

Club of the B.M.E. held a valentine so- ne of Mr. and Mrs. M. was a good attendance enjoyed himself. Mrs. con-venor, assisted by and Mrs. Harris. March 10th, Rev. T. H. ronto was with us. His business nature which the church's finance, the matter of Church subject had been most l among the members. Jackson's explanation tter in a clearer light. with us, Mrs. Harrison to collect money to gay ge on the parsonage ssary because of the Ministerial Association eir connection with

of March the Mission- our church held a corn ge supper at the home atterson. There were resent and the affair ccess.

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Letters to the Editor

While I am on this subject of race a subject that does not always appeal to me as the farm, if it teaches a man anything at all as some might say, there's one thing certain, he soon realizes that the petty differences of race or class are but a drop in the bucket to compare with the mighty forces that surround us. I made the statement some time ago, that the Colored man was an optimist by nature. Whether this is because we the told in the land where he came from originally the sun shines almost continually, and the food fairly drops into the mouth, or not, I cannot say, but I know this to be a fact nevertheless. The question arises, can he maintain this optimism here in America, under the conditions I have described and in many instances circumstances of a far graver nature.

To explain by attitude on this I would have to tell you a story. It's an old story and told in many ways but it's worth repeating in my own way, I believe.

In the beginning of the Christian era we are told as the people began to multiply it became evident that for them to rise above their natural surroundings, a mysterious hand appeared on the scene, and through messengers there came the law, a law which men may hate, yet few will dispute its majesty, nor has anyone been able to find a substitute.

As this law began to be administered under one judge after another and one ruler after another, the people began to murmur against this law, in fact their is evidence that they fell down badly in their attempt to keep this law. This murmur became so general and prolonged that this same mysterious Hand appeared and through His messengers the people were promised a teacher and counsellor, who would point the way that the people would be eased and healed through the application of this law.

This Teacher did not appear as soon as expected nor in the manner most men would have had Him appear but the main point to most men is He did appear. The only man living that walked and talked with men and who could give the people His word, come what may, go what may, His word should not pass, and we—after 1928 years are living witnesses o that fact.

We now no longer have to say we believe, we now know.

This Teacher never to my limited knowledge promised that the people would not at some future time get wearied of this spiritual as well as moral law, nor are we secure from again mistaking the substance for the shadow, but were given ample assurance that again, come what may, go what may, never again shall this Christian world be allowed to sink back to the dark ages.

We have had many advocates of the principles of this Teacher in the last half of the eighteenth century and have a great many yet. For the sake of your younger readers I would like to mention a few such as Beecher, Talmadge, Livingston, Peel, Lincoln, James A. Garfield, Frederic Douglas, Booker T. Washington, The latter four, whose spirit the most sor-

did things this world has to offer, could not break.

These men and many many more, some of them—not all perhaps, physical giants, but we know they had the courage of their convictions.

Now this teacher spoke definitely of a third meeting with men on common ground, when the veil of mystery that surrounds us shall be cleared away. He also spoke of many things concerning this third meeting, especially the settling up of his Father's business. I will have to leave it to the opinion of the readers as to when this meeting takes place, at the end of our three score and ten or some future date. In this third meeting lies our main outlook on life. In fact there is a question I have been turning over in my mind for some years now.

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