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Mr. Henry Johnson is acting Recorder of Deeds in the absence of Mr. Trotter. Let all inferiors stand aside.

A new paper has been born in Anacostia, D. C., known as the Herald. May it live long and prosper.

All colored editors throughout the United States, are requested to send to the historian of the colored press association, a brief history of their paper and themselves.

The Masonic visitor, is the name of a monthly Compend edited by Dr. H. H. Harris of Petersburg, Va. Dr. Harris is an old newspaper man of vim and education. Success to the visitor.

We have received from Rev. B. W. Arnett, D. D., a well compiled budget of facts, concerning the African Methodist Episcopal Church. It numbers 343 pages. It is a valuable book, which should be in the house of all methodists of his connection.

The Washington BEE must not disturb our educators in Virginia by trying to get them into politics. We who are in Virginia are able to suggest men suitable for Congress. We are flooded with curbstone politicians that we would be glad to get rid of. Now, Bro. Chase, keep still and don't bother us any more in this state. Hon. John M. Langston is very well satisfied where he is.—Virginia Critic.

We beg leave to inform our esteemed contemporary, that is just what we want, educators in politics and less rum suckers. Prof. Langston is just the man to be sent from Virginia to represent the colored people. By all means send Langston. We are as much interested in the welfare of the Virginia colored people as we are in the colored people of this city.

Donnelly, the great Western writer, has attempted to show that the source of all the civilization which we now enjoy, was located at a point at the mouth of the Mediterranean Sea. The gist of the book indicates that the great Continent of Africa has had no particular share in the sources of our present civilization. Although authorized by Solon and Plato, we deem this attempt of Donnelly to leave Africa out of the question a mean and determined effort and motive to place the credit where it does not rightfully belong. Plato and Solon, to the contrary, notwithstanding the fact is accepted, and remains that the present civilization owes its origin and impetus to the civilization of Africa.

The Ohio convention closed in a great smoke. Every-body was satisfied and the Sherman resolution went through with a hurrah. If the surface indications have anything to do towards fixing the destiny of the Nation, the next presidential nominee will be Hon. John Sherman. But we cannot believe every thing we see, and we must not count too strongly on Sherman. Sherman is a good man and will be elected if nominated. The colored people desire him. His record is good. But he may be defeated by a set of men who have not the interest of the whole people at heart. Sherman or no Sherman, it is to be hoped that his sagacity and experience will have weight and controlling weight.

EX-CONGRESSMAN RAINEY DEAD.

Ex Congressman Joseph H. Rainey, died at his residence in Georgetown, S. C., last Monday. Mr. Rainey was a member of Congress, and he made a very fair representative. As a messenger to his Committee on engrossed Bills he was an expert, so much so, that he was complimented, by his associates, who were no more than he was, for always having the bills at the Presidents in time for his signature. Mr. Rainey was very gentlemanly in deportment, and a man of some intelligence.

UNEASY.

There is much uneasiness expressed about the editor of this paper going to the next republican convention. A few whiskey pimps, not far from our office, should know that respectable people will organize and control the next republican convention, and the 9th district will send a solid delegation in the editors interest, and don't you forget it. For the information of those uneasy people we desire to say that the BEE will have 12 districts out of the 22. The people will control the next convention, and don't you forget it. Again, no Blaine delegates will go from this city.

HE BOWS.

The letter of Adjutant Charles R. Douglass to the editor of the BEE, relative to a star chamber meeting assumes the same position as the BEE. It was not necessary to have called a meeting to elect delegates to the reunion of the Boston colored soldiers. The most ridiculous thing of the whole proceedings was, the election of James M. Trotter, a Negro mugwump of Boston, Mass., to represent the colored soldiers of this city. Who is Trotter, to whom the colored soldiers must bow in submission? It shows that the office holders, who attended the meeting were afraid to oppose Trotter. Mr. Douglass says, if there is anyone who objects to Mr. Trotter he should have been at the meeting. We object, and had we been old enough to have been in the war, it would have entitled us to have been at the meeting. We hope Mr. Douglass is not one of the serfs to bow to Mr. Trotter?

CANNOT WITHDRAW.

Mr Charles R. Douglass, ex-counsel Gen'l to San Domingo, and Adjutant in the Capital City Guard, is a man of much forethought and ability. He says that the colored troops cannot withdraw from the District militia. If Gen'l Ordway thinks that none of our commanding officers are good enough to go on his staff, they are certainly too good to march behind him in a parade. If Mr. Douglass is of the opinion that the colored people are going to continue to be the serfs and slaves of the white people he is mistaken. We claim that two thirds of the National Guards, are composed of the colored militia. Why couldn't Gen'l Ordway appoint Major Fleetwood or Fischer? Where can you find two nobler or gentlemanly men? Since this is a white man's government, let it be a white man's war if occasion presents itself.

THE SOUTHERN NEGRO.

