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ONE MILLION DOLLARS

FOR THE EDUCATION OF THE FREEDMEN OF THE SOUTH—A RICH DONATION.

NORWICH, CONN., April 12.—John F. Slater, a wealthy gentleman of this city, has signified his intention to create a fund of \$1,000,000, to be known as the "John F. Slater fund," for the education of the freedmen. The fund is to be vested in the hands of trustees, who are to apply the income according to the instructions of the donor. I understand here that the act incorporating these trustees is to be presented to the Senate at Albany, N. Y., to-day. Mr. Slater thus explains, in one paragraph of his letter to the trustees, his general object: "The general object which I desire to have exclusively pursued is the uplifting of the lately emancipated population of the Southern States, and their posterity by conferring on them the blessings of Christian education. The disabilities formerly suffered by this people, and their singular patience and fidelity in the great crisis of the nation establish a just claim on the sympathy and good will of human and patriotic men. I cannot but feel the compassion that is due in view of the prevailing ignorance, and which exists through no fault of their own." Mr. Slater purposely leaves the trustees the largest liberty in making such changes in the methods of applying the fund as may from time to time seem wise. He suggests that the education of teachers for the colored race may be the wisest purpose to which the fund can be put after thirty-three years three-fourths of the trustees shall for any reason agree that there is no further use for the fund in the form it is now instituted. He authorizes them to apply the capital to the establishment of foundations subsidiary to the existing institutions of higher education, so as to make them more freely accessible to poor colored students. Under the present institution of the fund he specially wishes that neither principal nor income be expended in land or buildings for any purpose than that of safe and productive investment for income.

ALBANY, N. Y., April 12.—Assemblyman Patterson to-day introduced a bill "to incorporate the trustees of the John F. Slater Fund." The bill names Messrs. Rutherford B. Hayes, of Ohio; Morrison R. Waite, of the District of Columbia; William E. Dodge, of New York; Phillips Brooks, of Massachusetts; Daniel C. Gilman, of Maryland; John A. Stewart, of New York; Alfred H. Colquitt, of Georgia; Morris K. Jessup, of New York; James P. Boyce, of Kentucky, and William A. Slater, of Connecticut, as incorporators of a fund to be called the John F. Slater Fund. Rutherford B. Hayes is named as the first president.—*Washington Republican.*

## TALMAGE ON MODERN PREACHERS.

The following is an extract from a recent sermon by Rev. Dr. Talmage:

"People will not be interested in what we say unless we understand the spirit of the day in which we live. All the woe-begonish statistics are given by those who are trying in our time to work the worn out machinery of the past times.

"The simple fact is, the people are tired of the humdrum of religionists. Religious humdrum is the worst of all humdrum. You say over and over again, 'Come to Jesus,' until the phrase means absolutely nothing. Why do you not tell them a story which will

make them come to Jesus in five minutes? You say that all Sunday school teachers and evangelists and all ministers must bring their illustrations from the Bible. Christ did not when he preached. He drew them from the lilies, from the ravens, from salt, from a candle, from a bushel, from long-faced hypocrites, from guests, from moths, from large gates and small gates, from a camel, from the needle's eye, from yeast in the dough of bread, from a mustard seed, from a fishing net, from debtors and creditors. That is the reason multitudes followed Christ. His illustrations were so easy and so understandable.

"Looking across to a hill, Christ saw the city of Jerusalem. Talking to the people about the conspicuity of Christian example, He said: The world is looking at you, be careful. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid.' While He was speaking of the divine care of God's children a bird flew past. He said: 'Behold the ravens.' Then looking down in the valley, all covered at that season with flowers, He said: 'Consider the lilies.' Now what is the use of going away off in some obscure part of history, or on the other side of the earth, to get an illustration, when the earth and the heavens are full.

"Why should we go away off to get an illustration of the vicarious suffering of Jesus Christ when only last week at Bloomfield, New Jersey, only ten or fifteen miles from here, two little children were walking on the railroad track and a train was coming, but they were on a bridge of trestle work, and the little girl took her brother and let him down through the trestle work as gently as she could toward the water, very carefully and lovingly and cautiously, so that he might be picked up by those who were standing near by. While doing that the train struck her, and hardly enough of her body was left to gather into the funeral casket.

"What is the use of our going away off to find an illustration in past ages, when four or five weeks ago, in Michigan, a mail-carrier on horse back, riding on, pursued by those flames which had swept over a thousand miles, saw an old man by the roadside, dismounted, helped the old man on the horse, saying, 'Now whip up and get away.' The old man got away, but the mail-carrier perished.

