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Acting Mayor McCormick Welcomes  
Delegates to London Convention.

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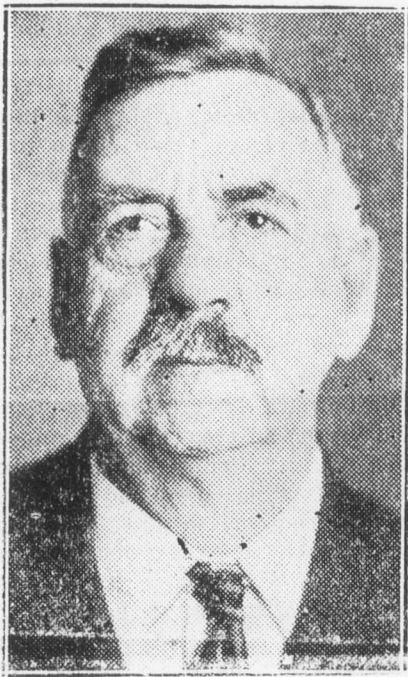
Visitors Honored at Banquet Given By  
Local League Branch.

Several hundred people attended the sessions, both afternoon and evening, of the general convention of the Canadian League for the Advancement of Colored People, held Oct. 10th in the old City Hall, London East. The afternoon program opened with an address of welcome on behalf of the city, by Acting Mayor James McCormick, who said he was proud of the London branch for bringing the convention to this city. He said that it was in keeping with the civic spirit of London that tolerance should be manifested in this way. The city was theirs during their stay, and if they desired to see any particular part of it, the civic authorities would be glad to provide conveyances for them. Mr. McCormick ended by saying that if by any chance the executive were in debt through this convention, he, personally would promise to assist them.

A. E. Silverwood, the next speaker, urged the audience to support the executive board, of which he is president. He hoped that the conference would be the means of placing the league on a firm footing. The keynote of the address of John W. Montgomery, national president was "Co-operation," and he placed several sound suggestions before the committee. One of the most forceful speakers of the convention was Mrs. Bowles, the Windsor delegate, who spoke at length on race prejudice, and also on unemployment amongst the colored people. In reply to the lady delegate's address Mr. McCormick promised the support of the white people of London to the local colored population in regaining any lost prestige and privileges.

David Ross of London, national treasurer, dwelling on the well-known virtues of the colored races, was one of the chief speakers of the afternoon. Mr. Ross has spent a

great deal of his time among the negroes of Africa and is particularly well versed in the natures and characteristics of colored peoples. White races, he declared, owed the negroes a lasting debt in lieu of their having been misunderstood for such a long



Acting Mayor James McCormick, who welcomed the delegates to the city. He was loud in his praise of the good works the C.L.A.C.P. is doing for the colored people and for the community.

time. He drew attention to the lovable qualities which went to make up the colored disposition and pointed out the generosity of nature so predominant among colored people.

Co-operation among the peoples of the race was one of the points chiefly emphasized by Mr. Ross also. It was by their own hands, he believed, that the negro peoples could make what they wanted of their position in life. He, too, urged a greater and more combined effort toward the education of the white peoples away from color prejudices.

The three suggestions concerning the improvement of the position of the colored people which were later embodied into the most important resolution of the day were made by

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## Advancement of Negro Lauded By Rosenwald

Mr. Rosenwald took a paper from his desk and exhibited a copy of Les Echos, the French commercial magazine which featured an article on French-American relations by Henry Berenger, the French statesman and diplomat.

"We think of the Negro in terms of 50 years ago," said Mr. Rosenwald as he held aloft the French magazine with its article which was curiously applicable to the race problem as well as to International relations. "Speak of the Negro and most people think of a cotton field, a plunking banjo and a plantation melody. Few people have taken enough interest in the Negro to see his great strides. Ninety-five per cent. of us are influenced by our prejudices."

"The time is coming when we ought to give the Negro better schools for training teachers, doctor and nurses," he said.

"The Negro schools of the south are making remarkable strides; Fisk University at Nashville is making great headway. Meharry Medical College is doing splendid work and ought to be improved. Howard University at Washington ought to be more adequately supported. The A. & I. Negro Teachers College at Nashville, a state school, has made wonderful advancement under the direction of Dr. W. J. Hale and his wife, who are exceptionally capable leaders—a fine man and a fine woman. There are many other good colleges of such nature in the South.

"But we need more Negro doctors. There ought to be apartments for them to have access to hospitals where it is necessary that they get their experience and training. There are not enough Negro doctors in the cities of the north.

