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SAD CONDITIONS IN LIBERIA NOW

(By The Associated Negro Press)
Chicago, Ill., Nov.—From the pen of Floyd Gibbons, head of the Chicago Tribune Foreign Service comes a significant series of articles covering various phases of the African situation. Mr. Gibbons, leading a Tribune caravan, has just crossed the Sahara desert. His most recent articles concern Liberia.

Mr. Gibbons claims that Liberia may be the light of republicanism in the Dark Continent, but that if it is, it is only a candle light. He draws a picture of Liberia steadily losing out in the march of progress and the growth of independent ideals. Diplomacy according to the Tribune writer, has been the mainstay of those leaders who have sought to direct the ship of state of the West African republic, but even it, expert as it has been, will avail little in protecting and saving the republic, once the countries of Europe get a chance to grab off the black diamond of the West Coast, Gibbons avers.

He explains that among the circumstances that have kept England and France out of the republic so far have been the necessity for keeping Europe straight, and the desire on the part of each to grab the best that Liberia has once the snatching is begun.

The republic built up by ex-American slaves has gone steadily into debt, to France, England and America. Liberia has no immediate chance of paying. What little finances it now has are in the hands of American officials. It is claimed that for months at a time its officials go without their salaries. Mr. Gibbons article would suggest that America is indifferent as to who gets Liberia and that only France and England are fighting for the spoils. The British colony of Sierra Leone bounds Liberia on the West and the French colony of Ivory Coast on the East. There are continual frontier disputes with more and more of Liberia being gobbled up. It is asserted that if Europeans didn't believe America had



MR. E. T. BROWN, of Nashville, Tennessee, who recently visited his son-in-law, daughter and grandson, Rev. and Mrs. A. McEwen Williams and McEwen Jr. Mr. Brown represented the Sunday School Publishing Board at the Michigan-Ontario convention in Detroit. While in Toronto he spoke very highly of the Publishing House being erected in Nashville at a cost of about one half of a million dollars.

SIGNAL HONOR FOR OUR GROUP IN CANADA

(By The Associated Negro Press)
London, Can., Nov.—A signal honor was accorded our groupe last week, when, at the Annual Meeting and Banquet of the London Brotherhood Federation, which was held in Wesley Hall, this city, Mr. James F. Jenkins, Editor of The Dawn of Tomorrow, Canada's only Negro paper, was elected Third Vice President. The London Federation is composed of the Brotherhoods of twenty-four churches, which includes two small colored churches, making Mr. Jenkins' election to the 3rd Vice Presidency most gratifying to the race.

some sort of sentimental interest in the republic, they would hie right into Monrovia and make short shrift of Liberian politics and politicians which are declared to be the bane of the country's growth.

Complaints often directed against American Negroes are also made against the Liberians by Gibbons. It is asserted that they have left the soil, have shown a surprising aptitude

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EDITOR J. JENKINS DELIVERS INSPIRING ADDRESS IN TORONTO

Toronto—The Third Vice-President of the London Brotherhood Federation addresses B.M.E. and First Baptist congregations. With "Brotherhood" as his subject, Editor Jas. F. Jenkins delivered an inspiring address, declaring that brotherhood was highly essential to the development of the race. "Brotherhood", said Mr. Jenkins, "is the only solution to the League of Nations, in fact," said he, "brotherhood of nations is highly essential in order to preserve civilization. In inaugurating the 'Our People Campaign,' it was our intention to interest our young people in the brotherhood of years ago, when Canada was the land of refuge for our escaping ancestors." Mr. Jenkins urged his hearers to assist the young people in their search for knowledge of "Our People in Canada." Rev. R. A. Ball, the energetic pastor of the B.M.E. Church and his congregation gave Mr. Jenkins a very cordial reception. Rev. Ball became reminiscent and gave an interesting account of the St. Catharines station of the Underground Railway, particularly of the fine sense of brotherhood displayed by Hiram Wilson, the noted abolitionist. Mr. Jenkins address was delivered at the close of a most interesting service, in which Rev. Ball delivered and excellent sermon, using for his subject the word "Come."

The choir under the direction of Mrs. Andrew Smith and Mrs. Edna Parker sang splendidly.

