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Social Conditions Among Negroes Before 1865

(By Fred Landon, M.A.)

When the government of the United States emancipated the Negro slaves in the seceded states in 1863, there was instituted a Freedmen's Inquiry Commission to consider generally what should be done both with slaves who had been freed by the operations of the war and those who should later become free. The members of this commission were Dr. Samuel G. Howe, Robert Dale Owen and James Mackay. Dr. Howe, soon after his appointment, visited Upper Canada and later made a report to Secretary of War Stanton which presents much information on the condition of the refugees who had entered the British province and were making their home. His findings were highly favourable to the fugitives and one sentence of the report has been frequently quoted, where, after noting some of the advances made by these people in their new home, he adds: "The refugees earn a living, and gather property; they marry and respect women; they build churches and send their children to schools; they improve in manners and morals—not because they are picked men, but simply because they are free men."

Dr. Howe was deeply impressed with this idea, that it was freedom which improved the Negro. In Canada he found the black man facing severe hardships in many cases. The climate was harsh as compared with the South, sometimes there was difficulty in making a livelihood, and there was occasional prejudice. On the other hand, there was justice and opportunity and, above all, freedom. In the preface to his report Dr. Howe says: "When everybody is asking what shall be done with the Negroes—and many are afraid that they cannot take care of themselves if left alone—an account of the manner in which twenty thousand of them are taking care of themselves in Canada may be interesting, even if it be imperfect, and contain superfluous speculations."

Dr. Howe's estimate of the number of Negro refugees in Canada was between 15,000 and 20,000. This is but one of many estimates and it is rather difficult to arrive at any definite figure. The question is of some interest, however, as showing the ef-

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DAISY WILSON, age eleven, of 109 Rose Ave., Toronto, Ont., has been taking piano lessons for three years at the "Hambourg Conservatory" and is now preparing for her third examination. Daisy has shown remarkable talent and bids fair to become one of Canada's finest pianists.

Florence Mills Sings At New York

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

Florence Mills, who has heretofore sung in musical comedy and cabaret, made her first appearance as a concert singer on Sunday night, January 24, when she sang agroup of four songs at the second concert given this winter by the International Composers' Guild, of which Edgar Varese is Director.

The songs sung by Miss Mills were composed for her by William Grant Still, young colored composer, one of whose compositions was performed by the Guild last year. Mr. Still has studied for some years with Mr. Varese, who is regarded as perhaps the leading exponent of the new music in America.

Miss Mills' singing pleased a large audience which applauded her generously, recalled her a number of times and made her give a second performance of three of Mr. Still's four songs. The songs were arranged for accompaniment by a small jazz orchestra.

Offers \$1,000 Prize For Novel By Negro

At the request of Messrs. Albert and Charles Boni, publishers, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, 69 Fifth Avenue, today announced a prize of \$1,000 to be paid outright, in addition to royalties for a novel of Negro life, to be written by a person of Negro descent. Hitherto unpublished manuscripts may be submitted to Messrs. Albert and Charles Boni, before September 1, 1926.

The judges of the competition are: Henry Seidel Canby, Editor of The Saturday Review; Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois, Editor of "The Crisis"; Chas. S. Johnson, Editor of "Opportunity"; James Weldon Johnson, Secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; Edna Kenton; Lawrence Stallings of The N.Y. World; and Irita Van Doren, Editor of The Tribune Weekly, "Books."

The conditions for the contest state that in addition to being written by an author of Negro descent: "The novel must deal with Negro life in the sense that one or more of its leading characters must be of Negro descent and its action must show the influence of this fact."

Full details of the contest may be obtained from Messrs. Albert and Charles Boni, 66 Fifth Avenue, or from the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, 69 Fifth Avenue, New York.

Lincoln On Liberty

(from The Dearborn Independent)

The cause of liberty must not be surrendered at the end of one or even one hundred defeats If there is anything that it is the duty of the whole people never to intrust to any hands but their own, that thing is the preservation and perpetuity of their own liberties and institutions I fear you do not fully comprehend the danger of abridging the liberties of the people. A government had better go to the very extreme of toleration than to do aught that could be construed into an interference with or to jeopardize in any degree the common rights of the citizen.

