Ruth, the Moabitess

On last Friday night, the 15th, the University Choral Society repeated, by special request, their rendition of Ruth, the Moabitess, in costume.

The weather being better than on the evening of the first rendition a larger crowd witnessed the performance, which was, on the whole, better than before.

The work of the Chorus was up to its usual high standard, singing with that exactness and unanimity of attack and expression that won the praise of everyone.

The soloists, Miss Antoinette Clarke as Naomi; Miss Lillian Jones as Ruth, Mr. Houston Stocker as First Reaper, Miss Sadie Davis as Orpah, Miss Mabelle Barnes as the Israelitish Woman, Miss Florence Payne as the Jewish Maiden, and Mr. E. C. Terry as the Messenger and Assistant Reaper, all took their parts well and were well received.

As before, the second scene in which Naomi, Ruth, and Orpah sang of their distress and grief and the fourth scene were the most beautiful and touching. The audience would fain have had a repetition of the slumber scene with the trio and chorus of angels.

We commend Miss Childers very highly on her very successful efforts in this direction and express our hope that choral work may not cease at Howard, but receive a new impetus. We are glad to have spoken before in favor of such work and feel like adding here that the moral and intellectual benefits derived, both by those who participate in them and those who witness them are sufficiently great to justify them, and to the students, the time spent is very largely a recreation.

M. A. M.

Basket Ball

Despite the inclement weather last Saturday night, a large crowd was out to see the Medics' defeat the Armstrong Manual Training School's fast team. This game was the fastest and one of the most furiously contested games ever witnessed in the league. Giles, as captain of the Medics, and Cuff, the nimble center, did the best work for their team, while "skybo" in the second half, having gained a strategic position, tossed a pretty goal without interference. This was the result of superior team work. In a mix-up near the Medics' goal, Curtis recovered the ball from Tryce, passed same to Giles, to Cuff, to Skybo,—goal. The hall resounded with applause as the ball quivered on the rim of the basket finally settled, toppling over in the center. Fletcher who played center for the Techs could never touch the ball on a toss up. He would make a desperate effort to jump, but for some reason or other could never get his feet off the floor. The crowd fairly yelled itself into hystericus when this rare specimen delicately drawn out into two yards of living, breathing, yet inactive humanity, entered the wired court; for never before in the history of basket ball in Washington had such a lean, lanky, single-breasted, double fisted, left footed player been seen in the garb of basket ball. Little Tryce, the fastest player the Techs have ever had, was not fast enough to get away from Curtis who played him from whistle to whistle. Had it not been for Tryce and Walker no doubt the Medics would have rolled up a larger score on the Techs. The Techs were badly crippled by the absence of three of their players.

For the first time this year have the Spartans suffered a goal to be tossed on them, which is almost equivalent to defeat. Never before have basket ball admirers in True Reformers Hall witnessed such clever team work as that executed by the Crescents at one stage in the game. The Crescents actually mystified the Spartans by their cleverness, but having recovered themselves, two pretty goals were tossed in rapid succession by Henderson.

Score:—Howard Medics, 8; Techs, 6: Spartans, 9; Crescents, 2.

Race Adjustment by Prof. Kelly Miller

Prof. Kelly Miller of Howard University has been properly classed as one of the three greatest American Negroes of this day. His book is a collection of republished essays contributory to the general problem of race adjustment. One finds here a less extreme and uncompromising attitude than that of Prof. W. E. B. Du Bois, and a larger horizon, a higher complexity of insights, than in the severer practicality of Booker Washington. Indeed the range of subject is wide and varied. It touches history, poetry, education, labor, race characteristics, social questions, and biographical illustrations. The book is a real contribution to a theme much meditated by the northern white man—but is a contribution this time from the most intellectual Negro author living.