The ruler of Liberia, a highly successful Negro republic, is in London joy riding and discussing literature with British diplomats who think he has a political axe to grind. But the visiting chief executive whose name is King, though he is, officially, a president, is not interested in politics. His people have no trouble. President King does not know why—unless, perhaps, because they pay no rent and have no labor problems. They work for 25 cents a day, retire to their farms every three months to harvest rice crops, and are happy.

## Letters Appearing In "The Fugitive Slave" Over 75 Years Ago

By Fred Landon

The following notes on the settlements in the Detroit River district of Upper Canada in The Voice of the Fugitive, Jan. 29, 1852.

"There is still a government school in operation at Sandwich with from 20 to 30 scholars. It is taught by Mr. Jackson, a man of color; the school at Windsor is taught by Miss Mary Ann Shadd, a worthy colored lady. She has between 18 and 20 scholars whom she is teaching in a private house.

The colored people here have procured a lot on which to erect a school and meeting house, and have got an agent out collecting funds for that purpose and expect soon to erect the building.

We visited during the past week the colored settlement seven miles from Windsor; also the new German settlement which is 11 miles east of Amherstburg. The former settlement has been sometimes called the Sandwich Industrial Society; a few years ago the African M. E. Church sent out an agent (the Rev. T. Willis) who collected money enough to purchase 200 acres of wild land, which was to be bought and divided into ten-acre plots and sold out to colored persons, on each of which they were to settle, with the exception of 10 or 20 acres which were reserved on which to build a school and meeting house. We found four or five families settled on the land who seemed to be industriously engaged in clearing it off. We observed that they had erected the body of the school house on the reserved lot; but there was no roof on it. There is a school in operation about one mile from the above, where there are several colored families settled who are owners of farms containing from 30 to 100 acres of good land. The school is taught by Mrs. Prescott, a white lady.

In the New Canaan settlement they have a flourishing school, taught by Miss Lyon. Here they have a good schoolhouse and a very promising settlement around it of good, industrious colored inhabitants, almost all of whom are owners of the farms which they are clearing off and cultivating."

The following letter from Hiram  
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## Editorial

### THE FIRST GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE C.L.A.C.P.

The first general conference of the Canadian League for the Advancement of Colored People, held in London on the 10th of last month was perhaps the greatest spiritual success the colored people of Ontario have experienced. Although belated as it was (two years behind scheduled time) the good which will result from this conference will be felt thruout the Dominion. It was a forum in which white and colored citizens met face to face and spoke their minds freely. In the deliberations which took place, the strength and the weaknesses of both races were laid bare and the basis of a common understanding was reached. It was with a feeling mixed with pathos and joy, and yet not without a ray of inspiration, that possessed one as he sat and listened to the expressions of hope, ambitions and aspirations; the barriers, difficulties and trials as they were expressed by the delegates of the various branches. These men and women have been made to realize that their is a race problem here in Canada and although free from many of the most barbarous aspects with which the race problem is fought in the United States, but withal a problem which calls for all of our energy, our resources and our intelligence to solve; a problem which calls for all the assistance and co-operation which fair-minded Christ-like white citizens can give. That thinking negroes have set out to meet and to solve this problem is shown by the trend of discussion which resulted. His worship, acting Mayor James McCormick, A. E. Silverwood, chairman of the executive committee; David Ross, National treasurer, entered into the discussion with a spirit of real brotherhood and fraternalism. They not only pointed out the short-coming of their own people, but they told the colored people of their own failures. They believed that the colored people were among Canada's best citizens and should be given an opportunity with all other citizens to labor and to rise through their own intelligence, thought and industry. They pledged their unstinted support to any plans by

which this might be accomplished.

If Canada's colored citizenry has ever been inspired to begin an upward striving it is now. If they have neglected the opportunities that stand at their doors, if they have neglected to educate their children, if they have not demanded their rights as Canadian citizens, if they have not striven heretofore to banish petty prejudices which bars their success, if they have fallen short of the progress which they should have made we believe now a new day has dawned for the Canadian negro.

The three most important resolutions adopted by the conference are as follows:

1. That we seek with the assistance of fair-minded white citizens, to banish petty prejudices which bars the colored youth from positions for which he has prepared himself.

2. That we prepare our boys and girls for positions in life for which they are best fitted by nature and endowment, regardless of race or color.

3. That we seek, with the assistance of friendly white citizens, to stop the flow of our youths to the United States by finding employment for them here in Canada.

