

sacrificed health and fortune to better their conditions."

—"Cloudburst" storms doing great damage were reported from Warren county, Ohio, on the 28th; from Wisconsin on the 1st, where a train was wrecked by a washout, with 6 fatalities; and from western Pennsylvania, eastern Ohio and northern West Virginia, on the 2nd, where terrific rains and consequent floods, and fires from lightning, caused 36 deaths and a probable loss of \$1,500,000. Heavy rains and floods are reported from England. On the 27th 7,000 persons had been driven from their homes in the city of Norwich. [See current volume, page 804.]

—The monthly Treasury report of receipts and disbursements of the Federal government [vol. xiv, p. 832; current volume, page 443] for June shows the following for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1912:

#### I.—Ordinary:

<b>Receipts—</b>	
Customs tariff.....	\$311,257,347.86
<b>Internal revenue—</b>	
Ordinary .....	292,953,004.00
Corporation tax.....	28,583,103.90
Miscellaneous .....	58,346,999.63
	<b>\$691,140,455.39</b>

<b>Disbursements—</b>	
Civil and miscellaneous.....	\$173,046,341.91
War .....	150,182,311.49
Navy .....	135,556,259.49
Indians .....	20,057,439.34
Pensions .....	153,596,749.87
Postal deficiency .....	1,568,194.88
Interest on public debt.....	22,616,300.48
	<b>\$656,623,597.46</b>
Less repayment of unexpended balances .....	1,818,972.86
	<b>654,804,624.60</b>
Excess of ordinary receipts over ordinary disbursements.	<b>\$ 36,335,830.79</b>

#### II.—Panama Canal—

Receipts—proceeds of bonds.	\$ 33,189,104.15
Disbursements for canal....	35,327,370.66
	<b>2,138,266.51</b>
Excess of Panama Canal dis- bursements over receipts....	<b>\$ 34,197,564.28</b>

#### III.—Public debt—

<b>Receipts—</b>	
Proceeds of bonds and certifi- cates .....	\$ 459,280.00
Deposits to retire bank notes..	20,078,365.00
	<b>\$ 20,537,645.00</b>
<b>Disbursements—</b>	
Bonds and certificates retired.	120,616.03
Bank notes retired.....	28,527,711.50
	<b>\$ 28,648,327.53</b>
Excess of public debt disburse- ments over receipts.....	<b>8,110,682.53</b>

Excess of all receipts over all disbursements .....	<b>\$ 26,086,881.75</b>
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—After hearing a song to the effect that every race has a flag but the colored race, Rev. J. L. Lennox of Cleveland, a bishop of the Zion African Evangelical church, designed an official emblem which he announced on the 28th that his church has

decided to adopt. The flag has twelve stars in a field of purple and twelve bars of red, white and blue. The purple, he explained, represents the robe Christ wore before the crucifixion; the red, "our sins that shall be made white as snow;" the white, the purity of the Apostles; the blue, the Negroes' loyalty to the United States.

—At its session last week in Milwaukee, the American Bar Association recommended uniform State laws on marriage, requiring licenses, two witnesses, and marriageable age or consent of parents or guardians, and abolishing common law marriages. It also recommended uniform State laws on child labor and pure food. Frank B. Kellogg and other lawyers presented a memorial against the Recall of judges and of judicial decisions. The Negro question was compromised by allowing the present Negro members to retain their membership but providing that in all future applications of Negroes the fact that they are Negroes shall be stated so that white members who wish to may blackball them for being Negroes. One of the Negro members, William Morris of Minneapolis, immediately resigned. [See vol. xiv, p. 934.]

## PRESS OPINIONS

### An Old Man of the Sea.

Springfield Republican (Ind.), Aug. 15.—There may be no purely democratic parties in existence. But this much is not in doubt—the Progressive party must purge itself of Roosevelt before it can serve the country as the great democratic force of the age.



### Negro Lawyers.

Dubuque Telegraph-Herald (dem. Dem.), Aug. 25.—The American Bar Association professes to be representative of the bar of the nation. It is not a social organization. Why, then, should it exclude the Negro? . . . Some Negroes are great lawyers. The race is disproving the lie that it is an inferior creation. But whatever attitude the Bar Association shall take, the Negro will go on in the working out of his destiny. His progress cannot be permanently stayed. By our treatment of him we are breeding in him qualities which one day along certain lines will make him our superiors. Persecution makes great the people persecuted.



### The Hearst Strike and the Hearst Police.

The Chicago Daily Press (ind.), August 31.—Sensational scandal! That is what you would say if The Chicago Daily Press should print a story charging Mayor Harrison with misappropriating \$549,000 of the people's money. Yet, in four months, this is approximately the amount of the taxpayers' money that has been spent on the order of the Mayor, keeping 200-pound policemen sitting on little chairs watching small boys sell trust newspapers, or acting as helpers to gunmen with criminal records as the latter deliver trust papers. . . Meanwhile, Chief of Police McWeeny is wringing his hands for enough