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## SOCIETY NEWS

Mrs. James Hall and daughters will visit the Pan-American Exposition.

Mrs. Joseph Taborn has gone to Atlantic City.

The Young Men's Social Club will have a social evening.

The Jolly Six Club gave a social Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Chas. P. Williams, 328 Mass st.

Mrs. E. S. Dempsey spent last Sunday in Cincinnati.

Mrs. R. B. Fuller left Sunday for Roanoke Va.

There is soon to be given a drama called "Old Maid's Convention," at Odd Fellows hall. This will be given for the benefit of Mt. Vernon Avenue church.

Mrs. Anna Chavers will leave Wednesday for Vinton, O., and Gallipolis, to be gone two weeks.

Mrs. Minnie Collins of North Fourth street, is reported convalescent.

All members of St. Paul A. M. E. church are requested to be out Sunday morning.

Miss Cynthia Palmer left Monday for a visit to Wilmington, Ohio.

The La Quasima Club gave a fine reception Monday night in honor of the officers of the 48th and 49th U. S. Volunteers.

Miss M. W. Spencer will take part in the exercises of the triennial Convocation of the Grand Patriarchs at Pittsburgh, August 18.

The Springfield sub district of the Epworth league and Sunday School Institute will meet July 20, 27, and 28, at Donaldson St. church.

Miss Eva Bowles has returned after a delightful visit with friends in Xenia.

Miss Dickey Joyce spent a few days in Worthington, the guest of Miss Jennie Lee.

Mr. Bennick of Springfield spent a short time in the city last week.

A very interesting talk was given at St. Paul's church last Sunday evening by Dr. Schultz. His main efforts are put forth to establish a rescue home for colored people.

Mr. Herman Wilson is recovering from his injuries received in the recent railroad wreck.

The East End people are moving along the even tenor of their way. The People's drug store is doing a good business this hot weather. Messrs. Barnes and Moorman are doing an appreciable grocery business. The tonorial artists are kept busy. The churches keep up a good attendance for hot weather.

Mr. Brady's ice cream and soda stand is much in demand, while Old Sol is trying his torrid power.

The St. Paul A. M. E. Sunday school will picnic at Delaware O., on or about Thursday, August 8.

Read Mr. N. T. Gant, jr.'s article this week.

A grand reception in honor of the 48th and 49th U. S. V. I., will be given July 31 at Goodale street auditorium.

The church social given Thursday evening July 26, at the residence of Mrs. DeLeo, N. Jefferson ave., was a grand success.

Mrs. James Brooks will soon go on a visit to West Virginia.

Lieut. W. E. Tyler and Miss Estella Magruder who were married in Springfield on July 17, are the guests of Dr. James A. Tyler.

## A CHILD'S DEATH

### Leads to the Belief That Poison was Swallowed.

Elmer Edmonson a little colored boy living at 82 East Chestnut street died Monday morning under circumstances which caused his parents to believe he was the victim of poisoning.

About a week ago the boy began to feel pains in his stomach and to vomit a greenish substance. A physician was not called in until Friday at which time according to the doctor's statement it was too late to save the child's life. The case was diagnosed as congestion of the bowels and stomach and refused to yield to treatment. The boy's condition gradually grew worse, until death came Monday morning at 11:30 o'clock. A post mortem examination is being held to determine what was the real cause of death.

It is said another member of this family died in a similar manner half ago under similar circumstances. No satisfactory theory has as yet been advanced to explain how the boy happened to get poisoned or what kind of poison it was although a brother of the deceased has expressed the opinion that the fatal substance was ice-cream. The father of the boy is Nelson Edmonson a well known colored man of this city.

## OLDEST WOMAN

### In Columbus Passes Away Over 100 Years Old.

Mrs. Martha Buckner a very aged colored woman died this morning at 9:30 after an illness that had confined her to the house since last Friday Mrs. Buckner was perhaps the oldest person at her death in this country. She had a vivid recollection of the war of 1812, for she was water carrier for the soldiers during that war. The deceased was born in Virginia just the exact date no one knows but it is computed from early recollections that the deceased was considerably over 100 years of age. She had been a resident of this city since 1863, coming here from Virginia.

Mrs. Buckner was one of the purest of women and was constantly all her life doing charity work. She was a consistent Christian and member of a colored Baptist church at which place the funeral will be held next Sunday afternoon.