4. The success of these resolutions depends upon, not one organization alone, not one group, nor yet upon one race. But if they are to mean anything at all it means first of all that our own people must be possessed with a vision and again that assistance must come from all the people who believe in fair play and British justice.

The following letter, apparently from an escaped slave to his former master, appears in The Voice of the Fugitive, of January 29, 1852.

Sandwich, Jan. 12, 1852

J. A. Levy, Esq.,

Respected Sir: When you purchased me, you promised that whenever I paid you the sum of \$380, I should then be manumitted and set free. I should have staid with you, and paid the balance due you which is \$50; I was truly unwilling to leave you until you were paid in full; but, respected sir, liberty is ever watchful, and I got an impression that you were about to sell me. This induced me to leave you, unwillingly I confess, but security to myself demanded the sacrifice. I am now free and in a free country. Still I wish to pay you the fifty dollars due, and if you will place my freedom papers, properly executed, in the hands of anyone in the City of New York, I will send a person with the balance due you to them, the same to be paid on delivery of the proper papers.

You will please to address me, per mail, Post Office, Sandwich, Canada West.

With respectful regard, believe me, Sir, to be your sincere well-wisher.

J. Levy

### THE FATAL DOCTRINE OF HATE.

(The Star of Zion)

Perhaps there is nothing in this country that is harming the Negro race more than the fatal doctrine or hate which our own newspapers and so-called "leaders" are instilling into the hearts of our people. There is no occasion for it. It makes us bitter

and savage and is turning twelve millions of people who are by nature, friendly and genial, into a mental mass that will work eternal injury to this race if it continues.

No "leader" ever talks to a group of our people but that he is condemning some individual or some section of our great country for what he calls "its treatment;" every race newspaper and every race magazine that reaches our homes has its major part taken up with vicious attacks upon the other race. And yet the Negro claims to want to follow in the footsteps of one by the name of Christ, and asks others to follow after Him. What can there be in this strange religion that preaches human love and fosters human hate?

Every man and woman in this world who thinks at all knows that there are wrongs and injustices on this earth that need to be righted, but can these be righted with hate? Need we manifest bitter dislike for every white man and woman because a few wrong some other few? Get some idea of perspective into these skulls of ours and let us stop hating and preaching hate.

### CONQUEST FOR POETRY

The Negro is today singing himself into the respect of the world: not with the precious old slave spirituals, exciting compassion, but with new songs that win admiration and disarm prejudice.

More and more difficult is the task of evaluating or describing the literary output of the young Negro writers of the day. It is too various for easy generalizations. There are too many strongly differentiated artists. The time has therefore come for critical essays upon individual creators. This is to say a great deal, by implication, on the subject of recent Negro achievement in literature.

Braithwaite's "Anthology of Magazine Verse," an event of major importance in the literary annals of each year, an authoritative and unrivaled volume, contains in the 1926 issue, twenty-three poems by eleven Negro poets. Here, unsegregated, the Negro poet appears on his merit by the side of the white poet, competitor with him for the same honors. The fact is immensely significant. It is hostile to lynching, and to jim-crowing.

Not alone by farm holdings and bank accounts, nor by banks and insurance companies—though good; not alone by fulminating editorials and protesting memorials—though necessary; not alone by speeches and sermons, but by the poems may freedom be achieved—freedom and that respect for self and race which every living soul accounts the chief boon of life.

—"Southern Workman."

### STRATFORD

Sunday visitors of Mrs. Harrison were Mr. and Mrs. W. Butler and family of Lucan, Mr. and Mrs. F. Kelly and family of London, Mr. and Mrs. Waldon and family of Guelph, Mrs. E. Hisson and daughter of Glenallan, also Munroe and Wallace Armstrong of Listowel.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Brightwell and son of Whitehall, Mich., were the visitors of Mrs. Harrison on their return visit from a trip through the States.

### RUDDY CANADIAN APPLES FOR OVERSEAS.

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MICHIGAN TO ACT IN INSUR-  
ANCE COMPANY'S ANTI-  
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MENT.

New York, Oct. 28.—The Nation-  
al Association for the Advancement  
of Colored People, 69 Fifth Avenue,  
is co-operating with the office of the  
Attorney General for the State of  
Michigan in a case arising out of  
discrimination against Negroes by  
an insurance company with offices  
in Chicago.

Paul G. Eger, Assistant Attorney  
General of the State of Michigan,  
reports to the National Office of the  
N.A.A.C.P. that the Federal Life In-  
surance Company had advertise-  
ments in Michigan newspapers with  
reference to a certain policy, in  
which they said:

"This special offer is open to  
members of the Caucasian or white  
race between the ages of ten and  
fifty, living within the United  
States or Canada."

