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## MY MOTHER'S ESCAPE FROM SLAVERY WITH FIVE CHILDREN

(by Mrs. Charles Walker)

There's a little town in Virginia called Lusburgh, where lived a slave-trader by the name of William Giddings. He was tall and robust, not very handsome, but well liked by the few who visited him in his home which was the very picture of wealth, one of those old, very old fashioned houses.

Now Giddings owned slaves, bought slaves, sold and traded them. He was very good to the women and girls but a horror to the men and boys who positively hated him, not only one or two but practically every one out of seventy-five to one hundred slaves. The head foreman was named George Payne (who was quite a favorite with the Master) who was very obedient, but there came a time when he became restless and wanted to be away and be independent and when these moods were on George disliked being bullied and would try a little independence, which of course Giddings noticed at once and of course thought to himself that something must be done to prevent this restlessness in him. So the very next time when Payne showed signs of independence he received a whipping from Giddings, the first he had received from him since he was bought, although other slaves were in the habit of getting whipped for the most trivial things. This then made things worse for Payne which led to more whippings which grew gradually worse and which also he resented very much.

About this time there were rumors of war and this gave Payne more encouragement. As in the evenings when the work was done and the slaves were free to have a good time among themselves as is the custom in the South some of the slaves would talk over what they had heard of the Northern Soldiers fighting to free them. Several of them were quite unruly and through the encouragement and talks from George Payne became

## Young Colored Girl Pianist To Play For N. Y. Musical Club

Mrs. Carrie Overton, a young colored girl who has been studying in preparation for the career of concert pianist, is to appear on Wednesday evening, April 7th, as piano soloist for the Greater New York Musical and Dramatic Club according to news sent to the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

P. W. Riesberg, who has for some months been giving Mrs. Overton instruction informs the N.A.A.C.P. that he believes her fully prepared for public appearances. For concert and professional purposes Mrs. Overton has adopted the name "Carova." Her recital before the Greater New York Musical and Dramatic Club will take place at the Ampico Art Studios, Knabe Building, Fifth Avenue and 39th Street.

quite unruly, so the next time Master Giddings went to give Payne a whipping he of course revolted and would not take it, as he said, "I have had my back cut open for the last time by you or any other Master," Giddings grew rather afraid of him as he was a big strong, husky fellow. So Marse Giddings thought he would sell him so he told him so and Payne said he would run away first. Now Giddings did not wish this as he was afraid Payne would get to the Northern Soldiers, who were camped two miles from Giddings' house and of whom he was scared to death of as he had heard tales of how these Northern Soldiers would do unmerciful things to the owners of slaves. Now Payne had a wife and five children, Emily his wife and Henry, Maria, Dolly, Jane, Rosie. His whole heart was set on his family and Marse Giddings was very considerate to them, also to show the regard he had for Payne he let him and his family live in the big house while the other slaves had apartments away off from the big house of which Payne was overseer. This of course created a little jealousy among the other slaves but still did them no good.

Emily, Payne's wife was very well liked by everyone, especially the mistress, she was her waiting maid and wet nurse and Maria the oldest girl was a housemaid, while Henry was carriage boy to the family.

For this reason Giddings did not want Payne to go, or do anything that

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## London Branch of League Holds Very Successful Meeting

On the 25th of March the London UKnit of the League held a very successful meeting in the B.M.E. Church on Grey St. C. H. Brown, chairman of the Membership Committee, presided. An interesting program was rendered consisting of choruses, trios and instrumental solos. The speakers were B. E. Fountaine, A. J. A. Butler and C. H. Brown. After stating the aims and objects of the League, each speaker emphasized the necessity for co-operation on the part of every colored citizen in the community in order to make the organization a thing worth-while. They spoke of the fact that the very best people of the Anglo-Saxons had joined hands with the forward thinking colored people to assist in elevating the colored citizens, and to make conditions better for them in every way. It was also pointed out that a few colored youths were at present receiving help in educating themselves and that the list would be considerably larger before the end of the present year.

