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Hard Job to Unhorse Paul Revere.

One of those finical men who insist that facts are facts only when riveted down by spot witness affidavits and vouchers of identity from generation to generation says that Paul Revere must "move on" out of history into tradition and take Longfellow's epic with him. If it must be tradition gains a star and Boston's "ragged rebel" won't be lonely touching elbows with the men of Sempach, Ivry and Thermopylae and other heroes in that twilight land. However, the ride has been ridden in imagination by millions of boys and girls who became fathers and mothers and even grandfathers and grandmothers to more riders. One and all, they took it for "true or it wouldn't have been printed," so it boots little whether that midnight trip to Lexington happened or Longfellow invented it. Paul Revere is in saddle to stay.

That charge into a hot place at Bala-klava never occurred as the poet describes it, but the rendering of Tennyson's classic on recitation days was the battle rehearsal for thousands of schoolboys who in the sixties really charged with Lee's "Jeb" Stuart and Grant's "Little Phil." War is always what Sherman found it, but the spirit to "fight on horseback, footback and every other back" when nagged too far makes for peace as much as a big fleet and in the same way. Also, if Paul Revere could be unhorsed by collision with the little thing like "historical truth," "Horatius at the Bridge," "Arnold Winkelried" and "The White Plume of Navarre" must go too. The new thought has it that to believe an idea is fact hard enough makes it fact regardless. For certain purposes, notably sidestepping dry rot in a nation's backbone, this gospel bubbles with common sense.

It was not laziness nor decline that kept Mark Twain from launching a new joke on his seventy-third birthday. He knew that seventy-three for him was a joke on Dr. Osler that the whole world would appreciate.

Londoners have the big head because plants have been put in their subway. Some of our subways have been planted and replanted and not a few sane people are kicking to have them transplanted.

That puglist who has "gone into literature" is probably getting ready against the inevitable to give Editor Roosevelt a choice of weapons.

So marvelous is our climate that one may step from summer into winter and not be aware of doing a stretch.

The Uplift in the Mountains.
 Lincoln university, for the support of which money will be solicited in connection with the Lincoln centenary, is not merely another educational ad hoc nor is it a useless competitor with other institutions. It is maintained for the practical training of mountaineers who but for their open doors will live without half a chance in case they stay in the mountains and fight against enormous odds if they leave the hills for crowded markets. In its ambition the university may be called an experiment. But the mission proclaimed is not farfetched. There is need of uplift work in those very mountains.

Farther south in the mountains of Georgia a young society woman of St. Louis established a pioneer "settlement" a few years ago which has proved that the idea of carrying culture to the poorest soil is worth while. Beginning with five boys in 1902, she now conducts an establishment comprising a laundry, truck farm, school and library and dairy, the work being done by pupils, some of whom pay their way by labor. However ignorant and ragged at the start, the material of the wild hills is good. Not alone native ruggedness, but native honesty, is the heritage of those children, whose forbears were in the main Scotch-Irish immigrants.

Haiti once belonged to France, but the natives revolted and slaughtered all the Frenchmen found on the island. Napoleon made believe to befriend the blacks, but the regime he instituted ended in tyranny. Yet in spite of the national hatred of the French flag the rulers of the little republic take cover under it to protect them from the fury of their own people.

Back country farmers will be glad to have the uplift commission make dates this winter providing the advance agent brings along a steam snowplow as pilot for the steam roller.

Calling that egg corner a shell game may be a poor pun, but the last laugh will be the punster's when the egg trust lawyer tries to make a jail offense out of it for libel.

A Sunday newspaper printed in the evening is all right for Washington, for that is just when the Sabbath dawns upon our overworked ruling classes.

In order to remove cruel war from his native shores Castro carried Ven- ezuela's navy to Europe in his money chests.

"JUST GOOD ENOUGH."

Christmas now, you may say, is not what it use to be, But you can put me down as sayin', "its good enough for me," Its good enough I'm sayin' and I've got the right to say For I'm going to be with the old folks on Christmas day.

You may grumble and complain and cry for joy to see But quote me now as sayin', "There's joy enough for me!" There's joy enough ahead for a mother old and gray.

So I'm goin' to be with the old folks on Christmas day.

You may talk about other Christmases that mock this one to be But this Christmas is what I said, "Just grand enough for me," The bells are ringin' sweeter and I've got my little pay.

And I'm goin' to be with mother on this Christmas day.

Why this Christmas time is lovelier than I ever dream or know And I thank God that I'm livin' and so well able to go;

Why it's good enough I'm sayin' and I've got the right to say, For I'm goin' home to mother to spend the Christmas day.

So you see why I'm as joyful as a fellover could be 'Cause I'm thinkin' of the happy time When we all set down to tea:

Just a sup of mother's egg nog will give us a heap to say, And I'll sure be with the old folks on this lively Christmas day.

