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"ALL ROADS LEAD TO ROME"

ROME VIEWED THROUGH AFRICAN METHODIST EYES

Bishop Benjamin F. Lee writes interestingly from the "eternal city" of Rome. He writes of the various organizations belonging to the Order show a very gratifying increase during the past year. He reports a remarkable increase in the membership of the Order in that city and vicinity. Three new councils viz: Mt. Zion, St. James, and St. John in prospect, is the result of his labors. Grand District Deputy, Joseph Pratt reported a club numbering 30; Mrs. Margaret Harris, superintendent of Earnest Workers, Juvettes, of Norfolk, Va., and Mrs. Catharine Smith, superintendent of Juvettes, Chesapeake City, all reported a large increase in membership.

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As is well known, the streets of Rome as of a European city, are a narrow and crooked-for by far the greater part. These facts, together with their crowded condition, make it unnecessary to say they are frequently filthy.

As in days of yore, every Roman is proud of his citizenship; yet it is far to believe that not one living, has flowing through his veins the undiluted blood of the people who composed the first Rome.

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INDEPENDENT ORDER OF SAINT LUKE.

Hold Grand Session At Chesapeake City, Va.—Grand Officers Elected—Insurance and Beneficial Departments.

(Special to Afro-American Ledger.) Chesapeake City, Va., Aug. 30.—The Independent Order of St. Luke, of Maryland, held its grand annual session in this city, in Mt. Pleasant Hall for the past four days. Interesting reports from the various organizations belonging to the Order show a very gratifying increase during the past year. He reports a remarkable increase in the membership of the Order in that city and vicinity. Three new councils viz: Mt. Zion, St. James, and St. John in prospect, is the result of his labors. Grand District Deputy, Joseph Pratt reported a club numbering 30; Mrs. Margaret Harris, superintendent of Earnest Workers, Juvettes, of Norfolk, Va., and Mrs. Catharine Smith, superintendent of Juvettes, Chesapeake City, all reported a large increase in membership.

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MR. JAMES E. FREY.

The following are the officers of Grand Council I. O. of St. Luke of State of Maryland for the ensuing year: R. W. G. Chief, Wm. H. James, Sr., Fairfax, Va.; R. W. G. V. C., Joseph Pratt, Baltimore, Md.; R. W. G. Chaplain, Margaret Harris, Norfolk, Va.; R. W. G. Rec. Sec., I. H. Halstead, Norfolk, Va.; R. W. G. Fin. Sec., Emma V. Randolph, Baltimore, Md.; R. W. G. Treas., Washington Diggs, Phoebus, Va.; R. W. G. Mother, Catherine Smith, Chesapeake City, Va.; R. W. G. Sr. Conductor, Cornelia Brooks, Norfolk, Va.; R. W. G. Junior Conductor, W. H. James, Jr., Fairfax, Va.; R. W. G. Inside Sentinel, James Frey, Baltimore, Md.; R. W. G. Outside Sentinel, Jas. Peyton, Baltimore, Md.; R. W. G. K. of W., Mary Priest, Baltimore, Md. Rt. Support to R. W. G. C., Charlotte Green, Deep Bottom, Va.; Left Support to R. W. G. C., Annie Taylor, Norfolk, Va.; Right Support to R. W. G. V. C., Mary Pratt, Baltimore, Md.; Left Support to R. W. G. V. C., Maria Bolts, Norfolk, Va.

The Grand District Deputies are: Washington Diggs, Catharine Smith, Samuel Simpson, William H. James, Sr., Wm. H. James, Jr., Charlotte Green, T. R. Halstead, Millie Jackson, A. L. Tyson, Sarah E. Crane, James Frey, H. E. Frey, Mary M. Pratt, Mary Priest, Joseph Pratt, S. W. Hutchins, A. W. Jefferson, James F. Randall, Martha Carter, M. A. Harris and Lizzie Smith.

The new feature attached to the Order of St. Luke of the State of Maryland is the Insurance Department introduced by W. H. James, Jr., of Ardena Council, which was adopted and will go into effect at once to be known as "The Beneficial Insurance and Saving Department of the I. O. of St. Luke of State of Maryland." Agents will be put in the field.

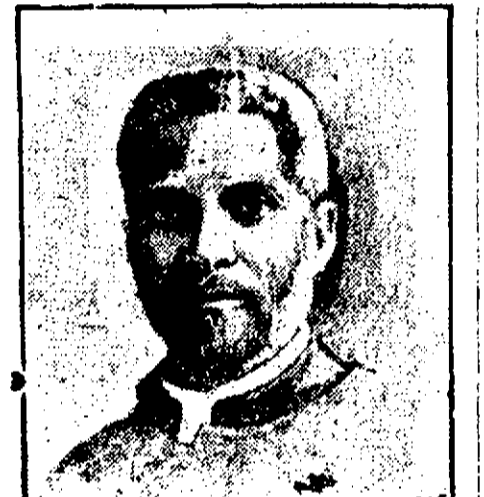
The members believe that this is the way to prosperity and have promised to work with renewed zeal and vigor. The officers of the Beneficial Insurance and Saving Department are Washington Diggs, president, Phoebus, Va.; 1st vice president, M. A. Harris, Urbana. (Continued on Fifth page.)

ECUMENICAL CONFERENCE.

NEGRO IDENTITY UPHELD BY BISHOP WALTERS.

His Speech in the Ecumenical Conference in England Causes Great Enthusiasm—White Americans Trying to Destroy the Good Opinion of the People of England Towards the Afro-Americans—Some of the Americans Walk out of the Conference—Others Disagree With Speaker.

The Ecumenical Conference of the various Methodist Bodies of the world met in London, Wednesday, fully 500 delegates compose the council, coming from every part of the world. Among the number are about fifty colored men from the United States and representing the several Methodist denominations in this country. Among this number is Bishop Alexander Walters, president of the Afro-American Council which recently



BISHOP ALEXANDER WALTERS.

hold its sessions in Philadelphia. Bishop Walters created a sensation by his impassioned plea for his race, and according to dispatches, he received the heartiest welcome accorded any of the American delegates.

Bishop Walters recapitulated the lynching figures of the year 1900, and declared that though 99 Negroes had been lynched in only 11 cases had it been proved that there was an assault on white women.

"The English people have always been our friends," declared Bishop Walters. "You gave us a refuge, and now, when we are struggling to improve ourselves, we look to you, our old-time friends, to give us sympathy and encouragement, as you did in the past."

The bishop's asseverations of Negro morality elicited loud cheers from the English part of the audience, and several of the many southern delegates, went out, while others did not conceal their disagreement with the speaker.

IMPROVED B. P. O. ELKS IN SESSION.

Norfolk The Headquarters of A Number of Secret Orders—Supreme "Somebody's" Everywhere. (Special to The Afro-American Ledger.)

Norfolk, Va., Sept. 5.—The event of the week here is the Grand Session of the Improved B. P. O. Elks of the world which convenes in the Masonic Temple every date. The session concluded on Thursday the 5th, with a rich civic display participated in by the delegated representatives and lodges from Cincinnati, Covington, Ky., Baltimore, Atlantic City, Washington, Pa., Paris, Ky., Jacksonville, Fla., Richmond, Va., Newport News, Va., together with Hampton, Berkeley and Norfolk, headed by three of the leading brass and reed bands on the peninsula. At night, Fisherman Hall was the center of a grand banquet and masked carnival.

Dr. E. A. Williams of the Cincinnati Brotherhood, Supreme Dictator of the Knights of Honor, was here attending the Elks reunion.

Rev. Thos. Parker, of Warsaw, N. C., passed through here enroute to the Baptist Convention which convenes in Philadelphia this week.

No less than 10 different secret, business and benevolent organizations are now on foot in this city, which may if the rate is kept up, entitle Norfolk to championship honors. A supreme grand "somebody" is as easily met as the granite blocks in a recently paved street. August, regarded as the dullest month in the year, hereabouts, has given away for September, and about 6000 or 6300 oyster shuckers and catchers are rejoicing over the luscious bivalve.

WILL BE READY IN PROPER TIME.

Work On Negro Building Well Under Way—Totton Palace, The Largest Building On The Grounds—Mr. Washington Will Lecture—Labor Day Parade.

(Special to The Afro-American Ledger.) Charleston, S. C., Sept. 3.—Interest in the coming Exposition is on the increase, and the grounds are attracting hundreds of visitors. Every stranger who comes to Charleston wants to see the Exposition Grounds, and as the street railway company gives special rates on Saturday, numbers of residents here visit the grounds for a Saturday afternoon outing. A special committee from the Pan-American Exposition visited our city during the week, and after inspecting the grounds and looking over the plans of the Exposition, gave their hearty endorsement and recommended exhibitors at the Pan-American to arrange for space at Charleston.

The progress which is being made in the erection of buildings, has astonished those who have no idea how rapidly such things can be done. One month ago there were many who declared that it was impossible to have the buildings completed by December 1st, the date set for the opening, and prophesied that we would have the Paris Exposition fiasco repeated at Charleston on a smaller scale. Those doubting "Thomases" are now able to see that they are poor prophets.

The Cotton Palace, which will be the largest building on the ground, is well under way, and its imposing dome can be seen from across either the Ashley or the Cooper River, miles away. The other buildings are in various stages of completion, all giving promise of being finished in ample time. The work of constructing the Negro Building is far advanced. The frame is up and the roof is being put on. One can get but an imperfect idea of this building from an illustration, it is only when the building itself is seen that we get some idea of its proportions. Already applications for space are on file, and those who intend to exhibit in the Negro Building should not delay making application. "Come early and avoid the rush."

Mr. Booker T. Washington will be in Charleston on September 12, to lecture in the interest of the Negro Department of the Exposition. The lecture will be delivered at the Thompson Auditorium, a building which will seat about 7,000 persons. Owing to Mr. Washington's great popularity the seating capacity of this immense building will doubtless be taxed to its utmost.

Labor Day was generally observed here. The various trade organizations, fully one half of the adult male population in Charleston, were in line. Last year for the first time in the history of our city, colored and white men marched in the same procession, and the colored surpassed the whites both in numbers and appearance. The recent strikes in various sections of the country, and the strikes of the local machinists and boiler-makers, and the local bakers have drawn attention to the labor organizations.

LOTT CARY BAPTISTS IN CONVENTION.

Philadelphians Returning Home—Cherry Street Baptists Preparing To Build A New Place Of Worship. (Special to The Afro-American Ledger.)

Philadelphia, Sept. 3.—The summer is over and people are fast returning to the city to again renew the struggle for a living. Rev. H. L. Phillips, looking sunburnt and hearty was seen on the streets the other day.

Philadelphians have owned Atlantic City this season. Good rooms and good eating were at a premium for a fortnight during the month of August.

Mr. Thomas Gaskins and wife, former Baltimoreans, are thinking of coming on in October to attend the Presbyterian Council at Rev. Eggleston's church.

Things are growing very warm politically around Philadelphia.

The Rev. J. B. Reeves has returned from his vacation looking well.

Prof. Robert H. Robinson, the noted pianist and choir leader, is expected home soon.

Some of the boys are home after having made a vow to work no more until the season at that resort opens in 1903. Mr. J. Edward Bruce, the well-known writer was here for a few days. The people of Bethel A. M. E. church are progressing nicely under the pastorate of Rev. Henderson. Philadelphia is filled with Baptists this week as delegates to the Lott Cary Baptist Missionary Society. They are now in convention at Holy Trinity Baptist Church. The people of Cherry Street Baptist Church are preparing to build on a new site. Rev. Dr. Credit is leading the movement. American white men and Negroes make good jailbirds in this country. Some fly in and die out.

MIDNIGHT'S MUSINGS.

IN COMPANY WITH DR. ROBERTS AND WIFE VISITS WASHINGTON.

Has Some Experience With A Street Wagon—Takes A Tumble and Lights On His Head—A Mix Up With Police, Ambulances And Patrol Wagons—Spends A Pleasant Time In Washington City, And In Company With Dr. Roberts, His Wife And Secretary Take In The Capital.

Soon I will be away from this part of the world, and you will hear from me just the same, until I am prepared for heaven, as I have fully made up my mind to make heaven my home when I am through with this sin-cursed world, though I am not prepared to say just how long it will be before I will be ready for my golden slippers. A man finds so much pleasure in the thought that he is going to heaven when he leaves this world.

This Washington, D. C., that you hear and talk so much about has had another visit from me, and this time I came near being locked up, you will remember that I told you about Dr. Roberts, from Florida, and his wife, well he came to this Baltimore, and as he was a stranger here, he engaged me to show him around the world, and I accepted and the first thing was to take up the Baltimore world. Now I escorted him down to a shop where he got his whiskers cut off, and then next turned my attention



MRS. MARY CHURCH TERRELL.

to another part of the world. I fetched them over to see Dr. Killion. I wanted to impress Dr. Roberts that I was young, and before the street wagon reached the getting off place I jumped off, landed right on my head, and laid there for a long time like I was dead. Dr. Roberts had the wagon to stop and I believe in my soul a thousand people gathered around and a wagon full of police and a dead wagon came along to take me up, but Dr. Roberts rushed to the drug store got some drugs and just as they were about to tote me off to the dead house my life returned and I told them to let me alone. They turned me loose, and the next thing I went into the home of Dr. Killion, finding him out, I devoted most of time to talking with his wife. Dr. Roberts and his wife were along and they talked as did my private secretary.

