.

Next week will be Commencement Week in this city for the public schools. The exercises of the Colored High School will take place on Friday evening and that of the Polytechnic Institute on Saturday evening.

If a paper is worth borrowing it ought to be worth purchasing. Don't borrow from your neighbor. Twenty-five cents will bring it to your door each week for six months, we mean the LEDGER.

The Rev. J. H. Reid has sent in his resignation as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Baptist Orphanage to take effect at once.

Invitations are out announcing the marriage of Miss Iantha L. Clark to Mr. E. Thurron J. Malloy. The marriage will take place at the residence of the bride's parents 687 W. Mulberry street, on Wednesday evening June 29.

Much to the regret of its many patrons the Mt. Hermon Sunday afternoon Literary has been discontinued for the present.

Next Sunday the members of Israel Baptist church, Mullikin near Ann street will hold a Grand Rally. The Rev. J. H. Burley will preach at 11 a. m., the Rev. J. H. Ballou at 3 p. m. and the Rev. J. H. Ballou at 8 p. m.

Too LATE.—Our terms close promptly Thursday afternoons, hence, matter reaching us Thursday morning, except paid notices, advertisements, and very brief items are necessarily too late for publication. At the very latest all such matter should be in this office not later than Wednesday morning.

RISEING STAR CHURCH.—Rising Star Baptist Church, corner of Orchard and Tessler streets, is making steady progress. The right hand of fellowship was extended to eight persons last Sunday. Miss B. H. Smith was the successful winner of the prize in the gold watch contest recent by ad, she selling the highest number of tickets. Recently the following societies have been organized in connection with the congregation The Pastor's Relief Circle, the Willing Workers Circle, and the Willing Workers Club.

About \$25 was cleared from the entertainment by the Morning Star Church of Remington avenue, held on the 9th. Last Sunday was rally day, and excellent discourses were given all day by visiting brethren. The amount raised was nearly \$25.

A dispatch from Washington says: "The first Negro officer for the Negro Immune regiments was examined last Tuesday. His name is James A. Roston, of Connecticut. The examination was vigorous and satisfactory."

CALVERTON ITEMS.

Mrs. W. Johnson is very sick. Mrs. Newlin is an active worker for the interest of the race and entertains noble ideas of social progress. Mr. and Mrs. Harris of Virginia, are located in Calverton. Many colored children and their parents attended Children Day services at the white churches.

Trinity Baptist Church.

Rev. G. E. Waller, Pastor.

Last Sunday was a historic day in the life of this church, it being the day of the 10th annual Communion service. The pastor gave a brief review of the work of the church, and the wonderful blessings of God upon their efforts. Special interest centered in the Communion Service at 4 p. m. The Sacred Concert at the evening service was in every way most delightful and inspiring, and was greatly enjoyed by a large and appreciative audience. The soloists were: Mr. Alexander Rich, Misses Nannie Credit, Estella Reid, Estella Wilson, and Roberta Scott, all of whom seemed at their best, both in art and spirit. Select Readings were given by Misses Nannie Boon, Annie Credit, and Mrs. L. P. Chamberlain. At the close a liberal tree will offering was taken. Thursday evening June 23rd, the 10th Annual Re-union of the church and Pastor's Reception will take place.

Closing of the Kindergarten.

A school of special value in the community has been the most excellent "Kindergarten" conducted by Misses Ida B. Cummings, assisted by Misses Olivia Brown and Kate Fernandez. The closing exercises of this most interesting school took place on last Monday evening at the Metropolitan church, and was a delightful success. It consisted of singing, declamations, dumb bell club drill. It was in every respect a success and the ladies have been conducting it shyly elated at the very success of their work.

John Wesley M. E. C.

There will be special services on Sunday morning the pastor will preach a special sermon at 10 o'clock Dr. D. W. H. Sharp Street M. E. church administer the Sacrament. John Wesley congregation the evening at 8 p. m., the Rev. J. H. Burley will give one of the pleasurable services, entitled "Gates of Life." This program fails to please and inspire the people. It is short and takes place of preaching during the season. The officials cordially invite all to worship with us on Sunday next.

