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NEW GLASGOW CHURCH SHOWS APPRECIATION

Last Sunday at the close of the evening service, Mr. John Williams, senior deacon of the Second Baptist Church, New Glasgow, asked permission to say a few words, in which he took the advantage of presenting to the pastor and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Perry an address accompanied with an enclosed envelope with money.

The address reads as follows:
To the Rev. W. Constantine Perry,
Dear Pastor,

The members and friends of our Second Baptist Church feel they cannot allow this happy season of the year to pass without expressing to you, and to your good wife, our cordial good wishes for the New Year.

You both came to us as strangers not so many months ago, and by your energy and enterprise as our pastor, supported by Mrs. Perry, you have already enlarged the scope of our Church's work, and united our people in the service of the Lord in such a way, as makes it a great pleasure to consider tonight. And in doing so you have won our affection as well as our regard.

The varied duties of a modern minister, make heavy demand on one's time, sympathy and love, and we are glad to be able to bear testimony, that your alert response to our people's needs and sorrows have been such as to mark you as an aggressive force in leading our church to better undertake its great task both in New Glasgow and to the uttermost ends of the earth.

In a conspicuous way, you have been able to put our church in its real place as one of the forces for righteousness in the community, and we express our gratitude for this and all your unselfish service through the year.

It is a satisfaction to a Christian worker to feel, that he has not only the approval of God, which is the main thing, but the confidence of the flock he ministers to as well, and we speak for young and old in our congregation in expressing the general satisfaction we have in all your work amongst us, and in congratulating you on its suc-

Essay Contest: Our People in Canada

Owing to the fact that not enough papers were submitted to constitute a contest on the above subject, the management has decided to open the contest to all colored residents of Canada and also to make some changes in the conditions governing the contest.

These rules will not be reprinted.

The Rules

(a) Contest open to all Colored people who are resident in Canada.

(b) The subject of each composition must be "Our People in (name of city or town or county in which contestant resides)"

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

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

(e) All compositions must be in by March 29.

(f) Each contestant is required to secure and send in at least one 3 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 three 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.

CONTEST CLOSING MARCH 29, 1924.

Old Man Dies; Leaves Good Advice

(By The Associated Negro Press)
Huntington, Tenn., Jan.—The last words of eighty year old Robert Tate to his family were: "I am going to leave here owing no man. I am square with the world. Let me be an example to you. Pay every man what you owe him and you will prosper in life." He left \$400 buried in the ground.

cess.

Please accept the accompanying gift as a mark of our love and regard and as an expression of our very best wishes to you and Mrs. Perry for the New Year.

In behalf of the officers and members of the Second Baptist Church.

To this address and gift, Mr. Perry responded very appropriately, expressing the thanks of Mrs. Perry and himself.

Beyond any doubt the church has had an unprecedented year during the first year's pastorate of Mr. Perry, which will be shown in the annual report of the church. Nearly two thousand dollars has been raised during the year, exclusive of over one thousand dollars which is paid on the parsonage bought by Mr. Perry.

Expressing such a confidence in the pastor's work during the past year, the present year is opened with much faith and hope for a bright future.

How To Kill An Organization

1. Don't attend the meetings.
2. If you do come, come late.
3. If the weather doesn't suit you, don't think of coming.
4. If you do attend a meeting, find fault with the work of the officers and other members.
5. Never accept office, as it is easier to criticize than to do things.
6. Get sore if you are not appointed on a committee, but if you are, don't attend the committee meetings.
7. If asked by the chairman to give your opinion regarding some important matter, tell him you have nothing to say. After the meeting tell everyone how things ought to be done.
8. Do nothing more than is absolutely necessary. But when other members roll up their sleeves and willingly and unselfishly use their ability to help matters along, howl that the organization is run by a clique.

You Can't Fool 'Em

Two little girls coming out of Sunday School, where, evidently reference had been made to his Satanic Majesty, were discussing in their childish way, the lesson. "Do you believe there is a devil?" asked one. "Naw," said the other, "It's just like Santa Claus. It's your father."

Toronto Mail

AMERICAN LAWS AND COLORED MAN

(By the Associated Negro Press)
Fred Douglas, (this is not his name)

was released last week from jail at Xvillia in the state of Y.... Douglas worked in an all white Southern community and had reputation and character unimpeached in his strong young manhood.

Another boy worked with Douglas. This boy was his pal and friend. They were sworn companions.