It is all well enough for the Northern Negro to appeal to his brethren in the South to oppose the white man; to buy arms and powder; to defend himself against brutal outrages; if the colored men of the South should do such a thing, and call on the northern Negroes for aid, they would call their depressed brethren in the South fools. Notwithstanding the outrages against the Negroes of the South and the discriminations that are being made, the colored people are making wonderful progress.

The appeals of the Southern Negro for protection are sympathetic; they have no one to whom they can look for protection. Mr. Cleveland may do all he can, but a new Moses is yet to come before Ethiopia shall stretch forth her hand and proclaim liberty.

The new South has not come as yet, Georgia is retrograding, Mississippi has painted against her state capital a white man's government, South Carolina in her legislature, like Mt. Vesuvius, is pouring out a poisonous substance which is death to every Negro; Texas is still uncivilized, and is waiting for an opportunity to strike the fatal blow. This is but a dim picture of the South. When we can read in statute books of the Southern states "equality before the law," to all citizens of the south, then and not until then can we go to the northern gates, and emblazon on its walls the "New South." When the Southern black laws are repealed; when colored ladies and gentlemen are allowed to ride in first class coaches; when educational institution are regarded free to all; when kluksluxism is abandoned; when the midnight assassins are brought to justice and when religion is not regarded as a mockery, we shall proclaim the "New South."

A MISTATEMENT CORRECTED.

We are delighted to learn from the Washington BEE, whose stinging philippic against certain members of the school board at Washington have borne such little fruit, that we were misinformed in respect to its position. We had supposed that Mr. Henry Johnson, who has a piece of the BEE's stinger in his "yaller hide," was a bosom friend of the immaculate and only Chase. His explanation, we are proud to say, Chases the idea from our mind. The prominent government official to whom we referred as having expressed an opinion upon the disgraceful practice which is characteristic of a certain class of thoughtful thinkers and ideal moralists of Washington, gave his opinion sub rosa, as it were, and we regret exceedingly that we cannot, unless he cables us to do so, furnish the mighty editor with his patronymic.—Baltimore Commonwealth.

We desire to say to our esteemed contemporary, that so far as the editor of the BEE is concerned, we are able to defend our position relative to the school matter. Prof. Gregory is the last man to oppose any one or to cause any disruption. He is more of a peace maker, and a man of great moral force, who will not injure anyone. He is not a man to enter into schemes to the detriment of our public school system, if he were, the editor of the "Commonwealth" knows that he would be exposed. Prof. Gregory has his enemies as well as the editor of the Commonwealth, and when a false statement is made against one, who is recognized in the community as a gentleman and scholar, we believe that the editor of the Commonwealth will make the correction as has been done. We know that there are certain Negroes in the District offices, who have endeavored to uphold this public school ring for some time, but since we have had men like Col. Webb, Judges Edmonds and Dent, the public school system has been improved.

YOUNG MEN TO ORGANIZE.

There are quite a number of intelligent and educated young men in this city who should organize themselves into a protective and beneficial union. We have come to the conclusion that it is about time for ignorance to take a back seat, and allow intelligence to rule. Men of intelligence and education, must take hold of the affairs in this District before Congress will consent to restore the right of suffrage. The young men must organize all over the city, and enter their protest against ignorance ruling in this community. The next republican convention will no doubt, be one of the hottest that has ever been in the District of Columbia. There is an attempt, on the part of some, to select Blaine delegates. We state now, so far as the colored people are concerned, they might just as well have a democratic president as to have James G. Blaine. He is not and has never been a friend to the colored people. Between Blaine and Cleveland, it would be better to the interest of the colored people to support Cleveland. If Sherman is the nominee of the republican party, he is the man for the Negro. Mr. Sherman is honest and conscientious. The young colored men, then must organize and prevent Blaine delegates from being elected. We are no longer tied to political parties; we are American citizens and propose to act for ourselves and not for party alone. If it is to the interest of the Ne-

gro to support any of the parties now in existence, let him do so. The democratic party as a whole offers no inducements to the Negro. Outside of Mr. Cleveland, the colored people have but little faith in the democratic party, and none in James G. Blaine. Young men organize! Let a meeting be called next week.

THE COLORED SOLDIERS

[Baltimore Commonwealth.] No class of soldiers (and there are many) fought more bravely in the late war than those of color, and we have yet to hear of a single incident where they failed to do their duty, whether upon the field of battle or storming the forts of the enemy. The annals of history will ever praise the valor of those men who fought not only for their country, but for the personal liberty of their wives and their children, and themselves. Over two hundred thousand colored troops were enlisted in the late war upon the rolls of the Union Army, and many thousands of them survive to-day. We have heard with much regret that these same brave soldiers will not be allowed to participate in the National Drill at New Orleans, simply because they are colored. We regret as citizens to see such meanness of spirit among soldiers of a republic like America. Such acts will not commend themselves to the fair minded people of the country, though they may tickle the prejudices of the few who are opposed to the progress of the colored people.

