Prof. Kelly Miller Reports on the Bible Conference

Before an extra large audience in Andrew Rankin Chapel, last Sunday, Prof. Kelly Miller delivered a most excellent report of the Bible Conference which he recently attended as the delegate and representative of Howard.

This was a most excellent report, being presented in the form of a finished address. It was totally lacking of the dry and lonesome qualities usually so much in evidence in a report of the kind. In form and structure and in literary excellence it was in no manner short of a finished production.

Dr. Miller took up the meeting in detail and gave the most important events of each session and the most important points brought forth in each address.

From what we are able to gather from the address, the purpose of the Conference was to discuss and suggest means and methods of encouraging and conducting the study of the Bible among college men, to encourage them to approach the study of the Bible in a scientific spirit with reverence and intelligence and without the old cant and pious fear which has been characteristic of Bible study and a great hindrance to intelligent and critical study of the Word.

It seems that great strides are being made in establishing Volunteer Bible Study Societies in the great colleges of the country and the prospects for further development are bright. There are many difficulties or obstacles in the way of scientific Bible study and of all enumerated at the conference as existing at different colleges are to be found en masse at Howard, but there is going to be an effort to overcome them in some degree and it is to be hoped that soon we will be embarked on a serious and critical study of the Bible. Dr. Miller says if we approach it openly and intelligently we need have no fear of what we might find.

Of all the addresses of the entire conference none attracted as much attention as that of Booker T. Washington, who brought not a knowledge wrought on scholarship and research as most of the other speakers, but he had the story of the need of Bible study among the Negroes of the black belt where all are pious and orthodox and where superstition and ignorance add to the misery of the suppressed race.

The world-renowned Gypsy Smith appeared in Chapel on Monday at 11:30. Students from all departments came out to hear him. The Medical School, as usual, had a strong representation. The Sophomore class of the College department gave cheer after cheer vying with the students in the Medical School in this regard. The City people were also out in large numbers.

Judge Peele of the Supreme Court paid an eloquent tribute to Gypsy Smith, saying in short that one could not estimate the possible results of saving one soul. Judging Gypsy Smith by his standard, it is obvious that his influence is a potent one.

The face of Gypsy Smith was very impressive. Truth and purity seem to radiate from his countenance. His speech was very forceful. The subject, Goodness, was very clearly developed. Goodness, he said, would make one conspicuous. Moral conquests are the grandest moments of one's life. Moral traits were contrasted with the material traits. Any sane and rational man, if pointed out, could see that the former were more beneficent than the latter. Strong illustrations were quoted from the biblical and the secular world to carry his points. The crowning point in his speech was reached when he said that, on account of his goodness, God has chosen him, a member of a despised race to electrify the world.

No one left the chapel without being impressed by this strong address. On observing the faces of the students, it is easy to see why...
C. C. Sanford, Col. '09

The Colored Social Settlement

Some one has said, "The finest fruit earth holds up to its Maker is a man." Wendell Phillips dilating on the thought tells us "to ripen, lift, and educate a man is the first duty. Trade, law, learning, science, and religion are only scaffolds wherewith to build a man."

In the alleys, shacks, and tenements of the nation's capital are to be found the men whom it is our duty to ripen and to lift. In 1906 the police thus reported 366 alleys which contained 19,076 inhabitants. Mr. Chas. T. Weller in his "Neglected Neighbors" says "the basic coil is the alley system, the segregation, the hiding away of little communities, which are thus encouraged to develop their own low standards of life without much interference from the general community. Analyzing an average alley," he continues, "from the standpoint of the writer's residence in it, and the investigator's inquiries, one is impressed with the idea that the characteristic alley standards of life are low, the human stories gathered of scores of families who live in the alleys indicate that segregation has an unfortunate effect upon moral relations, industrial conditions, the spread of tuberculosis, school attendance, and the training of children for future citizenship."

The Settlement method which, reduced to its lowest terms, is; as someone has it, "a personal relation involving service through sharing in the spirit of friendship"—the Settlement method, we repeat, is ideally suited to work among the neglected people whom we find in the alleys.

About five years ago, a number of colored people who were members of a conference class organized by the Associated Charities, went down to Southwest Washington and visited some of the hidden alleys of that section of the city. They found poverty and degradation in abundance; many hundreds of people crowded together into shacks, shanties, and condemned hotels.

The list of activities has been as follows: club work for adults and children, classes in cooking and sewing, stamp savings deposits, neighborhood visiting, outings, car rides, visits with children, and a day nursery for the children of working women.

The record of stamp savings at the Settlement for the year ending December 31, 1907, is $1,017.36. This response to the efforts for neighborhood thrift exemplifies the general attitude of these people toward their social uplift.

The Settlement Day Nursery has benefitted more than twenty children since it has been in existence. In this day nursery we take children two and three years old whose mothers have to go out working by the day; they bring their children at six o'clock in the morning and take them home at seven o'clock at night. We give these children three meals a day and charge them only five cents. Having had no money in the past to employ a care-taker for infants, we have been obliged to refuse admission to babies.

