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THE GARVEY MOVEMENT

WHATEVER one may think about it or how fantastical it may seem the fact that a man has sufficient genius, magnetism or what you will, to assemble a convention of 20,000 people of African descent to formulate plans for a great Pan-African empire or republic is an unparalleled and unique social phenomenon which demands serious consideration. History has presented similar social movements among other ethnic groups, but not among the African group. That this widely separated people, for the Garvey movement is far-flung and embraces members of our race not only in the United States, but in the British West Indies and Africa,—should be influenced by the spirit of unrest and dissatisfaction with certain conditions of exploitation of which they have been and are yet the victims is by no means strange. It only proves the unity and solidarity of the human race and that the demand for justice is fundamental with mankind and that ultimately it is bound to assert itself. That Marcus Garvey has been able to interpret this demand for justice and self-determination upon the part of thousands of the black race to the extent that he has shows that the time is ripening, if not already ripe, for the development of an international race-consciousness which can be turned to good account, or ill, for it has both these possibilities, in world business, commerce and politics. Granting that there are many impracticable and fantastic ideas connected with it, granted that the man who is its moving spirit may be a fool, fanatic or dreamer, it must be conceded that the so-called "Garvey Monument" is a tremendously significant social phenomenon which may have an importance and influence beyond imagining. Into what it may grow and develop who can say?

MIXED HIS NOTES.

IN his address to the national rifle contest at Camp Perry, Ohio, August 12, Mr. Cox urged a policy of arbitration as the best means to settle wars. But on seeing that his subject was not in keeping with the occasion, he quickly, and we think wisely, explained: "I recognize that in a sense you are assembled here for the purpose of increasing the efficiency of our military strength." It's a very long lane that has no turning.

TRY A "SOAPLESS" ONE, JUDGE. "I SHALL never take another bath." I said Judge Baker when he discovered three days afterwards that he had sustained a broken rib as the result of a soapy bath. We trust that we are not to infer by this that a soapy plunge is new to the judge. Our great sympathy goes out to the eminent jurist for his untimely accident, and we wish him a long life. But speaking in the interest of society we are forced to disparage such a strange resolution. Therefore, we venture to advise that he either change his resolution or his country. We suggest Finland or Alaska, where such habits as bathing need not bother him.

THE BICYCLE NUISANCE.

BICYCLE riding on the sidewalks, especially in the northern section of this city, is a habit which is growing into a grave danger to pedestrians. Those who indulge in this practice are for the most part boys who do not realize the danger of their acts. Often these boys speed up behind small children without sounding notice of their approach. If the child should step unconsciously in front of the rider, injury would most certainly result. We are sure there is a law against this nuisance, and we trust that our city authorities will see that it is strictly enforced.

Adversity has the effect of eliciting talents which in prosperous circumstances would have lain dormant.—Horace.

Proverbs and Paragraphs

IF A BROTHER or sister be naked and destitute of daily food, and one of you say unto them, depart in peace, be ye warmed and filled, notwithstanding ye give them not those things which are needful to the body; what doth it profit? Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone.—St. James 2:15, 16, 17.

An acre of performance is worth a whole world of promises.

He that knows and knows that he knows—is wise—follow him.

He that knows and knows not that he knows—is stupid—pity him.

He that knows not is ignorant—help him.

He that knows not and knows not that he knows not is a fool—avoid him.

The struggle of life is the battle of right.

With forces of ignorance, folly and wrong,

And tact is the winner whenever the fight

Seems hopeless against an outnumbering throng.

The tree standing best is the tree you will find

That bends without breaking when swept by the wind:

Hence, whilst you must never true honor forsake,

Remember 'tis better to bend than to break.

—Berrie.

GLIMPSES OF PORTO RICO

Some Interesting Facts, About the Country and People.

(By Grace Morris Hutten.)

SAN JUAN.

The enormous infantry barracks, large enough to house 2,000 troops, were built in 1860. Constructed in a rectangle, around an open central patio, it forms one of the largest barrack buildings owned by the American government. Here you note the effect of the Spanish love for beauty as compared to the American idea of service. The patio is lined on all sides with beautiful flowers and plants. A stranger would never take it for a barrack as it resembles a park, but when you see the guards pacing back and forth you realize Uncle Sam is present.

San Juan is well supplied with large and finely equipped moving pictures, having all the latest productions. The Municipal theater, opposite Plaza Colon, is an early day structure erected by the citizens at a cost of \$200,000. Traveling companies, operas and private theatricals frequently occupy the boards.

The Boys' Charity School and a separate one for girls, have long been established as has also been the St. Gabriel's Institute for deaf and dumb. Many other charitable institutions have been started in recent years.

Outside the walls and adjoining Morro Castle is the "Pancheon," or cemetery. Here are 400 niches, each containing a coffin, which are sold outright or rented for five years at \$40. If in arrears, the remains are placed in a small box and placed in a pit, hidden from view.

San Cristobal is a combination of three forts and is an enormous pile of solid masonry and a magnificent example of old Spanish fortification work. Its dungeons, passages and moats are wonderful and the various portions are connected by tunnels leading to the other forts about the city and outside.

The streets are typical of Spain, with many tinted, red-roofed buildings, all interspersed with modern concrete structures. Plaza Principal, with its broad cement surface lined with beautiful trees, is the center of San Juan.

One of the leading men of Porto Rico has a mansion facing Plaza

Principal. He is a colored man, Dr. Barbosa. He is leader of the republican party, a senator, and editor and owner of El Tiempo, the leading daily newspaper of the island. Dr. Barbosa has educated all of his sons in the United States. One is a graduate of Ann Arbor, one a graduate of Harvard and Freedman's Hospital, who now is considered the best surgeon on the island, and who has charge of the Municipal Hospital. Another is a graduate of Columbia.