Mr. Eger points out that the  
Michigan Insurance Code (Section  
30, Chap. 2, Part 3) provides there  
shall be no discrimination between  
white and colored persons. Mr. Eger  
states that "undoubtedly the com-  
pany will be cited to appear before  
the commission to show cause why  
their license should not be revoked."

In response to Mr. Eger's request  
for information as to the New York  
provision of the Insurance Code, ap-  
plying to this case, Arthur B. Spin-  
garn, chairman of the National Leg-  
al Committee, has obtained the nec-  
essary information which has been  
forwarded to Mr. Eger.

H. A. Lett, chairman of the Legal  
Redress Committee of the Lansing,  
Mich., branch of the N.A.A.C.P., re-  
ports that the action against the  
Chicago insurance company had  
originated in the Department of In-  
surance and was being handled by  
the Attorney General's office, with-  
out there having to be any request  
for it from colored people.

L. SOUTHERNER ATTACKS  
RACE PREJUDICE.

Attention is called to an articles in  
the November issue of the new  
magazine "Plain Talk" by Howard  
Snyder, a white man living in Miss-  
issippi, under the title "The South  
Bungles the Negro Problem." Mr.  
Snyder declares that one of the  
greatest injustices the South does  
the Negro is to see him as a class  
and not as an individual.

"Let and individual in the South  
have but a sixteenth or thirty-second  
part of Negro blood in his veins,"  
writes Mr. Snyder, "and it matters  
not how straight his hair, how clear  
his skin, how clean his morals, how  
brilliant his intellect—he is never-  
the-less to the Southern people just  
a "nigger," and on the same level  
with the half-civilized brute who  
beats his woman and boasts of 20  
illegitimate children.

Mr. Snyder exposes the falsity of  
the notion that the South can pros-  
per by "holding the Negro down"  
and writes: "Until the white man  
lends his hand in the uplift of the  
Negro, there is little hope of a bet-  
ter South for many a day to come.  
That the negro is capable of a high-

er degree of training for skilled  
trades is known to many; that he is  
also capable of the same higher edu-  
cation and culture that the white  
man enjoys is known to a few."

The plantation system encourages  
shiftlessness, declares Mr. Snyder,  
as it robs the soil and degrades the  
laborer. He says: "Surely it is high  
time the Southerner awoke to the  
fact that not through antagonism,  
but through co-operation will he se-  
cure the desired results financially,  
socially, and morally."

## RACIAL SUPERIORITY

The American Federation of La-  
bor comes out for the exclusion of  
"all Asiatic races" and for immedi-  
ate independence of the Philippines  
so as to include them in the exclu-  
sion. The Conservative party, in  
Canada, also declares bluntly for  
the exclusion of all Orientals. Aus-  
tralia, more tactful, passes no dis-  
crimination in words against Asi-  
atics, but merely instructs its im-  
migration officers to keep them out,  
by giving impossible "dictation  
tests" to any who apply.

Thus the lines are set, on the basis  
of nationality, culture or character,  
but of physical race. The frontier  
peoples of the white man's world  
unanimously resolve to exclude the  
brown and yellow man on grounds  
of race alone. The Asiatics, as unan-  
imously, refuse to accept this dis-  
crimination. They are willing to be  
kept out, but not for this reason.  
The white peoples may sometime  
disguise it, as Australia does, but  
the line they draw is actually of  
race.

For our generation and the next  
this policy will certainly continue.  
The Orientals and the American  
idealists, who think it wrong, have  
no present choice except patience.  
The price of wholesale migration,  
such as would happen if it were per-  
mitted, would be either race mon-  
gelization or its prevention by a  
caste system. The white peoples re-  
pudiate the one, and the Orientals  
would not submit to the other. The  
only escape is to dwell apart, each  
race in the lands it now holds.

But speculation into the future,  
when the whole world will have be-  
come even more than one neighbor-  
hood, and when the cultural and  
economic levels of all nations will  
have been equalized—how long can  
the now dominant race maintain its  
present system? We have occupied  
most of the best of the world, and  
seized dominion over the rest. The  
other peoples, restive under it, will  
regain their political independence  
within this generation. How long  
thereafter can the white race con-  
tinue its social exclusiveness?

Nobody knows. But, for as long  
ahead as we can foresee, it is the big-  
gest question in the world."