—ABRAHAM LINCOLN

Hamilton Anxious For League Branch

Last Sunday evening, Executive Secretary, J. F. Jenkins, went to Hamilton, according to previous arrangements, and at the close of a brief evening service, spoke to the congregation of the A.M.E. Church. To a large and appreciative audience he told of the work of The Canadian League for the Advancement of Colored People. A profound impression was made upon the minds of the people when he told them of what the League has done already, in so short a space of time, to better the conditions of the race. He also outlined the programme for the present year and urged his hearers to co-operate with the Executive in their efforts to make a success of its present plans. "With your aid and with your moral support, with the co-operation of all the colored people, together with the co-operation of white people whom we count as friends, we are fully confident of success." "This is at least ONE organization that has come to you not seeking your money, but rather we seek your co-operation. We are trying to show our people the wisdom of that common but truthful axiom, 'in union there is strength.' When the League laid its foundation it had in mind thousands of colored children of the present day and millions of unborn children. The organization is centered around the children, for every race foreshadows its future by the attitude it assumes towards the children."

Rev. Townsend, pastor of the church showed great enthusiasm for the League. He urged his people to accept the organization, stating that in his own opinion the League, with such an influential Executive, offered an excellent opportunity to the colored people of Canada to improve their status from every angle. He also believed that the programme, as was outlined for the present year, is destined to bring a great blessing to our people in particular and to Canada in general. In concluding he asked for an expression of opinion as to the advisability of establishing a branch in the city. Every person present expressed a desire to have a branch as soon as possible. Mr. Jenkins, therefore, was asked to return on the night of the 10th of the present month for the purpose of establishing a branch of the League. He gladly consented to do so.

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Editorial

OUR SOCIAL HERITAGE

We often pride our race, our blood, our color and hair, our nation and country too highly. There is nothing inherently great in any of these. Southern races, backward races, have proven themselves capable of producing just as much genius as other races. Children of the most primitive races have been taken, early in life, into new and more congenial environments and they have proven themselves equal in ability and in intellect to the brightest minds which our civilization has produced. And again, we find among our own civilization some of the dullest intellects, some of the most morally depraved people that exist on any part of the globe. Volumes could be written to prove that we, as a nation, have nothing for which to lord ourselves over other nations and other people, save OUR SOCIAL HERITAGE.

Above all else that our foreparents have left us, our social inheritance counts for most. There has been handed down to us an accumulation of experiences and knowledge of millions of years, years in which some were spent blindly and perhaps aimlessly, yet instinctively groping upwards and towards the light. There were ages in which men knew no science, as such, yet they struggled to gain the mastery of the elements, of nature and of themselves. And now for a long period of time there has been an age of purposive, intelligent struggle (assisted by science) on the part of our ancestors, to find a way to live peaceably and happy, to assist his kinsmen to work with nature and to control nature. Each generation has the advantage over the preceding one. To-day this circle has so broadened that greater socialized man thinks and acts, not so much in terms of self, or family, or race, or nation. Rather he considers himself a citizen of the world and he therefore dreams dreams and thinks thoughts and performs deeds by which all the world shall be benefitted.

What then is our greatest duty to our kinsmen, to the whole race? It is that we shall pass on this social heritage to our posterity fuller, richer and sweeter. Our greatest duty is our reason for having been born into the world is that we shall make this world a better place in which to live, that we should make it more beautiful and just a little nearer to perfection, to the "millennium". If the social

heritage which was left us has not been made richer and fuller, if the world has not been made a better world by our having lived here, then lives have been miserable failures. This is a better test of success than the amount of money we have accumulated. It is also a better test than the noise we have made. This was the meaning of ALL of Christ's teaching and this is the meaning of life.

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Two comedians in a local vaudeville made a hit with a song, the burden of which was that none of us knows what life is all about. The funny men aptly used various incidents common to the lives of all of us, ending with the refrain, to the effect that the actors in that stupendous drama we know as life were in complete ignorance of the significance of their roles.

The audience laughed. Possibly some thought of the profound truth in the song. None of us do know what life really means. We are born, but we know not why. We grow up, marry, have children, make fools of ourselves in various ways, work, weep, laugh, try to pose as possessors of great wisdom, and finally die, still not knowing what it is all about. Such is the aspect of life, from what man can learn by actual experience. To find its real significance, he must turn to God. He knows, and will reveal all in His good time.