A group of whites shot and killed Douglas' pal to see how he would fall. The wounded youngster ran out on the beach and into the water. The white men followed the boy in a boat and coldly pushed him under water until he drowned. Then Douglas was approached and accused by the whites of murder. He was told that he would be hanged without a doubt, that any man might as well kill him now. The boy replied.

"White men, I am here alone, you know that I did not kill him. He was my friend. God will not let you kill me."

To get the spiritual force of this boy's power, you should hear him say these words. That white group, alone, and free from thoughts of penalty for a double crime could not kill Douglass. The strength of his spirit flashing through his eyes prevented that.

So they arrested him, found the body of the murdered boy and accused Douglas of murder. They kept him in jail for two months, and then a judge moved by the simple plea of this youth released him.

Douglas sat in the home of his friends and held his fine black head in his hands as he concluded his story.

"I know American Laws ain't for a colored man."

God, but it hurt the writer to hear America condemned like that, without hatred, without malice, without bitterness. Just the simple statement of an untutored black boy, a plain fact.

In the presence of written and spoken charges by erudite philosophers and lecturers, we have stood unmoved. Academic reasonings even, supported by fearful facts have not troubled us over much, we can wait. But before this simple tragic judgment of an ignorant colored boy, we felt ashamed and humiliated beyond description.

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Editorial

INTERESTING IF TRUE

An interesting view of the Negro problem appears in one of the leading New York dailies by Joseph Morris, to the effect that Negro males advance more rapidly than Negro females, and as a consequence, seek white women as their only fit companions. Mr. Morris observes: "Sooner or later New York is bound to find itself faced with a Negro problem that is bound to assume gigantic proportions. May I be permitted, as one who lived for many years in S. Africa, right among the Kaffirs, to make a few suggestions and tell you what I found. It must be noted that the male Negro, with the greater opportunities, has made greater advance in Western civilization than has the female, with the result that the male becomes absolutely dissatisfied with the society of the female Negro and yearns for and seeks white woman's society. Even in Africa was that most noticeable and there we have them in the very raw state. One found that the "boy" invariably took on the mannerisms of his "Baas" and to the discerning eye one could recognize whose "boy" he was by his actions. Negroes are wonderful mimetics and in a very short time ape the peculiarities and civilization of those with whom they are brought into constant contact you will find that you must devote more attention to the advancement of the females, so that you may bring them in line with the males. You must instil into them pride of birth and race and so remove from them the feeling that they are inferior. My experience has taught me that the Negro, given equal opportunities, makes quite as good a citizen as do any of the white races, but you must make him feel that he is welcomed in your midst and not merely tolerated."

Mr. Morris' first statement, that the Negro male is advancing more rapidly than the female shows how uninformed he is upon a subject which he assumes to discuss with authority. He does not know that over 65 per cent. of the colored children who finish public schools and high schools are females. Neither has he found out that a very large percentage of college graduates among our race are females. He has not troubled himself to find out that each year sees an appreciable increase of colored women in the professions. "You

must instil into them pride of birth and race and so remove from them the feeling that they are inferior." No race of women upon the face of the globe is prouder of birth and of race than are our own women. It is they and their many noble deeds of sacrifices for the race that keeps ablaze our lamp of inspiration in these our hours of trials. It is thru their super-human efforts that every movement towards race consciousness has been given such tremendous impetus. It is they who constitute the majority of every movement, social or religious, which is for our advancement. I would here recall an article which appeared in the columns of The Dawn a few weeks ago by Wm. Pickens, one of the foremost scholars of the race. He states in his article that in every way the colored woman of America is outstripping her white sister. Without auguring the merits of his case we hold that his article shows what we as race men think of our own women.

"Negroes are wonderful mimetics, and in a very short time ape the peculiarities and civilization of those with whom they are brought into constant contact."

I would here remind Mr. Morris, although he begs to speak with authority that the above quotation served its purpose well in days of yore, but it has long since been overworked and it has been thrown into the discard. We get our training and ideals from the same source as do all American people and still, if we happen to do things just as good or a little better than other people, we "ape" them. If our boys and girls happen to be dressed as good as other folks children they must be great and "wonderful mimetics" and they are dubbed "dudes".

"It must be noted that the Negro male, with greater opportunities, has made greater advance in Western civilization than has the female with the result that the male becomes absolutely dissatisfied with the society of the female Negro and yearns for and seeks white woman's society."