I am not going to say much about my experiences that night, for they said nothing about it on the wagon. The next thing we left there, and found our way to what they called way up in the air street wagon, and let me here tell you that we were up high too. This all pleased me, and I want to assure you that there was no more jumping off. We rode back to a big market house, where I came near getting into trouble again. You see they fetched me by some water-melons and just picked up one and let it fall and sat down in the middle of the street and started to eat. The police would have arrested me but Dr. Roberts paid for the melon, and was contented to take me to my stopping place. You see I have been spending the summer with Bishop James A. Handy, and I am fully prepared to tell you that in my opinion, Bishop Handy is one of the greatest men in the A. M. E. Church. He is as honest as the days are long, strictly independent, and a man from the shoulder, full of backbone and pluck.

After remaining around all night, and my head getting the swelling out, bright and early last Saturday morning I decided to go with Dr. Roberts, his wife and my private secretary to Washington, D. C. Reaching that place Dr. Roberts bought him a bed car and was informed that he would have to leave at 3 o'clock that same day for his home in St. Augustine, Fla. We went up to see Hon. James W. Lyons and his friend Hon. C. F. Adams. Mr. Adams writes his name on all the United States money and in doing this great work he is assisted by Mr. C. F. Adams, who is present. (Continued on Fifth page.)

COUNTY TEACHERS HOLD INSTITUTE.

Epworth League Well Attended—A Rising Young Eloqu Coast—Quarterly Conference Held—Notes and News.

(Special to The Afro-American Ledger.) Frederick, Md., September 5th.—The Epworth League meeting on Tuesday evening was largely attended, many of the school teachers who were here in attendance on the Teacher's Institute being present and taking part in the exercises. Miss Wise, one of our young ladies entertained the audience with some fine recitations. Miss West is a fine eloquist and will be heard from before long. She is a daughter of Mr. Wm. Wise of W. Alleaists St.

The County Teachers Institute which was in session here nearly all last week was well attended by both white and colored teachers. Many interesting papers were read and the discussions were at times lively.

Rev. C. H. Young, held his quarterly meeting at Quinn A. M. E. Church, last Friday night. Rev. Young makes a model presiding Elder.

At Quinn A. M. E. Church last Sunday, the Rev. A. Bandy preached morning and evening to large audiences. A good collection was taken at each service. Rev. G. D. Pinkney, the pastor of Asbury M. E. Church preached at both services.

Rev. Towns held usual services at the First Baptist Church.

Mr. Joseph Thomas of Baltimore, Mr. William Cole, wife and children of York Pa., and Miss Margaret Gray of Washington are visiting their friends in this city.

Mr. Edward Taylor of Pittsburg is visiting his mother, Mrs. Julia Taylor of All Saints Street.

Mrs. Amanda Gaither is at Westminster visiting her sickly mother, Mrs. William Gray of Harrisburg. He is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Nettie Whiten.

Mr. Eli Sweden has gone to Pittsburg on a visit.

Mrs. Eliza Brighton has gone to Washington to visit her mother, Mrs. Snowden Key, who is quite sick.

HONORED IN HIS OLD HOME.

Rev. Dr. Jenkins Plans A Reception In Honor of Mr. Booker T. Washington And Several Other Notables. Addresses By Members of The Charleston Bar.

(Special to The Afro-American Ledger.) Charleston, W. Va., Aug. 27.—A rousing reception was tendered Prof. Booker T. Washington, and his guests T. Thomas Fortune, of New York, John H. Smiley, of Chicago, E. E. Cooper, editor of the Colored American, and W. E. B. DuBois, of Atlanta, Ga., by the Scientific Literary and Historical Center of the Simpson Methodist Episcopal Church, of this city. It was a most brilliant and up-to-date affair. This is the home of Mr. Washington. The reception was conceived and planned by the Rev. G. W. Jenkins, D. D., pastor of the church, and also the founder of the organization named for Mr. Washington. Clayton E. Kimbrough, Samuel P. Leftwich and Philip Waters, members of the Charleston bar, made addresses. Mr. Kimbrough making the address of welcome. The prayer was offered by Dr. Jenkins. Mr. Washington and his guests were much impressed by the Rev. Jenkins' efforts. Dr. H. T. Gamble presided at the meeting with easy and marked dignity.

The C. & O. railroad placed at the disposal of Mr. Washington and his honored guests, a special coach to Gauley River fishing grounds, together with Dr. H. T. Gamble, Prof. Prettyman, Philip Waters and others.

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News and Notes From Carolina County—A Visitors From Texas Come. (Special to The Afro-American Ledger.)

Donor, Md., Aug. 30.—The Afro-American has many admirers in our town who would like to be regularly supplied with the paper. We are on the lookout for some responsible and energetic person to act as agent here, and would like our editor to help us.

Denton is experiencing her busiest season. A very large number of our people are working in the canneries. There is work for all who want it.

Mrs. Bettie Bailey of Houston, Tex., who has been on a visit to her mother-in-law, Mrs. Caroline Bailey, left on Friday, and is well pleased with Maryland people and Maryland hospitality. Before arriving home she will visit in Baltimore and Washington. Her husband, Mr. Isaac Bailey, is a native of Denton, and is one of Houston's successful merchants.

NO RESULTS FROM THE CONFERENCE.

Nothing Left for Strikers But to Accept Company's Terms.

SITUATION LEFT IN STATUS QUO.

President Shaffer's Only Remark When Shown the Announcement of the Adjudgment Without Decision Was: "I Have No Comment to Make"—He Would Say No More on the Subject.

Strike at mills of American Sheet Steel Company and American Steel Hoop Company has lasted 66 days.

Strike at mills of American Tinplate Company has lasted 52 days.

General strike at all Steel Trust mills has lasted 25 days.

Estimated number of Amalgamated Association members on strike, 11,000.

Others made idle by the strike of the skilled men, or who struck through sympathy, 64,000.

Total men idle, 75,000.

Estimated loss in wages to date, \$10,000,000.

The loss of the Steel Trust to date has been variously estimated at from \$10,000,000 to \$25,000,000, but approximately accurate figures have not been made public.

New York (Special).—Peace might have ended the long struggle between the United States Steel Corporation and its employees had Theodore J. Shaffer, president of the Amalgamated Association, consented to the terms proposed to him by telephone.

A committee of mediators arrived here and induced C. M. Schwab, executive head of the steel company, to agree to what Mr. Schwab considers several concessions. The results of the conference with Mr. Schwab were communicated to Mr. Shaffer over the long-distance wire to Pittsburgh. Mr. Shaffer, as president of the Amalgamated Association, refused to accept the terms, although urged to do so.

The principal concessions which Mr. Schwab made—one with reference to union mills—was regarded by him as generous. Briefly they were as follows: That work should be resumed at all the mills at once.

That all the union mills which the strikers had closed should be reopened as union mills, and that the mills formerly controlled by the union which the company had succeeded in reopening should continue non-union plants.

GOEBEL CONSPIRATORS FIGHT.

James Howard Seriously Injures Cabel Powers in Jail.

Frankfort, Ky. (Special).—James Howard and ex-Secretary of State Cabel Powers, convicted as Goebel murderer-conspirators, quarreled in jail here. Howard threw a heavy inkstand at Powers, striking him on the head. He was knocked down and held profusely.

Powers was unconscious for 35 minutes, and it was at first thought his skull had been fractured, but Dr. De Maree said that he could find no evidence of a fracture. Symptoms of concussion developed and a slight paralysis of the left arm and side appeared. Dr. De Maree would not state how serious he thought the wound might prove, but intimated that he considered his patient's condition serious.

KILLED BY HER ANGRY LOVER.

She Was Only Fifteen, and Refused to Marry Him Until a Few Years Older.

Philadelphia (Special).—Lucia Paquale, aged 15 years, was shot and killed by Carmine Picardi, aged 25, who afterwards killed himself. Carmine and Lucia had frequently urged the girl to marry. Her parents favored the suit, but objected to their daughter's marriage at such an early age.

Picardi visited the house of the Paquales and renewed his importunities. The girl told him to wait a few years. Becoming enraged, he drew a revolver and shot her three times. He then turned the revolver on himself, sending a bullet through his brain.

Suppression of a Play.

Havana (Special).—Civil Governor Nunez has suppressed a French play, translated into Spanish, which had been presented at the Pavre Theatre by a Spanish company. The play is entitled "The Kings of Uncle Sam." Senior Nunez describes it as "an insult to American womanhood." La Lueta, protesting against the production in the strongest terms, says: "This play consists of vile and useless malevolence, which is heaped upon the entire American nation instead of a small group."

May Lynch a Tramp.

Weeping Water, Neb. (Special).—A tramp last Saturday attempted a felonious assault on the 6-year-old daughter of Walter Perry, who lives four miles west of this town. A 4-year-old brother called his mother, who frightened the tramp away. Monday morning the father of the child found a tramp answering the description of the one wanted hiding in the quarry here, and compelled him at pistol point to return home with him for identification. He gave the name of Lingell, is white, and 35 years old.

Georgia Bank Cashier Disappears.

Savannah, Ga. (Special).—Cashier C. Lechner of the Bank of Timmonsville and the owner of valuable vineyards and real estate at Griffin, Ga., is missing, and the police throughout the country have been asked to find him. The disappearance is veiled in mystery, and the officers have been unable as yet to obtain a single clew upon which to work. The directors have not had an opportunity to carefully examine the books, but have found the cash all right.

Carnegie Rewards Brave Miners.

London (By Cable).—Andrew Carnegie has given £100 (about \$500) each to Messrs. Sheldon, Law, Jones and Dick, miners who displayed conspicuous bravery in the rescue of their comrades at the time of the recent Donbribristle colliery disaster.

Masked Robber on a Wheel.

Sydney, N. S. W. (By Cable).—A masked cyclist held up the White Cliffs-Hilciana mail coach, wounded a passenger, secured the mails and opals valued at \$1400 (\$7000), and escaped.

SUMMARY OF THE LATEST NEWS.

Domestic.

Admiral Schley has made a request of the Navy Department that a number of witnesses whom he expects to call before the court of inquiry be brought to Washington at this time in order to permit conferences between them and counsel. Acting Secretary Hackett advised the Admiral that if he will furnish a list of those he desires to come they will be brought to Washington.

The Navy Department has no official information as to the condition of Admiral Sampson. Some private letters have been received, however. Mr. Sampson states that the Admiral is considerably improved.

By a vote of 287 to 13 the National Association of Stationary Engineers, in session at Rochester, voted down a proposed amendment to the association's constitution to convert it into a labor organization.

In a communication to the State Department Consul General Mason, at Berlin, says that Northern France and Switzerland are preparing to receive American coal.

The twenty-seventh annual convention of the American Bankers' Association will meet in Milwaukee September 24 to 26.

Vice-President Roosevelt, who left Chicago for the East, says that since January 1 he has received 2000 invitations to speak.

The Colorado and Southern Railway will experiment with electricity as motor power on its suburban lines.

The National Association of Manufacturers decided to call a reciprocity convention, the date to be named later. Suit was instituted in Trenton, N. J., to compel the directors of the Electric Vehicle Company to pay back into the treasury of the company \$380,000 alleged to have been illegally paid in dividends.

District of Columbia Day was celebrated at the Pan-American Exposition. Henry B. F. McFarland, president of the Board of Commissioners of the District, being the orator.

Herman Dieder, a machinist in Philadelphia, who is on strike, was arrested on the charge of choking his wife because she prevented him from committing suicide.

Robert W. Blair withdrew from his candidacy for lieutenant governor on the Republican ticket because he was not 30 years old, as required by the Constitution.

The twentieth annual convention of the National Association of Stationary Engineers opened in Rochester, N. Y., with over 1000 delegates and alternates.

Michael Farrell, alleged to be a clever forger, who is wanted in various cities, was arrested in New York on the charge of raising a check on the Hamilton Bank.

Penitentiary has appointed her delegate to the International Conference of American States, assuring the holding of the Pan-American Congress.

At the Virginia Constitutional Convention arguments were made for and against submitting the Constitution to the whole body of voters.

Edward M. Lingell, a tramp who had assaulted a little girl in Weeping Water, Neb., was twice struck up by a mob and then allowed to go.

The Industrial Commission elected Col. Albert Clarke, of Boston, to succeed the late Senator Kyle as president of the commission.

The annual Morgans Grove Fair began at the fair grounds, near Shepherds town, W. Va., under very favorable auspices.

Vice-President Roosevelt was an attraction at the Minnesota State Fair in Minneapolis. He made an address at the fair and was banqueted at night.

