Address of Dean Kelly Miller to Prospective Ministers

AST Sunday May 5th., Prof. Kelly Miller, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences addressed the Y. M. C. A. His subject was the "Field of the Ministry" from a layman's point of view. Prof. Miller said in part: Jesus says that life is more than meat. Life is more than meat, life is meat plus the influence over the lives of others. Life is meat pure and simple. There are three classes in the human race and they may be represented by three signs in algebra. The minus sign, the equality sign and the plus sign, those of the minus sign are less than meat, those of the equality sign are self-sufficing. There is a class of people, smaller in number who meet the necessities of life and have a surplus of developing and uplifting power. They are more than meat, they are meat plus influence.

Of the plus people none have such peculiar opportunities and advantages as college men. Ask a college man what is his aim in life. His answer may be to satisfy his own needs and those of the nation. Consider him unworthy, his life is meat, nothing more or less. He of the true spirit would say to influence his fellow men. In order to have influence he must develop his own power else he will have nothing to exert. The laborer exerts himself to meet the needs of his life. He has nothing to give out. It is safe to say of the colored college men, there is one out of every one thousand population. If he limits himself to the lower level to satisfy his own self, he is unworthy of college. Every college man desires to influence his fellow man along his lines for the good and best. How can he do it? What profession shall he choose? Ordinarily if he examines himself, his faculties, and his disposition, he will enter the one in which he may exert the greatest amount of good. He should study himself and size up his own power and nature against the professions open to him and choose the one where he can do the greatest good. On this depend your callings.

The political government is the controlling agent of society. The men who control the government are found controlling the public service. They who make the laws, interpret the laws and execute the laws exert the greatest influence. They regulate and control the other agents of society. Here the greatest influence can be exerted. I would advise you young men to enter the public service so as to help control the righteous law and interpret well, for this is the largest field. But not one of you who can probably find a career in the public service can reach a place exerting so much influence and control. It is unfortunately and unjustly left out of the government under which you must live. It is unfortunately true nevertheless. Since you are shut out here, where is the field in which you may exercise the greatest influence, direction and control?

This depends upon your power. If it be in science then you will practice medicine, if it be in administering the law then it will be law, if it be imparting established knowledge then you'll teach. It

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Receiving of the Sophs

ON Monday evening, April 29, in Rankin Memorial Chapel the Council of Upper Classmen held its tenth annual reception of the Sophs. The occasion was indeed one of great interest and inspiration. At eight o'clock a great procession of enthusiastic men, seventy three in number, was marched down the isle to the front seats of the chapel; here, before finally taking their seats, they all joined in a song of the Sophomores, in which they showed that they were entering the Council with a spirit which it continued will prove of great benefit to the Council. Mr. Felix Butler, the president of the incoming administration made the opening speech in which he touched upon the founding of the organization and in a brief resume mentioned some of the work which the Council has done. He further spoke of the unique position which the Council has taken and is expected to hold. The president then introduced Mr. J. C. Waters, ex-president of the Council who gave the introductory address of welcome to the Sophs, in which he made a strong and comprehensive appeal, setting forth the duties of each member of the Council, and just what would be expected of them. He urged them to do all in their power to make this administration the most successful one in the history of the Council.

The address was one of force and contained those virtues which have characterized Mr. Waters throughout his stay at the University.

A much enjoyed piano solo was rendered by Miss Clyde Wilkins, after which Mr. Waters in very
fitting and commendable terms introduced Mr. Dwight O. Holmes, the speaker of the evening. Mr. Holmes said at the outset that no more sacred privilege could come than to address a body of men such as sat before him on that night. “You have selected me for this honor, said he, because you consider me one of you. We are children of the same mother to go forth and occupy. The fact that you are here as candidates for the Council of Upper Classmen is proof of the high qualities which you possess, and in coming to Howard University, you give unmistakable evidence of your aspirations.”

In speaking of Howard University the speaker said, "Hon. O. O. Howard rendered his greatest service when he planted this great monument in the nation's capital," and said he, “Howard University was founded on the plan to give the people the best opportunity for intellectual uplift. Her graduates have carried her with highest credit in all parts of the country and the chief glory of Howard is a glory yet to be.”