Earlier in the evening Mr. Jenkins addressed the B.Y.P.U. of the First Baptist Church. He chose for his subject "Songs of Our Fathers," telling in a terse and interesting manner the history of the old jubilee from the wilds of Africa to the present day. Mrs. W. T. Mustean, who has just returned from a trip to the South, presided. The First Baptist Church is in the midst of celebrating the 97th anniversary of its founding.

Voice 1 from back seat of touring car: "Do you like my moustache?"
Voice 2: "Yes dear. I can't see it. But when I run my finger over it I can hear it."

AFRICA MAY BE REDEEMED

Chicago, Dec.—"Some day Africa will be redeemed, but it will be by the Africans themselves, and not by some propaganda started in the United States," so declared James Welton Johnson, Executive Secretary of the N.A.A.C.P. in an address before 2,000 people, at Pilgrim Baptist, under the direction of the Inter-Racial Committee.

Mr. Johnson spoke at length on the trend of events in this country and other parts of the world as they affect the darker races. He spoke also, of the effect for good in the work now being done by the inter-racial committees throughout the country. Mr. Johnson declared that the committees are the culmination of efforts begun by the N.A.A.C.P.

During his stay in Chicago, Mr. Johnson spoke before the Womans City Club in the Loop, and was given a dinner Saturday evening by a group of friends at the Ideal Tea Room. In informal round table talks at the dinner, the fact was brought out that the large white contributors, when they found out that the association is making a fight for human rights, withdrew their annual contributions.

At the inter-racial meeting, Miss Jane Adams of Hull House, introduced Mr. Johnson, and Miss Mary McDowell, Welfare Director for the City of Chicago, presided. The National Negro Anthem, by Johnson, and Listen to the Lambs by Dett, were sung during the programme.

SOCIAL AGENCIES ARE WORKING

(By The Associated Negro Press)
Cleveland, Ohio, Nov.—The churches and social agencies throughout the city, of both races, have combined their efforts to see that all Colored migrants from the South, who have come north in recent months, are fully instructed in the manner of living and dress in northern cities for the winter. They are being told to always keep their feet dry, and wear sufficient clothes to keep the body temperature warm: always have fresh air in the sleeping room and get plenty of rest.

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Editorial

THE CONTEST

The contest: Our People in Canada, owing to the many requests from our young people for an extension of time and for the privilege to submit more than 300 words, the management has granted both requests. So, instead of closing the contest on December 1st, as previously announced, the contest will close January 5th. Contestants are also permitted to send in as many as 500 words instead of 300.

We are delighted to see the genuine interest and great enthusiasm manifested by our young people in the contest. It speaks volumes for the spirit of race pride and race consciousness which is awakening within the breasts of our children. This is the spirit which we have been praying for as race consciousness is one of the most potent factors in the development of any race.

That there is a necessity to gather historical data concerning the race is shown by the great interest that such eminent and public spirited citizens as Sir Adam Beck, Mayor Wenige and Mr. E. R. Dennis have shown in the contest. As soon as they read of the contest they voluntarily offered the first, second and third prizes respectively. They felt that the prizes should be worth while competing for and of course knowing of our financial condition, they themselves assumed the responsibility, offering the prizes.

We have gone to great lengths in order to make the contest a success, and while we have received several papers we feel that indeed many more should have come in. We are desirous of seeing our youth show an interest in the race and to express their gratitude to the donors of the prizes by entering wholeheartedly into the contest. The subject: "Our People in Canada" is not difficult to write upon, nor is it difficult to find important and interesting data concerning the race. For instance we were in Toronto recently, on which we visited the City Hall and Public Library. We gathered enough information in two hours to write a historical treatise of the early colored settlers which would hardly be contained in 1000 words. We talked with some of the older citizens: they gave us facts and figures which would fill a book. "Go thou and do likewise," and remember this, whoever you may be, YOUR CHANCES ARE JUST AS GOOD TO WIN A PRIZE AS ANYONE ELSE'S CHANCES ARE!

SEELY REPLIES TO THE UNKNOWN KNIGHT

Oh hearken! thou conceited Knave
("The Unknown Knight" was all the name you gave)
Your power at verse, I'd not at all diminish
But you have started what you'll never finish.
Your challenge read, I'll now give you a tip:—
From off my shoulder you have knocked the balanced chip.

I'm in the ring, with second close behind
And e'er the finish you will surely find
That rhyme and rhythm and scintillating phrase
Are my delight, like sunshine to the gaze.
Not for honor do I write, and not for gain,
But just to squelch your egotistic brain.

