

2019 May 17 **Aspiring Justice**

"it was an immediatism of repentance from sin. By making the sin of slavery "the standard to which the abolitionist is to rally," these agents made the antislavery cause "identical with religion; and men and women are exhorted by all they esteem holy, ... to join in the pious work of purging the sin of slavery from the land." ©1934 AmHistAssn

Cincinnati's first **cholera** epidemic resolves by the freezing of water-borne bug - just ahead of Beechers arriving from New England **1832** Thanksgiving, hosted by Uncle Foote downtown, while the new Walnut Hills home arose @ (today's I-71 exit - SE corner of Gilbert & MLK).

Unmarried, **Harriet** 21 & sister **Catharine** 32 brought their magnificent tome for all ages: **Primary Geography for Children** - to establish the Western Female Institute on **E** 4th St. near Uncle Samuel's 3-home / 8-business development @ **E** Vine spanning 3rd to 4th Sts. The consummate mariner, Samuel brought his favorite niece: tales, books, exotic gifts and reports of **varieties** of people, language & customs; while uncle John arranged publication. The nieces are graciously included in the literary Semi-Colon Club meetings at Samuel's.

Father Lyman Beecher ministered the New School 2nd Presbyterian church on **W** 4th, while serving 18 years as first President of the Lane Seminary - now buried under Thompson-McConnell Cadillac, per historic marker beneath the tall Cadillac sign.

Pursuant to early 1833 British emancipation of W. Indies, December 5 word from Philly of 1st convention of the American Anti-Slavery Society came especially to new Lane Seminary student: "resurrected" leader **Theodore Dwight Weld** (1803-95), disciple of Lyman's contender Charles Grandison Finney - who became second President of Oberlin College, also forming 1833.

Following 1834 Spring Semester, **Weld** led the first class of 40 aspiring Doctors of Divinity to formal **debates** over 18 days in 2 parts - assessing the solution to slavery: 9 days exploring **Colonization** - and 9 on **Emancipation**. Unprecedented in America before/since, the result: not gradual, not later, but emancipation **NOW!** [See above]

But the Lane Trustees / biz folk, tied to the fruit\$ of "free labor" insisted students submit to Lane authority. Whereupon entire 40 students led by Weld, and Prof becoming 1st president of Oberlin, opted for dismissal from the struggling new startUp, becoming the **Lane Rebels**. **12 students** offered to attend Oberlin - **if** admission extended to **all** color/gender.

Seeds of early 1800s church-sponsored "Benevolent Society" became **energized** by the **28** led by **Weld**, financed by NYC brothers Arthur & Lewis **Tappan**, nationally: organizing, speaking, awakening America to reform its sinful preoccupation of dehumanization.

Having toured the South 3 years in 1820s, in 1838 Weld married **Angelina Grimke** (1805-79), 14th child of wealthy Charleston slave-owners; together with sister Sarah Grimke (1792-1873) compiling bona fide reports into 1839 book **American Slavery as It Is** which, after 18 years in Cincinnati, to Brunswick, ME 1850-52, Harriet held under her pillow while writing **Uncle Tom's Cabin**, enabling her 1862 December meeting with Abe Lincoln prompting his 1863 Jan 1 signing of **Emancipation** Proclamation.

Henry Boyd, AfAm & not MD > timely **1832** report to DailyGazette (boil water) **ignored** > **millions** died-including **Harriet's** 18mo **Samuel** > 1850 > to Brunswick, ME.

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