

Miscellaneous.

A Monument to Lincoln, to be Erected by the Colored Persons.

On April 20th—our next issue after the assassination of President Lincoln—we recorded the act under the head of "A Noble Offering by a Grateful Heart," that Charlotte Scott, a colored woman living at Dr. Wm. P. Rucker's, on Putnam street, this city, had handed *five dollars* to Rev. C. D. Battelle, of the Centenary M. E. Church, to be applied toward rearing a monument in memory of Abraham Lincoln. She wished to testify in a substantial manner, her high veneration for the greatest man, in her estimation, that had ever lived on earth. This originated with herself. She thought many colored persons would be delighted to contribute to a monument for Mr. Lincoln, as she said with abundant tears: "The colored people have lost their best friends."

It was added in the Register that this \$5 was to be the foundation of a fund for the erection of a monument to Abraham Lincoln.

Probably most of our readers looked upon it carelessly, and thought this would be the last of it. But, no! Various contributions, we learn, have been added from colored people in the Kanawha Valley.

Among other papers, the Missouri Democrat, at St. Louis, took notice of Charlotte Scott's noble offering, deriving its information from the Register. Jas. E. Yeatman, Esq., a wealthy citizen of St. Louis, and President of the Sanitary Commission in that city, through the war, gave the matter his indorsement in the Democrat. And lo! within a very short time, Mr. Yeatman received from a colored regiment at Vicksburg, \$4,200, to be added to Charlotte Scott's *five!* From another regiment came \$3,200; then from a colored battery \$500! How much more we are not advised; but Mr. Yeatman received divers handsome contributions and encouraging letters from officers, stating that their only trouble was to keep the men from giving *too much!* In the fullness of their hearts, the colored soldiers would push out their *last* "greenback," saying: "*Take it all!*" They were not allowed, however, to give over \$5 each.

This waked up Mr. Yeatman with great earnestness, and in company with Dr. W. G. Elliott and Wayman Crow, Esq., prominent and wealthy citizens of St. Louis, they are making arrangements, both West and East, to carry out Charlotte Scott's noble thought into complete execution, by obtaining subscriptions and erecting a magnificent monument in Washington, as the offering of the colored people of the land, to the memory of Abraham Lincoln.

Charlotte Scott was a slave, born and raised near Lynchburg, Virginia. She is past middle age, and has children and grandchildren who were slaves. She was given, we believe, to Mrs. Rucker, who brought her to Marietta. Of course, she is now a free woman. Mr. Yeatman sent for her photograph, with her *foundation* \$5, and her history. She will soon be heard of throughout the nation, will live in history—has "immortalized" herself! Even Marietta may take some pride in this matter.—[Marietta Register.