You say you're sure you'll lay me in the dust
I laugh with scorn, you fill me with disgust.
For, in the game of writing, like a few,
I have forgotten more than e'er you knew.
I'll treat a subject to be understood by all,
Not a lot of piffle about Thessaly and Gaul.

My verse will be descriptive of the terrifying sea,
Of the wild wind whining and the grief that came to me,
When the ocean black and trustless washed my little bark ashore,
And he cruel rocks to westward caused me woe for evermore;
Of the gallant rescue party, who fought against great odds,
Where husky men were helpless, in this turmoil of the Gods.

Oh! the weeping and lamenting and the anguish to the brain:
Oh! the sobbing and the mourning, and the agonizing pain.
'Twould be sad if I could tell you what this all has meant to me;
Could but explain the details of this horror by the sea.
But here, I can't continue, for my tears do fall by nines,
And I would not dare go further, for I've written thirty lines.

SEELY

The man with one joke should be required by law to keep a list of the people he has already told it to.

Major: "Bill has musical feet."
Minor: "Yes?"
Major: "Two flats."

Djer-kiss: "What do you think? The young Romeo asked me to sit on his lap last night."
Pompeian: "He did? What did you do?"
Djer-kiss: "I sat on him hard."

Her cheeks were pink as pink could be.
A natural flush such color ain't,
And all who passed her by could see She had her new fall coat

—Of Paint

Mary: "Mamma, were you at home when I was born?"
Mother: "No, dear, I was at grandma's in the country."
Mary: "Wasn't you awful s'prised when you heard about it?"

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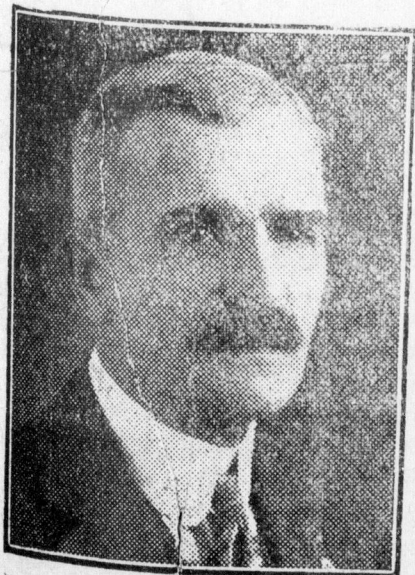
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1st Prize---Louis F. Taylor, Windsor,
Ontario.
2nd Prize---F. O. Stewart, London,
Ontario.
3rd Prize---H. F. Logan, St. Cathar-
ines, Ontario, and Miss Viva
Payne, Brantford, Ontario.

What-Not Column

(By Robert P. Edwards)

What condition of affairs existed on
this continent at the time of the first
Colored Convention?

Emancipation had just taken place
in New York, and had just been ar-
rested in Virginia by the Nat Turner
rebellion and Walker's pamphlet.
Secret sessions of the legislatures of
the several Southern States had been
held to deliberate upon the produc-
tion of a colored man who had coolly
recommended to his fellow blacks the
only solution to the slave question,
which after twenty-five years of ardu-
ous labor of the most hopeful and
noble hearted abolitionists, seems the
forlorn hope of freedom today--insur-
rection and blood-shed. Great Britain
was in the midst of that bloodless
revolution which two years after-
wards, culminated in the passage of
the Reform Bill, and thus prepared
the joyous and generous state of the
British heart which dictated the
West India Emancipation Act.

What is the origin of the word
"Tariff" in referring to customs du-
ties?

Tariff was originally the name of
a Moorish (African) chief who, hav-
ing a port in Spain, near Gibraltar,
was accustomed to levy toll on pas-
sing vessels. His toll became a
regularly understood thing and the
amount was added to the price of the
goods.

What did General Thomas Morgan
say of the Negro troops at the battle
of Nashville, Tennessee?

Gen. T. J. Morgan, speaking of the
courage of Negro troops in the battle
of Nashville, and its effect upon
Maj. Gen. George H. Thomas, says:
"Those who fell nearest the enemy's
works were Colored. Gen. Thomas
spoke very feelingly of the sight
which met his eyes as he rode over
the field, and he confessed that the
Negro had fully vindicated his brav-
ery, and wiped from his mind the
last vestige of prejudice and doubt.

Next Week's Whatnots

Who were some of the Race-men
who were active in the first Con-
vention of Colored people in 1830?