—CHARLES D. MARSHALL.

Flanner Guild Notes.

A mother's meeting was permanently organized at Flanner Guild last Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Minnie Scott, Pres.; Mrs. M. A. Clark, Vice Pres.; Mrs. Braban, Sec.; Mrs. Targerson, Asst. Sec.; Mrs. Kittie Minter, Treas. An interesting meeting was held and light refreshments were served. These meetings will be on Friday afternoon of each week. Opening at 3 o'clock.

We are arranging for a Xmas cheer for the unfortunate children. We ask for donations to aid us in this effort. Anyone having something to give, call 4249.

An orchestra is being organized and will play special music for our Sunday meetings, which will begin the first Sunday in January.

Dr. Ward will address the boys' club Thursday night.

Services at Wayman Chapel Sunday with preaching at 10:45 and 7:45 by pastor, Rev. A. Jackson. David Adam class leader and Mr. Comer, Supt. of the Sunday school at 12:30. Tuesday night Official board and Class with W. B. Clemons leader. Thursday night Prayer meeting and Trustee Board.

Thanksgiving Report Alpha Home

The ladies of the Alpha Home Association wish to thank the principals and their assistance at the various schools for the great effort they made in collecting Thanksgiving offerings for the Home. Great credit is due No. 40, as she took the lead in sending the largest donations this year: Five bars soap, 4 lbs of coffee, 4 lbs rice, 1 roll of mush, 1 lb dried peaches, 2 lbs of flour, 1 lb of hominy, 2 pecks of dried beans, 4 lbs of sugar, 1 gallon maple syrup, 94 jars of fruit, 2 cans baked beans, 1 lb baking powder, 32 glasses of jelly, 124 bus Irish potatoes, 35 pumpkins, 2 1/2 bus apples, 1 bus. turnips, 1 1/2 bus. sweet potatoes, 2 bus onions, 1 peck mixed fruit, 1 barrel cabbage. We thank the white ladies of Needle Guild, for 125 articles of wearing apparel, also thank the E. C. Morris Missionary Society of the Second Baptist church, the Mary Chamberlaine Missionary society of Bethel church, for basket of can fruit and other good things, and Mrs. L. S. Ayers for turkey Thanksgiving. Money collected, \$165.55. Alice Frazier.

Great meeting at the Union Tabernacle Baptist church last Sunday. The pastor preached in the morning. Rev. A. D. Jimerson preached at night. Two additional. Special services Sunday, Dec. 20th, beginning at 7:45. We hope to see all young men and ladies present. There will be Christmas cantata Thursday night, Dec. 24th.

The E. B. Delaney Missionary Society will hold open house, Jan. 1, '09, at the residence of Mrs. Wm. Poach, 829 N. West street. You are cordially invited. Laura Breedlove, Pres.; Mary F. Darneal, Sec.

The Charity Organization Society will give a benefit entertainment on the evening of Jan. 1, '09, Emancipation Day, at Bethel A. M. E. Church, under the auspices of the Interdenominational Ministers' Meeting. Admission 10cts.

DON'T FORGET US.

The Junior Choir of Allen Chapel will give their first Junior rally, Sunday, Dec. 20th, at 3 p. m. The following program will be given:

Song hymnal.....
 Prayer.....
 Solo and Chorus, Jesus lover of my soul Recitation.....Katie Hapen Paper.....Margaret Smith Chorus.....The Welcome Sound Address.....Rev. C. W. McColl Solo—Show me the Way, Ada Colbert Recitation.....Martha Good Instrumental solo.....Arlene Megee Recitation.....Lillian Harper Closing Chorus.....Holy City Collection.

There was Boys Bible Study Class organized at the colored Y. M. C. A. evening. The meeting was opened by the general secretary, Mr. Taylor, who gave the boys a very interesting talk.

The attendance was very good for a gathering of this kind, as this was the first meeting, but we expect to have a large attendance next Tuesday. All boys are welcome, as it will do them good to come and do us good to see them.

Class opens 7:30 p. m. sharp, every Tuesday. Come early. Officers elected: Albert Booth, Pres.; Jas Perry, Sec.; Edward McWilliams, Treas.; Jas. Bailey, Correspondent.

CORINTHIAN BAPTIST CHURCH.
 Snow white and the Seven Dwarfs, a juvenile cantata, in four scenes, will be given at this church Thursday eve., Dec. 24, 1908.

