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## Waiters Of New London Hotel Are Entertained

The members of the waiters' staff of the new Hotel London were welcomed to the city and were introduced to the citizens at a reception given in their honor by the local branch of the Canadian League for the Advancement of Colored People, at Hill Street Baptist Church last Monday evening. A general invitation extended by the league to all the colored people of the city to join in the reception to the newcomers was greeted by a large number and the affair was a great success in every way.

Under the chairmanship of Paul Lewis, an exceptionally fine program was carried out. Addresses of welcome were made by President A. J. E. Butler, Rev. Thomas Woodcock, pastor of the B. M. E. Church, Mrs. Walter Cromwell and J. F. Jenkins, the latter replying to the expression of appreciation by the guests of honor.

Warm appreciation of the hearty welcome accorded them was given on behalf of the hotel employees by Mr. Marshall, second waiter, Mr. E. M. McClellan and Mr. Daniels. Mr. Daniels comes from Winnipeg where he was intimately connected with organizations for colored people. In a most eloquent address he strongly emphasized the value and benefits to be derived from such an organization as the C. L. A. C. P.

The speechmaking was interspersed with musical and vocal numbers, after which refreshments were served in the basement of the church. Much credit is due Mrs. Cook, Mrs. Cromwell, Mrs. P. Brown, Mrs. Butler and Mrs. Jenkins for the splendid manner in which they served refreshments to so large a gathering.

Prior to the beginning of the program the officers for the ensuing year were installed by Rev. Thom. Woodcock. The officers had been elected by acclamation at a previous meeting. They were A. J. E. Butler, president; C. H. Brown, first vice-president; Mrs. Hattie Berry, second vice-president; Mrs. Pearl Brown, recording secretary; Mrs. C. E. Jenkins, corresponding secretary, Pearl Lewis, treasurer; J. F. Jenkins, press reporter.



A. J. E. BUTLER,  
Who was again elected president of the London Local C. L. A. C. P.

## Two Million Dollar Loan Given Negro

Huge Sums To Go For Financing Cocoa Growing Industry

New York, August 17.—Following close on the heels of the prompt settlement of the Liberian war debt to the United States, another financial negotiation of huge scope is under way between United States banking interests and representatives of a large Negro dominion.

Preliminary negotiations for a \$2,000,000 loan have been concluded by Winifred Tete-Ansa, a native of the Gold Coast, "West Africa, with New York banking interests. The loan is to be used to finance production and marketing of cocoa grown on the Gold Coast.

Tete-Ansa is quoted as saying his primary object in seeking financial assistance for the cocoa growers of his country was to relieve them of the domination now exercised by a group of London cocoa importing interests known as the African and Eastern. He declared that prices obtained by natives for their cocoa at the depot of the African and Eastern and its subsidiaries was below the world market price.

He said he intended to take a staff of American executives back to Acora to take charge of the co-operative crop bank which he plans to establish.

## Dresden Branch Of C.L.A.C.P. Holds Successful Meeting

On the 15th of the present month J. F. Jenkins, national secretary, paid a visit to the Dresden C. L. A. C. P. The meeting was largely attended by both members and visitors and it proved to be one of the most successful meetings of the year. In a short but inspiring address the secretary told of what had been done so far by the different branches and the Executive Board. He also unfolded a part of future plans. Mr. Jenkins found many reasons for which to congratulate our branch, but he did not fail to urge us on to do even greater things. He was glad, he said, to find men in our branch who were deeply interested not only in the League but in bettering the conditions of colored people in general.

President Rev. J. H. Pinick expressed the appreciation of the branch to the secretary for his deep interest in our work and in the general work. A sum of money was turned over to Mr. Jenkins by our branch, which goes towards defraying the expenses incurred in defending William McCathern or Chatham.

He was asked to instruct all branches promising assistance to forward their pledges to him immediately in order that it might be forwarded to Lawyer V. T. Foley at once.

The indications are that the secretary's visit has generated a renewed interest in the work of the League.

While in the city on August 15, J. F. Jenkins, national secretary of the C. L. A. C. P., was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Roper.

## TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE LOW PRICED SUMMER TOURIST FARES

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## Whites Fete The Georgian Negroes

Move to Stop Migration by Creating Good Will Is Launched.

Woodland, Ga., August 17. — In a movement to stem the wave of migration that has been sweeping parts of the south recently, the whites of this section Friday staged one of the biggest good will picnics ever witnessed in Georgia. Several thousand persons of both races were in attendance at the gathering believed the first Race home-coming ever given by whites in the south.

Prominent members of both races delivered addresses in evidencing the friendship of the two in this part of the state. The occasion was planned primarily that the people of Talbot County might manifest their appreciation of the loyalty and industry of the Negroes in the county, few of whom have migrated.

A beautiful barbecue was tendered to race citizens, after the speaking, followed by various athletic events, including a baseball game.

The principal white speakers were H. A. Alsobrooks and John Rigma, agricultural agents for railroads. Both stressed the industry and thrift of the race here and urged continuation of greater farming activities, principally in dairying and poultry raising. They pointed out that Race family owning and operating farms in the south have become prosperous and have accumulated more money than those who have migrated.

The Rev. J. R. Cason, principal colored speaker, believed conditions were growing better.