U. Burd Cossell was nominated for Congress by the Republicans to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late Congressman Brosius.

George Carter was held for the grand jury in Norfolk, Va., on the charge of attempting a criminal assault on Mrs. Ella Jeffries.

Foreign.

Minister Conger is taking steps to reclaim the small American concession at Tien Tsin, as it is needed for military uses. He reports that the Chinese have again delayed signing the edict because of the foreign ministers insisting upon the discontinuance of civil service examinations in large Chinese cities.

Prince Chun arrived at Potsdam with his suite, and Emperor William will receive him to-day at the New Palace. The Prince will then convey the apology from his government for the murder of Baron von Ketteler, German ambassador at Peking.

A commotion was caused in the Trades Union Congress in Swansea by suits instituted by various employers for damages under a recent decision of the House of Lords.

Nineteen American bishops and 270 delegates from the United States will participate in the Ecumenical Methodist Conference, which opens to-day in London.

Soon after the Czar's arrival in Copenhagen Russian detectives arrested two suspected anarchists on the castle grounds.

Dr. Krause, the former governor of Johannesburg, was remained in London on the charge of high treason.

King Edward of England announced a commission to investigate Dr. Koch's tuberculosis theory.

The Boers have looted Barrydale, 140 miles from Cape Town.

Munir Bey, the Turkish ambassador to France, returned to Paris and held a fete in honor of the Sultan, whereupon he was ordered to leave France immediately. Turkish troops are rioting because they have not been paid. Disorders and military uprisings are reported in Albania and Macedonia.

Marie Josephine Eastwick, of Philadelphia, had a preliminary hearing in the Guild Hall Police Court in London, on the charge of forging a railway certificate of the value of £100,000.

The French representatives of Constantinople went on an excursion to avoid participation in the exercises in honor of the Sultan's birthday.

Financial.

The First National Bank of Chicago has \$74,000,000 deposits and the shares are 367 bid.

The value of Mexican imports were \$55,000,000, and the value of exports were \$84,000,000.

CHUN VISITS KAISER WILLIAM.

Chinese Prince Fulfills His Mission to Germany.

LETTER WRITTEN IN YELLOW INK.

The Conciliatory Attitude of the Emperor is Due to the Energetic Intervention of Count von Buelow, Who Judged It Advisable to Put an End to the Unpleasant Incident.

Berlin (By Cable).—Emperor William's reception of the Chinese mission of expiation, headed by Prince Chun, which took place at Potsdam, was marked with all the severity consistent with an audience nominally friendly. The Chinese imperial envoy on entering the palace was not accorded a salute by the Guard du Corps. The Kaiser received him seated. The buttons and epaulettes of His Majesty's white uniform were enveloped in ermine.

Prince Chun bowed thrice on entering and leaving. Emperor William remained seated during the reading of the Chinese address. Afterward, however, he relaxed his stern demeanor and welcomed the envoy courteously, and subsequently, accompanied by his adjutant, he called upon Prince Chun at the Orangerie. Later in the evening the Emperor, Prince Chun and a dozen members of the expiatory mission took tea on an island in the Spre.

The Emperor had evidently arranged the entire ceremony with a view to impressing Prince Chun with the feeling that the ceremony meant expiation for a foul crime, and that only through expiation had Prince Chun acquired the right to be treated with princely honors. Not until after the ceremony did the atmosphere change, and the troops outside having saluted and the band having played, Hussars escorted Prince Chun back to the Orangerie.

World's Fair at St. Louis.

Mr. William H. Thompson Drives the First Stake at Forest Park.

St. Louis, Mo. (Special).—The first stake of the world's fair to be held in this city in 1903 to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Louisiana purchase was driven Tuesday at Forest Park.

Officers and directors of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition Company, municipal officials and others assembled on the site near the structural center of the grounds, and there the stake was driven by William H. Thompson, president of the National Bank of Commerce, who acted in his official capacity of chairman of the committee on the grounds and buildings.

According to the plans adopted by the commission of architects, the principal building—Agricultural, Mines and Minerals, Fisheries, Transportation and Fine Arts—will be built on foundation lines radiating from the point where the first stake was driven.

DARING TRAIN ROBBERY.

Express Car of Cotton Belt Passenger Looted Near Texarkana—Safe Dynamited and Large Amount Secured.

Texarkana, Ark. (Special).—No. 1 Cotton Belt passenger train, leaving Texarkana at 9:25 p. m., in charge of Conductor Armstrong and Engineer Henderson, was held up and robbed near Elyton, four miles south of Texarkana.

The train was flagged by one of the robbers, who forced the fireman to get back and cut off the mail and baggage cars, and returning, forced the engineer to give up the management of his engine. One of the robbers, who it appears is an expert engineer, ran the engine, mail and express cars about a mile from the point where the first stop was made, and forced the express messenger to open his car. The robbers then blew open the safe with dynamite, securing, it is said, a very large amount of booty.

The robbers, after securing the loot, cut off the engine from the mail and express cars, and forcing Engineer Henderson to get off, they took the engine, in charge of the robber engineer, and went south at full speed. No passengers were molested. They were, however, badly frightened, and concealed their valuables. The robbers were evidently in possession of all facts concerning this particular shipment of money, together with a schedule of the train, as their scheme was successful in every respect.

The suspect character of the scene on board the head end of the train on leaving Texarkana. Railroad employees here are confident that the robbery was committed by railroad men, from the manner in which they superintended the cutting off of the cars and the handling of the engine.

After blowing open the express safe with dynamite, it is stated, the four robbers secured two sacks of loot. Engineer Henderson followed the robbers on a handcar which he had secured from a nearby section house. Henderson came up with his engine about four miles from the scene of the robbery. The machine had been deserted by the robbers. The bandits had escaped into the dense woods surrounding the track at this point.

GETTING FIERCER IN SOUTH AFRICA.

De Wet Said to Have Threatened to Shoot British.

THE MURDER OF SCOTS CHARGED.

It is Believed in Certain Circles That Negotiations of Some Kind Are Now in Progress in South Africa, and That the Government Desires All Premature Information to Be Withheld.

London (By Cable).—"De Wet has issued a proclamation," says a dispatch to the Daily Mail from Cape Town, "that he will shoot all British troops found in the Orange River Colony after September 15."

It is reported at Cape Town that Commandant Myburg has issued an order directing that all armed Colonials captured after September 15 are to be shot.

Captain Willis, with a patrol of 25 British from Quinhorn, was taken in ambush near Meiringspoort. He and two men escaped, three others were killed and four wounded, and the rest surrendered.

A well-mounted force of Boers has looted Barrydale, in the Swellendam district, 140 miles from Cape Town. The Boers' commando passed close to Montague yesterday and had a slight brush with the local scouts. The Boers had spare horses and were apparently well equipped. A column of troops has gone in pursuit.

A dispatch from Lord Kitchener, dated at Pretoria to-day, says: "Since August 26 the columns report 19 Boers killed, 3 wounded, 21 made prisoners, 127 surrendered, and that 104 rifles, 27,500 rounds of ammunition, 1700 horses and 7500 head of cattle have been captured."

The Colonial Office publishes a dispatch from the Governor of Cape Colony, Sir Walter Hely-Hutchinson, received September 11, declaring that the Boers, August 28, captured two unarmed British scouts near Haarekloof and shot them in cold blood.

The Daily Telegraph, in an editorial on the South African situation, says: "There is nothing to prevent Lord Milner from recognizing a government chosen from among the Boers who have already submitted and from arranging with them the terms of a general surrender. After such a formal peace had been made every man taken with arms would be liable to be shot as a rebel."

Another Victim of Explosion.

Philadelphia (Special).—Mrs. Edna Van Schaick, of Hightstown, N. J., who was frightfully injured in the steamer City of Trenton explosion, died in the House of Correction Hospital, the twenty-sixth victim, so far as known. The work of raising the boiler which exploded was begun and is proceeding rapidly. Divers expect to find several bodies under the boiler. There are still four patients in the House of Correction Hospital, one of whom, J. W. Hastings, of this city, is in a critical condition.

SOUTH AMERICA CAUSES ALARM.

Relations Between Venezuela and Colombia Are of a Serious Character.

Washington (Special).—The latest development in the Venezuelan-Colombian situation, viz., the withdrawal of the exequaturs of all the Colombian consuls in Venezuela, has increased the feeling of officials here that the relations between the two countries are still of a very serious character. In diplomatic circles especially the condition existing between these two republics is viewed with alarm, though their representatives here are without any recent information that will throw light on the situation. The withdrawal of the exequaturs of consuls is decided demonstration of unfriendliness to the country they represent, and leaves them powerless to transact any business. Such action usually accompanies a declaration of war or a state of hostilities. In the present instance it follows the withdrawal of the Colombian minister, Dr. Roco, from Caracas to Bogota. The latter's departure followed a stormy scene in the Venezuelan cabinet as a result of an effort of President Castro to give Dr. Roco his passports. Dr. Roco's subsequent leaving was entirely voluntary, but he felt that the situation between the two countries was so serious that it was preferable to communicate with his own government in person rather than through the mails.

The officials of the legations of the countries interested continue hopeful that war may be averted. The Colombians say that the people of both republics are opposed to any war and that the present troubles are due to the machinations of individuals with personal ends in view.

The navy department has been advised of the sailing of the battleship Iowa from New York to Panama, where she has been dispatched to look out for American interests during the revolutionary troubles on the Isthmus.

STRUCK A JEWELRY MINE.

\$6,000 Worth of Valuables Buried by Burglars Is Recovered.

Chicago (Special).—Unearthed, like buried treasure, in a rusty strong box, a glittering heap of jewelry, consisting of diamonds and other precious stones, watches, rings, pins, brooches and silverware, was brought to the police station here. It was the \$6000 worth of booty secured by the men who blew open the safe of B. J. Haggaman's jewelry store. Locked in a station cell are two men—Thomas Barry and James Clark—who the police are confident had a hand in the robbery. Barry's confession disclosed the hiding place of the loot, which was a watch lot not far from the scene of the robbery. Besides the \$6000 worth of jewelry, the safe contained \$5000 in cash. This was not recovered.

Earl Is Very Feeble.

Peking (By Cable).—Li Hung Chang is becoming more and more feeble and it is apparent to all his visitors that it is probably that he will never be able to act as chairman of the Council of State.

WOOD RETURNS TO CUBA.

Washington (Special).—Gen. Leonard Wood, Governor of Cuba, passed through Washington en route for his post of duty.

"I was forced to leave Havana," he said, "about two months ago on account of my health. I had a severe attack of typhoid fever, but two months on the coast of Maine has braced me up wonderfully, and I feel quite like another man."

"We are ready to turn over the government of Cuba to the Cubans whenever they are ready to receive it," he continued, discussing the political situation of the island. "I suppose it will be seven or eight months at least before the government is organized. They will have to prepare for the first election, and after it is held an interval of nearly four months will elapse before the second election is held, and after that comes the organization of the government. As far as the United States is concerned, we are ready to turn over the government at any time."

"I think the Cubans are very well satisfied with the condition of affairs, in spite of rumors which we hear from time to time of discontent. They elected their own constitutional convention and the convention adopted the constitution for the island, and I see no room for complaint."

SHARP FIGHT IN THE PHILIPPINES.

Colonel Gracias, Two Officers and Fifty Rebels Killed in a Battle.

Manila (By Cable).—Later accounts of the recent engagement in Batangas Province between Capt. H. C. Hale, with a detachment of the Twentieth Infantry, with the insurgent leader, Gonzales, show that it was more important than it was first considered. Many deserters and renegades were seen and heard giving commands in English. Colonel Gracias, two officers and fifty men were killed after an engagement lasting three hours.

Everything points to the early capture or surrender of Miguel Malvar, the insurgent leader. When either event occurs everything will be favorable to the establishment of permanent peace.

It is in the plans of the military authorities, as a first step toward reducing the force, to make two departments instead of four, which would result in a considerable saving. The headquarters of one department would be Manila and the other Iloilo. Each day shows an increasing number of surrenders and captures in all the disaffected districts.

Jealous Man on Rampage.

Corning, N. Y. (Special).—Miles E. German, a carpenter, shot his wife in the head with a revolver here, inflicting wounds from which she died two hours later. He afterward killed himself with the same weapon. Before shooting himself German fired at his mother-in-law, Mrs. A. D. Hollis, wounding her slightly in the head, and attempted to shoot his 6-year-old girl, but missed her. Just before killing himself German swallowed a dose of laudanum to make death certain. He is said to have been crazed by jealousy at seeing his wife in company with another man.

Accident After a Wreck.

Phoenixville, Pa. (Special).—A north-bound passenger train on the Schuylkill Valley Railroad collided with a freight train at Spring City, near here. A number of persons were slightly injured and several cars were wrecked. One of the freight cars was loaded with cans of oil, which exploded, setting fire to the train. The Spring City and Royersford fire departments extinguished the flames. While the wreckage was being removed from the track one of the cars slipped from the derrick, killing George Graham, of Spring City, and injuring three others.