The cantata is under the direction of Miss Mae Butler and the Sunday school teachers. The characters to be represented are:

Princess Snow White.....Angela Small Queen.....Della Pettra Arbutus.....Lillian Cohnly Violet.....Rebecca Graves Prince.....Harry Parker Carl, the huntsman.....Lincoln Thomas Seven Dwarfs.....Small Boys Max.....George Martin Hans.....Roy Pettra Charms of forest children Little Chorus.....smallest Children Full Chorus.....All Children Scenes.

1. Our of doors, Snow White meets the forest children who gather to celebrate her birthday. 2. An open space in the forest. 3. Interior of dwarf's house. 4. Grounds near the young King's palace.

This cantata promises to be a grand affair. Programs will be furnished at the church. Admission 10cts. Rev. G. A. Martin, Pastor.

Jones Tabernacle, corner W. North and Blackford streets. The services at this church last Sunday were largely attended, owing to the presence of Bishop G. L. Blackwell, who preached at the morning service and delivered one of the ablest and most impressive addresses to 246 men at the Y. M. C. A. meeting in the afternoon. The singing by the Young Men's Choral Society was greatly enjoyed.

There will be a union service at this church Christmas morning at 11 a. m. The McCoy school, under the direction of Prof. Geo. L. Hayes and his corps of teachers, will unite in a union Christmas service. Several choruses and recitations will be rendered by the school. There will be special music by the choir. Dr. Callis will deliver the sermon.

Services at Campbell Chapel by pastor at 11 a. m., Sunday school at 2 p. m., preaching at 3 and 8 p. m. by Dr. Marling, our new presiding elder. Rev. Geo. W. Harding, D. D., Pastor. Our Presiding Bishops, Rt. Rev. G. L. Blackwell with us Tuesday eve Subject, "The matchless Speaker." Dr. Callis was present, and made a short address.

The Baptist Ministers' Alliance, to which the public is invited, meets every Monday morning at Corinthian Baptist church, at 11 o'clock. The order of the day for next Monday will be a Bible reading, conducted by Rev. C. W. McColl, whose subject will be, "The Church—the Mystery of God."

An Xmas tree and festival will be given at Simpson's Chapel Xmas evening. A fine program will be rendered by the Sunday school. The public is asked to assist the boys and girls who are trying to get donations for the Colored Orphan's Home. Bring your donations to the church, Thursday afternoon. Santa Clause is coming to the church Xmas evening in an airship. Admission, free.

Preaching at Allen Chapel Sunday at 10:45 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sabbath school at 1:30 p. m., and C. E. at 7 p. m. The first piano rally by the Junior choir at 3 p. m. Rev. Sampson pastor

The Bethel Gleaners Mite Missionary will meet Saturday afternoon, Dec. 19th, at 3 p. m., at the residence Cordia Jones, 917 N. Carolina street. All members are urged to be present. An excellent program has been arranged, and the meeting promises to be interesting. Selma Beck, Pres.; Florence Lewis, Sec.

Freemont Free Baptist church 2124 Martindale ave. Sunday services Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.; preaching 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Tuesday evening. Communion, fourth Sunday in each month. A cordial invitation is extended the public. Rev. Joseph Anderson, pastor; Mrs. Emma Brown clerk.

A Christmas entertainment and cantata at Union Tabernacle Baptist church. They will, for Santa Claus Xmas eve. 24th.

Wesley Young, prop. Eastern Coal and Ice Co., 807 Muskingum street, makes prompt delivery on all orders.

LINCOLN MEMORIAL

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coln's birth was in Hardin county. As a village it was not born great, did not achieve greatness, but had greatness thrust upon it.

Great Memorial in Washington.

Originally it was intended to build at the birthplace farm a much larger and more pretentious structure than that finally decided upon. The reason for the change was twofold—first, Hodgenville is rather inaccessible and out of the line of travel; second, it is now practically assured that a great Lincoln memorial will be erected in Washington, in which all the procurable Lincoln relics will be housed. When the more ambitious project was contemplated President Roosevelt suggested that the farm edifice should be known as a temple of civic righteousness. It is hardly probable that the structure to be erected in the national capital will be called by so pretentious a name, as it is not certain that Washingtonians would know what it means. Besides, civic righteousness is hardly in harmony with the Washington atmosphere, where the congressional pork barrel flourishes and legislative log rolling is the chief industry.

The tentative plans for a national monument to the martyr president took many forms. One was for a bridge over the Potomac, another included a great road running from Washington to Gettysburg, and a third consisted of open columns at one of the entrances to the capitol grounds, with tablets carrying the most famous of Lincoln's utterances. More common sense counsels are now prevailing, however, and these are for a memorial building and museum which shall be as simple, classic, strong and enduring as Lincoln's own fame.

Year of Many Centenaries.