—Chester H. Rowell in the "Los  
Angeles Express."

She—"What's your definition of  
an optimist?"

He—"A fellow who looks at his  
shirt, just back from the laundry  
and says, Oh well, we needed lace  
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—Queens Journal.

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Mr. and Mrs. Frank Richardson and family of Gavanda, N.Y., motored to the city Sunday visiting Rev. E. A. Richardson and family, also Mr. and Mrs. B. Brewster.

Mrs. Rosetta Richardson of Toronto, is visiting her son, Rev. E. A. Richardson.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackson, who have been residing in the city all summer, are departing this week for their home in the South.

Mrs. Louis Bell and son, Bobby, of Toronto, are visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bell, Geneva St.

We are sorry to report that Mrs. Ida Summers is still confined to her home.

Miss Venita Smith has returned home after a pleasant visit in Oakville and Toronto.

We regret to report the death of the infant son, Charles, of Rev. and Mrs. E. A. Richardson.

The tag day held by the B.M.E. Church, Saturday, Oct. 8th, was a fair success, the proceeds being \$225.

## SAGINAW, MICH.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Givet celebrated their 50th anniversary at their home, 1406 Ledale Ave., Oct. 11th. The reception was a profusion of golden chrysanthemums and roses. The happy couple received many gifts, of gold which included \$130 in gold. During the evening a delightful program was given by the grandchildren, who compose the Bible Class taught by Mrs. DeGroat. Guests were present from Detroit, Flint, Port Huron, Stratford, Sarnia and Sandwich. Mrs. Debut and Mrs. Williams of Detroit motored from Detroit, visiting friends in Stratford and Owen Sound, while enroute to Saginaw. All departed at a late hour wishing the happy couple many returns of the day.

## WOODSTOCK

Miss Leona Clinton of London, spent Sunday visiting with Mrs. Sarah Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Marshall and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Marshall.

Arthur Marshall of Toronto, spent Sunday visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Marshall, Drew St.

Albert Blair spent Friday, Oct. 7 visiting friends and relatives in Windsor and Detroit.

Horace and Arthur Marshall spent Sunday in London, the guests of Mrs. Clinton.

Horace Marshall and Albert Blair attended the dance in London on Oct. 10th, given by the Canadian League for advancement of colored people.

Harold Marshall of Toronto, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Marshall, after spending the summer at Lake of Bays.

## ST. CATHARINES

Mr. R. Rudd, accompanied by Messrs. Hiram Berry, B. Wade and Busby, all of Hamilton, Ont., paid a flying visit to the city, visiting Rev. and Mrs. E. A. Richardson and other friends.

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Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Brown and their daughter Verna and their mother, Mrs. Mildred Smith, have returned home after an extensive trip through the Canadian West.

Mrs. Green, of Maitland Street, is very ill at Victoria Hospital.

Mrs. Nellie Washington is at present a patient at Byron Sanatorium.

The harvest home supper of the Baptist Church last Monday evening was a very enjoyable affair.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris. Brown are now located in their new home, 471 Maitland Street.

A grand concert will be given on Nov. 21st by the Get Acquainted Club in the interest of the two churches and the club. Everybody welcome.

The B.M.E. Church Aid will hold their annual Thanksgiving dinner on Nov 7th during the afternoon. A program will be given in the evening. Dinner served from 12 till 7:30 p.m., price 50 cents. Everyone is invited to come to dinner.

Miss Agatha Murphy is the guest of her friend Miss Fairfax of the city.

## MOTHER'S CLUB.

The Unity Mother's Club held their Hallowe'en social in the W. C.T.U. parlors. The reception-room and table were beautifully decorated in the Hallowe'en colors. Mrs. W. Fountain in her beautiful evening gown, served tea, while Mrs. Wilson, Brown, Kelly, Berry and Jenkins served the lunch. Mrs. Jones acted as chairlady of the evening, assisting Mrs. Kelly to carry on the program. The dainty lunch was served in groups. There was pumpkins and witches to match. The first one matched went in to tea. There was numbers from many friends who assisted in making the evening a pleasant one.

The Club wishes to thank those who assisted in making the affair a success.

On Friday, Oct. 14th the B.M.E. Choir held their election of officers in the home of Mrs. M. Harris, 11 Maitland St., with Mrs. Paul Lewis in the chair. A very successful meeting was held. The new officers are as follows: Chaplain, Mrs. N. Drake; secy., Alice Drake; asst. sec., Miss Dorothy Shadd; treas., Miss Gladys Stafford; librarian, Mrs. B. Morley; look-out com., Mrs. N. Chandler and Alice Drake. Jeanette Woodcock as organist is still filling her position in a pleasing way.

