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THE SHADOW

By Joseph L. Harris.

The fog is denser than the night,
The night is denser than the sea;
Yet with the morning comes the light,
Once more the waves dance laugh-
ingly.

The shadows crowding on my soul,
Darker than sea, or night, or fog,
Must likewise in their season roll
Away; and all the fears that clog
My pathway to the rising sun
Shall in their season pass away.
Ours never saw a night begun
That did not live to find the day

The fog is lifting from the land,
One after one the stars peer
through.

Be still, my soul, and understand
The shadows shall depart from you

The night is lifting from the sea,
The waves lift up their hands in
prayer.

Hope, in his warlike panoply
Comes forth to battle with despair.

The fog is captive to the night,
The night is captive to the sea;
And day shall hold with fearless
might

The shadows in captivity.

DR. MORRIS' PROCLAMATION

In pursuance of a resolution adopted by the National Baptist Convention at its session held at Muskegon, Ohio, authorizing the president of the convention to designate a day and proclaim a fast to be observed by all the Baptist people throughout the United States:

In obedience to that order, I, E. C. Morris, Helena, Arkansas, believing that it will meet the approval of the great God of the universe, who taught us that there are evils which can only be removed by fasting and prayer, and having considered the conditions we, with the rest of the Christian world are facing, which conditions can only be changed by Him who builds the destiny of the nations in His hands, do hereby proclaim the 30th day of November, 1917, a day of fasting and prayer by all the Negro Baptist people throughout the land, and most humbly ask that each and all of the 3,000,000 Negro Baptists will pray for the deliverance of our race from an ungodly prejudice and hatred; from the inequalities meted out to them on the public carriers of the country for the restoration of the ballot, which is a bulwark from oppression, for the access of all those who are contending for the overthrow of autocracy, and for the establishment of universal liberty to all men with out regard to color, condition or nationality.

It is to be observed that the 30th is Thanksgiving Day, which will doubtless be, as heretofore, proclaimed a national holiday by the rulers of our country, and will be a most opportune time in connection with our giving of thanks to acclaim the proverbial "big dinner" and neighborhood visit, but spend the entire day in fasting and prayer to Him who has brought so many deliverances to our race. Where convenient I would advise all who can to assemble at their houses of worship and spend at least one hour in prayer for our country and complete redemption of our race.

E. C. MORRIS, President.
R. H. HUDSON, Secretary.

If you don't want the prize money offered by The Christian Banner for subscribers, start a circle of workers; combine your efforts for your church, Sunday school, B. Y. Y., poor fund, deacons, trustees, church

THE BID FOR BLACK LABOR

By Channing H. Tobias.

My recent visit to the Middle West has convinced me beyond a shadow of doubt that the black man is rapidly coming into his own as a factor in the industrial life of the nation. It seems almost incredible to one who has known labor conditions in the North and West for the past fifteen years to see the changes that the world war has brought about. The Negro is no longer "just tolerated" as a laborer, he is eagerly sought after as the only unit in sight. Many people thought on the first report of the East St. Louis riots that it was a case of cheap Negro labor going into throw whites out of employment, that there was not much to do. Such was not the case. There was work for all and "then some." The riot really grew out of the attempt of white labor, aided and abetted by a corrupt political machine, to forcibly monopolize the stockyards and aluminum plants. East St. Louis can use and must have a larger supply of Negro labor than it had before the riots. The recent indictment of 105 rioters and certain uplift and housing movements about to be projected will render East St. Louis safer for Negro labor than it has ever been.

Chicago presents a situation that is acutely typical of the new order of things. In company with Mr. A. J. Jackson, secretary of the Chicago Y. M. C. A., and a trained social worker, I visited the Union Stock Yards and the great packing plants of Swift & Co., Armour, Nelson, Morris and Libby. A thrill of pride for my people passed over me, the like of which I have never experienced, as I saw the thousands of Negro men working side by side with white men to practically every department of those great plants. The commonest laborer does not get less than \$2.50 a day. The International Harvester Company also has a large force of Negroes employed.

We visited the James A. Dray Iron Foundry, a comparatively small plant, working 350 whites and 150 Negroes. The president of the company took pleasure in showing us through and talking with us about his force. He told us that among his Negro employes there were crane operators and other skilled workmen who were getting big pay. A colored nurse he kept on duty daily to look after cases of minor injury. Modern sanitary toilets, a personal locker for every man and shower baths are provided free. The manager told us that although the Negroes were outnumbered three to one, three Negroes in every white man requested the use of the showers. Should men be humiliated and intimidated because they want to go and work in places like that?

Another interesting departure in Chicago is the employment of colored girls and women in the big laundries and as waiters in the theatres. It is only a matter of a very short time when colored girls will be able to get work in the great factories all over the North.

Only yesterday I learned that the Ju. Post Powder Works at Barney Point, N. J., was planning to add 400 colored men to the number they have already, making 1000 in all. The Washington papers are carrying a daily ad for Negro laborers for the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad, promising good wages with absence of premium.

Only this morning a telegram came to our office to send another man to the Newport News Shipyard, Y. M. C. A., to take care of the additional 150 men to be taken on at once. And in a year. Who then can deny that the industrial status of the Negro is rapidly changing from a servile and in many cases a peon, to a free laborer for a living wage? Truly the black man is coming into his own. —Forrest H. Baptist.

DR. E. W. MOORE FOR PEACE

My Dear Bro. Warwick:

The Christian Banner has an assured future if it is kept free from the controversy now raging among Negro Baptists, a contention about the rank and file, but among leaders who have fallen out. Let us in peace say to the leaders: settle your differences with what means you have in court; wait until a decision is rendered, and don't drag the rank and file, who are at peace with each other, into this muddle. The precious time and splendid energies used to destroy men should be given to God's work, constructive, denominational work and race building.

There never was a time in our history when every unit should be an individual to meet conditions that will come after this great war.

What preparation can the race make with the leaders engaged in the work of destructive warfare?

I plead with you to use your paper for suggestions that will get us together and not for that which will tear us further apart.

The Jews are raising \$100,000,000 in every country after the war. What preparation are we making?

How much money is being raised by the churches to look after the religious welfare of Negro boys in camp and at the front? If the Government is seeking to safeguard their souls, how much more ought the Church of the living God do?

My church has arranged for me to spend two weeks each month at Camp Sherman while our boys are in training.

Our women are knitting and sewing for them. Most of those boys are either Baptist or from Baptist homes. Isn't this better than spending time fighting? Should God's kingdom and its needs suffer because my personal vanity has been offended?

God help us to practice the gospel of reconciliation that we preach. I am yours, for God and the race.

E. W. MOORE,
Columbus, Ohio.

WHAT THE WHITE MAN NEEDS TO DO

Rev. A. Josephus Lary, Texarkana, Arkansas.

First. By seeing that the Negro is protected from mob violence. Seeing that he has a fair trial and permit the law to take its course.

Second. By seeing that the Negroes in the rural districts are protected as well as the white citizens.

Third. By seeing that the school term is made long enough to enable him to acquire at least a practical education in from ten to twelve school terms.

Fourth. By seeing that the Negro accommodations in travel by railroad, steamboat and street car are bettered.

This don't the Negro preacher and leaders will be able to influence his brother in Black. It is said that the Negro is going to the North and West for social equality. I trust that as untrue. The Negro loves his race and despises the Negro traitor. The Negro who is a race lover and the white man that loves his race should put the fence high enough to keep a white man from jumping the fence as well as the Negro. This social equality cry, in a attempt in Anglo's nostrils. The offender is not the Negro. The mulattus among us is striking proof.

If the integration of Negroes is not checked the South will be ruined beyond repair. Within ten months more than 10,000 Negroes have left these sunny states and have found business depression is the result.

Liberty and the right to live as a decent man and citizen will cause the Negro to return to the land of his birth.

Two East St. Louis White Rioters Convicted

Belleville, Ill.—Leo A. Keane, 17 years old, a messenger employed by the Vandalia Railroad, residing with his widowed mother, at 3728 Owens avenue, St. Louis, and Herbert F. Wood, 40, a switchman for the Terminal Railroad, living at 509 Brady street, East St. Louis, were found guilty Friday at Belleville of the murder of Scott Clark, a Negro, during the race riots in East St. Louis the night of July 2.

