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### LET JESUS CHRIST BE HEARD

Within the busy marts of life  
Where slaves of fickle fortune meet,  
Where all is marked by selfish strife,  
And few are loving brothers greet,  
Whose souls are lost for greed of gold,  
And human lives are bought and sold,  
Let Jesus Christ be heard

Within our legislative halls,  
Where party strife holds stubborn sway,  
And laws are made as party calls,  
And statesmanship is thrown away,  
And men are subjects of "the boss,"  
And seasons end in utter loss,  
Let Jesus Christ be heard

Within our courts where justice waits,  
To right the wrongs of men oppressed,  
And judges sit at city gates,  
To hear the cause of the distressed,  
Where men of crime the law must meet,  
And pay the price at Justice's feet,  
Let Jesus Christ be heard

Within the fertile fields of toil,  
Where capital and labor meet,  
Where often hidden passions spoil,  
The lives that those in love should greet,  
And man hates class, and class hates man,  
Where reigns no brotherhood, alas!  
Let Jesus Christ be heard

And in the Church of Christ on earth,  
The living church that bears His Name,  
The church that stands for things of worth,  
The truths eternal to proclaim;  
In every church in every land,  
Obedient to God's best command,  
Let Jesus Christ be heard

In all the sacred scenes of life,  
Whether of sorrow or of joy,  
On all the battlefields of strife,  
Where foes would souls of men destroy,  
On mountain tops, in vale of toil,  
Where struggle sanctifies the soil,  
Let Jesus Christ be heard,  
—Daniel H. Overton, in The Presbyterian.

THE CHURCH IN A DEMOCRATIC WORLD  
Prof. E. B. POLLARD

"The history of humanity in progress is the consciousness of freedom," says Hegel. But humanity sometimes shouts awfully forward that the world will make a long stride toward democracy, as a result of the great war, and then asks: "What changes will this fact work religiously?"

Religious conceptions and forms of organization in any age have always been greatly influenced by the civil ideals and governmental forms current at the time. Roman imperialism in the State produced Roman ideas in the church. The ancient doctrine of "the divine right of kings" produced the dogma of the ecclesiastical authority of Bishop and Pope. On the other hand, a democratized world will inevitably produce a democratized church. Men will not permanently think in contradictory categories. Democracy and autocracy cannot live in peace together in the same brain. The one begins at the bottom and moves upward; the other begins from above and moves downward. The one presupposes the right of every soul to freedom and the heritage of personal responsibility; the other assumes the perpetual inferiority and tutelage of the many.

It would seem clear, therefore, that the coming democracy will loosen the dead hand of the authoritative creed. The authoritative confusion of faith assumes that men of a certain age in the past had a better right to decide what Christianity

means and what men are to believe concerning it than those of any subsequent age. This is a religious aristocracy. If not autocracy; and a democratic world will surely refuse to be bound by men of the past however learned or godly they may have been. The bureau of the past will as surely disappear as has the ancient inquisition; and in its place will come, not an indifference to sound doctrine, bless God! but the democratic method of conference, debate, publicity, turning on the light; getting the views of all who are lovers of the truth; the willingness that there may be diversity in unity; the determination that varied views of Christian doctrine shall not mar the spirit of fraternity and co-operation among those who know and love a common Lord.

Orders and distinctions in the clergy and among Christians will also be seen to be impossible in a democratic world. It is not strange that the Pope would be very glad to see the war end with Hohenzollerns and Hapsburgs still on their thrones. He can have no quarrel with autocracy; himself the great spiritual autocrat over hundreds and millions of souls. "Making the world safe for democracy" is about the last thing the Pope wants. When democracy in Government shall have been established throughout the earth, autocracy and her pale sister, aristocracy, in the church, will have their faces turned toward the sunset.

Infant baptism, too, is undemocratic and will receive crushing blows wherever the democratic spirit in religion prevails. It is a practice which is either non-existent or less common in democratically organized bodies, and would even more rapidly fall into disuse in all communities but for the ecclesiastical pressures from above. Infant baptism attempts to put an ecclesiastical bond upon the soul; it is opposed to the voluntary spirit in religion, and an offense to spiritual freedom. Education, guidance, leadership of the young in religion, are democratic, but infant baptism is not. The union of church and State in all its varied forms must go down in a democratized society. What a religious revolution is inevitable in such a land as Russia with the Great War, the head of the Orthodox Greek Church, an exile and fugitive before the rising tide of democracy! What an opportunity for a democratic religion. How can democratic England, after the uprising in the north to this war, ever again justify to herself those "school rates," which tax all to support favored religious tenets?