—ANON

Writes On "Intelligent Negroes"

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

L. M. Hussey, writing in the February number of the American Mercury, under the title, "Aframerican, North and South," describes the position of the intelligent colored man in America which he declares is difficult both in the South and in the North. In the South the intelligent colored man, who declines to ingratiate himself by servility to white people is forced more and more into a lonely existence and often becomes embittered through lack of companionship. Mr. Hussey declares of those who are not able to leave the South, for one reason or another: "They are isolated men, they are snared men, and on the confession I have had, they are more often than not embittered men. Given the opportunity they are likely to become, not exemplars of patience, but exemplars of belligerency. This, then, is the first portrait I have essayed to paint in the present inquiry. This is the condition of the black intellectual stays perforce in the South—and this is his bearing upon the South's racial problem."

Mr. Hussey's second portrait concerns the intelligent Negro who comes North. This class finds almost an "excessive amiability" on the part of the white people, Mr. Hussey declares. Negro poets, artists and musicians, fall victims to "white sentimentalists." "That is to say, they become victims when, no longer simply profiting by the sentimentality of Northern sympathizers, they begin to sentimentalize themselves. Into this error all the Negro intellectuals fall occasionally, particularly of late." But the entire race does not fall into this error, Mr. Hussey declares: "Misled by white sentimentalists, some of the current blacks uncritical-

THE NEGRO SINGER

(by James D. Carrothers, Negro Poet)
O'er all my song the image of a face
Lieth, like shadows on the wild
sweet flowers.

The dream, the ecstasy that
prompts my powers;

The golden lyre's delight brings
little grace

To bless the singer of a lowly race.
Long hath this mocked me: aye in
marvelous hours,

When Hara's garden gleamed, or
Cynthia's bowers,

Or Hope's red pylons, in their far,
hushed place!

But I shall dig me deeper to the gold,
Fetch water, dripping, over desert
miles,

From clear Nyanza and mysterious
Niles

Of love; and sing, nor one kind
act withhold.

So shall men know me, and remember
long,

Nor my dark face dishonor any song.

Mencken Reviews

"The New Negro"

In the February number of the American Mercury is a review of "The New Negro," by H. L. Mencken, in which he inquires pointedly if any group of white Southerners can be imagined making such a contribution as the essays, poems and stories included within the covers of that book.

"As one who knows the South better than most," declares Mr. Mencken, "and has had contact with most of its intellectuals, real and Confederate, I must say frankly that I can imagine no such thing. Here, indeed the Negro challenges the white Southerner on a common ground, and beats him hands down. I call to mind some of the leading sub-Potomac master-minds of the orthodox faculty: Henderson of North Carolina, Gonzales of South Carolina, old Williams of Mississippi, the editors of the Atlanta Journal, the Richmond News-Leader, the Jackson Daily News, the Nashville Banner—and I range them beside Locke, James Weldon Johnson, Walter F. White, Rudolph Fisher, Kelly Miller and half a dozen other contributors to the present volume. The contrast is pathetic. The Africans are men of sense learning and good bearing; the Caucasians are simply romantic wind-jammers, full of sound and fury, signifying nothing."

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John, it is bad form to court a girl on a park bench. Why don't you court the young lady in her home?"

No chance. There are eight daughters in her family.

ly mistake the child for the man. But the Negro race, as a whole, is in no grave danger of over-sentimentalizing its attainments. No other race is so persistently or so sharply cynical. By virtue of this saving cynicism the intelligent black who has escaped the rigors of Southern isolation, having come North, accepts the excessive plaudits of white men with a concealed grin. . . . In the South he is ignored, he is isolated, he is driven to sour introspection. In the North he is over-praised, and, granted talent, he makes swifter progress than the white man of like talent."

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On Monday evening, Jan. 25th, a reception and dance was given at the home of Mrs. Geo. R. Reid, 45 Huron St., in honor of Mr. Leon Josph, who was about to leave for New York. The following ladies planned to make it a surprise for him: Mrs. Geo. R. Reid, Mrs. Frances Borel, Mrs. J. Coates, Mrs. A. Searles, Mrs. L. Hewitt, Miss Rosa Alleyne and the Misses Nickles.

About twenty friends assembled between 8 and 9 o'clock, Mr. Joseph being away from home. Mr. McPherson was sent to bring him home in a hurry. The lights were all turned off and at the sound of Mr. McPherson's voice the guests all sang, For He's a Jolly Good Fellow.

