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CANADA'S RELATION TO THE JOHN BROWN RAID

(Continued from last issue)

The question may naturally be asked; why was the aid given to John Brown by Canadian Negroes so meagre? That Brown himself had counted on considerable help in his enterprise from the men who joined with him in the Chatham convention is certain. John Edyin Cook, in his confession after Harper's Ferry raid, declared that "men and money had both been promised from Chatham and other parts of Canada." Yet, outside of Osborne P. Anderson, a negro, only one other Canadian seems to have had any share at all in the raid, even indirectly. The exception was Dr. Alexander Milton Ross, the famous Canadian abolitionist, who, by agreement with Brown, went to Richmond, Va., before the blow was struck and was there when word came of its unhappy ending. What Ross was to do at Richmond in the event of any success attending John Brown's plan is not clear, probably he was to keep watch on the official actions of the State.

The choice of Chatham as the place of meeting was not without special reference to the many Negroes in Canada. A majority of the Canadian Negroes were resident in the district now included in the counties of Kent and Essex of which Chatham was a center. Among these Negroes in this district were many men of intelligence, education and daring, some of them experienced in slave raids, and Brown was justified in looking for help among them. There is also evidence that among the Negroes there existed a sort of secret organization, known under various names, which had as its objects to assist fugitives and resist their masters. Help from this organization was also counted upon. Hinton says that Brown "never expected any more aid from them than that which would give a first impetus." John Brown himself is quoted by Realf, one of his associates, as stating at Chatham that he expected all the free Negroes in the northern states to flock to his standard, that he expected the slaves in the south to do the same and believed that as many of the free Negroes in Canada as could do so would accompany him. This would appear

to misstate Brown's plans. It was not numbers that he wanted but quality, a few men planted in the mountains of Virginia would have attained his objective perhaps better than a thousand.

The real reason why the Canadian Negroes failed to respond in the summer of 1859 when Brown's men were gathering in Virginia seems to be that too long delay ensued after the plans were laid at Chatham for aggressive action. The Chatham convention was held May 8-10, 1858, while the raid at Harper's Ferry did not take place until the night of October 16th, 1859, nearly a year and a half later. Warlike ardor had cooled off in the meantime, the magnetism of Brown had been withdrawn and new engagements had been entered into. Had Brown been able to move at once from Chatham to Harper's Ferry there is no doubt but that he would have received substantial assistance from the Canadian Negroes. Frank B. Sanborn understood from Brown in April that he wanted to strike his blow about May 15th, that is within a few days after the convention. The delay was caused by the exposure by Hugh Forbes to Senator Henry Wilson of Brown's plans and the panicky decision of Brown's white supporters in New England that those plans must be changed. Brown was full of regret and much discouraged by the assumed necessity of postponement, but being penniless, he had to submit and accordingly went to Kansas.

There was some effort made in the summer of 1858 to get the Canadian Negroes enlisted, the mission being in charge of John Brown, Jr., who also had some help from Rev. J. W. Leguen, the well-known Negro abolitionist. Together they visited Hamilton, St. Catharines, Chatham, London, Buxton and Windsor, helping also to organize branches of the League of Liberty among the Negroes. The letters of John Brown, Jr. show that the enthusiasm of May, 1858, had largely died out. There was a show of interest at Chatham but it did not go deep enough to bring men. "Canada, and the freed refugees therein, proved a broken reed," is the comment of one writer of the period, though against this should be placed some evidence which indicates that on account of the raid being carried out somewhat sooner than John Brown Jr. anticipated there were a few Canadians on the way south when the end came. The proof of this lies in the paper of John Brown, Jr., which were seized after the raid.

NEGRO IS STIFLED TO DEATH

Body of Tennessee Man found in
Potato Freight Car

Haverhill, Mass.—The body of a man, identified as Jack Inman of Murphysboro, Tenn., was found in a freight car loaded with potatoes which had been shipped from Easton, Me. Death was caused by suffocation, according to the medical diagnosis.