The Dawn of Tomorrow, the official organ, came in for much consideration. The speakers affirmed that its educative value was potent, not only for colored people but for white people as well, in that it kept them informed concerning the progress and the upward striving of the colored people. The people were urged to support The Dawn financially as well as morally. Each speaker dwelt at great length upon the necessity of complete unity and harmony among all classes of colored citizens.

At the conclusion of the program a free luncheon was served.

## Death of W. J. Wray

The death of Mr. W. J. Wray atized in the death of Mr. W. J. Wray, which occurred in the city a few days ago, London lost one of her greatest citizens and Christianity lost one of its strongest advocates. He was a deeply religious temperament and his nature was extremely sympathetic. Perhaps not a single person in the city was ever more charitable towards the poor people than was Mr. Wray, and therefore, his death to them is a very great loss.

He was one of our big business men who would and did carry his

## GEN. HERTZOG'S SEGREGATION PLAN EXPLAINED

New York, March 26—The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, 69 Fifth Avenue, has received from England a clipping quoting the "Round Table" in explanation of the segregation policy inaugurated by General Hertzog against the natives of South Africa. The "Round Table" says in part:

"General Hertzog's policy of segregation, as expounded in general terms, was that areas should be set apart as native areas in which the native should live and develop along his own lines. He would have in these areas a gradually increasing amount of responsibility for the administration of his local affairs, and he would be subject to no restriction as to what occupation he might follow. If, however, he chose to come out to work in European areas, he would be prohibited from acquiring land and would be subject to restriction."

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religion into his business. We have often observed him make sales and with every sale he would somehow introduce the subject of the salvation of souls. In fact, he seemed far more interested in the souls of his patrons than he was in either their money or the goods which he offered. As he often expressed it, "if the soul right with God nothing else matters." The Wray Jewellery Business calendars, representing both the straight and narrow way and the broad way have caused countless numbers to begin to think and think deeply.

Many churches and missions and especially those of the poor, the lowly and the outcast, will long remember him for his straightforward messages and for his earnest pleadings to them to follow in the wake of the Master. He followed the straight and narrow path as God gave him the light to choose this path. He was zealous that his brethren might do likewise. He was never luke warm but rather he was for ever overflowing with enthusiasm for the Kingdom of his Lord and Master. The loss of such a character will be felt more and more as the years go by.



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## Editorial

### A THOUGHT FOR EASTER

By F. O. Stewart, Toronto ....

In this season of the year, when the thought of the Christian is centered upon the glorious fact of the resurrection, it is fitting that we give a prominent place in our prayers to those whose hearts are burdened with loneliness and sadness. Many a home is under the shadow of bereavement. There is a vacant place at the fireside and the faces of those that remain are stained with tears. The anguish of separation and the gloom of death are there. Nothing but the Gospel of the resurrection can meet the needs of the sorrowing ones. No one but Christ can answer the deep heart questions of those who stand weeping at the grave. Just imagine how great would be the darkness were it not for the light that streams from His face! The resurrection of Christ is the highest inspiration to a separated life. To those who are sad and dejected in heart we offer the great apostle's words, "If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above."

The Bible puts the matter into a small compass: to further give us hope the apostle exclaims, "If after the manner of men, I have fought with beasts at Ephesus, what advantage it me if the dead rise not? Let us eat and drink for to-morrow we die? It is not too much to say that not only true Christian faith but a true Christian morality rests upon the doctrine of the bodily resurrection of Jesus. High and manifold temptations that are in the world is impossible save upon the great assurance of Jesus, "I am with you always," and that assurance can be given only by Him who was dead and is alive. He is an enemy of the true faith and of the Church of the living God, an enemy of Christian hope and the slayer of all inspiration God-ward, who denies the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Let us not be uncertain, let us never waver, in our full, clear, intelligent, glad acceptance of the marvellous truth of Christ's complete conquest over sin, over Satan, and over death. May this Easter Day give each one of His children more of His resurrection life and brighten the hope of His coming.