Keane and Wood, who are both white, were sentenced by fourteen years in the Southern Illinois Penitentiary at Chester, the minimum punishment for murder under the Illinois statute.

The verdict was reached in Circuit Judge George A. Crow's court at 3:10 P. M., after less than an hour's deliberation by the jury, the short time spent in arriving at an agreement proving a surprise to all those gathered in the courtroom. Defendants were in court when the verdict was brought in.

When Judge Crow read the verdict Mrs. Ella Keane, of 2614 Cozans avenue, mother of the Keane boy, uttered a shriek and fell forward in a fainting condition.

The form of the verdict was incorrect. Judge Crow made the necessary corrections and then called the jury. Each man declared he was satisfied with the verdict and that it still was his verdict.

Mrs. Keane rushed into the bar inclosure and threw herself on her knees before Judge Crow and begged for mercy. The judge told the woman in a gentle voice he could not do anything for her son because the jury was charged with that duty and that it had fixed the penalty.

CHURCH EXTENSION AMONG THE NEGRO BAPTISTS

My Dear Fellow-Worker:
The editor permits me to have a heart-to-heart word with you on the subject of church extension.

Very dear Co-Workers are you interested in Church Extension work? Are you one of those called of God to Feed and House the Flock? Are you heeding that call by doing your best to Feed and House them?

Dr. E. C. Morris, president of the National Baptist Convention, caused by a recommendation offered at Savannah, Ga., meeting, the Church Extension Board to be created. Said Board is to raise one hundred (\$100,000) thousand dollars to do Church Extension work. To do this the Board is calling upon each pastor for \$1; each church \$1; each Sunday school \$1; each Women's Mission Society \$1. If you, the pastor, will send one dollar for yourself and see to it that your church, school and women work do the same, we can soon raise this \$100,000.

Kind Pastors: There is no church nor denomination avoiding this kind of work as badly as the Negro Baptist. You may have a nice city work today. Ah! but tomorrow. Again hoping to hear from each pastor and church I beg to remain.

Your Brother in Christ Jesus,
Z. E. MOORE

Treasurer Church Extension Board of National Baptist Convention of United States of America

Will each denominational pastor copy this letter some four weeks, and send your bill to us for collection?
Moultrie, Miss. Box 264.

Property on Ida avenue, Norwood, N. J., owned by a Negro was sold by Norwood Council recently for street purposes. The action was taken on a petition signed by 100 property owners and 100 citizens. The property was purchased by the Negro. The courts were made to reimburse the owner a higher price.

CURRENT EVENTS

ACT TO SEQUESTER NEGROES UPON BY SUPREME COURT

Washington, Nov. 5.—Compulsory separation of the Negro and white races in residential districts is a violation of the constitution, the supreme court held today in an unanimous opinion declaring invalid the Louisville (Ky.) segregation ordinance. The measure, which prohibited persons of either race moving into blocks in which a majority of residents were of the opposite color, is similar to ordinances now in effect in St. Louis, Baltimore, Richmond and many other southern cities.

How He Fell From Grace.—A Negro brother illustrated the doctrine of apostasy in a most clear way to the undersigning of his congregation. He began by telling them, to their utter astonishment, that he believed in falling from grace. "But," said he, "I distrust in some way. One time I was hanging on a scaffold to smoke. I thought I would go out one night and steal one of those hams. So I got a barrel and climbed up on it and reached over to get one, but just as my hand got within a foot of it, the barrel tilted, and down we came. Sure 'nuff, betwixt, I fell from dat bam, and dat's the way people fall from grace. They never had any to fall with."—Exchange.

The Second Baptist Church, Columbus, Ohio. Rev. E. W. Moore, Minister, has just installed a fine pipe organ costing \$3500. One thousand dollars was contributed by the Carnegie Organ Fund. Mr. Sutherland Dwight Smith, Pittsburgh, Pa., is organist.

Apparently the War Department has abandoned the old-time belief that Negro regiments serve best under white officers. For it has within the last month granted commissions to some 700 dusky aspirants to the rank of officer, all of them graduates of the so-called "colored Plattsburg" at Fort Des Moines. They are to be assigned to the Negro division of the National Army, now in course of formation, and judging by the splendid record of the famous Negro regiment under Lieutenant (Colonel) Young, a colored graduate of West Point, during the Villa campaign, the experiment ought to prove a success. In France, one of the most brilliant generals of her colonial campaigns prior to the present war was the West African mulatto, Loddia, who added the great African kingdom of Gabon to the colonial empire of France. And while officers of every rank were proud to serve under his orders, wholly free from prejudice against his color. Whether white officers and soldiers of the United States Army are willing to serve under a Negro is open to question, although when Charles Anderson, the colored Republican leader in Harlem, was collector of Internal Revenue in New York, all the members of his numerous staff were white and worked in complete harmony with him.—Town Topics.

Senator Sheppard, of Texas, and Congressman Barkley, of Kentucky, will be principal speakers in Washington, D. C., at the justice meeting over the victory which the day was when the Barkley-Sheppard bill was enacted.

Mrs. Mary (Church) Terrell, Speaks In Cincinnati, O.—"How the War Will Solve the Race Problem" was the subject of an address by Mrs. Mary (Church) Terrell at Y. M. C. A., Cincinnati, Ohio. The famous speaker held the vast audience spellbound. Her masterly presentation of facts and logic on this burning topic of such vital interest to America, is bound to bear fruit. The Y. M. C. A. merits the commendation of the public for its success in securing for its first educational meeting a scholar no eminent and an orator so distinguished.

Fighting the Hat.—A "No-Hat" brigade has been formed. "The hat," says one of the members, "is a superfluous article of men's wearing apparel. It deprives the head of needed air and sunshine, retards the growth and in many instances kills the hair and is a source of inconvenience and considerable expense."—Argus.

PRESBYTERY ELECTS LAYMAN MODERATOR

By the election of J. Renwick Hogg as moderator, the Presbytery of Philadelphia broke all precedents in conferring that honor upon a layman. Heretofore only ministers have been moderators. Mr. Hogg, who is an elder in the Matchmore Memorial Church, has been vice moderator. He was elected to fill the unexpired term of the Rev. Robert H. Morris. They dissolved the pastoral relation between the Rev. John W. Lee and the First African Presbyterian Church, Dr. Lee has heretofore been secretary under the Board of Freedmen and will have charge of the work among the Negroes of the North. His congregation is called the Rev. Chas. Freeman, of Jersey City.

CONVENTION OF ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE

Hardly any denominations of Christians in the United States will lack representation on the program of the Anti-Saloon League's national convention at Washington, December 10-13. The League represents itself as "The Church in action against the saloon," and insists that it is inter-denominational and non-partisan. The speaking list for the convention bears out these claims. In fact, ministers and laymen on the program are widely divided as to denomination, but on the same platform as to the liquor traffic.

A notable fact in connection with the convention is that it will meet in a dry capital city. The District of Columbia will become prohibition territory November 1.

U. S. ADMINISTRATOR SETS DATES TO SIGN FOOD PLEDGE

Washington, D. C.—Every housewife in the country has been asked to become a voluntary member of the Food Administration. The United States Food Administrator has set aside the week of October 28 to November 4 as the time in which every one should sign the food pledge. It is desired that every Negro housewife shall enroll in this campaign and respond to the appeal for the conservation of food. The Food Administrator declares that food will win the war. See to it that you enroll and that you have a hand in winning the war. You are an American, and now is your time to act for your country.

Fall in line with us to put the Christian Banner in every Baptist home. See offer on last page.

Twenty-fourth Regiment Soldiers to be Tried at San Antonio.—San Antonio, Tex.—Court martial of Negro soldiers of the Twenty-fourth United States Infantry, charged with participation in the Houston rioting, will be held in San Antonio instead of El Paso. Sixty are charged with mutiny and murder; sixty are charged with offenses less serious. Colonel John A. Hull, of the Judge Advocate's department, is preparing the charges and specifications. The order for the court-martial will be issued probably ten days following the completion of the list of charges and specifications. In the meantime counsel for the soldiers will have an opportunity to go to El Paso and make an investigation. The soldiers will be held under guard at Fort Sam Houston during its progress. The court will consist of thirteen members and the Judge Advocate. As regards rules of testimony and admissibility of evidence a court-martial is conducted practically as a civil court.