An employee of the F. A. Carlton Co., to whom the carload of potatoes was consigned, discovered the body of Inman. The dead man was six feet three inches in height and appeared to be between 25 and 30 years of age. Newspapers of Murphysboro were found in his pockets.

Investigation disclosed that gas fumes from a smouldering heater in the tightly closed car were directly responsible for the death of the man. He had not been dead very long before the body was discovered, and it was apparent from the position of the body that the man had been smothered to death while he was asleep.

Haverhill police wired the police of Murphysboro, and they received word that no relatives of the dead man could be found. Interment was made by the city on Monday, Rev. J. Q. Jackson officiated.

CELEBRATES 76TH BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Eliza Groat of 662 Trafalgar St., mother of Mrs. J. F. Jenkins, celebrated her 76th birthday on Feb. 14th. Her sons, Lewis and William staged a pretty surprise on her when she was about to retire for the evening a host of friends and relatives came in upon her showering her with gifts and best wishes among the guests being Mr. and Mrs. Sam Smith of Woodstock, daughter Mildred and son Fred and Mr. and Mrs. Topp. The evening was spent in games and singing and all wished mother Groat many, many happy returns of the day.

88TH ANNIVERSARY TORONTO CHURCH

Rev. F. Stewart, Windsor
Was Guest Speaker

St. James B.M.E. Church (Chestnut St.) celebrated the 88th, anniversary of the founding of the work in Toronto. Splendid services were conducted in the old Church on Sunday 12th; when the guest speaker was Rev. Fred O. Stewart of Windsor. The morning service was well attended, at which time Mr. Stewart brought a very timely message on the theme of "Constancy in Well-doing." At 3.00 p.m. a platform service was held when Mr. Chas. Sharp Sr., gave an enlightening talk on the Sunday School work of forty years ago. Mr. Wm. P. Hubbard, (Ex-Controller) spoke in a reminiscent mood of the early activities of the population. It is significant to know that Mr. Hubbard has just reached his 91st year, and is quite active and interested in City and State matters.

The services were brought to a fine climax, as Rev. Mr. Stewart spoke on the character of Caleb. Summing up his address the speaker said, as was in the case of Caleb, men must have that other Spirit, the need of our day is that the church must follow Christ and stand individually alone, and apart from the interests of the world. False reports from inside, he said is crippling the possible faith of the worldly, the solos rendered by Mrs. Mamie Jones, among them were the well known, The Voice in the Wilderness, Pringle Scott, and Down from His Glory by Booth-Clibborn. Another item of interest was a group of Negro Spirituals rendered by the Maple Leaf Singers; a quintet which promises its hearers good entertainment. The singers are Messrs. Hooper, Lee, Smith, Hooks and Holder, to whom we extend congratulations, and wishes for success.

The Anniversary Dinner was served in the school room on Tuesday 14th under the supervision of Mrs. Helen McGruder who with a very competent Committee, handled things in a pleasing way. After dinner a program, interesting in every detail was given and listened to by many friends.

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A GREAT LEADER

One of the greatest leaders of the Colored race in America was Booker T. Washington. He had outstanding qualities as a platform speaker, as a teacher and inspirer of youth, as an organizer and builder, as a statesman, a Christian and a man. Those who heard him speak or who came into contact with him carried the thrill of his great name. The impact of his personality created an atmosphere of enthusiasm, confidence and good will. He broke down prejudice wherever he went and established in its stead the willingness to co-operate, the spirit of helpfulness and the ideal of friendliness between races. He founded the Tuskegee Institute in Alabama which has to-day a great property with splendid buildings and excellent equipment, endowment fund of five million dollars, a competent staff of teachers and more than sixteen hundred students. His work is being carried forward with marked success by Robert R. Moton the present able head of the Institute.

Booker T. Washington in his book entitled "Up From Slavery" made a contribution of the first rank to the literature of the Negro in America. In it one finds the best of the past and hope for a better future. The subject matter impressed the reader with its frankness, complete knowledge and understanding. The late Walter H. Page said it was the product of genius.

