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THE JOHN BROWN RAID

(Continued from last issue)

(By Fred. Landon)

References in The Globe to the Chatham convention indicate that George Brown was well informed with regard to the proceedings there and knew the relation of the convention to the events at Harper's Ferry. In a later issue of The Globe, Brown, with discernment, declared that if the tension between North and South continued civil war would be inevitable and "no force that the South can raise can hold the slaves if the North wills that they be free." On the day of Brown's execution The Globe said that "his death will aid in awakening the South to understand its true position" and that it was "a rare sight to witness the ascent of this fine spirit out of the money-hunting, cotton-worshipping American world." The prediction was added that if a Republican president were elected in the approaching contest nothing short of a dissolution of the union would satisfy the South.

The special interest taken by The Globe in American affairs and its sane comment on the developments in the slavery struggle were the result of George Brown's intimate acquaintance with the issues in the United States acquired during his residence there before coming to Canada. The feeling of the Canadian people on the death of John Brown was shown by memorial meetings held in several cities. In Toronto a large gathering assembled in St. Lawrence Hall, at which the chief speaker was Rev. Thomas Kinnaird, who had himself attended the Chatham convention. He told of a conversation with John Brown in which the latter had declared his determination to do something definite for the liberation of the slaves, and, if necessary, perish in the attempt. The collection that was taken up at this meeting was forwarded to Mrs. Brown at North Elba, N.Y. At Montreal a similar meeting was held in Bonaventure Hall, attended by more than a thousand people who expressed their views by strong resolutions. Among those who occupied places on the platform at this meeting were some of the most prominent men of Montreal. Similar meetings were held in Chatham, Windsor and other points in the western peninsula of Ontario where the Negroes were numerous.

(To be Continued)

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Atlanta Segregation Is Unconstitutional

A section of Atlanta's zoning ordinance, which would segregate white and colored residents, has been declared unconstitutional on the basis of the victory won before the U. S. Supreme Court in the Louisville Segregation Case in 1917 by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

On October 17 the Supreme Court at Atlanta decided that Luther Crittelle, a Negro, could not be evicted by city officials from property he had bought in a "white" residential section.

The Georgia court, in rendering its decision, referred to the following ruling in a similar case:

"A city ordinance forbidding colored persons from occupying houses as residences, or places of abode, or public assembly, on blocks where the majority of houses are occupied by white persons, and in like manner forbidding white persons when the conditions are reversed, and which bases the interdiction upon color and nothing more, passes the legitimate bounds of police power and invades the civil rights to acquire, enjoy and use property, which is guaranteed in equal measure to all citizens, white or colored, by the Fourteenth Amendment."

It is on this ground that the N.A.A.C.P. and associated individuals and groups are fighting segregation ordinances recently passed by the Louisiana State Legislature and by the City of New Orleans.

Questions and Answers Column

What is the farthest north that records of the former existence of Negro races have been found? G. K. L., Denver, Colo.

The British Isles and Ireland.

Who was Osiris? J. D., Aurora, Ill. Osiris was the legendary founder of the Egyptian people and was their first god. His wife was Isis. Together they made the men and women with which Egypt was first populated and then taught them arts of civilization. Osiris was always represented as black and with beautiful Ethiopian face.

Was Hiram, King of Tyre, a mason? Y. T. S., Cleveland, O.

Yes, Hiram was and for this reason he was able to direct the building of Solomon's temple. The possibilities are that Solomon was not himself a mason, because had he been so he would not have had to call upon an outsider to construct the temple. Hiram was a black king and one of the league of kings who secured from Egypt the secrets of operative masonry.

Who were the Etruscans? W. P. O., Lexington, Mo.

The Etruscans were one of the primitive African people who founded the civilization of pre-historic Italy. Much of the remains of their culture have been discovered, but scholars have not yet been able to decipher their inscriptions.

Who was Abudeker? H. J. N., Wilmington, Del.

