Midnight's Musing.

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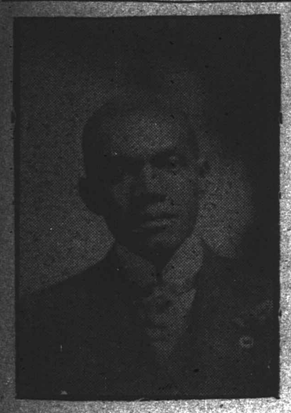
loved by the parents.

I am up here attending the session of the General Association of Kentucky and to save me I have never seen so many Baptists together in Kentucky. They were large and small, low and tall old and young, educated and uneducated, all united together in the Baptist's rank for the elevation of the whole race. There were many able men, men like Rev. C. C Smothers, George W. Bowling, R. H C Mitchell, C. H. Parrish, D. D., S. E. Smith, D D., and Wm. H Steward.

I must in this letter pay my compliments to the Moderater, Rev. John H Frank, because promptly at the hour for opening he called the body together and read a scripture lesson and then called on the Rev. Dr. E. P. Marrs, of Louisville to make the opening prayer which he took pleasure in doing. Without a doubt Dr John H. Frank, pastor of the



J. M. TAYLOR.

Fifth Street Baptist church, is one of the finest presiding officers in this country. There was no trouble for him to preside over that large body of Kentucky Baptists, and he handled it just as he would a school of children. He is a clean, upright, honorable man, not hanging around making love to every good looking woman he sees. Such a man as this has the respect of his people, and you may say all you please, but men can do right and be respected. Dr Frank has been in Kentucky all of his life and there is not as much as a pin point against his character. He was a Sunday school boy in the church where he now pastors. He keeps the state in touch, and after a heated debate and many things were discussed he was again elected Moderator of that great body for another year. He deserves this distinction. I honor and respect a clean man in the pulpit.

During the heated discussions here I tried to remain in with the ice man and keep on hand at all times a dozen or more palm leaf fans, but you did not ask me about this and I am not going to say more about it at this time. I will refrain from discussing the Association. Rev. George W. Bowling reminded the general Association at one time they were getting into politics because he was a politician of the first water and knew it when he saw it. I was glad to see that much of it.

People were here Sunday by the thousands, and it would be out of place for me to tell you all I saw and met, but there were some girls from Frankfort, Mrs. Mary L. Brooks and her mother. Mrs. Josie Hocker, Misses Rosa Hocker, Anna Perkins, Lettie and Annie Todd, Mr and Mrs. Peter Dent, and there are many others I could mention, but I am not going to do it now and you just attend to your own business and not try to make me because I know my business.

I have said enough when I tell you that Miss Sallie Coleman and Katie Carpenter were over from Junction City.

Have you ever heard of M. Cowan, of Chicago, who is manager for J. Wallace and Co., manufacturers of wax figures and papier mache forms. I don't know what this means, but I do know that this young man was visiting his mother and sister in this town, and cut a swell. He he is a single man, perhaps for a bride. I did not see him making any of the girls and I am glad at this, because he is handsome with plenty of money, and he dollared in the collection in the church, Sunday morning and official board waited on him and wanted any change back. I will be to you again soon.

J. O MIDNIGHT.

...TER HAPPENINGS.

...hers' Meeting Hold ... Session — Mandolin ...zed—Goinge On In ... Society.

..., Aug. 19 —Mrs. Eliz... of Stephens City, one ...sidents about here died ...e lived to see her great ... Her daughter Mrs. Bell ... Sewickley, Pa., was at her ...

...nk Lampkins, who died in ... last week, was buried from ... Church Friday.

... Isabelle V. Strange has returned ... Lexington; also Mrs. Mont. Lovett from Berkeley Springs, W. Va., and Mrs. Samuel Johnson from Pittsburg.

Mrs. Mary M. Williams, of Philadelphia, is visiting her sister Mrs. R. Page Hall on Monmouth street. Miss Louise Peake of Quincy together with Miss Bryson of Washington and Williams of New York were visiting in town last week. Mr. John H. Boyd of Washington is visiting here.

Prof. Samuel Dunbar of Washington has returned home. Rev. Diggs of Hagerstown was visiting friends here last week. Mrs. Turley and Miss Vashti Turley of Washington; Mesdames Catherine Bell, Edward Damon and Flora Morton of Pittsburg, are visiting Miss Betty Jackson of S. Market street.

Mr. John Preston has gone to Philadelphia to make his home with his brother. Mr. Pinkney Johnson of Steubenville, Ohio, was in town Sunday.