## Windsor Resident Dies

Windsor, August 23.—One of the city's oldest and most highly respected citizens passed away this morning at 7 o'clock at her late residence, 332 Assumption street, in the person of the late Mrs. Nancy Thomas. Mrs. Thomas had lived in the city for practically all her life, having raised a very large family here. She is survived by her six children, Mrs. Cora Mitchell of Kalamazoo, Mrs. Victoria Williams of the city, Mrs. Lillian Butler of London, Mrs. John Wells and Albert Wells of the city, and Rev. C. L. Wells of Clifton Forge, Va.; 17 grandchildren and six great grandchildren. Funeral arrangements had not been completed at press time.



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## Editorial

### THE PAN-AFRICAN CONGRESS AND WORLD-PEACE.

With great expectancy we await the report of the Fourth Pan-African Congress which convenes in New York City during the present week, for, closely allied with this congress is the question of world peace. The Pan-African Congress is a gathering of people of African descent from all quarters of the globe to discuss and solve if possible problems which are peculiar to the descendants of Africa. During the period in which the slave trade flourished in Africa more than 1,000,000 souls were taken from that continent. Their descendants now inhabit every part of the earth. In the United States, the West Indies Islands, Canada and in South America they form an integral part of the population. These, together with the native Africans, form a very large part of the earth's population.

And so, no plans for permanent and lasting world peace will ever succeed without fully considering the rights and even the attitude of Pan-Africa. That the vast majority of the four billion native Africans are still uncivilized means but little to the future, for they have proven beyond the shadow of a doubt that they are teachable, that they love their mother country and all that is theirs by blood ties and that they are willing to co-operate. Even in their semi-civilized state, their voices are pleading for a common brotherhood of all mankind, for a justice which shall include all the nations of the earth.

The descendants of Africa who have had the advantage of civilization can not be cajoled into lethargy by the slogan that they came from nothing and are headed to nowhere. They know that 400 years before the slave trade, devastated and raped their fatherland Africa possessed a high civilization. Rawlinson, the noted authority on ancient races, says: "For the last 2,000 years the world has been indebted mainly to the Indo-European races for its advancement, but it was otherwise in the first ages. Egypt and Africa, Mizraim and Babylon led the way and acted as pioneers of mankind in the various fields of science and art. Literature, plastic art, sculpture, navigation, agriculture, textile industries, alphabetical writing, astronomy, chronology seem to

have had their origin among these people."

It is to re-light the candle of inspiration among a race whose ancestors had brought so many rich gifts to the children of men that the Pan-African Congress was called. It was to give them a greater vision, that from their bountiful resources they might bring even greater gifts to bless all the people of the earth.

Organizations which are truly interested in the problems of world peace would do well to learn of and co-operate with the Pan-African Congress. Africa has spread her roots too deeply and too widely over the surface of the earth to be lightly treated. If her children stand apart, separate and distinct from other men it is not the fault of Africa, and the fact remains that her children MUST and WILL be reckoned with in matters affecting the children of men.

### THE TWO RACES THAT DID NOT GO

Often when we visit with friends who are Negroes, and at other times when we visit friends who are Indians, we can't help but think how it was predicted some years ago by supposedly very smart men that these two races were doomed to extinction in America. It was pointed out that the American Negroes were falling so rapidly into the clutches of tuberculosis that in a few more generations there would be nothing left of them. And it was said that the Indians would also disappear from this and other causes.

Well, if a man took these statements from the know-it-alls and took no trouble to investigate the facts for himself, he would be forced to the sad conclusion that after a bit we would have neither Negroes nor Indians to deal with in the human affairs of America. And the trouble is that very many people accepted the statements and let it go at that, with the result that they went about with their minds jammed with misinformation. Which malady—because it is really a mental malady—is rampant in this and other countries. The masses of the people know ten things that are not true to the one thing that is true. In other words, they do not stop to think.

We have seen some government statistics lately concerning Negroes and Indians that gave us a great thrill. Because the figures showed that the peoples of both these races have wonderfully increased in number from natural causes in our country. There are ever so many more Negroes in the United States now than there were 25 years ago. They have not been killed off by tuberculosis or any other disease. On the contrary, they have grown strong and healthy and have reared large families and have prospered materially, physically and spiritually.

Wherefore, let all who sit under the rafters of our far-flung synagogues this blessed Sabbath morning rejoice that our fellow human beings of the red race and the black race are on their way to better things and brighter days.—John Steven McGroarty in Los Angeles Times.

### AFRICAN BACKGROUNDS.

(From the New York Times, Thursday, August 18, 1927).

One who takes an hour to read a pamphlet of 25 pages by Dr. James Weldon Johnson, secretary of the National Association for the Advance-

ment of Colored People, will be disabused of the idea that all that the American Negroes have is to be attributed to their home in the Western Hemisphere—that their ancestors brought nothing with them out of Africa. There is, in the first place, no one Negro type. There are Negroes and Negroes, as there are white men and white men. They range from Hima to Hottentot, from the Negro whose features are preserved in the inscrutable sphinx to the pygmies in the deepest recesses of the Congo forest. Negro poets penetrated in ancient times to Damascus, threads of Negro genius wove themselves into the fabric of Mediterranean and Asiatic cultures, and the strains of their music reached shores far from their own African coasts.

Their states and governments decayed with the rise of the slave trade, 400 years of which, it is estimated, cost Africa 100,000,000 souls; but traces of their background of industry and art and manners have survived even this continental catastrophe. They learned very early, perhaps the earliest of men, to smelt iron and forged instruments of usefulness and beauty. They were the first to raise cattle and use their milk. Invention extended agriculture and surrounded villages with the verdure and fruits of gardens. The blacksmith plied his trade all over Africa, and with him in many parts the weaver, the wood carver and the potter. Some knew how to make rugs and carpets and to set gold and precious stones. Even without the tuition of other continents their handicraft became highly skilled.