Donate \$10,000 to Negro Troops.—The announcement is made by Mrs. F. Louis Slade, chairman of the War Service Committee of the New York Woman Suffrage Party, that ten thousand dollars has been donated by the committee for a Y. M. C. A. unit at Camp Upton, Yaphank, L. I., for the use of Negro troops. The suffragists were offered their offer of the eleven Y. M. C. A. units in camp when their donation was refused, and they cheer the unit for Negro troops, believing that they would enjoy making life pleasant for their Negro brothers, who are patriotically following the colors.

No General's Stars to Grace Teddy's Collar.—Colonel Roosevelt's hopes of wearing a general's stars have gone flickering a second time. Secretary Baker declined a New England Governor's suggestion that Teddy become a recruit chief to fill up New England's skeleton divisions. These troops will be regarded as reserves and sent across to fill up gaps in other divisions. The New England suggestion was all twisted up in politics. But Baker found his problem far less perplexing than when the Colonel was a candidate for leading a volunteer division abroad and the country was rapt for it. Roosevelt is not down in the War Department books for any commission which will give him troop leadership, publicity or power.

The great prohibition mass-meeting to be held in Philadelphia Sunday afternoon, November 13, to be addressed by the Hon. William Jennings Bryan, will be held in the Metropolitan Theatre instead of the Nixon, as previously announced. The more announcement of Mr. Bryan's coming is creating such an interest in the meeting that it was deemed advisable to secure the largest and most comfortable auditorium in the city for the accommodation of those who wished to hear him. The meeting will begin promptly at 7:45. Tickets can be secured at Room No. 1034 Stock Exchange Building, Philadelphia. Every friend of national prohibition in Philadelphia and vicinity should plan to hear Mr. Bryan and get the advantage of the tremendous inspiration which the great Comptroller is capable of imparting.

Negro Hatter Assaulted.—Brooklyn, N. Y.—A brutal attack on a Negro sailor of the United States navy at the navy yard has leaked through the censor at the yard. It was learned on reliable authority that the sailor, Henry Simpson, attached to one of the intercoastal German liners, is in a critical condition at the Naval Hospital in Flushing avenue. There the physicians will say nothing about him because of the censor that has been placed about the hospital as well as at the navy yard. Eye witnesses of the affair declare there was a small-sized riot when Simpson was attacked by three guards and before he was washing his clothes. He was handling the guard as if the three were one when a riot call was turned in and a squad of armed marines entered the scene of the attack. During the melee a revolver of one of the guards was thrown into the East River and quiet was restored only after the injured bluejacket had been taken to the hospital. The attack took place last month. From what can be learned of the affair the Negro was washing his clothes near the ship when the guards ordered him to his vessel, saying he was violating the rules. The sailor's guards, told the man he had received permission to wash his clothes and referred them to his superior officer. In the argument that followed the bluejacket was knocked down. Eye witnesses also declared that the men continued to hit Simpson while he was on the ground. The riot call resulted when workmen joined in the fray.

Among the visitors at Tuskegee Institute recently were Brigadier General William R. Smith and staff. Brigadier General Smith was personally acquainted with the late Dr. Prussian, and Doctor Munson and other workers at Hampton Institute, and it was for that reason that he was very anxious to make the trip to visit Tuskegee Institute. The party had an opportunity to witness the drilling of the student cadets and to review the line of march to chapel. Following the sermon in the chapel Brigadier General Smith was called upon for a few remarks. He said that he was very much interested in the work of Tuskegee Institute and promised that the Negro soldiers in camp at Montgomery would have an opportunity also to visit the school and see something of the work which is being done here.

Ministers Provided For.—Columbus, O.—An annuity plan providing for a \$5,000,000 Pilgrim Memorial Fund for aged and disabled ministers of the Congregational Church and their dependents was adopted by the National Council of Congregational Churches. Ministers from the ages of 30 to 65 will contribute 6 per

cent of their salaries to the fund, and at the pension age will receive annually one-half of the sum of their annual salary.

Watt Terry Triumphs.—The New York News says: The six largest and finest apartment houses in the world occupied by Negroes, the Washington, Douglas, Dunbar, Wheatley, Toulson and Attacks Courts, are now filled up, with a waiting list. This is the startling announcement that has been flashed through the real estate circles of the metropolis and has caused the staid and successful real estate dealers of the city, white and black, to start up and rub their eyes. This is the accomplishment of Watt Terry, the young and genial real estate genius from Brockton, Mass., within a period of three weeks. Nor does this quite complete the story. The three hundred and six apartments, containing 1456 rooms, which have to be secured, will be appreciated and which are the last word in apartment house appointments, within and without, have been filled with first-class Negro tenants, each of whom could exchange references with the landlord.

Lawyer Perry Disbarred.—Rufus L. Perry, a lawyer of Brooklyn, who became a Jew a few years ago, was disbarred by the Appellate Division recently for forging the name of his dead father to a deed. The document purported to convey a house on St. Mark's avenue, Brooklyn, to the attorney's mother. Attorney Perry insisted that the signature upon the document was the last act of his father, a prominent Negro Baptist minister, who died in 1895. It was discovered, however, that the paper was not manufactured until 1924, as indicated by the name of the defendant, who undertook to carry out his father's intent without recourse to the courts," said P. E. Callahan, referee, "and I believe the paper was prepared to simulate an original and was accordingly recorded as an original. The motive may be slight, but the evidence is there."

\$2500 for Provident Hospital, Chicago.—Contributions to the Chicago Hospital in five days have aggregated \$2500. The sum is exclusive of \$500 given by Julius Rosenwald a short time before the hospital campaign was begun.

"Pebbles From An African Beach."

A Mission Study Text Book, giving the history, progress and present condition of the Negro Republic—Liberia West Coast Africa. Its back vividly portrays conditions and character of its people, showing the great possibilities in this country, now the "GATE-WAY" to that continent. This interesting book was prepared

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REV. RICHARD CARROLL, OF N. CAROLINA, NOW IN THE EAST

At present I am in the city of New York, a city built in the air; people here live in the air and ride under the ground, on the ground and above the ground. Many poor souls call this real life to be here or in any great city, but I love the woods, the seashore, the mountains and branches, hills and valleys, to have as companions hogs, goats, sheep, dogs, horses, cows, turkeys, chickens, flowers, trees and then to look in the gardens and see vegetables, plenty of turkeys, cabbage, potatoes, onions, and then to have chickens of my own "raising," eggs, snashine, quistness, a god wood fire in the winter.

What is best for the Negro, to come North or remain South? I have often asked this question. I do not know. Plenty of work in the North, good wages, plenty opportunities to spend it, expenses very high, costs more to sleep than to eat. I am told that they walk all night in New York to keep from sleeping; sleep all day to keep from eating. There is never a silent or quiet hour, whistles, trains, street cars, the tramp of the horses' feet, rumbling wagons, noise, noise everywhere. Am anxious to get back home for I am tired of seeing I see so many strange things, the work of science, fire and brains.

What next is the question. The Church of God is simply an institution where people met to raise money, support pastors and get the various claims of the denomination, and they raise a great deal of money. Members give dances and other entertainments to raise money for the church. Not all of the churches do this, but some of them. Only last week, in a certain city in New Jersey, one of the worst men in the community gave an entertainment or a dance for a certain church. The pastor was not present, but he sent his lieutenant to receive the cash raised.

I do not fall to fire at this fort: Wicked thing! They are nearly all alike—Baptist, Methodist, or anybody. The church and the wicked are mixed. They do the same things—play cards, give dances, drink whiskey; of course, there are exceptions. Same thing in the South where they have the opportunity. Oh, church of God, shake yourself from the dust!

I preached Sunday, October 7, for Dr. D. W. Parks before a great congregation in Philadelphia, seating capacity of the church more than ten thousand. Preached in the afternoon for my old friend, Dr. W. H. Moses; preached at 8 p. m. sixty-five miles east of Philadelphia, for Rev. L. D. Brooks, a graduate of Lincoln University and pastor of the Baptist Church, where I lectured on "Good Luck." He raised \$520.