Should a war occur between this nation and any other, the black soldiers will be looked upon as an important factor in bringing success to our arms. The colored race could put in the field fifty thousand soldiers in defense of the country. There might be some apology for prohibiting the colored troops to enjoy military honors. Were they a class that might cause anarchy, rebellion or sedition among other soldiers, but to openly insult a soldier on account of the color of his skin, which is no fault of his, by telling him he cannot exhibit his skill as a soldier among others, is an offense against the American Soldierly which no patriot can approve. Lincoln, Grant, Sherman, Sheridan, Logan, and a host of others have witnessed the bravery of the colored soldiers, and they all praise their valor, but it is left to the narrow minded men who called themselves soldiers, to insult their comrades when there is no danger of war, and no Union to save from secession and confederacy. When such men rise above prejudices and bigotry, we will hear no more of colored soldiers, but American soldiers.

THE GEORGIA INFAMY BILL.

(From the Savannah Tribune.) The Joint Committee of the Senate and House of Representatives of Georgia, has agreed to recommend the passage of the Glenn bill which puts any person on the chain gang who may teach a colored child in a white school or a white child in a colored school, mention of which was made in last week's issue of the Tribune. The proposed legislation is aimed at the Atlanta University, and was opposed by the colored members of the committee; and on account of its un-republican and un-democratic character is attracting great attention throughout the whole country. The bill is infamous and a disgrace to the "New South." It is unconstitutional, besides being unnecessary and cannot be enforced but may involve the state in litigation. It is a step backward for Georgia and she will receive merited contempt for her action. The bill will undoubtedly be passed by the legislature now, to stand as a monument of infamy to the boasted intelligence and civilization of the "New South" in the expiring nineteenth century.

A FARCE.

EDITOR BEE:—In your last issue you speak of certain individuals having been elected to represent the Grand Army of the Republic at the Reunion of Massachusetts colored Veterans at Boston. Such however was not the case. The facts are, that the surviving members of the 54th and 55th Regiments, Mass. Infantry, and the 5th Mass. Cavalry, got up a reunion and invited all other colored veterans to be their guests, so that any colored ex-soldier, without being elected by any body of men, would have had just the same rights and privileges at that reunion as those chosen at the meeting referred to in your last edition. Trotter and Douglass were members of Massachusetts Regiments, and needed no other credentials, and besides Trotter was one of the leading lights of the occasion, as the program will show. The whole proceeding of holding a meeting to elect delegates was a farce. CHARLES R. DOUGLASS, Late of the 5th Mass. Cavalry.

THE WOMEN OF WASHINGTON.

Perhaps the women of this city have been more abused than any class of females in this country. We know that there are good and bad women in all communities, and there are many who are abused without cause. We have always, since our journalistic career, endeavored to defend the weak against the strong, and condemn wrong for right. We have had occasion to publish an assertion made by a money shark and a clerk in the Treasury department, to the effect, that "every woman in this city had her price." The culprit accused us about the article who was told if he repeated the remarks to us he would receive a genteel thrashing. We have the evidence in our possession that this same individual tried to rent a room for assignation purposes, and on failing insulted the lady from whom he endeavored to rent the room. The people of this city, especially the females, have extended the most liberal hospitality to strangers who come to this city, and on almost every occasion our ladies are talked about and abused. Our society is abused because certain men are not admitted into it. Some women are looked upon with suspicion, but the guilty ones are often allowed to do as they please. No honest person will object to exposing the wicked. There is as much virtue in the kitchen as there is in the parlor. The women who work hard for their daily bread are entitled to as much credit as those whose occupation is on a higher scale. Our ladies then, should be defended against the assaults of these libertines, who invade our homes and interrupt our domestic tranquillity.

REUNION OF COLORED VETERANS.

RECORDER JAMES M. TROTTER MAKES A SPEECH.—GREAT ENTHUSIASM IN BOSTON.—WASHINGTON DELEGATES DO WELL.

(Special to the BEE.) BOSTON, MASS., Aug 1, 87. The reunion of the 54th, 55th, and 5th Cavalry Massachusetts Colored Veterans was held here on Monday. The display was the grandest in the history of the colored soldiers. Recorder James M. Trotter, of Washington, was the prominent feature of the occasion. His speech was a masterpiece of oratory, and everywhere he went he was enthusiastically received. Mr. Trotter's speech was greatly applauded throughout its delivery. Mr. Nathan Sprague, one of your prominent real estate brokers and a man of an affable and pleasant disposition was entertained. The District of Columbia delegates were instrumental in having the next reunion held in Washington in '88. All Boston turned out to welcome the colored veterans. The reception held for the veterans benefit was attended by the best white citizens of this place. The Washington delegates, James M. Trotter, Nathan Sprague, George H. Boston, Lewis H. Douglass, George D. Graham, were highly entertained. They left Boston and went down the river to Hingham where they were received by the G. A. R. of that town. They marched to a large hall where they were served with refreshments of the very best kind. From there to Governor Andrews' grave where they listened to a very fine address delivered by ex-Governor Long of Massachusetts. There were flags and handkerchiefs out of every window in town; everybody seemed to wish them welcome.

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