What Colored regiment fought with-
out pay for 18 months during the
Civil War?

Who was Captain Vincent?

NINE YEAR OLD BOY

DOES HIS BIT

(By The Associated Negro Press)

Columbia, S.C., Nov.—One of the
highlights of the Red Cross drive in
this district was the action of Bobby
Ward, nine year old Colored boy who
came to the campaign headquarters
and expressed his regret that he was
unable to become a member and of-
fered the drive leaders a big turkey.
He said he felt he should do some-
thing because the Red Cross organ-
ization had meant so much to him
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FORT ERIE NOTES

Rev. Logan preached at both morning and evening services. His text was "She is as fair as the Sun" Sol. 6:10. He illustrated his sermon very clearly to a large and appreciative audience.

Mr. Alex Nicholson and family entertained Mr. and Mrs. Richardson, formerly of Toronto, at dinner on Sunday.

Mr. Thomas, of Iuffalo, was the guest of Miss Erma Smith on Sunday evening.

Miss Ruth Collins spent Sunday afternoon with Miss Erma Smith.

Mrs. Preston Bright entertained at a birthday party on the 17th in honour of her daughter Jennie. The table was beautifully decorated in pink and white. Covers were laid for 21. Everyone wished her many happy returns of the day and presented her with many beautiful presents.

Mrs. Annie Taylor entertained at a birthday party given in honor of her daughter Gladys on Monday evening, November 19th. The table was decorated in pink and covers were laid for 22. Many beautiful presents were received and all reported spending an enjoyable evening.

BRANTFORD NOTES

Rev. and Mrs. S. Lucas have returned home after spending a few days in Woodstock and London. They reported a nice time.

Rev. S. R. Drake was with us last Sunday. His discourse was interesting throughout and thoroughly enjoyed by the congregation.

Mr. Thomas Plummer is still in the hospital and is slowly improving at this writing.

On Saturday, Nov. 24, Philip Del-fish and Clara Johnson were quietly married.

Mrs. Thomas Snowden is on the sick list. We wish her a speedy recovery.

WOODSTOCK NOTES

Mrs. Dr. Leburts left on Saturday to spend Sunday in London, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Tom. Parker of Beaconsfield Ave.

Mr. Wallace Cromwell and wife, and the Misses Jeanette and Florence Bain and Mrs. M. Bartley and Mr. Bain motored to London Friday night to see "Shuffle Along"

Mr. and Mrs. W. Cromwell and Mrs. Dr. Leburts accompanied Rev. Lucas to Brantford on Thursday by motor.

PUCE NOTES

Rev. Jas. R. Smith was called to Elmstead to conduct the funeral of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Scott on Thursday, November 22, at 2 p.m. The death of the little boy was unexpected. The burial took place in the public cemetery.

ST. CATHARINES NOTES

Miss Babe Wilkins has returned home again after spending a very pleasant time in Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Brown, Sec. of N.A.A.C.P. were the Sunday visitors at the B.M.E. Parsonage.

Miss Mary Stewart and Miss Beatrice Gales have returned from Toronto after a pleasant visit.

Mr. George Bell has nearly completed his new garage.

Mr. Aaron Cassell was in church on Sunday after a long absence attending his sick daughter, Mrs. Smith, who passed away. We were all glad to see him out again. He is one of the pillars of the church.

The Misses Edna, Gertrude and Bessie Bell were the week end and holiday guests of their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bell of Hamilton. They reported a delightful time.

Mr. C. E. Harper motored to Buffalo on a business trip and spent part of the day with an old St. Catharines boy, Mr. T. Delsworth.

Mr. Joseph Young returned home after a three week's visit in Detroit.

Mr. Edwin Lawson of Elmira, N.Y., is now with us in St. Catharines for a while.

Mrs. Joseph Young spent the week-end in Niagara Falls, N.Y.

Mr. B. Fletcher spent a few days in Buffalo.

Mrs. L. Cornish of Toronto is spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. Cummings.

TORONTO NOTES

There will be a Bazaar in the B.M.E. Church, Chestnut Street, December 19 and 20th. Admission 15cts.

Dr. and Mrs. Merwin Bibb, of Chicago are in the city. They are staying with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Simpson of Shaw Street.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Mustean of Walton Street, have returned from a trip to New York and Washington. They brought many glowing reports of race progress in those two noted cities.