The lights were then turned on and after a few fitting remarks from the hostess of the evening, dancing was indulged in until the wee hours of the morning. Before the close Mr. Joseph was presented with a handsome cigarette case, suitably inscribed, by Mr. and Mrs. Geo. R. Reid. Each friend in turn shook hands with Mr. Joseph and Mr. McPherson, wishing them God speed. The evening was then brought to a close by singing The National Anthem.

Friends and relatives of Mrs. Joe Shanks are glad to know that after undergoing a serious operation, she is getting on nicely and will soon be able to be out again.

The Wolverine Barber Shop has suspended business and the two barbers, Mr. Brasco and Mr. Mitchell are now employed by Mr. Lynch in his National Tonsorial Parlors, at 167 Simcoe St.

The Million Dollar Wedding was one grand success and well attended even though the night was very cold. Maybe we can make that a reality instead of a joke.

Mr. James Wilson of the working staff of the C.N.R. suffered a slight stroke of paralysis, and was unable to go out on his run.

The public is waiting to enjoy another open meeting of The Canadian League for the Advancement of Colored People, and from recent reports we expect to hear from them soon.

Rev. Stewart is lending every effort to encourage the activities of the younger people in any line they may show talent. This is a great thing to any race. The young boys and girls of today are the men and women of tomorrow and it is our duty to encourage the young to higher things in life and to keep before them the necessity of being honest industrious and energetic.

Friends and relatives kindly remembered ex-controller Hubbard in surprising him on his birthday, on Jan. 27th at his beautiful home on Broadview Ave.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams, of Chicago, are the house guests of Mrs. Price, at 6 Redwood Ave.

Mrs. Vera Marshall, who has been ill for the past ten days, is very much improved and able to be up and doing.

Don't think when you get seventeen

cents ahead you are too big for your race. When you get too big for your race, you are too small for every place else.

As usual, the faithful few gathered at 11 a.m. in the B.M.E. Church for worship on Sunday the 31st. The pastor delivered a very interesting message from Psalm 107: 7. Sub. "Divine Guidance." The forty years journey of Israel in the wilderness were portrayed in such a graphic way as to cause much comment on the part of those who heard the sermon. There are three ways, said the speaker, by which God guides His people.

1. His Word; 2. His Providence and 3. His Spirit. Our Sunday School is beginning to show signs of life under the leadership of Mr. C. Andrew Johnson, as superintendent. A large number of children were present on Sunday. The evening service at 7 p.m. was greatly enjoyed by a splendid and attentive audience. The pastor gave a fine discourse from St. Matt. 20: 34; Sub. "The Compassionate Christ." In speaking of this great miracle, it was claimed by the speaker that faith had no power to open the eyes, but it led the men to Jesus; this showed that they had just views of His power—and was connected with the cure. So faith has no power to save from sin, but it leads the poor, lost blind sinner to Him who has power; and in this sense it is said we are saved by faith. Our friends are invited to attend our services and hear the word of God expounded.

A committee for "The Every Member Canvass" has been appointed to inaugurate the "Weekly Envelope System." When they call, accept the "Pledge Card" sign it and return at your earliest convenience. Mrs. Hazel Brown, Miss Marguerite Jackson and Mr. Ellerton Crawford constitute the committee.

Miss Lucy Stanfield is in the city having made a hurried visit owing to the illness of her sister, Miss Sophia Stanfield.

Mrs. J. Enix of Dovercourt Road has recovered her health and worshipped with us on Sunday.

The Jonquil Art and Social Club have issued invitations for their annual display of embroidery and other fancy needle work. The affair will be held at 306 Lippincott Street on Friday, Feb. 12th.

Rev. and Mrs. F. O. Stewart were the invited guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roberts, 18 Lippincott Street on Monday Jan. 25th to enjoy the Radio program from 3 to 5 p.m.

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DETROIT

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Taylor celebrated their twenty-sixth anniversary of their marriage, at their home, 4714 Williams Ave. The evening was delightfully spent. Among the invited guests were Mr. Clifford Howard, who rendered many delightful trombone solos. Special mention must be made of Mr. Howard's rendition of the Lost Chord. Mr. Howard's home is in Toronto. Mr. Stanley Drake, now organist of the B.M.E. Church, Windsor, accompanied Mr. Howard in his selections. Refreshments ended the evening's entertainment.