"What is the use of going away off in ancient history to find an illustration of the fact that it is dangerous to defy God, when last summer, in the Adirondacks, I saw a flash of lightning and a bolt so vivid, I said, 'That struck something very near.' A few days afterward we found that two farmers that Monday morning had been seated under a tree, the one boasting how that, the day before, on the Sabbath, he had got his hay in, and so cheated the Lord out of that part of the time anyhow, and both of them laughed over the achievement by while they had wronged the Lord of His holy day, when the lightning struck one dead instantly and the other had been two weeks in bed when we left the Adirondacks, and had become an invalid for life.

"Ministers should seek to be original in their illustrations, and strive to interest those they seek to make converts of."

## PLAN OF ORGANIZATION.

RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

We republish below the plan of organization adopted by the Republican State Convention in 1880, which will have to be carried out during the present campaign, and the Republicans of the state will do well to study it so as to be able to carry it out.

I. Count Organization.—The election precinct shall be the unit of county organization. Each pre-

duct shall have an executive committee consisting of three active Republicans. They shall be biennially chosen by the Republican voters of the precincts, and shall elect one of their number chairman. They shall convene together at such time and place as the majority of them may elect. They shall biennially elect a county executive committee, to consist of not less than five members, who shall elect a chairman from their number. Vacancies in precinct committees shall be filled by the voters of the precinct, and in county committees by a convention of the precinct committees duly called; *Provided*, that in case a vacancy occurs within thirty days prior to an election, such vacancy may be filled by the vote of the remaining members.

II. Congressional, Judicial and Senatorial Districts.—There shall be a Congressional, Judicial and Senatorial District Committee, composed of not less than one member from each county, nor less than seven members, biennially elected by the several district conventions, each of whom shall elect a chairman from their number; *Provided*, that a senatorial district committee shall only be elected in districts embracing more than one county. Vacancies occurring within thirty days of an election may be filled by the vote of the committee.

III. State Executive Committee.—There shall be a State Executive Committee, composed of one member from each Congressional District in the state, to be designated by the district delegations in State Convention assembled; two members at large, to be elected by the State Convention, and the chairman of the convention at which the election is held. They shall be biennially elected at the State Convention, shall choose one of their number chairman, and shall elect a secretary who is not a member, who shall reside at Raleigh.

IV. The chairman of the respective county, district and State Executive Committees shall call their conventions to order and act as temporary chairmen until a permanent organization is affected, with power only to appoint, and receive the report of, a committee on credentials.

V. No executive committee shall have power to elect or appoint delegates to any convention, whether county, district, State or National.

VI. No member of an executive committee or delegate or alternate duly chosen shall have power to delegate his trust or authority to another.

VII. Representation.—Representation in county conventions shall consist of three Republican voters as delegates, and three as alternates, from each precinct in the county, and no more.

VIII. Representation in Congressional, Judicial, Senatorial and State Conventions shall consist of two delegates and two alternates only, for every member of the lower House of the General Assembly and shall be apportioned in the several counties accordingly.

IX. Delegates and alternates to county conventions shall be elected only by a vote of the Republicans of each precinct in precinct meeting assembled; and delegates and alternates to district, State and National conventions shall be elected by a convention of delegates duly elected and sent by the people for that purpose after due notice and publication of not less than fifteen days, of the time, place and purpose of such convention, and not otherwise.

X. The certificate of the chairman and secretary of the meeting, setting forth regularity of the primary meeting or convention, election of the delegate and alternate thereat, shall be accepted, when uncontested, as a good and sufficient credential for such delegate and alternate.

XI. This plan of organization and procedure shall continue in

force until changed or abrogated by a subsequent Republican State Convention

Adopted in State Convention, July 8, 1880.

A colored mail agent on the Richmond and Danville Railroad says 'that the reajuster democrats and niggers are having a good time in Virginia, but that it is mighty hard on old fashioned white republicans.'—*North State.*

## THE USUAL RESULT.

It is not to be denied that a good sewing machine is one of the most important appurtenances of the modern household.

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The agent, however, was persistent, and finally begged the privilege of leaving one of his machines with us, "for the ladies to try."

The request was not unreasonable, so we granted it—but more to oblige the agent than anything else; for we really did not want the machine, and had not the remotest idea of buying it.

The machine once in the house, it was natural that the ladies should look it over. They did so, and as a consequence fell in love with it. They say that without the slightest wish to decry or disparage any other machine, this, all things considered, is, in their opinion, the most desirable one to be had.

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