## THE RECEPTION GIVEN BY THE LA QUASIMA CLUB

### Finest Social Function of the Season.

## In Honor of "Our Boys" From the Philippines.

The reception given by the La Quasima club at Odd Fellows hall Monday evening in honor of "Our boys from the Philippines," was by far the finest social function of the season, and the club added another laurel to its ability to entertain its guests. Fully seventy-five couples of young people from the prominent colored families in the city were present. The ladies attired in airy evening gowns, the gentlemen wearing the up-to-date shirt waist, all responded gracefully to the excellent music of the People's orchestra, presented a scene which stirred the pride of those who looked upon it.

During the intermission President A. S. Peal introduced Hon. W. E. King, who in a masterly manner welcomed the boys back to their places in the community, in society and in the hearts of their friends. Lieut. W. E. Tyler, in a neat response expressed much joy at being again, and gratitude for such a spirit of welcome. Sergeant Johnson, in a few happy remarks told how his dreams of home were being gloriously realized.

During the evening it was announced that the club would give a park outing at Greysville in a few days. Invitation to those who were present and a few others, would be sent later. Some of the names of the party were:

Miss George Watkins, Crawford, Florence, Littleton, Ma, Ala., Mrs. William Foust of Lexington, Ky., Mrs. Mabel Foust of Baltimore, Md., Mrs. Dora Mendenhall of Marysville, O., S. B. Sanders of Cincinnati, O., Miss Mary Mabson of Ft. Smith, Ark., Mr. Gaetz of Toledo, O., Mr. A. Fleming of Indianapolis, Ind., Lieut. W. E. Tyler and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. A. Parker, Mrs. Della Caldwell, Mrs. N. Mathews, Mrs. Carrie Viney, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Maize, Mrs. Bessie Logan, Mrs. Thomas Howard, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Spurlock, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Thornton, Mrs. Katie Farley, Misses Amanda Crawford, Carrie Gray, Nellie Moffit, Oona Ellis, Tilla Jones, Violet Mickens, Anna Mickens, Nadine Washington, Helen Mack, Delia Hubbs, Ollie Barnes, Vada Roberts, Mary Hodge, Mamie Brown, Ida Morgan, Nora Morgan, Queenio Morgan, Ella Morgan, Amanda Crawford, Florence, Littleton, Ethel Ransom, Bessie Shipp, Lucy Hodge, Elizabeth Reed, Ellen Chestnut, Eva Fiefter, Della Freeze, Rouxie Finley, Lulu Allen, Maud Elliott, Ella Gray, Cynthia Caldwell, Estella Quigley, Messrs. Irvin Johnson, Russell Barnes, James Washington, Andrew Scott, Davie Morgan, Earl Ward, Noble Boggs, Wm. Patterson, Ted Harper, Fred Jones, Onie Artis, Bernard Cox, W. B. Mitchell, Hubert Mitchell, J. E. Penn, Homer Cox, Tom Jacobs, Nathan Oldham, Nelson R. Tate, Lesley Scott, Guy Foley, Frank Moffett, Marcellus Morris, Ben Taylor, Henry Lane, H. B. Alexander, Allen Peal, W. E. King, Chas. Morgan, Z. R. Jackson, Rolla Huston Lyman Cox, Dr. Woodlin, James Simpson, Prof. Walker, Ernest Williams, John Wilson, Edward Triplett, Bert Abrams, Capt. D. J. Brooks, Wm. Lynch.

## CHARACTER THE FOUNDATION OF RACE ELEVATION.



(By N. T. GANT, JR.)

whatever act of omission or commission, of which he is guilty, is picked out and enlarged upon, so it behooves him to seek every opportunity to further the interest of his race.

No one man or age can see the outcome of the large movement of all the ages. One may do a bad act, commit a crime of any kind, and say the responsibility ends with him, not so, we are just as responsible for the example set in the commission of the deed as we are for our own conduct.

To be a moral man one has to be more than just simply not addicted to lust or licentiousness, this is part, but by no means all. Honor, which is the very soul of character, together with uprightness of purpose and purity of motive, form some of the essential parts of man's moral nature. Without these there could be no high moral nature, nothing to distinguish him from the brute creation but natural conditions. Not only do these qualities of mind and character raise man to a higher plane of civilization and humanity, but very often by appealing to his manhood, impel him to deeds of honor and heroism.

What was it that made Douglas and Grant? The one the great exponent of freedom and progress, the other the hero of the late Rebellion? Some, no doubt, will say had it not been for slavery, there would have been no Douglas, and but for the civil war there would have been no Grant. This is not so.