It was, however, in his speeches, that Booker T. Washington made his greatest impression on his fellow citizens. Fortunately many of these speeches are now available for re-reading and closer study. In the London Public Library and in the library of the University of Western Ontario are volumes of these speeches edited by his son, E. Davidson Washington.

by Col. Walter James Brown

Negro Spirituals

Many of our readers are doubtless familiar with the meaning of the term "Negro Spirituals". In these songs, which were the spontaneous improvisations of the slaves as they toiled on the plantations "down South", the Negro has given America its only folk songs, and it is a contribution as rich in noble music as is sentiment.

Save for the occasional visit of a touring singer, the Barbadian public has never had the opportunity of hearing these songs rendered by living artists.

For this reason we are more than ordinarily glad to note that steps are being taken locally to give these spirituals to the public. Already we have had the pleasure of listening to Lil David Play on Yo Harp, Joshua Fit de Battle of Jericho, Sinners Don't Let Dis Harves' Pass, I Want to be Ready, I'm A-rollin'.

Not surprisingly, two of the leading spirits in this movement—Madam Rsbrooke and Mr. Claude Eastmond—are recent arrivals from the United States. The Rev. W. A. Beckles of the AME Church and Major Hackett of the Salvation Army are also playing a large part in introducing the Negro Spirituals to the Barbadian Public.

It is a welcome sign, not merely because it familiarizes us with the rich heritage bequeathed by those to whom we are bound by the common bond of race, it also brings, or should bring us nearer to our American brothers.

—The Forum.

W. P. Hubbard, 91, Made Party Cake

Four Generations Gather to Celebrate Ex-Controllers Birthday.

Four generations of his family will sit around the table to-night to celebrate the 91st birthday of ex-Controller W. P. Hubbard, a baker in his early career, he has made the birthday cake himself. It will be adorned by 91 candles. A lover of his garden he has made wine from the grapes he has grown for the toasts. Meticulous in everything he does, he hand-picked the eggs. If they did not come up to the standard of freshness and weight, they did not go into the cake.

The event will be celebrated at the home of his son, Fred L. Hubbard, 662 Broadview Ave., member of the transportation commission. Mr. Hubbard also has a daughter, Mrs. Wells of Washington, three grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Marvellously active for his age, Mr. Hubbard will be the life of the party. Even yet, he is active in many of the hobbies he has pursued for nearly three-quarters of a century. For four decades he has been a member of the House of Industry board and social service work, next to gardening, still occupies his attention.

Practically every day of his life Mr. Hubbard can still be seen springing along downtown. He still considers himself one of the best patrons of the street cars and takes a ride every day. Mr. Hubbard was born here, went to the Model School, and has attended St. George's church on John St. all his life.

AL HICKS NOW AT
BOSTON UNIVERSITY

Al Hicks, Negro Sprinting Ace formerly of the Curly A.C. ex-regimental dash champion at Boston English High and New England dash champion enrolled as a freshman at Boston University at the opening of the second semester, Monday. He is one of the finest dash men to enter the pioneer fold and will be available for the meet against McGill University which will be held at the Arena the

WOODSTOCK NOTES

B.M.E. Church in Woodstock celebrated its reopening on Sunday, Feb. 26th under the supervision of Rev. Johnson who is in charge of this station as well as Brantford. The services were well attended, friends coming from London, Brantford, Stratford and Toronto. The afternoon service was conducted by General Supt. Dawson, his subject "The value of Education and how to use it." On Monday evening a grand concert was given assisted by many out-of-town talent and received with great applause.

The Fisher Men's Club of Dundas Street United Church conducted service in the BME Church on Sunday afternoon, F. Ball delivered the message, while Clarence Baker, Alvin Hodges, Charles Showers and others also took part in the service, which was much appreciated by the officers and congregation of the BME Church.

Mrs. John Lucas and Mrs. Agnes Brown of Brantford motored to Woodstock and spent the day with their sister, Mrs. Horace Marshall.

Mrs. Horace Marshall who has been very ill in bed is doing nicely.

Rev. T. H. Jackson of London spent a few moments with his cousins.

