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The University Holds Big Celebration

Lincoln—Douglass—Beecher



INSTEAD of one Lincoln or one Douglass—Lincoln celebration, as of former years, the University fittingly held this year a big triune celebration, extending through three evenings. In the University chapel on February 12, and 13, occurred formal lectures on Abraham Lincoln and Henry Ward Beecher, respectively, by Dr. Alan Hudson, of Brockton, Mass; on the evening of Feb. 14, took place memorable Douglass-Lincoln exercises, conducted by Prof. William V. Tunnell and participated in by the Department of History and the N. A. A. C. P. College Chapter No. 1. Each of these occasions contributed both an excellent and an appropriate quota to the season of celebration.

The lecture on Lincoln was very interesting and instructive. In forceful and elegant terms, Dr. Hudson brought out the chief characteristics of Lincoln and told how the Emancipator, with his ever watchfulness, his great and striking personality, and his love of humanity, directed the government through the crucial Civil War period. The lecture on Beecher was, also, of high order. Dr. Hudson cited incidents in Beecher's life, showing his strong determination and ingenuity, and extolled the great preacher's character in a manner which was inspiring.

The Douglass-Lincoln exercises

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Dr. Alan Hudson The Lecturer and Orator

The Rev. Dr. Alan Hudson, pastor of the first congregational Church of Brockton, Mass., who has given the series of lectures at the University where he and his wife have spent a short visit, is one of the greatest



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orators ever heard at Howard; besides, he is a Shakesperian critic and an author, his latest work being the "Heritage of Honor", a bit of historical fiction dealing with the Revolution. He is a great student of history, English literature, and of literature in general.

The section around Brockton from which the famous orator and preacher comes is the greatest shoe center in the world, and is one of the wealthiest sections in Mass.; here are located the W. L. Douglass, the Walk-over and other leading industries of the country. Dr. Hudson has held this pastorate for seventeen years. He came to Howard at the invitation of Pres. Newman, his friend, and expresses himself as being very favorably impressed with the institution.

South Carolina's Latest



SOUTH Carolina continues to become famous through the utterances and doings of her more famous Governor Blease. The latest absurdity induced through that gentleman's benighted influence is in the form of freak legislation, which provides that the teaching of colored people by whites shall be a crime. What people outside the State think of the measure may well be imagined; what the intelligent people within the State think of it may be clearly seen by the sentiment expressed in the representative local periodicals.

The S. C. *State* in an editorial entitled "Back to the Dark Ages", minces no words in condemning the measure. It states that the reasons offered for it are "idle and absurd" since "The pending legislation is indefensible in morals and inexcusable as a device of expediency": that the legislators certainly cannot mean the measure to prevent white ministers from carrying the Gospel of Christ into colored churches; that their ancestors taught Negroes, even on the plantations; that even if Northern white teachers in the South associate in terms of equality with colored people, it affords the State no excuse for such a move; and, that the "pending legislation has no place in modern times. One must seek the records of the 17th century for its parallel."

The Spartanburg S. C. Journal

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A Chance to Serve

SINCE the social center movement is in its final analysis an expression of true democracy, and since true democracy banishes distinction between classes and gives all men the right to develop and exploit the high powers and capabilities with which they may be endowed, every student of Howard University should be wishing to set the example of reaching out and helping the man farthest down the social scale of our own city.

All the alleys of the city of Washington need our help, but the writer wishes to call the attention of the student body especially to the new Social Settlement right at our doors. This settlement, known as the Saterlee House is located in Glecks alley, between R. I. Avenue and S street, and sixth and seventh streets northwest. It was established by the Social Service Conference of the

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Episcopal church of the diocese of Washington, and has proved very helpful to the community.

The aim of the settlement is to reach down and help the forty-seven families who inhabit this alley to live clean lives, to stimulate industry and thrift among the lawless and to better their condition as a whole by contributing in some degree to their personal wants and necessities. To this end therefore, different clubs and classes are conducted by a few volunteer workers of the city. The classes in sewing and cooking are taught by Misses Wright and Harris. Mr. George V. Fowler of the Theological School conducts the men's club; the boys' club is conducted by the writer every Friday night; Mr. Tavernier has been asked to give instructions in dramatics.