1926 CANADIAN TEACHERS' FEDERATION CONVENTION

The above convention will be held in Charlottetown, P.E.I., August 2nd to August 6th, and arrangements are now being completed for an all-expense, personally conducted tour via the Canadian National Railways, from Toronto to Charlottetown in connection therewith. This tour will include a trip down the St. Lawrence Rapids, the Saguenay River, through the beautiful Bras d'or Lakes, and the Land of Evangelistic country with stopover at Quebec City and trip to St. Anne de Beaupre, returning by way of Boston, the White Mountains of New Hampshire, and Montreal. A leaflet will shortly be issued giving complete information regarding the tour.

For particulars address Mr. Martin Kerr, (Principal of the Earl Kitchen School), 4 Beulah Ave., Hamilton, and Mr. A. E. Bryson, (Principal of the Silverthorn School), 44 Silverthorn Ave., Toronto.

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OWEN SOUND

Services at the B.M.E. Church on Sunday, January 31st were fairly well attended both morning and evening, it being the first day of our revival meetings. The pastor, Rev. E. A. Richardson conducted the services taking for his text in the morning the 6 chap. of Matthew, 1 to 8, subject, Alms Giving and the way Jesus spoke to his disciples about giving, warning them of hypocrisy in the giving of alms. Rev. Richardson said that when we give to any good purpose we should do it with a mind and thought towards God and not to man for God knoweth our hearts and he will reward us according to our giving at 3 o'clock was Sunday School session of the B.M.E. Church. Rev. E. A. Richardson opened the school with prayer and then Supt. Thos. Green took charge. There were about 18 or 20 scholars present. The evening service was also conducted by the pastor. His subject was taken from 2 Cor. chap. 33 3rd verse. He said that every man and woman would be known by their daily walk and conversation whether they were Christians or not. We need not wear a sign on our head or a breast-plate on our breast like the people of old, but to have Christ written on our hearts. It was a splendid sermon and the attendance was very good.

On Wednesday night, Jan. 27th the young people of our race had a jolly sleigh ride on one of the hills around our city. After a jolly time on the hills they went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. Talbert to spend the evening in games, music and dancing until about midnight when refreshments were served by Mrs. F. Talbert and her daughter Mary, after which the gathering returned to their respective homes.

Mrs. A. Bower is on the sick list at this time. She is very feeble and desires our prayers.

Mrs. Susie Johnston is back with us

again after spending the Yuletide with friends in Dresden, Ont. She is looking fine after her visit in the country. We are glad to have her in our work here. May God bless her and make her a blessing here.

We are glad to report that Mr. Morton Scott is able to work again after being on the sick list last week. He is chef at the Queens Hotel here.

Miss Rosa Talbert is on the public School honor roll this month.

We are glad to report that Master Gray Miler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Miller, was referee for the United Churches Sunday School Skating Club and Kiwanis Hockey match. He has just entered his teens, but is quite an athlete.

ST. CATHARINES

The Misses Gertrude and Bessie Bell are in Toronto enjoying a pleasant visit at the home of their sister-in-law, Mrs. Louis Bell.

Messrs. Watson Graves and Charlie Bell paid a visit to Niagara Falls on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Nicholson are suffering from severe colds.

Mr. Leo Dorsay, of Lockport, N.Y., colored poet and composer, gave a recital Monday evening in the B.M.E. Church which was enjoyed by all. Mrs. Leo Dorsay rendered several violin selections, accompanied by her sister, Miss Viola Williams. Local talent assisting were: Mr. David Walker and Mr. Alton, accompanied by Miss Verita Smith, and little Miss Nellie Dorsay, accompanied by her aunt, Mrs. Leger.

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Jackson, Miss., Jan. 27—An eighty-year-old Negro, who lives in the town of Columbus, Miss., has a record of raising some of the finest and largest tomatoes ever seen in this section of the country. The man, Pum Wynne is known as he "Tomato King" in the section of the country where he lives.

Wynne is said to have grown tomato vines that attained a height of 17 feet. He had to a step ladder to attain full bounty of the luscious crop. Often the unbelievable weight of 3 and one half pounds which would net its proud grower anywhere from 15 to 30 cents a piece, has been attained.

Before going into the gardening business, Wynne was a blacksmith. He retired from that trade at the age of 72 years to take up the more gentle art of gardening. He uses his own system of cultivation, and never has to seek a customer to sell his products.