What an opportunity Baptists should have in a reconstructed democratic world; if only they will rise to the occasion, and let the world know that it is not necessary to leave organized Christianity in order to be religiously free. For thousands of devout souls, whose emancipation from civil and ecclesiastical tyranny will take place when hostilities have ceased, will be tempted to try out alike to church and the autocracy which had joined hands in effecting their vassalage: "A plague on both your houses!" If Baptists could profit the European countries, within the next few years, 100,000 masterpieces and a million dollars per annum, these would be resources we invested for the world's spiritual enlightenment. Never had our people so great an opportunity, so important a responsibility. There is no saving grace in a moray; it must be an enlightened and spiritualized democracy. The people must find the soul as well as the body of freedom; or else world democracy will simply mean the right of the people to enslave themselves; as Mr. Higley put it,

"Democracy gives every man the right to be his own oppressor."

But there is a higher right—the vision of spiritual freedom, which sets all other rights in order, and keeps them so.

(From Theological Seminary—The Standard.

### A MOTHER'S PRAYER FOR HER SOLDIER SON

O God of infinite mercy, hear the mothers of this land as we plead before Thy throne for the loved ones we are sending forth to battle for the Right. Though our hearts are bowed with sorrow, we pray not for ourselves; all our prayers, O God of love, are for them, the priceless treasures of our lives. We are willing to suffer, and, if need be, to die, for our country.

We would gladly give our lives to save these loved ones, dearer to us than life itself, who are going out to fight loss, seen and unseen, to face all the horrors of the battlefield, and some perchance to die, that others may live, but by no word or look will we hold them back when duty calls them to save others.

Give them the manhood to meet this supreme test of life, give them strength of body, of mind and soul to do battle for the Right; and to succor the women and children. Arm them with Divine power to smite evil; told them to Thy loving arms; yes, though they walk through the Valley of the Shadow of Death may Thy Presence banish every fear and Thy rod and Thy staff comfort them. For three long years the men of our Allies have battled for us as for their own homes, and their loved ones have endured the sorrows which now we must face. Our men go forth to help save us from ruin and the world from barbarism. We suffer, but we glory in their manhood. We dedicate our lives to this Great Cause that will may serve behind the lines while they carry forward the flag of civilization.

The prayers of a world in agony, for whom these loved ones are fighting, are lifted up to Thee for these men. They are offering all that earth holds dear, because they have heard Thy voice calling them to the noblest work to which lives were ever consecrated. Thy love, O God, our Father, excels all human love, so we leave them with Thee. To Thee have we committed them.

They are Thine, created in Thy image.

Into them Thou hast breathed the breath of life in its largest and divinest sense.

In their sacrifice, offering their lives that others may live, they are following in the footsteps of the Son of God, Himself who died to make men free from the power of evil. We trust thee, O God, to Thy infinite love, and to Thy ever watchful eye. Hold them as in the hollow of Thy hand, for they are doing Thy work and fulfilling the teachings of Him who spake as never man spake, when He taught that greater love hath no man than that he is willing to lay down his life for others.—Manufacturers' Record.

### NEGRO MAKING GOOD

Reference has been made in these columns to the work done in various industrial centers by Tuskegee Institute boys. Principal Moton has just received a letter from Messrs. L. B. Sears & Co., of Hartford Conn., commending upon the faithful services of the boys who worked for them this season on their tobacco farms. Their letter follows:

"No doubt you will be interested to hear what results we have had with the students from your school who have been working on our farms during the last season; and we think it is only fair to the faithful students to say that you should be acquainted with the fact of the experience which we have had.

Heretofore we have always employed local help and rather hesitated to make any change inasmuch as we did not know what the results might be. It so happens that in the particular locality in which our farms are located there have been very few Negro young men employed, and we hesitated to try the experiment.