The famous Georgia Minstrels are heading the bill at the Pantages this week, and are offering an excellent bill of Southern melodies, modern blues, syncopation and dancing; in a gorgeous setting. They arrived last Saturday, travelling in their own pullman car.

The Dawn of Tomorrow table at the B.M.E. Bazaar will be conducted by Miss Sofia Stanfield. Watch for the Novelty Prizes, they will be worth competing for.

Rev. Ball occupied the pulpit at both services of the B.M.E. Church on Sunday. Mr. Jas. F. Jenkins, Editor of The Dawn of Tomorrow, addressed the evening service in the interests of the paper; as well as urging the

men of the church to form a Brotherhood society.

Our Sunday School entertainment will be held on Christmas evening, when a good programme will be rendered.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Dolman entertained at dinner on Monday evening.

We are glad to report Rev. Decoursey has returned home from the hospital.

EDMONTON NOTES

Last Sunday was a glorious day: splendid attendance, spiritual fervor, and offerings above the ordinary.

The Sunday School is doing excellently.

The Sun Beam Club of the church under the leadership of Mrs. L. R. Oliver had a very enjoyable and profitable time Wednesday night at the church with a Hallowe'en program.

Presiding Elder T. B. Stovall will hold Communion services on Sunday morning at 10.45 and will address the Sunday School at 12.30 p.m. and preach at 7.30 p.m. There will be infant baptism at this service.

Mrs. Missouri Slater and several of the ladies entertained Mrs. Julia Tyler at the parsonage last Saturday afternoon.

Mr. Ted Golden informs us that his wife, the evangelist, is conducting a revival meeting in Philadelphia.

Sister McKay left Friday morning for Drumheller to complete the work which she and sister Golden began there some time ago.

Madame Chadwick of New York City is billed to appear next Tuesday evening at the Ukranian Hall in one of her fine song recitals, under the auspices of the local U.N.I.A. division.

A very beautiful tea was served last Friday by Mr. and Mrs. A. Cross in honor of Mrs. Julia Tyler.

John Sayles and Mrs. Jacob Barzy entertained on Tuesday evening in honor of Geo. M. Duckett, who expects to return to his home in St. Paul, Minn. for the winter. Mr. Duckett has been an employee of the C.P.R. for twenty-three years and is beginning to feel that he deserves a rest.

The Star Light Band of Shiloh Baptist Church was entertained at the home of Mrs. Rev. H. Brooks.

The Booker T. Washington W.C.T.U. held their regular meeting at the home of Mrs. John Sayles on Friday afternoon.

Dies at Age of 118

(By The Associated Negro Press)

Natchitoches, La., Nov.—Riley white 118 years old, died here this week. He was known as one of the most industrious workers in this section. He was at work at his trade of basket maker when he died. He made his baskets and walked two miles to town every week to peddle them.

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"The time ha "when we must keep abreast of antiquated plans our modern day vital interest we and figures wer the statements r At the close of hearty vote of en by the mem hood.

Regular Service

Sunday, Nov. great interest in Services were c ing and evening splendid audien marked interest were in attenda of Toronto rende ning service. in our services i lated by pastor choir, under Mr. ing efficient ser of the church.

LONDON NOTES

Our very gifted singer, Mr. Andrew Moxley accepted a call to join the famous Shuffle Along Company. Mr. Moxley's many friends wish him every success.

Mr. Louis Groat has returned to the city to accept a situation at the Iroquois Hotel.

We recommend our old friend Max Lerner to the voters of the 3rd Ward. He is our tried and true friend and we feel sure he will be fine as Alderman in Ward 3.

B.M.E. Brotherhood Addressed by Mayor Wenige

The Brotherhood meeting at the B. M.E. Church on Sunday, 25th, was one of interest. After a very cheerful devotional service and scripture reading, the president in a few words introduced His Worship, Mayor G. A. Wenige as the speaker for the morning.

His Worship having been returned to the office of Chief Executive of the City of London for the ensuing year, did not find it necessary to come appealing for support to elect him as Mayor. Not having an opponent, he has been returned by acclamation.

What he did ask for though, was the loyalty and co-operation of the citizens of London in making our city what it really should be. In the beginning of His Worship's address, he said that brotherhood was the greatest move of the hour and that it was the thing that was needed most in the activities of life. He claimed that war conditions had somewhat upset things but stated that gradually we are coming back to our place. Brotherhood, he stated, means loyalty in the very broadest term, not only to our Church but to our city as well.

