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DEPLORES RACE PREJUDICE

Cites Achievements of the Three
Alexander Dumas
in France.

N.A.A.C.P. Press Service.

Deriding the absurdities into which race prejudice leads white Americans, Albert Guerard, writing in the June number of Scribner's Magazine, speaks of the so-called "inferior" product of mixture and cites the Dumas family as evidence against any such inferiority. Says Mr. Guerard: "There is a plaza in Paris dedicated to the three Alexander Dumas. The first, the son of a Haytian planter and of a Negress, was a general at the time of the Revolution and the Empire. The second, unmistakably African in coloring and features, was the jolly giant who has fascinated three generations with his romantic tales, who made and lost several fortunes, managed newspapers and theatres, hobnobbed with the greatest in the land, and preceded Henry Ford in devising methods of quantity production. The third, besides giving an everlasting and deplorable model of maudlin romanticism in 'La Dame aux Camélias,' besides suffering from a painful excess of technical skill and Parisian wit, created the modern problem play, paved the way for symbolism on the stage before Ibsen had been heard of, and wrote homoietic paradoxical, glittering prefaces when Bernard Shaw, his ungrateful son, was still in his cradle. Few nordic families could offer the same record of physical and intellectual energy as that 'colorful' dynasty of the Dumas.

"Once more, I am only pleading for careful study: I am not claiming in advance that the mulatto is a desirable product. I am only stating that the fine record of many people of mixed parentage should prevent us from accepting blindly any adverse verdict. On the whole, analogies drawn from other branches of biology are favorable to cross-breeding, if it be followed by selection. The finest breeds of dogs, horses and plants are the result of careful crossing. This proves very little, I know; but it may at any rate act as a check on a prior conclusion."

PASSES ENTRANCE EARLY



MASTER WM. HENRY JONES, Jr., who has entered the Windsor high school with high honors at the tender age of eleven years. He has skipped two grades during his public school career, during which time he has carried on in music, baseball, hockey and pole-vaulting. He has planned to finish college in this country after which he will finish medicine in Edinburgh. This latter information Master William vouchsafed to us as a dead secret.

First Youth of Capital to Win Radio License

Washington, D.C., July 15—As the results of competitive examinations held in Baltimore, Md., Rufus P. Turner, colored, a student at Armstrong Tech and an organizer of the Radio Club of that school, is the first boy of this city to be awarded a commercial operator's license.

Rufus Turner, although in his teens has become one of the outstanding amateurs in the country. His work and experiments have brought him much fame. He received a prize for building the smallest radio receiving set in the world. This set was made on an ordinary pin. It was exhibited at the national Radio Show held in Madison Square Gardens, New York City, last year and was also exhibited at the Radio Show held at Wardman Park hotel here and later placed on exhibition at the Tribune office.

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR THREE NEGROES SECURED

James Weldon Johnson, Secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, announces that the American Fund for Public Service has provided two scholarships of five hundred dollars each to be awarded to colored students to attend Brookwood Labor College at Katonah, New York.

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WINS FIRST PRIZE

A few days ago Mrs. Pearl Kelly, of 9 Marmora Street, in competition with twelve thousand contestants, won first prize in a cross word puzzle contest offered by the Mentholatum Co., of Bridgebury, Ont. We consider this accomplishment of great merit in view of the fact that the contest was open to the general public of the Dominion. Although Mrs. Kelly's health has not been very good for the past few months and though she has had the care of her several small children she found time to "bring home the bacon". Mrs. Kelly is also an accomplished musician.

Youngest Grandmother is Thirty

Associated Negro Press.

Hagerstown, Md., July 15—The youngest grandmother in the United States, so far discovered, is Mrs. Lola Dixon of this city, who is just 30 years old. Her daughter, Mrs. R. W. Middleton, is just 15, and has just become the mother of a boy.

CHICAGO POSTAL WORKERS SCORE

Washington Recognizes Value of
Negro Clerks

Associated Negro Press

Chicago, Ill., July 22—Word received from Congressman Madden's office in Washington on Friday brought gladness to the hearts of local postal workers when the announcement was made that three Negro clerks had been promoted to foremen. David B. Hawley, president of the Appomattox Club; Howard Cornwell, also a member, and Henry F. Wilson, president of the local branch of the National Postal Alliance, were the three selected. Their appointment was somewhat in the nature of a compromise. For several years the postal employees have been urging promotion for some few of our workers as a proof that there was no limit ability when demonstrated and that the government placed all its servants upon a par. More persuasive methods were adopted when Leader Edward H. Wright with the support of Congressman Madden entered the fray. A superintendent of a station was hoped for and the names of the three men now appointed were mentioned in connection with that position. The result was the appointment to foremanships of all three who had the endorsement of all the local postal organizations, the Phalanx club, the Chicago branch of the National Postal Alliance, the Railway Mail branch of the Postal Alliance and the Chicago Post Office Girls' Club.