There will be many centenaries during the coming year, since 1869 gave to the world more illustrious men than any other in history. On its roll of honor are such names as Alfred Tennyson, the most spiritual modern poet; William Ewart Gladstone, the British statesman who was too great to be a lord; Edward Fitzgerald, the translator of Omar Khayyam; Charles Darwin, the creator of the evolutionary philosophy; Edgar Allan Poe, the American poet, novelist, critic and mystic; Oliver Wendell Holmes, the "autocrat"; Frederic Francis Chopin, the Polish pianist and composer; Jakob Ludwig Felix Mendelssohn, the German Hebrew composer and musician; Frederick A. P. Barnard, the American educator, scientist and author, who was for a quarter of a century president of Columbia university; John Stuart Blackie, the famous Scotch translator, critic and poet; Francois Certain Canrobert, the French marshal who commanded in the Crimea and in the Franco-Prussian war; Kit Carson, the American pioneer and hero of frontier romance; Mary Cowden Clarke, the most famous woman Shakespearean scholar of all time; John A. Dahlgren, the American civil war admiral who won victories along the Atlantic coast and invented the Dahlgren gun; Jules Favre, the French democratic statesman who led the opposition during the second empire; James Glaisher, the British pioneer aeronaut, meteorologist and author; Nikolai Gogol, the Russian dramatist and professor who wrote "Dead Souls"; Hannibal Hamlin, Lincoln's first vice president; Richard M. Milnes, afterward created Lord Houghton, the English poet and statesman who was a friend of Tennyson, and Fanny Kemble, the actress and writer who was born in England, but spent most of her time in America.

Of lesser note may be mentioned among the celebrated ecclesiastical, literary and scientific names, the Princeton professor, biblical scholar and author; William Henry Bartlett, the English draftsman, traveler and writer; Bruno Bauer, the German Hegelian philosopher and rationalist; Park Benjamin, the American journalist and poet; Petrus Borel, the French journalist and man of letters, one of the strangest figures ever seen in literature; John Hill Burton, the Scotch historian and jurist; Jean Pierre Clement, the French political economist and historian, and a host of others that it would be a weariness of the flesh even to read. It may be mentioned that Jefferson Davis and Andrew Johnson were both born in the previous year, 1808, Johnson missing 1809 only by two days.

In the language of mysticism a soul is a star. What a star shower fell to the earth in that historic year a century ago! Of all these the very brightest was Abraham Lincoln, one of the few souls of the first magnitude, destined to shine through the ages.

Railroad Stations by Numbers.

A new and ingenious scheme for calling out stations has been presented to General Manager W. W. Atterbury of the Pennsylvania railroad and has been referred by him to a committee of operating officers. If adopted, an indicator would be placed in the upper right hand corner of each end of a car. When the train left one station the brakeman would pull a lever which would show the number of the next all stations going by numbers instead of names. The cost would be almost \$100,000 for the Pennsylvania system, with an additional cost of \$250,000 for changing station signs. It would, however, make traveling for the public more convenient.

World's Fair for Panama.

Steps are being taken looking to the organization of an association for commemorating the opening of the Panama canal in 1915. It is proposed, if the scheme is found feasible, to hold a world's fair in Panama. Many of the most prominent men on the isthmus have heartily endorsed the plan which, if successfully carried out would mean much for the country.

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Two hundred and forty-six men

heard Bishop Blackwell last Sunday at

the "Monster Meeting." This Sunday

the managers have secured one of

the great chautauqu speakers of the

country, the Hon. Geo. W. Thompson,

who two years ago addressed 1500 men

at Big Meeting. He has been booked

to deliver the same address that he

gave on that occasion, "The Trail of

Jesus, the Christ from a legal stand-

point." The press and those who

have heard him say he is marvelous

in the dramatic presentation of the

law and facts in the greatest trail of

history. Jones Tabernacle should be

packed to the doors on this occasion.

Everybody is requested to be at the

church at 3 o'clock, as the program

begins promptly at that time. Mr.

John Morris will sing a solo, and

the singing will be of especial interest

Sunday. The Y. M. C. A. orchestra

will render a special program. The

meeting is for men only.

All who contemplate hearing Book-

er T. Washington, at Caleb Mills hall,

Dec. 31st, are requested to secure tick-

ets, which are free of admission. No

person will be admitted without a

ticket, as the seating capacity is limited.

Tickets can be secured at Colored

Y. M. C. A., The Freeman, The Recorder,

H. L. Sanders, The Denison

Hous' barber shop and the Central Y.

M. C. A. Remember, tickets are free.

Preparations are now on foot for the

"Douglass Memorial," Feb. 14th. The

secretaries of all organizations are

requested to send name and address to

the colored Y. M. C. A., or call new

phone 1661, in order that invitations

may be sent to their organizations to

participate.

Rev. J. R. Averett, the State Mis-

sionary, has returned from Ft. Wayne