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Homecoming Celebration A Grand Success

What is considered as one of the biggest events in which any church or community has ever been actively engaged was the celebration of the annual home coming last Sunday and Monday under the auspices of the Sunshine Club of the B. M. E. church at North Buxton. Using the noted Frenchman's phrase: "Every year in every way, the home coming becomes better and better." Notwithstanding the heavy rains which fell on Saturday prior to the opening of the celebration on Sunday, and the cloudy skies on Sunday morning, a large number of people motored in and continued all day. At the morning service, the pastor, Rev. W. C. Perry, preached to a large and appreciative audience. The program in the afternoon was of a very unique nature, and probably one of the best ever rendered here on Sunday afternoon. The program was presented by the Writers' Club of Detroit, to whom the word "Excelsior" could be written above them for their wonderful program. It was unique by virtue of the fact that most of the numbers rendered in poetry and prose, were the compositions of the members of the club themselves. The program was so much appreciated that by request the club presented another program at the evening service. The Detroit Writers' Club will be able to entertain any congregation any time with the greatest of satisfaction. Monday was another day long to be remembered. In the morning a soft ball game was played between the Buxton girls and the Mer- lin team, which was won by the former. In the afternoon the team of the Second Baptist Church, Detroit, met their Waterloo before the Chat- ham Giants in one of the most thrill- ing and exciting games ever played here. The closing event was a mon- ster concert in the evening in which a one-act play, entitled "Waiting for the Trolley" was staged by eighteen characters. The church was packed to capacity and everyone expressed themselves as being entirely satis- fied. Perhaps those who deserve the most praise are the members of the Sunshine Club of which Mrs. Minnie Robbins is president. These women are, beyond any doubt, the most ener- getic church workers that can be

Lost \$75,000 In Florida Storm

Associated Negro Press.
Jacksonville, Fla., Oct. 13.—D. A. Dorsey, Negro millionaire, of Miami, who returned to his home Tuesday night, after coming here to secure la- bor to rebuilt the schools in that city, stated that the storm had done more than \$75,000 worth of damage to his property and holdings in Miami. The roof of the hotel which he owns was torn off and windows blown out. Four of his apartments were unroofed, and twenty houses blown off their founda- tions and eight or ten of them were completely demolished. The damage, he said would roughly amount to \$75,000.—St. Louis Argus.

OUR REWARDS.

If each little deed of kindness
And each little word of love
Be rewarded by God our Father,
And treasured in Heaven above,
When year after year filled with such
He see,
What, O what must the recompense be.
—S. E. G. Allen.

found in any church. They work with a will and a determination to succeed, and they succeed. These women were kept busy all day Sunday and Monday in serving meals to the satisfaction of all. In a letter received by the pastor from one of the visitors, it was distinctly pointed out that the sup- per he received (chicken) was the best he had ever seen served any- where. Mention is also to be made of the Fountain City quartette who as- sisted in the program on Monday eve- ning to the great delight and appre- ciation of the audience. Let it be re- membered that annually on the first Sunday in September and on Labor Day, this event of home coming is ob- served by the Sunshine Club of the B. M. E. church, and as it is an ap- propriate way of meeting and greet- ing friends old and new, to spend the time in Buxton, it behooves the dates to be specially remembered, as all roads from Michigan, Ohio, Chicago, New York and Ontario, from which we had representatives this year, lead to North Buxton. The thanks of the Sunshine Club and pastor of the church go out to the many friends who came in and helped to make the occasion such a splendid success. Come again next year.

Brantford Branch First Anniversary

Sunday, October 10th was League day all day at the B. M. E. church in Brantford. At 11 o'clock service Rev. H. D. Wright preached the League's anniversary sermon. His discourse was eloquent and inspiring and it filled each member with enthusiasm to do his and her best for the cause. At 3 o'clock the League assumed full charge of the program. The program was made up of choruses, recitations, solos, a tableau by the children and very inspiring addresses by Rev. Rey- craft of the United Congregation and J. F. Jenkins, general executive sec- retary. The success of the day came at the evening service, when the church was filled to capacity. Our white citizens were by far in the ma- jority. The program was in charge of the League. The recitations, songs, and so forth, were of a very high or- der. Leverne Jones rendered one of his favorite solos. Mrs. L. Johnson read a most wonderful paper. Rev. Reycraft was with us again and gave a most instructive talk. Rev. Lucas, Rev. G. Johnson and Mr. John Lucas gave very interesting talks. J. F. Jen- kins delivered the principal address of the evening. His subject was "The Historic Background of our Race." For forty-five minutes the audience listened to his most interesting ad- dress with rapt attention. And last, but not least, came the Jubilee Sing- ers. Of all the Jubilee Singers we have ever heard, we believe these to have been the best. The audience ex- pressed its willingness to listen for hours longer, although the singers were late in arriving. The League is well pleased with its first anniversary and it wishes to thank all those who contributed to its success. A substan- tial sum of money was raised which was turned over to the church.

25 COLORED ACTORS IN "FIGHTING LOVE"

Culver City, Cal., Oct. 18.—(Pacific Coast News Bureau).—Bertram Mill- hauser, the brilliant scenarist, who is adapting the story "Porgy" for an all- colored super-feature, is also the scen- arist of "Fighting Love," a part Afri- can location feature starring Jetta Goudal seen in "Three Faces East," and directed by Chrislander, of the DeMille studios. Twenty-five colored actors are being used in the African scenes.

African University All-Black Staff

Negro Profesors Will Teach Native Races a Better Civilization IN ONE LANGUAGE
English to be Only a "Subject"—Bush Schools Will be Ended on Gold Coast

January 1 next will be a red letter day in the history of the Gold Coast. On that day the doors of a college set in an estate of four square miles on a hill overlooking the West African city of Accra will be thrown open to native students. It will be the beginning of the rea- lization of an ardent negro dream—a university where the black man will teach his own culture to his own peo- ple. The name of Achimota—the hill where the college is being built—al- ready echoes like a magic sound wher- ever educated Africans gather. Achimota is to be the mainspring of a peaceful revolution, not just a university, but the keystone of a far- seeing government scheme of educa- tion which includes colleges, sec- ondary schools, elementary schools and kindergartens throughout the length and breadth of the colony.

For Better Civilization
Everywhere they will be staffed by West African teachers engrossed in developing a new and higher civiliza- tion for their country.

The immediate and practical object of the new university is to produce teachers and leaders for this sublima- tion of African nationality.

Dr. A. G. Fraser, a Scotch professor who did 16 years' hard educational work in Ceylon, and thoroughly un- derstands the yearnings of colored peoples, was appointed principal some time ago.

The assembling of the staff was placed in his hands, and he has se- cured the co-operation of Dr. J. E. K. Aggrey, a brilliant native professor, who has accepted the post of vice- principal.

A Native Chief
Dr. Aggrey belongs to a leading Gold Coast family of the Fanti tribe, and is himself a chief. He has had wide academic distinctions and a world renown as a negro education- ist. For the moment he is the only native member of the staff.

Dr. Fraser, Dr. Aggrey and some 25
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