Two questions we should like to ask Mr. Morris. From what source did he compile his data? What does he consider "greater advancement?" Simply because they have been able to pound a few white pugilists into insensibility? It is true these two physical giants chase for themselves white female companions. But what of the intellectual giants; are they to be counted in this "greater advancement?" What of Kelly Miller, Du Bois, Washington, Dunbar, Crogman, Scarborough, Scott, Pickens and a host of others? Whom did they choose for companions? Mr. Morris must admit that these men had just as good chances to have chosen and gooten white female companions as did Johnston and Siki. For if he refuses to admit this he will place a very low estimate upon the intellect of the women of his own race and upon their "greater advancement."

The Dominion's Best Newspaper

I am going to tell you about a wonderful newspaper. This paper is printed in the City of London and its editor uses but six pages to give his message to the world. I call this

journal the "Dominion's best newspaper" out of the high regard I have for the bravery of the man in whose brain was conceived the idea that he must be the father of a new journalistic venture in our midst.

In my day and time I have often gone a long way to get newspapers. I went to Buffalo to get a copy of the Buffalo American, a paper edited and published by our race there. I was deeply impressed with the Buffalo American.

But now I am thankful that I do not have to go far to get a copy of the "Dominion's Best Newspaper." It is literally published and printed right under my nose. For it is published, as I have already stated, right here in London, not very far from other publications that cover a vast area of our fair Dominion. But nevertheless this little paper I am speaking about is filling a much needed want among the many families of our people in Canada, and each week finds us anxiously awaiting its coming and all are much disappointed when it fails to put in its appearance. London is the home of the greatest of anything one chooses to put his hand on. In fact, London, herself is the greatest city in the country in more respects than one. And therefore we fellows who live and enjoy life here feel that it is our special duty to create only the best or fall under the penalty of an unwritten but inexorable law. Hence when the Dominion's best came into my presence I gave it instant recognition and then turned it over to my wife for her inspection. She called it good. Or in other words (Great!) That meant that she liked it. And of course anything she likes, as a fond and faithful husband, I am also bound to like.

I am going to tell you how Jim Jenkins edits the "Dominion's Best." I have never been personally present when he performs his editing stunt, but that doesn't matter, I know he pulls the trick just the same. He has a regular nose for news. I verily believe he can smell a good piece of news through a ten foot wall. He's a regular news hound. Any piece of news that is worth anything hasn't a chance in a million to get away from him. Now when he gets it all together, he gets aboard the Oxford car, and is whirled, in less time than it takes to tell the story of his going, over to a press room on the north side where he and the printer, Mr. Fielding by name, wrestle with the problems of make ready and press work. And when Jim and the foreman get through with the heavy job the product of their combined efforts comes to the many homes of our cities and towns, a thing of beauty and joy forever.

It is hinted by those who claim to know, that James Jenkins, the publisher of the Dominion's Best, actually walks forty miles a day in a keen hunt for the wherewithal to keep his "baby" alive. But I don't care what may be his manner or method, Jim is getting out his sheet and isn't asking any favors about it either. Nevertheless, be assured of this, it is not too late for your subscription. Send it in without further delay.

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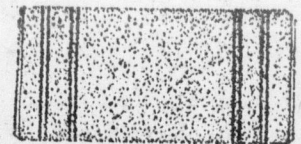
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TORONTO NOTES

Mr. W. R. Rogers has returned from Montclair, N.J.

Mr. Rogers is a fourth year medical student at Toronto.

Mrs. S. S. Sykes of St. Catharines is spending a few days in the city.

Dr. G. W. Morrison was confined to the hospital for several days but has resumed his practice again.

B.M.E. Notes

Rev. Ball occupied the pulpit at the morning service.

Rev. Richardson, of Owen Sound, occupied the pulpit in the evening.

The annual election of officers in the Sunday School took place last Sunday.

Mr. Alfred Greenlaw of Detroit will sing in B.M.E. Church on February 8th. Do not fail to hear him.

NEW GLASGOW, N.S. NOTES

Christmas and New Year's passed off very quietly, with no special attraction, except a children's concert given in the Second Baptist Church, which attracted a very large gathering.

Last Friday evening, the Rev. Mr. Perry of the Second Baptist Church was the speaker at the week of prayer services held in the United Presbyterian Church.

Last Tuesday evening, Mrs. Edward Paris opened her home to the entertaining of Mrs. Ward of Boston, who is spending the holiday with her mother, Mrs. Mary Lawrence.

Mrs. John Williams and daughter were in Truro last week visiting sick relatives.