And it is, as more are aware, a continent of music. "The fashioning of musical instruments is one of the industries to be found throughout the length and breadth of Africa." Speaking of one region, a traveler said that every little goatherd had his flute as the Greek shepherd had. But the paper by Dr. Johnson (author of a "Book of American Negro Poetry," and one of "American Spirituals"), which may be had of the trustees of the John F. Slater fund, gives more details of this background. Two or three of the proverbs quoted serve to suggest the folk wisdom which has been handed on from generation to generation:

Boasting is not courage.

He who forgives ends a quarrel.

Birth does not differ from death, as the free man was born so was the slave.

The conclusion which the author reaches and which the open-minded reader will be ready to accept is that even those whose ancestors did not come to America but were carried hither in slave ships brought something more than the strength of their bodies out of the Dark Continent.

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## Communication

81 D'Arcy St., Toronto, Aug. 2, 1927.  
Mr. J. F. Jenkins, Editor Dawn of Tomorrow:

Dear Sir,—Having seen the article in the Toronto Saturday Night of June 18., written by one Mrs. Grace Frazier Macklem, showing the children of the other races at their best and desirable citizens, but a Negro at his worst and undesirable, I think that the writer is very unjust and prejudiced.

There was a time when no one would speak or protest for the Negro, but I'll say those days are gone forever. We have men with backbone now. If they think the Negro is inferior and undesirable, I am mailing to the editor of the Toronto Saturday Night a little book of 70 verses, compiled and written by a Negro in masterly fashion, entitled "The Tragedy of White Injustice," and I am quite sure that when the editor and Mrs. Grace Frazier Macklem read this book, they will have a different attitude toward the Negro. Please put this in your next issue and oblige, and I want all Negroes to read this book, "The Tragedy of White Injustice," price 2 cents. I am,

J. M. WILLIAMS.

### FRIENDS

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

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

And to answer the old question, "Lovest thou me?"  
While on me this all-conquering love so descends,  
I must give in return what I can full and free;  
Then Jesus and I are friends.

There are millions of years and still millions more,  
But for lost time there can be no amends.

In fidelity to Him I've learned to adore  
And Jesus and I still are friends.  
S. E. G. ALLEN.

### Banquet Negro Minister

Miami, Ariz.—One of the most interesting get-together meetings between the various races of the city was the recent interracial banquet given at the Globe Miners Hall in honor of the Rev. L. T. Scott, pastor of the Globe African Church.

Entertained with music furnished by the Salvation Army Band under the direction of Capt. Pylant, the following prominent Globeites were among the speakers: John L. McCullough, assistant county attorney; Charles McBrien, merchant; Tom Gunn, Hudson-Essex dealer; W. G. Secord of the Consolidated Stage company; L. D. Martin, realtor; Rev. B. C. Brewster, pastor of the Methodist Church, and Rev. P. V. Moreno, pastor of the Mexican Presbyterian Church.



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### TORONTO

The Bucilla Art and Embroidery Club is giving an exhibit, bazaar and dance. Thursday, September 1st, at the Orange Hall and you know if you go you will have a wonderful time.

Dr. and Mrs. Taylor of Pittsburgh, Pa., were week-end guests of Mrs. L. Price, 6 Redwood avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Washington of Detroit spent two days in Toronto en route to Montreal and were escorted to various places of interest by Mr. and Mrs. R. Carter while here.

Mr. Wm. Best, principal of the Evansville High Schools, was a visitor in Toronto during the week of the World's Educational Conference and was a house guest of Mrs. William Jones of 105 McCaul street. While in the city he was escorted to places of interest by Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Beecher, formerly of Evansville, Ind., and left with an excellent opinion of Toronto and its people.

Mrs. Daniels of College street is visiting friends and relatives in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Montgomery are visiting friends in Idlewild, Mich., and Chicago.

The F. Simpson and F. Prebble families have rented a cozy cottage on the Hamilton highway and are having quite a joyful time and many visits from their many friends.

Mrs. Louise McCaulley has returned from Detroit where she attended the doctors' convention.

Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Jenkins, accompanied by Drs. Clark and Whitaker, are visiting Mrs. Clark of 964 Gerrard street east. Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins formerly lived in Toronto, but are now owners of a prosperous drug store in West Virginia. We wish them continued success.

Miss Whittaker, successful young high school teacher and niece of Mrs. Clark of 964 Gerrard street east, has returned to West Virginia after spending many pleasant days in Toronto. Miss Whittaker has a beautiful voice and used it for the entertainment and pleasure of her friends while here.

Dr. T. H. Henderson is a very busy man these days, preparing for the convention which meets at his church the first week in September, and he has everything in first-class shape now.

Mrs. S. Davis and son Desmond have returned to the city after a long and pleasant visit to their friends and relatives in Chatham.

Miss Lois Patrick of Omaha, Neb., is in our city and is enjoying the many social affairs of Toronto's smart set.

Miss Brown, sister of the well-known Mr. James Brown, is visiting our city from Pennsylvania and, being a former resident of Toronto, is having a very pleasant stay. Miss Brown is accompanied by two lady friends.

The Brewton picnic was well attended and those present had an excellent time, contesting for the many

prizes, playing ball and other games.