I attended the New Jersey Women's Baptist State Convention at Long Branch, N. J., and the Baptist State Convention that met at the same place. It was ten times more orderly than our South Carolina Baptist Convention. The women do not work apart from the men. The Conventions and Associations are all subordinate to the Baptist State Convention. Preachers in the Convention are all subject to the Moderator, Dr. Love.

I go from here to Providence, R. I. tomorrow; then to Washington, Wilson, N. C., from the 20th to the 31st. At Long Branch, N. J., I met Dr. E. A. Chesak, pastor of First Baptist Church, Columbia. He reports that he is doing well in his pastorate and is satisfied. You need not worry about Dr. Chesak; he can take care of himself anywhere. I met several of the South Carolina preachers, all holding their own.

I addressed a white ministers' council of Rhode Island which met in the Baptist church that Roger Williams built and pastored, the first Baptist church established in America. The old building still stands and the people worship there.

Providence, R. I., is the home of "Black Pat," the great singer. I called at her home to see her and she has retired from the stage for the present on account of an invalid mother, whom she desires to stay at home and take care of.

Half a million Negroes who have had opportunities to make money, she saved her money. She has a very fine home and several houses in Providence that bring good rent, and her income is sufficient to take care of her the balance of her life and her mother. She has no other relative to

care for but her mother. What's good about her is that she has always loved and honored her mother. Her real name is Siseretta Jones. She has promised to join me in some evangelistic meeting in South Carolina this winter. She is a member of the Condon Street Baptist Church in Providence and is going to turn her great voice toward glorifying God in song.

In New York I was a guest of Mrs. C. J. Walker, the wealthiest Negro woman in the world, who got her riches out of the desire of colored women to have "good hair and beautiful skin."

Just think of this Negro woman, a queen of finance, building a house at Irvington-on-the-Hudson that will cost a quarter of a million! Her daughter's home equipped and furnished by her mother, at 108 West 136th Street, cost \$55,000, and there is furniture in one room that cost \$4500. There is no home in South Carolina built by any race that surpasses the equipment here. Mrs. Walker's income from real estate and other quarters is said to amount to a quarter of a million.—Charleston (S. C.) Messenger.

ECHO FROM CONVENTION

By Finley T. Davis

The Baptist State Convention which convened at our church was a great success. The spirit of God was in each meeting of the entire session. The delegates on arriving in town were greeted with snow and rain on the first day, but during their stay and on their return weather was favorable. Good speakers from different parts of the State spoke with eloquence, and not only did the visiting delegates leave with high inspiration and determination, but the members of our church and earnest workers were edified that a number of them have been highly benefited and are making resolutions to do God's work more earnestly. Bro. E. W. Johnson, who is president of the State Convention, not only addressed the convention, but preached a sermon last Sunday morning that shall be long remembered. The entire church was filled with the spirit of God and all that heard him left with one mind.

Another feature in the convention was to witness the acceptance of five soldiers who were accepted, but accepted Christ as their Savior during this convention. The baptism of one of these soldiers, whose name is Roman Pearson. A collection was taken for him and the church agreed that he shall be furnished with anything he needs in need while in the United States army.

Our pastor was unanimously elected Treasurer of the State Convention. Mrs. W. H. Moore was elected a member of the executive board of the Women's Convention.

The church wishes to thank all those who so faithfully and earnestly rendered such good service during the convention. The different committees did their part well. The church was here, there and everywhere receiving a great many compliments from different visiting delegates for the system of conducting, entertaining and welcoming of delegates.

We are glad to have Miss Ophelia Lee Logan of Philadelphia, with us. She is visiting Mrs. E. F. Streets, of Foster street, for a few weeks. She was once an active, earnest worker of our church until she left our city for Philadelphia. We are glad to have her with us.

Mrs. N. Penn, of our church, is doing a great missionary work for the purpose of saving souls. She speaks of her work in the women's mass meeting last Sunday, and all were impressed by her remarks.

The Augusta Herald, in its Sunday issue, "headed" the capture of a Negro auto thief in this city by soldiers and police officers. In big type as a "near race riot." The only Negro present was the captured Negro. No attempt was made to mistreat him and how it was a "near race riot" I can't say for the life of me. While in newspapers, especially those with a large Negro subscription list, should at least be fair to the Negro brother.—Georgia Baptist.

Liberty Motor Tests End.—Washington.—All tests of the Liberty motor for the Government's airplanes have been satisfactory. Deliveries to the various assembling factory plants will begin about December 1. Existing problems for the labor element in airplane construction are serious. The council is arranging to build additional quarters.

Music

NEGRO SINGING

Miss Alice Williams

Talking about the music of the Negro in the Southern States, Miss Louise Altra Williams, the singer and reader, declared that the plantation type of melody must in certain respects trace its origin back to Africa. When this point was made against this theory that Negro tunes are too obviously built on the European major and minor scales to be referred to any ancient racial source, she held that at all events the Negro must have brought with him to America from his ardent habitat his method of song, which method is peculiarly one of improvisation.

"The southern Negroes," the artist recently said, "always sing as they work, and usually they make up a song that has something to do with their work. You hear them in the cotton fields, singing as they pick cotton. You hear the women about the refrains of an old melody as inevitably as you see the red gleam of their bandanna headgear. In the cities, too, especially the old-fashioned ones like Charleston, Savannah and Columbia, you will constantly pass Negroes who improvise a song as they walk along; and here and there you will come across a solitary singer at a corner strumming a banjo accompanied by his toes."

A kind of music which many people associate with the Negroes, but which Miss Williams explained they do not, in old Southern localities, care for, is ragtime. Negro popular song, the authentic sort, she said, are seriously cultivated and preserved in advanced educational institutions for Negroes, like Hampton Institute and Fisk University.

The artist has gathered the songs and rable stories which she presents at her recitals largely from the Negroes of Georgia, where she was brought up amid cotton plantation surroundings. An example of her repertoire, learned from the Negroes of the neighborhood in which she lived as a child, is her "Poor Down, Aunt Becky Rahn." This piece, whether sung on the deck of a warship before an audience of United States sailors in a metropolitan hotel or in the auditorium of a woman's clubhouse, meets the response of things that hold the genuine kernel of folk humor.—Tulsa Student.

COMMUNITY SINGING

"I never saw the crowd that couldn't sing," said John F. Braun, president of the Philadelphia Community Singing Association, in an address delivered before the New Century Club, Philadelphia.

According to Mr. Braun the art of singing is not half so much a matter of physical technique as teachers of singing make out. "The mental, not the physical, is the secret of successful singing," he said, and to prove it within a few moments he had the whole room wholeheartedly pouring out the very spirit of "The Marching Song," which America finds so difficult to sing with the true French spirit.

After briefly outlining the history of the Philadelphia Community Singing Association, which had its beginning in the New Century Club last April and now boasts a membership of more than forty social, business and musical organizations, he outlined the purpose of this association as typified by the "get-together" idea.

"The only thing truly and distinctly American we have to offer the foreigner in our midst," said Mr. Braun, "is our group of national and patriotic hymns and our so-called folk songs. Psychological experience proves," he said, "that no group of persons can sing together without a resulting sensation of exaltation. Community singing will inevitably make for better citizenship and better patriotism."

Among the selections sung in unison by the gathering under Mr. Braun's direction was Mrs. M. H. Dickinson's new song to the tune of "Marching Through Georgia," which she has endeavored to make more universally a song of the Allies than purely local. The stirring "Battle Hymn of the Republic" also was sung, with Mr. Braun leading and the meeting closed with the "Star Spangled Banner."

Sunday School

LINCOLN IN SUNDAY SCHOOL

When Lincoln was in New York on the occasion of his famous Cooper Institute speech he slipped away from his hotel to the old Five Points Sunday school. This visit was described by one of the teachers and may be found in Barrett's "Life of Abraham Lincoln."

"Our Sunday school in the Five Points was assembled one Sunday morning, a few months since, when I noticed a tall and remarkable-looking man enter the room and like a sent among us. He listened with fixed attention to our exercises, and his countenance manifested such genuine interest that I approached him and suggested that he might be willing to say something to the children. He accepted the invitation with evident pleasure, and coming forward began a simple address, which at once fascinated every little hearer and flushed the room into silence. His language was strikingly beautiful and his tones musical with intensest feeling. The little faces around would drop into conviction as he uttered sentences of warning and would brighten into smiles as he spoke words of cheerful promise. Once or twice he attempted to close his remarks, but the imperative about of 'Go on! Oh, do, go on!' would compel him to resume. As I looked upon the giant and majestic frame of the stranger and marked his powerful head and determined features, now touched into softness by the impressions of the moment, I felt an irrepressible urgency to learn something more of him, and when he was quietly leaving the room, I begged to know his name. He replied courteously, 'It is Abraham Lincoln, from Illinois!' Baptist Commonwealth."