Mr. John Reid has been in the Aberdeen Hospital for the last three weeks but is much improved.

LONDON NOTES

Mrs. Nellie Slaughter is progressing favorably after a successful operation at St. Joseph's Hospital.

Miss Nellie Fountain is confined to her bed suffering from a severe cold. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Mrs. F. O. Stewart is up and around again.

Miss Edna Duncan and friends went on a surprise sleigh ride party to her mother in Lucan in honor of her 12th wedding anniversary.

Mrs. Ruth Smith is expected in this city this week end.

Mrs. Fred Harris will visit her son in Sarnia.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jordan of Detroit spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Harris of this city.

Pastor, Rev. E. M. Wood's first birthday in Canada was honored by the Hill Street Baptist Church. The Ladies' Aid prepared a dainty luncheon and a gift was presented as a token of love and appreciation. A

musical programme was rendered and was enjoyed by all.

The Sunday services were well attended in spite of the cold and stormy weather.

Hymeneal

A quiet but very pretty wedding took place at the home of Mrs. Eliza Groat, 662 Trafalgar St. on Saturday, Jan. 19th at 8 p.m. The happy couple were Mr. Lewis Harris, a nephew of Mrs. Groat and Miss Audrey Viola Smith. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. F. O. Stewart in the presence of immediate relatives and friends. Miss Myrtle Hooper acted as bridesmaid and Mr. George Harris supported the groom. Many beautiful and useful presents were received by the young couple. A very dainty luncheon was served at the close of the ceremony by Mrs. P. Brown, Mrs. C. Jenkins and Mrs. M. Terrentine. Miss Selina Smith, with her sister and brother from Woodstock, Ont., attended the wedding.

Rev. I. H. Edwards of Windsor, Ont. attended the conservative banquet given in honor of Hon. Arthur Meighen. Rev. Mr. Edwards is chairman of the third ward in the city of Windsor. While in the city Rev. Edwards was the guest of Rev. and Mrs. Stewart.

Mrs. Theresa K. Duncan has been indisposed for the best part of the month but is much improved at this writing.

About twenty-five members of the Ridout St. Methodist Church attended the service at B.M.E. on Sunday morning by special request. Their speaker made a splendid address on Brotherhood.

The usual services were held in the B.M.E. Church on Sunday the 20th. Considering the time of year, quite a number attended both morning and evening.

OAKVILLE NOTES

Sunday, Jan. 13th was Quarterly Meeting in Turner Chapel. We are glad to report that it was a success both spiritually and financially.

Quarterly Conference was held on Monday evening and all reports showed us moving in the right direction.

There was a social given under the auspices of the Missionary Society at the home of Mrs. W. H. Budd on Thursday evening, which proved to be a decided success.

Mrs. Ida Johnson and Mrs. Aggie Lafarm are both somewhat indisposed at this writing, having been unfortunate enough as to fall on the ice.

We are pleased to report that Mr. Albert Wawnor is somewhat improved at this writing and hope he may be speedily restored to health.

Services were well attended and very inspiring at Turner Chapel on Sunday and were heartily enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Watson and little daughter of Chicago are spending a few days in the city visiting her sister, Mrs. Harriet Bennett.

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NORTH BUXTON NOTES

Mr. Bert Shreve has returned from Battle Creek.

Mrs. Sidney Prince has been quite ill, but is improving.

Mrs. Rebecca Chase has returned from Windsor, where she has been attending her sick daughter, Mrs. Laura Buster.

Mr. Wm. Rhue spent the week end with his family. He will return to Detroit this week.

Mrs. Mattie Milburn of Jackson, is visiting her father, Mr. James Travis.

ST. CATHARINES NOTES

We are pleased to say that Rev. Lucas of Brantford arrived in the city on Saturday evening and preached both morning and evening on Sunday which wound up the revival services.

The revival services were a success in every way.

Twenty brothers have decided to form a brotherhood. London had better look out because we are going to try to make our club the largest in Ontario.

Rev. Logan seemed to be all smiles over the success of the revival.

The Silver Shield Club is going to hold a meeting on Friday, Feb. 1st, to prepare for an entertainment.

A cottage prayer meeting is being held on Friday at the home of Mr. Joseph Young. The meetings are opened for invitations to other homes.

Mrs. John Nicholson, who has been on the sick list is very much improved.

Miss Jessie Parker is not feeling very well at this writing.