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An Appeal to our Subscribers

In last week's Journal the editor clearly set forth the conditions under which the Journal management has to contend, what encouragement it receives, and the obstacles and contentions which must be overcome in order to give the small paper which you now receive. Now, Mr. Reader, it is up to you to get just the kind of paper you would like to have. At present we cannot publish half of the desirable articles which we receive from time to time from our own students, for the want of space, since we feel it our duty to give preference always to live news, items rather than to discussions and general themes, etc. What then does the Journal management propose to do? In other words, what would you have it do? The solution is simple. If every subscriber would pay his subscription to the Journal, no, just one half, the management could give you a full eight or ten page paper every week, full of news, information and matters relating to the affairs of the city, the University, and all the other schools. Do you wish it? At present the management cannot further increase its subscription list on account of the limited number of copies which they will print for it. Do you wish a larger paper? Then pay your subscription now. Give us the coin and we will deliver the goods, that's all. We do not ask that the obstacles which now confront us be removed, we intend to give our readers a good, yes, a better paper, in other words, to succeed in spite of these obstacles.

Adam and Eve and that Apple

How many apples did Adam and Eve eat? Some say Eve 8 and Adam 2—a total of 10 only. Now we figure the thing out a different way. Eve 8 and Adam 8 also—a total 16, and yet the above figures are entirely wrong. If Eve 8 and Adam 82, certainly the total will be 90. Scientific men, however, on the strength of the theory that the antediluvians were a race of giants, reason something like this: Eve 81 and Adam S12—total 163.

Wrong again: what could be clearer than if Eve 81 and Adam 812, the total was 93.

If Eve 812 and Adam 812 would not the total be 1,623.

I believe the following to be a fair solution: Eve 81 Adam, Adam 812 oblige Eve, total 8,936. We think this, however, not a sufficient quantity. For though we admit that Eve 81 Adam, Adam if he be 812 keep Eve company—total, $8,936.

All wrong. Eve when she 812 many and probably she felt sorry for it, but her companion, in order to relieve her grief, 812. Therefore when Adam 812497 Eve's depressed spirits. Hence both ate $8,936 apples.

Far off Africa is interested in Howard University as is indicated by the following abstract from the editorial column of the last number of "The Liberia," West Africa, edited by Dr. John H. Reid, the President of the College of West Africa.

"Howard University, Washington, D.C., is the greatest educational plant for the higher education of the Negro, in the United States. The institution has a wonderful history, and the future is now bright under the presidency of Dr. Wilbur P. Thirkield, who has been constantly identified with the uplift of the black race, from his early public life to the present. May the coming year smile upon Howard as the mightiest force at the center of the American Nation, for the development of that type of manhood which must meet the varied demands of the new century.

Long live Howard and her worthy President and faculty."

The December number of the Hampton Student contains a long and fully illustrated article by President Thirkield on "the Training of Ministers and Physicians for the Negro Race." It has been widely referred to by the press and the American Missionary prints a large portion of the article with its heaviest endorsement.

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Vespers

On Sunday evening last, Dr. Vaughn of the A. M. A. addressed the students and friends of Howard on the "Claims of Africa."

"Before" beginning his address proper, Dr. Vaughn gave short sketch of his life and early struggles toward success and also told of his relation to the great emancipator, Abraham Lincoln.

His discourse on the heathenism and abject poverty of the African nation was most pathetic and his narration of the cruelty and savage tortures inflicted upon the victims of the cannibal tribes was such as sent cold chills coursing up and down one's spinal column. That such gruesome crimes could be perpetrated and such untellable sufferings undergone by a part of the human race on a dark continent, while all the rest of the world is enjoying all the light and prosperity that highly organized and enlightened civilization can possibly furnish is almost unbelievable and an apparent reflection on the civilized world. But Dr. Vaughn brought the news of the triumph of the gospel over the existing evils and interest; thus be won the body priests felt that I throw goal. I have taken so many cuts the "spots out of the exams. If I make it now I'm all set for exams. I have one condition to you. I shall not be dropped from the class. I am quite sure I shall not be dropped although I feel worried about one or two subjects which I have not understood quite as well as I should. I am studying half the time and praying the other half. Pray for me.

