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UNCONSTITUTIONAL DISFRAN-CHISEMENT.

There is seriousness in the expres sion of the Republican press of the country concerning the disfranchisement laws of the Southern states that indicates a growing demand that con- the people are not thinking very serthis shall not be tolerated.

There is very good reason to believe that such expression reflects the sentiment of the large majority of the people of the union, and that it includes the voice of very many Democrats, also, who esteem country and the laws above party considerations. If the census shows, as is expected, that there are 10,000,000 Negroes in the South, that enumeration on the basis adopted by congress will have representation by fifty members of congress and the same vote in the electoral college, supposing it to be massed, to give point to the argument. If now that the representation can be had, and the voice of the people represented repressed and cowed by state legislation in the interest of a political party, it becomes a menace to the institutions and a very dangerous defiance of the constitution.

Fair minded people who rise above party in considering the state of the country will not tolerate such a thing without a protest that will be heard it. Not only that; there never has been any massing of the colored vote. them a job with Smith & Merrick, of Dregon City, took their fee payment this week. Mr. Dunbar read from his talk. We have sold more fine pianos, less transparent than that in North Carolina, where it is unconcealed that

There is little doubt that there will sented during this summer in attendance at our exposition, it became a "Pullman Company has issued from its shops what it technically calls the another rush for the gold fields of "Pullman Ordinary Sleeper." These is to aid and fortify the Democratic Alaska this spring. It is largely able accommodations. After consult- sleepers, being built on the same plan party. It is to be hoped, however, the spirit of adventure that carries ing with a number of representative but not furnished with the same ele-

ignore the plain word and spirit of nic affair. the constitution? If it does, in what direction may we next look for it to mandates?

upon its legislative powers? It is not it was a mistake to enfranchise the Negro (indeed, that question never has been prominent in the general conduct of national affairs, for it is conceded that the Negro votes just as honestly and intelligently as his white brother). It is broader and more serious, namely: "Is congress superior to the constitution to the degree that it can defy the creator and snap its fingers in the face of the constitution?"

If there are any who conceive that

gress shall no longer ignore the situ- iously over the matter, they are ceration. Eight of the states of the tain to awake very soon to a realiza-South have practically disfranchised tion of their misconception. In fact a large body of voters upon whose if disfranchisement is to go on in headship, nevertheless, they claim spite of the constitutional remedy for repersentation in congress. The Phil- it, in order that the Democratic party adelphia Press, the Chicago Tribune, may remain dominant in the South the Chicago Times-Herald and many as a solid political unit, mere expedother representative Republican and a jency and selfishness will impel the large number of independent papers Republican party to counter upon its are squarely out in the demand that ancient and traditional enemy's body by making a party demand that the It is contended that there is now no penalty of the constitution shall be fear of "Negro domination;" that applied. As the Republican party such a plea is insincere and that the is in control of the legislative body fear no longer exists in the wildest of the nation, is it likely that it will imagination; that the disfranchise- fail to avail itself presently of its ment is not in the interest of the edu- power to stand off Democracy in its cated vote, but solely in the interest disfranchisement scheme? Scarcely. of the Democratic party. In addi- It is unthinkable that it will sution, the finger of emphasis is laid pinely continue to permit its politupon the Fourteenth Amendment to ical foe to play the game alone. It the constitution, with a demand that will say with perfect sang froid, with \$1,000. It is said that litigation, it shall be respected by enforcement, its index finger laid significantly since the nation cannot with safety upon the Fourteenth Amendment to tolerate it as a dead letter. The the great charter of liberty and law, amendment was adopted for the ex- and with justice standing by approvpress purpose of meeting just such ingly: "If you disfranchise a voter cases as the present condition gives you shall not come into congress with representation for him. That is law, and, moreover, it is simple, elemental and indisputable justice. Play at the game of disfranchisement if you will, but when you do, accept the penalties prescribed by the constitution, the application of which it commands congress to make."

> A name has been finally selected the Lewis and Clark expedition to "Where Rolls the Oregon

TENNIAL

-AND-TION.

