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# **Should Acquaint All Them With Negro Literature**

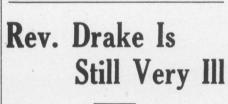
New York, May 4.-Writing in the May number of The Messenger, a Negro magazine, Miss Kathryn M. Johnson, well known distributor of Negro literature and coauthor of the book. "Two Colored Women with the A.E.F." says: "There is no doubt of the great need of the education of the white people through the distribution of literature concerning the Negro. . . That a white man could grow up in the South, or in any other section of the country, and learn nothing about Negroes except that they have been slaves, is not a thing to amaze one; but the tragic thing about the whole matter is that not even Negroes have had a chance to learn anything of themselves, until within the last few years."

For some years Miss Johnson has. been selling throughout the country a "Two Foot Shelf of Negro Literature" with much success among Negroes, and she now sees that the same work could be done among whites. "I think a similar plan" says the author, "could be worked out among the white people of the country through a bureau for the distribution of Negro literature, whose purpose would be to make out a speaker's itinerary, arrange dates for public addresses in churches, schools and from public platforms of any kind. These public



**REV. W. CONSTANTINE PERRY, OF** NORTH BUXTON

He was the guest of the Brotherhood of the B. M. E. Church on Men's Day. Rev. Perry delivered two very splendid sermons on that occasion.



Rev. S. R. Drake is still confined to his home, 229 Maitland street, with a

#### Mother!

Queen of the World, by love enthroned, on whose head rests the diadem of honor, loyalty and blessedness-we, the children of the Human Clan, salute thee. We bow our heads in humble humility, kneel prayerfully; we raise to thee in a chalice of purity the best work of our hands, the sacred thoughts of our minds and the love of our hearts.

A. M. K.

# **Detroit Policeman Charged With Killing of Negro**

#### (N. A. A. C. P. Press Service)

New York, April 29 .- After a number of conferences between W. Hayes McKinney, chairman of the legal committee of the Detroit Branch, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, and Robert M. Toms, Detroit prosecutor, Mr. Toms has recommended the issuance of a warrant charging Patrolman William Hoye with manslaughter. The warrant was signed by Judge Arthur Kilpatrick.

It is alleged that Patrolman Hoye on January 7 last came upon two colored men fighting and ordered them to hold up their hands. One of these men, William Aldridge, while holding serious illness. His condition at pre- up his hands, attempted to explain the Palermo, Sicily. His first article is sent is critical, showing very little cause of the altercation and, it is al- entitled "Impressions of Morocco." All

### J. J. Rogers **Informs Public On N. Africans**

New York, April 11.-Writing in the May number of The Messenger, Mr. J. A. Rogers, noted Negro author and juornalist, says of the North Africans, "The Moors are a mixture of African, European and western Asiatic stock, with the Negro strain dominant. Look at any Negro community, particularly one in the north, with its sprinkling of fair and dark white persons, and one has a pretty accurate idea of a Moorish town as say Rabat, and the native quarter of Casablanca. "The best that can be said of the average Moor as I have seen him here," continues Rogers, "is that he is very backward. He has a tendency to reduce his expenditure of energy to a minimum, and large numbers of them may be seen in the smart French quarter, stretched out on the pavement of fine buildings, sound asleep, clad in indescribable raggs. Such squalor, such ragged, dirty clothing, such wretched beggars in swarms, such neglected children. I have never believed existed before in clad in indescribable rags . . .

Mr. Rogers is touring the countries lining the shores of the Mediterranean Sea and will be abroad for some time. When last heard from he was at addresses could be followed by some progress. However, his physician is leged, was struck in the mouth by the is not rags, dirt and squalor, how-

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one who could sell magazines to the people, distribute printed matter, and personally visit the homes of whatwho expressed an interest in purchasing books." She then relates the connection have visited him, bringing armed. successful efforts she has made to get books on the Negro into white libraries and clubs and homes. Miss Johnsuch tokens of esteem. Letters and troit. son concludes that such endeavor increases the whites' respect for Negroes and thus helps in solving the

Other articles in the May Messen-"Moslem Propaganda ger are: Among Negroes," by A. T. Hoffert, "Impressions of Morocco," by J. A.

Eugene Gordon, "Book Reviews," by departments and cartoons.

hopeful of his ultimate recovery. Owing to his run-down condition, it is comfort and expressing sympathy with his family who greatly appreciate of police brutality in the city of De- published in New York City.

messages are being received from every church in the B. M. E. confe-**Toronto Baptist Divine** rence over which Rev. Drake has presided for the past 19 years.

Rogers, "Negro Land Grant Colleges," James W. Ivy, "The Negro Theatre," by Robert S. Wilkinson, "Negro Dis- by Theophilus Lewis, "Text Books in tance Runners," by E. B. Henderson, Public Schools," by Alice Dunbar

patrolman and then while holding his ever. Mr. Rogers tells of Moors who hands over his head, Mr. Aldridge was own magnificent homes, are very shot and killed by the police officer. wealthy, are scrupulously clean and ever people there were in the audience naturally expected that his recovery When the body of Aldridge was dash about town in expensive motors. will be slow. Friends from the entire searched it was found he was un- He tells much of their work. their art and their customs; all curious and in-The N. A. A. C. P. is prosecuting this teresting to black people in America. case as a result of numerous reports The Messenger is a Negro magazine

> of the National Negro Baptist Convertion of Nashville, Tenn.

Rev. Williams, who has served the **Resigns Pastorate** First Baptist Church for six years. and is a member of its well known quartette, was born in Tennessee, and

Toronto, Ont .-- Rev. A. McEwen is a graduate of the Roger Williams Williams, pastor of the First Baptist University of that state.

At a meeting of the church recently Church of this city, has resigned his "The Best Editorial," selected by Nelson, and the usual illustrations, pastorate to become a member of the a pulpit supply committee was elected editorial board of the publishing house with Robert P. Edwards, chairman.