Sophomore

Sis, I'm a bit worried about the exams. I have one condition to work off as I explained to you, but I feel sure of it. I shall not be so dishonest as to "ride" but I know my memory is so poor, I have made a few notes on paper. Of course I don't expect to use them but I keep them down to jog my memory at the last moment.

Junior

Well, old Sist, I've got my stable ready. Expect to knock the spots out of the exams. If Seligman can pass this Economics, so can I. I've taken so many cuts though, that its one chance in ten that I throw goal.

Senior

The semi-finals come off this week. It's hit or miss with me. If I make it now I'm all set for this stunt on May 26. Don't worry. Smile.

Extracts from Letters Home, January 24

FRESHMAN

You know, mother dear, our term examinations begin Wednesday and the rule here is that if you fail in three subjects you are dropped from the class. I am quite sure I shall not be dropped although I feel worried about one or two subjects which I have not understood quite as well as I should. I am studying half the time and praying the other half. Pray for me.

SOPHOMORE

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JUNIOR

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Personal

Dr. Thomas L. Hunter, ’07, has returned to the city.

Dr. J. Mitchell Seabrooks, Phar. ’05, Med. ’08, has opened a first class office at 1331 T Street, N. W.

Prof. Walter Dyson, who has been confined to his room for the last week or so, has recovered.

Mr. Franklin Childs is undecided as to whether he will take a course in Medicine next year or a chair in the Teachers College as Professor of Pedagogy and Methods, etc., etc.; and would like to have the advice of his friends on the matter.

"Tabby" Howard has also been retired to the bench.

Mr. Davy Jones is the only man in the Senior class who can boast of "Norman blood."

Wanted.—A few more scalps. "Weggie."

"Mr. C. S. Cowan says if "Weggie" do(es)n't, he must.

Dr. Wilbur L. Davidson, the eminent Chatauqua lecturer, will deliver his noted lecture on Switzerland in Chapel tonight. The series of stereoptican views and an address will be illustrated by a most interesting hour is promised to all who attend.

Ponies of all breeds and pedigrees will figure in the races at Howard next week. Make your entry now or you are sure to miss something.

We’d like to know why a certain stocky built, fast walking professor who wears an English walker and has something to do with the Commercial Department, wears glasses since he always has to take them off before he can see anything.

Mr. J. R. Hunt declares a certain singer on the hill is entirely too (Child)ish for him.

Societies

In spite of the inclement weather the Kappa Sigma Debating Club had a large attendance last Saturday evening. The house indulged in impromptu discussion on the subject submitted by Shaw. The following subject for the prize debate was adopted: Resolved, That a Governor elected by the people would better serve the interests of the citizens of the District of Columbia than the Commissioners as at present.

The Y. M. C. A.

Two short addresses were delivered on Sunday afternoon, one by Mr. Smallwood on the subject, "Growth," the other by Mr. Dean on the subject, "Witnesses for Christ." The two speakers not only entertained but also instructed the audience.

The last part of the hour was occupied by Dr. Parks. In discussing the use of the Bible in individual work for the salvation of individuals the following questions were considered:—wherein is the Bible like other books? Wherein is the Bible different from other books?

It is like other books in that it is a human language, was written by men, and its power is in the truth which it teaches. As its language is human, the language of the Orientals and the language of the time, it should be interpreted as such. What is figurative, what is practical, what is oratorical should be interpreted accordingly. As it was written by men it has the characteristics of modes of thought and of style of its human authors.

The Bible differs from all other books in its being a record of the experiences by the men who prepared for and received the revelation of God’s redeeming love and life in Christ. The Bible centers in Christ. The Old Testament records the preparation for Him, the New Testament gives his life and teachings and the early appropriation by men of his truth and life power. Christ cannot be understood apart from his vital connection with Israel, nor apart from a record of his continental life in me through the Holy Spirit.

