



HA ! HA ! HA ! HA !

DE GRAN RAGGED HILL 'XBISHUM,

AND

'STINGUISHIN BUST,

Which was 'formed wid de greatest 'plause on de night ob de 14th ob April, 1837, at de school house frea miles Nor Wess ob le Wess Brookfield meetin house, mose to de top ob de hill.

ORDER OB DE 'XUMCISES.

1. MOOSIC.

De 'formances commence wid de gran Solo on de Base Drum, 'formed in de most 'squisite manner. De Band consist ob two mose scrumptious 'formers, one on de Fiddle, and de todder on de Base Drum.

2. ORATION.

Massa Trong Man, what kill de lion an slued de Filisitines, dat we reed about in holy rit, den proceed to deliber de oration dat he ben 'pairing for de 'casion de pas winter, on de subjc ob Litteretur.

3. NIGGER AUXION.

Arter massa Trong Man bust heself, den de conglomerated nigger auxion was 'formed wid great 'plause on de part ob de pop'lacion ob Ragged Hill. De auxioneer look mad 'nuf to swaller up de Bobbilitonists whole, arter dere cers was pinned back.

4. NIGGER DUIL.

De Nigger Duel twixt Sambo and Squasha nex happen:—in which Sambo shoot Squasha, and Squasha kill Sambo:—but when de Moosic trike up de Ragged Hill Quick 'Tep, bof de niggers hop on dere 'cet, to de unspeekable 'stonishment ob de multitude.

5. DE BATTLE OB WATERLOO.

Nex happen de great and alspicious Battle ob Waterloo, in which de genus ob de nigger was 'splayed in de brackest coler. De awful scene was petickler 'fecting to de fare sec, and make dem holler and ror like parcel ob widders. Massa Trong Man take de part ob Bony part, an gib off de orders in de mos 'sperienced manner. Dis peace bring de tears to de eyes ob ebery nigger present.

6. MOOSIC AGIN.

Arter dis peace, de moosicians was 'bliged to 'trike up de Ragged Hill Quick 'Tep to take off de effec. De Base Drum was found to hab berry peculy effec on de fare sec.

7. DE FUS 'RIGINAL PEACE.

Den de 'riginal peace by Massa Trong Man, pon which he 'xercise all him faculties for de last six months. Dis peace was received wid one 'varsal bus ob 'plause by all de niggers on de hill from de oldest to de youngest.

8. DE SECUM 'RIGINAL PEACE.

Den happen de riginal peace by Massa 'Lias the green critic, which de public spirited niggers ob de hill hire him to compose, 'spressly for de 'casion, for which dey gib him a croun ob lorel. Dis peace go one notch furdur den Massa Trong Man's, and cause all de niggers dat was 'sembled to 'sclain wid one vois, " 'Top, O 'top de 'formances, else we aii die a iafin, and be buried a grinin."

9, 10 & 11. 'RIGINAL PEACES.

Dese peaces was all formed wid great 'plause in de sus rate style; but

de names ob de niggers what 'posed de peaces will not be brought 'fore de public owing to dere great modesty.

12. DEACON HOMESPUN.

De peace ob Deacon Homespun was nex 'formed, in which all de wonderful 'fenomeny ob de hebbens and de arf was 'splaind to de 'sembly, and was proved to demonstration dat Ragged Hill move round de arf twice ebery day, wid de swifness ob a streak ob greased lightnin!

13, 14, 15 & 16. FOUR DUILS.

Den all de duils was 'formed in de mos horrible manner dat de 'magination ob any nigger able to conceive. De fair sec was 'solved into 'flood ob tears, which run all ober de scool house, and wet massa Trong Man's feet so dat he kecth mos aful cold nex mornin. De small niggers bo-o-ho-o-o-d so dat dey was herd all ober de vast extent ob de hill, cleer ober to Oakham, and down to Podunk. Neber afore was such aful peaces 'formed since massa Trong Man was a boy.

17. MOOSIC AGIN.

Arter de horrible aud 'stracting 'formances ob de duils, it 'come necessary to 'form de Ragged Hill Quick 'Tep agin, in order to take off de effec! What 'triking effec moosic will sometimes hab.