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The Pestalozzi-Froebel

The Pestalozzi-Froebel Literary Society met and elected the following officers for this semester:

President Mr. G. B. Overton
Vice-President Miss P. E. Perry
Secretary Miss S. B. Davis
Treasurer Miss E. D. Cook
Critic and Journalist Mr. M. S. Walton
Pianist Miss A. Johnson

Until further notice meetings will be held in the Assembly Room every Friday at 3:30 p.m.

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the kindness of Mrs. Nicholas Fish and two noble donors who do not wish their names mentioned, a thousand dollars has been secured, and a new building is now in process of erection. The building constructed of second hand material, is to cost six thousand dollars, without the heating plant which (thanks to the philanthropy of Dr. Thirkield who has so kindly secured for us a second hand boiler free of charge) will cost but two hundred and fifty dollars more. As we have said, but one sixth of the money for the construction of the building has been given: All monies for the settlement of the debt on the new Settlement House are placed in the hands of Mr. John Joy Edson, Sr., who is treasurer of the building fund.

Some of the immediate needs of the Settlement are as follows: one hundred and fifty dollars a month to pay the monthly expenses of Settlement, furniture of all kinds for the new building, and five thousand dollars to pay off the debt on the new Settlement House which is being erected.

Donations of one, five, ten, fifteen, twenty dollars, or more, per month, from individuals, schools, churches, and societies, are most earnestly solicited.

Florence Binn, Head Resident

Gypsy Smith (Continued)

Gypsy Smith has electrified the world. He has caused it to think. Thrilling were his words; mighty is his character; influence is his result. His words have literally burst themselves into the hearts of the student body, and his name will resound through Howard for many days to come.

E. M. Pollard

A Resolution

Whereas illness has befallen our friend and brother, Edward T. Chiles, and made it impossible for him to be present with us, and whereas we feel that the Literary Society of the School of Theology, and the University at large are deprived of a faithful and promising young man:

Be it resolved, that we do express our deepest sympathy for him in his present condition, and that we do solemnly pray to God, who rules the winds and the waves, and marks the destinies of all men, that, He may let His presence ever abide with him; that in his moments of despondency, he may find in Him (who came not to be ministered unto, but to minister), and to give His life a ransom for many) the peace and the comfort that passeth all understanding.

Be it further resolved, that these resolutions be placed in the minutes of the Society, a copy sent to brother Chiles, and a copy sent for publication to the University Journal.

T. N. Austin, Pres.
J. T. Jackson, Sec'y

Committee on resolutions:
L. A. Perkins,
Fairfax King,
G. U. Dickens.
Rev. Isaac Clark, A. M. D. D. Dean.

LOST—in the Assembly Room, Saturday night, my head. No reward offered for it is not worth anything. F. McK.

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A Pleasing Oversight

Once in a class of Psychology, Mr. J. F. Dagler fancied that he saw one of the opposite sex looking at him. He said in mournful tune, "O, why do you look at me so horrid?" She replied: "My child, I had no thought of you whatever," Mr. Dagler was filled with laughter, not because she said, "I had no thought of you," but because he thought that she had overlooked his natural appearance, and mistook him to be a child instead of "Old Mr. Young."

The People will Look.

If you wear crying shoes to Vespers on Sunday, be sure that you can stay until the services are over.

A good old friend of the University came to the Vespers, not long since, but could not stay until the services were over. He tried to walk lightly when on his way out, but it seemed as though the more he tried, the more the shoe cried. Finally he put forth an effort and sailed out of the door. Everybody's attention was drawn to see what had happened in the rear. The poor fellow had just started out, that was all, and his shoes communicated his mission. Will the people look? The people will look.
Personal

Miss Margaret Flagg, '08, is teaching in Baltimore.

Miss Bertha McNeill, '08, has been transferred to the High School in Baltimore as a regular teacher.

If some of the enthusiasts would spend more time in trying to make the affairs of the University go right, and less time in crowing for rights they don't deserve, probably there would be no need for articles entitled "College Men at Howard."

Drs. Wint and Frazier of the Dental Class of '08 are practicing in the city and doing remarkably well. They made a good start by making the two highest marks in the Board examination. Mr. Frazier's grade, ninety six and a half, is the highest mark on record in the District. What think you of the Dental School?

The sky parlor of the Main Building will be all aglow this year,—the newsy editor with his laughing room mate, Thurman, in one room; and the Katzenjammer Kids, Bowles and Fleming, in the other.

Wanted—Some one to answer this question: Who is the lazier of the two, Jap Brown or Dan Bowles?

The Editor of the Journal is President of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity; his fiancee is president of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority. What will the harvest be, all presidents?

That man is a great man who marches along in the world's procession yet sits in the grand stand and sees himself go by. That one is a veritable ham who busies himself strewing banana peels along the line of march then sets up a howl because the procession is delayed.