A SURPRISE PARTY.

A grand surprise party was tendered Miss Lenora Harris and Mr. Leroy Collins at 412 S. Bethel St. on Tuesday evening of last week. The evening was spent in a most enjoyable manner. Music and refreshments added to the enjoyment of the party. Among those who entertained the guests with music were, Misses Lillie May Smith, Annie Johnson, Bertha Myers, Estelle Stiles, Lillie Jackson, Ella Harris, and Mrs. Cora Watts, accompanied by Mr. Charles Harris, Miss Sedonia Webb, Mr. Benjamin Tarter, Mr. Wm. Garrett, guitar, and Mr. Charles Francis, mandolin. Among the other guests were, Miss Carrie Davis, Miss Nellie Myers, and Messrs. Wm. Davis, John Hughes, Thomas Langley, James Ralph and Seymour Hurst.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Morning Star Baptist Church, 735 Saratoga street—Preaching 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. All our friends are invited. Rev. F. W. Winn, Pastor.

Israel Baptist Church, Mullikin Aon street. Preaching 11 a. m. Sunday school 9.30 a. m. and 2.30 p. m. Christian Union 4 p. m. 7.30 o'clock preaching. All are invited. J. H. Reid, Pastor.

Peter Ailor, Supt.

Enon Baptist church, Park street. Sunday school at 9 o'clock a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. Sunday school at 2 p. m. Preaching at 7 p. m. Preaching Wednesdays and Fridays 7 p. m. Rev. J. W. Jones, Pastor.

Ebenezer Baptist Church, 24 street. Morning service 11 a. m. Sunday school at 2 p. m. Preaching 8.30 p. m. Preaching 8 p. m. Rev. J. W. Jones, Pastor. Aquilla Timms, Secretary.

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GOMEZ AND BLANCO.

It is not "Blanco's mule" this time, but rather Blanco's turndown. General Blanco recently sent a communication, written in Spanish, to Gen. Maximo Gomez the Cuban leader pro-

the insurgents, practicing into my parlor the spider to the fly,"

ing with the Spaniards the United States. Gen. Blanco using a lot of "taffy" influence Gomez on the that the Cuban "speaks ain's) tongue, professes her

But fortunately Gen. Blanco by refusing to walk into "parlor." In so doing he uses

ards of significant importance, words which immediately call the nobility and the self-sacrifice

Garrison, Phillips, Thaddeus Stevens, Charles Sumner, and a host of other immortal names, who more than a half century ago were engaged in setting forth the real American true nature of freedom.

Here is Gomez reply to Blanco, and it is worthy of preservation in your scrap-book. He says:

"Sir: Your audacity in proposing to me again terms of peace astonishes me greatly when you well know that Spaniards and Cubans can never live in peace on the soil of Cuba.

"You represent on this continent an old and discredited monarchy, and we are fighting for an American principle, like Bolivar and Washington.

"You say we belong to the same race and invite me to struggle against a foreign invader, but you are again mistaken, because there is no difference either in blood or race.

"I believe only in one race, humanity, and for me there are only good and bad nations, Spain having always been bad, while the United States have fulfilled in these moments a duty to humanity and civilization.

"From the black savage Indian to the ruddy and refined Englishman, a man for me is worthy of respect according to his honesty and sentiments, whichever might be the country or race to which he belongs or the religion he professes. Nations are likewise the same to me, and I will always have reasons for admiration for the United States.

"I have written to President McKinley and to General Miles, thanking them for American intervention in Cuba. I do not see the danger of exterminating us by the United States to which you refer in your letter. If it were so, history will be the judge.

"I have only to repeat to you again that it is too late for any understanding between your army and mine.

Respectfully,
MAXIMO GOMEZ.