GOOD RESULTS FROM FEWBLE EFFORT

Years ago a poor seamstress persuaded a boy to go to Sunday school. The boy, Amos Sutton, was converted. He became a minister and a missionary to India. It was by his influence that the Baptist mission among the Telugus was begun. That poor seamstress went to her reward without knowing of the wonderful things for which to which her simple faithfulness led.

The great things of this world are, as a rule, not done by the worldly great and powerful. It was not a king on his throne, but a scholar on his bench who began the great modern missionary movement. The Saviour of mankind was born not in a palace, but in a stable.—Kind Words.

Teachers of little children in the Sunday school have been known to complain that their pupils did not understand the lesson, when it was plain that an attempt had been made to teach them. It was a great mistake to let matter into a tiny cup. Of necessity the mass had got to waste, and he little retained had come too much like an avalanche to be put to good use. "Papa," said a little boy, "say that again; say it slow;" and the little fellow's case is but a fair illustration of the fact that the primary scholars need to have things made simple. They must be told over and over again. Such is the practice in the public school, and it should be in the Sunday school.—Golden Censer.

White Ballies Unfair to Negro.—Further proof of the practice of some of the white dailies of the country to make capital out of things concerning the Negro, meritorious or otherwise, is conclusively proven in the manner in which the press dispatch of the killing of a white carpenter by a Negro guard was chronicled. According to the text of the message, members of the First Separate Battalion, of the District of Columbia, were doing guard duty at Camp Ardway, Andrew J. Cooper (white), a carpenter, entered the camp through the wrong entrance and was promptly ordered by Private Jerry Ward, who was on guard, to halt; upon his refusal the soldier fired, killing the unfortunate man. The guard was within orders and the dispatch so stated. The dailies seized the bit of news for glaring, disgraceful headlines.

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Newark News, Rev. J. N. Burton. Writer - The N. Y. Baptist State Convention has just closed a grand annual session, about a week or so ago, with almost a record-breaking session, with the Mt. Gladde Baptist Church, Rev. Dr. L. B. Trelaw, pastor, and the Rev. Dr. George Rima, the honored and beloved president, who was unanimously re-elected president for another year as its best. Dr. Rima and well-nigh all of his executive officers were chosen again to continue their office for that people. There were many great sermons, addresses, notes and recitals delivered, which were real timely and inspiring to all who heard them, and especially is it, a great honor and much delight for me to mention that great and most timely missionary sermon preached by that bustling and wise-wake pastor, the Rev. Dr. H. T. Burton, my friend and brother, pastor of that up-to-date English Baptist Church of Jamaica, N. Y. We spent last Sunday with him and his great-hearted, good and loving people. They certainly did do all they could to make it pleasant and comfortable for the writer of these notes, and even came with me in the depot and bought my ticket and put me on the train for home after trying to persuade me to remain over for the week with them. Rev. Dr. Burton and Prof. and Mrs. Hollinsworth know just how to entertain and make it pleasant for all who come among them. Rev. Bro. Parker, a student of Liverpool Seminary and College, preached a very acceptable sermon for Dr. Burton and his people last Sunday morning. Rev. Bro. Parker is destined to make good for himself and the cause of Jesus Christ. Rev. Dr. Burton and his good, hospitable people are planning to build a new church edifice some time next year. May God's richest blessings ever rest upon such a man and people. His sermons and communion services of last Sunday are among the best I have ever listened to and attended. We are traveling among the churches and many brethren to see and get a little ease and much needed rest, and not so much to preach, but we delight always in having a little something to say for our blessed Redeemer and His great cause. Rev. Dr. Burton and his good people are arranging for my latest time to run a revival meeting with them.

The N. Y. P. U. semi-annual session of New Jersey is to be held in the North Clinton Baptist Church, 282 Orange, Rev. Dr. E. D. Samuels, pastor, the first Thursday in December, 1937, at 10 A. M. Rev. Dr. W. T. Watkins, president; Miss Bruce, corresponding secretary. The writer of these notes was much pleased to be in the Baptist ministers' conference Monday for the first time in twenty-four weeks. We found the Rev. Dr. William Jones, our honored and beloved president, and a host of the brethren around him, and Rev. Dr. J. B. Holten, our worthy and efficient secretary, doing their business for God and the welfare of His great kingdom on earth. Dr. Jones keeps a close eye on all the brethren. Everybody who is a friend and well-wisher to the cause of Christ and humanity is invited to the Synopsia Baptist Church, 48 Belleville avenue, Newark. Rev. Dr. J. N. Burton, pastor, from 12 to 3:30 P. M. Sunday, the 13th. Please hear the Macedonian cry and come over and help us in God's name and for humanity sake at this most wonderful time. There also will be great preaching and singing, and a great quartet from New York City or Newark is promised to be booked for that occasion by some of the friends and well-wishers of that edifice. Don't miss this great event, the third Sunday this year, from 12 to 3:30 P. M. It is to be men's rally day, and everybody male and female, is most cordially invited to come and be with us.

Rev. J. N. Burton. The address of Rev. J. N. Burton is changed from 135 Academy Street to 408 Halsey street, Newark, N. J. Nov. 8, 1917. - We the executive board of the State B. Y. P. U., finding by a circular and program notifying us of a meeting of a B. Y. P. U. convention to meet in the city of Newark on November 14 and 15, 1917, without the knowledge or consent of the regular B. Y. P. U., which seems to be antagonistic to the State B. Y. P. U. work we, the executive board, do discontinue such action and appoint the president, Rev. W. E. Watkins; Rev. E. H. Samuels and Rev. D. W. Cannon in conference with the leaders and prime movers of such organizations, W. T. Watkins, President.

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Mr. J. E. McKinney and Mr. Oliver Waring of the Union Baptist Church, the latter the recording secretary for the past year, have enlisted in the U. S. Army. They will leave for training camp in Cuba soon. Several of the young men have been drafted. Officers will be drafted. It is said that enlisted men only are eligible in the present. The truth of this we do not know, but question. However, it is patriotic to enlist.

There is quite a stir in church circles at this season. The annual financial rallies are on. Hollick Baptist pulled off the first, raising \$1318. Next announcement. Smaller amounts doubtless will come in for several Sundays yet. Good for these times!

Congregational Church rally on the second Sunday; the A. M. E. Zion, the third Sunday; the A. M. E. the fourth Sunday, and Union will gather up the fragments on the second Sunday in December. The churches will unite in all these rallies.

The Sunshine Band of Union Church gave a brilliant affair, known as a penny fair, Thursday evening, November 8th, in the busy school room. It was the band's first effort, and should be commended.

"A Festival of Happy Days" is the name of a cantata to be given under the auspices of the Junior Choir of the Union Baptist Church at the St. Thomas parish house Thursday evening, November 3rd. The young people have been rehearsing some time for this entertainment, and we promise to be above the average.

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Star of Bethlehem Baptist Church, Bacon, N. Y. Sunday, October 30th, more than 200 persons attended the twelfth anniversary of the church and pastor. At 3 P. M. Rev. E. N. McDaniel of Newburgh, N. Y., and choir sang. Address by Rev. H. J. Kingdon, pastor of the white Baptist Church, also address by Lawyer N. Doughty in reference to the church. At 8 o'clock Rev. C. S. Praries of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., and a goodly number of his members were present. Sunday, November 4th, we baptize two and give the band of fellowship to five, making it a glorious day in Bethlehem. Pray for us.

The Union Baptist Church, of Stamford, Conn., Rev. W. O. Harris, Minister - We have been enjoying a ten days' spiritual feast, served by the Rev. C. W. Fisher, D. D., of the Union Baptist Church, Hartford. Our special meetings began on the 14th of this month and ended Friday, the 26th inst. Results.

