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Jack Johnson Wins

Nogales, Sonora, Mexico, May 2—
Jack Johnson, former heavyweight
champion of the world, won a referee's
decision from Pat Lester of Tucson,
Ariz., in a fifteen-round bout here today.

Immediately after the fight, Johnson
announced he would accept a challenge
delivered at the ringside by a representative
of Luis Angel Firpo, for a bout between
the winner of to-day's bout and "the Wild
Bull of the Pampas."

The match was fast. Although Johnson,
who is 48 years old, out-boxed Lester in
every round, he never approached a
knockout over his young opponent.

Johnson, who weighed 218 pounds,
finished the bout in excellent condition.
His opponent, Lester, is 24 years old,
and weighs 225.

LONDON

On the 29th of April the Get Acquainted Club rendered a sacred concert over the Free Press radio. A great number of post cards have been received by the club expressing great admiration for the quality of the singing. These cards came from many points in Ontario as well as from several cities in the States. A striking peculiarity common in each card was a request that the club repeat the concert in the near future. An article appearing in the Free Press the following Monday stated that it was one of the best choruses which had ever broadcasted from that station.

Mr. George Workman who has been very ill is much improved.

We are glad to report that the condition of Miss Alice Drake shows a decided improvement. We expect to see Miss Drake up and around again very soon.

Rev. Thomas Woodcock will preach the anniversary sermon to the Get Acquainted Club. The Club expects to be at its best in rendering some of its musical selections.

On Tuesday evening, May 4th, Bishop G. C. Clement, A.M., D.D. of the 5th Episcopal Division of the A.M.E. Zion Church was a distinguished visitor of the B.M.E. Church of our city. A splendid program had been previously arranged which reflected much credit upon the church. The program consisted of addresses of welcome, numbers by the choir, duets, male and female quartets. Bishop Clement was introduced to the audience by Rev. Drake, our Supt., after which the Bishop preached a most powerful sermon.

Mrs. Grace De Groat and her infant son Louis are visiting their parents and grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Mathews.

To Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Moxley of Trafalgar St., a fine baby boy, at Victoria Hospital on Saturday, May 1. Mother and baby are doing very well.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Fountaine was again the centre of great mirth last Tuesday evening when the Get-Acquainted Club met for the purpose of singing before Mr. A. D. Jordan of the Institute of Musical Art. The Club made a profound impression on Mr. Jordan. He gave the performers great encouragement for future possibilities. At the conclusion of the singing a very dainty luncheon was served by the hostess, Mrs. Fountaine.

The concert at Ingersoll, sponsored by the Misses Kelly and Berry was a tremendous success from a standpoint of production although it did not prove a financial success. All of the members of the cast as well as friends who accompanied them report a grand time.

OWEN SOUND

May 9th was Mothers' Day in the B.M.E. Church at Owen Sound. It was a beautiful day and the meetings were well attended all day. The pastor, Rev. E. A. Richardson had charge of all the services.

Mr. A. Patterson and L. Taylor left last week for their boat at Montreal. We are praying that they may have a prosperous season and a safe return home.

Mr. Daniel Green is back with us again. He is looking well after being absent for two years from our city. We are glad to see him again. He has been living in Toronto.

Our Pastor, Rev. E. A. Richardson is under the weather, suffering from a bad cold. We are praying for a speedy recovery.

The B.M.E. Church Choir is giving a Jubilee Concert in the Church on Wednesday night, May 12. Proceeds to pay on current debt which is over \$300.00.

Social Conditions Among Negroes Before 1865

(Continued from last issue)

By Fred. Landon, M.A.

"It would be impossible for us to state adequately the pecuniary condition of the people of color in Canada, but we should think they were worth not less than \$200,000. . . . Wild lands may be bought within five miles of the Detroit River at from \$3 to \$5 an acre, such as will produce from 25 to 40 bushels of wheat to the acre and on which anything will grow and do well that will do well in Ohio soil. There is no difficulty in selling any kind of produce here that the farmer can produce and that without traveling over a distance of 10 miles with it. Corn is worth 50 cents per bushel, wheat 65, oats 31, potatoes 50, butter 15, lard 10, pork \$4.50, beef \$3.50, eggs 20 cents per dozen and chickens \$1.50 per dozen the year round. The farmer who cannot live in Canada West with rich and fertile soil beneath his feet, with a mild climate and with an anti-slavery government over his head, possessing commercial advantages inferior to none in North America, must be a little too lazy to work and would die a pauper should he be placed in a country flowing with milk and honey."

A picture rather less favorable is presented in a letter from Isaac J. Rice, missionary at Amherstburg, appearing in The Liberator of November 23, 1849. He is concerned over the helplessness of the people coming in. "Whole families reach us," he says, "needing clothing, provisions, a home for a few days until arrangements can be made for life, and all this amid strangers, the prejudiced. They are driven from schools in the States, they are no better here. If they go in schools by themselves, their portion of public money is allowed; but Canadians will not teach them, so that your teachers from the States must do it and aid them also about getting land and various other ways. We have received at our house and clothed more than 50 from the South."

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of Wilfred Lloyd Drake, who departed this life nine years ago. April 27th.

We know thou hast gone to the home of thy rest,
Then why should our souls be so sad.
We know thou hast gone where the weary are blest,
And the mourners look up and are glad.

Father, Mother, Sisters and Brothers.

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IN MEMORIAM

Our dear father, Mr. G. H. Baldwin, whom we loved so well, departed this life three years ago, May 6th, 1926.

Sadly missed by mother and family.

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