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## Committee of District Council Convenes in London B.M.E. Church

At the call of the General Superintendent, Rev. S. R. Drake, the District Council Committee convened in Grey Street B.M.E. Church on Thursday, March 26th at 2.30 p.m. One half hour was given to devotional exercises, the presiding officer then outlined the purpose of the meeting and requested that each member of the council, enter into the meeting with a desire to accomplish something for the advance of the work before the committee. Rev. Drake pointed out to the Council that the main object of the meeting was to discuss general plans for the annual and general conference and the celebration of the 70th anniversary of the church as an organization in Canada. At a session of the General Conference Special Committee the date for the opening of the annual conference was confirmed and it was set for Monday, Sept. 13th, to continue for one week. This of course will include the sessions of the general conference, the Missionary Society and the Sunday School Convention on Sunday, Sept. 19th. Special anniversary services will be held during the entire day at which time it is expected special representatives from the United States will be present. Among the visitors expected are the following: Bishop W. T. Vernon, representing the African Methodist Episcopal Church; Bishop G. Clement, Bishop Kyle and Rev. R. R. Ball, representing the A.M.E. Zion Church. A special Memorial service will be held at Queen's Park on Monday, Sept. 20th, at which time a wreath will be placed on the tablet in honor of the No. 2 Construction Battalion. The general public will be invited to participate in this public affair. Special souvenir programs were suggested containing the history of the connexion and a program of the anniversary services. This suggestion was adopted by the Council. The Committee on Church Federation reported progress and recommended further negotiations with the commission in order to obtain all information possible. The state of the church was also reported and revealed an alarming condition in the ranks of our church. It was said that something must be done in the interest of the work. It was also stated that further information should be given to any congregation desiring it and this was agreed in general.

Special tribute was paid to the death of Rev. R. A. Ball, who departed this life in December of last year. The favourite hymn, "Guide Me Oh Thou Great Jehovah," was sung, and prayer offered by Rev. E. A. Richardson in behalf of his widow. A special recommendation was presented calling for anniversary services in all our churches to be held sometime prior to the Annual Conference commemorating the 70 years of existence of the church. Representatives who were present are the following: Windsor, Rev. J. T. Dawson, F. Edmonds, Jennie Bowles, Evelyn Perkins; St. Catharines, Rev. H. F. Logan; Brantford, Rev. H. D. Wright; Toronto, Rev. F. O. Stewart; Guelph, Mrs. C. A. Johnson, Miss R. Wilson, M. Monteur, of Sandwich, Ont. and C. H. Brown of London. Rev. S. R. Drake

of London Presided and Rev. E. A. Richardson of Owen Sound was Secretary of the committee. A vote of thanks was extended to the pastor, Rev. Woodcock, and the members of his church for the cordial entertainment during the sessions and also to those who opened their homes to accommodate the visiting delegates. The slogan "On to Toronto" is the clarion call of the delegates and all are looking forward to this conference with much joy and anxiety.  
F.O.S.—Reporter

## Balaam and the Other Ass

I would admonish you, friend to curb thy tongue in my household, lest a false impression of that encounter with the fox be given, women as well known to you, being somewhat prone to emphasize slight differences of detail in versions of a tale, me having already recounted this matter in the incident I am about to relate in her ears. A similar discretion would also be to our advantage.

It came to my knowledge that neighbour Whitford had in process of dickering (a pursuit in which he is accounted expert) become possessed of a specimen of the common ass or donkey, which, being desirous of seeing, and also willing to hear the details of the bartering, which I had heard were highly diverting, I proceeded to his place with that laudable intent. To approach his barn I must needs circuit to the eastward to avoid his animal yard, which, following the recent thaw resembling Bunyan's Slough of Despond, with sundry cows, laboriously pulling their legs out of the muck, being all to be seen.

Now on coming round the corner of the barn, I came suddenly on the very beast, of which I was in quest whereupon he let fly a pair of heels full at me, while at the moment seemingly intent only on nibbling at a whisp of clover set down for him.