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SHOWERS OF BLESSINGS

First Baptist Church, Langhorne, Pa., Rev. George B. Miller, Pastor—Thursday, October 21, was a grand day. The council met for the purpose of ordaining Brothers George B. Miller, Yardley, Pa., and Harvey Davis, Crestmont, Pa. After a thorough examination the brethren were satisfied and with exulting love made it known that the Holy Spirit was with them. It was strongly remarked by Rev. Drs. George Russell, R. Lewis and B. J. Malcom and others that the findings of Bro. Harry Davis and George B. Miller on the doctrine of the Holy Bible was first class. They are strong in the rich treasure of Jesus Christ. There were love, peace and harmony among the brethren. Sisters Annie Jackson, Anna Hinton, H. Griffin, Mary Miller, Mary Davis and Deacon W. W. Williams and others replenished a nice dinner. The brethren enjoyed themselves. They the Lord bless the two candidates. We pray that God will ever continue to take them up into the rich things of heaven. At 7:30 the devotional service opened with a hymn read by Rev. Dr. H. D. Young; scripture reading and prayer, by Rev. Dr. Manly; ordination sermon, by Rev. Dr. George Russell; charge to the church and presentation of the Holy Bible, by Rev. Dr. R. Lewis, after which ordination; ordination prayer, by Rev. Dr. Manly; benediction, by Rev. Harvey Davis.

The General Baptist Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., concluded Sunday a brilliant and profitable series of meetings in honor of the seventh anniversary of its pastor, the Rev. Dr. William M. Moss, and the dedication of the newly purchased church edifice on Adelphi street near Myrtle avenue. The new meeting house was bought for \$44,000 and decorated at a cost of about \$7000. It is a modern structure of splendid appointment, with a seating capacity of 1500 without the use of chairs or standing room. The Sunday school room accommodates the seven departments of the school in a most helpful manner. The beginners, primary, junior and teacher training departments have separate rooms, shut off from the main school by sliding doors. The membership of the church is 1780 and that of the school 585. The public will remember that this church was made famous by the late Dr. William T. Dixon, who was its pastor for 44 years, until his death on June 2, 1903. The new edifice has a beautiful picture memorial window of Dr. Dixon, given by the Ladies Shower Club. Miss Esther Bradley, president, which cost \$600.

Second Baptist Church, North Philadelphia, J. C. Jackson, Pastor—There never was a time when the members of our church had more reasons to rejoice than now. Every department better organized for effective work, there seems to be a desire on the part of the membership to reach the unsaved and to make strangers feel at home in our church as never before. More than sixteen of our boys from our neighborhood have gone to Camp Meade to be trained for service. Eight of last number were members of our church. In the absence of the pastor, Mrs. Mary Rhoades led in the movement to have our young men feel that, though they were leaving us, we are still interested in them. More than thirty dollars was raised to escort our boys to the station by our officers at Mrs. Rhoades suggestion, and notwithstanding there is a sadness in saying good-bye, each one of them was cheered to note the interest shown on the part of our church.

Last Sunday's Service—Pastor preached morning and evening, in the afternoon special service in the Sunday school, at which time we had three convocations. Dr. Dechery spoke and also Rev. W. Lancaster. The delegate who attended the State Convention at Pittsburgh, Mrs. M. G. Russell and M. H. Jackson, gave glowing reports of the work, which attracted our people very much. Three added to the church; offering, \$118.

Next Sunday is communion in the afternoon (special invitation to all), and our rally the third Sunday.

General Street Baptist Church, Boston, Mass., Rev. W. Bishop Bowden, D. O., Pastor—Last Sunday was an ideal day with us. Our pastor accorded the meeting at 11 A. M. and preached in his usual evangelistic way from the subject, "The United Pastor and Official." 7:45 P. M. subject "The Duty We Owe to God." He was

charged high with the Holy Spirit. We are expecting that the churches will call him away to our revival before Christmas, but we are trying very hard to keep him on the field until we raise our \$10000 rally. Next Sunday he will preach morning and evening. 11 A. M., "Who is on the Lord's Side?" 7:45 subject, "The Final Judgment." Our Sunday school is still marching onward. Our B. Y. P. U. is progressing. Pastor's address, 55 Northfield street, Boston, Mass.

Shiloh Baptist Church, Plainfield, N. J.—Last Sunday another great time was experienced in the service of our blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Our pastor, Rev. Edwards W. Roberts, preached at 11 A. M. Topic, "Moderation in All Things." It was highly appreciated by all who heard him. The people wept as their hearts filled with celestial joy. The sermon preached at 2 P. M. by the Rev. A. M. Alexander, the first pastor of Shiloh Baptist, was a grand effort. May the richest blessings of the Almighty God be with our brother. Our Young People's Society is doing a grand work. Mr. R. A. Jones, president. The recently installed piano is serving a grand end, for which we praise God. Our Willing Workers Society under the leadership of Mr. E. Crate is doing a grand work in the church, also the Missionary Society. Mrs. L. Heatt, Mrs. A. Burton, Mrs. A. Venable, Mr. R. Brook, Mr. J. Deans and Miss E. W. Waller deserve great credit for their noble work. Our harvest home fair will come off November 30. All are cordially invited.

Sixth Street Baptist Church, Lakewood, N. J., Rev. A. G. Young, Pastor—The work is moving on fine with us. I have pastored this church for 12 years. God is blessing us by His presence and power. Pray for us. God be with you.

First Baptist Church, Yardley, Pa., Rev. B. J. Smith, Pastor—Morning service, 11 o'clock. Sunday school at 1 o'clock was fairly well attended. Dr. P. M. pastor delivered a short sermon from the 33rd chapter of Ezekiel, 6th and 7th verses, after which we had covenant meeting, the communion table being presided over by the pastor. Our church is doing nicely, and we truly thank the Lord for all His goodness to us. Sister Cassie Smith, wife of the pastor, is on the sick list. Pray for us.

MARTHA DOTSON.

Because it is hard to board students at the Virginia Theological Seminary and College the Executive Board of the Women's State Educational Convention of the Virginia has set the 27th of November to be known as "Pantry Supply Day" at the seminary. They appeal to you and your church to help supply the pantry by giving one pound of flour, and has the same to be sent to the Virginia Seminary care of the Executive Board, Mrs. L. W. Tyrrell, chairman. In time to reach the seminary by November 23, 1917.

NEGRO TROOPS WITHDRAWN

Washington.—Negro soldiers on guard duty at Camp Ordway were withdrawn after the killing of Andrew J. Cooper, an aged carpenter, by Private Jerry Ward and a resulting strike of about 700 workmen.

Cooper was shot while going into the camp on his way to work. Ward, who immediately was arrested by the military, said the carpenter was not using the proper entrance and failed to obey his command to halt. Friends of the dead man said he was slightly deaf and probably did not hear the sentry.

Negro Soldiers in South (Carolina Camp)—Two battalions of the 15th New York arrived at Camp Wadsworth, Spartanburg, S. C. The troops, hardened by the pioneer work at other training camps, swung up the dusty road from the detouring their camp adjoins that of the 13th Regiment and is but a short distance from the 71st.

Chauncey H. Tobler, Augusta, Ga., has the distinction of raising of the contribution to the million dollar fund from the colored students of America, which is to be applied in Y. M. C. A. work at the various camps and cantonments in this country and Europe.

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With assurances of sincere regard,
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 JOHN MITCHELL, JR.

CHINESE COLLEGE GIRLS

The most picturesque school in Nanking is Giling College, a newly opened institution, operated by five boards, presided over by a faculty of eight, including eighteen girls. As this is only the second year of operation, eighteen is a goodly number. Last year there were hardly enough girls to go around. The college is housed for the present in a charming old "kung wuan," or official residence, belonging to the estate of Li Hing Chang, and once occupied by one of his relatives. For Chinese women to come into such an institution, even by resting it, is enough to make any one enthusiastic. Only two years of college work are done at present, but a year-work is being added every autumn, so that it will soon be the eight teachers to keep the class work up to the high standard that has been decided upon.

Already the girls have turned upon the

opportunity to put into practice the principles of sociology and social service and the Y. W. C. A. of Giling conduct a day school for the children of the neighborhood. In spite of the small number of girls' schools, which teach sufficient English to prepare students in Giling, there are fifteen schools preparing students for this, the only real college for women in China, outside of Peking.