At this point of his address, the Mayor gave information showing how unloyal the citizens were in not exercising their franchise, stating that this condition applied to the city in a general way. A very emphatic statement was made by the Mayor, when he said that the city was no longer in its infancy but had now become a full grown city, and said that we should deal with it as such.

"The time has come," he stated, "when we must advance if we are to keep abreast of the times, and the antiquated plans will not suffice for our modern day." Many things of vital interest were unfolded and facts and figures were given to bear out the statements made by His Worship. At the close of his address a very hearty vote of appreciation was given by the members of the Brotherhood.

Regular Services in B.M.E. Church

Sunday, Nov. 25th was a day of great interest in the Grey St. Church. Services were conducted both morning and evening by the pastor, and splendid audiences listened with marked interest. Many visitors were in attendance. Mr. S. Dorsay, of Toronto rendered a solo at the evening service. The growing interest in our services is very much appreciated by pastor and officers. The choir, under Mr. P. Lewis, is rendering efficient service in the progress of the church.

CHATHAM NOTES

At 2 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 21, at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Murray, 142 King St., E., the marriage of Mary Sarah Murray and Rev. Wm. F. Seay was solemnized by Rev. Dr. T. H. Henderson of Toronto. The bride wore a charming gown of powder blue with trimmings of silver lace and carried a shower bouquet of pink roses. Her bridesmaid was Miss Jennie Johnson, Dresden; and little Ida Murray, of Toledo, niece of the bride was ring bearer, wearing a dress of white voile with blue sash and ribbons. Bethlene Murray, the bride's brother was best man. The Rev. Wm. F. Seay and Mrs. Seay will hold a reception at the parsonage on Wednesday, Nov. 28th.

SIMCOE NOTES

Mr. Chas. H. Hurst is in Simcoe for an indefinite stay. He is visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Brown. Mr. Hurst is soon to join the staff of The Dawn.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackson and daughter of Turkey Point were in Simcoe on business last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Brown and Mr. Chas. Grandison and mother will motor to Oakville next Saturday.

NIAGARA FALLS NOTES

The campaign being carried on by the B.M.E. Church for funds with which to carry on the work of that church has resulted in the sum of \$341.82 being collected to date. The minister, Rev. Woodcock and officers of the church wish to thank those who so generously contributed to this fund. The campaign will continue until a thousand dollars has been raised as that sum is absolutely necessary that the work of the church be continued.

Messrs L. George, F. Jones, E. Grenem, F. Newton and M. Sutton attended the reception given by the "Crick-et Club" at Prof. Weiss' Hall, Buffalo, N.Y.

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Nor heard before, swell high the tide
Of welcoming. God knows His own.

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THE NEGRO MIGRATION TO CANADA AFTER PASSING OF THE FUGITIVE SLAVE ACT

(Continued from last issue)

Another memorable border incident occurred at Sandusky, Ohio, in October, 1852. A party of fugitives, two men, two women and several children had been brought from Kentucky and were aboard the steamer Arrow about to sail for Detroit when they were all arrested by the alleged owner and taken before the mayor of the town. Rush R. Sloane, a local lawyer, offered to act for the defence. The proceedings were so hurried that no warrant or writ was ready to be produced in court and Sloane signified by a gesture that the Negroes were free. There was an immediate rush for the door on the part of the fugitives and their friends, but even as they fled from the court room the claimant entered calling out: "Here are the papers. I own the slaves. I'll hold you personally responsible for their escape." The fugitives meanwhile had gone to the harbour, entered a sailboat owned by friendly fishermen and were on their way to Canada. The slaver, frantic at seeing his property vanishing, tried in vain to get other fishermen to pursue them. He then hurried to a neighboring town, trying to secure help, but with no more success. Within a few hours the runaways were landed at Port Stanley, safe from all pursuers. The slaver made good his threat to hold Sloane responsible for the loss of property, entering action and securing judgement for \$3,000. It is related as one of the pathetic incidents of the case that when the fugitives were taken off the steamer Arrow one of the women dropped her infant child on the ground and disowned it, hoping that it at least would be free if she were condemned to return to slavery.

