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DEBATING TEAM OF THE UTAH UNIVERSITY WHICH WILL MEET THE DENVER UNIVERSITY'S ORATORS ON APRIL 6. IN DENVER.

est orator and the greatest poet of the negro race in America, says the Chicago Record-Herald. The celebrations in memory of Douglass will be held in the colored churches everywhere today, although the exact date of the anniversary was Feb. 17.

T HE death of Paul Laurence Dunbar, the poet, at a time when the colored peeple throughout the country are pre-paring to honor the eighty-ninth anni-versary of the birth of the late Fred-erick Douglass, gives poetic signifi-cance to the relationship of the greatthem and sometimes by advice,

He discovered Dunbar in 1892. The young poet found in Mr. Douglass a genuine and almost instant apprecia-tion of his gifts. The writer received a letter from the great orator, com-mending the "fine lines written by a colored elevator boy in Ohio."

anniversary was Feb. 17. It was fortunate for the young poet in the early days of his helpless yearn Ing for some recognition that the great Douglass lived. During the last 20 years of his life Mr. Douglass occu-pied a unique position. Though there were other colored men of prominence and achievements, Mr. Douglass tow-ered above them all in influence and leadership. His romantic career gave a pecular charm and significance to whatever he did or said. He was re-

high order, and he could recite at any time stanza after stanza from the standard works of the leading English poets. Dunbar's poems had a péculiar charm for him, and he committed nany of them to memory. A special favorite was a "Hymn," contained in one of his earliest published volumes. It was a real privilege to listen to Mr. Douglass' musical voice as he would recite the stately measure of this loved poem nearly every morning in coming

down to breakfast: When storms arise And darkening skies About me threat/aling lower, To Thee, O Lord, I raise mine eyes, To Thee my tortured spirit flics For selace in that hour.

And so on through the three stanzas. And so on through the three stanzas. There was a dignity and manner in his recitations unsurpassed by the best elocutionists. It is not too much to say that the encouragement and prac-tical assistance given by Mr. Douglass to Dunbar was the turning point in his career. It saved him from hopeless despondency and enabled him to de-valor his mostle gifts to the point when velop his poetle gifts to the point when he was so generously recognized by Mr. Howells and introduced to the forld by him as an American man of

letters. 8 6 6 It is scarcely necessary to add that Paul Dunbar fully appreciated the no-ble support that came to him in the nick of time from the great Douglass. The young poet and the aged orator found in each other a companionship quite as beautiful and rare as any-thing in the annals of human relation-chice

The poet's estimate of Mr. Douglass found noble expression in the poem entitled "Frederick Douglass," the last stanza of which is here given:

Ch. Douglass, thou hast passed beyond the shore, But still thy voice is ringing o'er the Thou'st taught thy race how high her

And bade her seek the heights, nor

She will not fail, she heeds thy stir-ring cry.
She knows thy guardian spirit will be nigh.
And, rising from beneath the chast-ring cry.

She stretches out her bleeding hands to God!

Natural History.

F. A. Whitney of Meeteelsee, Wyo, spent \$1,000 recently rather than dis-turb the grave of a favorite dog. Mr. Whitney, a rich rancher, was digging an irrigation ditch, and the plans called for a channel right through the dog's grave. He changed the plans, giving the ditch a wide de-tour, and the grave remained un-harmed, though of Mr. Whitney's bank account this could not be sold. Mr. Whitney is philanthropic. He is greatly interested in all charitles that help children. During a recent visit to New York he toid a story about a little slum trebin whom he had sent on a month's vacation into the coun-

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"The lad was so ignorant," he said, "The lad was so ignorant," he said, "that he thought we got much from the muchroom and milk from the milkweed. One morning a lady point-ed to a horse in a field and said: "Look at the horse, Jimmy," "That's a cow," the boy contra-dicted.

"'No,' said the lady. 'It's a horse,' "'No,' said the lady. 'It's a horse,' "''Taint. It's a cow,' said the boy, 'Horses has wagons to 'em.'"

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LEAVES FROM OLD ALBUMS.

HARRY B. EMERY. Well Known Salt Lake Theatrical Man, Who Was Here This Week With "Parsifal," as He Looked Thirty Years Ago.



The picture shows a novel aerial ship with which its inventor, F. M. Mahan, expects to sail from Chicago to Washington on April 23 next. This flying ma-chine is the result of a long and minute study of the flight of birds. The engine to be used will be one of six horsepower and will not weigh over thirty pounds. It is Mr. Mahan's intention to attach a gas balloon to his ship so that in case of accident the descent may be made in safety. The inventor has never tested his airship, but he feels confident that the journey from Chicago to Washington will be made as arranged.



THE WOMAN AND THE CASE INVOLVING THE HONOR OF FIVE LEGAL LUMINARIES.

What promises to become another m etropolitan scandal of ugly proportions has been partly divested of its outward trappings by a beautiful woman whose disclosures to date virtually represent an attack upon the integrity of a former governor of New York state, a former district attorney of Net. York county, a lawyer political leader who once stood high in the councils of his party, and two legal lights of almost national reputation. The woman is Mrs. Kathryn Poillon, who not long ago earned public attention in a breach of prom-

ise action. The male characters in the drama are former Governor Frank 3 Black, former District Attorney W. M. K. Olcoti, assembly district leader "Abe" Gruher, and Lawyers William H. Bonynge and Carl Fisher In The first four named comprise the law firm of Black, Olcott, Grub r th Hausen was the attorney for the Gall at in the settlement of Mes. Pollon's netion. In the settlement of this action Mrs. Poillon avers she receiped only about \$3,000, although she understood the defendant paid about \$20,000

With her eyes reflecting the mental anguish she falt as she contemplate1 the outcome of her suit for \$250,000 damages for alleged breach of promise against W. Gould Brokaw, society man and millionaire. Mrs. Poillon told last week in the city court in New York how that action had been settled and of the paitry baim she had received as a result of the settlement. In bitter terms she accused her lawyers, Black, Olcott, Gruber & Bonynge of having retained the lion's share of the money they received, and she asserted that \$2,500 of the money paid in Workaw went to Carl Fisher Hansen, who married a coustn of the main, te Mendant, and who represented the Brokaw family in the settlen

se moods changed on the witness stand from biting sar-Mag casm 🔹 , could not see why Hansen, a millionaire himself, should ay part of the settlement money, especially as he had opposed have rec every step she took. But W. M. Olcott, her attorney, she asserted, assured her Hansen was a "good fellow," and that she had received so much money out of the case she wouldn't miss the \$2,500. It was a remarkable story she told and one that threw interesting light on lawyers' methods.



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