There are an average of five rooms for every student at present, and the rent amounts to \$33 for each girl. Tuition is \$30, and the charge for food and room is a like amount at the present rate of exchange.—Christian Herald

HOME FIRST EDITIONS

Byron received \$20,000 for "Child of Harold."

It took from 1623 to 1684 to sell two editions of Shakespeare in London.

While he was procurator in Spain the elder Pliny was offered 400,000 sesterces (about \$16,000) by Lartius Pleclius for his "Electorum Commentaria."

John Faust disposed of the first edition of the printed Bible among various universities and sold a considerable number in Paris at current rates, but finding it difficult to procure purchasers for all he had, reduced the price from sixty crowns to twenty crowns.

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INSECTS, LIKE BIRDS, HAVE CALL

Insects, like birds and animals, have their calls. But the sounds they produce include the rubbing together of their limbs or wing covers and the vibration of their wings, so they cannot always be spoken of as voices. Flies and bees undoubtedly emit something when they hum louder and louder.

Landolise, the famous naturalist, has calculated that to produce the sound of F he vibrates 24 times; thirty vibrations for G, 352 times for a second, and the bee to create A vibrates 340 times a second.

ired bee hums on F sharp. This change is, perhaps, involuntary, but undoubtedly at the command of the will, and is similar to the voice.

When seeking honey a bee hums to F sharp. Landolise noticed three different tones emitted by insects—a low one during flight, a higher one when the wings are held so that they cannot vibrate, and a higher one yet when the insect is held so that none of his limbs can be moved.

No music is as familiar as that produced by the locust, grasshopper and crickets, and, although they are not produced by the mouth, they answer as calls, and are undoubtedly a language to a certain extent; and, indeed, their calls have been reduced to written music. The music of grasshoppers is produced in four different ways, according to Scudder.

First, by rubbing the base of one wing upon the other, using for that purpose veins running through the middle portion of the wing; second, by a similar method, by using the veins of the inner surface of the hind legs against the outer surface of the wing covers; and, fourth, by rubbing together the upper surface of the front edge of the wings and the under surface of the hind legs.

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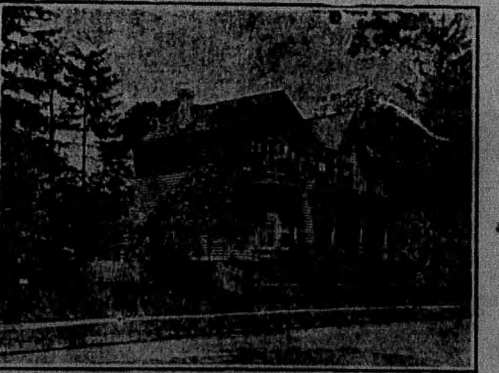
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Things of the Week, Nov. 3d to Nov. 10th

Peace offer by Teutonic powers hinted in connection with visit of Austrian Nielsner to Berlin. United States soldiers captured by Germans faced certain death or surrender. Three killed, five wounded and twelve captured. Brazil entered the conflict because it could not longer tolerate German inhumanity. It was fully aware of the sacrifices that participation in the world struggle would entail. Japanese press bitter toward the United States. Translation of articles that are especially hostile to the war and allied motives received. Radicals in American Federation of Labor plan to meet James Connolly as head of organization at convention in Buffalo. Five killed, two dying and fifty hurt when incendiary fire starts series of explosions in New Kensington munitions plant. Negotiations over bridgeheads captured by Austro-Germans and 200,000 more Italian prisoners added. Total guns captured 1800. French and British reinforcements have arrived on the Italian front. Half of Germany's submarines have been sunk and 50 per cent. of her merchant shipping lost. Norway protests to Berlin against destruction of neutral shipping. Eight persons killed and twenty-one injured by bombs from German airplanes in London. British troops in their drive in Flanders waded through a stream so deep that many were pulled out of the water by ropes. Germans on the Alps front withdraw. Russians are in continual contact with the enemy. U-boat targeted steamship East Walla of Queenstown and fired on lifeboats, killing several of crew. Spring drive by Germans on Petrograd and Baltic coast, with the object of isolating Russia and dragging Sweden into the war by offering her Finland is predicted. U-boat menace still threatening British food supply. Carnegie Endowment for peace pledges its resources to defeat Germany, the only way to lasting peace. Lloyd George and Painleve, French Premier, go to Italy with army officers in connection with Italian situation. Belgian women compelled to work on dugouts in the zone of artillery fire. Victory in six months, now hope of Germans who are spending up production of war material at Krupp's. Old-fashioned Christmas, with trees and a gift for every man, planned for the American troops in France by the Y. M. C. A. American field service survivors of transport Finland describe attack on the vessel; forty members land in Bay. Dr. Carl B. Dewener says military dictatorship and American assistance are essential to Russia's recovery. Nineteen persons killed and thirty-four injured in a fire that destroys the Salvation Army Home in Paterson, N. J. Italy expects an offer of peace terms from Germany almost any day. German uprising in Brazil; railway traffic in south of republic paralyzed. German and Austrian agents in Italy picturing in Italian troops Britain as a cruel monster, asking their land and buying their government. Leg books taken from German submarines contain evidence that the destroyers are the most effective weapon in combating the undersea craft. Meeting, new German Chancellor, accepts three demands of Reichstag majority. The weakness of Russia and collapse of the Italian defense have caused

the United States to reconsider all its war aims. The American Red Cross has been asked to furnish 750,000 Christmas packets for United States troops, in addition to 1,000,000 packets previously asked. Head of a Japanese concern declares Tokio must give pladde to sell or charter all newly built vessels to the Allies before the United States will release steel and iron for use Orient. Federal troops sent to Louisiana oil fields to protect wells during strike; troops expected to be called to Texas. Berlin Reports that "North American" troops have been captured at the Rhine-Meuse Canal. This is the first report of Americans being made prisoners. Austrian Emperor to be King of Poland and ruler of South Slav States. New German Chancellor assured of majority support. Russia's economic exhaustion revealed at Moscow conference, also additional light on Premier Kerevsky's warning that her allies must bear the burden of the war. Anglo-French offensive a great help to Russia, as it forced the transfer of German divisions from the east to Flanders and made impossible operations against the Russians. Twelve soldiers down from the battleship Michigan during storm in home waters. Vessel lost with its entire crew. Three bodies recovered. The suffragists released from District of Columbia jail, where they served a term for picketing, denounce conditions there. Fear Miss Alice Paul may not survive. Judge Hyman elected Mayor of New York by more than 112,000. Tammany carries whole city ticket into office. Suffrage wins in New York State, but loses in Ohio. Governor McCall of Massachusetts re-elected, with the entire Republican ticket. Chicago smothered anti-war factions. United States and Japan agree to recognize Japan's "special interests" in China and reaffirm the policy of the "open door." Train dynamited and robbed by Villa handle in Mexican desert. Alice Paul, suffragist leader, begins hunger strike in jail, demanding her six compatriots be given as good fare as is now offered her in the hospital. The Government is paying \$3.25 per day to laborers. The examination required for the position is morally physical, and all able-bodied men who are able to shoulder a sack weighing 125 pounds can qualify. Applicants should apply to the Third U. S. Civil Service district, room 402 Postoffice Building, for further information regarding position and examination. Revolt against Karinsky in Petrograd; telegraph and Parliament buildings seized. Invasion of England may come next. U-boat sinkings few week less; eight of 1600 and four of lighter weight. "Watts" win in Ohio. President Wilson to issue an order for standing loaf of bread and requiring all bakers to obtain Federal licenses.

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HOW CABLEGRAMS ARE SENT AND RECEIVED

Although an ocean cable is in fact a telegraph line, it is so differently constructed that the rules for working land lines are almost entirely dissimilar. With the first long cables great difficulties were encountered in sending through them a current of electricity of sufficient power to record the messages rapidly. The methods for overcoming these difficulties, and in use at present, are described as follows: Keys which, when depressed, transmit positive and negative currents, are employed at the sending station in connection with the regulation battery. The current of the battery does not pass directly into the cable, but into a condenser, which passes it into the submarine line.

