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week, as follows: Philipson, "Our European Jewries"; Kouples, "Sketch of Jewish History"; Zargwill, "Dreams of the Ghetto." This society take a great interest in the library and has presented it with a large number of books, all of which are in circulation.

A shipment of useful books was received from the government yesterday, comprising seventy-two volumes of congressional records, about completing the set to date.

THE COLORED PEOPLE'S FRIEND.

Republican Committeeman Price of Andrew County Talks of Col. Doniphan.

That even the Republicans endorse Col. John Doniphan in his candidacy for police judge is shown by a letter which is hereby reproduced, the original of which is on file at this office. It is a letter written by Col. James A. Price of Savannah, who is now the Republican central committeeman of Andrew county. Price is the "notorious old Col. Price, the negroes' friend," formerly of Platte county and an ex-colonel in the Confederate army. Co. Price wrote a letter to the Mirror of this city, but that organ being under absolute control of the "push" refused to print it. It is hereby reproduced and if any colored man of St. Joseph after reading it fails to vote for Col. Doniphon he is certainly neglecting his duty to a friend of the colored race. The letter is as follows:,

Savannah, Mo., March 29, 1898.
Editor of Mirror, St. Joseph. Mo.

Dear Sir:—I see that Col. John Doniphan is a candidate in your city for police judge. Having known him intimately for many years, he having served with me as a soldier in the civil war and knowing his kind feeling and friendship for the colored people, I feel it due to them as well as to Col. Doniphan, that I state a few facts of my personal knowledge, as to some of his noble acts in their behalf at a time when it was not only unpopular but really hazardous. I will state two instances in which it required courage, backed by humane principal, to perform. While I was clerk of the court of common pleas in Platte county, Mo., there was a family of slaves, consisting of father, mother and six children, that had been freed by the will of George W. Youcom, their owner, who died in 1854. But the will contained a construction that his executors should have the discretion and option of holding them as slaves for life, if they believed it was proper. In other words, the freedom of the family depended upon the will or wish of the executors. The estate was settled about 1856. At that time the pro-slavery question was a leading factor in politics in Missouri, and the executors refused to free the family. Whereupon Col. Doniphan volunteered, without fee or reward, advanced the cost, instituted suit and at the end of the trial had a decree in their favor and they were liberated and made free at that time. When Col. Doniphan was censured and questioned about the interest he had taken in the matter, he declared that "he knew it was against public sentiment, but it was right and the white race owed it to the blackman to be honest and just."

At another time a colored man by the name of Perry Chadwick was put up at public auction to be sold and taken south. When Col. Doniphan came forward and purchased the man at $1,400 the same day he gave the man a written document setting him at liberty and said to the man: "Now go and work for yourself and pay me back when, if ever you are able."

This I know of my personal knowledge from the fact that Col. Doniphan borrowed $600 of the money from my brother-in-law, George T. Hulse, to make the payment. I could state many instances wherein Col. Doniphan has shown his friendship to the colored people, but think the two cases cited sufficient to satisfy any reasonable person that he has been a true friend to the colored people and at times when most needed and unpopular to show such friendship and favors. At his old home, Weston, Mo., he is held in the highest esteem by all the colored people.

It has been many years since the occurrences referred to, but they are matters of record and still fresh in my memory. The colonel is now far advanced in life and needs the influence and aid of friends. The opportunity is now offered the colored people to show their appreciation and gratitude to and let the colonel realize that Divine injunction, that bread cast upon the water after many days has returned. Giving the above space in your valuable paper will be appreciated. Most respectfully,

JAMES A. PRICE.

Look at the pretty black China Silk Waists Schmechel Cloak & Suit Co. make for $4.50, $5.00 and $5.50.

Some People Think

Byrne, 117 North Sixth, is only catering to the fine trade, the $45 to $65 fellows. We have suits from $13.50 up. Misfits $11.75. Bicycle suits $4.50 to $12.

Music at First Christian Church.

The music at the First Christian church today will be a special feature of the service, being appropriate to Palm Sunday. Miss Gertrude Mitchell, soprano, and Mrs. W. F. Heacock, contralto, will render a duet "The Palms," with obligato for flute and 'cello. Dudley Buck's "Festival Te Deum" will also be rendered by the choir, with other fine numbers. Miss Edith Fox, organist will play Paques "Fleuries,"

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