Efforts are being made to have a day and night clinic from which the sick of the alley may obtain medicine and listen to a course of lectures on hygiene and sanitation. Dr. Whipper of the woman's clinic and Dr. Clara Smith, superintendent of the work, are to be in charge, assisted, it is hoped, by volunteer workers from the Howard Medical School. The entire work is under the direction of Mrs. Mary D. Tiscum, wife of the late Col. Tiscum of the United States Army.

In all the various activities of the Settlement, the students of Howard University would do well to enlist.

No better opportunity is offered to the student of Sociology and to those of us who are to go out in the near future as leaders in our communities than the practical way which brings one in contact with the people as they are in their homes and which reveals the real social and economical problems as they exist among the poorer classes in our alleys.

One concrete illustration will suffice to give some idea of the ignorance of the people in Glecks alley. Of the fifteen men in Mr.

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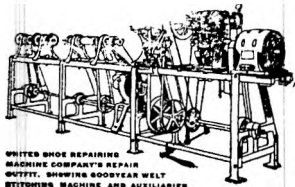
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Fowler's class not one is able to read or write his name. These poor ignorant men are pleading for some one to teach them how to read and write. This appeal has been made repeatedly. Will a true son of Howard then, think only of himself and shut his eyes to the cries of his brother?

Carlyle once said, "that any one should die ignorant who had a capacity for knowledge is a tragedy." These people not only have the capacity, but they are willing to get knowledge if only a teacher is sent. Are we to avert these human tragedies, which are occurring all around us? If we are to measure up to the fulness of the stature of manhood, if we are to render efficient service through our culture, we must begin to appreciate the fact that we are our brother's keeper and as such it is our duty to administer to him.

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They are masterpieces upon absolutely new lines of interpretation of the Bible. The author locates all sin in sex-nature of the physical creation, standing firm upon the inspiration of the Bible and the divinity of Christ, he argues that the god of this world is sensuality, located in the sex-nature. He shows that the ignorance of this truth, and the violation of the sex-law is destroying the human family, filling the insane asylums, the jails and the prison cells, and producing mental weaklings and physical wrecks, and is moral and spiritual death to the human family. His ideas are bold and astounding, and revolutionary, yet he stands firmly upon the inspiration of the Bible, and challenges the world to deny the truth of his contentions, and the Christian world can neither completely ignore nor answer his contentions. Christendom must accept them for their value, analyze and receive such truth as is therein contained.

We also desire to state to the press of the country, that whatever publicity they give to these resolutions and the ideas of Mr. Tapp and his writings, it is doing noble and charitable work; for he is an invalid and has no family, and whatever income his book

may bring, out side of caring for him in his quiet and simple life as an invalid, will go for charitable and religious purposes, and we advise that his will shall have this proviso, and we take this means of saying to the Negro race, that we will share in a part of his writings, when he is gone. We, therefore, ask the press of our people to deal liberally with his works; for they will elevate us morally, spiritually, intellectually, and physically.

We congratulate our white brethren, that we are advised that an association is being organized among them, to carry on the same work among their people that this association proposes to do among us. Address all orders for the books to Sidney C. Tapp, 509 E. 9th St., Kansas City, Mo.

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Notice

The JOURNAL election is approaching: and, certainly, all the members of the Teachers College and College of Arts and Sciences should participate in the election. Then, get your credentials arranged. Subscribe for the JOURNAL now. For the rest of the school year, subscriptions will be forty cents for students and fifty cents for others.

Omitted News

¶ On the appearance of our last issue, we readily observed that a part of the article on the debating contest had been omitted. We regretted the omission, but consoled ourselves in that we could supply the omitted news in this issue. This we have done.