In speaking of the education of the Negro, Mr. Holmes said “It is far better for Negroes to be trained in Negro schools, where coming in contact with students and instructors of their own race, they will receive a greater stimulus to make good in life.” The speaker further said that it is universally believed that there should be one Negro school for the higher education and Howard University seems destined to be that school. “You are the Upper Classmen of a school which is to lead and as such you have certain scholastic attainments and differ from those below you, since more is expected of you. As men and brothers alike in all attributes, having this peculiar opportunity, you have the responsibility which only death can relieve. To the cripple,” he said, “nothing is expected, but they on the other hand are pitied, therefore your first obligation is, to show by conduct, you have gathered that precept from your former brothers applied in your every day life. The chief reason of failure is because one fails to do with his might all that comes before him. Pick out your successful student, he is he who works with sustained duty in whatever field he finds himself, and does with a certain amount of effort each task as it comes before him day by day. Let me impress upon you my young men, the necessity of putting this into practice right now; for we hold that work should begin in training and should continue through the period of active life. No work is worth doing badly and he who puts his might into the thing will surely outwit the man who is slothful and negligent.”

Mr. Holmes said, "I would urge you, Upper Classmen, to take advantage of all opportunities possible, in order to show the people just what you stand for. I wish to congratulate the University,” he said, “upon the creative power not of the faculty but the alumni.”

Finally, said the speaker, “let me remind you that besides practicing these virtues, the educated members of our race must learn how to fight and what to fight for. Besides your vocation, the world expects all kinds of service and the wider and nobler service is expected of you without reward. Moreover, if we sit calmly by and wait for what is to be given to us, we will find ourselves lacking and little will be thought of us as men; patience and neatness are both virtues, but God helps only those who help themselves.” In concluding this most inspiring address, Mr. Holmes said may the spirit of Alma Mater be engraved so deeply in your hearts that in your wanderings over the earth, it will follow you like a mother's tender love.

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Howardites in New York

One of the recent stirring events was the entertaining of Howard students in New York City by Romeo L. Dougherty, sporting editor of the Amsterdam News.

The occasion was ably presided over by the Hon. J. Frank Wheaton, a graduate of the University Law School. It is said that New York's famous colored lawyer used to send his voice echoing down the halls of Minnesota's legislative chambers and the Hon. J. Frank lived up to his reputation. Amongst the aged college graduates and illustrious poets could be seen our own Buddy Oliver. It was he who held up the University by delivering a short but forceful and impressive speech.

The sporting editor of the News bids fair to become one of the greatest colored poets of the age. His verses as seen in the Christian Advocate and other prominent papers demand recognition.

The Y. W. C. A. gives thanks to the student body for responding to the call for aid in helping them to get a special for New York City. Although the girls lost 6-4, it was by no means an easy game, and credit is due Huddy for developing such a good team.
The A. K. A. Carnival

On last Saturday evening the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority entertained the student body in a spring Carnival held in Spaulding Hall. The hall had been beautifully decorated for the occasion and was superbly adorned by the presence of more than a hundred of the fair sex, members of the Sorority, their friends, and sympathizers. Those young ladies, especially the hostesses left no stones unturned to make the evening a profitable and enjoyable one for their guests. They more than showed themselves ideal entertainers.

The young men showed a large measure of appreciation of the A. K. A. for at this carnival they gathered in large and overwhelming numbers, and did everything within their power, by way of service and patronage to make the success of the evening sure and gratifying for the much cherished Co-eds. Too, it may be said by way of proof of sincerity, that they came in such numbers when it was not known that they would be permitted to "trip it on the light fantastic toe."

The sensational feature of the evening was the raffling off of a large and handsome sofa pillow. More than fifty boys and girls took chances on this beautiful and much contested prize. They gathered around Miss Hardwick and Mr. C. B. Curley with the eager enthusiasm and anxious desire of so many children. Number after number was drawn until finally the lucky number was found and Mr. Frank Forbes took away the pillow.

To Miss Nellie M. Quander

The Seniors Give Prom

The Seniors of the School of Liberal Arts climaxed the season of social functions on last Friday evening in Spaulding Hall, when, in a unique way, they entertained their friends and undergraduates in a formal prom. Spaulding Hall was bright and gay with a smooth and shining floor, walls bedecked with pennants and colors, and beautiful palms on all sides. On the first floor, the gleeSome guest enjoyed most merrily the special and appropriate entertainment, furnished by the forward Seniors while, on the second floor, refreshments were conveniently served. Although many of the Seniors were not present, yet the uniqueness of the occasion reflected honor and credit upon the whole class. Many out of town guests were present.
Innovations are hardly ever popular; less so when made against popular sentiment. Next time leave it to the Staff.

The Journal is very grateful for the sum contributed by those members of the opposition who paid their subscriptions "just to vote."