The brave and courageous words of Gomez bring before us the noble figure of Toussaint L'Overture. The internal witness throbbing and beating within the breasts of men of darker skins vindicates the unity of the human family and the absolute brotherhood of all men. The complete triumph of this truth is inevitable. There is no power in or out of the world to finally resist and subdue it. God Almighty breathed his own likeness and image in man, and although this image, may, for a while, be crushed and defaced, yet in the end it triumphs most gloriously, for truth must win. Noble words of truth are those uttered by the colored statesman and philanthropist General Gomez:

"THERE IS NO DIFFERENCE EITHER IN BLOOD OR RACE. I BELIEVE ONLY IN ONE RACE, HUMANITY." This statement is the very pith and crux of the whole matter. It constitutes a basic and eternal principle as true and certain as God is himself. In the United States, the struggles of the Negro are all directed after the full and complete recognition and realization of this pregnant and inspiring statement of Gen. Gomez. "Hold the fort," for it is coming. We see it in the distance. Efforts strong and vigorous have been made, and are yet made to contravene its mighty force, and the inevitable results of its supremacy, but to no avail. Men just as well attempt to discipline the Almighty as to revolutionize the fundamental and basic principle of the absolute unity of the human family. It is no wonder, then, that any Negro with intelligence, capability and large vision, as he sees in the distance, the inevitable triumph of truth over error, liberty over oppression, and absolute justice over tyranny, that he is able to nerve his brave heart and offer up himself as a willing sacrifice to hasten and accelerate the coming of that glorious day when Negroes can sing, and will sing as never before, our great National song,

"My country 'tis of thee,
Sweet land of liberty."

COLORED POLICEMEN.

The nomination and appointment of a colored man on the police force of the City of Cumberland, Md., by a democratic mayor and city council is a most significant event. It is an evidence of democratic advance and progressiveness. Democrats are indeed to be congratulated when they evince the fact that they have been enabled to emancipate themselves from one of the most hateful of all forms of social tyranny, the oppression of another man simply and solely on the ground of the accident of color. To abuse, ostracize, and tyrannize the Negro because of his color is as about absurd and foolish as would be to object to a man because he has a red nose. The whole business is simply a matter of contemptible and ignoble prejudices.

In the city of Baltimore we have a Police Board which has deliberately and purposely refrained from the appointment of one single colored man on the force, and we have yet to hear any reason advanced in the defense of such a policy save "prejudice" on account of color. It is not because brave, honest, honorable and efficient colored men can not be found, but simply because they are colored. Just how long such conditions are to continue depend far more upon ourselves than upon those officials who say with one breath that they recognize the equality of all men before the law, and with the other breath, set aside and render void such a declaration, by their mean discrimination on account of color. We ought to be greatly concerned, not so much with getting on the police force, as with giving the black a very inconsistent and

which renders the

of our country's liv-

ing lie, so far as we are concerned. Colored men might not only to be appointed on the police force in their applications to be admitted on the police force, but they should keep it up, until the vile door of prejudice and proscription is battered down, never to be erected again. We are but half free. Our whole and complete freedom will surely come to us by courageous and persistent contention for a principle as broad and as deep as is the eternity of God. Let us renew our efforts and fight prejudice as bravely as did our fore-fathers the enemy in the wars of the Republic. "He who would be free must strike the blow himself."

CUMBERLAND, MD.

Democratic Lesson. The Home of Wellington and Lowndes.

EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

CUMBERLAND, June 13.—The City of Cumberland is nearly two hundred miles distant from Baltimore city. Aside from Baltimore it is the largest town or city in the state, having a population of about 18,000, 1400 of whom are persons commonly called colored folk. It is with these that we are specially concerned. "Negro-ology" is a study peculiarly dear to the aspiring men of the race for without a knowledge of the same failure is inevitable. The peculiar idiosyncracies of the race usually obtain wherever they are whether in Alabama or in Boston. Transplanted from Mississippi to some little town in New Hampshire a colony of Negroes are just as sure to reproduce, as far as possible, their peculiar ideas and notions, as the fish takes to water. Some of course are commendable, while others are to be condemned. Although there are only about fourteen hundred, men, women and children of the colored race in this city, yet there is not wanting some signs of business and political aspiration among them. Of course it goes without saying, that the great majority of our people are employed as servants or in so-called menial occupations for livelihood. The school accommodation is not what it ought to be. We understand that there are only two teachers for the entire colored population. There are four colored churches, or congregations, one each of the following bodies, M. E., A. M. E., Baptist and Protestant Episcopal. There is one colored physician, Doctor Tompkins. There is one colored newspaper the Signal, its editor the Rev. W. H. Thomas, who seems to be a very energetic and wide-awake man, showed us through his establishment. He has an excellent office, well stocked, including a newspaper as well as job presses. We don't think that Cumberland affords a colored lawyer. This is a pointer to some of our brethren of the legal fraternity of Baltimore who are thinking of changing their location. There are two laundries, one restaurant, two boarding houses, several barber-shops, two saloons, and two very respectable grocery stores. The Gates Bros., of N. Mechanic street, not only carry on a very creditable grocery establishment, but in addition thereto have a little farm of about 20 acres about 5 or 6 miles from the city where they cultivate a market supply, and furnish the same to the aristocratic people of the place.

Mr. A. J. Washington of N. Mechanic street, is the other enterprising colored grocer who keeps a very creditable establishment, and is polite, attentive and pushing in his business.

Quite a number of the people own their homes, others are on the same road, while the great majority are indisposed towards such a sensible and practically beneficial course.

The keeper of the station-house is a colored man, as is Mr. Rich-

ard Edwards the first colored man to be appointed on the police force in Cumberland. We had the pleasure of grasping his hand the other day after he had been sworn in, and congratulated him upon his success. He has persistently, for many years, pressed his application, for a place on the force, and thus success has come at last. He says he is going to strive to do so well as will pave the way for other colored men in the department. He seems fully to take in the situation, realizes fully the great significance of his position. It ought not to be forgotten that this first colored policeman comes by way of the Democratic party, in a town where there is a republican governor of the State, and a republican United States Senator. The colored voters of Cumberland know how and when to vote the Democratic ticket to an advantage. It is a very great pity that the 80,000 colored people of Baltimore are so far behind on this point. Possibly they may wake up and by not voting or by voting cause a solid democratic delegation to be elected to the next National Congress. If such should be the case, through the manipulation of the colored vote, rest assured that when the next municipal election takes place, the Negro will not be found in the wood pile. Heads or tails he will win. Democratic or republican success, either way will also mean Negro success.

The Rev. W. H. Thomas, the editor and owner of the Signal, a weekly publication among the race, has a most excellent plant, consisting of newspaper as well as job presses, and does a large amount of job work. He is a young man full of energy and hustling qualities. Last Saturday he drove the Rev. Mr. Bragg up through the "Narrows" a most beautiful and charming suburb of this city. The landscape and mountain scenery at this point is simply majestic and enchanting.

There are very many of the colored families of this place who are well and comfortably situated, some of them not only owning the home where they live but several other properties. There is much that is encouraging and hopeful among the race in this place. Of course, in one important respect Cumberland is far ahead of Baltimore. Colored people can be accommodated here in the bar-rooms, restaurant, and at soda fountains. This is the general rule, and not simply an exception here and there.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gates of Green street, gave a dinner party on last Friday in honor of the Rev. Geo. F. Bragg, of Baltimore. The gathering was a most significant one for Cumberland, for it brought together all of the colored clergy of this city. Besides the Rev. Mr. Bragg, the following were present, Rev. Joseph Wheeler, of the M. E. church; Rev. S. M. Johnson, of the A. M. E. church; Rev. S. S. Crockett of the Baptist church, Rev. W. H. Thomas, editor of the Signal and Prof. Johnson, principal of the colored school.