That is a good name. It is sufficiently comprehensive for the purpose; months. An opportunity will be probut it will gradually be abbreviated to vided for them to work out their ex-"The Lewis and Clark Centennial at Portland, Oregon."

and that will demand a response. son, with N. Smith as an alias, is in Take the state of Maryland: There jail, where he belongs, for obtaining accepting this offer are urged to ad- special facilities and modern merchhas never been a fear of "Negro dom- money fraudulently from men who dress Principal Washington at once andising methods we are in a position ination" in that state. No one can were seeking work. He promised It has always been well distributed contract. He had no authority from between the two parties. But in Smith & Merrick to employ 80 men Maryland it has been proposed by the for them, or any other number of politicians so to expand the present men. He sipmly wanted to obtain educational qualification law as to cash without having to work for it. put the state into the disfranchising And now, since he succeeded, for a column under the specious plea that time, he should be incarcerated in ances. it is done in the interest of the edu- the penitentiary where he will have cated classes, a pretense that is not to work without receiving pay for it.

hat the scheme will fail in Maryland.

The scheme w that the scheme will fail in Maryland. men into that distant land of icecongress is not only given the power, a dollar, while many do not survive but is commanded to reduce repre-the perils of the experience. If Ore-sentation "in proportion" that the number of disfranchised bears "to known to be as rich as they are, there number of disfranchised bears "to known to be as rich as they are, there the whole number of the male citizens would be an exodus from Oregon to of 21 years of age in that state." In Siberia that would make the present Thomas, a colored lawyer of this city, the face of such direction will con- influx of miners and capitalists into to look after the interests of the colgress dare to defy the mandate and our local districts appear to be a pic-

ignore other constitutional rights and the country districts, as well as in the colored people and thus prove that the city, is a serious discouragement the exposition does not propose to Herein danger lies to our free in- for those looking for work. Labor slight in any manner this portion of stitutions, and thinking people are, camps and fields throughout the Thanking you in advance for distribtherefore, very seriously considering western half of the state are suffering uting the information, we are, that pertinent question. If congress from lack of brawn. If employers refuses to apply the penalty in this were not so parsimonious they would Superintendent Pan-American Expocase , where next may it not suspend have little difficulty in obtaining the sition, Buffalo, N. Y

by ignoring the direction of the con- help they desire. The idea of acstitution and the limitations it places quiring wealth at the expense of the poor devil who has to work hard for any longer the question as to whether the pittance on which he subsists is obnoxious, even to the destitute.

Commissioners Showers and Mack seem to hold the whip hand in the county board quarrel. They have appointed ex-County Commissioner Steele to be road supervisor, as provided by a law enacted at the last session of the legislature, at a salary of \$100 a month. By this law the county road master has a deal of latitude. Judge Cake declares that he will not sign the order, but it is evident that a majority of the board will.

The Board of Trade is manifesting much interest in the work of preparing to receive President McKinley and party on May 22. It has voted to raise \$5,000 to pay the expenses of thing seems to be in perfect order, so far, except the weather bureau. Better "see" the rain man in good time.

The Cuban commissioners will ask for absolute independence-but they will not get it. There is entirely too much politics in the settlement of this affair to hope for such a result at this time. And, again, conditions are not yet sufficiently stable on the island to justify it.

The bank of Gilbert Brothers at Salem failed on Tuesday. Deposits are said to aggregate \$125,000; cash on hand when the doors were closed, speculation and mismanagement precipitated the failure.

A boat is being built at a cost of \$80,000, at Vancouver, B. C., to carry Captain Joseph Bernier to the North Pole. It is not stipulated that the boat builders shall guarantee the return of the craft.

Portland, the ideal point in the great Northwest, is rapidly becoming a railroad center. Gradually the mossbacks are passing away.

TUSKEGEE NOTES.