Miss Dorothy Shadd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Shadd of North Buxton, is making her home with Mrs. N. Drake, Maitland St., while attending Normal School.

Friday, Oct. 28th the B.M.E. Sunday school held their annual Hallowe'en social and masquerade in the basement. Thealia Thompson won first prize for the best make-up and Javan Woodcock second, for the most comical. A good number came masked and the judges were somewhat puzzled as the awarding of the prizes, but the applause of the audience made the decision. Lunch and ice-cream was served

and all went home happy after a pleasant evening. Mr. J. W. Fountain, Supt., looked after the ice-cream. Mrs. Woodcock sold the tickets and Miss Gladys Stafford and Alice Drake served the lunches, assisted by others. The committee wishes to thank all who attended or helped out in any way.

We would ask the mothers and fathers of London if we could have their co-operation each Sunday in the presence of their boys and girls in the Sunday school at 3:00 p.m. Anyone who desires to attend is welcome, as there is always room for more. We need workers, teachers especially.

Donald Leverne and David Ross Jenkins celebrated the first anniversary of their birthday last Tuesday. They received several letters and phone calls, congratulating them on the occasion.

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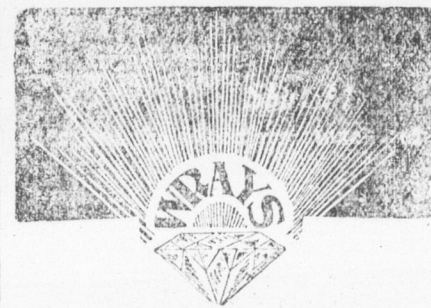
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Savannah, Ga., Oct. 26th.—On a little farm close to this city one of the greatest heroes of the World War is preparing to celebrate the ninth anniversary of the memorable day of the signing of the Armistice, which spelt victory for his countrymen and their allies.

Is One of the Thousands.

Arthur Moore is just one of the thousands of colored boys who fought and bled on Flanders Fields for the cause of his country. And like the distinguished Sergt. York, (white), who is called America's greatest hero of the World War, he performed a deed of real heroism that helped to bring victory to his comrades.

Moore is among America's immortal heroes who were decorated with the Distinguished Service Cross America's highest honor for valor. And when one asks Moore how he merited the coveted medal, modestly and unassumingly he tells them that he just did his duty like all the rest of the ally soldiers.

Volunteered To Go

The story goes that Moore was living at Marietta, Georgia, when President Woodrow Wilson signed the documents which threw the United States into the war with Germany. He was among the first to be drafted. Stirring events followed swift and sure for him.

He was sent to Camp Gordon. An S.O.S. for teamsters to come to France to drive teams through the mucky and muddy roads reached the camp and Moore who had driven horses and mules on the farm every since he was a boy, volunteered to go. He was immediately sent to New York, assigned to a company of teamsters and shipped to France.

Not much was heard of Moore any more until about two years later, when he wired from New York for money to get home. He came home broke, explaining that he had received no pay.

Good News Comes.

But it was not long after Moore arrived on his humble farm that he was brought before the eyes of the section of his state of Georgia as a hero.

It developed that in the shuffle that came with the draft his personal record was not taken, and that he was in line for full pay and besides a D.S.C. for heroism under fire. Moore had saved an entire detachment of American soldiers through an act of bravery.

Defied Death.

He was detailed to drive an ammunition wagon to a front-line trench where over a hundred of his comrades had been cut off without ammunition and were threatened with annihilation.

So Moore started out with a team of four mules and a heavy load of ammunitions. Shells were bursting all around him. One of the loads from a monstrous "Big Bertha" screamed over the lines and killed all four of his mules, and blew him a considerable distance. Moore, fortunately was only stunned and hurried back and got another team of mules. He hitched up the four new mules and started again under

heavy fire. In spite of further narrow escapes, he finally delivered the ammunition to the front-line trench just in time and thereby saved the day.

Today Moore is living with his family on the little farm which he bought with money he earned as a soldier, happy in the thought that he and his colored comrades helped to carry their country to victory in the mighty conflict.

LORD OLIVER CONDEMNS  
SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT'S  
NATIVE POLICY.