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ard Edwards the first colored man to be appointed on the police force in Cumberland. We had the pleasure of grasping his hand the other day after he had been sworn in, and congratulated him upon his success. He has persistently, for many years, pressed his application, for a place on the force, and thus success has come at last. He says he is going to strive to do so well as will pave the way for other colored men in the department. He seems fully to take in the situation, realizes fully the great significance of his position. It ought not to be forgotten that this first colored policeman comes by way of the Democratic party, in a town where there is a republican governor of the State, and a republican United States Senator. The colored voters of Cumberland know how and when to vote the Democratic ticket to an advantage. It is a very great pity that the 80,000 colored people of Baltimore are so far behind on this point. Possibly they may wake up and by not voting or by voting cause a solid democratic delegation to be elected to the next National Congress. If such should be the case, through the manipulation of the colored vote, rest assured that when the next municipal election takes place, the Negro will not be found in the wood pile. Heads or tails he will win. Democratic or republican success, either way will also mean Negro success.

The Rev. W. H. Thomas, the editor and owner of the Signal, a weekly publication among the race, has a most excellent plant, consisting of newspaper as well as job presses, and does a large amount of job work. He is a young man full of energy and hustling qualities. Last Saturday he drove the Rev. Mr. Bragg up through the "Narrows" a most beautiful and charming suburb of this city. The landscape and mountain scenery at this point is simply majestic and enchanting.

There are very many of the colored families of this place who are well and comfortably situated, some of them not only owning the home where they live but several other properties. There is much that is encouraging and hopeful among the race in this place. Of course, in one important respect Cumberland is far ahead of Baltimore. Colored people can be accommodated here in the bar-rooms, restaurant, and at soda fountains. This is the general rule, and not simply an exception here and there.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gates of Green street, gave a dinner party on last Friday in honor of the Rev. Geo. F. Bragg, of Baltimore. The gathering was a most significant one for Cumberland, for it brought together all of the colored clergy of this city. Besides the Rev. Mr. Bragg, the following were present, Rev. Joseph Wheeler, of the M. E. church; Rev. S. M. Johnson, of the A. M. E. church; Rev. S. S. Crockett of the Baptist church, Rev. W. H. Thomas, editor of the Signal and Prof. Johnson, principal of the colored school.

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THE EMINENT DIVINE'S SUNDAY DISCOURSE.

Subject: "The Gallows For Haman." From the Life and Death of This Persian Courtier Living Lessons of Warning and Instruction Are Drawn.

Text: "So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai."—Esther vii., 16.

Here is an Oriental courtier, about the most offensive man in Hebrew history, Haman by name. He plotted for the destruction of the Jewish nation, and I wonder not that in some of the Hebrew synagogues to this day when Haman's name is mentioned, the congregation slash their fists and stand with their eyes fixed on the floor, saying, "Let his name be blotted out!" Haman was Prime Minister in the magnificent court of Persia. Thoroughly appreciative of the honor conferred on him as representing his people, he passed to be everywhere. Coming in one day at the gate of the palace, his servants drop their heads in honor of his office, but a Hebrew named Mordecai, gazing upon the passing dignitary without bending his head or taking off his hat. He was a good man, and would not have been negligent in the ordinary courtesies of life, but he would not bow to Haman or the nation from which he had come. So he could not be hypocritical, and while others made Oriental bows, getting clear down before this Prime Minister when he passed, Mordecai, the Hebrew, relaxed not a muscle of his neck, and kept his chin clear up. Because of that affront Haman gets a decree from Ahasuerus, the despotic king, for the massacre of all the Israelites, and that, of course, will include Mordecai!