"Have a care beast," I exclaimed, having much ado to avoid his feet, "or I will fetch thee a buffet with my staff." On this the donkey lifted up a pair of ears, in my judgement much overgrown, let forth a most distressing "Hee Haw," and made as if to repeat his rash act.

"Sir of the big stomach," he said. (a most unjust remark, for, indeed, I have an excellent figure for my years.) "Our tribe are careful for nothing. We are of a proud and ancient lineage, the associates of princes, and were familiars of kings, when your ancestors gnawed bones in a cave, we have made possible man's wanderings on the earth from the dawn of history. Ford with his gasoline donkey has given us our first respite from our burdens. We know all about men, Yes, Yes, we know them, and again that harsh voice was spread on the air in a ribald "Hee Haw." Now being somewhat nettled by this, I sharp replied. "To be sure you are of ancient lineage, but time has done little for you. You are to-day but an ass as were your fathers." "It would seem" he said, "that time has dealt in a more kindly manner with you, for whereas your father Adam was but a simpleton, you today are a much more perfect ass. Now we," he continued after a pause, me disdaining to comment on

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this ignorant remark. "We being asses born, are asses by compulsion. Man being an ass by choice and habit, is the greater ass of the two."

"Of course," I said somewhat contemptuously, "Balaam held converse with an ass, but"—

"I know her well," he interrupted, "she was of Barbary blood, and probably stolen in some raid by the Phoenicians." "Who? Balaam?" I said in some astonishment, "Of course not," he snorted, "the donkey, very old strain, my dam was of the same blood." "She was a wise donkey," I admitted.

"She was the biggest fool of a family of asses," he retorted, "Who but an ass would try to convince a man he was wrong." "But she did convince him," I cried triumphantly, "Which does show him to be the bigger ass to let a donkey change his mind," he said sourly.

Now at this moment my neighbor's dog, a sneaking brute of no precise origin, crept up behind me and laying hold of my heel gave me a tremendous start, which movement the donkey interpreting as a threat, promptly wheeled and planted a pair of dirty hoofs on my waistcoat (that part being nearest to him,) upon which, I, thus rudely handled, stumbled backward over the dog, and was most distressfully mired in the softness of the yard. This untoward event gave me some hours of waiting at the cleaners (not being desirous of approaching my household in this plight,) also much coin of the realm besides giving me to suffer the sly comments of the cleaning man. "It would appear," he said, "that the fickle dame misfortune hath accompanied you both coming and returning."

"In a manner of speaking" I said, "one might say, Yes."

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And left with us a lily fair  
A lily fair with heart of gold  
Each day we watched our bud unfold  
Into a beautiful lily rare  
Until one day an angel came  
And took away our bud again,  
Came for our darling and took her home  
To bloom in heaven for God alone.  
O God ease the pain of the parents' heart  
When with their darling they have to part.  
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### COLLINGWOOD

The Sunday night service was conducted by three young men of the Men's League. The youthful speaker impressed upon the minds of his hearers the necessity of laying up treasures in heaven, not on earth. It was too bad there was such a few out to hear him.

Mrs. Rachel Eddy passed to the great beyond on March 7th after an illness of 5 months. She leaves to mourn her loss two daughters, Mrs. Ellis, with whom she lived and Mrs. Hannah Blinco of town. Mr. Daniel Eddy of Toronto, Mr. David Eddy of Buffalo and William of New Lowell.

The funeral took place on Tuesday afternoon, March 9th to the Methodist Cemetery, Rev. Trotters officiating at the house and grave.

Miss Florence Sheffield has gone to Toronto to take a position. We wish her every success.

Mrs. John Pinch of Angus, is visiting her mother Mrs. Dave Green, 5th Street.

Little Yvonne Sheffield is slowly improving but is still confined to the house. We hope for her a speedy recovery.

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### BRANTFORD

Sunday Services, March 21st, were well attended (the pastor's subject at 11 a.m. being, "The Government of Christ." At 7 p.m. he spoke on "Drifting," handling both his subjects in his usual masterly way.