However, we take a great pleasure in informing you that our first venture in employing boys from the Southern schools has been very satisfactory. The men have applied themselves and have made every effort to please us; they have commended the respect of the people in the neighborhood and they have been a credit to themselves and to the school, which has instilled the right ideas in giving them the ambition to become useful citizens.

"We take this opportunity of informing you that our present plan is to try to make arrangements to have at least forty or fifty of your students come North next season to help us in our farm work. We are now planning for the necessary quarters to house them.

We also wish to emphasize the fact that Dobbs has been of valuable assistance to us. He has looked after the boys, has established rules for their care and benefit, and has been very careful to us. We sincerely hope that he will come again next season.

"Wishing your school a great deal of success, we remain, your truly, L. B. HAAS & CO.—Tuskegee Student.

### NATIONAL TRAINING SCHOOL FOR WOMEN

The National Training School for Women and Girls, at Lincoln Heights, of which the energetic Miss Nannie H. Burroughs is president, bids fair to have the best season of its existence. This is the eighth annual session and the student body has been very large for so many institutions in falling away this year because of war conditions, etc. The record-breaking enrollment of the National Training School for Women and Girls is a distinct achievement.

The faculty is composed of ten women from the best colleges and universities of the land. In addition is the new library, containing at this time more than 4000 volumes. Miss Harriet Edwards, of Brimston, Mass., is the efficient librarian. Through Mr. West, of the Negro millinery of Brockton, that Miss Burroughs secured the valued services of Miss Edwards.

Another big addition worthy of extended mention is the training school shop. It is well stocked with an attractive line of goods and is a model of cleanliness and order. It is being generously patronized by the people of the Lincoln Heights community, now growing to surprising proportions.

Miss Burroughs was triumphantly indored at the Muskogee meeting of the National Baptist Convention. The trustees and the substantial people of all denominations are solidly behind her. The outlook for this great school is very rosy indeed. She is a leader of courage, resourcefulness and willing industry, and whatever she takes hold of is bound to "go."

Negro Congregationalists — Rev. Garner, Washington, D. C., and Rev. Proctor, Atlanta, Ga., were in favor of the National Council of Congregationalists in Columbus, Ohio. Twenty Negro Congregationalist ministers attended. Rev. Garner preached at the Second Baptist Church and the Rev. Paul A. St. A. Church. His discourse has been the subject of comment since. Rev. Proctor of Atlanta, Ga., preached at the South Church, the leading white Congregationalist church in that city. His discourse was in attendance, and not since the day of the old Abolitionists have there been attended such strong expressions favorable to the Negro by white Congregationalists.

Negro Victim of Un-born Attack — London — An American Negro, who is a resident of New York, was the first to be attacked by the British press, and the British Navy, among those who in the large city of London are being persecuted by the British press.

# CURRENT EVENTS

## COLONEL MOORE'S PUNCH

BLINDED T. R.'S EYE

Camp Meade, Md.—Age, 41; height, 5 feet 10 1/2 inches; weight, 198-200 pounds; class, heavyweight; foot work, clever; punch, eye-closer, in either hand.

There you have the statistic of a rattling fine amateur, the only boxer who is said to have knocked a President's eye out—Colonel Dan T. Moore.

After Colonel Roosevelt admitted that he had been blind in the left eye for years, the result of an upset from a "young captain of artillery," Danie Hunter says that the twin-barred officer, who put over the optic killing wallup is none other than the upstanding Colonel who runs the Maryland artillerymen through their paces.

Colonel Moore said: "I would hate to think that any blow of mine did blind the Colonel, but it is true that I was a young captain of the artillery when I boxed with the President, and I am not sure now that I didn't blind him the eye several times, for when he went to the mat there was always something doing."

"President Roosevelt wouldn't stand for any of the boxer's stuff. He wanted to mix it all the time, and he could handle his dukes pretty well. I had it on him for reach and weight.

"He had to stop in pretty often to get close to me, and when he did he certainly knew how to handle the lightning end of it. We had many rattling bouts together; in fact, we were boxing a good part of the time when I was attached to the White House as an aid."

"I never knew that he had lost the sight of his eyes until I read it in the newspaper. And I don't know if it was any blow of mine that did the trick."

"Roosevelt was a good boxer, though, and could handle himself well. He could step around pretty lively, for we were both about the same weight at that time, and neither of us was any too slender, at that."