On January 30th a bouncing baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Blair (Eva Shirley Arvela Blair).

Mr. and Mrs. John Lucas and daughter Miss Marguerite and also Miss Lee of Canfield and Mr. Lavern Jones all of Brantford, have been visitors to the BME Church.

Miss Wise of Hamilton was the guest of Mr. Lavern Marshall for a few hours.

A duet solo was given by Mr. Fred Smith and Mr. Arthur Topp at Nazaren Church.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Topp motored to London.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Topp accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Sam Smith motored to Hamilton and spent a very pleasant evening with Mrs. Maude Harris and also friends and relatives after which on their way home stopped at Brantford and visited friends.

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DISENFRANCHISING NEGRO MUST BE ABANDONED

Augusta, Ga., Feb. 9—The Notion that Negroes are inherently inferior and the practice of disfranchising them on the basis of color are wholly fallacious and indefensible, and must speedily be abandoned, the General Missionary Council of the ME Church South was told here yesterday by Dr. Will W. Alexander, director of the Commission on Interracial Co-operation.

The occasion was the joint meeting of the Council and the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of Paine College, local institution for Negroes supported jointly by the M.E. Church, South and the C.M.E. Church. Elaborating his convictions, Dr. Alexander said:

"The whole tradition of America is against the exclusion of American citizens from participation in the government. Their movement for Negro suffrage in the South is definite and will continue with increasing persistence. It may come with the consent and encouragement of intelligent white leaders, or it may come through the selfish efforts of unscrupulous demagogues; but come it will. This is one of the profound changes for which our people must prepare.

"We must also abandon two false philosophies that have misled us," Dr. Alexander continued. "These are (1) the idea that slavery was a divine institution; and (2) the notion that Negroes are an inferior people. Time has discredited the first of these fallacies. The second is being discredited rapidly by the astonishing progress made by American Negroes since emancipation. This progress has not been the achievement of an inferior people. In every phase of American life Negroes have demonstrated their ability and their worth. Sooner or later we shall realize that our attitude toward them is the surest test of our

HEROIC DEED OF IN- TERAC'L GOODWILL

Youth Risks Life to Save Drowning Couple—Striking Contrast to Tragic Scenes of Past.

Helena, Ark., — This community, which in 1919 was torn by destructive race conflict due to misunderstanding and fear was the scene a few days ago of an heroic act of interracial good will that deserves to be widely heralded and recorded in humanity's "book of golden deeds." In striking contrast to the tragic story of other days, in which the two races were pitted against each other in mortal combat, in this case a white school boy freely gambled his life on the effort to save the lives of two Negroes and won! The story, as reported in the Arkansas Gazette, is as follows:

"Burke Hale, 17, proved himself a hero Wednesday when he rescued a Negro couple from the chilly waters of Long Lake. Burke, with several other students, was en route to Helena in a bus when V. S. Strawder and his wife, the latter a school teacher, in a closed car, plunged into the lake. Young Hale pulled off his coat and trousers, swam to the car, broke out a window and dragged the couple out. The car was almost submerged.

own worthiness and of the sincerity of our Christian profession."

Featuring the elaborate three-day program carried out by the Council there were addresses by Dr. Channing H. Tobias, Prof. W. A. Bell, and Bishop R. A. Carter, as well as by many bishops and missionary leaders of the other church. The occasion is regarded as a remarkable demonstration of mutual understanding and co-operation between the two groups.

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Eddy Tolan who recently resigned from the AAU is one of the few who are included in this rare list.

The entire track career of Tolan is unique, and for that reason he will long be remembered in the annals of the spiked shoe. This Hametic gladiator was a real track king. He performed the unusual feat of winning a double Olympic sprint championship. He is the first American to achieve this distinction since '20. He is unquestionably one of the very few athletes of the world who has ever won two Olympic titles in one game. Not even Charles Paddock, formerly the greatest dashman in the world has such a record.