The monthly Preachers' Meeting was held last week at John Mann M. E. Church. An excellent program was rendered. Wednesday night under the direction of Mrs R. Page Hall. The ministers present were: Presiding Elder Watson; Revs. Lawson, Carey, Martinsburg; Cummings, Alexandria; Briggs, Shepherdstown; Smith and Wheeler, Harpers Ferry.

Mr. Charles E. Stanton has organized a mandolin club, together with several young men: Mr. Daniel V. Young was elected director.

WARM WORDS OF PRAISE.

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Brown, Newport News, Va.; The Negro as a Factory Operative, J. E. Wiley, Dallas, Texas; The Negro in Blacksmithing and Wagon Building, E. A. Clay, Henderson, Ky.; The Hotel Business, Edward Berry, Athens, Ohio; The Negro in Pharmacy, and as a Druggist, Thomas Patrick M. D., Boston, Mass; Opportunities Offered by Banking, J. N Cooper, Little Rock. Other discussions will be upon such subjects as "The Negro as a Farmer;" "The Dry Goods Business," The Advantages of Building and Loan Associations," "The Grocery Business, "The Jewelry Business," The Boot and Shoe Business, "Laundering," Cotton Merchandising, etc.

The most interesting feature of the League is a photographic exhibit of Negro men and their place of business, both inside and outside views.

THE TERRIBLE SMALL BOY.

How He Created Discomfort for Passengers on Car.

He couldn't have been more than fifteen, and he was a perfect specimen of the type of street boys one reads about but seldom sees. He was standing on the back platform, smoking, when the attention of the genial passenger was first called to him, and this because the boy brushed off the genial passenger's coat and apologized for nearly setting it on fire.

"Been ter the ball game?" the boy inquired. The genial passenger admitted that he hadn't had that pleasure.

"Peach of a game," said the boy.

Just at this point a fashionably dressed young man boarded the car and went inside, where, after seating himself, he pulled up his trousers, displaying a pair of brilliantly colored socks. The boy moved over to the doorway, and, crouching, with his head inside the door, fixed his eyes in a fascinated stare on the gayly clad ankles. When he was sure he had attracted the attention of all the passengers to the offending articles he yelled derisively:

"Bum show! Drop der curtain!"

By this time the genial passenger had reached his corner, but before he had a chance to get off a good looking middle aged woman pushed by him and stepped off the car, remarking sharply as she did so on the evils of smoking. Of course her speech was directed to the boy. Quick as a flash he retorted: "The old gal's mad because I wouldn't flirt with her."

The car moved off, with the boy smiling and happy and the woman flushed with anger and wishing she could box the young scamp's ears.—New York Press.

AND FOR A WEDDING, TOO.

Old Gentleman Objected to Sentiment On Floral Emblem.

Whether it was a mistake or a joke or simply an example of bad taste is a question that is still puzzling most of the passengers. But no matter about that; it cersinly was a floral masterpiece. Full four feet of it stood from the ground, in the form of a cross. Roses white and roses red composed the body of the cross, and dainty white blossoms and green leaves formed the trimmings. In the center the word "Peace" was spelled out in rosebuds.

Everybody in the car admired the offering, and when the boy set it down on the floor all leaned forward to examine it more closely. At length one gentleman stood up and readjusted his glasses in order to get a better look at it.

"That is a mighty pretty posy you've got there," he said. "Who, may I ask, is dead?"

The boy giggled. "Nobody 't I know of," he said. "This ain't for a funeral; it's for a wedding."

The old gentleman sat down heavily. "Good Lord!" he said. "What idiot ever ordered 'Peace' inscribed on a wedding floral decoration?"

The rest of the passengers smiled, and many of them, being married wondered as well, but nobody ventured an explanation.—New York Press.

"One Hole Cat"

In the days before baseball became so popular—in fact, when that game was almost unknown—boys used to play "one hole cat," a game from which, some say, baseball was originally derived.

There was an old Scottish game of much the same name as the popular game of the office, but which is considerably different in the way it is played. The game is called "cat in the hole," and, old as it is, it is capable of affording some good sport yet.

In playing the game six shallow holes are dug rather nearer together than the bases in baseball, and arranged so as to form a diamond. In the center stands a boy with a ball in his hand. At each hole is a boy with a stick, one end of which he rests in the hole he is guarding. When the boy with the ball sings out, "Cat in the hole," all the other boys change holes. As they do so the boy with the ball tries to throw it into one of the holes before any boy gets his stick into it. If he succeeds the boy who is slow in changing and finds the ball in the hole before his stick is out is the loser and has to take the ball himself.

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