To make a long story short, through Queen Esther this whole plot was revealed to her husband, Ahasuerus, who was afflicted with insomnia, in his sleepless hours calls for his secretary to read him a few passages of Persian history, and while away the night. In the book read that night to the king an account was given of a conspiracy, from which Mordecai, the Hebrew, had saved the king's life and for which kindness Mordecai had never received any reward. Haman, who had been fixing up a nice gallows to hang Mordecai on, was walking outside the door of the king's sleeping apartment, when he was called in. The king told him that he had just had read to him the account of some one who had saved his, the king's, life, and he asked what reward ought to be given to such a man. Self-conceited Haman thought that he himself was to get the honor, and not imagining for a moment that the deliverer of the king's life was Mordecai, says: "Why, your majesty ought to make a tripod for him, and hang him on it, and set him on a splendid horse, high-stepping and full-blooded, and then have one of your princes lead the horse through the streets, crying, 'How the king has come a man who has saved the king's life!'" Then said Ahasuerus in severe tones to Haman: "I know all about your scoundrelism. Now you go out and make a triumph for Mordecai, the Hebrew, whom you hate. Put the best saddle on the finest horse, and you, the prince, hold the stirrup while Mordecai gets on, and then lead his horse through the street. Make haste!"

What a spectacle! A comedy and tragedy at one and the same time. There they go! Mordecai, who had been despised, now is the chancelor, at foot, holding the reins, rearing, champion stallion. Mordecai bends his neck at last, but it is to look down at the feet of the Prime Minister walking beneath him. Huzzah for Mordecai! But what a pity! Recently built, ennobled high, and as Haman had erected before him a gallows, by whose strings he now walks as groom. Stranger and more startling than any romance, there go up the steps of the scaffolding, side by side, the hangman and the ex-chancellor. "So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai!"

Although so many years have passed since Ahasuerus reigned, and the beautiful Esther answered to his wish, and Persia perished, yet from the life and death of Haman we may draw living lessons of warning and instruction. And that we come to the practical suggestion that, when the heart is wrong, things very significant will destroy our comfort. We would have thought that a great Prime Minister, admired and applauded by millions of Persians, would have been so settled and harassed by anything trivial! What more could the great dignitary have wanted than his chariots and attendants, and places and banquets? If influence of deflection can make a man contented and happy, surely Haman should have been contented and happy. No; Mordecai's refusal of a bow takes the glitter from the gold, and the richness from the purple, and the speed from the chariot. With a heart puffed up with every inflation of vanity and revenge, it was impossible for him to be happy. The silence of Mordecai at the gate was louder than the blaying of trumpets in the palace. Thus shall it always be if the heart is not right. Circumstances the most trivial will disturb the spirit.

rulers and escaped martyrdom if he had only been willing to mix up his Christian faith with a few errors. His unbending Christian character was taken as an insult. Fagot and rack and halter in all ages have been only the different ways in which the world has demanded obedience. It was once, away up on the top of the Temple, that Satan commanded the Holy One of Nazareth to kneel before him. But it is not now so much on the top of churches as down in the aisle and the pew and the pulpit that Satan tempts the opposers of the Christian faith to kneel before him. Why was it that the Platonic philosophers of early times, as well as Toland, Spinoza and Bolingbroke of later days, were so madly opposed to Christianity? Certainly not because it favored immortality, or advanced civilization, or dwarfed the intellect. The genuine reason, whether admitted or not, was because the religion of Christ put no respect to their intellectual vanities. Blount and Boyle, and the hosts of infidels hatched out by the vile reign of Charles the Second, as reptiles crawl out of a marsh of atheism, could not keep their patience, because, as they passed along, there were sitting in the gate of the church such men as Matthew, and Mark, and Luke, and John who would not bend an inch in respect to their philosophies.