World Record

Back in July 2, 1930, Eddy proxed that he was the world's fastest human. Up to this time, Frank Wykoff, California's native son, was considered the king with Canada's Percy Williams of Vancouver, George Simpson the Ohio cracker, and Eddy Tolan of Michigan, runners up. But on the above date the "Michigan Flyer" also known as the "Midnight Express" romped 100 metres up in Vancouver, B.C. and defeated both Simpson and Williams, finishing the race three feet ahead of Simpson and four feet in front of Williams. His time of 10.2 seconds was better than the then existing Olympic mark and according to Art Duffey, Tolan was running faster than Wykoff's 9.4 seconds for the 100 yard distance. In 1930, therefore, Tolan really gained his prestige.

Notwithstanding his remarkable ability Eddy Tolan was continually reminded that he was a Negro. It is said that one day he experienced difficulty in gaining admission to the Olympic Stadium during the games last summer. The difficulties that he passed through may never be fully revealed. Perhaps it is best; but the American public knows of a few and can guess at the rest.

Knox, of Shreveport, was elected chairman. Each member signed personally the following declaration as the platform of the Council;

"We declare lynching is an indefensible crime destructive of all principles of government, hateful and hostile to every person involved . . . public opinion has accepted too easily the claim of lynchers and mobsters that they were acting solely in the defense of womanhood. In the light of facts, . . . we repudiate this disgraceful claim for all time. In evidence of our purpose we solemnly pledge ourselves to create a new public opinion in the South which will not condone for any reason whatever acts of mobs or lynchers. We shall teach our children at home, at school, and at church a new interpretation of law and religion; we will assist all officials to uphold their oath of office; and finally we will join with every minister, editor, school teacher, and patriotic citizen in a program of education to eradicate lynching and mobs forever from our land."

Louisiana is the ninth Southern state to form a branch of the Association. A tenth, Virginia, is to be organized in a few days. To date, more than seven thousand white women located in 1,200 towns in the Southern States, have signed the above declaration and committed themselves to the Association's program. Mrs. Jessie Daniel Ames, director of woman's work of the Interracial Commission has been the organizer of the movement.

(The Star of Zion)

Perhaps there is nothing in this country that is harming the Negro race more than the fatal doctrine of hate which our own newspapers and so-called "leaders" are instilling into the hearts of our people. There is no occasion for it. It makes us bitter and savage and is turning twelve millions of people who are by nature friendly and genial into a mental mass that will work eternal injury to this race if it continues . . . the Negro claims to want to follow in the footsteps of one by the name of Christ and asks others to follow after Him. What can there be in this strange religion that preaches human love and fosters human hate?

Every man and woman in this world who thinks at all knows that there are wrongs and injustices on this earth that need to be righted, but can these be righted with hate? Need we manifest bitter dislike for every white man and woman because a few wrong some other few? Let us get some idea of perspective into these skulls of ours and stop hating and preaching hate.

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CONTINUE DRIVE AGAINST MOBS

Louisiana Women Form Council and Join Southwide Association for Prevention of Lynching.

Baton Rouge, La., Feb. 10—Leading white women of this state began here last week a new drive against mob violence by Southern Women for the Prevention of lynching, an organization promoted by the Interracial Commission.

The Louisiana Council comprises eleven women prominent in religious and civic circles, including representatives of the Federation of Women's Clubs, the Congress of Mothers, the Daughters of the Confederacy, the Council of Jewish Women, and the Presbyterian, Baptist, Methodist, and Catholic denominations. Mrs. Ben

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High Level Reached In Celebration of Negro History Week

(by Dr. Carter G. Woodson)

The numerous requests for the Negro history week pamphlet, "Ethiopia Meets Error with Truth," and the highly favourable communications received by the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History indicate not only an increasing interest but a more favorable attitude toward the celebration. These requests have come from all parts of the country—from community centres, clubs, churches and schools of both races in the North, East, West and South.

