

SAYS HE WILL RETIRE.

Justice Gives Mr. Eagle a few Friendly Jabs in the Ribs.

MR. EDITOR: I have just finished reading my good Brother Eagle's latest effusion, and I discover nothing in it to cause me to alter the opinions I expressed in my former communication.

Bro. Eagle is what Artemas Ward would have called "an amoooin kuss." Bro. Eagle is all right in his way, but he wanders from the subject and scatters around too much. I try to convince him that he has not been fair to Old Josh, and he retaliates by accusing me of being a revenue officer, having dollars pressed on my eyes, etc., as if that had anything to do with the matter under discussion. Let me say confidentially to my Brother Eagle that I would far rather have my eyes covered with dollars than with a veil of bigotry and intolerance.

I fail to grasp the application of the Demetrius story, but I suppose Bro. Eagle knows what he means.

But, to make a long story short, the head and front of the offense of Old Josh, is that he has dared to criticize a certain bill which was prepared by some of the good people of Morgan, and in which my friend Eagle is interested. Suppose Bro. Eagle wanted to aid in building a church in his community. He calls a meeting of his neighbors to discuss the matter, and a plan for the church is drawn up. I happen to see the plan, point out what I consider a serious defect in it, and Bro. Eagle says that I have made an attack on those who drew up the plan? And yet this is virtually what he has done in the case of Old Josh.

Bro. Eagle shoots so wide of the mark that it is hard to follow him. He says I place a small value on human souls, that I want to protect the liquor traffic, and not a word have I said that would justify such assertions.

Pardon a slight digression when I say there are three classes of persons with whom one should never try to reason: The slave, because he dare not reason; the fool, because he cannot reason, and the bigot, because he will not reason.

If Bro. Eagle believes he has shown up anything except his incapacity for conducting an argument within legitimate lines, he flatters himself immensely. But as he is given to quoting scripture, and referring to biblical incidents, I desire to commend to his earnest and prayerful consideration, 1st Corinthians, 13, verses 4 and 5. If Bro. Eagle will ponder over these verses he may be able to get more good out of them than I was able to extract from his friend Demetrius. Brother, you are a christian, why not get a little self out of your communications, and put a little of the spirit of the Master into them?

Bro. Eagle says he believes in christian toleration. Perhaps he does, I don't know; but if he takes the tone toward his neighbors that he exhibits in his writing, there are certainly some people in Morgan township who believe in it firmly, and what is more, practice it.

But Mr. Editor, I presume you and your readers are tired of all this, so for my part I retire from the field. I leave my Bro. Eagle to continue to intoxicate himself with the exuberance of his own verbosity, just so long as he wants to, and you are willing.

JUSTICE.

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FLOOD SUBSIDING.

Conditions Along the Mississippi Rapidly Assuming Normal Condition.

The river tonight is falling at a fair rate, the gauge showing 33.6 feet, a fall of two-tenths since six o'clock this morning. The situation is rapidly assuming normal proportions and all anxiety is practically over. Some uneasiness is still felt for the St. Francis levees in Arkansas to the north of this city, but all news from that section is of a reassuring character.

No trains have yet succeeded in getting over the tracks a few miles west of Bridge Junction. It is now thought possible that Memphis may remain cut off from the west for another day. The Iron Mountain announced last night that it would have an open track west this morning and in fact a train was made up and sent from the depot but it was halted before the Mississippi river bridge was reached by a telegram saying that the tracks were not repaired sufficiently to allow a passage over the points that were damaged by the flood.—Memphis dispatch.

Smoked-out Teacher Wins.

After a fight for six weeks, in which Miss Mable Ernest, teacher in school district No. 8, town of Royalty, has defied the residents, the School Commissioner and the State Department of Public Instruction, school will reopen on Monday with Miss Ernest in the chair.

The fight came about by Miss Ernest having an attack of scarlet fever and returning to school after an absence of three weeks. The authorities thought she ought to have remained indoors six weeks. She persisted in opening the school, and for trying two weeks she rang the bell twice a day and talked to empty benches.

The residents took strenuous methods to dislodge her, and twice the chimney was plugged and she was smoked out. She finally won her fight and will resume Monday. The State Department was appealed to twice to revoke her certificate and the teacher dared the authorities to do so without cause. The department weakened.—Lockport, N. Y., dispatch.

Quarrel Over Negro Delegates.

Delegates to the National Council of Women, which will meet here tomorrow, are having a big row over the admission of negro delegates. The quarrel may disrupt the organization.

Mrs. Lillian M. Hollister, of Detroit, Michigan, National Treasurer, arrived yesterday. She said: "Colored delegates are to be seated if the organization to which they are affiliated are in good standing and have paid their dues."

New Orleans clubs are unwilling to affiliate with the national body if the colored delegates are recognized.—New Orleans dispatch.

The Stomach Is the Man.

A weak stomach weakens the man, because it cannot transform the food he eats into nourishment. Health and strength cannot be restored to any sick man or weak woman without first restoring health and strength to the stomach. A weak stomach cannot digest enough food to feed the tissues and revive the tired and run down limbs and organs of the body. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure cleanses, purifies, sweetens and strengthens the glands and membranes of the stomach, and cures indigestion, dyspepsia and all stomach troubles.—Jas. Plummer.