Mr. R. C. Lynch has moved his barber shop to 197 Queen street west, facing University avenue, and has now one of the show business places of the city among our people. Mrs. Lynch is assistant general manager.

### MONTREAL

#### WEDDING BELLS

Lyons Bradshaw.

A very pretty wedding took place on Tuesday evening, August 9, at the Union Congregational Church, when Miss Alta Neota Lyons of Montreal became the bride of Mr. Julian Bradshaw of Barbadoes, West Indies. The bride, who was given in marriage by her brother-in-law, Dr. Garpard, looked charming in silver lace over georgette with veil of bridal net, an heirloom of the family, arranged with orange blossoms, and carried a bouquet of Sweetheart roses and baby breath. Miss Mildred Seale was bridesmaid, dressed in pink georgette trimmed with silver-lined beads, and black mohair hat, carrying a bouquet similar to that of the bride. Mrs. (Dr.) Gaspard, sister of the bride, was matron of honor, dressed in silver gray lace over orchid satin, and black mohair hat, carrying a bouquet of roses and baby breath. The flower girls were Isabel Jones, dressed in white net over pink satin, and Virginia Jones, dressed in white net over blue satin. Mr. Wade was groomsman. Rev. Chas. Este officiated. The ushers were Messrs. Eddie Elliott, Harold Spencer, Alfred Astwood. The wedding marches were played by Mrs. Gladys Astwood. A solo, "Love's Marvel," was sung by Miss Nellie Dixon. A reception from 7 to 10 o'clock p.m. was held at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Gaspard, 810 Seigneurs street.

The Grand United Order of Odd Fellows from the districts of Maine, Rhode Island and Massachusetts were guests of Maple Leaf Lodge and the Household of Ruth, Montreal, in convention from August 3 to 5, at Victoria Hall, Westmount. Mr. H. A. Thwaites was chairman. Ald. Rutherford gave the address of welcome at 11 a.m. on August 3. A reception was held at 9.30 p.m. The convention was one of the most successful in the history of the order.

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**Africa The Richest  
Diamond Field**

Washington, August 17.—The discovery of diamonds at the mouth of the Kei River in Cape of Good Hope Province establishes South Africa still more firmly as the world's leading producer of the most precious of stones, says the National Geographic Society.

In Cape of Good Hope Province also is Kimberley, the greatest single source of diamonds ever uncovered. Since the discovery of its mines 50 years ago this region has produced close to \$900,000,000 worth of gems. The total production in South Africa as a whole is valued between one and a quarter and one and a half billions

of dollars.

In South Africa's newest territory, Southwest Africa, formerly a German possession, are probably the most unique diamond mines. The stones were first found in the sands of the seashore in 1908, and were traced into the water. Now five or six million dollars' worth are dredged annually from the shallow coastal waters.

South America ranks next to Africa as a diamond producing continent. The leading diamond country is British Guiana, which in recent years has produced four or five million dollars worth of the stones annually. Some valuable stones have come from Brazil in the past, but that country does not figure prominently in the annual turn-out of diamonds.

**The Pan-African  
Congress Meets  
At New York**

Thirteen Countries Represented in  
Sessions Beginning Sunday.

New York, August 18.—Greetings from Governor Smith and Mayor Walker to the Fourth Pan-African Congress which opens its four-day session in New York on Sunday, were made public to-day by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, 69 Fifth avenue.

Governor Smith wrote to the conference that "if it has for its purpose the advancement of the colored race, I am certainly in sympathy with it."

Mayor Walker, in his letter, said: "I congratulate your organization for this movement and I feel confident that the people of New York City will be in hearty sympathy with the purposes and objects of the assemblage. The advancement of the colored people is a matter in which all right-minded citizens should be interested and this is especially true of New York City which has such an extensive colored population. I trust the congress will accomplish everything for which it is intended."

Thirteen countries besides the United States are to be represented in the conference, delegates being accredited from the Virgin Islands, the Bahamas, Haiti, Gold Coast, Jamaica, East Indies, Japan, Porto Rico, Barbadoes, France, Belgium, Germany and the Canadian League for the Advancement of Colored People.

Among those who will attend the conference are: Dantes Bellegarde, Commander of the Legion of Honor, Haitian Minister in France, and Haiti's delegate at the League of Nations; Hon. T. Augustus Toote, of Nassau, the Bahamas, attorney-general in 1925, and a member of the house of assembly from San Salvador; Dr. Wilhelm Mensching, Petzen, Germany, who spent four years in Central Africa and four years in India; Mrs. Helen Curtis, widow of the former American Minister to Liberia.

The American reception committee includes: Judge James A. Cobb of Washington, D.C.; President John Hope of Morehouse College; James Weldon Johnson, secretary of the N. A. C. P.; Eugene Kinckle Jones of the Urban League; Carl Murphy, editor of the Baltimore Afro-American; Harry E. Davis, member of the Ohio Legislature; Charles Johnson, editor Opportunity Magazine; Emmett J. Scott, of Howard University; Dr. I. Garland Penn; Bishop R. E. Jones; William Pickens, field secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; John E. Nail, F. D. Ransom of the Madam Walker Company in Indianapolis, and many others.

The program of the conference is given as follows:

Sunday, August 21, 4 p.m.

Opening session, St. Mark's M. E. Church, Edgcombe avenue and 137th street.

Address: History of Pan-African Congress, by Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois, founder of the first congress.

