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We don't know whether our neighbor attended the African pic nic at Platte City or not. We suppose he was invited by his brethren. He generally is, and has been a standing orator, until recently eclipsed by a thick-liped brother. Brother Park, did you see him? He is rather *modest* and may not like to mention his colored exploits when away from home.—*Landmark.*

He was not here in person, but was appropriately represented by his proxy, a great strapping buck negro, as black as the ace of spades, who delivered the oration prepared for him by the *Times* man. The negro did not disgrace his backer.

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