Wynne stated that last year he earned \$1,300 from the tomatoes he raised on one-eighth of an acre of land, and \$340 from vegetables which he raised on another acre of land.

Contes For World's
Cage Championship

New York, Jan. 27—The two claimants to the basketball championship of the world, the famous Celtics, a white team which has been beaten only about three times in the last five years, and the Renaissance five, a colored aggregation which defeated the Celtics several weeks ago, will go on a barnstorming trip, according to a report.

The Renaissance will play a series of three games with the white team on a road trip. The teams will appear in Philadelphia, Atlantic City and Orange, N.J. The first game will be in Atlantic City on January 28th, the second in Philadelphia on the 29, and the third in Orange, N.J. on the 30th. Following this series of games a final game will be played between the two teams to decide the claim for the world's championship. It is planned to hold the latter game in one of the larger armories of the city. It is expected that the game will be played about February 22nd.

New Book On
Negro Problem

New Yor, Jan. 25—Kametarō Mitsukawa, a Japanese who visited the offices of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People when he was in this country in 1925, has written a book in the Japanese language upon the history and problems of the Negro and a copy of the book has arrived from Japan at the N.A.A.C.P. National Offices, 69 Fifth Avenue, New York City. The NAACP furnished Mr. Mitsukawa with information on race relations. His friend, Rash Behari Bose, sends the book.

Race Youth Wins
Meet For School

Detroit, Mich., January 27th—William Loving of Highland Park proved himself one of the best all-round high school athletes in the city of Detroit, Thursday in a dual track meet between the Highland Park High School and Cass Technical High School.

The colored lad not only was high point scorer, but his performances were especially brilliant. Although handicapped by the absence of three of its stars, Loving's School, Cass Tech., last year's runner-up for city and state track honors, won the meet 51-43. Loving won three events and competed in the relay, scoring 161.4 of his team's points. Loving was high point scorer at the last city meet.

Loving ran the 25-yard low hurdles in .03 1-5; and made 5 ft. 6 inches in the high jump

Good Position
Awarded Typist

Washington, D.C. January 27th—Two thousand one hundred dollars annually, with all expenses paid, this is the salary that the contract which Cortez W. Peters, colored expert typist signed with the Underwood Typewriter company calls for. Mr. Peters was employed by the internationally known typewriting concern following his success in the contest for the world's amateur typewriting championship conducted by the company on Dec. 12th last. Mr. Peters is also a winner of a diamond medal awarded for skill in typing.

Mr. Peters has been engaged to fill the position of expert demonstrator for the Underwood company.

A farmer's best cow was called Zephyr;

She seemed a real amiable hephyr; Yet when he drew near she would kick off his ear,

Which made the old farmer much dephyr.

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Mrs. Geo. Workman of Bathurst St. who has been ill for the past few days is much improved.

Messrs Leslie and Frank Cromwell of Toronto are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cromwell. They look exceedingly well and prosperous.

Mr. Wm. Hunter, of Horton Street entertained a few friends last Monday evening. His radio, recently installed, added much to the occasion. Everybody present reported an enjoyable evening.

Miss Alice Drake is somewhat improved the present week.

Mrs. Alice Marshall has been indisposed for the past few days.

The Social set of the B.M.E. church held its postponed miscellaneous concert last Tuesday evening. It proved to be one of the most enjoyable affairs of the season.

The Social Set have planned a sleigh-ride for the 16th of the month. They invite you to go riding with them.

The Pink Tea and supper of the Baptist Church, held at the home of Mrs. Pearl Kelly last Monday evening was a great success.

Friends of the Hill Street Baptist Church will be pleased to learn that the congregation is still carrying on during the absence of a pastor. Mr. Wm. Myers deserves great credit for his helpfulness. He occupies the pulpit each Sunday and he is also assisting in a material way to pay off the church debt. Such men as this should be appreciated.

Miss Vivian Knox is studying at the London Conservatory of Music.

Mr. Andrew Moxley has been very ill for the past few days.

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WOODSTOCK

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Cromwell, 331 Dundas St. were visitors in Hamilton Monday where Mr. Cromwell met his lodge.

Mr. W. A. Taylor, Main St., was a business visitor in Chatham, the past week.