Greetings:—

Africa—Chief Amoah III.

Bahamas—Hon. T. Augustus Toote.

Barbadoes—Bishop R. J. Barrow.  
Canada—Hon. J. F. Jenkins.  
East Indies—H. K. Rakhit.  
Haiti—Hon. Dantes Bellegarde.  
Virgin Islands—Hon. Adolphe Sixte.  
Report of Brussels Congress of Oppressed Races—Wm. Pickens.  
Monday, Aug. 22, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.  
Discussion of conditions in Africa.  
8.00 p.m., St. James' Presbyterian Church, corner 141st street and St. Nicholas.

Africa—Addresses by Dr. Charles H. Welsey, Howard University; Prof. Melville Horskowitz, Columbia University; Hon. Dantes Bellegarde, Port au Prince, Haiti.

Tuesday, Aug. 23, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.  
Caribbean Islands—Address by Dr. George N. Sylvain.

8 p.m., Salem M. E. Church, corner 129th street and Seventh avenue.

Economic development of Africa—Chief Amoah III, Dr. Carter G. Woodson, Dr. Leslie Pinckney Hill.

Wednesday, Aug. 24, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

8 p.m., Abyssinian Baptist Church, 138th street, east of Sevesth avenue.

Education in Africa—Dr. Wilhelm Mensching.

Art and Literature—John Vandercook, Arthur Schomburg.

Closing address—Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois.

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Charlotte, N.C., August 17.—Harry Wills, heavyweight, one-time contender for the heavyweight crown, and Battling Clark, white heavyweight of the United States army, are to appear in an eight-round boxing exhibition here August 22. The exhibition was approved by the local boxing commission.

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## Chatham Branch Holds Monster Celebration

Chatham, Ont.—On August 1, the  
Chatham branch of the C. L. A. C. P.  
held one of the most successful cele-  
brations and reunions ever staged in  
the city. The occasion brought to-  
gether colored people from over the  
entire province and from several  
points in the United States. Begin-  
ning with a monster parade from the  
Wilberforce School building, proceed-  
ing through the city to the park, the  
day was crowded with history-making  
events. The rain interfered somewhat  
with the afternoon program and the  
speaking, which was scheduled to take  
place in the park, was transferred to  
the armories. Among the speakers  
were C. M. Cooper, president of the  
local branch; Rev. Norman G. Brown  
and J. F. Jenkins, national secretary.

The North Buxton girls' soft ball  
team defeated the Chatham girls'  
team just on the eve of luncheon.  
Later in the afternoon Taylor's De-  
troit team defeated the Chatham  
Giants by a score of 8 to 5. Lee's  
famous Detroit band kept the crowd  
in high spirits throughout the day by  
a liberal dispensing of its excellent  
music.

The day's program was brought to  
a close with a grand ball in the ar-  
mories, Lee's orchestra furnishing the  
music. With respect to grace and  
costume, culture and manners, ability  
to dance properly and gracefully, the  
occasion would have done honor to  
any gathering upon the continent.

President Cooper and his committee  
as well as the Chatham branch of the  
League deserve much credit for this  
splendid achievement.

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ceived one of the highest degrees  
which it is possible for the Toronto  
Conservatory of Music to bestow  
upon anyone. To hear him play  
makes one wonder "how he can do it."

Mrs. George Curry recently spent a  
few days with friends and relatives  
in London.

With much regret we learn that  
Rev. Norman G. Brown, pastor of the  
B. M. Church, has resigned.

### TIME MOVES.

Yes, time moves on, and waits for  
none.

Each day is adding something new  
To structure reared, we scarce know  
whom.

We build unconsciously 'tis true.

And yet we may know just how much  
Of right or wrong e're adding to.  
God is in Heaven to guide us here,  
To teach us what we ought to do.

To show us what is right, so we  
His wisdom guiding, may choose  
right,

To follow where His love may lead  
We must walk daily in His light.

Oh, Love Divine, surround our path,  
That we may see the shadows move,  
That we may always choose the right  
And be enveloped in Thy love.

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## Brotherhood Sleeping Car Porters Lose

U. S. Mediation Board Drops Case  
After Failing in Arbitration. Ex-  
Governor Morrow Writes Opinion  
and Notifies Pullman Company and  
Brotherhood of His Findings.

Washington, D. C., August 15.—The  
Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters,  
as represented by A. Phillip Randolph,  
lost out here last week, when it  
failed to make a case before the U.S.  
Mediation Board.

Edwin P. Morrow, representing the  
Mediation Board, dismissed the case  
with the statement that the board  
failed to bring about an arbitration  
between the parties involved.

In letters addressed to both the  
Pullman Company and to the Broth-  
erhood, Mr. Morrow wrote:

Gentlemen,—On August 9 and  
10 I advised you that my efforts  
to bring about an amicable adjust-  
ment through mediation of the  
controversy existing between you  
had been unsuccessful.

In compliance with the law, I  
endeavored through letters of said  
dates to induce both of you to  
submit your controversy to arbi-  
tration.

The Brotherhood of Sleeping  
Car Porters, on August 10,, signi-  
fied in a letter to me its willing-  
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The Pullman Company, in re-  
sponse to my letter of August 10,  
requesting that it join the Broth-  
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in arbitration of the said contro-  
versy, advised me on August 12  
that its position in the matter was  
that no dispute existed, and there-  
fore, there was no cause for arbi-  
tration.