Business

¶ The JOURNAL has gone this far with out any special appeal for the payment of subscriptions; and even now, the management is not confronted with discouraging financial prospects, for it feels that those who have not made their payments will do so at a mere request. The management takes this opportunity, then, to announce the request that all subscriptions be paid immediately. We will not be troubled on receiving the money; any denomination or any form will do; "remit if you please."

Reaching Out

¶ Dean Kelly Miller is rapidly acquiring an international reputation. One day last week, he received through the mail a copy of "Public Opinion" of London, England, containing the full quotation of his prose poem:—"I See and Am Satisfied." His poem was contributed sometime ago to the "Independent," and is described by the *London Journal* as a "remarkable rhapsody." The same mail brought an order from Tokyo, Japan, for a copy of "Race Adjustment."

Appreciation

That Rev. Hudson's visit and favors were appreciated by all Howard, was demonstrated by the unprecedented applause which greeted him on every occasion. Along with wishing him success we wish him another visit to Howard.

The Shadd Club Meets

On Wednesday night, February eleventh, the Shadd Club, the Medical Society of the Juniors met in the reading room of the Medical Building.

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President T. C. Brown, who presided, in his opening address, put forth the object and workings of the club in a sterling manner.

The main program of the evening was a paper by Mr. E. H. Lee on "Crile's Method of Preventing Post-operative Shocks," the rendition of which was excellent. The paper was then discussed by the several members. Short articles on Medical Emergencies were read by the president, and an article of medical interest was presented by Mr. Charles Garvin.

Mr. John Holt read a short interesting article on the Relative Status of the Negro Physician. Mr. J. G. McRae rendered a poem entitled, "A Doctor's Dream!" Doctor McNeil, Secretary of the

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Medical College, honored the Society with some very encouraging remarks, approving of the work and interest shown by the members. Then, after the presentation of a collection of "Medic" jokes by Mr. Charles Humbert, the prospective physicians and surgeons retired to their several offices to await future calls.

I. S. Bennett, Reporter

The Real Guy

"How'er it be, it seems to me I would not else than Mgr. be. F I could not strut and lug my grip I tell you I would rear and rip; The cast, of course, has got its place, But they just fill a little space. And if you want to really know — It's ME that's pulling off the show."—Tavernier.

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goes even further in stating that "It is astounding proposal for a State that proposes to be decent and Christian in its spirit. As a matter of fact", it continues, "this proposition is inspired by a spirit that would swiftly ruin any state, if once it gained sway over all the people. It is a combination of cowardly panic, senseless prejudice and heartless selfishness on the part of a race, never yet subdued to any other, much less to Africans."

Speaking on the Negro question generally, the *Spartanburg Herald* vindicates itself in a very frank and honest statement. This paper says: "Right down in his heart the Southern white man who knows the negro, has toward him a feeling bordering upon affection, and he takes no stock in the peculiar strain of the demagogue, who belabors and denounces him as even a little lower than the animals. There are trifling negroes, thousands of them, there are criminal negroes, many of them, which to our minds proves that they are human beings, made very much on the pattern of the white man, and possess as much of the Old Adam in their fundamental natures as any of Mr. Adam's sons who happened to be white."

Perhaps one of the most forceful utterances upon the subject is a letter written by "Confederate Soldier" to the *State*, in which the veteran declares the fact, "That a man could be found even in these days of degenerate politics, to offer such a bill, is humiliating. The shame, if shame there be, is not that any of our people taught negroes, but that more of them haven't done it. Such a proposition as that before us could not originate in a kind heart or find nature in a broad mind. It was conceived in prejudice, born and nourished in narrowness. Its enactment into law will be a reproach to the State."

Besides the many purely sensible arguments like those cited, there are others offered which give the situation an amusing turn if nothing else. One representative opposed the bill because he believes that it requires white men to manage Negroes; another said, "One of the essentials is to

teach the negro early in life that they must not resist the white people, and that white people must be permitted to teach them their inferiority in their formative stage. If we turn the teaching of negroes over to Yankee-educated negroes", he says, "nobody could predict the result." And another gentleman asks, "Who but the whites shall teach the negro his proper position?"; at the same time he feels that the matter can be adjusted without recourse to statutes.

