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## Alexander Milton Ross and The Abolition of Slavery

(By Prof. Fred. Landon)

There died in the city of Detroit on October 27th, 1897, a Canadian whose services in the abolition movement and during the Civil War, were of so self-sacrificing and daring character that they gained for him the tributes not only of the abolition leaders but of Lincoln himself. Alexander Milton Ross, M.D., Canadian by birth, friend of Garibaldi, Bryant, Emerson, Greeley and Lincoln, had a career that deserves to be better known. "Thy fifty years have not been idle ones, but crowded with good works," said Whittier in a letter to Dr. Ross, while Wendell Phillips declared: "No higher heroism, courage or tenacity of purpose was ever displayed than by you in your chivalric efforts to help the slaves to freedom."

Reading the memoirs of Dr. Ross, one cannot but feel that here was a modern Knight of the Round Table who lived again the days when "every morning brought a noble chance And every chance brought out a noble knight."

Early influences determined the course of this reformer.

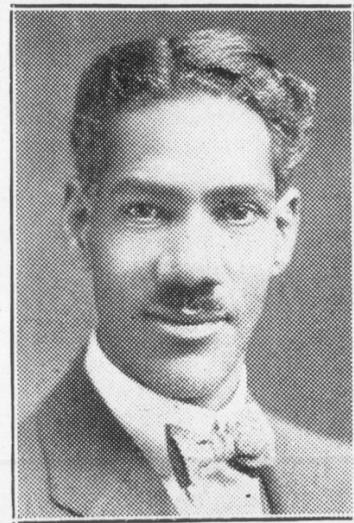
Born in the little Ontario town of Belleville on December 13th, 1832, of Scotch parentage, he inherited a love of freedom which manifested itself even in his childhood. From his father he heard of human slavery and its horrors he learned from the fugitive negroes who had found safety only when they reached the British Queen's dominions. When a young man he went to New York and worked as a compositor on the Evening Post. Bryant, who was then editor, became interested in him and had considerable influence over the young Canadian in those formative years. Greeley was another early acquaintance and at his suggestion young Ross spent a winter in Washington, where he saw the workings of the government, and saw also a good deal that stirred his feelings against slavery. The arrogance of the slave interests in Congress, joined with the spec-

tacle of slave gangs passing the Capitol on their way South, intensified his hatred of the institution and clinched his determination to aid in freeing the oppressed when the opportunity should come.

Returning to New York young Ross studied medicine. He was recalled to Canada by the illness and death of his mother, and returning to the United States, embarked upon his adventurous mission. Through Gerrit Smith he obtained full information with regard to the workings of the "Underground Railway" and also met the leading spirits of that organization in Boston, New York and Philadelphia. "I was initiated," he says, "into a knowledge of the relief societies, and the methods adopted to circulate information among the slaves of the South; the routes to be taken by the slaves, after reaching the so-called free states; the relief posts, where shelter and aid for transportation could be obtained." With Gerrit Smith he also journeyed to Ohio and Indiana gaining further information and making acquaintances among the "underground" workers.

Dr. Ross's plan was to go right into the heart of the South and convey to the slaves the information with regard to routes and friends that would enable them to make their way to Canada. He was not blind to the risk involved. To be detected would probably mean death for himself and perhaps for others, yet he did not shrink. After making the necessary arrangements with regard to a code for correspondence he crossed the Potomac in April, 1857 and went direct to Richmond, Va., to the home of one who was known to be a friend of the slaves. A few weeks were spent in quietly looking over the ground; then, having laid his plans, on a certain Sunday evening he met forty-two slaves at the home of a colored preacher and explained to them the routes from Virginia to Ohio and Pennsylvania along with the names of friends who would assist them to safety. They were asked to circulate the

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**C. Andrew Johnson**, of Toronto whose fine singing at the recent C.N.E. musical competition won for him the gold medal in the bass class. Mr. Johnson possesses a voice of exceptional quality and range. This is evident when he was awarded gold medal in baritone class in 1924, also winning a scholarship. In 1926 Mr. Johnson won the gold medal in baritone at the Hamilton Eisteddford where he met competitors of high musical ability. His knowledge of singing and interpretation is shown in the well trained choir at the B.M.E. Church, Toronto, of which he is organist and choirmaster.