Satan told our first parents that they would become as gods if they would only reach up and take a taste of the fruit. They tried it and failed, but their descendants are not yet satisfied with the experiment. We have now many desiring to be as gods, reaching up after yet another apple. Reason, scornful of the God's Word, may frown and strut with the proud wrath of a Haman, and attempt to compel the homage of the good, but in the presence of men and angels it shall be confounded. "God shall smite thee, thou whited wall." When science began to make its brilliant discoveries there were great facts brought to light that seemed to overthrow the truth of the Bible. The archaeologist with his crowbar, and the geologist with his hammer, and the chemist with his batteries, charged upon the Bible. Moses's account of the creation seemed denied by the very structure of the earth. The astronomer wheeled around his telescope until the heavenly bodies seemed to march about themselves against the Bible as the stars in their courses fought against Sisera. Observatories and universities rejoiced at what they considered the extinction of Christianity. They gathered new converts at what they considered past victory, and pressed on their conquest into the kingdom of nature until, alas for them! they discovered too much. God's Word had only been lying in ambush that, in some unguarded moment, with a sudden bound, it might leap fidelity to pieces.

It was when Joshua attacked the city of Ai. He selected thirty thousand men, and concealed most of them; then with a few men he assailed the city, which poured out its numbers and strength upon Joshua's little band. According to the old plan, they fell back in seeming defeat, but after all the proud inhabitants of the city had been brought out of their homes, and had joined in the pursuit of Joshua, suddenly that brave man halted in flight, and with his spear pointing toward the city, thirty thousand men bounded from the thickets as panthers spring to their prey, and the pursuers were dashed to pieces, while the hosts of Joshua creased up to the city, and with their lighted torches tossed it into flame. Thus it was give temporary victory against God and the Bible, and for a while the church sat as if she were on a retreat; but when all the opposers of God and truth had joined in the pursuit, and were sure of the field, Christ gave the signal to His church, and turning, they drove back their foes in shame. There was found to be an antagonism between nature and revelation. The universe and the Bible were found to be the work of the same hand, two strokes of the same pen, their authorship the same God.

Again: Learn the lesson that pride goeth before a fall. Was any man ever so far up as Haman, who tumbled so far down? Yes, on a smaller scale every day the world sees the same thing. Against their very advantages man trips into destruction. When God humbles proud men, it is usually at the moment of their greatest arrogance. If there be a man in your community greatly puffed up with worldly success, you have but to stand a little while and you will see him come down. You say, I wonder that God allows that man to go on riding over others' heads and making great assumptions of power. There is no wonder about it. Pride is a commander, well placed and caparisoned, but it leads forth a dark and frowning host. We have the best of authority for saying that "Pride goeth before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall." The arrows from the Almighty's quiver are apt to strike a man when on the wing. Goliath shakes his great spear in defiance, but the small stones from the brook Elish made him stagger and fall like an ox under the butcher's bludgeon. He who is down cannot fall. Vessels sailing under bare poles do not feel the force of the storm, but those with all sails set capsize at the sudden descent of the tempest.

Again: this Oriental tale reminds us of the fact that wrongs we prepare for others return upon ourselves. The gallows that Haman built for Mordecai became the Prime Minister's strangulation. Robespierre, who sent so many to the guillotine, had his own head chopped off by the horrid instrument. The evil you practice on others will recoil upon your own parts. Slanders come home. Oppressions come home. Cruelties come home. You will yet be a lucky walking beside the very charger on which you expected to ride others down. When Charles the First, who had destroyed Stratford, was about to be beheaded, he said, "I basely raffled an unjust sentence, and the similar justice I am now to undergo is a sensible retribution for the punishment I inflicted on an innocent man." Lord Jeffries, after incarcerating many innocent and good people in London Tower, was himself imprisoned in the same place, where the shades of those whom he had maltreated seemed to haunt him, so that he kept crying to his attendants: "Keep them off, gentlemen, for God's sake, keep them off!" The children had come home to roost. The body of Bradshaw, the English judge, who had been ruthless and cruel in his decisions, was taken from his splendid tomb in Westminster Abbey, and at Tyburn hung on gallows from morning until night in the presence of jeering multitudes. Haman's gallows came a little late, but it came. Opportunities fly to a straight line, and just soon as they pass from eternity to eternity, but the wrongs we do others fly in a circle, and however the circle may widen out, they are sure to come back to the point from which they started. There are guns that kick!