You are, therefore, advised that  
my final required action, to wit:  
to induce the parties hereto to  
submit their controversy to arbi-  
tration in accordance with the  
provision of the Railway Labor  
Act has been unsuccessful.

Copies of the official correspon-  
dence, i.e., my letters to the par-  
ties requesting arbitration and the  
response of both parties thereto,  
are made a part hereof. Yours,

EDWIN P. MORROW,  
Member U.S. Board of Mediation.

## Two Colored Youths Represent Student Body in California

Los Angeles, Calif., June—(Pacific  
Coast News Bureau)—In the wonder-  
ful scholastic system of California,  
with its inter-racial mixture of stu-  
dents of many nationalities, racial af-  
filiation is no bar to oratorical hon-  
ors in the annual declamation con-  
tests.

Within the past two weeks two com-  
munities, those of Los Angeles and  
San Bernardino, have selected from  
among their thousands of students  
two colored youths to represent their  
respective student bodies in the most  
important oratorical contests of the  
year.

Youngest Entèred

Bernard Jefferson, Manual Arts  
High School, Los Angeles, the young-  
est of 175,000 contestants entered by  
the high schools of Southern Califor-  
nia, Utah, Nevada and Arizona, to  
compete in the South-Western zone  
finals of the Fourth National Orator-  
ical contest recently held in Los An-  
geles, was the sole representative,

black or white, of the entire Los An-  
geles school system. Jefferson finish-  
ed fifth, first prize going to Miss Dor-  
othy Carlson of Salt Lake City, Utah.

Last year a Japanese youth won,  
but resigned in favor of his white  
schoolmate who finished second. The  
white youth accepted the honor, went  
East and defeated his opponents in  
the National finals, receiving a trip to  
Europe as his prize.

Wins Second Place

In San Bernardino, a thriving city  
sixty miles from Los Angeles, another  
colored youth, Arthur Hamilton, soph-  
omore in the San Bernardino High  
School, was easily one of the six  
chosen from the 18 entrants from his  
school and city in the Annual So. Cal-  
ifornia High School Declamation con-  
test recently held at the University  
of Redlands, Redland California.

Competing with the champion ora-  
tors, all white, from the various high  
schools of Pasadena, Los Angeles,  
Glendale, Burbank, Pomona, Santa  
Ana, Santa Barbara, Ontario, Red-  
lands, Riverside, Anaheim and other  
cities, young Hamilton was awarded  
2nd place, being defeated in a close  
decision by Milton Stinners of Man-  
ual Arts High, Los Angeles. Stinners  
winning oration was the oft repeated  
"Spartacus to the Gladiators."

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## LONDON

Friends of Miss Christina Charles will be pleased to learn that her condition shows improvement. At present she is confined to St. Joseph's Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cromwell of Ypsilanti and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cromwell of Fletcher were week-end visitors of Mrs. Walter Cromwell of William street.

Mrs. Chris Brown has returned to the city after a very pleasant vacation spent with friends and relatives in Flint, Mich., Windsor and Detroit.

Mrs. Elaine Phillips of Detroit spent a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Harris.

Mrs. Mary White of Detroit, visited her auntie Mrs. Wm. Groat, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Groat have opened a most spacious rooming house at 240 King street, near the heart of the city. They are prepared to entertain many tourists.

Mr. Wm. Berry, Sr., has been very ill for several weeks at the home of his son, Mr. Wm. Berry, Jr. Recently his two daughters, Miss Lucile Berry of Buffalo, Miss L. Hunter of New York City, and Mr. Leonard Berry of Toronto visited his sick bed.

Mrs. Mamie Prior of Toronto was a recent visitor to this city.

The B. M. E. Sunday School picnic, held on August 11, was a decided success. About 75 people sat around the dinner table.

London people who went to Chat-ham on August to assist the C.L.A.C.P. in the great celebration were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Berry, Miss Myrtle Prior, Mr. Frank Prior, Miss Bertha Moxley, the entire Drake family, Mr. Fred Ball, the Anderson family, the major part of the Jenkins family, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Brown, Mrs. Millie Smith, Miss Florence Lightborn, Mr. and Mrs. C. Poindexter, Mrs. Mary Coursey, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kelly, Mrs. Eliza Groat, Mr. C. Smith, Mr. Harry Coursey and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Harris.

Miss Aletha Smith of Woodstock is visiting Evelyn and Kathleen Jenkins of Glenwood avenue.

Mrs. Walter Cromwell of William street entertained friends at dinner last Sunday evening. Covers were laid for five.

Mrs. Francis Fitzhugh has returned from Woodstock where she visited friends.

Rev. and Mrs. C. L. Wells and three of their children, the Misses Hattie and Lillian and Master Charles, of Clifton Forge, Va., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. J. E. Butler of Wellington street. Mrs. Butler is a sister of Rev. Wells.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Harris of Trafalgar street entertained in honor of their daughter, Mrs. Elaine Phillips, last Thursday evening. Many of Mrs. Phillips friends were present on the occasion and the evening was a most pleasant one.

## TOPICS OF THE HOUR

(By People of the Hour).

### FAILURE OF LEADERSHIP.

Another great failure in our present leadership is the fact that the high destiny of the Negro by most of them is not recognized or understood. A great race will recognize no leader who does not see and therefore cannot point out the highway by which it may reach its place in God's plan of the ages. If the Negro is a great coming race it were well that its leadership were informing itself as to its past history, for the past will point the way to the future. We make the contention that the average leader is very uninformed and that this the main reason of their failure.