## Down Hoover For Stopping Segregation

Savannah, Ga., Sept.—Using the "race issue" as a prolific platform on which to campaign for Al Smith in the South Senator William J. Harris, former director of census, charged Herbert Hoover with responsibility rescinding the order which he (Harris) instituted in the Census bureau segregating colored and white employees. Senator Harris' statement was made in a speech at a Democratic campaign meeting in this city on Saturday. He said that any attempt to deny that Hoover rescinded the order in response to demand of Negro Republicans in Ohio is futile. This act he averred was enough to condemn the presidential candidate in the sight of every Southerner, especially Democrats.

## Rockefeller's Dunbar Bank Opens in Harlem

New York, Sept. 19th — The Dunbar National Bank established by John D. Rockefeller, Jr. and his business associates for the benefit of the race residents of Harlem, formally opened for business Monday in the Dunbar Apartments which were erected by Mr. Rockefeller as a welfare undertaking at 150th street and 8th avenue.

A steady stream of depositors passed through the bank throughout the day, but deposit No. 1 on the institutions ledgers was reserved for Mr. Rockefeller, it was announced by Joseph D. Higgins, who resigned in July as vice-president of the American Exchange-Trust Company to organize the Harlem bank, explained that Mr. Rockefeller is in Maine at present, but that it is expected he will avail himself of the opportunity to be first on the institution's list of depositors.

Mr. Rockefeller owns the majority stock in the bank and he will not place any of his holdings on the market, but will keep them intact, Mr. Higgins said.

It had been planned to open the doors for business at 10 a.m., but so large was the crowd of prospective depositors that the officials opened the bank an hour earlier.

Floral tributes were received from representatives of various banks in Manhattan. Mr. Higgins declined to make public the total deposits made between 9 a.m. and 9 p.m., when the bank closed, but he said an announcement would be made to-day.

The bank's paying and receiving tellers, clerks, and other employees are members of the Race. With the exception of the chief executives, the personnel will be colored as far as possible.

G. B. Waller, who has had ten years' experience in banking in Baltimore, is paying teller. The receiving teller is Cyril Wilson, who was connected for five years with the Seaboard National Bank. Miss Mae Hawes, a Y.W.C.A. worker, who has an M.A. degree from Columbia University, is in charge of the Thrift Department.

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## Editorial

### JUDGE W. M. LEWIS ASSAILS RACE FOR NEGLECT OF THE CHILD.

Judge Lewis of Philadelphia, in an address, had the following to say concerning the Race and its neglect of its children.

"The present delinquent and dependent situation among colored children is alarming," said Judge Lewis. "I have watched it grow within the last seven years from a tiny pebble to an insurmountable boulder. I can only see one reason for its growth, and that is the utter indifference with which the educated class of the Negroes in the city look upon the problem. I know they would show some interest if they would but realize that the colored children of today are the colored citizens of tomorrow."

The Negro societies are neither competent nor adequate to handle the cases of Negro children, the Judge charges. The institutions provided by the city are full.

"I appeal for the organization of a colored Big Brothers' Association. If my appeal goes unheeded colored citizens will be the losers, for they shall reap the fruits at a later day," said Judge Lewis.

If Judge Lewis' charges are true the colored citizens of Philadelphia are guilty of one of the most serious crimes of the age. There are in that city the N.A.A. C.P., the Urban League, the Armstrong Association and other organizations, all for the advancement of colored people. It matters not how much good they may be doing for the race, if they are neglecting the children, they are sadly failing to accomplish the main purpose for which they came into being. Any race welfare organization which does not start its activities among and for the children has not yet caught the proper vision of race welfare.

Here in Canada the Canadian League for the Advancement of Colored People makes the child its first consideration. This is so evident to the citizens that one of our Race, an executive of the League has been chosen as associate judge of the Juvenile Court. Branches of the League in the several towns and cities are organiz-

ing Junior Leagues, offices and conducted by the young people for the sole benefit of the children and young people.

It takes little forethought to see and to understand that if the children of any race are neglected and allowed to run wild, that race is doomed to destruction.