Brantford's Third Quarterly Meeting will be held the 2nd Sunday in April, at which time Rev. H. F. Logan will be with us for the day.

Rev. H. D. Wright leaves this week for London to attend the General Conference special meeting which convenes March 25th.

Great interest is being shown in the Sunday School, the pastor offering a prize to those who can memorize the golden text during the whole quarter. The children find it quite interesting.

The Church Aid under the able leadership of Mrs. A. Brown held a St. Patrick's Home Cooking sale at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Lucas which proved a grand success.

Friends of Mrs. Catherine Brown will regret to learn she is confined to her bed with pneumonia. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Isaac Johnson is improving slowly being confined to her home still.

Mr. Samuel Brown spent the week end in Toronto and Georgetown visiting his family and friends.

Miss Inez Johnson has returned to the parental home after a lengthy stay in Cleveland.

Mr. Ed. Johnson of Niagara Falls N.Y. spent the week end at home

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Sunday was Quarterly Meeting in the B.M.E. Church. Rev. Perry occupied the pulpit at all the services and did justice to the occasion in his masterly sermons. In the morning he spoke on "The Greatest Thing in the World." At the afternoon service, the subject was, "The Last Contest in which Our Lord was Engaged."

The newly organized Epworth League took charge of the evening hour. The League has started under very bright and favourable auspices with a membership of thirty-five. Next Sunday afternoon a special service is to be held when the officers will be installed. A great program is being prepared for the occasion, and the church is to be decorated with flags and bunting. No one should miss it.

The Choral Society is making great progress in its endeavours for its first public appearance on Easter Monday night. A great interest is being taken as manifested in the weekly increase of membership.

Rev. Perry goes to Amherstburg this week to assist his friend Rev. C. A. Stewart of the A.M.E. Church in his revival meetings.

The community regrets to learn of the demise of Mrs. Sneed of Detroit, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Black of Chatham. Our sympathy goes out to the family, but especially to Mrs. Arnold Watts, who is a resident of the community and sister of the deceased. The funeral takes place in the B.M.E. Church on Tuesday afternoon.

Rev. Talbot of the Baptist Church is preaching very acceptably to his people and there is quite an interest being taken since his acceptance of the Church. He preaches in the morning here and at Chatham in the evenings.

### ST. CATHARINES

Mr. Alex. Nicholson is able to resume his work with his teams, hauling, after six weeks illness.

Miss Gertrude Bell is able to sit up after a three week illness with acute appendicitis.

Miss Sofia Stanfield, after spending two weeks with Rev. H. F. and Mrs. Logan, recuperating after her long illness, is returning to Toronto next week.

Mr. George Bell is driving his motor truck after a two week attack of lumbago.

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Last Sunday morning the B.M.E. Brotherhood held a rally day. Present with them were Askin St., Ridout and Hyatt Ave. Brotherhoods. Mr. J. M. Montier of Sandwich was the speaker. Mr. Montier gave one of the most stirring addresses which the Brotherhood has ever listened to. The visiting units moved a hearty vote of thanks to the speaker for his splendid talk. A substantial sum was raised which was turned over to the trustees to be applied on the present indebtedness.

Mr. Edward Moxley of Grey Street is seriously ill at his home.

Mrs. C. E. Jenkins is confined to her bed suffering from a very severe cold.

Mrs. Hattie Berry of Front Street has been confined to her bed for the past week suffering from an attack of neuritis.

Last Sunday was a great day in the B.M.E. Church. Mr. Montier of Sandwich spoke at two of the services delivering two impressive and inspiring addresses. During the evening services, Mrs. Bowls, Mrs. Woodcock, Mr. Lucas and Mr. Montier rendered a beautiful selection. Mrs. Bowls also rendered a very beautiful solo.