The Schools of the District of Columbia have set a high mark in accepting prizes in books amounting to almost \$200.00 which will be awarded by the Carry Ice Cream Company for the best essays of school children upon outstanding characters in Negro History. Just across the Potomac too, under the stimulus of Mr. Elam of the Public Schools of Alexandria there are evidences of a promising celebration due to the approval given the effort by the superintendent of the public schools of that city. The State Department of Education of Virginia, moreover, is distributing the literature at strategic points.

North Carolina following its usual custom of promoting the study of the Negro in every way possible, has manifested as much interest as heretofore and bids fair to eclipse some of its neighbors. From South Carolina, however comes a similar assurance of interest in the celebration especially at Columbia, where the superintendent of the public schools has sent to the principals the request to give due attention to this movement which he considers beneficial to the system. In Georgia interest has been manifested especially around Atlanta as a result of the recent annual meeting of historians in that city and further interest has been shown in Savannah and Augusta where those thus interested have the co-operation of the boards of education. Similar evidences of such co-operation have been shown by state officials of Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas and Tennessee. Knoxville, Norristown, Nashville, and Memphis are especially active.

In Louisiana, Texas and Oklahoma the citizens have become very enthusiastic over the prospects of the establishment of a Southwest Branch of the Association with headquarters at Houston, Texas. This has stimulated much more interest than usual in the celebration and especially since the Director of the Association will spend Negro History Week and most of February carrying the message of racial achievements and self-respect to the various cities of the southwest. Interest in the movement has been warmly expressed by the State Department of Education of Texas and city superintendents in Okmulgee, Tulsa, Oklahoma City, Galveston, Dallas and Houston.

Along the border line between the North and South the celebration has become deeply rooted in the minds of the city superintendents at such

points in New Jersey as Camden, Orange and Elizabeth. The Superintendent of Elizabeth requested two hundred additional copies of "Ethiopia Meets Error with Truth," after he had received the allotted number. The Superintendent of Orange, New Jersey welcomes the opportunity, saying: "Inasmuch as our school is to put in a project on a given subject, we would like to build our project that week around Negro history. Our idea is to recognize the achievements of the Negro in literature and music, human relations, and various other fields."

In New York the movement, thanks to the branch of the Association there has received attention from W. J. O'Shea, Superintendent of Public School and from other such officials at Cortland, Amsterdam, Auburn, Binghamton, Rochester and Buffalo. Rochester however gives a most stimulating account from one of the teachers in the Public Schools, who expresses her indebtedness to the Association for the use of certain books of history which she uses in her class together with UP FROM SLAVERY. A similar account has come from the high school of Lancaster, Pennsylvania, in a communication from the teacher stating that she has used such materials on history along with UP FROM SLAVERY in teaching one hundred and seventy-two girls of the sophomore class. Other such encouraging reports have come from strategic points in the state of Pennsylvania like Dorona, Altoona, Aliquippa, Chester and Philadelphia.

Looking over the west, one discovers the same stir. At Indianapolis the co-operation of the superintendent has been secured and the literature distributed at strategic points. From Churubusco, Evansville, Richmond and Gary the same encouraging accounts have been received. In St. Louis, Jefferson City, Kansas City, St. Joseph, Milwaukee, Topeka, and Omaha unusual enthusiasm has developed. In Denver there has been sufficient interest to result in a requisition for additional Negro History Week material and also a request for suggestions of lists of books for the high schools, classes now desiring to study the Negro systematically. The Superintendent of Schools of Pasadena would like to follow up the enthusiasm of Negro History Week with a definite program for the study of this neglected element of our population.



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LONDON NOTES

A Valentine Social given under the auspices of the C.L.A.C.P. at the home of the President, Mr. Wm. L. Berry was a great success. Great credit must be given Mrs. Berry also in the wonderful way her home was arranged in keeping with the event. Each room upon entering was the picture of a beautiful Valentine itself. The table decorated by the committee was artistically arranged with red and white candles and cupids peeping here and there, and of course we must not forget the mail box and carrier who delivered messages to both young and old.

Mrs. Brown has been called to the bedside of her brother, Mr. Wm. Taylor who is quite ill in St. Joseph's Hospital.

Mrs. Chas. Brown is home again having been confined to Victoria Hospital with the flu.