Abudeker was the first Caliph in the Mohammedan Empire after the death of Mohammed. He was the father-in-law of Mohammed and a full blooded Negro. So vast was the empire to which he succeeded that it took six months to cross the domains.

Recently I was reading an article in a newspaper concerning a secret in the life of John James Audubon, the great naturalist. Had that secret anything to do with his blood? Q. L., Chicago, Ill.

Possibly so. Audubon was the natural son of his father and a West Indian colored woman. The senior Audubon's wife adopted and reared the boy, as well as a sister by the same woman. The fact of Audubon's ancestry was one of the main reasons why Americans did not receive him. Some years later his father died and the estate was taken into the courts of France. To the credit of the foster-mother, she tried to secure to Audubon and to his sister their share of the estate, but Audubon's relatives in France fought him upon the ground that he had Negro blood and won a decision.

NEGRO MIGRATION BENEFITS BOTH NORTH AND SOUTH

(By N.A.A.C.P. Press Service.)

William Pickens, Field Secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, and Judge Blanton Fortson, of Georgia, are the joint authors of a debate on the northward migration of Negroes published in the November issue of "The Forum" (247 Park Ave., New York).

Judge Fortson, admitting that the South is a backward part of the nation and that progress is prevented by the status of the Negro influencing every public question, blames the South's lack of progress upon the Negro's "inferiority." He claims that the South is "held back by this mass of inferior peoples," that the white man can take and is taking the Negro's place as a laborer, and that it is better for the Negro to migrate to the North for that will mean the eventual extinction of the burdensome race.

Mr. Pickens points out that the migration northward has benefitted both those who have gone North and those who have remained in the South. It has also opened the eyes of the North to the fact that the race problem is nation-wide. Mr. Pickens further points out that the South did not want the Negro to migrate, even resorting to threats, false arrests and mob violence, as well as prosecution of labor agents, to hinder the Negro's going. Not only has the Negro demonstrated his capacity to do the work of the white world, says Mr. Pickens, but he is in no danger of extinction, "his color may be dissipated, but his quota of blood in the nation's veins, somewhere, will not be diminished."

Darby, Pa., To Hold Popular Baby Contest

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A popular baby contest for the benefit of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, has been organized in Darby, Pennsylvania, under the leadership of the following committee: Miss R. Wright, president; Miss N. Griffin, secretary; Mrs. Henderson, treasurer; Mrs. Jackson, general manager; Mrs. C. Ash, Mrs. C. Abrams, Miss M. Kings, Miss A. Wright, Mrs. Carrington.

Neighboring towns are to be asked to join with Darby in this contest and the committee will be enlarged.

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Editorial

THE CRISIS.

In a most powerful sermon delivered at the First Presbyterian Church last Sunday, Rev. Alfred W. Gandier, D.D., LL.D., Principal of Knox College Toronto, warned his audience of the impending crisis which to-day, not only faces the church, but which faces the entire world. He sees the impending crisis looming in the form of racial danger and he reviews honestly the entire situation, touching the responsibilities as well as the dangers. He warns the Occident that it must set an example for the Orient of the beneficent use of knowledge and power and it must set itself with all seriousness to the task of Christianizing the countries of Africa and the Orient. He stated that there had been aroused in the yellow and black races, respect for themselves, through the Christian teaching of the missionaries and that it took only the Great War to shatter in the minds of the people of the Orient, belief in the moral superiority of the whites, that more than ever there had been kindled in the colored races a desire to assert themselves and their power as a race opposed to the whites.

Enlarging upon his subject he said in part: "What would be the issue if the colored races rose in their new found might to smite the white man?"

"Though now it is a misnomer, Christian Europe must become Christian in fact as well as in name. Their must be fair treatment of China and Japan, there must be sympathetic treatment of the movement for self-government of Egypt, and the people of Africa must be freed from all the bonds of slavery and encouraged to develop their country and their civilization.

"The Occident countries must Christianize the Orient for they dare not allow the colored races to gain a knowledge of Western science and learning apart from the spirit of Jesus Christ. They are getting one, are they going to get the other?"