### OWEN SOUND

The Lord's day was quietly spent here, it being a beautiful shushiny day the first day of Spring. The morning service at the B.M.E. Church was attended by the usual congregation. Rev. E. A. Richardson took for his morning text Psalm 110; sub. "The Messiah's Passion and His Everlasting Kingdom." The speaker said that God the Father said to His Son Jesus Christ "Sit on my right hand in my kingdom in heaven until I make thine enemies thy friends or footstool." He said the world was still an enemy to Christ and would be for a long time to come. But in Gods own time He was going to bind the enemy of man.

On Thursday Mr. H. Woodbeck and his son George were called to their boat at Midland. They will be missed very much as Mr. H. Woodbeck was secretary-treasurer of the B.M.E. Church and his position will be hard to fill.

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### TORONTO

Be prepared to attend the after Easter and Lent entertainments that are in the making. We understand they will be numerous.

Miss Dorothy Crawford, who has been attending school in Toronto during the past year, will soon be leaving for her home in Bermuda to rest up for a while.

We understand the Home Service Social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Simpson was a decided success in every way and we hope the annual entertainment which is next on the program will be even better.

The Eureka Friendly Club gave an open entertainment for the husbands and friends of the lady members, at the home of Mrs. L. Price, 6½ Redwood Ave. Quite a few were present and were royally entertained by the respective members and the home guard, consisting of some handsome looking ladies. Were you there?

With this beautiful weather quite a few new things are coming to life, viz. birds, bees, trees, flowers, etc., and the corners are beginning to grow some new regulars who have been hibernating during the winter months.

Mrs. George Norris entertained in her lovely new home on Rogers Road Thursday, March 25th, the occasion being Mrs. Norris' birthday. The dinner guests were Mrs. Coates Sr., Mrs. Norris' mother, Mrs. Harry Coates, Misses Margery and May Coates, Mrs. Wm. Branch and Mrs. Harry Brown. Mrs. Norris received some very beautiful gifts, among them a lovely basket of marigolds from her mother.

Buy your Easter Coat at Thomson's, 179 Dundas St., and save money.

### Hamilton League Meets

A pleasant evening was spent last Thursday when the members of the Canadian League assembled for their regular meeting in Hamilton. An address "Our Bodies and How They Resist Diseases," was delivered by Dr. Wynter. Many interesting points were presented and the address was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Several new faces were present and the continued interest in the League is indeed gratifying.

### MONTREAL

Mrs. E. Austin, late of Portland, GALLEY 4 nUf.(Wo-offiddwsll Oregon, was the guest for the week end of Mr. and Mrs. J. Jefferson, of Verdun.

On Wednesday, February 24th, there passed away Mrs. H. Medley in her 80th year (one of the oldest and most highly respected citizens). Mrs. Medley came to this city from Quebec thirty years ago, and united with the Mountain Street Methodist Church of which she was a consistent and valued member. She was also a noted W.C.T.U. worker of the Westmount Union. The great display of flowers showed the esteem in which the deceased was held in the community. The funeral sermon was preached by Rev. F. Williams, pastor of the above mentioned church at Armstrong's

Chapel, Park Ave. She leaves five California, Mrs. (Dr.) Lucas, Atlantic City, Mrs. Padison, Chicago, Mrs. Austin, Portland, Oregon, and Mrs. Lightfoot, this city, as well as three sons. Interment was at Quebec.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Taylor announce the engagement of their second daughter, Celestine Yvonne, to Mr. James Holt at Rochester, N.Y., son of Mr. and Mrs. John Holt, wedding to take place in the near future.

We are sorry to report Mrs. Edward Taylor of Green Ave. is confined to her bed through illness and so is her little granddaughter Joyce and her daughter-in-law Mrs. Walter Taylor.

Others on the sick list are: Mrs. Sportsman and Mrs. A. Lawrence.

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### HAMILTON

Those attending the St. Patrick's social all reported a splendid time. A goodly number were present and a tidy sum realized.

Little Miss Josephine Townsend, Mrs. Edward Duncan, Mrs. Wilda Townsend and Mr. R. A. Hammond are on the sick list. We hope all will soon be enjoying perfect health.