It must be said to the credit of the better element of the State that no intelligent person expects the measure to become a law; it will die an inglorious death by the weight of its own foolishness. But what will be the effect upon the Blease adherents, who are seemingly in the majority? Will its failure to pass reduce the vigor of their enthusiasm for its spirit? The whole abominable occurrence is easily recognized as a concoction served up as a guarantee that the Governor has not forgotten his contract with regard to the Negro; but it is to be feared that the measure will help to pave the gentleman's way to Washington. —Roman

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Howard Loses to Hampton

The Hampton basketball aggregation, still angry over the defeat they had received at the hands of Howard in New York City on January sixteenth, came back with renewed strength when they met Howard in their own gymnasium last Saturday night and defeated her by a score of 25 to 23. The game was one of the fastest and best ever played between two school teams and up to the last minute of play neither side was sure of victory. It may be fairly said that Howard showed better skill in team-work though she was considerably weak at goal shooting. Several easy chances for baskets were missed and herein lay the principal reason for defeat. Hampton on the other hand, did not get as many chances but made good the fair chances which she did get.

To Captain Gayle was due more than to any other one player the victory of his team; he especially saved the day at a very crucial period during the last two minutes of play by shooting two very difficult baskets which respectively tied and over-ran Howard's score. One basket he threw from the center of one of the long sides of the court; the other he threw while lying on his back after he had been blocked by guard Henderson and thrown by guard Holland both of whom had made bold attempts to keep him from shooting.

Hampton took the lead early in the game and kept it till about the last ten minutes of play but was unable to keep it till the end. At the end of the first half the score stood 8 to 7 in Hampton's favor. Howard, at about the last ten minutes of play, managed to get ahead by a score of 21 to 19; then each side got a basket in quick succession making the score 23 to 21 in Howard's favor, a lead which she kept till Gayle

got away with his two phenomenal shots. Captain Gilmore of Howard played the game of his life but the whole Hampton team had been instructed to "play Gilmore" and they did; so much that Howard's star player found himself at times overwhelmed by the concerted covering of Hampton's giants, thereby putting him to a great disadvantage. Other players who deserve special mention are Mabry and Sykes for Howard, and Parker and Johnson for Hampton.

The two teams are evenly

matched in skill, Hampton having much the advantage in weight whereas Howard has the margin in speed. But, the end is not yet; the two teams will meet again shortly to decide the championship of the season; (each having won one of the two played; Howard by a score of 27 to 24 and Hampton by a score of 25 to 23) and in the next game Howard will have a better eye on the baskets and will bring the championship to the "School that sets on the hill." The line up and score were as follows:

| Name of Team | FIRST HALF | | SECOND HALF | |
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| | Goals | Fouls | Goals | Fouls |
| HOWARD | | | | |
| Mabry, R. F. | x | 1 h. | | 1 h. |
| Sykes, L. F. | | o | x x x | |
| Gilmore, C. | x * | o | * * * * o o | |
| Holland, R. G. | x | | | 1 r. |
| Henderson, L. G. | | 1 h. 1 s. | x x x | 1 h. 1 |
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| Name of Team | FIRST HALF | | SECOND HALF | |
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| | Goals | Fouls | Goals | Fouls |
| HAMPTON | | | | |
| Gayle, R. F. | x o | 1 h. | x x x x x * o | 1 h. |
| Gurnoe, L. F. | x | 1 d. | x | 1 s. |
| Parker, C. | | 1. 2 1. r | | 1 d. |
| Jamison, R. G. | | 1 s. | | 1 s. |
| Johnson, L. G. | x x | 1 d. | x x | 1 h. |
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Won by Hampton. Score 25 to 23. Place, Hampton, Va. Date, February 14, 1914. x, Field goal=2. *, Foul goal=1. o, Attempted foul goal which is missed. 1h, Foul for holding. 1d, Foul for dribbling. 1s, Foul for pushing. 1r, Running with ball. 1.2, Foul for two men on one.