J. P. MORGAN'S BIG COAL COMBINE.

All the Soft Coal Companies in Gigantic Corporation.

HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS.

All the Bituminous Coal-mining Companies of Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, West Virginia and Kentucky Are Concerned—Preliminary Arrangements to Be Made at a Meeting in New York.

Pittsburg, Pa. (Special).—All the bituminous coal-mining companies of Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, West Virginia and Kentucky are to be consolidated into one great corporation by the J. P. Morgan syndicate. The enormous proportions of this corporation can hardly be realized. The fact that the Pittsburg Coal Company, with its capital of \$64,000,000, and the Monongahela River Consolidated Coal and Coke Company, with its capital of \$30,000,000, are to be included in the great consolidation brings the matter strongly before Pittsburg coal operators. These two corporations practically control all the output in the Pittsburg district and extend their operations well down toward West Virginia in two directions. Officers of these companies are expecting to attend a meeting of the coal operators in New York at which the preliminary steps toward the formation of the greater combine will be taken.

Other interests that will be represented from the Pennsylvania fields will be from the Berwind-White Company, the newer Fairmont Company and a large number of smaller corporations of this kind. Still other interests to be represented will be from Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky and West Virginia, where during the past few months movements have been afoot for the consolidation of the coal interests of these States into State corporations for those particular fields. The railroads are also taking a keen interest in the project, and, owing to the Morgan interests predominating in that field, the consolidation is looked upon as being unusually strong.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company, the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company and Western roads all under the Morgan influence are associated, it is said, in the great movement which promises to rival in importance the recent organization of the United States Steel Corporation.

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Constitutional Convention Has Concluded Its Important Work.

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Change in Cuban Trade.

Some figures relating to the export and import trade of Cuba for the first seven months of this year, as compared with a similar period last year, indicate that radical changes are going on and that the United States and other North American countries are the sufferers in this turn of trade. Thus it is shown that the exports from Cuba for the period mentioned this year were valued at \$38,933,920 as against \$43,460,055 for the same period last year, while the imports for the same period were worth \$26,957,817 as against \$10,955,492 for the corresponding period in 1902.

The imports from the United States diminished 6.1 per cent, and that of other North American countries 15.6 per cent, while Cuba shipped to the United States during the same period 11.1 per cent more goods than during the preceding year, and to the other North American countries 148.8 per cent more.

Punishment of Filipino "Bandits."

The outrages committed by armed guerrillas and bandits against innocent Filipinos continue to be rigorously dealt with by the authorities in the Philippines. The records in about 26 cases were received at the War Department. They show that the death penalty was inflicted upon 13 murderers by military commissions and that five offenders were sentenced to hard labor of from 15 to 30 years.

Our New Possessions.

Dr. Pardo de Tavera, Benito Legarda and Jose Luzeraga have taken the oath of office as members of the Philippine Commission.

The Philippine Commission is considering the advisability of abolishing the income tax and of making other changes in internal revenue.

Dr. Krause, former governor of Johannesburg and a prominent official of the Transvaal government, has been arrested in London on a charge of high treason.

Two new political parties are in process of formation in Luzon, Senor Paterno heading one and Senor Pubad the other. Both favor the ultimate independence of the Philippines.

W. J. Bryson's New Paper.

Washington (Special).—The "National Watchman" Publishing Company filed a bill of sale transferring to William Jennings Bryan the plant and newspaper known as the "Silver Knight Watchman." The consideration mentioned was \$5.

Landslide in Cleveland Kills Three.

Cleveland (Special).—Three men were killed and three others severely injured in a landslide at the new Lake Shore bridge over the boulevard entrance to Gordon Park.

NATIONAL CAPITAL AFFAIRS.

The Public Debt.

The monthly statement of the public debt just issued shows that at the close of business August 31, 1901, the debt less cash in the Treasury amounted to \$1,036,349,866, a decrease for the month of \$5,400,597. The debt is recapitulated as follows:

Interest-bearing debt, \$982,640,090.00. Debt on which interest has ceased since maturity, \$1,303,620.00. Debt bearing no interest, \$382,874,411.00. Total, \$1,366,321,221.00. This amount, however, does not include \$780,031,689 in certificates and Treasury notes outstanding, which are offset by an equal amount of cash held for their redemption.

The total cash in the Treasury is \$1,198,840,459, against which there are \$2,564,161,679 in liabilities outstanding amounting to \$868,860,103, leaving a cash balance on hand of \$339,971,355.

Canal Use the Mails.

The Postoffice Department to-day issued a "fraud order" against the Mutual Fidelity Company of Delaware, J. S. Munsell, president; J. S. Munsell, general manager; and Robert S. Jordan, general superintendent of agencies, at Norfolk, Va. This company has agencies in various parts of the United States and Canada, and is one of the mutual investment companies which the Department holds, conduct business on lottery principles.

Some time ago the companies and the department agreed upon the manner in which the business should be conducted. An alleged violation of this agreement by the Mutual Fidelity company is given as the ground for the fraud order. The postmasters of cities where the company conducts agencies will be notified not to deliver mail to the company or cash money order for it. The Mutual Fidelity Company is said to have been one of the most successful of these companies, its receipts averaging \$30,000 to \$30,000 a month.

Chance for Young Doctors.

Seventy-six vacancies exist in the Medical Department of the army, for which there are comparatively few candidates, considering the usual eagerness of entering here the rank and pay of a first lieutenant, and generally promotion is more rapid than in the line of the service.

Medical boards are now sitting in Washington and at San Francisco and will

PROMINENT PEOPLE. Marquis Ito, of Japan, has abandoned his proposed American tour.

SPORTING BREVITIES. Phelps E. Hoyt has won the Western golf championship.

FLOWERS FOR THE APPETITE. Part They Play in Increasing a Hotel Guest's Bill.

NOTES AND COMMENTS. In spite of the scientists, some persons are unscientific enough to believe that the only good mosquito is a dead mosquito.

Political Notices. For Clerk of Circuit Court No. 2, Thos. A. Robinson, ELECTION, Tuesday, November 5, 1901.

JUDICIOUS ADVERTISING PAYS. 50 YEARS' EXPERIENCE. PATENTS. TRADE MARK DESIGNS.

DOES IT PAY? Edition, Bell, Howe, Singer, McCormick, and other millinaire inventors began life poor.

A Youthful Promoter. A horse-man had an amusing experience near the Speedway a few days ago.

Diamonds have been rising in price on account of the South African war, although the supply from Brazil has been considerably increased.

RAILROADS. WESTERN MARYLAND RAILROAD. Taking Effect June 25th 1901. Trains leave Elliot Station, as follows:

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Parliamentary Sitings. Parliamentary sittings in the early days began generally at 8 o'clock in the morning.

The story of John Winters, the San Francisco thief who stole over \$500,000 in gold bullion from a melting company and hid it in the Bay, reads like a rather improbable, or indeed impossible, romance.

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The Missing Link. In the jungles of Southeastern Asia and the islands near by, which have long been known to science as the cradle of the human race, and which are still inhabited by the very lowest orders of human beings, the pithecanthropus lives with the elephant, tapir, rhinoceros, lion, hippopotamus, gigantic pangolin, hyena, and other animals, remains of which were found around him.

The Fulmar Petrel. The fulmar petrel somewhat resembles a common gull at a distance, but has a much more graceful flight, skimming the waves, or hovering by the cliffs, without perceptible motion of its wings.

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A Night Thought. It must occur to every honest man when he looks at his bare feet at night that great credit for his personal appearance is due to his shoes.

Prince Henry of Orleans, who died in Cochinchina the other day, was marked for a profligate career from the beginning. No one of his stock and the same circumstances of birth could have eluded the destiny which he fulfilled.

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It is said "All things come to those who wait." The Appeal came to our office this week.

"Don't call him 'Jim Crow' but 'James'" suggests a Baltimore teacher in Washington society.

For the next nine months "Old Rome will howl," because college and universities will open.

The National Baptist Convention convenes in Cincinnati next Wednesday. This is a large and representative body of colored men and women.

"Resolved that the First Baptist Church acted wrong in excluding Editor John Mitchell, Jr. from Church and heaven," is a good topic for the 20th Century literary societies to discuss.

The Star of Zion declines to go into prayer meeting with the National Baptist Union. Get your "marb'e yard dictionary" Bro. Star and go to the "censuring" that you did in marble days, or call on the Christian Recorder to settle the question. Dr. Johnson can decide which is the greatest printing house.

Burning men to death in some of the Southern States seems to be the latest fad. All that is needed now is the man eater and the United States can be classed as the land of "Cannibalism."

The Pathfinder rises to inform the public that Miss Delilah Lampton, the daughter of Dr. E. W. Lampton, made a first grade certificate in Greenville, and has been appointed to teach in that city. The girls of our race are fast adopting as their standard, religion, education and character.

The Washington Bee thinks it well for the leading Negroes to hold a Conference in Washington to memorialize Congress and the President to put a stop to lynching.

If the Bee can convince us, beyond a doubt that the President and Congress, and in fact, the whole Republican party are not almost if not entirely indifferent to the welfare of the Negro, except so far as their votes may help to keep them in power, we will consider the suggestion. Otherwise we do not think any good can be accomplished.

The Western Star furnishes the following item to its readers: "Mr. Harry Shod wants a wife. She must be good looking, have good hair and be industrious and as bright as possible. He is a fine mechanic and makes sufficient to support any good, yellow lady who wants a good husband. From this color cuts a big figure in Texas.

OUR BUSINESS RELATIONS. The last meeting in Chicago of colored men representing various business enterprises throughout the country serve to emphasize the prime importance of that end of our progress which have to do with business expansion.

The reports made to the recent convention were quite gratifying as well as inspiring. Few colored persons of aver-

age intelligence can read the triumphs and achievements of their poor brethren in the face of formidable obstacles without feeling a mighty thrill of enthusiastic endeavor. One result of these gatherings will be the strengthening of a timid spirit of business endeavor which pervades many a young colored man desirous of starting out in the business world. Such will feel a little stronger in view of what has been accomplished by others and will be more inclined to make the attempt by reason of the fresh enthusiasm and strength gathered from a perusal of the proceedings of such a meeting.

There is no good reason why our people should indolently continue in abstinence from business and mercantile pursuits. We need more business men. At this stage of our racial advance the business man is really more needed than the politician. That we can succeed in business, and make money therein ought to be accepted without a doubt, since our common wants must be supplied from some source and the mutual and inter-co-operation along such a line would insure our mutual success therein. We must keep alive the business spirit and do what we can to encourage our young men with such praiseworthy ambition.

WE ARE SATISFIED - FOR THE PRESENT. A few weeks ago we inserted an advertisement in our columns that we would send the Afro-American Ledger to any one that sent us twenty-five cents, from August 1st till the end of the year. We wished to celebrate our anniversary by introducing the Ledger into as many families as possible, believing that after having the paper in their homes for five months they would not willingly go without it. We are highly gratified with the many responses we have received and the Afro-American Ledger has been introduced into an unnumbered of new homes. We trust that those who have seen fit to subscribe to our terms will be as well satisfied with us as we are with them.

Our subscription list has been augmented by a large list of names from Maryland, Virginia, North and South Carolina, Georgia, Arkansas and as far West as Wyoming.

We wish to return our many thanks to our many friends who have recommended the Afro-American Ledger to their friends and promise them that we have better things in store for them in the future.

We intend to give our friends a new surprise within a couple of weeks. We are determined to introduce the Afro-American Ledger to as many people as possible, and will do so if we have given them the paper in order to get them to read it. When once they have read it we are satisfied what the result will be. Look out for our great offer. The greatest offer ever made by a Negro newspaper.

AN EDUCATIONAL TURNING POINT

Wherever there is today any thing like an efficient separate school system for colored children, it represents the results of a diverse but gradual growth from insignificant beginnings, in the face of intense opposition and many intricate difficulties. The large and increasing number of well behaved, self-respecting and thrifty colored people, in every community, are almost wholly responsible for every favorable advance and improvement made in the system. Through patient waiting, watchfulness and proper activity we have witnessed great improvements in our schools. So marked has been that progress that the first year of the twentieth century finds Baltimore inaugurating plans for still higher amelioration and benefit of its colored citizens.

No better evidence of the sincere desire of the better class of white citizens, with respect to colored teachers for colored schools, can be cited than the determination of our present School Board to start the High School off this year with an entire faculty of well-equipped colored teachers. Thus they begin at the very root, and with the fountain what it should be, it is hardly necessary for us to state, that great things are expected of this new faculty in our High School. It rests largely with them to demonstrate the superiority of race teachers, for the race, under very peculiar conditions which surround us on every hand. They can make such a record of service and acceptable work as will prove convincing, beyond a single doubt, the wisdom of their appointment, or they can by indifference and disinclination prove a mill-stone and a tremendous burden in the way of racial advance. But while this is possible, it is by no means probable. We have every reason to rejoice, in anticipation of the good work issuing from the new faculty of our High School. We wish them the fullest success and bid them God-speed.