Rev. Logan desires to thank the Revs. Drake, Richardson, Woodcock, and Lucas and all those who in any way helped to make the revival the success that it was, for their co-operation.

HAMILTON NOTES

St. Pauls is still on the map and progressing nicely.

We have Mrs. Allen with us and things have taken on new life since her arrival.

The Trustee Aid will hold an apron social in the church on Jan 29th.

The ladies are working hard to make it a success but they need your co-operation.

Dr. Allen will put on his lecture on the Holy Land in Ryerson Church on Jan. 30th. There will be a fine musical programme.

Mr. R. A. Hammond and Mr. Jess Brown entertained their classes at a seven course dinner and all reported a grand time

WINDSOR NOTES

Sunday at 3 p.m., there was held in Tanner Chapel A.M.E. Church, anniversary services in honor of Rev. J. H. Williams, who is the oldest preacher in the Ontario Conference as well as the Conference Evangelist.

Thirty-one years ago Rev. Williams received his command and since then he has been active in the work, working for the extension of the Master's Kingdom both at home and abroad.

The union revival meetings have been of such benefit to both saint and sinner alike that it was decided to continue them another week.

Miss Beatrice Walker, who has been quite ill with pneumonia, at Hotel Dieu, is slowly recovering.

Mrs. Francis Lee, who was stricken suddenly at her home Sunday morning, is able to be about again.

The Misses Lena and Leola Lynn, of Chatham, were week end guests visiting Mr. S. Simmons.

The tennis court in the rear of

Tanner Church has been converted into a skating rink; already the small boys are having a good time.

The Stewardess Board of Tanner Church give an all star concert on Jan. 31st. An interesting programme is guaranteed.

Mr. Roy Lucas met with a painful accident on Friday evening on leaving the revival meetings, when an automobile struck him and broke his leg.

Windsor, Chatham and Sandwich, paid tribute to the ability of our greatest Negro tenor, Roland Hayes last Thursday night, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. Many persons from the municipalities attending the song recital

WELLAND NOTES

Mr. Tom Wilson motored to Buffalo on business on Tuesday.

Mrs. Lavinia Chandler returned to Fort Erie Wednesday after spending a week as the guest of her daughter, Mrs. N. C. Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Flowers were the guests of Mr. Jesse Flowers in Buffalo on Sunday.

Miss Gertrude Henderson of Niagara Falls, Ont., was the guest of Mrs. W. J. Wilson on Tuesday.

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TWO GET DEATH S FOR WOM

(By The Associated Van Buren, Ark., Ruck and William Bo found guilty of murd degree in connection of Mrs. Effie Latimer is fifteen years old. T bers of a party which selves against a posse ing Christmas week, and troops came. A t is said to have turne dence was responsible viction of the two mer

What-Not Column

Who was Benjamin Lundy?

One of the first agitators of the anti-slavery movement was Benjamin Lundy who travelled through a number of states and labored incessantly for the freeing of the Negro. In 1830 he says: "I have within ten years sacrificed several thousands of dollars of my own earnings. I have travelled upwards of 5000 miles on foot and more than 20000 in other ways, have visited nineteen states of this union and told more than two hundred public meetings, have performed two voyages to the West Indies, by which means the emancipation of a considerable number of slaves has been effected, and, I hope, the way paved for the enfranchisement of many more." Considering the extreme dangers to which anyone agitating anti-slavery was subjected in those times this was a remarkable work.

What abolitionist was dragged through Boston's streets with a halter around his neck?

The implacable crusade of the abolitionists against slavery was opened by William Lloyd Garrison, in 1831 when he founded "The Liberator" at Boston, and their warfare became organized by the formation of the New England, and the American Anti-Slavery Societies in 1832 and 1833. It was during this period that a mob of pro-slavists of Boston, broke up colored schools in that city, seized Mr. Garrison and dragged him thru the city streets with a halter about his neck. He was finally rescued by the Mayor, who protected him from violence.

Who were the leaders of the Anti-Slavery Party.

Among the leaders of the Anti-Slavery Party were Parker Pillsbury, Stephen Foster, James G. Birney, Samuel Brooke, E. P. Lovejoy, Cassius M. Clay, and John Brown, of whom it may be said that it was given to him to impress upon the hearts of the American people that a nation half slave and half free could not exist.

Next Week's Whatnots

Who was Wendell Phillips?

For whose execution did three American States contribute rope for the gallows?

Who spent eighteen years in a penitentiary, and received thousands of stripes for aiding slaves to freedom.