We are of the opinion that Dr. Gandier has given all Christendom some very sane advice, together with some very plain talk. In our meek and humble way we have tried to sound the same warning as Dr. Gandier has sounded. Not many months ago a gentleman who stands high in the militia, in making a public address, raised the color question and in raising it he was unfair to the dark-

er races. We protested and asked a similar question to the one which Dr. Gandier asked. "Suppose the colored races united on the basis of color rather than on the basis of moral fitness, what would the issue mean to the whites who constitute a small minority?"

China, Japan, Egypt and India must be convinced that there is no color discrimination for as these countries are learning civilization they realize that not color but superior learning constitutes the only superiority which the whites ever had over them. Africa must be shown that England and the other nations holding possession in that continent are interested in the souls and bodies of the natives as well as in her diamond fields, her fertile lands and her boundless other riches. These black and brown and yellow people must be assured that Christianity means Christ-like in spirit and in deed as well as in name. "More and more," says Dr. Gandier, "there has been kindled in the colored races a desire to assert themselves and their powers as a race opposed to the whites." More and more the darker races are gaining in power and more and more they feel justified in asserting this power, but we doubt that they desire so much to oppose themselves and their power to the whites. If they do oppose the whites it is because that race has placed itself athwart their rightful ambitions. It is because as Shakespeare sarcastically said: "Thou teachest me to beg and then teachest me how a beggar should be answered." It is because they have been taught the Christian spirit by people who do not measure well to the full statute of Christianity.

TRUSTING

By S. E. G. Allen.

(The last ten verses of Habak-Kuk.)
Although the fig tree cease to flourish
And no fruit be in the vines,
Though the olive fail to nourish
And the field yield hardest lines,
The flock cut off from every fold,
And no herd left in the stalls,
Still like good Habak-Kuk of old,
My faith and trust hear slightest calls.

The Lord Jehovah is my strength,
I walk with him in places high.
My feet like hinds feet, till at length
I know and feel him always nigh.
My joy still in Jehovah God,
Even while I pass beneath the rod.

Storms May Come.

Many Christians wonder why they should have to pass through so many storms and suffer so much trouble. They sometimes ask: Why does God not shield them from so much trial. They seem to think that the fact of so much misfortune is evidence that God has forsaken them. The incur-rent of this lesson reminds us that storms may come upon us even when our Lord is in the boat with us. Even those who keep very close to the Master may be assaulted by trial and temptation. Sometimes the storm threatens to engulf us, but it will not. The Master's presence is our security.

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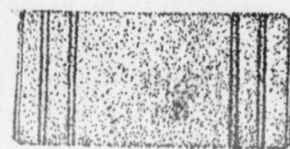
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LONDON NOTES

Mrs. John A. Smith and her daughter Beulah, of Niagara Falls, and her niece and nephew, and Mrs. Arthur Johnson of Niagara Falls, N.Y. motored through the city last Friday en route to Detroit. While in the city they were the guests of Rev. and Mrs. F. O. Stewart.

Mrs. John Vant left the city last Tuesday for Detroit. She expects her parents to join her shortly.

The many friends of Mr. Geo. Workman will be pleased to learn that he is able to be at work again.

Mrs. Gladys Wilson is improving after a somewhat severe illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Berry are now comfortably situated in their beautiful new home on Front St.

B.M.E. Church Notes

The Men's Brotherhood attended the 10 o'clock service at Hyatt Ave. Methodist Church on Sunday, October 26th, and listened to a splendid address by evangelist E. R. Brown. Our pastor conducted the services as usual in our own church morning and evening. Subject 11 a.m. "The Home of the Soul." 7 p.m. "Jehovah Reigns."

Bro. C. H. Brown, on behalf of the officers and members of the Men's Brotherhood wishes to thank those who helped to make their social of last Thursday, Oct. 23rd, a success. Especially the young men and the visiting talent.

The big event of the week will GALLEY 2 66qheld anJdregiK be the masquerade concert on Friday night, Oct. 31st by our Sunday School department.