Furthermore, let the story of Haman teach us how quickly turns the wheel of fortune. One day, excepting the king, Haman was the mightiest man in Persia; but the next day, a lucky. So we go up, and so we come down. You seldom find any man twenty years in the same circumstances. Of those who, in political life twenty years ago were most prominent, how few remain in conspicuity. Political parties make certain men do their hard work, and then, after using them as hacks, turn them out on the common to die. Every four years there is a complete revolution, and about five thousand men who ought certainly to be the next President are shamefully disappointed; while some of those who this day are obscure and poverty stricken, will ride upon the shoulders of the people, and take their turn at admiration and the spoils of office. Oh, how quickly the wheel turns! Ballot-boxes are filled, and the men come down quite as quickly as they went up. Of those who were prominent in the accumulation of wealth, many of those who had been rich are now poor, and many of those who were poor are now rich. The wheel of fortune turns, and the men come down quite as quickly as they went up.

'Slike things in the world, fortune is the most fickle. Again: this Haman's history shows us that outward possessions and circumstances cannot make a man happy. While fully vested in authority and the chief adviser of the Persian monarch, and everything that equipage and pomp and splendor of residence could do for him, he is an object lesson of wretchedness. There are to-day, more aching sorrows under crowns of royalty than under the ragged caps of the houseless. Much of the world's affluence and gaiety is only misery in color. Many a woman seated in the street at her apple-stand is happier than the great bankers. The mountaintop of worldly honors are covered with perpetual snow. Tamarlane conquered half the world, but could not subdue his own fears. Ahab goes to bed, sick, because Naboth will not sell him his vineyard. Herod is in agony because a little child is born down in Bethlehem. Great Felix trembles because a poor minister will preach righteousness, temperance and judgment to come. From the throne of Louis the Twelfth to Louis the Eighteenth was there a straw-bottomed chair in France that did not sit more solidly than the great throne on which the French kings reigned?

Were I called to sketch misery in its worst form, I would not go up the dark alley of the poor, but up the highway over which princeling Buonaparte strike the sparks with his hoofs and between staturary and parks of stalking deer. Wretchedness is more bitter when swallowed from a gilded goblet than from earthen pitcher or pewter mug. If there are young people here who are looking for this position and that circumstance, thinking that worldly success will bring peace to the soul, let them study the history of it. It is not what we get, it is what we are. Daniel among the lions is happier than King Darius on his throne. And when life is closing, brilliancy of worldly surroundings will be no solace. Death is blind, and sees no difference between a king and his clown, between the Nazarene and the Athenian, between a bookless hut and a national library.

In olden time the man who was to receive the honors of knighthood was required to spend the previous night fully armed and with shield and lance to the soul, let them shiver in the tombs of the dead. Through all the hours of that night his steady step was heard, and, when morning dawned, amid grand parades and the sound of concert, the honors of knighthood were bestowed. Thus it shall be with the good man's soul in the night before heaven. Fully armed with shield and sword and helmet, he shall watch and wait until the darkness fly and the morning break, and amid the sound of celestial harpings the soul shall take the honors of heaven amid the innumerable throng with robes of snow white streaming over seas of sapphires.

Mordecai will only have to wait for his day of triumph. It took all the preceding trials to make a proper background for his after success. The sword that he used to make all the more imposing and picturesque the horse into whose long white mane he twisted his fingers at the moment of triumph.

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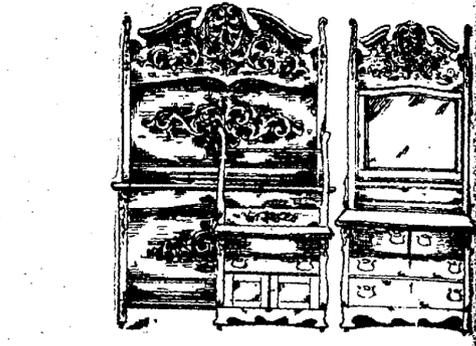
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