Mrs. Rev. Jackson and daughter Marguerite have been suffering with the flu also and unable to be about.

Mrs. Mary Coursey is feeling some better at this writing.

Miss Dorothy Moxley has returned home after spending a few months in New York with her father.

Miss Leta Smith had the pleasure of entertaining her mother and sister Mildred at an afternoon tea.

Mrs. Jordan of Detroit is spending her vacation with her mother, Mrs. F. Harris.

The Busy Bee Sewing Guild had their election of officers at the home of Mrs. Fred Kelly, electing Mrs. J. F. Jenkins President, Mrs. Wm Myers Vice-President; Mrs. Biggers, Recording Secretary; Biss Baptist, corresponding Sec., Mrs. Thompson, treasurer; Mrs. Drake and Mrs. Joe Myers, sick committee; Mrs. Walter Cromwell, lookout committee.

On the 17th a St. Patrick Social will be given by this order at the home of Mrs. Kelly, 9 Marmora St. You are invited to come and spend a pleasant evening with us.

A social evening given by the Church Aid at the home of Mrs. Drake proved to be an outstanding event both financially and socially. The evening was spent quite enjoyably with different discussions arising and musical numbers by the different members of the group. From this event a Jubilee Chorus has developed and the members are now preparing themselves to appear at an early date.

Miss Thelma Moxley is showing some improvement at present if you are not able to call and see her write a card to Byron Sanatorium, Children's Department. She would love to hear from you.

Miss Mildred Smith spent the week end as the guest of Miss Evelyn Jenkins.

TORONTO NOTES

Mrs. Maud Bonner, Mrs. (Mme.) Duncan, Mrs. Mae Moxley Ball, Miss

Helen. Mr. DeCoursey and Mr. J. Brown were visitors from Oakville.

One point of interest in the Anniversary was the presentation of a new Bible by Mrs. Rosetta Richardson, a senior member of the congregation, who sponsored the move.

Mr. Emmanuel Addison, the last member of one of Toronto's early families, passed away Sunday the 12th. Mr. Addison (Mannie) had been to his business all day Saturday but took ill on Sunday early in the evening, and was taken to the General Hospital where he passed away at 10 o'clock. He was buried from the Watson funeral home Wednesday at which time a large number attended the service. Rev. E. A. Richardson conducted the last rights, and was assisted by Rev. F. O. Stewart of Windsor, and Rev. Claude Stewart of this city.

Mr. J. B. Spencer Pitt is about again after his recent accident but is suffering a nerve condition from which we hope he shall recover soon.

Sunday 19th services were fairly well attended and the congregation received two helpful messages from the pastor, Rev. E. A. Richardson.

A vocal recital will be given in the St. James B.M.E. Church (Chestnut St.) by Mr. C. Andrew Johnson, Baritone soloist. Mr. Johnson is a Canadian baritone of exceptional ability he is twice a gold medalist. Recital date March 6th.

BRANTFORD NOTES

Miss Connie Lee is visiting her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Palmer.

Mrs. O. Snell is visiting her mother, Mrs. John Lucas.

Mr. H. Johnson and Miss E. Johnson are visiting their parents.

Rev. Jackson of London occupied the pulpit at the B.M.E. Church here last Sunday.

Rev. Johnson and friends went to London last Sunday to take charge of the service.

Miss Byrl Johnson has been very ill but is improving nicely.

Rev. C. A. Johnson and friends went to Woodstock for services on the 15th of December.

A large attendance was noted at Church and Sunday School on Dec. 15th.

An enjoyable evening was had at the home of Mrs. Jones, 7 Park Ave., where games of different varieties were played and everyone reported a good time.

An enjoyable evening was had at the home of Basil Wilson on Friday evening.

Miss Ruth Washington was visiting her sick cousin Byrl Johnson but has gone home as her condition is more favourable.

Mr. Frank Brown is home visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Brown.

Miss Sheffield was visiting Mr. and Mrs. Emorrey on Terrace Hill.

Mr. Murray is improving after his long illness.

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