The Colored Young Men's Christian Association building is undergoing some extensive repairs. The inside has been neatly painted and now the outside is undergoing the same treatment. The Association is engaged in a work of trying to relieve itself from debt; and during the coming season will endeavor to pay off its indebtedness on the building. The young men have set about to raise one thousand dollars to do it. Mr. P. A. Gaines, the general secretary is doing good work and inspiring the men under him to do the same.

SCORES A POINT.

Mr. Annie Owl Takes Opportunity To Give The Young Folks A Reasoning-Moreover The Editor Agrees With Her.

Since I wrote my last letter, I have seen and heard many things. I will not tell you just what I have seen, but I must tell something which I have heard, and I hope my grand-father and adopted father will find no fault with what I am going to say, because I am not going to say anything about the "Grand-Father Clause," for you know that is politics and the Eastern Star and politics don't mix. I am a reporter for the Eastern Star, it is true, and not of politics, so I will not talk politics.

Well, I took a flight out to Raspe's Grove one night, and I will tell you what I heard. You know there are lots of trees in the grove, and a good place for owls, night hawks, etc. to hide. Well there were three young men talking and discussing the financial condition of the Negro race, and one of them a very prominent school teacher, and a big Mason, said: "Unfortunately our fathers did not know the value of a dollar." Now I think that this remark was rather strong, for if the young men had taken the trouble to look back and review the past condition of our fathers, their privileges and the value of the dollar, they would have found that they not only appreciated the value of the dollar, but they practically demonstrated it. Had the remarks been that some of our fathers had failed to appreciate the value of a dollar, I could have taken no exceptions, because there are some who have proved beyond a doubt that they know and feel the present value of a dollar and the fruits of that knowledge are being enjoyed by many young men today, and would be more so could they fully appreciate the legacy left them. Such men as John W. Locks, Charles Caldwell, Joseph Thornton, Nathaniel Volery, Osbourne Barley, Samuel Donahue and Wm. J. Gray and others, and there are some of our fathers still living to whom we owe a debt to us as a contradiction and are fit criteria for the young men to go by. In the person of Messrs John H. Butler, John H. Smith, Joseph H. Cooper, Bishop James Handy and others. It may be judicially ascertained by some young men today, but they did not which they thought best, or it may be they failed to throw around the dollar those necessary safeguards, or were over-confident in those they trusted.

No matter, let the cause be what it may, it is time that the young men stop whining about our fathers this, and our fathers that, and get to work. How you own row and paddle your own canoe. If you see the mistakes of your father correct them—fore-warned is fore-armed. Do not talk but act. I venture the assertion that our fathers did better with all their disadvantages, than some of the young men of today, with all of their opportunities and knowledge. I do not mean all young men, because I am proud to say that there are some who know and appreciate the value of a dollar and are not putting it away in the coffers of a railroad and steamboat Co. but are investing it in such a manner as will, in the future, go a long way toward the recognition of the Negro as a man. But there was one investment made by our fathers that should not be overlooked and one that I regard as the very best investment, one that will increase principal and accumulate interest and compound interest. The dollar invested in brains—for our fathers spent many a dollar putting something into the heads of their children, and much of the education of many of the young folk of today is the result of hard toil at the wash tub, lumber wagon, the drag, the horse and white wash brush.

Let our fathers have peace. What they lacked in the proper use of the dollar, they made up for in the proper application of the bullet and bayonet, which assisted materially in opening the avenues for the aforesaid young men.

ANNE M. OWL.

LITERATURE.

Mr. Cleveland on Fishing. Mr. Cleveland's next contribution to the Saturday Evening Post, of Philadelphia, will be an extremely readable paper in which he sings the praises of his favorite sport. The review of the Fisherman shows very pleasantly the genial "unofficial" side of the former President.

In an early issue of the Saturday Evening Post, Dr. Nansen, the eminent Arctic Explorer, will describe the various pole-seeking expeditions of the year. The importance of this paper lies in the author's comments, and his predictions as to the success of the different parties.

The September Magazine Number of the Outlook contains but a dozen or more fully illustrated articles, an equal number of full-page portraits of men and women of the day, a long section of the new novel by Ralph Connor, the author of The Sky Pilot, called The Man from Glenarry, and the usual carefully prepared history of the week, editorials, book reviews, etc. Among the more notable illustrated articles is that on Pittsburgh, by Lillian W. Estes, originally illustrated from many photographs lately taken for the purpose by Mr. Henry Hoyt Moore. Mr. Rih's "The Making of an American" is also very fully illustrated; the chapter in this issue tells the story of New York police reform under Commissioner Roosevelt. Other illustrated articles are The New Bishop of London, by William Dunbar, in the Cotton Fields by Max Bennett Thraaser, and A Philippine Education: An Exhibit. (\$3 a year. The Outlook Company, 287 Fourth Avenue, N. Y.)

GRAND U. O. TRUE REFORMERS.

Richmond, Va., Sept. 4.—The Grand Fountain of the Order of True Reformers commenced its sessions here yesterday with the largest delegation it has ever known. Over one thousand delegates are here from nearly all parts of the United States. Over 300 visitors accompany the delegates. Two hundred and sixty Bonanzas have been organized during the year. Maryland is represented by nearly 40 delegates among whom are the following: B. W. Rivers, Chief of the Baltimore Division; Rev. E. W. Scott, J. H. Robertson, Mrs. Hannah H. Queen, Miss Victoria Gray, secretary of the Baltimore Division; Miss Hannah E. Hayes, Hezekiah Brown and Robert Neal.

DISTRICT GRAND LODGE.

District Grand Lodge of the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows held their annual session at Lutherville, Baltimore County Md., last week. A large amount of business was transacted and the annual election of officers took place. The Convention was called to order by District Grand Master M. S. Cottman. The sessions were held in the Edgewood Methodist Chapel. The secretary, M. V. P. George W. Carroll read the annual report which showed that the order was prospering and its assets netted \$27,282.80. There was \$4,132.20 paid last year in sick benefits and \$2,285.26 for funeral expenses and \$386.37 for the relief of widows and orphans. There is a cash balance in the treasury of \$12,737.10.

Addresses are delivered by the grand master and others. At the annual election of officers which followed the following officers were elected: Julius C. Johnson, district grand master; Joseph I. Garrett, district deputy grand master; George W. Carroll, district grand secretary; Thomas Braxton, district grand treasurer; Ware W. Conway, district grand director; James Gardner, John Coppin, James Daniels, Lambert Johnson, and Wm. Johnson, trustees. The next annual meeting will be held at Princess Anne, Md., August 1902. Mr. George W. Carroll, who was elected district secretary has held that office for the past sixteen years. This speaks well for the fidelity of Mr. Carroll.

SPARROWS POINT PICKINGS.

(Special to The Afro-American Ledger.) Sparrows Point, Md.—Sept. 6.—Last Sunday the churches were well attended and the folks having returned from their sojourn at the various camp meetings. Rev. S. A. Virgil preached at the regular services. Prayer meeting and Love Feast was well attended. At the Baptist Church the services were lively and well attended. Rev. Henry Booker preached at the morning service and the Rev. McKinley at the evening service. Miss Triand of Philadelphia is visiting friends here. Mrs. Helen Cooper and Mrs. Simpson of Baltimore were the guests of Mrs. Marsh on last Sunday. Miss Lena Kelly has returned home to Virginia after spending a few pleasant days with us.

EDUCATIONAL.

Maryland Industrial and Agricultural School. The Maryland Industrial and Agricultural School at Laurel will begin its first session, Wednesday October 30, 1901.

OBJECT: This school will devote itself not only to the literary education of its pupils, but will emphasize especially their industrial and agricultural training under competent instructors.

LOCATION: The prominence on which the school is founded is several hundred feet above the level of the sea, and the conditions conducive to health are perfect. The school is located on the Washington Branch of the Baltimore and Ohio R. R. Train service ample, 33 a day. The site is just a pleasant 10 minutes' walk from the depot, but upon notifying the President, all students will be met by the school bus.

TERMS: Board \$7 per month. Tuition \$1, per month. Room rent \$1, per month. Each student will be expected to provide himself with bed covers and a lamp. The institution will furnish bed-stead, mattress, chair, table and fuel. Pupils will furnish their own books.

OPPORTUNITY: This gives an opportunity to parents whose duties call them from town during the day or night, to place their children where they will receive the attention that a well ordered home would provide. For further information address the President of the Board, REV. ERNEST LYON, 141 W. Hill Street, Baltimore, Md.

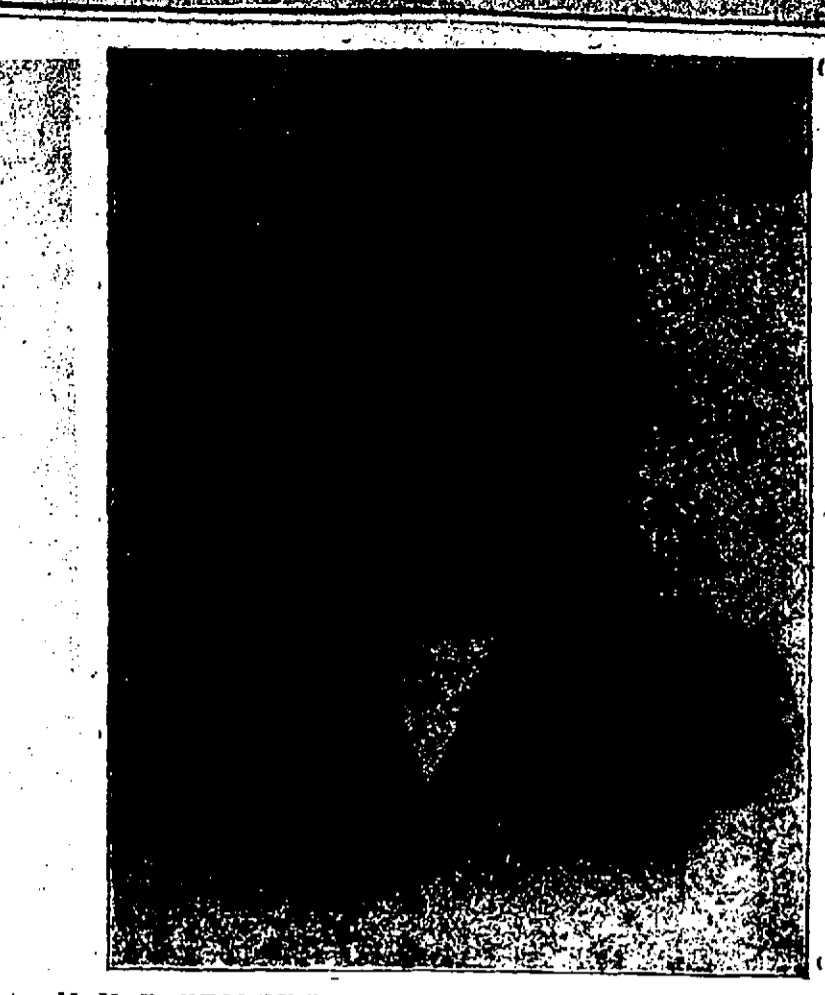
Special Excursion to PAN-AMERICAN EXPOSITION During August and September Via BALTIMORE & OHIO RAILROAD.

Excursion tickets will be sold to Buffalo, via Royal Blue Line, Philadelphia & Reading Ry., and Lehigh Valley route at the Low Rate of \$10.00 for the Round Trip from Wilmington, Baltimore, Washington and intermediate points on August 8, 14, 20 and 26, and September 4, 10, 16 and 22, 1901, for train leaving Washington 7:05 a. m., Baltimore, Camden Sta. 7:55 a. m., Mt. Royal Sta. 8:01 p. m., Newark, Del., 9:20 a. m., Wilmington 10:30 a. m., arriving Buffalo 9:15 p. m. From points between Washington and Philadelphia, other than those named, passengers must take local trains to first point enroute at which above train stops. Tickets will also be sold at above rate from Frederick, Md., Hagerstown, Md., Martinsburg, W. Va., Winchester, Va., and intermediate points, for any train to Washington or Baltimore on any day previous to the above dates, in order that passengers may make connection with train named.

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35th ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT C. A. R. Cleveland, O., Sept. 10 to 14. BALTIMORE & OHIO RAILROAD. Baltimore-Id. Route.

For the Annual Encampment G. A. R. at Cleveland, O., September 10 to 14, the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad will sell tickets from all points on its lines East of the Ohio River at the very low rate of ONE FARE for the ROUND TRIP. Tickets good going on all trains of September 8 to 12 inclusive, good to return until September 15, inclusive, except if tickets are deposited with Joint Agent on or before noon of September 15 and payment of fee of 50 cents, tickets may be extended for return to October 8, inclusive. Call on Agent Baltimore & Ohio Railroad for tickets and full information. If



M. V. P. GEORGE W. CARROLL, District Grand Secretary.

PUBLISHING HOUSE MAKING PROGRESS.