We have in mind a colored Canadian father who had a government position. He gave his children a good education. After they had finished school he tried very hard to assist them to secure positions here. All of his efforts were in vain. Finally he gave up his position, although nearing the pension limit, moved to the States and took a less remunerative position. But his children were able to secure positions there. Such are the sacrifices we are called upon to make for our children and such are we willing to make for our children.

Those of us who are raising families are often asked concerning the future outlook for our children. We answer that we are hoping and trusting that the time will soon come when our children will be as the children of all other Canadians are, recognized according to merit, and that if that time never comes, we have the other alternative—move to the States.

### Letters to the Editor

Hamburg, Germany, Sept. 15  
My Dear Mr. Editor Jenkins:

I wish to tender to you, to all of my friends and acquaintances in Canada, my most hearty thanks and appreciation for all kindly acts of courtesies, favours and friendliness, shown to me during the short period of my sojourn in the Dominion.

It would interest you and all other friends to know that I find my present summer vacation extending from Canada and visits to cities in Germany, etc., nearly as interesting, almost as full of life, wonders and happiness, as that which is naturally enjoyable on the West Coast of Africa. I am now on my way to England for the next school year.

Very sincerely yours,  
FRRED. E. EBITO.

Mr. James F. Jenkins,  
95 Glenwood Ave.,  
London, Canada.

My dear Mr. Jenkins:

The annual meeting of the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History will take place in St. Louis, the last week of October. You and your co-workers are most cordially invited to be present. You are earnestly requested also to urge all literary groups to send representatives to this meeting. All persons intelligently interested in the Negro will be made welcome. The meeting held in Pittsburg last October was the greatest in the history of the Association. We are hoping that the one in St. Louis will be a still greater success.

At this meeting only special aspects of Negro life and history will be considered. The addresses and discussions at each session

will be developed from a single topic as a unifying thought.

Among the current questions to be discussed will be "The Negro Physician in the Community," "The Negro Lawyer in Action," "The Community Background of the Negro School," "The Economic Status of the Negro," and "The Negro Youth in the Church."

Such problems of the past as "The Negro and the Indian," "The Passing of the Free People of Color," "The Negro in Africa," and "The Influence of the Negro on Thought Abroad" will also be discussed.

The people of St. Louis are alive to the situation and are making extensive preparation for the meeting. The churches and schools are giving co-operation, business and professional men are offering cordial support, and social groups and uplift agencies are doing their part to make the meeting a success. The visitors will be received by a well-organized Reception Committee, and they will be entertained at a Get-Acquainted Banquet, the first evening. A stupendous musical festival will be given in one of the largest auditoriums in the city.

In view of the importance of this work and the efforts of its promoters, no friend of the whole truth and nothing but the truth can afford to be absent. We, therefore, earnestly urge you again to be present and to bring others with you.

Respectfully yours,

C. G. WOODSON,  
Director.

### STRATFORD

Mrs. Mary Jackson, of New York is here on business and is staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wesley.

Mrs. Elsie Hall is on the sick list.

Mrs. Hesson of Port Huron, Mich. is staying with here son, Robert.

Margaret and Bob Harrison returned home after spending their holiday in Guelph with their aunt Mrs. A. Duncan.

The three Drayton children have returned to Detroit after spending their holidays with their grandmother.

### Hesson-Henderson Wedding.

The home of Mrs. Elizabeth Hesson was the scene of a pleasing event at 2.30 o'clock, Sept. 6th, when Clara Gertrude, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Henderson of Ingersoll was united in marriage to Robert Hesson, son of Mrs. E. Hesson, this city. There ceremony was performed by Rev. R. Gonder. They left for Owen Sound after the wedding and on their return will reside at 184 Mowat Street. There were a large number of guests from out of town and some lovely gifts were received by the happy couple

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Mrs. J. H. Johnson and daughter, Mrs. Marie Washington, returned to their homes in Detroit last Saturday after having spent a very pleasant visit with Mrs. J. Cromwell, of William St.

Mr. Walter Cromwell of Hamramick, spent a few days at his home here visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Taylor Sr. Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Taylor, Marion Taylor and Mr. Stanley Drake all of Detroit, also Mr. Everett Simpson of Amherstburg spent a few hours in the city on the 16th, visiting relatives and friends.

We are sorry to report at this time that Mr. James Thompson who has been confined to Victoria Hospital for some months is not so well.