Miss Elfreda Holland spent a portion of the week holidaying in Guelph, Ont.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Lewis and children of Buffalo were in the city over the week end, they returned home, leaving the children to holiday with their grandparents.

Mrs. R. A. Hammond has returned home from Cleveland, where she was called to the bedside of her sister, Mrs. Forbes, who is well on the road to recovery.

Miss Elfreda Holland is singing this Friday evening in Brooklyn Ch. Guelph, Ont. While there she will be the guest of Miss Evelyn Duncan.

The Junior Choir appeared for the first time in their robes at Sunday Services. They rendered their selections in a most pleasing manner and much credit is due Mrs. T. C. Holland, their leader and Miss Elfreda Holland, organist.

Miss Annabelle Duncan, of Toronto, who is in the Civil Service Employ was the house guest last week of Mrs. Townsend, John St. N.

The concert given by the young people of Immanuel Church, under the auspices of the King's Daughters Club was a splendid success. A large number were present and a splendid programme rendered.

### IN MEMORIAM

Of my only sister Lorena Smith Jones, who departed this life four years ago March 3rd, 1926.

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## My Mother's Escape from Slavery

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would take his family away, for what would his wife (Mrs. Giddings) do. But nevertheless Payne had it in his head to run away, and did, but Giddings and his slave brought him back and sold him to a Master by the name of John Aldridge. Of course when Giddings told him that he was unruly and had become unmanageable Aldridge had made up his mind that he would tame him, so one day after about two months' service with Aldridge he sent him to Point of Rocks with loads of grain. When his wagon broke down and he could not get back in the time he should have, Aldridge got a hunch he had run away with the money for the grain and started out to meet him with the intention of killing him, but when they met Payne was too much for him and Payne gave him a real good beating and left him lying senseless in the road. Payne had to run away then to keep from being lynched and by running and walking he at last reached the Quakers who always proved such friends to the colored slaves who were trying to escape slavery. These Quakers hid him in daytime and helped him by night to reach the great Capital, Washington, where no slave-holder could force him back.

There was a great call for carpenters to build barracks, houses and all manner of buildings in anticipation of the time when the slaves would be free. Payne got a job helping to build the barracks for the government and in this way he came in touch with the Northern soldiers. He told them about his wife and family being left on the plantation and they told him that it was out of their line but they would go and get his wife and family for two hundred dollars.

You will remember that Payne left Aldridge in a terrible hurry and did not get time to give him the money for the grain so therefore he had plenty of money to pay the soldiers.

We will now leave the soldiers on their way to Marse Giddings and in another week will find out what they have accomplished.

## Gen. Hertzog's Plan Explained

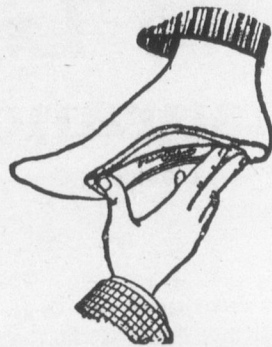
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tions in regard to industrial occupations, intended to debar him from competing with the white man in skilled and semi-skilled work . . . .

"So much for the territorial and industrial side of the policy. Politically it involves the exclusion of the native from the parliamentary and every other franchise throughout the Union. Whether natives voters who are at present on the roll in Cape Province are to be removed, or whether the exclusion is to apply only to new applicants is not clear. As compensation for this, natives throughout the Union are to be allowed to elect seven members to the Union House of Assembly—one in the Orange Free State and two in each of the other provinces.

"These seven, who are to be Europeans, are to have exactly the same rights and privileges as other mem-

bers of the House except that they will not be allowed to take part in any discussion on the question of native representation. The colored man, on the other hand—that is, the man of mixed race and the Cape Malays and those descended from that stock—will be treated, as regards political and other rights, on the same footing as Europeans . . . . Whatever may be thought of these proposals—and they are open to criticism from more than one point of view—it cannot be denied that they mark an epoch in the history of the Native Question in South Africa."



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