Putting in new Machinery and Making Other Improvements. Y. M. C. A. Making Headway—Will Have A New Club. (Special to The Afro-American Ledger.)

Nashville, Tenn., Sept. 5.—The A. M. E. Publishing House located in this city will open up in a few days. Rev. Dr. Chappelle, who was elected to succeed Rev. C. S. Smith seems to understand what is needed. Mr. Evans Tyree Jr. will have charge of the printing department, and we feel that he will bring it up to the standard.

The young men have decided to organize a club and are putting forth untold efforts to have a first-class affair. The National Baptist Publishing House had added another cylinder press of large size to their already large plant also a new trimming machine. The Immortal Brass Band figured very conspicuously in the Labor Day parade this week. The Y. M. C. A. is making great headway under the management of the present officers: G. W. Gore, president; J. Frank Battle, vice pres.; R. L. Mayfield secretary. The sermon delivered by Sutton E. Griggs, a few Sundays ago was one of the finest we have ever heard.



MR. REVEL H. FOOKS.

Rev. G. E. Taylor, D. D., of Atlanta, editor of the Southern Christian Recorder, was in the city a few days ago. Mr. Evans Tyree Jr. delivered a neat and appropriate speech at St. John's A. M. E. Church, last Sunday night, when he presented an umbrella to Mr. J. M. Coffey, on behalf of the choir, Sunday School and the Steward's Board. Mr. Coffey responded in a very eloquent speech, thanking them for their appreciation of his service.

White Ruffians.

Last Sunday, a special train was run to Asbury Grove Camp at 2:30 p. m. from Hillen Station for the express purpose of accommodating the intending worshippers at that camp. About five coaches were crowded with men and women on their way to the Grove. In one of the coaches, the speaker, there were about a dozen white men. Some six or seven of these made it very unpleasant for the large number of colored persons who had to take seats in this car or go without. They sang ribald songs, couched, and cracked saucy jokes and drank whisky from a bottle and tried in as many ways as they could to make it unpleasant for the colored folks. And this was done in the presence of the conductor, who took no trouble on that account. He said nothing to the men, nor, apparently, noticed them.

If the people who arrange for these trains and these camp meetings would arrange to have some member of their committee on hand to look after affairs of this kind, it would be more agreeable for their patrons. It is unsafe to be in mind that these were white men on a train intended for the accommodation of colored people. Had the situation been reversed, these men would have been the first to have complained to the conductor.

On the platform at Asbury Grove stood a number of young white ruffians, annoying colored girls. How long this would have gone on no one knows, had not a representative of this paper felt called on to rebuke the white ruffians. This is the class of white people who stir up trouble among the white and colored people, and they are the first to cry out against the Negro. Colored people themselves must stop this kind of business, and make the white people respect their women.

EVOLUTION OF THE CENSUS.

Taken in the Middle Ages For the Purpose of Taxation.

The term "census" had its origin in Rome, and was applied to one group of the census's many and varied functions, says a writer in the Paris Messenger. The Roman census was chiefly concerned with fiscal matters, and we may suppose that the enumerators were not too effectively welcomed by the inhabitants. In the middle ages the census meant neither more nor less than a tax, and the fiscal, formal, social, and efficient cause of every numbering of a people was the desire of its castle-clad government for money or the actual sinews of war.

Under the absolute monarchies which appeared in Europe after the decline and fall of the feudal system, the tendency to centralization for administrative purposes prepared the way for statistical inquiries, into the numbers of the inhabitants of particular districts. The necessity of such statistics was first clearly pointed out by Adam Smith, but it was not till long after his death that the first census of Great Britain—it did not extend to Ireland—was carried out. A census bill, which passed the Lower House in 1753, was thrown out by the Lords as being "profane and subversive of liberty." Accordingly, up to 1801, the number of inhabitants of the British islands was as much a matter of guesswork as the population of China is to-day, and, as invariably happens in such cases, the result of the enumeration was a great disappointment to all the statistical prophets.

The progress of the census methods since the first year of the last century may be illustrated by the development of the occupational returns. In 1801 there were but three divisions—those employed in agriculture, those engaged in trade or manufacture and those engaged in neither. In the next two censuses no material change in this respect was made, but in 1831 the overseers of parishes were required to give details respecting the occupations of males over 20. In the census of 1841, an enumeration most facilitated by the uniform system of registration of births, marriages, and deaths which came into force in 1837, the enumerators were instructed to enter each person's description of his own occupation.

An interesting feature of the census of 1851 was an attempt to supply the ecclesiastical and educational statistics of the country, but no effort was made to elaborate the occupation returns. The census of 1861 was also, to a certain degree, experimental. In 1871 the first imperial census was taken—and the census paper of that date—an interesting article, by the way, could be written on the series of eleven—its obviously the great grandfather of the present form.

Most Valuable Diamonds.

There is no little fiction about the famous diamonds of the world, and their value is largely fictitious. They are few in number, cannot be reproduced, are everywhere highly prized and can be bought only by the very wealthy. The Prince Edward of York diamond, said to have been bought by a New York firm for \$100,000, is thirteenth in the list of large diamonds given me by an importer. There are a dozen different lists. If we may believe what is told with straight faces, the largest of all the diamonds in existence is the Braganza, its weight being no less than 1680 carats. It is uncut, and its value is actually set down at \$201,650,000! It is now among the crown jewels of Portugal. It is thought that this diamond, which is the size of a hen's egg, is in reality a white topaz.—New York Press.

How People Cook in Madagascar.

In Madagascar there are no stoves of any kind, and nobody wants them. Cooking is done at an open fire out of doors or in an outhouse, the clay or iron cooking utensils being placed upon tripods or Dutch ovens, and wood, grass, or charcoal being used as fuel.

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Midnight's Musings.

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ident of the National Press Association, and a man who can speak and write more different kinds of languages than I ever dreamed of. Mr. Lyons stopped talking to a young white lady who was writing down what he was saying, and entertained us in great style. I have told you many things about him before and will not take up your good time to talk about him now. I wished I could just sit down and talk about him for a week. He and Mr. Adams are fine men. Mr. Lyons is a native of Georgia and Mr. Adams is a native of Kentucky. Did you ever hear of Charles Stewart? He started with Mr. Adams by writing for his newspaper, The Bulletin. I will tell you more about him at another time.

I went over to call on President McKimley and take dinner with him, but learning that he was out of the city, I did not think of eating with him for he was in Ohio with his wife. I may go back another time. I have fully made up my mind to get me a job in Washington and will remain there. I may get to be janitor of one of the high schools, and this I will tell you about.

We visited the White House and then to Freedman's Hospital, where we were cordially received by Miss Hattie Curtis a clerk, and Dr. Warfield, showed us all through the buildings, and then after bidding them good-bye, we found our way to the home of Miss Randolph, her mother, sister and grand mother all in good health. I did not tarry there long before I went to another part of the world, but before leaving here I had to eat up something. We went down town and saw a few more sights, but Dr. Roberts and his wife in the iron wagon in their bed car, and started them off for Florida, while in company with Miss Mary Ellen Randolph and my private secretary. I went over to see what is known as the Congressional Library. Upon reaching there, there was an important looking colored man standing at the door, and as I desired to have the pleasure of seeing the place, I asked him to let me go in.



MRS. H. CLAY ALDRIDGE.

"You may go in there," he said, "if you will behave yourself." I agreed to do all this and he told me to pass in. Just as I stepped inside of the door a white man took me, took my cane and umbrella and trunk and told me he would put them away for me while I looked around. He had been in many fine buildings, but let me tell you that this is the finest one I have ever laid these beautiful blue eyes of mine on. After looking around all over the building I returned to my stopping place where I had to do some more eating. I am not able to tell you what I saw at the library and am not going to try. Now, after I had eaten all I could I went out calling. I suppose you have heard of Mrs. Mary Church Terrell? She is one of the greatest women of our race in this country. So I got my private secretary and Miss Randolph and called to see her. I knocked and she wanted to know who it was I replied, "A big black man wants to see you." She came up and found me to be just what I had described, but nevertheless she shook my lily black hand and desired me to be welcome to her home, seated me in the parlor and talked to me just like I was somebody. I want to say that they have a fine home. Time will not permit me to say more. I also had the pleasure of meeting her husband, Rev. R. H. Terrell, who is principal of the



MR. H. CLAY ALDRIDGE.

Washington High Up School and I went to see if I could get to be janitor. He did not employ such officials for his building, but he talked to me like I was somebody. I called to see Miss Linnie Waring, but she was out and was informed by her mother that I could not see the tooth doctor, because she was sick in bed.

Sunday morning, Miss Randolph and my private secretary went to church and I thought I would go sight seeing, so I went to the church, over which Rev. G. W. Lee presides, and met the Sunday school, then I called at the Financial Department met Mrs. Hubbard and Miss Thomas, went to a Baptist church on Madison street, then called to see Miss Blocker, but she was in Virginia, went to St. Luke P. E. Church, then to Shiloh, then to Metropolitan A. M. E. Church, to the church in Odd Fellows' Hall where Rev. I. Tolliver is pastor, then at the Baptist Church on 19th St. and shook hands with the pastor and the officers shook my hand and wanted to know if I was a stranger, and being assured that I happen to be one, several wanted me to go home to dinner with them and told me to be welcome to their church.

I want to tell you that it is a rare thing that you are invited to go home with church people in this city. I think

that I will not say much more. I had the pleasure of meeting Miss Sallie B. Hatchett, one of the teachers of Baltimore, in Washington. I want to tell you people in Baltimore, that Miss Hatchett is one of your bright young women, and she stands high away from home. She has many friends and admirers in all parts of the country.

This week, I want to have the pleasure of presenting to you Mr. H. Clay Aldridge, and his bride, of Prairie View College. Mr. Aldridge is an important man in this country and race, and I am glad to be able to present them to you. Look at him, and when I go back I will tell you more about him. Excuse me if I bring my letter to a close this week, and ask you to read my letter next week.

Nov. I have said enough I am sure. The National Baptist Convention will meet soon. J. O. MIDNIGHT.

"All Roads Lead to Rome."

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which fleets of contending enemies met, and which those armies crossed. The humble craft upon its bosom today are consistent with the Rome of today. There are times when it asserts its majesty, by overflowing its restraining banks, humbling a large part of Rome filling the Pantheon to the depths of seven feet. The antique Rome is, the Colosseum, or Flavian Amphitheatre, the Exhibition of Agrippa, the Arch of Titus, the Arch of Constantine, the Arch of Severus, the Baths of Nero, the tombs the palaces; these are another Rome chiefly—though the Pantheon is an exception, largely, ruins of another Rome whose foundations are many feet below those of the present Rome. These are the three forums in which Rome presents itself to strangers—the modern, the ancient and the "external" or abiding.

Rome is healthy, its waters are good, its nights are cool, much cooler than anywhere else that I have been, though its noontimes are hot. There are but four or five protestant churches, and they are not potential among five thousand priests, bishops and cardinals, and two thousand five hundred nuns, with all the sweep of influence by their methods of propagating and maintaining superstitious domination. Three hundred thousand of these people kiss the bronze toe of a mere image called St. Peter, every year. Not only do they kiss it, but affectionately rub their foreheads, their cheeks, their lips upon it, and send their kisses home with ardor and passion. Little children climb the base and spring up to just touch it with their lips, or cling to it and kiss it again and again as they draw themselves up. Besides these, three hundred thousand, two other hundred thousand, visiting commit the same indecent superstition as many thousands ascend the Scala Sancta—Holy Stairs—upon their knees, genuflecting, praying, and kissing every step two or three times yearly. Who can hope to overcome this superstition by methods common to protestants, where ever child is imbued with it and educated by it? True, there are some uses of a better catholicism, which may terminate in a correct religion. It may be remarked here, that the Scala Sancta is the stairs ascended by Luther, half way, where he heard the voice of the Lord, "The just shall live by faith."

B. F. LEE.

REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

News and Notes From Kent County—Personal and Others.

(Special to The Afro-American Ledger.) Chestertown, Sept. 3rd.—The Republican Convention met here on Monday. The business of the convention was to nominate candidates for the county officers and to arrange a ticket for the fall election. The chairman stated the object of the meeting and said that they wanted good men, men of character on the ticket and when we get them I see no reason why the whole ticket should not be elected next November.

Mr. Joseph Berry, died here on last Thursday. He was 72 years of age and was a local preacher of Bethel A. M. E. Church. He leaves a widow but no children. The funeral took place at Bethel Church last Saturday. Revs. McEaddy and Hoey officiated.

Miss Lizzie Johnson who has been quite sick for some time is convalescing.

Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Laumon, 911 Warner street, Baltimore, have been visiting Mrs. E. E. Demby.

Mr. Simon Chase and son, of Wilmington, Del., are spending a few days with Mrs. Jane Joner.

Mrs. Washington Wright is visiting her sister in law on Waters St.