SENSATIONAL SUICIDE.

Maj. Gen. Sir Hector McDonald of British Army Takes his Life.

Major General Sir Hector McDonald, commanding the British forces in Ceylon, and one of the foremost of British officers, against whom charges based on immorality were filed some time ago, committed suicide today at the Hotel Regina here. He shot himself in the right temple shortly after noon, and expired a few minutes later. The general was alone in his small chamber on the Mezzanine floor at the time of the tragedy. One of the female attendants heard the pistol shot and opening the door saw the general's figure stretched out on the floor with the blood gushing from a bullet wound in the head. She ran screaming to the balcony overlooking the lobby of the hotel where many guests, including a number of ladies, were assembled. The proprietor of the hotel was the first to reach the expiring man. The commissary of police was notified and accompanied by a doctor, proceeded to a preliminary examination. Two notes written in English were found lying on a table in his room and these were taken possession of by the authorities, but it is understood that their contents have no bearing on the suicide. In the general's coat, lying on the bed, were found some photographs. The British embassy and consulate were notified later and Consul General Ingles visited the hotel and took charge of the body.

Sir Hector McDonald arrived in Paris last Friday evening from London, on his way back to Ceylon, where it was understood that an immediate court martial would be held to clear up the charges made against him. On reaching the hotel at 11 o'clock at night, he was told that only a small and indifferent room was available. He was not accompanied by any aide-de-camp or valet. He said he only intended to stay a day or two in Paris. Little was seen of him since his arrival. He was, however, in the lobby this morning about noon and it is believed that a newspaper printed in English containing a resume of the grave charges brought against him and embellished with the general's portrait in full uniform came under his attention. He left the lobby, going to his room, and the pistol shot followed soon afterward.

The general's suicide has profoundly shocked the British officials here. Those about the hotel who had conversed with Sir Hector McDonald recently say he showed no signs of excitement or mental worry.—Paris dispatch.

Too Fond of Sweets.

Greensboro, N. C., March 27.—John Morehead, a negro employed by the L. Richardson Drug Company to drive a delivery wagon, was today arrested and locked up for stealing goods from the wholesale store of his employers. He appears to have a special fondness for perfumery, as several bottles were found on his person when he was arrested.

EVERY CHURCH or institution supported by voluntary contribution will be given a liberal quantity of the Longman & Martinez Pure Paints whenever they paint.

NOTE: Have done so for twenty seven years. Sales: Tens of millions of gallons; painted nearly two millions houses under guarantee to repaint if not satisfactory: The paint wears for periods up to eighteen years. Lined oil must be added to the paint. (done in two minutes). Actual cost then about \$1.25 a gallon. Samples free. Sold by our Agents. Rowan Hardware Co. 2-82m.

THE COTTON SITUATION.

Good Weather Has a Depressing Effect On The Market.

New York, March 26.—C. W. Lee & Co. say. The first taste the market has had of the spring feeling. The strange part of it all is that no one seems to realize the change spring always brings over face of things. Few days of good weather and the outlook is very different from that in the winter. For time being those who need cotton seem to spill sentiment. Its impossible to say how it occurs. It simply is so. This for the time being. Then when it is found that no cotton is coming out why, consumers come into the market again as buyers is we have endeavored to point out for some time, there are two phases to the present outlook. One is the planting season and good weather operating against an advance. The second is strong statistical position and the supply and demand of actual cotton which may come into play later. Now for the third day we have had good weather. This is the first time it has happened in three or four months. Because, we have not had this good weather we have been cautious on the short side. But with good weather, movement will be larger and market easier. We would rather sell August on every advance as long as weather is good.

Cotton Growing in East Africa.

Washington, March 26.—German textile makers are meeting with success in their effort to develop the cotton growing industry in German East Africa, according to a report to the State Department from Consul General Hughes at Coburg. He says that the Bremen Cotton Exchange has just tested a quantity of cotton grown in the Kilwa district, which seems to be nearly as good in staple, color and other qualities as the highly valued Egyptian cotton from the seeds of which it was grown. This German cotton sells from 12 to 14 cents per pound. To promote its growth the Colonial Economical Committee has promised premiums for properly cared for cotton fields and will furnish seed, gins and bailing presses free of charge.

Liquid Electricity is sold entirely on its own merits, and any druggist or agent selling it, is authorized to refund the money when it does not do what is claimed for it, after an honest trial.

Amazed the Duchess.

According to a London weekly, the Duchess of Marlborough is astounded at the extravagance displayed by New York society during her present visit to relatives there. Especially was she amazed at the splendor of an entertainment given in Newport by the wife of her kinsman, Cornelius Vanderbilt, who brought an entire company over from New York to amuse his guests one evening.

A Boy's Wild Ride for Life.

