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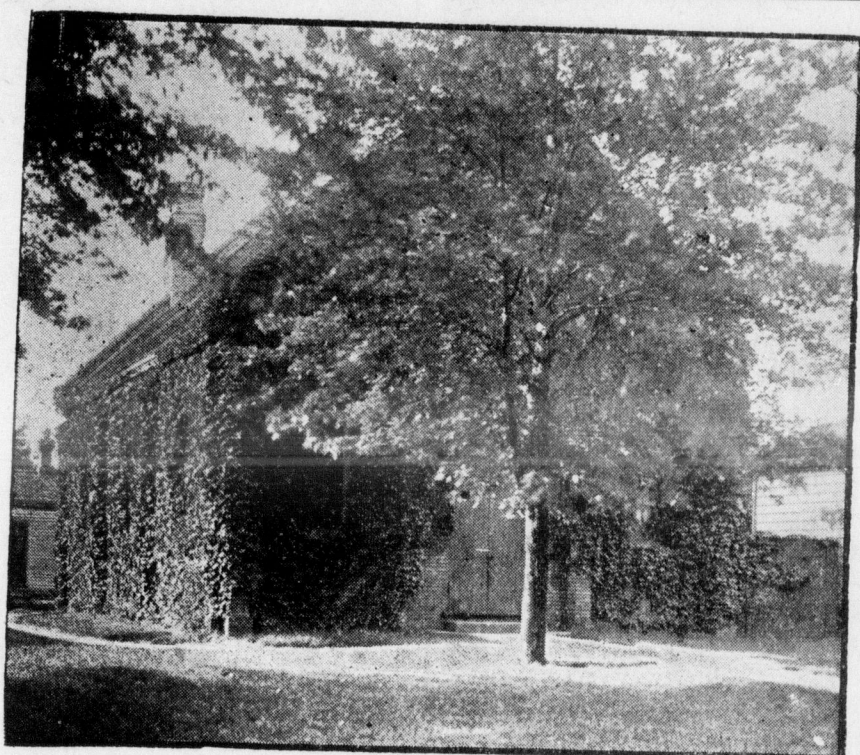
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B. M. E. CHURCH CELEBRATES ITS 68TH ANNIVERSARY

Beth-Emanuel B.M.E. Church of London, Ont., for the past week has been commemorating the anniversary of the church with special services on Sunday Aug. 17th and 24th, and various programmes during the entire week. Rev. R. A. Ball of Toronto was the special speaker at the opening celebration and gave two very helpful discourses to large and attentive audiences. On Monday night the choir under the able leadership of Mr. Paul Lewis, gave a musical program consisting of solos, readings and choruses. Rev. E. M. Woods and choir of Hill St. Baptist Church assisted materially in the success of the anniversary. Our Brotherhood, Church Aid and Stewardess' Board, all are very deserving of much commendation for the noble way in which they worked to bring about a successful week. An orchestra consisting of Messrs Jno. Lucas, P. Lewis, Geo. Fountain and Fred Ball, also proved an interesting feature of the week's programmes.

Many interesting things were recalled of bygone days. Mr. H. A. Mackay one of the oldest members of the Church gave some very pleasant remarks of the history of the church as he knew it. Mr. Makay became somewhat reminiscent, and told of the many things that transpired in the long ago. Mr. J. F. Jenkins spoke on the historic background of the race and was worth listening to. Aug. 24th brought the week near the close with special services all day. The choir at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. excelled themselves. Mrs. Geo. Workman rendered a very pleasing solo at 3 p.m. and Mr. A. Moxley, the bronze medalist of The Canadian National Exhibition of 1923 was the soloist at the evening service. Rev. S. R. Drake was the speaker for the evening service, and his subject on "Stewardship" was a masterpiece. The Sunday School under the direction of J. W. Fountain and his staff of workers will bring the anniversary to a close on Monday, Aug. 25th with a special programme and refreshments.

Many out of town friends attended the anniversary services and the events during the week. The pastor and officers are very grateful to all



Beth-Emanuel B.M.E. Church, Gray Street, London Ont.

This picture was taken some years ago. In Nov. 1922, under the pastorate of Rev. H. D. Wright, the Church was remodeled and a beautiful basement added to the building.

NEGRO SAVES BIG PAY ROLL

Chicago, Ill., Aug.—(By The Associated Negro Press)—In a recent article concerning the worker's partnership and responsibility in industry, published in the World's Work, Judge Elbert Gary, chairman of the United States Steel Corporation, pays tribute to the colored escort of the company cashier who, after the cashier had been shot and killed by one of three robbers, drew his pistol, killed one of the highwaymen, incapacitated the others and saved the corporation's payroll.

Mr. Gary writes: "That colored man had more than saved the company's money. He had staked his life. Nobody could have blamed him for running. But he didn't. Today he carries an engraved gold watch of which he is prouder than of his birthright. He carries other things besides. He knows that he will never want for anything."

friends, the auxiliaries and visitors for their interest and support during the week. Special mention must also be made of those who decorated the hucch with flowers. This added very much to the beauty of the church during the celebration.

Important Notice

The Canadian National Association for the Advancement of Colored People will hold its second meeting on Tuesday evening, Sept. 2nd, at 8 o'clock, in the Y.M.C.A. Building, (3rd floor), Wellington St. President J. W. Montgomery, of Toronto will preside. Business of importance will be transacted. Members and friends are urged to be present.

B. E. FOUNTAIN, 1st Vice-Pres.

J. F. JENKINS, Sec'y.

England Wars On Arab Slave Traders

Zanzibar, Africa, Aug.—(By The Associated Negro Press) England has a little war that never ends off the coast of this town. It is a war the navy wages against the Arab "blackbirders" and gun-runners in the Persian Gulf and the Red Sea and off the coast of this town.

There are only two kinds of commerce to which the Arab takes wholeheartedly. Slave trading and gun. The Arab will pack a horde of unhap-

"THE NEGRO RACE"

(By S. E. G. Allen)

We are a Christian people. Members of a Christian nation, professing to do what we can to bring the whole world to a knowledge of Christ and His teachings. But do we sufficiently pause to think if the work we are doing is the wisest and best we are capable of. Are there not avenues open to us that we are neglecting. Opportunities we could take advantage of right at our doors.

Are we doing always what is right, not forgetting that right is might, and we must be right with our nearest neighbors or we cannot be right with the rest of the world. We are in constant need of Divine help.

I have just been reading an article in a "Missionary Review" on the relations between the "Negroes as a race" and the white people, that seemed so practical and Christ-like, that I could not help wishing it might appear everywhere. I will try to give the substance of it as briefly as possible. It opened by saying: "Recognizing one God as the Father of all, and conceiving mankind as His family, we are convinced that all races are so bound together in an organic unity, that only on the basis of brotherhood can satisfactory relations be secured. The Christian conception of God and man constrains us to believe wholeheartedly that the races should and can live together in mutual helpfulness and good will, each faking its own contribution to the richness of the human family as a whole, and cooperating with the others in seeking the common good."

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py Negroes into the hold of a chow, where it is as dark as pitch, absolutely unventilated and hotter than hades and run for a port where he knows a good price is obtainable for "black ivory."

When the hatches are lifted such of the wretched slaves as have survived are marched ashore and sold. The dead are thrown overboard and the trader goes off after another cargo. Putting down "blackbirding" and gun-running is one of the many miscellaneous jobs allotted to the British Navy. Sea patrolling is done by ships or boats, according to locality. Much of it falls to the lot of armed cutters, commanded by an officer and manned by a few bluejackets, which sail about in search of dhows.