Miss Leona Braxton of Chatham, who has been a patient at Queen Alexandra Sanitorium for the past three months is showing decided improvement. Her sister Miss Teresa Braxton visited her last Sunday.

Mrs. M. Drake is able to be out again after suffering with a heavy cold.

Mrs. Harry Fountain of Glenwood Ave. is on the sick list.

Mrs. M. Harris of 11 Maitland St. spent Labor Day in Detroit the guest of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Vant. Mr. James Hill also visited Mr. and Mrs. Vant.

Mr. and Mrs. David Browning and Mrs. Wm. Anderson of Chatham, also Mrs. Washington of N. Buxton were fair week visitors with their cousin, Mrs. M. Drake, Maitland St.

Miss Mildred Smith of Woodstock has accepted a position in the city for the winter

Thurs. Sept. 20, the Calendar Club of the B.M.E. Church, under the leadership of Mrs. M. Harris, captain for the month, held a Chicken Social in the basement of the Church. A good number were present to enjoy the goodies prepared by the ladies. Chicken pie was the feature of the menu and from the many comments received it was the best yet. Mrs. Harris assisted by Mrs. Mary Booker served the suppers. Mrs. F. Booker looked after the ice cream, pie and canteloupe. Mrs. P. Brown and Mrs. M. Chandler were the waitresses. The Committee desires to thank all who helped in any way to make the affair the success it was.

Mrs. Mary Berry, widow of the late Mr. W. J. T. Berry, departed this life at the Parkwood Hospital, Grand Ave., Thurs. Sept. 20th. Private funeral services were held from the Ferguson Funeral Home, Sat. Oct. 22, at 2.30. The late Mrs. Berry is survived by one daughter, Mrs. U. Watson, of Windsor.

**Coming Events.**

Sun. Sept. 30—Quarterly Service.  
 Sun. Oct. 7—Harvest Home Services.

Mon. Oct. 8—Harvest Home Supper under the auspices of the Stewardesses Board. Tickets 25c. Supper 6 o'clock. Don't be late.

Sun. Oct. 14—Special Service by the girls at 7 p.m. 10c. rally. Help us out.

Tues. Oct. 23—Corn roast and canteloupe float auspices of Calendr Club, Mrs. J. Brown, Captain.

Sun. and Mon. Oct. 28-9—Church Anniversary. We are looking forward to a fine time. Come out and enjoy yourself. Many surprises for all.

Mr. Willis Moxley, an old citizen of the city was found dead in bed on Saturday, Sept. 3rd, at his home. Mr. Moxley had not been in good health for some but his sudden demise came as a great shock to the community at large. Funeral services were held from the Ferguson Funeral Home. The late Mr. Moxley is survived by one daughter, Mary, of Oakville, and one son, Andrew, of Montreal. Also one granddaughter, Helen Mae Ball and many other relatives and friends. Mr. Andrew Moxley of Toronto, a brother and Mrs. Gonzales of S. America, a sister.

**NOTICE**—Mrs. Mabel Cook of William Street wishes it known that she has never been employed at the Western Fair in any capacity. She has reasons for so running this notice.

Mrs. Eliza Groat and her son Wm. had a very pleasant visit to Chatham and Buxton during the present month.

Fair week visitors to Mrs. Eliza Groat were Mrs. Addie Martin, and her son Donald, Mr. and Mrs. George Gant, their daughter Blanch and their sister Mrs. Annie Striker, all of Chatham, and Mr. Albert Brown of Simcoe.

Mrs. Sarah Smith of Cayuga is visiting her auntie and cousin, Mrs. E. and Mr. Wm. Groat of Trafalgar St.

Mrs. Grace Groat, Lansdowne Ave., recently spent a few days in Toronto with her husband, Mr. Louis Groat.

Mrs. Mary White, of Windsor is visiting her auntie, Mrs. A. Marshall Groat of the city.

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Oh, most truly, I have done it, to be honest and plain,  
And long as she's willing, I'll do it again.

I think I'll ask Floss, to go out for a ride,  
For it would be lovely, to sit by her side,  
Oh, most truly, I have done it, to be honest and plain,  
And long as she's willing, I'll do it again.