Bank Rewards Negro for Faithful Services

San Diego, Calif., July 22—Chas. H. Dodge, colored, who has been in the employment of the Southern Trust Commerce Bank of this city for many years, received a reward for faithful and efficient service last week by being given the position of confidential clerk of the institution. The banking officials stated that the position was one which required both honesty and ability, and one of vital importance to the successful conduct of the concern.

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Editorial

ONTARIO OR MISSISSIPPI?

A few days ago Dr. Benjamin Cohen, his wife, Dr. Minnie Cohen and Dr. George Wendell Morrison (colored), all prominent physicians of Toronto were in Hamilton on professional business. At noon they went to the Connaught Hotel for lunch. When they attempted to enter the dining room the head waiter refused to admit them, stating to the party that all of the hundred or more tables were reserved. In the meantime two ladies were admitted who had not made any reservation. Dr. Cohen immediately sought the manager and asked why his party was refused service. He (the manager) pointed to Dr. Morrison, the colored physician, and asked: "Is he in your party?" "Yes," was the answer. He then stated that the party could not be served. Whereupon Dr. Cohen sent a porter in search of the proprietor, Mr. Geo. O'Neil, stating to him the circumstances, who sent instructions to the manager to serve the party. "I am manager around here, and I won't take orders from anybody," stormed our self-important manager. Of course Dr. Cohen and his party were forced to let the matter drop there, not for "keeps" and forever, however, for there are many more chapters to be read of this interesting episode.

Chapter number two begins with issuing of a writ at Osgoode Hall on behalf of Dr. Benjamin Cohen, Dr. Minnie Cohen, graduates of Toronto University, and Dr. Geo. Wendell Morrison, graduate of Dalhousie University, whose M.D. degree entitles him to practice in any part of the British Empire. The writ was issued by E. Lionel Cross, LL.B., (colored) and Myer Rotstein, both of Toronto.

Chapter number three will tell whether this country or any country can remain half free and half slaves—whether in THIS country, at any rate, men can be mistreated, insulted and humiliated with impunity, who, for the reason of their attainments and their usefulness are entitled to a square deal. As lawyer Cross expresses it: "This is just one of those vicious influences which must be combatted every time they arise; and we propose to determine since when have the customs of Alabama or Mississippi been in vogue in this country." And may we add that if Canada is seeking to outdo the Southern

States in their program of hatred and discrimination, the incident of the Connaught Hotel, together with a few other cases which we have under observation, show that Canada has made a good start toward her goal.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People came into existence to meet first of all, the economic and industrial problems which confront us. However to protect our rights as citizens is just as much an issue with us. We therefore take this opportunity to inform the plaintiffs in this case that we stand solidly behind them to the limit of our influence and finances. Such occurrences as this one simply emphasize the necessity of united endeavour on the part of colored people, of some sort of organization which would bind us together by a common bond of unity. We once heard the executive secretary of the St. Louis branch of the Urban League say: "I have heard some of you Canadian people say there is no need of such an organization as the League here in Canada. You poor souls, (I am sure he should have said, 'you poor fools') you need a league more than we do." I heartily agree with the sentiment. We have just enough liberty given us to beguile us. There is just enough hypocrisy here to deceive and mislead us, or some of us. Except on the part of a few loyal friends there is a studied and calculated indifference and a silent sinister prejudice towards our people in this country which must be fought with all our resources. If we cannot be brought to the point to see conditions as they exist we shall soon be forced out of Canada. As the situation now is, we are losing our talented adults and our ambitious boys and girls. If then, any part of our group is to remain in Canada we must as a whole fight for a real man's chance.

Rescues Three Trapped Under Blazing Car

Peidrice A. Jerome, of St. Louis, and a woman and child, narrowly escaped death in Baltimore last week when an automobile in which the three were riding was wrecked. The heroism of a passerby, Robert Hicks, 26, probably averted any serious casualties. Hicks pulled the victims out of the blazing machine, which trapped them when it overturned. All were taken to the hospital for minor treatment. The car was completely destroyed by the flames.