With so great an influx of refugees into a country that was sparsely settled, some suffering was inevitable, but contemporary evidence indicates that after all it was but slight. There was probably more distress during the winter of 1850-51 than later on because of the large number who came in during the few months immediately after the passing of the Fugitive Slave Bill. In their haste to find safety many left everything behind, entering Canada with little more than the clothes on their backs. A. L. Powers, of Farmington, who visited Windsor at the beginning of 1851, found about a score of families living in an old military barracks, most of them in need for both fuel and clothing. At Sandwich, near by, he also found distress and mentions seeing a family of eight children who were almost nude and who were suffering from the cold. Sickness was in many cases the result of the exposure to which the Negroes had been subjected in their efforts to reach Canada. Later on the situation improved and by 1855 the workers of the American Missionary Association reported that "in general, those who have gone from the United States, even the fugitives, may provide for the wants of their families, after a short residence there; especially if they meet a friendly hand and, more than all, good counsel on their arrival."

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(c) Compositions must not be over 500 words in length, and written on one side of paper only.

(d) Name, address, and age of entrant must be at the top of first page of each composition.

(e) All compositions must be in by January, 5th, 1924.

(f) Each contestant is required to secure and send in at least one six months subscription to The Dawn of Tomorrow.

(g) The following prizes will be awarded: 1st Prize, donated by Sir Adam Beck; 2nd Prize, donated by Mayor Wenige; 3rd Prize, donated by E. R. Dennis (Dennis Wire and Iron Co.)

(h) The best 3 compositions will be published in The Dawn of Tomorrow.

(i) The Judges will be announced later.

NOTE—Neatness, good composition, and historical value will be given first consideration by the judges.

HINTS—Ask some of the older folks—Information re. population, churches, organizations, businesses, etc. of our people, will make fine material.

CONTEST OPENS NOVEMBER 3rd,
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GEORGE-WALKER

Toronto, Nov. 22,—A very beautiful wedding took place in the Church of Assention on Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock when Miss Walker became the bride of Mr. Edward George: Rev. J. E. Gibson officiating. The bride wore a charming gown of white satin brocade having side panels and flowing sleeves of Chantilly lace and beautifully beaded with pearls. Her veil was arranged in cap effect, held in position with a wreath of orange blossoms and fell out the full length of the court train which was caught at the shoulders. She wore a string of pearls about her throat and carried ophelia roses and lily of the valley tied with chiffon.

The choir preceded the wedding party up the aisle singing "Lead us over life's tempestuous sea." Then came the flower girls: little Miss Bailey and little Miss Cowdry, dressed alike in white with blue ribbon bands and large bows on their hair, carrying baskets of button chrysanthemums. Then came the bride followed by her attendants, Miss May Anderson as maid of honor and the bridesmaids, Miss Gales and Miss Harley, all dressed alike in peach colored crepe gowns, beautifully beaded with hats to match wreathed with tiny flowers and carrying chrysanthemums.

The groom was assisted by Mr. Robinson: Mr. Maher and Mr. Gerry acted as ushers.

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Conditions in Liberia

(Continued from page 1)

for appropriating the benefits and embellishments of civilization without the capacity for appreciating the responsibilities of progress. Thus most of the second generation of citizens and patriots has gone in for the study of law, and such white collar pursuits as are found in the unremunerative service of the government. This plunge toward a supercilious intellectualism has left the farms deserted and been the occasion for the birth of a general indifference toward developing the country's resources. The old coffee plantations have gone into disuse and all the former staples of the Liberian export trade are being neglected. Mr. Gibbons remarks that many of the things Liberians are learning in school are not exportable, are not of value in emancipating the republic from its debt burden.

It is claimed further that a system of debt slavery exists. This claim is supported by Negroes from America who have been to Liberia and returned. Maynard Jackson, Chicagoan, head of the African Imports Company, returned last year to tell of how the children of one family might be traded off to another in settlement of a debt. This is an extension of the often-explained marriage system whereby the African gets his wife for a few cows. In Liberia it is not only in wives, but in men, women, boys and girls, that the traffic is wrought. Thus a large part of a man's wealth in Liberia may be wrapped up in his possession of human chattels, and as Gibbons writes, there is some official sanction of the contract.

He finds many of the natives, and the descendants of repatriated American slaves, lazy and addicted to various forms of vice. The little work done is performed by the slaves or "pawns". Nature has been kind over there that little effort is required to grow food products, they just come up anyhow.

Unless something practical is speedily done, Mr. Gibbons believes the republic is in for a tragic ending. One from which not even Marcus Garvey can save.

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