Mr. Louis Groat is improving slowly in the Victoria Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harris wish to thank the Sunday School department of the B.M.E. Church for the beautiful basket of fruit.

Mrs. Mary Moxley of Grey St., entertained Mrs. Dickson of Detroit last Sunday at dinner.

HAMILTON NOTES

The Stewardess Board of St. Pauls A.M.E. Church gave a pie social in the lecture room. It was certainly a grand success.

Mr. Burke of Cayuga, Ont. was the guest of Miss Mary Bryant over the week end.

Mr. E. Tolliver and Mr. and Mrs. Richardson of Buffalo motored to the city on the Sabbath.

The Get to Gether Dance at Victoria Hall last Thursday evening was largely attended. A large number of out of town guests were present.

Mrs. Eva Wade entertained the young folks of the Sunday School last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Brown celebrated their 10th wedding anniversary at the Masonic Temple Banquet Hall. About 40 guests were present. They were the recipients of a number of

presents and an enjoyable time was spent by all.

Mr. Edwin Young and Mr. Brockington, of Buffalo were the guests of the Misses Holland, Hunter St., over the week end.

Rev. Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. A. Duncan and Mr. Louis Bennett of Oakville worshipped at St. Paul's Church on Sunday.

Mr. Crowley, of Toronto, was in the city on business.

Mr. Earnest Johnson, of Oakville, is spending a few days in the city.

The First Quarterly Meeting at St. Paul's Church was largely attended. Rev. Dr. Henderson preached at both services.

Our Sunday School is in the City Membership Rally and for the two last Sundays have had the largest attendance of all the schools in our city.

Mr. E. E. Terrelong is doing a wonderful business at his new quarters.

We regret very much that Mrs. Harrigan and family are quarantined with Scarlet Fever.

Mr. Hiram Berry, our soloist, took part in the banquet in the Arcade Rose Room.

Miss Violet and Ruby Morton returned from Buffalo and report a good time.

Come to Hamilton. Mount Olivet No. 1, F.A.M. Victoria Hall, Thanksgiving Evening. A Big Surprise.

Mr. Cyrus Henderson of Mount Vernon was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Duncan.

Mrs. Myrtle Duncan and Mrs. Jeffreys of Detroit spent a few days in the city renewing old friends.

ST. CATHARINES NOTES

Mr. Geo. Bell had charge of the Sunday morning service.

Services in the B.M.E. Church were well attended, a number of visitors being present.

Mr. and Mrs. Kitson Powell of Buffalo, Mr. and Mrs. Livingstone of Niagara-on-the-Lake, Mr. L. Grant of Buffalo, Mr. Wm. Barnes, Mr. Lorne Barnes, Miss Ollie Barnes and the Misses Johnson, of Cayuga, Ont., motored over and worshipped with the B.M.E. Church folk in the evening.

The Jubilee Singers Concert was a success. Every member put his shoulder to the wheel and did his utmost to make it the success it was.

Mr. John Dorsay of Francis St., assisted the Busy Bees Auxiliary of St. John's A.M.E. Church in their Bazaar at Niagara Falls, N.Y., last week.

Miss Mary Grant was confined to her bed all last week, and was able to attend services Sunday.

Miss Mary Stewart was visiting in Cayuga, Ont., a few days.

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Were any Negro races concerned in
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African descent. The Greeks were
led by Agamemmon, a King of Mycenae,
the royal house of this kingdom
having been founded by Africans, Priam,
King of Troy, was a brother of
Tithonus, King of Ethiopia, Hector,
the great Trojan hero, was the son of
Priam.

OAKVILLE NOTES

Harvest Home Services were held
in Turner Chapel on Sunday, Oct. 19,
at which time Rev. Nelson filled the
pulpit at both services and preached
two wonderful sermons, which has
left a lasting impression in the minds
of all who heard him.

On Monday evening the Steward-
esses Board gave a social, closing the
Harvest Home Services with much
success.

The many friends of Clarence John-
son, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. David
Johnson will be pleased to know that
he won two 1st prizes for running at
the High School field day, recently
held at Burlington.