In proof that we are not recognizing the commanding position that God designs that we occupy in world affairs, let us cite this illustration. One of the editors of the Associated Press was stationed for a year upon one of the great western highways, along which came every type of humanity. Occupying a commanding position among whites with no Negroes in the community and finding no church there, that innate spiritual nature of the Negro began suffering, suffocating and in this situation this editor learned something of the real mission of the Negro to the world.

Down this great transcontinental highway came every type of humanity and men of every race. Air-men, world hikers, sailors, soldiers, marines, foresters, college boys and girls, the rich and poor, the ruined and disconsolate, all poured through this place of business. Then the great power of the Negro, his great mission began to manifest itself. Shut away from the church, this recluse began to preach, to bind up broken hearts, to direct the ruined and unbelieving and to the astonishment of our member of staff, every type listened with reverence and apparent awakening to light.

The Negro is the greatest preacher in the world, this is his mission. We have only given this illustration to clinch the argument that this old world tottering to disintegration, needs the relighting of the "torch" through the enlightened spirituality of modern Negroes. What need of the claim that we were great in distant ages, that we gave civilization to the world unless we PROVE IT NOW and we can in art and literature, and music and LIVING prove it true again. Civilization is tottering, problems face the world that seem a world consternation because other races cannot solve them. To the trenches, black heroes!

The call of the Negro press is that the Negro author, playwright, musician, poet and author stop writing for the Negroes and plunge up the mountains to his God-ordained destiny of again lighting the "torch of truth" for all nations and races, for truth is falling all around us, the pillars of the church are being undermined, music, art and literature are polluted with the dark stream of sensuality and there is no hope for the world unless Ethiopia stretches forth her hands to God as she in ancient ages was the creator of all original in art, so from her must spring the new light of to-day. Creative power lies unawakened because leadership does not sound the call.

We are black Canadians and we can prove our love and patriotism for our native land by dedicating ourselves alone to high ideals in music. Not the

music that sets men's feet tripping and rouses lower lusts, but back, back to the sublime promise of "Massa's in the Cold, Cold Ground." In literature that we shall not spread the poison of race consciousness in resentment but that we shall in literature and the drama show the wonderful heart of the Negro to love. Let us teach the young Negro, that he who develops LOVE shall be loved by other races and that he who develops hate shall reap HATE.

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## ST. CATHARINES

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bell and son, of Toronto, have returned home after a pleasant visit at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bell, Geneva street.

Messrs. Ernest Bell, Charles Morton and Clarence Johnson, of Hamilton, motored to the city, visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bell.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Richardson, of Gowanda, N.Y., motored through our city en route to Toronto on Sunday.

The friends of Mrs. Ida Summers regret to learn that she is still confined to her home through illness. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Lyman Hogan has returned home after a pleasant visit at her home in Guelph.

Mr. J. Brown, of Buffalo, spent a couple of days in the city visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. Brewster, North street.

Mr. Ben Walker, of Niagara Falls, N.Y., spent Sunday in the city, a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. Brewster.

Miss Verita Smith has returned home after a pleasant visit in Owen Sound.

A large number from the city attended the W. N. I. A. and Union picnic held at Port Dalhousie on Thursday, August 4. All reported a good time.

Sunday evening our new pastor, Rev. E. A. Richardson, delivered an excellent sermon, his subject being "The Efficacy of Prayer," which was very inspiring.

## STRATFORD

Miss Pletcher, of Pletcher, Ohio, and Mr. Edward Liles, of Youngstown, Ohio, spent a few days at the home of Mrs. M. E. Harrison.

Miss Elsie Duncan and Miss Caro Harrison spent a few days in Guelph during Centennial week.

Mr. William Harrison spent the week-end with his family.

Miss Gertrude Henderson reports having an enjoyable vacation in Ohio and Michigan.

Mr. Harold Duncan, of Guelph, spent the week-end at the home of his fiancée Miss Alice Harrison.

Mrs. Hannah Smith, of Toronto, and son and daughters, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wilson and four children, of Toronto, spent Civic Holiday in the city with her mother.

The B. M. E. Sunday School spent a couple of days at Grand Bend.

Mrs. M. Morton and children, of Dresden, spent ten days with Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hall and motored down to Grand Bend with them on August 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong and son, of Listowel, spent last Sunday with the Wesley family.

Mr. Jess Brown, of Hamilton, spent

August 1 with his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Crompell and family spent Sunday in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Jackson spent August 1 in Owen Sound.

Minnie Drayton has gone to Detroit to stay.

George Malott, of Brantford, spent a few days with the Wesley family on August 1.

Melvin Jackson spent the week at his home in Lucan.

Mrs. Grace Groat and two children of London, is spending the week-end with her mother, Mrs. M. Matthews.

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## OWEN SOUND.

The Mothers' Club garden party at the home of Mrs. Wm. Johnson was a success despite the rainy weather.

Ladies' day, August 14, at the A. M. E. church was a success. Mrs. C. Johnson gave the address at the morning service, and Mrs. Alice Harrison in the evening. Mrs. Wm. Pansy Harrison led the choir in the song service. Mrs. Francis Taylor and Mrs. J. Smith lifted the offering.

The garden party at the home of Mrs. Alice Harrison was very well attended in spite of the cold weather. There was good music and everyone enjoyed the function.

Mrs. Rev. H. Logan has organized a missionary society. Her sister Mrs. A. Dallard, has arrived in the city from Sacramento, Cal., after an absence of 25 years.