Remember that while slavery afforded the opportunity for the one, and the late rebellion for the other, these were only opportunities, nothing more. Something greater was necessary to accomplish the ends finally attained by these two great men.

Had it not been for that indomitable purpose and pure motive that existed in the minds and hearts of both these men, they might have had the opportunities of all the world, still never have accomplished their purpose.

Opportunities alone can't, nor never could make men, but opportunities and the proper acceptance of them, always could and always will.

Those who have enough individuality to think earnestly and deeply for themselves, find that the chief mainspring of a noble character is morality in all that the term implies.

It may seem strange to yoke together these two incongruous characters for comparison, but they were both men of great hearts, standing out as examples of the highest manhood attainable by the young men of this century. Their honest, upright, steady purpose and unceasing energy, no doubt many a time dispelled the threatening clouds, that loomed on the horizon of their future. These qualities of mind and character will do the same, in a more or less degree for the young man of today, if he will only seek his opportunity. Thousands of people are willing to enjoy the distinction of a high reputation or of a successful life, but how many are willing to pay the price. These positions in life cost something. They have an intrinsic value, which can only be estimated by each one for himself. They often represent the sacrifices of a life time.

When we speak of a man as succeeding or doing well, we mean not that he is more ideally strong in his discernment of honor, right or truth, not that he has a development of the powers within him, not that he has himself somewhat better in hand but that he has the strength of character to accomplish a purpose. We all agree with Dr. Arnold, who says "the only thing of moment in life or in man is character."

You cannot withdraw an influence from morality without giving a real impetus to immorality.

Let us not wait for opportunities to be thrust upon us, but let us make them for ourselves.

The to-come is the universal heritage of mankind, and he claims but a small portion as his own who looks not beyond the present.

One of the most essential elements in the development of a race is character, which each man builds for himself, and while others may help or hinder him in the task, no earthly power can take from him the results.

What a man has may be stolen, what he does may be frustrated, but what he will ever remain a possession, of which not even the deepest malice can deprive him.

The most important part of a man's character is his moral nature and its different tendencies, diversified of course, according to habit, association and assimilation.

Man by nature is his own free moral agent, he is responsible for his conduct and the virtue or evil of his deeds. According to moral philosophy there would be no virtue in right doing, were it not for this power of choice. Is not this common sense philosophy that teaches us it is the power of man to choose the good or evil that makes him the agent of responsibility? Responsible to God, to his conscience, which, if heeded, is the better part of man, and to humanity in general.

We are not alone responsible for our conduct individually, but we have a stewardship here that is more far-reaching, the influence we exert over others. In all ages and among all races, strength of character, and decision of purpose are the fundamental principles of a nation's success.

We notice this as far back as the days of the Puritans, who fleeing from the tyrannical rule of King James of England, emigrated to Holland, but to no purpose. The surroundings, the character of the inhabitants were such as to make the place anything but fit to raise up children, who were some day to lay the foundation of a great nation. There was but one place left for them, in which they could peaceably abandon the religious heresies of the throne of England, and worship God according to the dictates of their conscience, and that was America. They came, and he it said to their everlasting praise, this country is, to a great extent, indebted to them for what it is today.

The New England institutions, character of the inhabitants, and their willingness to accord to every man his rights regardless of race, color or previous conditions, shows for itself.

The same principles that existed in the days of the Puritans, exist today. With them it was religious freedom, with us it is to secure the highest standing in American citizenship. How are we to do this—devote ourselves to industry, sobriety, painstaking and self-sacrifice, let there be more unity among us, let us stand together for the right.

While the great drama of life moves on and the Negro is playing such a prominent part in it, the eye of the whole world is fixed upon him, and

## IT RAINED OIL

### And the Village of Rudolph and a Cemetery Were Greased.

Special to the Standard. Bowling Green, O.—It rained crude petroleum at Rudolph, a little village near here, yesterday afternoon, at least the inhabitants thought it did. An oil well has just been completed on the east side of the village, and yesterday it was shot with 500 quarts of kerosene. The explosion blew out 100 feet of well and scattered it all over the town. The oil gushed up over the derrick, and blowing a strong east wind, the entire place was completely greased.

The people attending the funeral were covered with the flying fluid and the tombstones discolored. As it was washday in Rudolph the housewives there have reason for extreme regret while local oil men are rejoicing over one of the best gushers in the field. The damage to buildings while the explosion was in progress is considerable as everything will need repainting and the tombstones in the graveyard will have to be scoured. Fortunately no fires occurred for had the slightest blaze been burning at the time the shot was exploded a disastrous fire would have resulted.







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