"I was a pretty busy fellow in those days, and the Colonel used to get the biggest and the hottest of aids for boxing. The bigger they are the harder they fall," he used to say to me, quoting the late "Bob" Fitzsimmons, as he cut loose with a lot of jabs and jolts and kept me busy blocking.

"He didn't care much about any footwork either. Come on, stand up and fight," he would say, and then he would let go with a flow of fists and "Take this!" and then it would be slambang all over the ring. Roosevelt had a good wallup in both hands and a ven he hit he stung."

## NEGRO INVENTION

Mr. Ezra Delatch, Negro, of Newport News, Va., is in the city and called on us. He has an exhibit in the Industrial Hall, Stall 41, Virginia State Fair. It is wonderful in many respects. He has a circular self-feeding table known as a scientific automatic distributor. This remarkable self-feeding device provides that from three to one thousand or more of the tables being multiplied in number, can be fed in a few minutes.

It is a liberator, as no waiters are needed. The patron simply places an electric button and marks with the letter X on the bill of fare just what he desires. The order goes automatically into the kitchen, together with the marked bill of fare and the money. The cook, steward or server fills the order. The cashier places the change in the proper receptacle and in a few moments he has put the food on the plate and started it back to the customer.

The plate slips at the customer's number on the table and when he is through eating the empty plates, cups, etc., are returned to the kitchen ready for the next customer. The table device has attracted attention throughout the United States and when put into actual operation in large cities will revolutionize the present methods of serving the public. It is estimated that the saving in time will approximate millions of dollars.

Mr. Delatch has had an eye to business in that he has patented the table device, there being seven improvements over all the self-feeding tables known in the United States. Gormey, Weston, Great Britain, Canada and patents pending now in France. He has twelve other patents under way, which he expects to bring before the public. Among these are: the day-tide machine, order press, weighing machine, car trap, wire electric trap of all animals and fish

and a boat rack for hoisting all small boats from the water, weighing from one to four tons.

Mr. Ezra Delatch's postoffice address is 744 Nineteenth street, Newport News, Va.—Richmond Planet.

**Southern Negroes Halted**—On arrival at Chicago, Ohio, Southern Negroes are halted out of their money daily by two Cincinnati Negroes. The amounts are probably \$500. The scheme of the defrauders is to meet the Southerners who hurry alight from trains. They form a "friendship." A stroll to "see the sights" follows. One of the friends next brings a "lost" pocketbook in view. He says it contains \$500. He offers it to the "greener" for his cash on hand. The stranger is cautioned not to open the pocketbook until he gets "under cover." Victims include Division Huxers and Minnie Gordon of Nashville, Tenn., of \$57 and \$12; respectively, and D. C. Dowler, Dolphin, Ga., of \$14.

**Shuns Girl Boothlarks**—Mayor Curley of Boston refused to see a delegation of girl boothlarks, who went to City Hall this noon to ask why he had called on Council to pass an ordinance which would debar them from selling shoes. The girls wear overalls in the form of Turkish trousers, gathered at the ankles. As they walked to City Hall they wore long coats over their working garb but a curious crowd followed them. Mayor Curley gave out the following statement in regard to the matter: "Let the Council give the hearing. If one is petitioned for, I have my own views on the sanctity of womanhood as the most important thing in the world, and nothing should be permitted to disgrace or degrade it. I can't imagine any occupation more humiliating to woman than the selling of shoes of men and the man who would allow a woman to shine his shoes is, in my opinion, unworthy of being called a man."—Philadelphia Record.

**England's Brewers' Troubles Are Not Over**—Liquor journals are making much of the fact that British Government has seen fit to authorize an increase in the output of beer. The brewers' journal announces that this practically ends the agitation directed against the brewers in England; that beer has been completely vindicated and is hailed as the national beverage. It is, therefore, surprising to note that a group of substantial men in the British Isles are launching a big Prohibition drive as a wartime measure. The opening gun will be sounded in New-Castle-on-Tyne, and demonstrations will follow in the leading cities of England, closing with a national conference and twenty meetings in London. England's brewers have another thing coming if they think their troubles are over. The American Issue.