New York, Oct. 28.—The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, 69 Fifth Avenue, has received from England, a clipping of an article by Lord Oliver in the Daily Herald, sharply criticizing the South African Government's native policy. Lord Oliver refers to General Hertzog's "Native Land Bill" as being "really a bill to reduce all natives who cannot buy land to the position of bonded servants to the white land-owners and farmers." Of the "Native Administration Act, 1927, Lord Oliver states that it involves an entire destruction of the foundations of native self-government. The act, says Lord Oliver, "empowers the Government to define or alter the boundaries of any tribe, to divide existing tribes into one or more parts, and to amalgamate tribes or parts of tribes into new tribes and to prescribe where any tribe or any native is to live. Such proceedings imply the negation and destruction of the tribal system. It is intended to weaken the power of the natives for mutual aid, while debarring them from any substitute in parliamentary institutions."

KADALIE HEADS POWERFUL  
SOUTH AFRICAN LABOR  
UNION.

New York, Oct. 28.—The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, has received from England a clipping from the London Times containing a despatch from Zululand on the growth of the Industrial and Commercial Workers Union, a native organization headed by Clements Kadalie, himself a native of Nyasaland. The despatch states in part:

"Dissatisfaction with the land policy of this and the previous Governments has resulted in the spread of the I. C. U. in parts of the country where, conditions being otherwise, that body would have stood little chance to success. While the movement was confined to the towns comparatively little notice was taken of it. With its spread among farm laborers it caused a great stir." The despatch describes the movement as the "inevitable protest of the black folk against conditions of life which have become intolerable. The last few months have witnessed the spread of the movement in Zululand. Thousands of Zulus are joining up."

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Family Day and "Go To Church Sunday" was observed in the B.M.E. Church with considerable success on Oct. 16th. The services during the day were quite interesting and well attended both morning and evening. At 11 a.m. the pastor gave two addresses, one to the children: Pro. 30: 25-28; and one to the adults: Luke 10: 42, subject—"One thing needful." In the evening a very unique service was held and enjoyed by a large audience. Several musical numbers were given by the choir. Miss S. Stanfield gave a vocal solo. Mrs. Mary Howard gave a paper, subject: "The Family Life." Miss Vivian Knox of London gave a pianoforte selection, playing with variations the old familiar hymn, "There's a Land That is Fairer Than Day." This number added considerable interest to the evening program. The pastor read a paper entitled, "Reinstating the Family Altar," provided it is the honest exercise of sincere hearts and not a purely artificial procedure. There was a time, of which many of you present will remember this custom was more general than it is today in our home lands. Christian parents should not be satisfied therefore with less than a Family Altar in every home. Let us in real Christian earnestness and Godly sobriety replace the Family Altar as the center of all our home activities. The foregoing statements were some of the things which were offered in the appeal for the reinstating of the Family Altar.

Special services were conducted in the B.M.E. Church on Sunday, Oct. 23rd, the pastor speaking at 11 a.m. from Isa. 30: 18. Subject: "Blest for Waiting." At 7 p.m. Rev. J. T. Body, director of worship at the Fairlawn Ave. United Church, was the speaker, taking as his text the words recorded in St. John 12: 21, subject: "Seeing Jesus." The messages were listened to with marked attention by a very appreciative audience. The choir, under the direction of the chorister, Mr. C. Andrew Johnson gave several pleasing numbers including the well known Spiritual by H. T. Burleigh, "Deep River." Mr. Body gave the pastor, chorister and choir a special invitation to attend his church at so me future date assuring them of a pleasant reception and a hearty welcome.

At First Baptist Church, University Ave., Thursday evening, Oct. 20th there were many representatives of various other churches in the city present for the induction of a new minister, Rev. H. Laurence McNeil. Rev. Herbert Merrill, moderator of the Baptist Church Association of Toronto, was chairman of the evening, and called on clerk R. P. Edwards to extend the official welcome. Mr. Edwards spoke of the sorrow they had felt in the losing of their former pastor, Rev. A. McEwen Williams, but he welcomed Mr. McNeil as the one

man whom he thought "could fill Mr. Williams' shoes." The induction sermon was preached by Dr. W. T. Graham, Rev. Herbert Simmons delivered the charge to the congregation and Lewis F. Kipp gave the charge to the new pastor. Other speakers on the program were: Dr. T. H. Henderson of Grant A.M.E. Church; Rev. F. O. Stewart, St. James B.M.E. Church; and Rev. Dr. R. L. Bradby, of Detroit, Mich. Several selections were given by the choir, and a very bountiful repast was served by the ladies of the church.

