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OUR COLORED FRIENDS THE NECRO RACES

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Mrs. J. B. Straith, of Owen Sound, who has charge of this work in the W.C.T.U. and is therefore fully informed and knows what she is talking about writes me as follows:

"I am extremely sorry to note that our Canadian Negro, or Colored man, is going from us, and instead we are getting the West Indian Negro, which is not the asset that we would like, and they are not in demand for work more han the whites, I am sorry to say. In this we make a grave mistake. We should see to it that this race should be especially trained for all kinds of respectable, honest service, and be treated as human beings should be treated in a Christian community. God's laws and plans cannot be broken with impunity. they are, either by the person or by low."

"Are they rising socially?" she was asked, and replied: "I would like to ask this question. How can they? Personally, I know they have in some quarters, made wonderful strides along social lines, yet, in other places they are degenerating. We, as Anglo-Saxons, have much to answer for at the bar of justice, for our The Snappy, Spicy, Girl Show with treatment of the Colored man, if we do not as a race face our sin and repent of it, seek forgiveness, and give our brother Colored man a square deal. We must help him onto his feet, not by giving him financial assistance, but an education adapted to the race, so that he will be an asset to our country and not a pauper as so many are at the present time."

In our own beloved City of London, I am happy to write, we have an honorable and honored society of Colored people. They support a comfortable little church of their own, in their own section in the south eastern part of the city. They have a faithful Colored pastor to look after their needs. They have beautiful homes on beautiful streets, for we must all admit that our little city of 60,000 or more is beautiful everywhere.

The Rev. Mr. Drake, of 229 Maitland St., London, who gives me much information, tells me they publish a weekly paper, which is called "The Dawn of Tomorrow," the only paper published by Colored people in Canada, and is well supported by their own people everywhere, and well deserves to be, as I found on examining some back numbers that were given to me, reading them with great interest, and can recommend them to any wanting and able to appreciate good literature.

The whites, Mr. and Mrs. Drake tell me, are all very friendly, showing no tendency or disposition to evade them on account of their color. The character is the soul of the man and this they all have the common sense to realize, and can therefore meet on equal terms, and enjoy each other's society as intelligent Christian people should.

In the Colored Women's Association, I am told, the work is more rapid among women and girls than the same kind of work is among young men. The Missionary Review of the World, which is sure to be authentic and reliable, says in a

recent number, that in 1912 the Colored Young Women's Christian Association has but one city, and but one student secretary on the National Board. Now in 1923, it has eleven National Secretaries, and 108 workers in seven centres with fifty-seven In the past ten years, branches. 90,000 women and girls have been reached and here are now 7,000 young Colored girls registered as members of the movement.

The student work for young Colored women in America, such as the Young Colored Women's Christian Association, is organized in 68 institutions, what is called the "Interracial Movement", in the South, and the "Interracial Movement" of the Federal Council of Churches, are the direct outgrowths of work done by the Young Men's and Young Women's Christian Associations.

It would make this article much too long, and perhaps it's too long as it is, were I to give a tithe of what the nation, the penalty is sure to fol- might be written on this fruitful and absorbing question. But this seems to be an accepted fact, among the students of this problem. The Negro is here to stay. We need him and he needs us, and our duty is to treat him as the young lawyer said, "As Jesus Christ would have us treat

> The Greatest Colored Entertainers, Sonny Thompson's Colored Troupe with "LET'S GO."

Next week's offering at the Grand Theatre, Monday Tuesday and Wednesday, twice daily, 2.15 and 8.15 p.m. should be of sufficient appeal to its patrons in this city to warrant a visit of the majority of them to that popular playhouse. Especially will its attractiveness appeal to the ladies, who are in the habit of attending the daily matinees.

To round off the bill at the Grand Theatre the producer of "Let's Go" offers Sonny Thompson's Entertainers, one of the greatest aggregations of colored singers, dancers and musicians ever seen on the stage.

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