The Bible group in the study of Old Testament Characters was largely attended on Wednesday evening. The life of Joseph was the study of the evening.

Mr. C. S. Cooper will make his report of the Columbus Convention, Sunday afternoon at 3 p. m.
Only a Dream

As I was lulled to sleep in the arms of Morpheus and had given myself up to sweet repose, I was borne away to a place of happiness. To my great surprise I met all my Howard chums. The fellows were all joyous and full of enthusiasm. A number of them were yelling and singing. I asked what it meant. They replied, "Kid, this is the Howard spirit."

After a few moments we went into the Assembly Room to elect the officers of the Athletic Association. There were about 100 students and 10 professors and teachers. I was elected Vice-President, which office made me Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee. After an interesting meeting in which our teachers spoke freely and encouragingly, promising their assistance and advising us concerning the management of the affairs of the Association, we adjourned.

When we looked over the books, we found under "Resources" a nice little sum of $26.34, under "Liabilities," another nice little sum of about $210. Of course the Vice-President set about devising some plan to raise money and, as is expected of all Howard projects, everything worked out well.

We had one of the leading speakers of the time to lecture for us under the auspices of the Athletic Association and the proceeds helped very much. But the next thing clapped the climax. It was one of those good old socials of a few years ago in Miner Hall when you could "trip it as you went."

There were about 500 present and everything moved off nicely and everybody departed saying "pretis." During the evening someone announced a debate between our Academy and some other school. Why everybody thought it a capital idea. People began buying tickets. When the debate was pulled off the chapel was crowded and such spirit and enthusiasm I never witnessed before and of course we won the debate.

Then the fellows became very much interested in the Association and the faculty took the interest of the Association to heart; every official of the body performed his task becomingly. The outlook of the present administration was promising.

The fellows could not see why it was impossible to pull off a tournament during inauguration. Well, what do you think? A couple of out-of-town basket-ball teams came down and a tournament was pulled off at True Reformers Hall consisting of wrestling matches and many athletic stunts. Why it was banner year for Howard. A good base ball schedule was arranged and most of the games were played on our campus. As time passed on, we...
had a track meet and just for experiment had two or three visiting teams here. I mean teams that have some class to them. I was simply carried away.

About that time my room mate came home from work (he is “going up”—“down”) and when he noticed me smiling, he awoke me. I looked about a little excited and said “Scuse me, Mr. Johnson.” Fellows, it was only a dream.

Dr. Lymann Beecher Sperry
Speaks to the Young Men
of Howard

In one of the most interesting, instructive, and valuable lectures ever heard in Andrew Rankin Chapel, Dr. Lyman Beecher Sperry, of the Y. M. C. A., addressed the young men of Howard on the subject, “Sex, Health and Human Progress.”

He first spoke of the value of patriotism and its determining force upon the career of the possessors, and said that this was dependent largely upon the idea a man gets of sex and sex relations. Next Dr. Sperry explained the construction, development, function, and care of the four great functions or stems of the body,—the nutritive, motor, neural, and sex. The speaker spent his best efforts on the question of sex, outlining the qualities of manhood and womanhood and the blessed results of their being properly conducted and directed. He said that the highest duties of manhood are to found, protect, provide for, and entertain a family in a home. “Love,” he said, “is a marvelous union of souls, minds, hearts, and bodies; it is the basis of all patriotism, marriage, paternity, and philanthropy, and at the base of it all there lies the instinct of sex.”

He then spoke of the horrid results of the disregard or abuse of this, the highest function of human organism.

This was an excellent treatment of a delicate subject and was so handled that it might be delivered to women as well as to men.

The University has been favored with the gift of forty copies of the beautiful new hymn book, “Hymn of Worship and Service,” chapel edition, for the use of the Theological Department, from Hon. Henry W. Warren, Holden, Mass. The donor was a college class-mate of Prof. Ewell.

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