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Talk of the Town.

Kansas City Times.

Judge J. S. Brasfield, of Platte City reads the Kansas City papers; but somehow their frequent reference to the search light exhibition to be given here had escaped him. As a result of this oversight the judge is made the butt of a fairly good joke. Tuesday night an old negro servant in the family burst into the judicial study trembling with fright.

"Massa John; why you nevah tol' me nothin' 'bout de judgment day?" said she, in an awed whisper.

"Why, auntie, replied the judge; "what do you mean?"

"What does I mean? Massa John I'ze lived nigh onto sebenty-five year now dat I knows on, an' I nebber seed sich light'n as that ar!"

She pointed through the open door toward Kansas City.

"Dat ain't no real light'n, Massa John! See it flickerin' heah an' flickerin' dar! Dat am de jedgment day! Why didn't you done tole dis niggah?"

The venerable judge arose and adjusted his spectacles. There in the southeastern heavens was certainly a most remarkable electrical display. Long pillars of light swung around ominously, as the angel Gabriel might swing his arms. The judge was mystified, and having no explanation to offer in place of that advanced by the negress, he walked down town to seek the counsel of his friends.

He came back informed, but poorer by the price of several rounds of drinks.

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