The young men of this city have formed a club and meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Smith to elect officers on Tuesday. Mr. Smith was made president.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Marshall were again made happy. It's a girl. Mother and daughter are both well.

Miss Anna Taylor is visiting her mother, Mrs. G. Taylor is Chatham.

Mr. W. A. Taylor spent, Monday in Brantford the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tanner.

A social evening was held in the Church Wednesday evening. The men of the club entertaining the audience with songs and a splendid rendition of jubilee melodies. Mr. Thos. Marshall gave several selections on the Trombone which were well received.

Noted Indian Doctor Discovers Preparation That Grows Hair Two Inches Longer In Two Months Time

**Willing to Give Free Sample to
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Several years ago, in Gold Valley, California, two boys were playing a game of Rock Battle, and accidentally struck a middle aged woman— Dr. J. C. Delano (the founder of the World Famous Blood Medicine, Herbs of Life, was called in to dress the wound and found that the patient was suffering with a fractured skull and concussion of the brain.

Dr. Delano started in on this new case with a determination to bring about satisfactory results: and at the end of thirty days the patient was not only completely cured, but her hair over the bruised spot had grown to such a remarkable degree that it aroused the curiosity of both her family and Dr. Delano, so much so that the doctor questioned her as to what was it that she had been using on her hair during the treatment. Her reply was that she had only been using the ointment prescribed by the doctor.

With the given information, the doctor started straightway into deep research to find out more about the treatment and its connections with the roots of the hair; and after experimenting for twenty-seven months, Dr. Delano announced that he had discovered a certain herb, which when macerated with certain chemicals, and mixed together with Pure Coconut Oil and California Pine Tar, would produce a healthy growth of hair.

After finding that the experiment had proved successful in ninety-nine out of one hundred cases, Dr. Delano placed this preparation on the market under the name of Dr. Delano's Coco-Tar Hair Grower. From that day until the present time the sale has been a phenomenal and uninterrupted success.

In Dr. Delano's research he discovered that falling hair was due to simple infection (Sebum) and that the hair roots seldom die. Remove the infected sebum and the hair will grow, for science has shown that under most bald scalps the hair roots live.

Dr. Delano is so confident that his Coco-Tar Hair Grower is superior to any other on the market that he has decided to give a free sample to every reader of this paper, who will send his or her name to Dept. 47, THE HERBS OF LIFE MEDICINE COMPANY, 1424 South Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Miss Lavina Turner, who has been visiting her niece Anna Taylor of Main St., has returned to her home in Brantford.

We are sorry to report Mrs. Gertrude Strothers on the sick list at present. Her daughter, Mrs. W. Blair, of Detroit is at home with her mother. We hope she will soon be well.

Mr. Percy and John James were week end visitors in Toronto.

The Misses Henderson of Ingersoll were visitors at the home of Mrs. M. Taylor last week. Also Mrs. B. Costello of Chatham and Miss Daisy Vant.

Mrs. Frank Gardner and Miss Leone Turner of Brantford were the guests of Mrs. M. Taylor last week.

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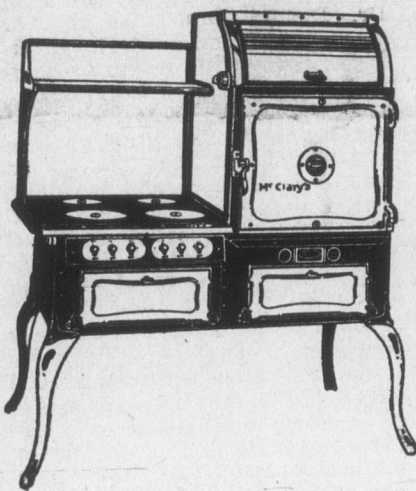
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Social Conditions Among Negroes