When one landed on the Porto Rico of the past, one stepped into a foreign land and into scenes of four centuries ago. Today it is a busy, bustling up-to-date and modern country.

American ideas and customs have been adopted with wonderful facility. "Los Muchachos," the largest department store, is thoroughly up-to-date and stocked with American and European goods. Cash registers, pneumatic money carriers, elevators, bargain sales and auto deliveries are now a necessary part of San Juan business.

Within the last few years the tobacco industry has reached a high state of development and will soon be first in importance. By the use of improved methods and proper care, a great deal of tobacco is produced which is, in the opinion of many, the equal of Cuban tobacco.

One of the largest factories is located in San Juan. Here the Recoro Infantas, Portina and Restina Chicos cigars are made, besides Violetas and other cigarettes. About 1,500 hands are employed and 5,000,000 little cigars are made monthly and over 40,000,000 cigarettes.

The first impression of San Juan surrounded by its walls and fortifications, its narrow streets, its flat houses and painted balconies, gives the traveler the appearance of Cadiz in miniature, but one is abruptly brought from his musings by the American flag flying in the distance.

The old order is changing and with the advent of the electric car system and autos, the residents are making their homes in the distant suburbs of Condado, Miramar, Santurce, Bayamon and Rio Piedras.

At all these places beautiful residences have been constructed and equal in grandeur to cities of much larger population in the United States.

When the Americans took possession in 1890, Porto Rico was like all Spanish-American countries, quaint, quiet, picturesque and with an indefinable charm, impossible to describe. For 400 years the people had lived in more or less the same manner, their homes were of Spanish or Moorish style, their lives simple, their wants few, and competition troubled them little. No one gave a thought of tomorrow, and bull fights, cock fights, dances and government lottery were the amusement of the populace. Sanitation was conspicuous by its absence; candles and oil lamps furnished illumination; oxen and horses provided the means of transportation.

When one stepped ashore in Porto Rico of the past, one stepped into a foreign land and into scenes of four centuries ago. Today all is changed. With the American occupation, sew-

ers were laid sanitary plumbing was made compulsory, disease and dirt were stamped out. Today San Juan is a busy, bustling up-to-date and modern city, far ahead of most American communities of equal size.

MASONIC GRAND LODGE HOLDS SECOND ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

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iting committee reported treasurer's books with receipts and vouchers in god form.

Public Reception.

Wednesday night a reception was held at Grove Methodist Episcopal church, at which time a most interesting program was given. An address of welcome was to have been given by Mayor Smith, but he was unavoidably detained. Maynard L. Wilson was master of ceremonies. The following program was given:

Song....."Blest Be the Tie That Binds Congregation

Address.....H. J. Pinkett
Baritone Solo.....H. L. Preston
Instrumental Music.....Mrs. G. F. Riley
Address on Behalf of Local Lodges.....

Response.....The Rev. W. F. Botts

Selection.....A. W. Gates
Music—Saxophone Solo.....H. A. Perry
Masonic Reminiscences.....R. B. Rhoades
Soprano Solo.....Miss Pearl Ray
Selection.....The Masonic Four

Thursday's Sessions.

The Grand Lodge reassembled for business Thursday morning. The morning and afternoon were fully occupied with reports of committees and other routine business.

Thursday night one of the most impressive features of Grand Lodge was the Lodge of Sorrow which was held in Zion Baptist church, Twenty-second and Grant streets. The ceremonies were conducted by A. W. Gates of Hastings and made a marked impression upon the large audience present. The program was as follows:

Song....."How Firm a Foundation" Congregation

Prayer.....Grand Chaplain J. H. Wakefield.

Selection.....Zion Choir
Memorial Ceremonies.....Conducted by A. W. Gates.

Tenor Solo.....G. W. Griffin
Benediction.....Rev. Russel Taylor
Closing Sessions and Elections.

Friday's business sessions were crowded full with the closing work of the Grand Lodge which included the election of officers. The following officers were chosen for the ensuing year and duly installed:

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Nathaniel Hunter, Omaha; Charles Dickerson, Omaha, Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master; H. M. Hill, Right Worshipful Senior Grand Warden; W. P. Wade, Omaha, Right Worshipful Junior Grand Warden; Richard H. Young, Lincoln, Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer; Trago McWilliams, Lincoln, Right Worshipful Grand Secretary; Rev. Russel Taylor, Omaha, Right Worshipful Grand Chaplain; A. W. Gates, Hastings, Right Worshipful Grand Lecturer; Emery R. Smith, Omaha, Worshipful Senior Deacon; Maynard L. Wilson, Omaha, Worshipful Junior Deacon; J. H. Wakefield,

South Omaha, Worshipful Senior Steward; P. H. Jenkins, Omaha, Worshipful Junior Steward; William Burrell, Omaha, Worshipful Grand Marshal; R. P. Booth, Hastings, Worshipful Pursuivant; Arthur Gary, Grand Island, Worshipful Sword Bearer; A. P. Curtis, Grand Standard Bearer; Mack Linear, Omaha, Grand Tyler.

Friday night a public entertainment and ball was given at Columbia Hall, which brought out a large audience and was a fitting close to the second annual communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Nebraska in the entertainment of which the following Omaha lodges yielded with each other to do their full part: Rough Ashler No. 1, Excelsior No. 2, Rescue No. 4 and Omaha, No. 9.

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