**Bryan Barred At Camp**, Phillips, O.—Refusal permission to speak on prohibition and woman suffrage in Camp Sherman, because of railing against political speeches within its boundaries. William J. Bryan addressed thousands of Ohio and western Pennsylvania conscripts along patriotic lines later, two miles from the camp, on the courthouse square to this city, the former secretary delivered his day speech, addressing it directly to soldiers, a number of whom were in his audience. "Guard your baggage train by voting dry," was the theme of Colonel Bryan's address. Telegrams to Secretary of War Baker and Major General Glenn, Camp Commandant, failed to secure permission for the speech in the camp. Political addresses are prohibited at all military posts.

**Whelan Act Denounced by White Paper**, Memphis, Tenn. Another tubman killing has been added to Memphis long list. A sheriff's posse murderously shot down in cold blood Matthew Howard, a handcuffed Negro prisoner, being brought back to Memphis from Carthage, without extradition papers, charged with common assault. Howard was quarantined in jail and two other persons, whose presence is not satisfactorily explained. He died en route. The Daily Commercial Appeal of Memphis, comments editorially: "Are we ever coming to the time when law-enforcing officers realize

their duty to the State in protecting prisoners in their custody? Are we ever to reach the time when the officer can take a prisoner from the point of capture to the county jail without killing or mauling? A handcuffed prisoner running ought to be easily overtaken by a man with free hands. He certainly has a number of advantages. We had a lynching near here recently in which the ability of our allies as upholders of the law shone about as brilliantly as a mud pie in the moonlight. It made against us at a critical time and will make against us again."

**Mr. W. M. Bakestraw**, Conference Agent, is traveling through Alabama and making addresses to farmers, urging them to use their influence with other farmers to attend the Tuskegee Conference, which is to be held at Tuskegee Institute, January 16-17, 1918. Mr. Bakestraw has a number of engagements to speak in Tennessee and Kentucky.

**Negroes Not Wanted**—New York City—Rev. Dr. C. M. Carleton says that he has been forced to resign the rectorship of Christ Episcopal Church, because he allowed Negro children from Liverpool, N. Y., orphan asylum to attend the services. Dr. Carleton said that three years ago, when Christ Church, along with other churches in the vicinity, decided to let the little Negroes attend services, some one wrote "Expel Negroes" on the sign in front of his church which bore the words "All Welcome." The Negroes soon quit going to the church. Edward C. Delatch, treasurer of the church, reported to him to say that the vestry had offered the use of the church every Sunday afternoon to the Negroes, but the offer was declined.

**Negro Soldiers Welcomed at Atlanta, Ga.**—Some parts of the South may be opposed to the Negro soldier, but Atlanta, Ga., located in the heart of the South, gave as warm and as cordial a welcome to the Negro draft men as it did to its white draft men when they began to arrive. The Atlanta Constitution calls attention to its first page to the arrangements made for the reception of the Negro men, and in the camp activities for their enjoyment. The Constitution says that these camps vary in no way from those organized for the white select men, and every effort will be made to minimize friction and mis understanding.

**Public Aid at New With Edison Astore**—Thomas A. Edison is the mystery of Washington today. He is the subject of startling reports and fantastic stories, all quite as unbelievable as the talking machine, and all unbelieved by Mr. Edison, the Navy Department or by the official with whom the wizard of West Orange is working.

Despite the story about the invisible ship, the reported sea trip of Mr. Edison, on which he is alleged to have proved the success of an invention to render the submarine harmless, there is only one thing certain about Mr. Edison and his war activities, and that is nobody seems to know anything about them except the inventor and the Naval Consulting Board.

When Mr. Edison is in Washington no one knows where he lives, and he will not tell his best friend, Mr. Edison's work on something very big, something tremendously important in the effort to outwit the undersea menace. Even if he would care to discuss his nature in newspapers, it would be his official announcement. It would be contrary to the voluntary press censorship. So it is not likely the world will know what tremendous thing Mr. Edison is doing until he has done it.

**Gray's Ferry Baptist Church**, Rev. O. H. Dingus—Sunday morning, at 11 o'clock, the pastor preached a strong sermon. At 2:30 the superintendent talked in a full house on "Home Training of a Child and the Sequence Obtained" through from "Right Mother Training." The U. S. P. E. was out in full standing room could hardly be found. The topics were discussed with great interest. The pastor, with quite a relieved mind, preached at 8 o'clock on "Matthew 24: The Day of Great Judgment Day." The Gray's Ferry Baptist Church has succeeded in purchasing the building on the corner of Broad and Wharton streets, which was vacated at 1909. Every one is welcome to attend our services, especially the strongest one, which is Friday night prayer meetings. MARY SCOTT.