If she wouldn't tell, would it not be quite right  
Were I to kiss Flossie, and hug her up tight?  
Oh, most truly, I have done it, to be honest and plain,  
And, long as she's willing I'll do it again.

I think that I'll tell, her dear mother some day,  
"When you are not watching I'll steal Floss away."  
Oh, most truly, I have done it, to be honest and plain,  
And long as she's willing, I'll do it again.

—MACK.

**AFRICAN TOWN OF 12 CENTURIES AGO YIELDS HISTORICAL RICHES.**

Leptis Magna, Lybia, Africa, Aug.—A discovery that may throw important light upon the earliest civilization of mankind, an African culture, has been made here. Out of the sands of Tripolitania, where for twelve centuries it has laid dead and buried, a magnificent city of African origin has arisen.

Two years ago when archaeologists of many nations came here there was merely a desert. Today there is a skeleton city, of temples, monuments, arches, splendid columns and private villas.

The facades of the unearthed shops are enriched with sculptured marbles of rare beauty. A beautiful column stands between every two doors.

Many of the works of architecture which were found crumbled under their covering of sand have been rebuilt with the original stones. The four-faced arch of Septimus Severus, the Roman Emperor who was born here and died at York in England, has been rebuilt with its own blocks and ornaments.

Among the finds of the archaeologists, most of whom are Italian are exquisite sculptured figures of gods, warriors, priests and magistrates.

This skeleton city of Leptis Magna once was a flourishing port town with a population of 60,000. When the Romans took it over from the Africans it became the most important commercial town in the mediterranean. Here came all the riches of Africa, and were loaded on ships which found a refuge here from the devastating north winds.

When Rome began its long decline Leptis sank too. Its ruin hastened by river floods. When

the Turks conquered Alexandria in the seventh century they found Leptis covered by sand and already forgotten. Leptis then became the Pompei of Africa.

**STILL AFTER AIKEN LYNCHERS—NOLLIE ROBINSON LOSES JOB AS SHERIFF.**

New York, Sept. 21—A report coming from Columbia, S.C. to the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, states that J. P. Howard, newly elected sheriff at Aiken, has stated that he knows who is the murderer of his brother, whose death was charged to Negroes, three members of the Lowman family being accused and lynched. According to the report to the N.A.A.C.P. the real murderer for whose crime the Negroes were mobbed, is still alive. It is further reported that Sheriff Howard intends to appoint as his head deputy a man who has expressed the intention of doing all in his power to "get" the lynchers of the Negroes.

Nollie Robinson, who became sheriff after the murder, and against whom the N.A.A.C.P. obtained affidavits as a participant in the lynchings, was defeated for re-election.

Prof. in Economics: "What are they doing in British Columbia to preserve the salmon?"  
Stude: "Putting them in cans, sir."

Macbeth: "Let's go sleighing."  
Lady Macbeth: "Sure, who'll we slay?"

Knock! Knock!  
"Who is it?"  
"It is I, Opportunity."  
"Ha! Ha! Can't fool me. Opportunity knocks but one."

**BRIEFS IN CASE OF ARKANSAS BOYS SENTENCED TO DIE, REACH N.A.A.C.P.**

New York, Sept. 21—Appeal briefs in the cases of two young Negro boys, Robert Bell and Grad Swain, 14 and 18 years old, sentenced to die in Arkansas on charges of drowning two white boys after "confessions" extorted by beatings and torture, have reached the N.A.A.C.P.

The appeals have been filed in the Supreme Court of Arkansas by Messrs. W. J. Lanier and G. B. Knott, white attorneys who undertook the fight because they believe the colored boys innocent of the crime charged and are being backed up by the N.A.A.C.P.

In their brief, the attorneys say of the case:

"We cannot conceive of a greater miscarriage of justice perpetrated upon human beings than has been meted out to these benighted boys who mwe candidly consider and believe to be as innocent and spotless of crime as a new born babe. . . . The mistreatment of these boys, especially the Bell boy, is nauseating, sickening and repulsive to think of and should not be permitted in a civilized community. The identical men whose duty it was to guard and protect these helpless, benighted and totally dependent boys were the ones who were violating every precept and injunction of both God and man, heaping upon them barbarities equal to or greater than those of the dark ages.