The Willing Workers are holding
a Hallowe'en Masquerade at the home
of the President, Mrs. G. Johnson on
Friday, Oct. 31st.

Urban Duncan, our Boy Scout, won
1st prize on Saturday, making a fire
in three minutes on their hike.

Miss Adams, who has been visiting
in St. Catharines and Toronto has
returned home reporting a good time.

Mrs. Wallace and Miss Elice have
been visiting in St. Catharines the
past week.

Mrs. Nelson entertained a few of
her friends at the parsonage on Fri-
day evening. The rooms were beau-
tifully decorated with flowers. Every
one pronounced it a splendid affair.

Rev. and Mrs. Nelson, Mr. and Mrs.
Bennett, motored to Toronto on Sat-
urday, returning in the evening with
a party of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Jackson and
family, Mrs. Hastings and her three
daughters, all of Toronto visited their
sister, Mrs. L. F. Bennett on Saturday
evening.

Mrs. V. Saulte motored to Cayuga
Sunday morning. We hope she has
a nice time.

Rev. Nelson, Mr. Bennett, Mr. and
Mrs. Duncan motored to Hamilton
on Sunday afternoon to attend the
Quarterly Meeting at St. Pauls A.M.E.
Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas have moved
into their new home, on Kerr St.

PUCE NOTES

Mrs. Ryers and son George, of
Kingsville were the guests of Mr. and
Mrs. A. T. Scott, on Sunday.

The Puce Baptist Church had a
lovely gathering with many people
from the Border Cities. Rev. Pen-
nick opened in a lovely subject:
What it takes to be a Christian, and
the subject was left open for discus-
sion by all.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. M.
Taylor was blessed at Puce Baptist
Church by the name of Uneace Evar
Taylor.

Puce Baptist Church will give a
Thanksgiving Supper at the Oddfel-
low's Hall on November 10, followed
by a grand concert.

Dr. C. Johnston and wife and moth-

er and Mrs. Nord of Detroit were the
guests of Mr. and Mrs. Molock on
Wednesday.

Rev. Pennick and wife and Mrs.
Pennick's mother were the guests of
Mrs. Henry Wells.

Mr. George Scott and family visited
his old homestead on Sunday at Elm-
stead.

FORT ERIE NOTES

Mr. H. Jones, of Niagara Falls, Ont.
was a visitor at the home of Mr. and
Mrs. F. Taylor, over the week end.

A party was given at the home of
Mr. A. Bright on Friday evening.
Everyone reported a good time.

Mrs. L. Chandler and Mrs. Maud
Bright spent Friday afternoon in Buf-
falo, N.Y.

Rev. Woodcock preached an inspir-
ing sermon on Sunday.

SARNIA NEWS

Mrs. G. Brooks, accompanied by
Mr. and Miss Allerenshaw motored
to Appin and returned, being accom-
panied by Mr. G. Brooks, her husband
and both expect to return to Appin
in a few days to do some fall work.

The W.M.M.S. met at the home of
Mrs. G. Wright, Parker St.

The W.M.S. had a bake sale at the
home of Mrs. H. C. Munro, which was
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the whole has not yet come in.

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Mrs. Long and Mr. Hill, prominent citizens of Pittsburg, Pa., were week end visitors of Mr. and Mrs. J. Graves of 117 Dundas St. Msr. Long and Mr. Hill were returning from Ottawa where they had been visiting with friends.

Communion Services were held on the evening of October 27th. Rev. R. A. Ball conducted the service.

In the absence of the pastor, who expects to leave this week on his vacation, Mr. Geo. Coats will occupy the pulpit in the B.M.E. Church.

A Turkey Dinner will be given in the B.M.E. Church on Thanksgiving Day. Dinner served from 1 till 2.30 p.m. and from 6 until 9 p.m.