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## Canadian League For Advancement

(Continued from Page One)

John W. Montgomery of Toronto, national president. It was he who urged that the league try in every way possible to do away with the prejudices which keep the colored man or boy from obtaining employment, together with the suggestion that proper training be provided, with the subsequent placing of the trained boy or girl. He drew attention to what he termed the alarming number of colored young people who were forced to leave the country to find employment at which they might have some chance of succeeding.

The discussion following upon President Montgomery's address was led by Mrs. Jennie Bowles, Windsor delegate, in a brilliant fashion, which did much to add to the enthusiasm of the gathering. Drawing from a wealth of experience in just such fields as those to which Mr. Montgomery referred, she made some excellent suggestions which led to a keen discussion and ended in an official endorsement of the program laid out by the president.

The following resolutions were adopted at the close of the afternoon session:

1. That we seek, with the assistance of fair-minded white citizens, to banish petty prejudices which bar our youth from positions for which he has prepared himself.
2. That we prepare our boys and girls for positions in life for which they are best fitted by nature and endowment, regardless of race or color.
3. That we seek, with the assistance of friendly white citizens, to stop the flow of our youth to the United States by finding employment for them here in Canada.

Solo by Fred Ball who sang very sweetly "When Shadows are Creeping."

Other speakers included Rev. J. H. Pinnick, Dresden delegate; Rev. N. G. Brown, Chatham; Miss G. Wilson, Brantford; Rev. T. O. Stewart, Toronto; Mrs. C. E. Jenkins, London, and A. J. E. Butler, local president.

The evening session of the convention opened with a banquet given by the local leaguers in honor of the visiting delegates. After the dinner speeches were made by Messrs. John Montgomery, Stewart of Toronto, Butler of London, and David Ross, the national treasurer. President Montgomery strongly urged that the local citizens support the colored people's publication, The Dawn of Tomorrow, and its zealous editor, Mr. J. F. Jenkins.

Vocal numbers were rendered by Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Jenkins, who sang "Life's Dream is O'er," and by the Misses Moxley and Hooper in the duet "Let Us Waltz As We Say Goodbye." Paul Lewis, in a fine tenor voice sang "The Road to Mandalay."

After the exceptionally clever musical artists had concluded their offerings, dancing was enjoyed to the popular and old-time music of

Campbell's orchestra.

One of the most pleasing numbers of the evening was rendered by the male quartet: Messrs. Lucas, Balt, Jenkins and Lewis.

## Letters Appearing In "Fugitive Slave"

(Continued from page 1.)

Wilson dated St. Catharines, Nov. 12, 1851, appears in The Voice of The Fugitive for Dec. 3, 1851:

"My main object at present is to give your readers some account of a rural walk I have just taken to the Grand River and back, and of the colored settlement on that river near Cayuga. I started on Thursday last, having before me a clever walk (37 miles) to reach the settlement. The roads were very muddy and unpleasant most of the way. I had the pleasure, however, of passing through a very fine section of the country, which is particularly adapted to lumbering, grain growing and grazing. I passed many very extensive and beautiful farms which were watered by the Chippewa River, and some fine buildings, though most of the houses were but indifferent in quality. The greatest evil I discovered by the way was the ruinous practice of drinking. I found about one mile from Grand River an interesting settlement of 18 or 19 families, besides a small group of colored settlers, two miles distant on a public road, making in all about 24 families.

They all have farms, varying in quantity from 50 to 150 acres, the aggregate being 2000 acres or more. I found on each lot a comfortable log cabin, and usually from 20 to 30 acres of cleared land, though some of the settlers have been there but three or four years. The land was purchased off the government at \$3.50 per acre though some of the last purchasers will have to pay interest annually till the principal shall have been paid, when they can have their deeds. The land has on it much valuable timber which is in great demand. It is generally level, or gradually undulating, and when cleared of trees and stumps reminds you somewhat of western prairies. The soil consists generally of a dark rich loam, with a subsoil mostly of clay with here and there ridges overgrown with pine trees and shrubbery indicating the presence of sand near the surface.

I found the people generally cheerful, contented and happy, and the majority in quite comfortable circumstances. With rare exceptions the adults were formerly slaves in the south, though I came across one man who was free, but had earned as a blacksmith and paid one thousand dollars for the freedom of his wife and children.

Brother J. W. Logan has arrived from Syracuse. Quite a number of others have lately come here from Syracuse and are likely to do well.

I have lately visited the settlement at Norwich and prepared the way for a teacher, who is doubtless there by this time."

### An Old Story.

You done me wrong said the Algebra question as the Freshman handed it to the prof. —Ubysey.

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