Rev. J. W. Whitaker, formerly A name has been finally selected connected with Tuskegee in the ca-for the 1905 centennial celebration of pacity of chaplain, but now pastor of the Lewis and Clark expedition to the Congregational church at Savan-Salmon, is found in the fact that he the great Northwest and what fol- Wednesday of this week. Mr. Whitlowed it. It is this, the legend pre- aker gave up his work here in 1891, and that he deals fairly, honestly and ceding it being Bryant's half-line but has kept in close touch with the honorably with everybody, old or new THE LEWIS AND CLARK CEN- scenes of his early labors. He spoke cheapest implements for the farm or and the court-room of said court, in Chapel Tuedsay evening.

are anxious to secure an education, can enter Tuskegee now and remain during the spring and summer penses and besides earn something on their expenses for next year. Our readers are urged to call this offer to the attention of deserving young men The cheap fakir, William Morri- who are sincerely anxious to help themselves toward the securing of an education. Young men desirous of Piano House, and by reason of our for full information.

poems at a meeting held in Tuske-gee's interest in the concert hall of instruments than any other wholesale Madison Square garden, New York, a or retail concern west of the Missis-few weeks ago. Mr. Dunbar's general sippi, and there are reasons for it. health is far from good and he has Let us tell you how we do it at 351 been in Jacksonville, Fla., since the New York meeting recuperating. Mr. Dunbar will spend the time at Tuskegee resting and renewing old acquaint-E. H. CARRY.

Editor New Age: Gentlemen-Learning from many sources that the colored people were to be well repre-After carefully canvassing the situation, we have appointed A. M. The paltry pay offered for labor in tion feeling that through your valuaour countrymen and visiting strangers

Very truly yours, W. D. THAYER,

I arrived in Scattle, Wash., on the 14th of April, 1887, and at the end of a year, finding that we had four or five families in town of which three or four persons were members of the A. M. E. church, I organized a class of eight, myself acting as leader, and we held weekly prayer meetings from house to house. At the close of another year my class numbered 12. was in the first part of 1889, when, at my request, Bishop A. Grant, of the California conference, sent us a local preacher by the name of A. M. Taylor, who organized the first A. M. E. church on the Sound. For eight years I remained with this congregation in Seattle, and at the end of that time received a license to preach from the Rev. P. R. Green, of the California conference, and entered the ministry. In September, 1893, Bishop B. F. Lee assigned me to the Franklin and Newcastle circuit, and here I served for three years, being appointed three times successively. At the close of Bishop Lee's term Bishop Wesley J. Gaines was appointed to succeed the former in the Elev enth Episcopal district of the A. M. E. church of the Puget Sound confer the proposed entertainment. Every- ence. At the first conference held I was ordained a deacon at Seattle; at the second, elder; and at the third annual convention I was made presiding elder of the western district of the Puget Sound conference. This position I held until Bishop C. T. Shaffer was elected at the late general conference, which convened May 7th, 1900, at Columbus, Ohio, and appointed him to the Eleventh (now known as the Fifth) Episcopal district. Bishop Shaffer reappointed me presiding elder and appointed me to preside over the Western district of the Puget Sound conference, in

> The appointments I have held since being in the itinerancy are, Franklin and Newcastle circuit, three years; Tacoma, Wash., two years; Spokane, Wash., two years; and Portland, Oregon, where I am now. For nine years I have worked in the Puget Sound conference without, as yet, having received any salary at all, at times scarcely getting enough from the church for my sustenance. But with the aid of a faithful wife, who has always assisted me, we have together managed to keep the church doors open wherever we have been, and feel thankful to Almighty God and our friends for the support which, added to our own efforts, has helped us through many a discouraging

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State of Oregon for the county of Multnomah In the matter of the estate of Lucy Knapp, deceased:

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed by the county court of the state of Ore for the county of Multnomah administrator of the estate of Lucy Knapp, deceased, and all persons are hereby notified to present any claims which they may have against the said estate, with proper vouchers, duly verified, to the undersigned, at room 716, Chamber of Commerce, Portland Oregon, within six months from date of the first publication of this notice DWIGHT F. KNAPP,

Administrator of the Estate of Lucy Knapp, deceased. Dated, March 29, 1901. Date of first publication, April 6,

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

Notice is hereby given that I have filed my final report and account as administrator, with the will annexed, of the estate of Oliver Van Duzer deceased, in the county court of th state of Oregon, for the county of court as the time and place for the hearing of objections to such final account and the settlement thereof.

DAVID M. DUNNE,

Administrator as aforesaid. Dated April 4, 1901.

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