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fect of the refuge offered by Canada upon slave holding in the South. For more than thirty years before the Civil War came, the slave-holders had protested against the British policy of protecting Negroes in Canada against their efforts to return them to slavery. The Canadian census figures are quite unreliable with regard to this class of people. Rev. S. R. Ward, himself a fugitive, says that the enumerators ignored the portion of their report designating colour. Thus we are left to draw some conclusions from the many and varying figures given by travellers, by the fugitives themselves, and by others who were interested. R. J. Hinton, biographer of John Brown, makes the highest estimate when he says that in 1858 there were at least 75,000 fugitives in Canada. It is quite certain that this figure is far too high. Rev. W. M. Mitchell, a Negro missionary resident in Toronto, made an estimate of 60,000 in 1860, and this estimate is supported by Rev. Dr. Willis, president of the Anti-Slavery Society of Canada, and by Rev. Hiram Wilson, a missionary among the fugitives. Levi Coffin, when he visited Canada in 1844, was told that there were 40,000 Negroes in the country, and this figure is also given by Rev. S. R. Ward in 1850. The first annual report of the Anti-Slavery Society of Canada estimated the Negro population at 30,000, of whom about one-fifth had arrived in the last two years. Josiah Henson, in 1852, put the figure at between twenty and thirty thousand, "daily increasing," while James B. Brown, a British traveller, made an estimate of 30,000. A resolution passed at a public meeting at Sandwich in 1852 speaks of the 30,000 Negroes in Canada, and this figure is also given by John Scoble, writing in the Anti-Slavery Reporter in 1852. "The National Anti-Slavery Standard" of September 5, 1850, quotes an address issued by fugitive slaves meeting at Cazenovia, the home of Gerrit Smith, in which they say: "Including our children, we number in Canada at least 20,000. The total of our population in the free states far exceeds this." "The Voice of the Fugitive" of July 29, 1852, quotes from "The Liberator": "It is stated that there are now in Canada about 30,000 of these poor refugees, 8,000 having been driven from the free states through the panic occasioned by the Fugitive Slave Law."

Henry Bibb, writing in "The Voice of the Fugitive" of May 21, 1851, says: "From the best information we can get on the subject, there must be about 35,000 here now, more or less." He adds that before the passing of the Fugitive Slave Act there were about 30,000 Negroes in Canada, of whom at least 20,000 were refugees from slavery.

Rev. S. R. Ward, in making his estimate of 40,000 states that the majority were refugees from slavery. Apart from children born in Canada, he did not think that there were 3,000 free born Negroes in the country, though this class came in after 1850 in considerable numbers.

(To be Continued)

REPORTS TRIBE OF NEGRO GIANTS

London, Jan. 28.—A tribe of giant negroes in Central Africa, whose size is equalled by an athletic prowess that puts the winners of Olympic records entirely in the shade, has been found by the Secretary of the British and Foreign Bible Society, J. W. Room, F.R.G.S., who has recently returned to London from a 75,000 mile journey through Africa in the course of 10 years of travel, and has related some of his experiences in connection with the trip.

Secretary Room took photographs of some of the giant athletes while they were performing. One of these, a champion of Ruanda, in the Belgian Congo, is shown clearing a bar 6 feet 6 inches high by at least a foot while Room was "snapping" him with his camera. The world's record, held by Harold M. Osborne, of Illinois, is 6 feet 8 and 5-16 inches.

The world's high jump record, according to Room, was beaten with ease by another giant native who made his jump at the command of the king, Room says, and this athletic exhibition was also photographed by the traveler.

These natives range in height from 6 feet to 7 feet and they are ruled by a monarch, King Musinga, who himself is 7 feet high. The king's rule extends over a considerable area with a population of between 1,500,000 and 2,000,000. The ruling caste is called Watasi and the men thereof are practically all between 6 feet and 1 foot tall.

Mr. Room says he believes the ruling caste of this part of Africa is descended from the ancient Egyptians, who made their way into Central Africa through Abyssinia. King Musinga's profile, he says, is exactly like that of Seti, the first in the museum at Cairo.

A tribe of pygmies also was found by the Secretary of the Bible Society in the course of his travels in the Northwest Congo. The Pygmies, Room says, were in a dense belt of forest 1,000 miles long and 500 miles wide. These pygmies, he says, never leave the woods and never see the sun. He made friends with the little people, who took him through a tunnel in the undergrowth. He had to crawl for several hundred yards through a passage that was only three feet high in order to reach the pygmies' encampment. There were 50 pygmies at the place at the time and few of them were more than four feet high.

Mr. Room says he saw months in this pygmy encampment who were only 3 feet 9 inches high, nursing tiny babies.

The native tribes of larger stature fear the pygmies, who hunt with poisoned arrows, Room says.

The landlord had at last agreed to repaper several of the rooms. "What kind of paper would you like?" he inquired; "something with large figures?"

"Decidedly not," answered the tenant. "They would be a constant reminder of the rent I have to pay."

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