Mrs. Clifford Johnson is visiting Rev. and Mrs. E. H. Richardson at St. Catharines.

Mr. and Mrs. Molock and Mr. and Mrs. Thompson and son were in the city visiting his relatives, Mr. and Mrs. George Molock and family.

## GAINES DEFEATS BURKE.

Toronto, Ont.—Larry Gaines, Canadian heavyweight champion, defeated Matty Burke of New Orleans in a scheduled 10-round bout at the arena last Friday. The decision was a popular one with Gaines' admirers since they claim that the decision in New York a few weeks ago in which Burkes was declared the winner was an error.



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## The Fugitive Slave in Canada

(By Fred Landon)

(Continued from last issue).

help and sent two delegates to York (now Toronto) to find out the attitude of the Canadian Government. They stated their case to the governor, Sir John Colborne, who gave prompt reply: "Tell the republicans on your side of the line that we royalists do not know men by their color. Should you come to us you will be entitled to all the privileges of the rest of His Majesty's subjects." When this message was brought back between four and five hundred of Cincinnati's colored population left for Canada, a part of them founding the short-lived Wilberforce colony and the others scattering through the various towns of the province. The position taken thus early by Sir John Colborne was that of all his successors in office, and on the very eve of the Civil War Sir Edmund Walker Head declared that Canada could still afford homes to the refugees.

Canadian legislation was free from any discrimination against the Negro. Occasionally some individual member of Parliament would show unfriendliness, generally for political ends, but no hostile legislation ever marred Canada's good name. The fugitive was shown that the country was ready to give him his chance, and even ready to give him direct aid. An example of such practical help was the policy of remitting customs duties on supplies sent in by the abolitionists of the United States for destitute fugitives. In the liberality of its land grants to Negro colonies the Canadian Government also showed its sympathy. The Elgin Association and the Refugees' Home each secured large tracts of land on easy terms with the understanding that it would be re-sold to the Negroes on conditions which would make it possible for them to become freeholders. There were no political rights denied the fugitive. He paid his fair share of the taxes and he went to the same poll as his white neighbor to cast his vote. The franchise was freely exercised and there was no bar to the Negro holding office. Austin Steward, one of the founders of the Wilberforce colony, looked forward to the time when there would be a Negro representative sent from his district to the Canadian Parliament. In the Elgin Association's settlement Negroes held the office of pathmaster, school trustee and councillor and Dr. J. Wilson Moore, who visited the Negroes in Canada in 1858, noted such offices as school trustee and road commissioner being filled by black men. They were also serving as jurymen. The Negroes were found to be in touch with the leading political events going on in their adopted country. At the time of the agitation over the Rebellion Losses Bill, in the forties, the Negroes in Essex county met and passed resolutions protesting against the terms of the bill and commending the representative from Essex in the Canadian Parliament for his firm stand on the question.

It cannot be denied that there were occasionally some small evidences of

race prejudice in Canada, but these were always local and without force of law. Canadian law and the Canadian courts frowned on anything of this kind. Rev. S. R. Ward, in his autobiography, says he read of a case in southwestern Ontario where the whole mass of colored voters were driven from the polls and for the time disfranchised. "But," he adds, "the injured parties had recourse to law—British law, thank Heaven, and they triumphed."

He pays this tribute to Canadian justice as he saw it being administered in the fifties: "Happily for us, we have equal laws in our adopted race and the black race are on their country, and I know of no judge who would sully the British ermine by swerving from duty at the bidding of prejudice in a case coming before him as betwixt a Negro and a white man. I know of more than one instance in which our Canadian judges have acted with the most honorable impartiality in such cases; indeed I know of no case in which they have done otherwise."

The fugitive's rights of citizenship were recognized by his enrollment in the militia of the province. There were colored companies in the war of 1812 and during the "Patriot War" of 1838, when there was some danger of invasion from across the border, the negroes quickly offered their services. Sir Francis Bond Head, the governor, says of the Negroes: "They hastened as volunteers in wagon-loads to the Niagara frontier to beg from me permission that in the intended attack upon Navy Island they might be permitted to form the forlorn hope." Rev. J. W. Loguen, prominent in the abolition cause, says he was offered the command of a company of black troops in 1838, and notes the promptness with which several black companies were organized as well as the valor they displayed. These people, he points out, could scarcely remain passive when the success of the invaders would break the only arm interposed for their security and destroy the only asylum for African freedom on the continent. Rev. Josiah Henson, founder of the Dawn Negro colony, was on active service during the troubles of 1838, being a captain in the second Essex company of colored volunteers, which helped garrison Fort Malden for five months. His company had a hand in the capture of the schooner Ann, in January, 1838. "The colored men," he says, "were willing to defend the Government that had given them a home when they had fled from slavery."

As might be expected, there were attempts at one time and another to have Canada give up again to slavery those whom she had taken under her protection. The responsibility of Canada for the return of a fugitive slave upon the demand of the American Government, or upon the claim of the former master, was raised during the administration of Sir Francis Bond Head in the late thirties. The case is described in his "Narrative."

(To be continued)

### FLOWERS BEATS MALONE.

Seattle, August 17.—Tiger Flowers of Macon, Ga., former world's middle-weight champion, took an easy six-round decision over Jock Malone, white, of St. Paul, here Wednesday night. Malone fought listlessly throughout. Weights: Flowers, 166½; Malone 158½.

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