Edward Ashe, who would aspire to be as Tally Holmes, Edgar Brown and other stars of the tennis world, walked away with the singles championships in tennis for all the Junior High School students of Philadelphia, last week.

The fifteen year old Quaker City lad took to the tennis game about two years ago. Since that time he has shown remarkable ability. Young Ashe, representing the Oliver Wendell Holmes Junior high, worked up to the finals, and beat an opponent from the Vane Junior High School, for the city championship.

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their new location and invite all of
our people of this city to come and
worship with them.

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Delisle St. Church and Sunday Sch.
and the vast number of friends mourn
the loss of Mr. R. F. Mays, formerly
of this city whose death took place
in Brooklyn, New York a few days
ago.

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Miss Eva Jones, owing to failing
health, is leaving the city, accom-
panied by her aunt, Mrs. Smith to
spend a time in Hartford, Connect-
icut.

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Mr. Eddie Elliott has returned home
from New York, where he attended
the funeral of his uncle, Mr. R. F.
Mays.

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Mrs. Vera Ashby and Miss Ashby
have returned from St. John, N.B.
where they went to meet their sister
who is their guest from the Barba-
does, B.W.I.

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Delisle St. Sunday School intend
holding their Annual Picnic to St.
Hene's Island on Aug. 6th.

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The U.N.I.A. intend holding their
Annual Picnic at Otterburn Park, on
August 6th.

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Mrs. B. Johnson who has been con-
fined to the General Hospital since
our last writing, has returned home,
and is leaving this week to spend the
summer months at her cottage in the
country.

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Mrs. Elsie Lamb and Mrs. D. Ma-
son spent last Saturday in Verdun,
the guests of Mrs. J. Jefferson.

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Bethel A. M. E. Church is giving a
Moonlight Excursion on Thursday

TORONTO

The services at the B.M.E. Church
on Sunday, July 26th were very inter-
esting and well attended. The pastor
Rev. F. O. Stewart, gave two splen-
did sermons which were listened to
by a very attentive audience. The
subject at 11 a.m. "Listening to
Christ." The speaker claimed that
Christians should listen to Christ if
they would know His mind and follow
Him fully. The subject at 7 p.m.,
"Divine Presence" was enjoyed by all
present. The speaker portrayed
Isaiah's vision in the temple and his
call to service. God speaks to men
and women, when they are quietly
meditating upon life and its great
problems, but we never get a message
or vision until our eyes are opened
to the great things and our voice has
been purified from selfishness and
fear.

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At the close of the evening services
of the three churches of Toronto on
Sunday evening, a united meeting was
held in the Grant A.M.E. Church
under the auspices of the Canadian
League for the Advancement of Col-
ored People. Mr. E. L. Cross, Bar-
rister at Law, and president of the
League occupied the chair and intro-
duced the speakers. Mr. John W.

Montgomery, who is the national pre-
sident of the League gave the open-
ing address, and in an optimistic vein,
pointed out to his audience the good
things in store for the people of our
race. There are many things en-
courage in our charter said the speak-
er, that may not come to pass in my
days, but I truly believe that the day
will come when our race will enjoy
the rights and privileges that a race
of people are entitled to enjoy. In a
reminiscent mood, Mr. Montgomery
recalled the work of the Afro-Can-
adian Club, of Kent County, an org-
anization that had been instrumental
in helping to remove some very un-
pleasant phases of the colored people
of that community in the days of long
ago. Rev. C. W. Carpenter, pastor
of Grant, A.M.E. Church, and an ard-
ent worker for race uplift, also gave
some very timely remarks and stated
emphatically the time had come when
our people should come together for
the good of the race as it is the only
way that any thing worth while can
be done to advance the race. Rev.
F. O. Stewart, pastor of the B.M.E.
Church made an eloquent appeal for
every individual of the race to unite
with the organization as a means of
furthering the work. He particularly
asked every mother and father to
sacrifice something for the sake of
their children's future. The aim of
the League said the speaker is to help
establish prestige for the race and if
the boys and girls are prepared we
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We are glad to report that Mrs. Pearl Jones Kelley's health has improved to such an extent that she is able to resume her household duties.