"Which is the greatest punishment, 'Sweat-Box Case', 'Wooden Boot', 'Calcutta Hole' or 'Four and a half feet by three and a half inches wide No. 1 cowhide scourge in hands of a man of 200 pounds, herculean strength and active, applied to the naked back of a boy lying face down on concrete floor with head and hands being held,' yet they have the effrontery to say confessions were 'Free and Voluntary.'"

**Color Line Raised Against Postmen**

Jackson, Miss.—The universal practice of segregation in the State of Mississippi last week reached the ranks of the postal workers, one of the few organizations that had not been effected. The Mississippi Letter Carriers' Association voted to restrict the organization to white postal workers at its annual meeting here.

The question of barring Race postal workers came up on the report of the committee of constitution and by-laws, which reported the proposition for acceptance by the convention. A heated debate on the subject lasted for nearly two hours and it was unanimously adopted.

First (at radio): "What is it that whistles when I turn the dials?"  
Second: "That means you're coming to the next station."

Market: "I call my girl Crusoe!"  
Truck: "How come?"  
Market: "Because I'm her man Friday."

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**Ashbury Park National  
Association Wins Case  
Re Beach Segregation**

New York, Sept. 24—Long continued segregation of colored bathers and visitors on the ocean beach at Asbury Park, New Jersey, has been decisively defeated by the branch there of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, it was announced today, under the leadership of the entire Executive Committee headed by the Branch president, Dr. William J. Parks.

For some years colored bathers had been confined to a small section of the beach. Then reports began to come to the N.A.A.C.P. that colored people on benches along the Asbury Park beach front had been requested by city police officers to "move down where the colored people belong." The Branch promptly drew up a letter to the Mayor protesting against this segregation of colored people along the beach. Two letters were taken to the Mayor of Asbury Park by the N.A.A.C.P. Committee, Dr. Parks reports:

"There were no discussions following the reading of this letter. The Mayor simply asked what actions he wanted them to take.

"The Mayor speaking for the Board gave us the assurance that colored people have the same rights and privileges on the beach as any other group of citizens, and that no orders have been given to the lessees or to any of the emissaries of the Board to treat colored people differently from any other group and that no orders will be given to that effect."

In the first letter to the Mayor, the Asbury Park N.A.A.C.P. said:

"Our Association is organized and maintained for one purpose only—citizenship rights. As we view the matter the beach front is a public play ground owned by the City of Asbury Park and is for the use of everybody, just as are the streets or library square. Surely, you will not contend that you have the authority to say which side of a street colored or white people shall use. Then why which part of the beach?"

"We call your attention to the fact that no other sea shore city in New Jersey has such an arrangement. Why should we? We can further state that we probably pay more taxes than the colored people of any other resort—Atlantic City not excepted. We do not feel that we should be made the laughing stock of the entire state by continuing to be Jim Crowed on our own beach. May we have a reply from you Yours for a friendly adjustment."

The branch committee, besides Dr. Parks, included John A. Stewart, Thomas H. Murray, Anna E. Jackson, Bessie A. Wallace, Dr. John H. Hayes, Bettie A. Carter, Louisa L. Upperman and Mabel Hendrickson.

Dr. Parks states that the lessee of bathing concessions has been instructed not to discriminate against colored bathers and that he gave assurances to that effect.

**INDIANS MAKE OPTIMISTIC  
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HUNTING.**

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**IN MEMORIAM**

In loving and affectionate memory of our dear mother, Susannah Allen, beloved wife of the late Edward Patterson, who passed peacefully away in Owen Sound, Sept. 16th, 1910.

We often sit and think of her,  
when we are all alone,  
For memory is the only friend  
that grief can call her own.  
Like ivy on the weathered oak,  
when other things decay,  
Our love for her will e'er stay  
green, and never fade away.  
Allen and Ida.

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## Alexander Milton Ross and Abolition of Slavery

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information quietly among their friends and to meet a week later if they desired to make the break for freedom. On the following Sunday night nine young men declared they would gain their freedom or die in the attempt. To each was given a compass, a knife and a supply of food. The routes were again gone over, with directions to travel only by night and rest in some secure spot by day. A few months later Dr. Ross was rewarded by hearing that all nine had safely reached Canada. The wife of one of these men escaped six months later and joined her husband in Chatham, Ont.

