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Editorial

A CHANCE TO CO-OPERATE.

The Canadian League for the Advancement of Colored People offers to our group the opportunity to come together and act in unison for our best interests which we have ever had. We have working with us the best citizens of the white race and they are showing a deep interest in the welfare of the League. We have received letters from most prominent citizens in other cities approving of our movement and expressing their willingness to assist it in any possible way. It would seem therefore that before very long we shall have on our Board of Directors, prominent citizens from all parts of the Dominion. To illustrate the sincerity with which our white brethren are doing the work we wish to point out this fact: At the first meeting of the Board of Directors committees were appointed to work out plans for putting our platform into operation. Within two weeks from that date each committee had met in full and had drawn up plans for the furtherance of the work. We were present at each of these meetings and we can truthfully say that more earnestness could not have prevailed on the part of the Anglo Saxon members if the League had been entirely for the benefit of their own people.

Now the question that comes to our own people is: How much shall we ourselves contribute to the success of this movement? How much shall we allow our petty jealousy and indifference to stand between us and a movement which is meant to uplift all the people and which is intended especially to benefit the children? Already we see the "rising tide" of petty jealousy and littleness. Already some are saying it is only a movement on the part of a few for the benefit of still fewer. Of course such a spirit of littleness has not come to us unexpectedly. We, from the beginning knew all of these things would come to pass and for that reason we are armed and well prepared to meet and withstand the fury of such unjust criticism. And so—we have put on the armour and we shall go forth. Our old men have dreamed dreams and our young men have seen visions, for a people that hath no vision shall perish. We have dreamed dreams of millions of dark children yet unborn and we have seen visions for the

countless millions who are ours now. We see these beautiful children of the sun taking their places beside the children of other peoples. And it is through the efforts of The Canadian League for the Advancement of Colored People that this vision shall be realized.

The aspect which has impressed our friends most, save the necessity of the movement, is the spirit of unselfishness and the spirit of sacrifice in which the promoters began the movement. They asked not so much for themselves a place in the sun, but that the children might have a place there.

Men and women of our race, we need your help, we need your co-operation as even our Creator needs the help of human beings in order that His plans shall reach fruition. Still the League shall not cease to function and to do a noble and inspired work, because a few disgruntled and jealous bigots.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Sir and Bro,—

I am at this time writing you a few lines to let you know that I appreciate very much reading your paper The Dawn of Tomorrow, as my home is in Canada. I have received a great deal of information that I would not have otherwise, and I wish to congratulate you upon the successful continuation of the publication of your valuable paper and I wish for it a long life. I am aware of the fact that congratulations without money will not go very far, so I am enclosing \$2.00 for my subscription for a year and I wish you much success in the present campaign that you have launched for new subscribers.

I think that the people of our race in Canada should feel proud of the fact that they have a medium through which they can express themselves for the good of the race, thereby creating an inspiration that will spread far and near, the effects of which will be felt for good in years to come both in Church and State.

I will contribute to the paper from time to time, after I get my church work better arranged for the year and let the public know of some of the plans that we have put into operation and the results of the same.

I am, yours for the uplift of the Race,

A. W. HACKLEY,
Ottumwa, Iowa.

FRIENDS

(By S. E. G. Allen)

There were myriads of angels before the world was,
There are myriads that heaven still on messages sends
Some day I will join this great army because
Jesus and I are friends.

Yes, the friendships of earth may be noble and true
Even glorified where Divine Presence extends.
But when he is the Master and Governor too
Then Jesus and I are friends.

And to answer the old question "Lovest thou Me?"

While on me this all-conquering love so descends,
I must give in return what I can full and free,
Then Jesus and I are friends.

How I this love prove? How can I this love show?
For on Him all true happiness ever depends,
If I labor and live for Him, I'll surely know,
That Jesus and I are friends.

ST. CATHARINES

Miss Jessie Little of Niagara Falls, N.Y., spent Friday in the city, the guest of Misses Clara and Louise Bell.

Mr. Mark Lawson of Syracuse, the guest of Miss Berita Smith is renewing old friends.

Mr. Wm. Young, Emmett Smith and Walter Cornish motored across the river to the Elk's Dance.

The new arrival at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Nicholson is a boy, it being reported previously as a girl.

Miss Madeline Barnes spent Thanksgiving in Buffalo.

Mrs. Sykes will be with us a few days, the guest of Rev. and Mrs. H. F. Logan.

Who is the young lady who says she will have her engagement ring by Christmas? There is many a slip twixt the cup and the lip.

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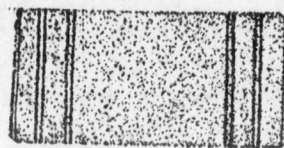
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