Mr. John Smith spent a few days with his mother, Mrs. Augustus Royal.

Mr. Elijah Strickling who has been sick for some time is slowly improving.

NANTICOKE POINT HAPPENINGS.

(Special to The Afro-American Ledger.)

Nanticoke Point, Md., Sept. 4.—The oyster season opened here on the 2nd inst. Many persons in the neighborhood are engaged in this industry. The farmers are busy harvesting their fatted and picking potatoes. The canning factories are very busy and are employing a large number of men, women and children.

Mr. Maurice G. Nutter is pushing the work on the new Asbury M. E. Church and expects to have it finished in a few weeks. Many of our young women who live at service in the cities are at home for a visit to their parents and friends. Miss Lorella Brinkshaw who has been residing for some time in Philadelphia is at home visiting friends.

Mr. Samuel E. Butler, of 810 Vine street, will leave in a few days for Buffalo, N. J., for a ten days stay.

I. O. St. Luke.

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na, Va.; 2nd vice president, Mrs. Sarah E. Crane, Baltimore, Md.; Wm. H. James, Jr., sec.; Varina, Va.; A. L. Tyson, asst. sec., Portsmouth, Va.; H. E. Frey, treas., Baltimore, Md.

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Closed in L. P. and C. the 31st annual session R. W. G. Council I. O. of St. Luke of State of Maryland.

Plans are already being laid for the next Grand Session which will convene in Baltimore City Aug. 1902.

Notes.

Mr. Washington Diggs, the grand treasurer of the St. Luke's, is the wealthiest Afro-American in Elizabeth City county, and an ex-sheriff. He received all delegates and assigned them to their homes.

A grand banquet was tendered the grand officers and delegates attending the grand council in Phoebus, Va., on their return by James Peters, Joseph S. Thomas, Geo. Howe.

The Order of St. Luke was organized in Baltimore, Md., 1856 by Sister Mary A. Pratt, R. W. G. Supreme (now deceased). She introduced the Order in Virginia and other Southern states. The present R. W. G. Supreme Sister I. A. Vincent was not able to attend.

Among Religious Folks.

The A. M. E. Ministers resumed their regular weekly sessions Monday in the absence of the chairman, Rev. W. H. Coston, who is attending the Annual Camp of the Ohio Troops, of which he is a member. Rev. J. W. Norris presided. There were but seven members at the opening session. Many of the ministers not having returned from their vacations as yet. Several of them are in Europe and will not return until late in the present month.

It being field day, those present reported their work in good condition. Rev. D. L. DeCoursey reported for St. John's Church.

Bishop Handy gave a very interesting talk on the work of the Missionary Department. He said that there was a great need of the pastors raising more money this year than ever before. The work of the department is increasing, and the need of cash money is being greatly felt. Bishop Handy stated that the Department had been compelled to borrow seven thousand dollars since the General Conference in order to meet its obligations. At the rise of the General Conference it had no money to pay the expenses of the delegates to their homes, and was compelled to borrow money in order that they could reach their several fields of labor.

Bishop Coppin has received \$1,000 for the purpose of establishing a school of high grade in South Africa. Bishop Coppin some time ago purchased a very valuable piece of property in South Africa for school purposes and it was for this that the \$1,000 was paid.

The Financial Department, which was to give the Missionary Department \$10,000, was unable to give the Bishop one cent for his work and he was compelled to make arrangements with the banks in order to secure the money so that Bishop Coppin should not fail.

The Bishops remarks were interestingly and showed his entire familiarity with every department of his great church. His strictures on the management of the several departments was caustic and had the heads of these several departments been present they would have done some squaring. What he said on Monday the Bishop had previously said in the Bishop's Council. With more men as outspoken as Bishop Handy, the A. M. E. Church would soon cease to blush for any department of the church.

The Committee on Topics of the A. M. E. Ministers' Meeting have prepared the following subjects for discussion during the fall and early winter months. The questions are of an interesting character, and the discussion of them will be the means of acquiring a considerable amount of information. The subjects and dates are as follows:

September 10.—"Is the world growing better religiously and if so, what the proof?" Rev. Samuel J. Crawford.

September 16.—"Is the continued discussion of the so-called Negro Problem in Negro congresses, beneficial to the race?" Rev. Joseph R. Brown.

September 23rd.—"What is Temperance, and what stand should Christians take relative thereto?" Rev. J. H. A. Martin.

September 30th.—"Is the mind of the colored boy susceptible to training equal to that of the white boy?" Rev. J. D. Banks.

October 14th.—"What is the common destiny of Races?" Rev. W. H. Coston, D. D.

October 21st.—"What are silent forces and their influences on the human mind?" Rev. J. Albert Johnson, D. D.

October 28th.—"What are the essentials in youth to make the ideal man?" Rev. J. W. Bickett, D. D.

November 11th.—"In what sense is a man responsible to God as a Free agent?" Rev. John Hunt, D. D.

November 18th.—"Is Capital Punishment a failure or a success, as to the bettering of the condition of a People or a Race?" Rev. C. W. Mos-

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HOW A LION IS TAMED

A TASK CALLING FOR SOMETHING MORE THAN COURAGE

The Trainer Uses a Chair, But Not to Sit On—No Truth in the Theory of Conquest by Hate—Feats of the Animal a Matter of Habit.

In Cleveland Moffet's series of papers on "Careers of Danger and Daring," the eighth article, "The Wild-Beast Tamer," appears in St. Nicholas.

The wild-beast tamer as generally pictured is a mysterious person who stalks about sternly in high boots and possesses a remarkable power of the eye that makes lions and tigers quail at his look and shrink away.

Such is the story-book lion-tamer, and I may as well say at once that outside of story-books he has small existence. There is scarcely any truth in this theory of hate for hate and conquest by fear.

Of course, a wild-beast tamer should have a quick eye and delicate sense of hearing, so that he may be warned of a sudden spring at him or a rush from behind; and it is important that he be a sober man, for alcohol breaks the nerve or gives a false courage worse than folly.

It is not the quality on which he must chiefly rely and which alone can make him a great tamer—a secondary bouncer—is a genuine fondness for his animals.

The lion-tamer will necessarily be fond of the tamer; some will be fond of him, some will be indifferent to him, some will fear and hate him.

I do not purpose now to present in detail the methods of taming wild beasts, rather what happens after they are tamed; but I may say that a lion-tamer always begins by spending weeks or months in gaining a new animal's confidence.

Day after day he will stand for a long time outside the cage, merely looking at the lion, talking to him, impressing upon the beast a general familiarity with his voice and person.

Later he ventures inside the bars, carrying some simple weapon—a whip, a rod, perhaps a broom, which is more formidable than might be supposed, through the path of its sharp bristles.

At last he begins the practice of tricks; the lion must spring to a pedestal and be fed; he must jump from one pedestal to another and be fed; must keep a certain pose and be fed.

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end that the one succumbing first be compelled to dig up the price of the chocolate ice creams.

The above is all right, and still goes even if it was first worked when George III. was king, but—

When these four beautiful young creatures had finished with their chocolate ice creams they just walked out.

You see, the one who had dug up for the chocolate ice creams had been nearly pushed up to the cashier's desk when they came in, and she had to buy the soda checks in advance.—Washington Post.

WAYS OF THE NIGHTHAWK

The Habits of This Bird Are Strangely Belied By Its Name.

The nighthawk is a bird often seen and yet a bird of which little is commonly known. Its name would lead one to think that it is a night bird, but this is wrong, as it does not roam about during the night at all.

If you have ever lived on a farm you will recall hearing on some still hot evening a whirring, long-drawn out note, high above your head, and on looking up you will remember how surprised you were to behold a small bird with long wings, falling straight toward the earth, and then how transfixed you were when you saw the bird suddenly turned in a graceful upward curve and went straight back again into the darkness above.

These birds winter just south of the United States. They arrive in Indiana with the heading of the corn and wheat fields and stay until September. Sometimes they summer as far north as the Hudson Bay and winter as far south as Brazil.

A hunt for the nest of this bird is a hopeless task in some localities of our State, as they do not always breed. They live in the field, and it is there you may expect to find the nest if one is to be found.

The nighthawk lives almost entirely on bugs, bees and insects. They are so swift in their action that they have little difficulty in securing a square meal every hour they hunt.

The noise made by this bird when descending is caused by its wings in contact with the air. Its throat emits a squeak and implication to the ear. The bird is very attractive when it flies about in the air, as its movements are so smooth and graceful as if they had been planned and rehearsed for weeks.

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King Chicken. "Corn has been dethroned in Missouri. The chicken is king!" proclaims the Columbia Herald. "During the last twelve months the total shipment of poultry and eggs from Missouri has been 12,571,497.83. This is an increase of almost 500,000 over the previous year."

The Modern Funsmith. The four beautiful young things lined up at an avenue soda fountain. When they had been served with their chocolate ice creams they sat down and jartook of the same slowly, chatting animatedly the while.

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ABOUT THE CITY.

Robb a By White Men. Alexander Pierce, a gardener on E. Stanley Gary's place, near Catonsville was knocked down and robbed of \$1.00 and some small change, shortly before midnight, Monday by four white men.

Mr. Pierce was on his way home from Catonsville in company with Mr. Richard Johnson, when he was waylaid and robbed. The robbers have not been caught.

Give The Old Folks A Bre akfast. A number of young men headed by M. W. Goldeboro Mathies of George St. gave a breakfast and dinner to the old folks at the Lee Street Home, last Sunday. The old folks enjoyed the treat very much indeed. They will not object to the young men coming again.

Asbury Grove Camp Meeting. Last Sunday was the last Sunday of the Asbury Grove Camp and fully five-thousand persons were present when the afternoon services opened. The numbers were about equally divided when it came to races, apparently as many whites were present as those who were colored.

A Fine Lawn Party. A very pleasant Lawn Party, was given by the Stewaresses of Asbury, M. E. Church, Mrs. Ellen Lancaster manager, at Acorn Grove, last Monday night. A large crowd was in attendance and a goodly sum was realized for the benefit of the church. Mr. Charles Stewart the well known newspaper correspondent was present and made a very interesting address.

Election Of Officers. The Metropolitan Aid, City Missionary Society of Baltimore elected the following Officers for last Monday night for the ensuing year, Commencing Sept. 27th, Mr. Chas. W. Wright president; Mrs. M. L. Johnson 1st. vice pres. Mrs. Eliza Hawkins, 2nd. vice pres. Mrs. Mary Wright, Treasurer, Miss B. Mum, Gen. Sec. Mrs. Alice Murray, Chairman. Mr. Chas. T. Thigam, sergeant-at-arms. Mrs. M. E. Bright, 1st. vice pres. of the Board of Control, and Sec. Miss Lavinia Scott, notice all the members of the Board of Directors are requested to meet at 1237 Division St. on Tuesday Sept. 24th, for the purpose of organizing.

Endowment Day. Don't fail to attend Special Endowment Day exercises to be held in Bethel A. M. E. Church, Saratoga St. near Gay, on Sunday Evening Sept. 15th, at 7:30 p. m., which will consist of addresses, recitations, duets, solos and choruses, accompanied by the Monumental Orchestra, under the leadership of Prof. John C. Anderson also Mr. W. H. Pierce, our renowned tenor singer, will render some of his choice selections. Positively silver oiling at the door. Jas. H. Murray, Supt., Samuel Haywood, Sec. Rev. John Hurst, D. D., pastor.

Mite Missionary Meeting. The Women's Mite Missionary Society of Allen A. M. E. Church held two services at Allen Church last Sunday. The afternoon service was addressed by Mrs. Mary F. Handy, Mrs. J. T. Jenifer, Mrs. C. W. Moscell, Mrs. J. A. Johnson and Mrs. Cornelia Anderson, of Trinity A. M. E. Church. At the evening service Miss Mattie Bowen, of Washington, held first place on the program, and her address was well received. Miss Bowen is a fluent talker and is a special favorite with the ladies of this city. Her addresses were well delivered and she seems never to tire. In addition to Miss Bowen, Mrs. Bertha K. Hurst, Miss S. C. Dunoon and Miss Ida Johnson also gave very interesting addresses. A large number of Mite Missionary folks from Bethel, Ebenezer, Trinity and Sharp Street churches were present. The Church choir, the Missionary choir and the Bishop Coppin Matilda Society South African choir rendered excellent music. Mrs. E. L. Norris is president of the Society.

For The Sexton. An entertainment was given by a number of ladies and gentlemen at Bethel A. M. E. Church last week for the benefit of the sexton, Mr. Wesley Blackston. Mr. Blackston has been a member of Bethel Church, and for a long number of years he has been a class leader and also sexton of the church. Of late years he has been retired on a pension.

M. W. J. Lowers, formerly of The Afro-American Ledger staff, has returned home from Atlantic City. Mr. Lowers will probably teach school this fall.