Richmond was a dangerous place to stay in after this piece of work had been accomplished, so Dr. Ross went the next day to Nashville, Tenn. Here he worked on exactly the same plan, gathering together the most intelligent Negroes, explaining the way to freedom and then asking those determined on the attempt to meet a week later. Seven men, unmarried, set forth for freedom and that evening Dr. Ross sent letters to friends in Evansville, Cincinnati and Cleveland, to keep a sharp lookout for "packages of hardware." As he was leaving the post office a small printed bill was thrust into his hand detailing the escape of thirteen slaves from Richmond and offering a reward of \$1000 for their recovery. Dr. Ross very prudently decided to leave Nashville and accordingly went to Memphis. Here he found the newspapers full of the abduction of slaves in Nashville, offering a reward of \$1200 for the apprehension of the abolitionist who was said to have aided the run-aways. The description of the "abolitionist" was so accurate that Dr. Ross immediately left the hotel where he was staying, went to the home of a negro where he remained hidden for six hours and then took the night boat for St. Louis. But he did not leave alone. While he was in hiding he heard a conversation in the adjoining room that changed some of his plans. A woman was begging the negro host to ask Dr. Ross to take her to Canada where her husband had gone two years before. She had run away from her master because of cruelty, her back being still raw and seamed with the lash, and was even then a fugitive. Ross determined to make the attempt and ordered her to dress in male attire so that she might pass as a valet. He himself had shaven his beard and changed his clothes so that the risk of detection was lessened, yet it was with beating heart that he set out for the wharf and not until it had moved out into the stream did he feel any relief. St. Louis was reached in safety, and from there he went to Chicago and then to Detroit where the fugitive woman was hidden until an opportunity came to take her over the Detroit river in a small boat and under cover of darkness. Her husband was located working in a barber shop in London, Ont.

and within a few days they were reunited after a separation of two years.

December of 1857 saw Dr. Ross in New Orleans undertaking yet more dangerous efforts on behalf of the slaves. He had decided to make a journey through the whole of the lower south, scattering the seed of knowledge of freedom everywhere and believing that the results would be worth all the risk. Accordingly he went from New Orleans to Vicksburg where he posed as a naturalist collecting birds. Every favorable opportunity was taken to talk to slaves and the slave owners unwittingly threw opportunity in his way by sending out slaves to assist him in his researches and also by allowing him to roam at will over their plantations. In this way he became acquainted with slaves who spread the news of Canada all over the south. From Vicksburg Dr. Ross went to Selma and then to Columbus, Miss., where he had one of his most dangerous adventures. On his trips out from Columbus he was accompanied by a slave who had his master's initials burned into his back. This man confided to Ross that he had determined to run away and asked directions. Two or three days later, while seated at the supper table of the hotel, Dr. Ross suddenly found himself the center of a group of slave-holders and angrily denounced as a "d-d abolitionist" who was assisting slaves to run away. In a twinkling he was manacled. For a moment his life seemed in danger but making the Masonic sign of distress brought a request from a member of the group that he be allowed to speak. His request that he be taken before a magistrate was granted and after a night spent in a filthy cell infested with rats and vermin he was placed on trial. A crowd had gathered and evidence was quickly given that the prisoner had gone out bird-hunting with a slave "Joe" who had failed to return. The epithet "negro thief" was warmly applauded by the crowd. It was a tense moment for Dr. Ross as the judge turned and asked him if he had anything to say. Just at this moment who should enter the court room but "Joe" himself who explained that he had gone to see his brother but had been detained by spraining his ankle. The judge immediately ordered the release of Dr. Ross. Two years later, in Boston, he found "Joe" a waiter in the hotel. He had made his escape within a week after the court episode.

From Columbus Dr. Ross passed on to Iuka, then to Huntsville, Ala., and Augusta, Ga., actively circulating information about Canada among the slaves at each place. At Augusta he resumed his bird-hunting operations and inside of two months equipped and sent a party of eleven slaves, all of whom reached Canada.

"No one, not actually engaged in similar work," he says, "can clearly appreciate the extreme delicacy of my position. There was not a day, in fact scarcely an hour, that I did not live in expectation of exposure.

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