[From the Baltimore Morning Herald.]

Emancipation Day!

COLORED MEN OBSERVE THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE PROCLAMATION!

Brother Robertson Takes Occasion to Score the Republican Office-Holders for Their Sins of Commission and Omission — The Negro Not Treated Fairly in the Distribution of Patronage.

The 34th anniversary of the promulgation of the proclamation by President Lincoln of the emancipation proclamation was celebrated at the Monumental Assembly Rooms, St. Paul and Centre streets, Baltimore, by several hundred colored citizens Monday night, Jan. 11.

Mr. J. Frank Supplee was the orator of the evening, and made an eloquent speech with the intimation of the colored voters' indebtedness to the Republican party, while he justly paid a glowing tribute to the humanitarianism and patriotism of the great Lincoln.

Rev. Robertson's "Plain Talk."

Rev. J. H. Robertson, colored was the next speaker, and started off with the statement that he intended to talk plainly, and call a spade a spade and a shovel a shovel. He did not agree exactly with Colonel Supplee in all he said.

"They can give us all the taffy, they choose," said he, "and tell us what they'd do if they were put in office, but we're getting onto their ways. Don't you know we are the biggest fools in the world? (Laughter.) It's time for us to learn that unless we push ourselves forward and demand our rights we won't get them.

"You've heard a lot tonight about what the white man did to free us from the bondage of slavery and what advantages they have given us to advance and progress, but we know that our freedom was won with our blood, and that our march onward and upward has not been a bed of roses, but a hard struggle against discrimination and oppression.

"But our race is an aggressive one. It took 100 years for the white race to produce a Wellington, and it took 100 years to produce a Supplee, but it only took 30 years for us to make Booker T. Washington, who stands head and shoulders above them all, and the peer of any man living in educational attainments.

"We must ask for more, and not be contented if it is not given us. I don't think it would be too much for us to ask when they are making out this next political slate for a Delegate to the Legislature from every district in the State. If they fool us by putting a colored man's name on the ballot and then scratching it we'll fool them the next time by doing some scratching ourselves. (Applause.)

"In 1895 we elected a man Governor of this State who was avowedly against us when in Congress. Didn't he vote against us when he voted on the civil rights bill? (Cries of "Yes! Yes!") Well, he had 18,000 offices to distribute, and a negro man didn't get a position as spit-toon-cleaner at the State Capitol. Yet without the 50,000 votes of our race in this State he could have never been elected. (Applause.)

"Then we elected Mr. Mason Sheriff of Baltimore. What are you going to do with him when he comes up again? I know what I am going to do. (Applause.) He wouldn't give us a deputy sheriff, because it wouldn't do for one of us to go into a rich white man's hous to levy for a debt. And Mason wants to be Mayor, too? What do you think of that? (Laughter.)

"We used to say we didn't want to get on the police force, because they told us to keep in the shade and vote with them and we could have anything we wanted when they got in. (Laughter.)

"We elected a State's Attorney, and he snubbed us by refusing to appoint a colored deputy. What are you going to do with him when he comes up for re-election six years from now? I know. (Applause.)

"We elected a City Council, and he promised to let us have colored teachers in our colored schools. The ordinance was defeated, and our young ladies have to nurse because there are no positions for them in the schools.

"They've violated every promise they've made. (Applause.)

"But as a race we've progressed. What we want to do is to place more confidence in each other. Patronize colored lawyers. They'll say to you that they could have cleared you all right, but that the old judge got crooked and soaked you.

"Save your money and buy street-railroad stock. There is no other large city in the country which has not negro owners of railway stock.

"Patronize the colored bank here, and you will also have your money safe. There are no shortages there."

Robertson was frequently interrupted by applause.

An exchange tells of a man who was too poor to take his home paper, but all the same he read a notice in a down east paper telling how to prevent horses from slobbering and sent $1.50 for the receipt. When the $1.50 worth came it said: "Teach your horses how to spit.

IMPORTANT EVENTS IN 1897.

There will Be Two Eclipses of the Sun—Fixed and Movable Festivals.

In the year 1897 there will be two eclipses—both of the sun. The first will occur February 1, and will be visible to North America south of a line drawn through Boston, Memphis, and La Paz, Lower California; to South America with the exception of Patagonia; to the eastern edge of Australia and the South Pacific Ocean; the Path of Annulus, averaging forty miles wide, extending from the northern point of New Zealand across the Pacific Ocean and through the northwestern corner of South America.

The second will occur on July 29, visible to North America south of the 56th parallel of latitude; to the northern half of South America; the western edge of Africa, and to portions of the Pacific and Atlantic Oceans; the Path of Annulus, averaging twenty-five miles wide, passing through Mexico, the West Indies and Cape St. Roque, Brazil.

The Seasons: Spring begins March 20; Summer begins June 20; Autumn begins September 22; Winter begins on December 21.

Fixed and Movable Festivals; Epiphany, Jan. 6; Ash Wednesday, March 3; First Sunday in Lent, March 7; Palm Sunday, April 11; Good Friday, April 16; Easter Sunday, April 18.

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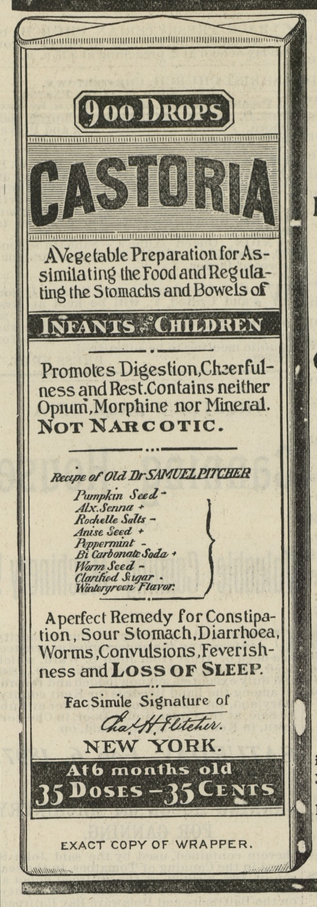

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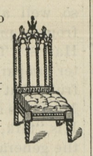

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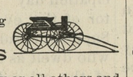

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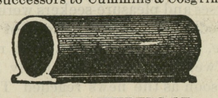

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n28-3t. W. H. LAMBERT, JR., CLERK.

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