CAMP MEETINGS

The Windsor Heights Camp meeting which has been carried on under the auspices of Carroll Circuit and Simon Peter's Chapel, for several weeks, will close Sunday Night 8th. preaching and services meeting at 11 a. m. 8 p. m. Rev. L. M. Chambers, and congregation of Wethersville will present and preach. Two sermons will be preached at night by able ministers and then the walking around Jericho," led by several singing bands will take place, and the meeting will then close. Come all and witness the closing. Rev. John Porter, and Richard Boston, Pastors.

St. Andrews Mission, 2159 Brunt street, Sunday, September 8th, special sermon by the pastor, subject: "The dead child sneezing seven times and coming to life." Peter R. Jancy, Pastor.

St. John A. M. E. Church Sunday at 11 a. m. sermon by a stranger at 3 p. m. sermon by the Rev. C. W. Morse, pastor of the Ebenezer A. M. E. Church, to Class No 7. Bro. Samuel T. Fisher leader; at 7:30 p. m. sermon by Rev. J. F. Gibson of Va., Sunday School at 2:30 p. m. Mrs. Rosa Richardson, Superintendent. J. A. Johnson, Pastor.

Sharon Baptist Church, Preston and Carey streets, commenced a series of meetings on Monday night which are scheduled to continue for several weeks. The object of the meeting is to increase the membership of the church and good preaching will be had each evening followed by song and prayer service.

Allen A. M. E. Church, 11 a. m. sermon by a visiting Clergyman; 3:30 a. m. and 2:30 p. m. Sunday School. S. p. m. A Sermon by the pastor to the Knights of Pythias. Daniel Johnson, Supt. Geo. T. Brant, Pres. Lit. J. W. Norris, Pastor.

The Rev. G. W. Kincaid, D. D. formerly of this city, will preach at John Wesley M. E. Church on Sunday, September 15th, at 3 p. m. Dr. Kincaid needs no introduction. This will give an opportunity to his many friends to hear and to see him. All are invited. Rev. E. Lyon, Pastor.

Great Religious Sathering. The annual Baptizing service and the auspices of John Wesley M. E. Church, the Rev. Ernest Lyon, D. D., pastor, takes place at ROUND BAY, Sunday September 8th, 1901. The three Modes of Baptism as practiced by the Methodist Episcopal Church, viz: Immersion, Sprinkling and Affusion will be celebrated on a number of adults and infants. Candidates for either of the above rites will send their application to the pastor at once. The following divines expect to be present: The Rev. Wm. H. Brooks, D. D., New York; C. M. B. Mason, D. D. of Cincinnati; Rev. J. H. Griffin, of Washington, D. C.; Rev. M. J. Naylor, of Lynchburg, Va.; Rev. N. A. Carroll, P. E.; Rev. T. H. Danbury, and many city pastors. The celebration of the Rite, at the sound of the trumpet the procession headed by the elders in priestly robes, accompanied by the deacons, singing bands and socials, the committee of 100 and the choir will start for the water. Trains leave Baltimore 8:00, 10:00 a. m., 2:00 and 4:00 p. m. Returning at 7 p. m. Leave Annapolis, 9:20 p. m. Round Trip, Adults, 50 cents. Children, 25 cents. Admission at the gate, 5 cents. ERNEST LYON, Pastor.

BUSINESS OPENING For the women of Baltimore and vicinity. A branch of the Livingston School of Dress-making has been opened at 213 N. Calvert street. Any lady calling on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, between the hours of 2:30 and 9 p. m., will be presented with one of our new French skirt patterns absolutely free of charge. Cut to measured guaranteed to fit. The machine by which these patterns are made will be on exhibition demonstration free. Mrs. L. R. Clark, principal, and Mary Curtis, teacher.

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Mr. E. L. W. Scott and Miss Ella Augustus were quietly married at Towson, on Thursday August 29. They will be home to their friends on Sept. 10th from 7:30 to 10 p. m., at 1910 Etting St. their future residence.

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An Afro-American Reporter. The Baltimore Morning Herald has obliterated the color line in its reporterial staff. Formerly all white men were employed on that paper, notwithstanding at one time it had a very large clientele among colored people. But now that has been changed and Mr. Revell H. Fooks, a well known Afro-American newspaper writer has been regularly employed on the staff of the Herald, and it is understood at remunerative salary. This shows that prejudice can occasionally get a black eye. Mr. Fooks has frequently contributed to columns of The Afro-American Ledger and other Afro-American newspapers over the "Non-dilemma" of "Lever." Mr. Fooks took an active part in the Governor Lowndes campaign and the other fellows frequently got some pretty hot shots from his versatile pen.

A Watermelon Feast. Was given at the Old Folks Home on Lee St. on last Thursday night, under the auspices of the Board of Control. It was a fine affair, an excellent program was rendered which was highly appreciated by the inmates and others present, after which they were bountifully served. Great credit is due to the committee for their good work.

Death and Funerals. Mr. William Scribner, son of Mr. Thomas Scribner, an active member of Allen A. M. E. Church was buried from that church on Sunday morning last. The funeral was largely attended.

COOPER NATHAN COOPER, beloved husband of Henrietta and father of Edith Cooper, departed this life on Thursday afternoon, September 6. Funeral from Metropolitan M. E. Church Sunday morning at 10:30. Relatives and friends invited to attend.

Mrs. Laura V. Augustus, of Mount Street, has returned home after two weeks in Charles Town, W. Va. The guest of Miss Fannie Gray.

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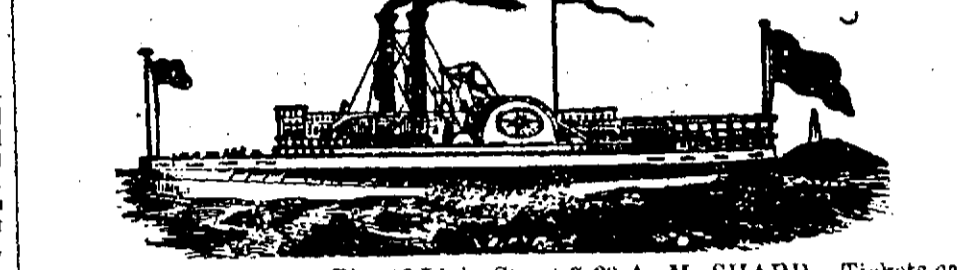
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The Annual Family Excursion Given by BETHEL A. M. E. CHURCH, Will sail for Cambridge, Dorchester Co. Md., ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1901. On Board the Popular Steamer Louise.



The Steamer will leave Pier 16 Light St. at 7:30 A. M. SHARP. Tickets can be secured at the Boat on the Morning of the Excursion. Round Trip Adults Tickets 50 Cts. Children under 10 years, 25 Cts. REV. JOHN HURST, Pastor.

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On Wednesday, September 11th. We hope to have the patronage of our many friends and the public in general.

Great Eastern and Western Excursion. ANNUAL EXCURSION OF Allen A. M. E. Church & Eastern M. E. Church, TO HAVRE DE GRACE, MD. On Thursday, September 12, 1901 ON BOARD THE PALACE STEAMER "LOUISE."

This Steamer is one of the finest excursion boats on the water and will carry two thousand persons. It has all the latest accommodations. On this historic day the East and West will converge. We invite our many friends and the public in general to go with us for a day's outing. The scenery on this trip is unsurpassed by any other of the city, the Upper Chesapeake Bay, the numerous islands, the historic ruins, the beautiful views, the Maryland Fish Hatchery, the Mountains, the Great Iron Bridges, and numerous other things make a treat for the eyes from start to finish. Don't miss it.

ALLEN A. M. E. CHURCH, TICKET AGENTS: Mrs. E. L. Norris, 1581 Montrose St.; Mrs. Charlotte Brent, 214 Myrtle Avenue; Mrs. George Brent, 118 Mount St.; Mr. Thomas Scribner, 414 Gilman Street; Mrs. Minnie Green, 17 Bruce St.; Mr. David Johnson, 1073 W. Lexington St.; Miss Bertha Maxwell, 9 S. Stockton Street. EASTERN M. E. CHURCH, TICKET AGENTS: Mr. J. W. Kane, 709 N. Central Ave.; Mr. Chas. Brooks, 305 N. Bradford Street; Mrs. F. M. Harris, 406 N. Ann St.; Mrs. Emma Avery, 417 N. Bradford Street; Mr. D. L. Fowler, McDermott St., near Ashland Ave.; Miss Gertrude Jenkins, McElberry St., near Collington Ave.; Mrs. Mary Stockett, 735 N. Darbau St. Music by the Commonwealth Band, Prof. Charles L. Harris, Leader. The Ticket Agents are requested to return all money and tickets that may not be sold on the evening of September 11th, without fail. All tickets must be sold for CASH. On the morning of the Excursion tickets can be secured at the Excursion Office, Boat House Pier 16 Light St. Wharf at 7:30 A. M. Gate will be open at 8 A. M. for the accommodation of the excursionists.

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PERSONAL NOTES.

Miss May Scott has returned from Upper Marlboro. The Junior Editor of the Afro-American Ledger, Rev. George Bragg, Jr., is at his desk again after a pleasant vacation, with his family at Atlantic City. Messrs. Theodore and Charles Green, of Washington, were up from Arundel, on Sunday, the guest of the Misses Wilson, of Carey street.

Dr. Harry McCard is in the city for a short stay, the guest of Mr. E. B. Taylor.

Miss Belle Wilson spent Sunday at Arundel-on-the-Bay. Lawyer Fitzgerald is home from the Pan-American Exposition, much pleased with his trip.

Mr. and Mrs. George B. Murphy and son have returned from a visit in Montgomery Co., Md.

Mrs. Maggie Ash, of Chappelle street, is quite sick at her home.

Messrs. Bell and Murray, of Washington, were the guest of Dr. Richard Johnson on Tuesday.

Mrs. Spriggs, of Calhoun street, has been quite sick for the past week. Bethel Church gives its annual excursion to Cambridge next Monday.

Miss Nellie Smith, of Boston, spent Saturday and Sunday in the city, the guest of Miss Lillian Trusty.

Miss Louise K. Smallwood, of Washington, stopped in the city on her way home from an extended visit in the upper part of Maryland.

Miss Sallie Venning, of Philadelphia, who was visiting Miss Lizzie Davis, of Druid Hill avenue, has returned home after a delightful stay in our city.

Miss Minnetta Williams, of Washington, was in the city Sunday and Monday visiting her cousin, Miss Violet Thompson, of Biddle street.

Mrs. Lina Akels, Miss Alice and Sallie Wilson and Mr. Bernard Taylor are home from Arundel-on-the-Bay.

Miss Adah Thompson has returned from Laytonsville, Montgomery Co., where she has been for two months.

Bethel excursion goes to Cambridge next Monday. Don't forget it. Come early.

Mrs. Mary Haughton, is at home again from a very pleasant visit to Cape May.

Mrs. Fannie Brown of 354 W. Biddle St. is at home after spending one month at Long Branch and Asbury Park N. J.

Mrs. Thomas Cole and daughter have returned home from Atlantic City where they have been visiting Mrs. Cole's niece.

Miss Grace Johns and sister have returned from a very pleasant visit to Prince Georges County.

Mr. W. Mason of Pleasant St. has returned home from Ocean City.

Mrs. L. B. Alexander, of West Preston St. has returned home after visiting several summer resorts.

Miss Annie Randall, after a very pleasant visit to Brinkwood, has returned home.

Mrs. S. E. Crane, Mrs. H. E. Fry, Mrs. S. W. Hutchens, grand representatives have returned from a visit to Chesapeake City and Hampton, Va.

We are going on Bethel excursion next Monday. Come and go with us. You will have a grand time.

Mrs. L. A. Drayner of Linden Ave. and Mrs. M. E. Reid of Orleans St. will leave the City for Cincinnati, Ohio, to attend the National Baptist Convention.

Arundel-on-the-Bay, Baltimore's favorite summer resort, closed for the season September 1st. The season was most profitable. Mr. George Bowen, is the proprietor.

Dr. and Mrs. B. W. Roberts who have been spending some time in the North and this city, returned to their home in Jacksonville, Fla., Saturday.

Mr. E. Bassett, of Washington was in the city this week.

Rev. George W. Brodie, one of the oldest members of the Baltimore Annual Conference of the A. M. E. Church was buried from the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church, Washington, Sunday.

The annual session of the Order of St. Luke, held last week in Chesapeake City, Va., passed a resolution to add an insurance feature to their Order and the headquarters will be in Baltimore.

Mrs. H. T. Allen has returned home from a very pleasant visit to Cambridge, Chestertown and Pomona. At Cambridge she was the guest of Mrs. Francis, at Chestertown of Rev. N. M. Horse and at Pomona, of Rev. J. W. Bond.

Don't fail to go with Bethel A. M. E. Church on its excursion to Cambridge, Monday, September 9th.

Mr. George Nedab of Bolton and Mrs. H. Anderson, her mother, have returned from Atlantic City.

For a Grand Time Come and go with Bethel A. M. E. Church next Monday.

Mr. Howard Thomas, West Lane vale street, has returned home after ten days stay in Atlantic City, N. J.