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NEGRO ADVANCING.

That the colored people of the South are advancing is sufficiently proved by the report of the Tuskegee Institute, founded and managed by Booker T. Washington, at Tuskegee, Alabama, and in the report of Captain Fitzhugh, manager of the Colored Orphans' Industrial Home at Lexington, Ky. Rather plaintively, yet with a good deal of truth, Captain Fitzhugh says: "The colored people of the South are advancing, but they are handicapped by the loudness of crime and the stillness of order. You hear their worst deeds; their best are scarcely ever mentioned." There is food for a good deal of thought in this expression. Why not mention the "best deeds," as well as the "worst" of the colored people of the South? Surely there must be a multitude of good deeds to mention.

So here, too. If a fallen colored woman picks a man's pocket of a few dollars, the crime seems to be charged up against the race and the sex, but nothing is said of the multitude of "good deeds" done every month, year, every day, even in this city, by colored women—faithful, true, obliging, helpful, independent; a credit to humanity.

Yes, the colored race is making progress, that must soon be recognized more than it has yet been. Thirty-six years ago the negroes of this country owned nothing, not even themselves; they now own property aggregating about \$940,000,000; they have 20,000 graduates from colleges and academies; they have raised \$15,000,000 for the education of their race; they maintain 200 institutions of higher learning; they have physicians, lawyers, teachers, philanthropists—men and women engaged in all the higher as well as the lower avenues of life.

Give the Negro race a full, fair chance, and they will make something of themselves that will be a credit, not only to themselves, but to the country—and to humanity.

The editor of The New Age has just returned from Southern and Western Oregon, in Congressman Tongue's district. Notwithstanding the fact that there are aspirants for Mr. Tongue's place, our present congressman for the first district appears to be firmly popular with the people. Many of those who have been announced as candidates for that position have probably permitted it to be done seriously merely for the purpose of introducing them among the leading politicians of the state. With such an introduction, it will be less difficult to urge a claim next time.

Dr. G. M. Wells, the apparent leader of the local Democracy, may be the candidate of his party for mayor. If there be any glory in a nomination for high office, the chagrin of public defeat usually obscures it. Not many candidates for the city council have so far been announced. This may be accounted for perhaps by the fact that, after the ensuing election, there will be no salary paid to councilmen.

The Washington, D. C., Bee advises hide-bound support of the Republican party by Negro voters, under any and all circumstances, and urges them to vote the Republican ticket. This is not good advice. It is true that the Republican party has been, as a rule, the friend of the Negro, but the Negro voters should learn to discriminate, especially in local elections.

About 20 colored teachers are employed in the public schools of New York, and some of them have classes in which there is not a single colored child. This fact is a greater triumph for the race than the elevation of some of them to office would be—yet it proves that some of them are fit for office occasionally.

The cases against the Chinese sellers of lottery tickets will be tried early in March, and the district attorney expects a conviction, while the defendants' attorney cheerfully predicts an

acquittal—in this or a higher court. All parties seem to be pleasant and satisfied, therefore—unless it is the Chinaman.

The many friends of Mr. Ed. Holman, are urging him to become a candidate for state senator. Mr. Holman is a member of the county central committee and has labored hard for the success of the Republican party in this state. The New Age will be pleased to support Mr. Holman as a candidate for that position.

Local Democracy has concluded that there is very little substance in what remains of the Populist party and therefore it refuses to consider the question of fusion. Populists ask too much for delivery of the goods.

Judge Alex Sweek is named by many as their choice for mayor of Portland. Judge Sweek is a good man, but he already occupies a fairly remunerative official place and would probably not yield it for mere empty honor.

Ed. Werlein, a prominent Republican and for a long time an efficient clerk in the city treasurer's office, will be a candidate before the Republican convention for the nomination for municipal treasurer. So, also, will be S. W. Rowe, fire commissioner.

The authorities at Washington announce that the Philippine war is practically at an end and that all that remains to be done is to police the islands. But it will require at least 60,000 patrolmen to "preserve order."

The tables seem to have been turned on the Boers, who are now retreating to their trenches. It may be, however, that they have simply gone back for a square meal.

Second Oregon veterans propose to take active part in the forthcoming campaign, not alone in Multnomah county, but throughout the state. They propose to get even, if possible, on that "old clothes" deal.

Frawleys' at Cordray's. The Frawley company will open Sunday night at Cordray's in "The Sporting Duchess." The Frawley engagement is the heaviest in the history of Cordray's theater. The company is said to be the best Actor-Manager Frawley has ever had under his control, and if it scores a hit on its opening performance there is no doubt as to the doubt of the season here.

The programme for the three weeks' stay of the company at Cordray's has been arranged, and is as follows: "The Sporting Duchess" will be presented the first half of the first week, and, as announced, the Augustin Daly comedy, "The Countess Guekie," will be given the last half. The second week will open with a production of Sardou's famous comedy-drama, "Madame Sans Gene" (Madame Don't Care), which will be presented for four nights. In this Mary Van Buren will play Catherine Hubscher, the laundress, who became the wife of Mr. Marshall, of France, and Mr. Frawley will be seen as Napoleon. For the last half of the second week another Daly comedy, "An Unconventional Honeymoon," will be given. The third and last week will be divided between productions of the great English melodrama, "With Flying Colors," and Henry Arthur Jones' powerful play, "The Dancing Girl."

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FREDERICK K. ARNOLD, Assignee.
Dated Portland, Or., January 10, 1900.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

Notice is hereby given that the final report and account of the undersigned as executor of the last will and testament of Ottelia Devereux, deceased, has been filed in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Multnomah County, and that Monday, the 5th day of February, 1900, at the hour of 9:30 o'clock A. M., in the county court house of said Multnomah county, in the city of Portland, Oregon, has been appointed by said court as the time and place for the settlement of said final report and account and the hearing and determining of objections thereto.

Dated, Portland, Oregon, January 6, 1900.

THEO. F. HEITSCHMIDT, Executor of the Last Will and Testament of Ottelia Devereux, deceased.

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