Referee. Beckett: Scorer, Bender; Time keeper, Davis.

Don't forget the play, "Richelieu."

A Society for the Prevention of the Murder of English

An Open Letter to the Students of
Howard University

(Editor's Note—This proposition is the out growth of a discussion which arose in the Psychology (1) class; it is offered by the class as a remedy for our deficiency in speaking the "Mother Tongue.")

Dear Student:—

By your consent the Society for the Prevention of the Murder of English is to be organized. It is a society which will foster better speaking of the English language; it proposes to correct the shameful errors of omission and commission which grate upon our ear daily from the lips of students of all departments and classes, by pointing out the errors at the time they are made.

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Unlike other organizations, the S. P. M. E. has no regular meetings, no officers and no business, except to destroy careless, slip-shot and incorrect language. Its form of government is purely Socialistic, because every member is on absolute equality and is delegated with equal authority. For simplicity, it is a model, having only a few laws which its members must obey, and requiring nothing which causes inconvenience or trouble.

These few rules are as follows:

1. Each member shall pledge himself to criticise every incorrect English statement he hears.

2. Upon hearing such a statement or statements, he shall immediately "snap" his finger as loudly and ostentatiously as possible, and this shall be a sign that an error or errors have been made.

3. Each member must agree to acknowledge his errors and to receive corrections graciously. Violations of this law will be followed by the conviction that "kickers" are undesirables.

4. Each member shall purchase the official badge of the organization, and shall wear it in all places and at all times (when advisable). This badge is to be a small button upon which will appear the letters S. P. M. E.

These buttons will be sold to the members at sufficient cost to pay for the making. A copy of the rules will be given to each purchaser.

Let us hope that every one will enter into the spirit of this project; it is a simple process which can accomplish great good, provided skeptics are not allowed a voice. It should claim the attention and support of every person interested in his native tongue and the correct expression of it. Let us all become members of this far-reaching fraternity.

Yours for better English,
"Roman"

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were up to the usual high standard of the Department of History. Prof. Tunnell gracefully presided; Mr. L. M. Hershaw gave a pointed address; and each of the students on the program acquitted himself or herself splendidly. At this occasion, also, a picture of Abraham Lincoln was presented to Prof. Tunnell by Mr. S. A. Allen on behalf of the Department of History.

The Douglass-Lincoln program was as follows:

INVOCATION

FREDERICK DOUGLASS

THE SLAVE—Yearning for Freedom

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THE CHAMPION—Rights of Women

Eva Dykes

LINCOLN—Douglass' Great Co-Worker

Wm. B. Banister

DUET AND CHORUS—Seeking For Me

Misses Wells and Thomas

ADDRESS—The Old Freedom, The New Slavery *Mr. L. M. Hershaw*

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Campus Briefs

The Chi Delta Mu entertained on February twelfth. The occasion was given with greater eclat than any student function witnessed in the University for a long time.

On yesterday, the Alpha Phi Alpha fellows received at their house, from Mr. J. C. McKelvie who had been called home, the sad news that his father had passed away.

Besides taking part in our Lincoln-Douglas-Beecher Celebration, Dr. Alan Hudson lectured on Shakespeare, Tuesday evening, and on Burns Thursday afternoon. The lectures were masterly literary productions.

Rev. D. E. Wiseman, D. D.

Howard H. Long Wins the Gregory Prize

In the Kappa Sigma debating contest held on February sixth, Howard H. Long, in the opinion of the judges merited the Gregory Prize. That Long triumphed over his colleagues in the contest was evident to all who witnessed the debate. The prize was furnished by Principal James M. Gregory of Bordentown, N. J., the father of our own Professor T. Montgomery Gregory, and is to be offered each year. Long is to be commended for his ability to win this prize, the first of its kind to be offered in college debating at Howard.

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