Mrs. Mollie Carter of 177 Dovercourt Road gave a weiner roast to a number of her friends at her summer cottage on Lakeview, Stop 6, last Saturday. Those present were: Mrs. Julia Branch and family, Mrs. Lottie McGrouder and family and Mrs. L. Wandle. All gave expression of a pleasant evening and they wished Mr. and Mrs. Carter a pleasant season in their winter home at Monrovia, Cal.

Mr. and Mrs. Winston Harris have returned after a very pleasant trip to Cleveland, where they visited their Sister, Mrs. Jeannie Hunter. Mrs. Hunter is general secretary of the Phillis Wheatley Society.

COLLINGWOOD NOTES

Four generations motored to Owen Sound. Mrs. M. A. Cain, her daughter, Mrs. Sheffield, her two granddaughters, the Misses Florence and Dorothy Sheffield and Mr. Norman Sheffield and the great grandson, Master Wilfred Sheffield motored to Owen Sound and spent the day with Mrs. Fanny Taylor, all report a good time.

The Annual Fowl supper in the B. M. E. Church was a great success. At six o'clock quite a number had sat down and right up to eight-thirty the crowds kept coming and made it very difficult for the waiters to serve the people but everything was managed so well that no one went away disappointed or dissatisfied, in fact they expressed themselves as being well served and are trying to persuade the committee to put on another supper right away in a larger building and are offering to assist in any way that may be necessary.

At nine o'clock the people who were seated on the platform and standing in the aisles were asked to move toward the back part of the church and a short programme was rendered consisting of jubilee numbers, readings and solos, addresses by Rev. Richardson who we were so glad to have with us gave an organ solo in his able manner and in his address said to the people that we as a race were rising and made mention of some of our leading race men. The programme closed with the National Anthem.



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PRINCE KOJO'S HAIR

By Roger Didier.

(For The Associated Negro Press.)
One is forced to wonder just what may be in the mind of Prince Kojo Tovalou-Houenou, now a visitor in this country, when he looks around him at the number of patent-leather haired shicks and straightened-haired mammas. The Prince carries a crop of expertly cropped, good old African hair. So did Mrs. Casely-Hayford, wife of a Negerian judge of great learning. Oddly enough, the wool which we Negroes have almost outgrown, crowns well the representative of the dark continent. Do they look with admiration upon the new kind of Negro hair?

And further about this prince: He is of Dahomey. He is 34, speaks seven languages, is a doctor of law, medicine, philosophy and a professor of sociology. He is the editor of a newspaper. Each day, it is reported, he reads some new book.

His reception by colored Americans has not been to enthusiastic. His association with Mr. Garvey seems to be too close. Whether that is his fault or not remains to be seen.

But be that as it may, this Prince of Dahomey is a fit inspiration for the Negro children of America and worthy of the pride of American Negroes. He is as good a prince as any of the children read about in the story books. He is as accomplished a Prince Charming as milady could dream for.

As oddly as we take him, we have in Prince Kojo a young man of the most extraordinary accomplishments, scholar, author, lawyer, doctor and orator. The pity of it is that Dahomey is scarcely more than a name any more. What a future England might look to if it had in store a king of the type of Prince Kojo. American Negroes will do themselves a credit to learn of Kojo for their children's sakes, despite Garvey and despite the sale of the prince's books and pictures.

JUST WATCH HIS SMOKE

By Roger Didier.

(For The Associated Negro Press.)
A Negro who is employed in a responsible position with the largest publication of its kind in the world recently sent the picture of the son of a prominent colored man to the head of the publication with a pamphlet which the boy's father had written and the comment that this boy was "one of those whose development will tell just what is in the race, whether it be good or bad."

The head of the magazine, a white man, acknowledged the receipt of the picture, pamphlet and comment with a note which included the following: "Why entertain the slightest doubt about what is in the race? It is as good as any. The Negro is all right. What is more needed now is a great salesman who can sell the race to the race. When the Negro believes in the Negro, just watch his smoke!"

COLORED MAN APPOINTED MANAGER OF CHAIN DRUG STORE IN HARLEM

(By N.A.A.C.P. Press Service.)
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