A few days ago Mr. Walter Taylor sr. and family; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dewever, Mr. Walter Taylor, with his bride, visited their mother and grandmother, Mrs. John Irons. The people of the city showed a keen rivalry in their attempts to honor and entertain these former Londoners who are among the town's favorite old citizens. Monday evening they were entertained at Mrs. Budd's. Tuesday evening at Mr. and Mrs. L. Groat, Wednesday evening by a host of friends at Springbank park.

The Choir of the B.M.E. Church gave a picnic last Wednesday evening in honor of Mrs. Ida Rabbitor of Bloomington, Ind., who is visiting her sister, Mrs. George Workman.

Rev. and Mrs. F. O. Stewart have been comfortably settled in their new home, 219 Augusta Ave., Toronto. Londoners express deep regret at losing both Rev. and Mrs. Stewart.

Rev. and Mrs. Woodbeck and their three beautiful children are now occupying the parsonage. The Church seems to be well pleased with the new minister and his family. On last Sunday Rev. Woodcock delivered 2 very powerful and impressive sermons.

Miss Freda Anderson, who has been residing in Buxton is now living with her father and brother, this city.

Mrs. Ann Budd is visiting her two daughters who reside in Michigan.

Mr. Stanley Drake spent a few days with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. Drake.

Miss Laurine Cochrine is visiting her grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cochrine who are big farmers.

Rev. T. C. Perry, of Buxton was in the city a few days ago on business.

J. F. Jenkins was in Chatham and Windsor last week in the interests of the C.L.A.C.P. He reports much enthusiasm in those two cities.

Little Bernice Logan is visiting with friends in Windsor.

Mrs. Geo. Workman entertained a few friends last Monday evening in honor of her sister, Mrs. Ida Robbitor of Bloomington, Ind. The affair proved to be one of the season's most pleasant events.

Little Dorothy Chanter is in the Victoria Hospital with scarlet fever. She is improving rapidly.

COLLINGWOOD

Rev. Richardson preached at 11 and 7 o'clock on Sunday, the 19th. A large congregation greeted him in the evening and listened to a wonderful address, after which 10 children were christened.

Mr. Wilfred and Russell Sheffield, also Miss Florence Sheffield, are at Wasaga Beach for the season.

Mrs. James Cooper and daughters returned from New Lowell, where they went to bury Mrs. Cooper's father. The sympathy of the community is extended to Mrs. Cooper in her sad bereavement.

Mrs. Donald Garbet had her baby Christened at her home on Sunday afternoon by Rev. Richardson, Ethel Victoria.

Mr. Joseph Cooper is so much improved as to be able to be around the yard again. We hope for a full and speedy recovery.

The stork visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Sheffield and left them a lovely baby girl. Both mother and child are doing well.

Mrs. James Cooper had a number of her friends up from New Lowell on Sunday and spent the day, returning in the evening. Among them were Mrs. Sweat and son of Niagara Falls, N.Y.

Little Miss Grace Courtney, of New Lowell is visiting her grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Green.

ST. CATHARINES

Our pastor, Rev. Logan, is away on his vacation, visiting Detroit, Cleveland and Jamestown, N.Y.

Mr. Clarence Harper is confined to his bed. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Mr. Alph Fletcher is also ill. We hope he will soon recovery.

Miss Mary Thompson has returned to Toronto after spending a pleasant visit at the parsonage.

Miss Bessie Bell met with a painful accident to her hand. We wish her a speedy recovery.

STRATFORD

Mr. Wm. Wesley met with a very painful accident one day last week. He is progressing favorably. We hope for a speedy recovery.

Miss Duncan of Guelph is in the city learning hair dressing under Madame Harrison.

Miss Hazel Wesley has returned to Listowell. Miss Wesley has been home suffering with blood poisoning.

Miss Gladys Armstrong has returned to Listowell after a very pleasant visit with the Wesleys.

The Misses Brightwell and Carrol Harrison have returned from Ohio, where they spent a very pleasant two weeks' vacation.

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An unusual star card was presented last Saturday at the Commonwealth Sport Club of New York, when Black Bill, Joe Hall and Cirolin Orlando appeared in 10-round matches.

The little flash, Black Bill, who is a strong aspirant for the flyweight crown of the deceased Pancho Villa, met a "tough one" in Wee Willie Woods, flyweight champ of Scotland who succeeded Jimmy Wilde for the crown in England. The undefeated little Cuban conquered the Scotchman for the second time however, after a whirlwind battle. Villa's countryman, Orlando, who was Cuba's official entry in the recent light-weight elimination tournament completely outclassed Andy Tucker (white) a veteran New York boxer.