"If I had had the intelligence when I was a boy down in South Carolina, that I now have, I would have become a minister of the Gospel." —DEAN MILLER

Yes, and if you had had any intelligence when a boy, you wouldn't have had the intelligence then, you now possess—that is, while down in South Carolina.
members of the faculty, as has been the case. The result further shows that whoever has been running the students' organ has run it within their own rights and to the satisfaction of its readers in general. What Committee on Student Publications would attempt to satisfy a set of bull-headed invincible petition presenters? Where would you find a set of men—and we might use the older and larger Universities as examples—who would heed the lone accusation that some of the members of the student publication's staff were members of a fraternity? They would be so familiar with undergraduate life that such would be laughed at, much less considered for the mere sake of an innovation.

Under what conditions could the present staff take part in the past election? On condition that the editor and all went down in their pockets and paid a year's subscription just like the most unconcerned reader. Such an act was real tyranny and marked a radical retrogression for Howard University. You would not think that such acts were pro­mulgated by any such men as compose the committee in question. You'd give such men credit for being better informed.

Subjecting an editorial staff to the whims and fancies of a student populace—to the recall—is a sure way to make a mess of yourself and the University. If the student organ is to be a free

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As the afternoon grew on the contingents began to dwindle down. However, little voting was done until five o'clock at which time the polls closed. The results show that the contest was bitter and hardfought. But when the din and smoke of battle had cleared away the Official ballot had been successful in placing every man on the staff, except the Athletic editor.

Following are the ballots and the way they were made up:

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A total of 114 votes was cast, the men on the Official ballot getting about six of every ten votes. This friendly contest of rivalry should mean a heartier and more far reaching support of The Journal in the coming year. This method gives every subscriber of the College department a chance to say, wisely or unwisely, whom he wants to conduct his paper, if he will only avail himself of the opportunity, by subscribing to The Journal, thereby removing the silly contention of the paper's being a non-representative organ.

Election of Journal Staff

Perhaps no phase of student activity has stirred up more interest and enthusiasm among the students of the School of Liberal Arts for many years than the Election of The Journal Staff for the year 1912-13. This is the first time that the selection of the staff has been thrown open to the students, that is, to the subscribing element thereof. And a goodly number availed themselves of the opportunity of voting for those who should have control of the student organ for the ensuing year. Two ballots were put in the field designated one, as the Official ballot, the other, the Independent ballot. The exponents of each ballot exerted every effort to make their ticket go through in toto and at any rate to have the largest representation on the ensuing staff.

The polls were opened at two o'clock. A large anxious crowd was found waiting to cast ballots and for about an hour or an hour and a half the line waxed warm.

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may be in business or it may be upon the public platform.
Where can you be the most serviceable and most useful? It is in the ministry. The church is the second great organ after the state. Once the church and state were united but by a process of differentiation one function went to the state and the other went to the church. The state embraces the church government but it cannot interfere. To those who have been shut out from the government the church has become the one government. They cannot figure how one can not in the unreal. I pity the man dealing with the concrete without casting his eye to Heaven. Ministers have the opportunity to attain the highest and holiest ideals. Do not fear for the material substances for the minister is as well circumstanced as any colored men known.

Dr. Lamb Receives Wallet

Dr. D. S. Lamb, professor of Anatomy in the Medical School, was the recipient last Monday of a leather wallet the gift of the Sophomore Medical and Dental Classes. The presentation speech was made by Wm. Love. The occasion marked the last meeting of the Sophomore Classes in Anatomy for the year.

The Cromwell Collection

Mr. John H. Cromwell of this city has placed in the library as a loan 148 volumes of clippings and as a gift 27 bound volumes of Leslie's Magazines. The clippings are from newspapers issued from 1854 to 1892 and cover the period of the civil war and reconstruction making an exceedingly valuable addition to the library.

The Library record for evening attendance was set April 22nd., when 91 readers were present.

In the Library

Pupil:—Have you "Strawberry's" "botany?"
Desk attendant:—Don't you mean "Strasburger's"?
Slow music by the band while the desk attendant is being revived.

Dean George W. Cook
Tendered Banquet

Unquestionably, the most notable and auspicious occasion of the school year was the Testimonial Banquet tendered Dean George W. Cook, on Friday evening, May 3rd. Appreciating the thirty-nine years of efficient, constructive, and patriotic service which the "Bulwark of Howard" had put into the life of his Alma Mater, thus contributing much to the educational status of the Nation, the promoters of the banquet spared neither pains nor pecuniary requisite in rendering honor to whom honor was due.

The decoration of the University dining hall was superb. The University colors meandered and appeared gayly and freely, but the national colors, handsomely curled and furled, predominated as they invariably adorned the walls. The tables were beautifully arranged and garnished. Pot flowers and palms appropriately set off every corner, window sill, and buffet, while tinted lights,
President Wilbur P. Thirkield
Commends Dean Cook

April 26, 1912

Professor George M. Lightfoot
Chairman, Committee on Testimonial
Banquet to Dean George William Cook

Dear Sirs:

Permit me to express my sincere regret that absence from the city prevents my attendance at the proposed testimonial dinner to my friend and fellow worker, Dean George William Cook.