With family around him expecting him to die, and a son riding for life, 13 miles, to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, W. H. Brown, of Leesville, Ind., endured death's agonies from asthma; but this wonderful medicine gave instant relief and soon cured him. He writes: "I now sleep soundly every night." Like marvelous cures of Consumption, Pneumonia, Bronchitis, Coughs, Colds and Grip prove its matchless merit for all Throat and Lung troubles. Guaranteed bottles 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at all druggists.

FINOS MARE'S NEST.

Negro Discovers Plot to Kidnap Members of the Cabinet.

An aged negro orator, J. C. Fremont, of Watertown, S. D., a well known representative of the colored race, who at the close of the civil war was president of the society that sent fifty negroes to Africa, lectured here last night on the "Race Problem." While here he called on Congressman Tawney and asked for a private interview. He stated that he had a communication which he desired the congressman to convey to the President, to the effect that he had come into possession of information that a plan had been made to attempt the life of the President on his western trip, but that this had now been abandoned, and instead the plotters were planning at some favorable point in Montana or Colorado, to capture Secretary Shaw, Secretary Root and Attorney General Knox, and carry them to the mountains to be held for ransom.

Congressman Tawney places no credence in the tale, but has nevertheless written to Secretary Shaw telling the negro's story.—Winona, Minn., dispatch.

Turned up Smiling.

New Orleans, March 27.—A Pleasants negro reported lynched by a mob of men in Nacogdoches county, Texas, some weeks ago, has turned up smiling in another part of the county. The reported lynching of Pleasants, full particulars of which were given elsewhere, was a panic among the negroes, a large number of whom became frightened and left their homes for Louisiana. This resulted in bad blood between the negroes and the whites and several race clashes.

It now develops that Pleasants himself invented and circulated the story of the lynching in order to get rid of his debts and to slip away with his property, under cover of the row raised, to another part of the country. His wife joined him in the conspiracy, which was highly successful, but which resulted in an exodus of more of the negroes from Nacogdoches.

Presidential Timber.

Lincoln, Neb., March 27.—In today's Commoner William J. Bryan says:

"The Commoner will, from time to time, present as presidential timber the names of real Democrats whose position on public questions cannot be questioned and whose fidelity to the party cannot be made an issue in the campaign."

"The Commoner has no choice between those who stand for Democratic principles; it simply draws the line between those who look to the rank and file for their promotion and those who rely upon the corporations; first to aid their candidacy; second, to secure their election, and third, who will allow the corporations to dominate their administration."

"A man who has had no chance to make a conspicuous record, but whose record is good so far as it is made, will be a much better candidate than one who has a conspicuous record on the wrong side of public questions. The effort to put a man at the head who bolted in 1896 would be ridiculous if there it were not serious."

"The party wants a candidate for whom it needs not make an apology, whose Democracy is not in doubt."

IDEA FROM TENNESSEE.

Governor Frazier Proposes a Plan to Make a Complete Roster.

Washington, March 26.—In a letter to the secretary of war, Governor Frazier of Tennessee says it will afford him very great pleasure to co-operate with the war department in its efforts to make the proposed record or roster of the officers and enlisted men in the Union and Confederate armies during the civil war complete in all its details.

"There is no file in your department," says Governor Frazier, "a partial list of the officers and enlisted men from Tennessee. If you would allow the state of Tennessee, through a specially authorized agent, to make a complete copy of the roll, I would then take that, and by comparison with what we have here and such as can be obtained from the officers still living in Tennessee, be able, I am sure, to furnish a practically complete roll of the soldiers who took part in the civil war on either side. I would be obliged if you would at once consider this matter, and if permission can be obtained to make this copy I would like to know it at as early a day as possible, as the General Assembly of my state is now in session, and, if the copy can be obtained, I desire to call their attention to the matter, that an appropriation may be made for such purpose before they adjourn, which adjournment will take place about the 13th of April."

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ventories about \$3,000. Reason for selling, other business. Address Box 79, Salisbury, N. C. 8t.

Appendicitis Insurance.

The latest novelty among the speculators in insurance has made its appearance at Lloyds in the shape of insurance against expense or death from appendicitis. The applicant who is free from a well-defined or discoverable predisposition to inflammation of that inconvenient and apparently inexplicable organ, the appendix vermiformis, for an annual premium of 5s. gets a policy guaranteeing his direct expenses if he has to undergo an operation, up to the amount of £200, and if he dies during or in consequence of such operation the designated beneficiary receives a lump sum of £200. The new scheme is said to be taking well and large numbers of such policies have been written. The scheme is legitimate one and takes its place with specialized accident insurance. From the point of view of many underwriters, however, it may be found necessary to insert a clause in such policies making their possession confidential between insurers and insured. If the surgeons knew who held insurance of this kind there is reason to fear that the number of operations immediately and imperatively necessary would show an alarming increase.—New York Times.

What is Life?

In the last analysis nobody knows, but we do know that it is under strict law. Abuse that law even slightly, pain results. If regular living means derangement of the organs, resulting Constipation, Headache or Liver trouble, Dr. King's New Life Pills quickly re-adjusts this. Gentle, yet thorough. Only at all druggists.

The worst form of Indigestion generally relieved by taking half teaspoonful of Liquid Electricity in half a glass of water a few minutes after eating.