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## CONDITIONS OF AWARD

The worker's subscription must be paid to January, 1919. Collect \$1.50, not less, from 12-month subscribers. Send us \$1.00. Keep 50 cents. Collect 75 cents, not less, from 6-month subscribers. Send us 50 cents. Keep 25 cents. Six-month subscribers count 1, 12-month subscribers count 2, toward the cash prizes.

The cash must in every case accompany the names or order.

Remittances should be made by bank drafts on Philadelphia and New York, or by post-office money order (if it can be had at your post-office) made payable to THE CHRISTIAN BANNER. Letters can be registered at any post-office in the United States. In any of these ways money will reach us safely. Cash, when sent in unregistered letters, is at the sender's risk. Money when sent as directed is at our risk.

Write names and addresses plainly. Give number and street. If any, post-office, county and state. Have them typewritten, if possible.

The court to see who has sent the largest list, and who has sent the four next highest lists, will commence April 1, 1918. Names received that day and thereafter will not affect the results.

Awards to be made immediately after count is finished.

Get subscribers for The Christian Banner. You are paid according to the use you make of your talents. See last page for details.

Spirit of Negro Press

LET'S MAKE AN INVENTORY

The status of the race in the North is today a problem far more serious than the one facing the race in the South. We of the North face both an economical and social discrimination and a political ignoring. In the South the race has accumulated in spite of any and every handicap, nearly a billion dollars in property, while the race in the North has accumulated less than \$25,000,000. A people that can accumulate a billion of dollars in property, starting half a century ago without even the rudiments of education, can point proudly to an unmatched achievement, financially.

Twenty-five years ago there was no segregation or discrimination in the hotels, cafes, park and theatres of most of the cities north of the Mason and Dixon line—from the Ohio River to that one-time "Cradle of Liberty," Boston. Today it is rampant in Cincinnati, Dayton and Columbus, and even Cleveland and Toledo, where until recently racial prejudices was at the minimum, today erstwhile privileges for the Negro are but remnants of other days.

Today there are too many ten-dollar-a-week Negroes in the North imitating the luxurious mode of living and entertaining enjoyed by white millionaires.

Today we of the North have too many fifty-cent heads scattering lazily about under five-dollar hats; too many idly banking in the sun and not enough making hay while the sun shines; too many consuming and too few producing.

Visit the police courts in any and all of the larger cities of the North and particularly in those cities where there is a congested Negro population, on Monday morning, and observe, with depression—with feeling of sorrow and regret, the all too long line of Negro offenders against the law, and compare the number arrested today with the few arraigned twenty-five years ago, and then ask yourself the question, "How is this reflecting the race's status in the North?"

Twenty-five years ago the police courts of our Northern cities did not present a sorrowful "study in black" on Monday morning. Twenty-five years ago Monday was a day of labor following a day of religious observance and rest. Today, with far too many of the race, Monday is a day following a Sunday of disrespect for conservation of right living.

Around our churches cluster all our interests, religious, moral and educational. Until the potency of the Negro church is restored to its once strong influence we may expect decadence in the North. When a people lose interest in the church, immorality and crime stalk unrobed in their midst. Take away from the majority of the Negro people the restraining and uplifting influence of the church and they run madly down the avenue of immorality and crime.

The progress the Negro people made in the South, under the most adverse circumstances and surroundings and restrictions was due largely to conserving their moral and religious interests rather than carelessly indulging in pleasure and ignoring the laws of right living.

Today, in the South, the young among the race are eager to enter school and eager to remain until their education is complete. In the North our young boys and girls are loath to enter school, but are eager to leave school before their education has hardly begun.

If young Negro people in the North would devote more of their time to literary societies, musical clubs, debating societies and sewing circles, as was true of twenty-five years ago, and less to pool playing, dancing, card playing and other virtue-robbing pleasures, when indulged in to excess, if they would stop their mad rush for pleasure and give more attention to the serious side of life, if they will prepare themselves, perhaps the people, for us in the North, will swing back and the privileges we once enjoyed in the North be restored.