It has been my pleasure to work with him as a member of the faculty, as Dean of the Commercial College and Secretary and Business Manager of the University, for the past six years, and my appreciation of the sterling character, genuine worth, ability and probity of George William Cook, both as a man and as an officer of the institution has increased with the years. He is honest and straightforward in all his methods, and on matters of principle has the courage of his convictions. Fortunate is the chief administrative officer who has his subordinate officers and co-workers in any enterprise who are as true, frank, genuine, and generous, as Dean Cook has always proved himself to be. I might say that I have trusted him with my confidence in the most delicate matters of administration, and at times when he was my sole counsellor, and never have I been tempted to doubt the wisdom of that confidence, for I believe him to be a man of such honesty and integrity that he is incapable of betrayal or secret opposition which often are sources of weakness, especially in the administration of educational institutions.

All hail then to our friend and fellow helper in the great work of proving on the interests of Howard University. Long may he live, and may he always keep the vigor and freshness of young manhood that now seems to characterize his spirit and movements.

Again regretting that absence from the city prevents my presence on the occasion of this deserved testimonial to a worthy man, I am

Cordially and sincerely yours,

W. P. Thirkield
President

President at Morristown College

The Baccalaureate Sermon at Morristown College, Tenn., was preached this year by President Thirkield. In the audience were as many white as colored interested ones, including the mayor and officials of the city, numerous ministers and other professional men. The Morristown contingent expects great things of Howard and hopes for the University continued success and progress.

Read next week's JOURNAL.

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Suffrage at Howard

(See Editorial)

Last year a movement was begun by the students of Howard to bring The Journal in more direct relation with the students and make its chief exponent, the Journal Staff, more responsive to their wishes. This agitation resulted in the granting of suffrage to all those students of the College of Liberal Arts, who up to within forty-eight hours of the opening of the polls had paid their subscription.

The day of election came. There were two ballots in the field, the Official or Standpat ballot, representing primarily the old regime and the Independent or Free Thinkers ballot representing the progressives. Excitement ran high. Long before the polls opened groups of students could be seen here and there discussing the political situation trying, it often happened, to convince some young man of the Freshman Class or any girl of the College of Liberal Arts— for they are about "in the same boat" when it comes to politics— that the one or the other ballot represented the more liberal and democratic student body. Whichever side put up the stronger argument was compelled to send one of its representatives with the young convert to the polls in order to prevent his falling into the hands of some "boss" or "corruptionist." Such precaution was by no means amiss, for "boss" Russell was ever present and was generally a dangerous foe to the young convert of the Independents.

It was about six o'clock when Judge Brawley posted the results. The Officials had won by the margin of a hair and soon they rent the air with their cries of victory. The Independents were successful in electing one man, the Athletic Editor. With true sportmanlike spirit they congratulated the Officials for their success and in turn received the plaudits of the Officials for the splendid run they had made.

The writer of the article is a strong Independent man and happened to be on the ticket which went down to defeat; yet he feels that he expresses the opinion of his constituents when he says that it really was not a defeat but rather a victory.

F. H. Wimberley

Personals

"A little nonsense now and then is relished by the best of men."

Don’t worry Crip Young, that was only a Sample, Sunday before last.

If Miss J. hadn’t thrown Braggo down he would have defeated Taylor.

Look out Myers, Jimmie is after you.

Braggo you talk to "adjective" much—Nicko.

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Evidently Clelland forgets that the floor was made to dance on and not a poor girl’s feet.

Boys, don’t slight Miss L. T. so much at our dances. Be democratic and generous.

Snake has been taking “come back” tonic. Watch out Copeland. Lay low Hat-pin.

One young lady said she voted for the best looking men—no wonder the Independents lost.

The suffragettes took advantage of the opportunity to vote. They expressed a wise choice.

"Boss" Russell’s happiness was threatened on election day by one of the Independent’s leaders.

Just see what good work woman suffrage can do. They vote more intelligently than many men.

The base ball trip did not agree with our boys, they looked starved almost to death on their return.

Moose Tucker is making a record run for Chicago. Look out for bad rails and open switches Tucker.

What did the Independents do when The Journal election was burning? Ran for office and caught.

Caldwell Jones has been promoted from the K. M. to the P. B. and has been transferred to the Crystalis Club.

Expert buttonholers at The Journal election were Husker son, Westmoreland, Logan, Hayes, Nixon and Wimberley.

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