This greatly increases the force of the current used and serves to cut off its entering ground currents. The instrument first employed in receiving cablegrams was a reflecting galvanometer. Upon the magnet of this instrument is carried a small curved mirror. A lamp is placed before the mirror and behind a screen in which there is a vertical slit. Flashes of light moving across this slit as the needles moved from left to right indicated to the trained eyes of the operator the letters in the message being transmitted.

But this method of recording messages was found to tax the eyesight of the operator severely, a few years' work often rendering them almost, if not totally, blind. Recognizing the fact that there must be something wrong with such system, inventors set about repairing the defect, which resulted in perfecting the syphon galvanometer, which has all but superseded all other receiving devices.

In the syphon receiver the movements of the needle are recorded by means of ink spurted from a tube. This tube is attached to a coil suspended between two fixed magnets, which swings to the right or left as the pulsations pass through it. The syphon galvanometer is a great improvement, is not hard on the eyes, and enables the operator to receive much more rapidly than with the old dash receiver.

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NEGRO CANDIDATE FOR SURROGATE

Atlantic City.—Political excitement was at "fever heat" when announcement was made by W. P. Cozart, a Negro business man, that he was a candidate for Surrogate. Cozart has filed his papers at Mays Landing. He is a Republican.

NEGROES AFTER LIGHT

Before many of the leading Negro ministers of Pittsburgh the two Mayorality candidates, Messrs. Babcock and Magee, were given an opportunity to be heard. The ministers had questions prepared for the candidates. Mr. Babcock gave straight answers to every question. On the moral issues he was positive, clear and sure. Mr. Magee began to theorize and referred to books he had read on city government. This was not satisfactory.

All Are Equal in Iceland

Men and women are political equals in Iceland. The nation numbers seventy thousand people, and is governed by representatives elected by men and women together.

It is said that the Cincinnati (O.) Real Estate Board intends asking council to pass an ordinance of segregation so that Negroes may not buy property in white residential districts. Some people forget that Negroes could not buy the property if white people did not sell it to them.

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SEGREGATING LAW VOID

Washington, Nov. 5. — Louisville's Negro segregation ordinance was today declared unconstitutional by the supreme court. The decision affects similar ordinances in Baltimore, Richmond, St. Louis and many Southern cities. — Evening Bulletin.

Notwithstanding the importance of this decision by the supreme court, the Bulletin gives it but five lines. When will the great journals of this proud city and of the country show themselves large enough to deal with questions affecting the Negro on a large scale? They seem to forget that we are a large and growing part of the citizens of America. The brief notice this far-reaching decision has received will not in the least affect its importance. This decision makes the Louisville segregation ordinance non-effect, for which we thank God and take courage. What will be the attitude of Baltimore, Richmond, Norfolk, Lynchburg and other Southern cities that have given so much time and effort to the establishment of segregation laws to humiliate the Negro race?

If there ever was a time that this country should recognize the value of manhood rights it is now, and perhaps this is psychological moment for handing down this decision. When the United States is calling upon all of her citizens to stand loyally by the flag and offer themselves on the field of battle to preserve American liberty, it could hardly be expected that the highest branch of our Government would look upon any act to take from any part of her citizens the rights guaranteed by the Constitution of these United States. For our part, we rejoice in the decision, and believe firmly that the time is not far in the distance that Negro citizens shall enjoy the privileges all other free Americans are enjoying. For in due time, we shall reap "if we faint not."

IMPUTED OR IMPARTED RIGHTEOUSNESS

Do you say that you believe in imputed but not in imparted righteousness? that you have all in Christ? that there is nothing good in you? that you do not expect anything better in your life? that all your works are sin and death? that God does all, and that you are too weak to do anything? St. Paul does not seem to agree with you. He admits and claims and rejoices that we are "the righteousness of God through sanctification of the Spirit" but "unto obedience." And this "obedience" must needs be inward as well as outward—outward before outward, outward only because inward. It must be in before it can come out. "That the commendation of thy faith may become effectual by the acknowledgment of every good thing which is in you in Christ Jesus. Mark! every good thing is in you as well as in Christ. Don't take part of God's word and omit the rest. "What shall both joined together, let no man put asunder." Ye have professed your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love with a pure heart—irrevocable

(1 Peter 1:22). Whatever the Spirit does, it is evident that pure hearts, obedience to the truth and fervent and perfect love belong to us.—Irene.

EX-CONGRESSMAN MURRAY'S MESSAGE

Ex-Congressman George W. Murray served in the 53d Congress from 1893 to 1895 and from June 4th, 1896, to March, 1897. He was born in South Carolina, and received his training for his life's work in that State. He is an able lawyer, eloquent and convincing in logic.

Mr. Murray has what he calls "A New Message," and it is interesting to hear him tell the things that he has found by investigation and years of study relative to the Negro race. One of the thoughts advanced by Mr. Murray is "that the Negro is constructed wrong"; that is to say, his training has been such that it unites him for self-reliance, and that in order to overcome this defect, there must be what he aptly terms "a new creation."

How this is to be done Mr. Murray most interestingly relates. In many points we fully agree with ex-Congressman Murray. We fully believe that the spirit of any race must be preserved, and that spirit must be within himself if the true man is to come forth and play his part with other men and races; and wherever the spirit of another man is breathed into one he must, in keeping with the eternal fitness of things, reflect the thoughts of the individual from whom he receives his inspiration. This is worthy of consideration by all thoughtful men. There is danger, however, of that degree of isolation where a race strives to be independent of the thoughts of other races that they so shut themselves in from the outside world until they become a non-entity and cannot be taken into serious consideration.

We do not accept the position that the power of man to know himself will righten all the evils of wrongs common to mankind, nor do we believe that, having power to control oneself, will bring him back to that position in life that he controls his relationship between him and his Maker; just here may be a weakness in this message. We admire Mr. Murray, and would urge everybody who can to hear his message. It is an easy matter to disagree with any one who attempts new things and hard to keep oneself in harmony with those who persist in going along antiquated lines. We are eternally opposed to faultfinders; therefore, we must stop lest we lead our readers to feel that we are trying to impose an objection to this most distinguished, eloquent and convincing speaker who charms and electrifies his audiences as well. Don't fall when he comes to open your churches and let him tell our people their needs.

EVEN IF IT COME TO PASS

In these days a little of the old-fashioned, scriptural, sound common sense would do some people a great deal of good.

For instance, read this: "If there arise among you a prophet, or a dreamer of dreams,

and giveth thee a sign or a wonder, and the sign or the wonder come to pass, whereof he spake unto thee, saying, Let us go after other gods (which thou hast not known), and let us serve them; thou shalt not hearken unto the words of that prophet, or that dreamer of dreams; for the Lord your God proveth you, to know whether ye love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul. Ye shall walk after the Lord your God, and fear Him, and keep His commandments, and obey His voice; and ye shall serve Him, and cleave unto Him. And that prophet, or that dreamer of dreams, shall be put to death (because he hath spoken to turn you away from the Lord your God, which brought you out of the land of Egypt, and redeemed you out of the house of bondage, to thrust thee out of the way which the Lord thy God commanded thee to walk in). So shalt thou put the evil away from the midst of thee (Deut. 13: 1-5).

Observe, the key to this riddle, the solution of this problem, the one way in which any uncalled prophet or dreamer may be detected, even though in his signs and wonders come to pass, is his effort to draw you away from the Lord your God. That is enough. Never mind the signs and wonders, even if they do come to pass. The Devil and his imps bring a good many things to pass; and if they do not quit they will bring some other things to pass; not their being "put to death" physically, but their being put to spiritual and eternal death.

Too many whom God has so proved, to know whether they loved the Lord their God with all their heart and with all their soul, have too soon shown that they did not. Their sermons and loud professions, and even their preaching, have long been missed. They have listened to uncalled and miscalled prophets and dreamers, they have been deceived by signs and wonders that came to pass, until they have been led far away from the Lord their God, far away from their former beloved associations, far away from happiness and heaven.

And hundreds are hurrying after them. They are thinking, they are guided by the Holy Ghost even though they are disobeying plain Scripture. They are imagining themselves under the guidance of the Holy One (and therefore infallible), although their mistakes are palpable to every thoughtful, well-balanced Bible Christian.

May God help us to keep to The Word.

Let us keep ourselves to The Lord our God.

So shall we keep away from godless prophets and dreamers, and signs and wonders, and keep well within range of reason and religion.—Irene.

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