TWO GET DEATH SENTENCES FOR WOMAN'S MURDER

(By The Associated Negro Press)
Van Buren, Ark., Jan.—Spurgeon Ruck and William Bottis have been found guilty of murder in the first degree in connection with the death of Mrs. Effie Latimer, white. Ruck is fifteen years old. They were members of a party which defended themselves against a posse of whites during Christmas week, and held out till troops came. A third man who is said to have turned state's evidence was responsible for the conviction of the two men.

A DEEP SEA FARMER

(Various rhymes to Seely)

Oh really, sailor Seely, oh prithee! tell me true,

Are you that boy, a mother's joy, my "little Elihu,"

Who sailed away, one summer day, the Hesperus upon?

The ship was wrecked, you recollect, or are you "Farmer John?"

You are so brave upon the wave that tossed the "billowy wheat,"

Yet when at sea, you seem to be a farmer quite complete,

One of your name, now lost to fame, —do pirates ever weep?—

Once walked the plank, and sudden sank full fifty fathoms deep.

Pray mark this style of verse I introduce—

In passing, pardon me this mild retort,

That while your lines are long beyond excuse,

I much regret your wit is getting short.

How nice to have you back upon the farm,

With pig's potatoes peelings on to boil,

Those hands that soiled the tiller on the sea,

In season, now, are tillers of the soil.

"Bill Shakespeare" as a name applied to me

Is certainly a compliment well taken;

And, as about the "family pen" you'll be,

It seems the proper thing to call you "Bacon."

Such a sweet and peaceful picture of the life upon the farm,

With the do dos singing in the whiffletree,

When the butter-cups make butter, will the cow-slips do much harm?

Much more dangerous the bull-rush seems to me.

I would love to spin the spinach, and turn the turnip too.

Come, lettuce beet the sun up in the morn,

I'd like to run a mangel as my mother used to do—

Just see that pretty "Blue-Jay" on the "corn".

But don't let me detain you, if the piggies want their mash,

Still, could you on this question shed some light,

Why put a "roost" in "rooster", (I hope this isn't rash)

When all the pretty chicks go out at night?

UNKNOWN KNIGHT

EDITOR'S NOTE

This column has narrowed down to a dual between the Unknown Knight and Seely. The feeling between them is becoming very hostile. In order to prevent bloodshed or a possible murder, we are asking our readers to intervene by sending in their replies to these two learned gentlemen.

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CYCLONE STRIKES MERIDIAN

(By The Associated Negro Press)
Meridian, Miss., Jan.—A cyclone struck Causeville, four miles from here injuring several colored people and doing heavy property damage.

The homes of Herbia Walls and James Guy were completely demolished. The families asleep at the time escaped injury, the whirling winds taking the houses from above their heads, leaving the children without harm in their beds. Rain, amounting almost to a cloudburst, drenched the victims and their belongings. About fifty are homeless and aid of food and clothing was sent from Meridian and surrounding towns.

LIFE IS SWEET

(By S. E. G. Allen)

Yes, life is sweet. The passing years may tell
Of losses great, and many a defeat,
Of hopes deferred, or blasted each knows well,
Yet life is sweet.

We say the future is unknown, and yet,
Not all unknown, for we are sure to meet
The One on whom our dearest hopes are set,
And life is sweet.

No matter what the future has to give,
He promised to prepare a place more meet,
Yet sweetest joy 'tis on this earth to live,
And life is sweet.

And life is endless, greatest joy to think,
We close our eyes, but open them to drink
In vaster scenes, in endless bliss to sink,
And life is sweet.

A man employed at one of the movie studios in Los Angeles, was drafted by a director to do a novel comedy scene with a lion. "You get into this bed," ordered the director, "and we'll bring the lion in and put him in bed with you. It will be a scream."

"Put a lion in bed with me!" yelled the fellow. "No sah! Not a-tall. I quits right here and now."

"But", protested the director, "this lion won't hurt you. This lion was brought up on milk."

"So was I brung up on milk," he wailed, "but I eats meat now."
Baltimore Afro.

CHATHAM NOTES

Mr. Norman Freeman spent the week end in the Border City.

A winter fair and corn show is being held on the Market Square in the city this week.

Mrs. Maggie Jefferson was called to the bedside of her daughter, Mrs. Roy Jackson of Windsor.

Mrs. Gertrude Verett of Chicago, has returned home after a two weeks' visit with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Murray.

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(By The Asso

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