18. DE SENSUS.

Arter dis de census was brought on to de stage, what de white folk on de plane 'tempt to 'form but squash down flat as hoc-cake. Dis peace make de nigger grim from one ear to de todder, 'specially de 'scription ob makin sassengis, 'nuf to make de nigger's mouf water any time.

19. 'TORICAL POWERS.

Den all de 'sperb oraters ob de hill ob sience 'gin to 'splay dere 'torical faculties to de neberlastin 'stonishment ob all creation. De plane folk no sort ob 'parison to de niggers ob de hill ob sience for 'torical powers and genoowine eloquence. Eight peaces ob dis kind was spouted in de sus rate stile, in de 'pinion ob massa Critic. He say dat dis was widout 'ception de mos splendid 'formance he eber hab de plesure to witness, in de old or de new world.

20. DE COUNTRY JUSTICE.

De whole conclude wid de Country Justice, de mos grinnible peace in de known world, and more 'specially in de hands ob de formers ob de hill ob sience, nuf to make any nigger trow up he dinner wid grimin. During de 'formance of dis peace de multitude ob niggers 'sembled, presented mos gran spectacle eber 'xhibited. Dere moufs was all 'stended from eer to eer, discoverin de rows of ibery dat shine wid de lustro ob barn door in frosty mornin, and holdin dere sides wid all dere mite, for feer ob bustin. De way dis peace was 'formed was caution to de white folk on de plane neber to undertake to hab 'xbishum, and 'form what dey no noffin 'bout. Massa Trong Man came berry neer bustin him trowsis during de 'formance ob dis peace caws he mos tickled to def.

De evenin was gran an butiful. De stars glisten'd in de findiment wid de brilliumey ob a brack ent in a dark night in Uncle Lebi's garit — de man what got tumped at one Sabby day in meetin by Solomon de WISE MAN 'cause dem ugly plane boys gib him wach seel for compensashum; what cum to de 'formance to did homig to bary larned and 'stinguished acters, an we treeted dem wid all de 'liteness ob which we wad masser. Arter we hab sade all our big and de "RAGGED HILL SWINE DESPACH, AN SIENTIFIC FLECTOR, dated at de Fountain ob 'Locushum and 'Nollege, April 15, 1837.

"De 'Xbishum last ebenin at de school house wad de most gran and sprenid dat eber wad giben in dis cuntry. De 'formances on de plane couldn't eben hold on de 'formers. Noffin happen to 'sturb de harmony ob de 'casion, only de white foks off de plane cum up by de cart lode to make mob and 'casion 'sturbance. But de niggers wad well 'pared for to 'sist de diabolical procedins ob de rioters, by bein armed wid clubs and makin stand round de door ob de school house—dey 'fendit 'ginst de 'saults ob de mob in de mose heroical manner. When de mob wad in danger ob forcin dere way into de school house in spight ob all de gard could do, we rede he did in de big book on to sum in de old world, 'cause his whickers be shabed off and derefore had no trong. Soon as he utter dem words de white foks all took to dere heals and left de niggers alone in dere glory to de unsturbed 'joyment ob de house, and elbow room for de 'formance of de 'xbishum!!!

"Arter dey all got dere setes in de house de whole sembly jined in singin de follerin berry sublime him, to de tune *Molly Put De Kittle On.*

Nigger reason hab for ebery ting dey do,
Whedder it be to scare white folk or go woo;
So let our voices go high up in sweet strain,
Dat we may be bigger den folk on de plane.

"Dis was 'formed so berry cuterously dat all de critters on de hill was so 'chanted dat dey put on de Korus in sich mellifluum dewits dat it did honer to de whole 'xbishum and was thot by some to be de mos gran and sprenid ob de 'formances. Whed de 'xercises was did, and de fokes gin to 'sperse to dere 'pective places ob bode, de stillness and regunlarity ob a hurd ob Wild and Brayin Jackases!!!!

Per Ordrum,



Secruntary.