Joe Hall of Buffalo had a hard time with Charley Manty, a New Bedford star. The best he could do was to get a draw after ten rounds of vicious fighting.

Villa, one of the greatest fighters in fistic history amassed a fortune of more than \$150,000 in the six years of his ring career during which he has defeated scores of prominent fighters, but died leaving an estate of considerably less than \$10,000, according to the estimates of friends. In fact they said Villa spent his ring earnings so lavishly that he was nearly flat broke before he engaged in his last contest.

The little Filipino boxer gained the reputation as one of the greatest spenders the ring has produced in years. During the time he lived in New York he occupied an expensive apartment and at one time he owned two automobiles. He was an immaculate dresser and bought eight or ten expensive suits of clothing at a time.

When he returned from the Philippines recently he paid the expenses of four friends to this country.

Chances for a Harry Wills and George Godfrey mix-up have faded as a report came that Wills has refused \$125,000 to box the "Black Shadow of Leipersville." Now, negotiations are under way to match Godfrey for a bout with Luis Firpo in Buenos Aires. Godfrey has already agreed to the match.

The St. Thomas Tennis Tournament which will be held in Chicago next Friday and Saturday, July 24 and 25, is bringing together a brilliant assembly of tennis stars and promises to rival the National Tennis Tournament in action. Some of the stars who are listed are Samuel C. Butler, Pacific Coast champion; and U. S. C. Star; E. R. Simmons, Western singles champion; W. L. Kean and C. H. Parrish, Louisville stars; Ted Thompson, runner-up in national Championship; Tally Holmes national champion; Edgar Brown, former national champion; Richard Hudlin, U. of Chicago and Dr. O. B. Williams.

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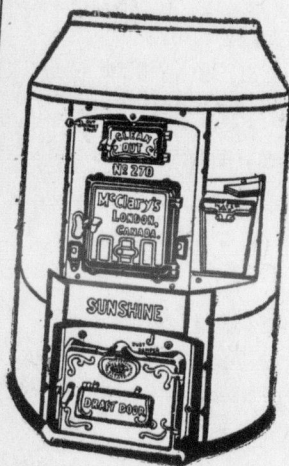
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Rev. H. Wright filled the pulpit on Sunday and delivered two beautiful sermons to good sized audiences.

Rev. Wright has reorganized the choir and they are progressing nicely under his leadership.

Mrs. Russell Snell, Detroit; Mrs. Okie Steward and children, little Miss Helen and Marion and baby Ralph of Windsor are spending their holiday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Lucas, 57 Sarah St.

Mr. Frank Brown and wife are visiting Mr. Brown's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Brown.

Mr. Gordon Brown is also in the city visiting his family.

Mrs. McClure is spending a few days visiting friends in the city.

Mr. Jasper Smith's condition remains unchanged, he being confined to his bed. We trust he will have a speedy recovery.

Mr. George Malotte and mother entertained two car loads of friends on Sunday that motored from Guelph and Elmira.

Mrs. Rose Baldwin has returned home from the hospital and is convalescing nicely.

Mrs. C. Johnson entertained Rev. Wright at dinner on Sunday.

Mr. Johnnie Lucas, London, has returned home after visiting his parents, Rev. S. A. and Mrs. Lucas.

Mrs. Isaac Johnson and Mrs. Chas. Johnson and family, Mrs. Celie Malotte and Mr. George Malotte all motored to Branchton on Friday and spent the day.

Rev. and Mrs. Wright's household goods arrived last week and they are now comfortably settled in the parsonage.

Quite a number from Brantford motored to Grimsby on the 23rd, to the picnic and reported a delightful day.

Mrs. Brooks, Mr. S. Henderson, Miss Gladys Walker, Mrs. Irene Steward and Mrs. Olive Snell motored to Hamilton and visited relatives and friends, having a delightful trip.

Mr. Goldie Holden is a motor visitor in the city the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Smith.

Mrs. George Wilson of Toronto is visiting her mother, Mrs. Charles Walker.

Mrs. Lee and son, Henderson Lee Mrs. Barrett of Detroit, Miss Ernie and Viola Henderson, of Chatham, and Mr. Wm. Edwards and Mr. Slankirk, of Detroit, were motor visitors in the city this week and the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Lucas.

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