Why not take an inventory of our selves before we initiate bankruptcy proceedings against the white man?—Cleveland (Ohio) Advocate.

William Preston Bayless, city editor of the Pittsburgh Courier, also business manager, has tendered his resignation to become secretary to the George M. Johnson Manufacturing Company, with offices in the Arrott Building, Pittsburgh. The company in which Mr. Bayless goes is engaged in the manufacture of mining machinery.

Home Hints

WHAT CONSTITUTES TRUE LOVELINESS IN THE HOME

Since it takes at least two persons to constitute a home, it takes the efforts of both to make a happy home; the man and the woman. On the part of the woman as well as on the part of the man, not only the beautiful personality, the gaudy dress, the fashionable life, nor the frowned faxes and unpleasant words, or the words at all. A woman may have all the outward marks of beauty and yet not possess a lovely character. But it is the benevolent disposition, the kind acts, the pleasant and counseling words and the Christian conduct.

It is in the heart, where meekness, truth, affection and humility are found, truth, affection and humility are found. It is a treat to all men to see a woman whose heart possesses those qualities; the woman who can soothe the aching heart, smooth the wrinkled brow, lighten the anguish of the mind and pour the balm of consolation into the wounded heart, possesses in an eminent degree true loveliness of character. She is the real companion of man and does the work of an angel.

It is such a character that blesses with warmth and sunshine and maketh the earth to resemble the paradise of God.—People's Recorder.

LITTLE THINGS

What absurd little things people quarrel about! What trivial matters cause ill feelings in families! The question being raised, too little, too big, too much; an opinion about the temperature of the house, or the style of window curtains that ought to be bought for the front windows; the definition of a word, or its pronunciation—are things that might be argued nicely about, but surely are not topics worth a quarrel when peace and good-will are of so much importance in the home. A little ill will is like a seed that may grow into a large tree which will shadow the whole house. Many a man and woman must look back with regret on the busy work or the cold reproach which was the starting wedge that split a household in two, and yet boys/ew make a point of uttering the soft word that turneth away wrath! Quarrelling in one of the original sins I suppose for the babies sitting on the floor will fall out over their toys, and one will push down the block tower which the other one has built with great assiduity, and there will be a "name called" and a "face made" and a slap given and mamma called in to settle a quarrel, and no truth can be got out for each is right in his own estimation, and each has been wronged by the other. So it is through life. A reasonable quarrel about great matters may be settled and the parties made friends again; but little things about nothing are so foolish, intangible affairs, that reason cannot overcome them.—The Way of Life.

HOW TO SAVE SUGAR

"Necessity is the mother of invention." Sugar is extremely scarce and will be so for some weeks. Mr. R. F. Evans, head of the corn and oats division of the Federal Food Administration, has discovered a substitute. Mr. Evans says: "If the housekeeper will mix one part of cane (white) sugar with three parts of corn syrup she will get exactly the same results as she now gets by using all parts of cane sugar. "If all housekeepers will adopt this practice, economically at every possible point, there will be no need to worry and nobody will have to go without sweet things."

A NEGRO GENTLEMAN

Under our observation came a case in which, due to excellent prices now paid for cotton and cottonseed, a Negro gentleman, 35, and all his life has been "a sharp ex-proper," did close after all debts were paid, 1940. His landlord, whose age to see him to suffer from arthritis, offered to sell this Negro gentleman, or \$300, the farm on which the crop had been made. The Negro gentleman refused to buy the land, but did forthwith buy himself a \$300 automobile "What tools these mortals be!"—People's Recorder.

To bleach handkerchiefs, towels, etc., soak over night in a solution of one-half teaspoonful of cream of tartar to each quart of water.

CURRENT EVENTS

MINISTER CURTIS CLAIMED BY DEATH

Dr. A. M. Curtis is in receipt of a telegram from the State Department announcing the death of his brother, Lawyer James L. Curtis, of New York, United States Minister in Liberia. A cablegram to the State Department from Sierra Leone, West Africa, told briefly the story of Minister Curtis' passing. It appears that an operation had been performed upon the minister in Monrovia, but the patient not rallying satisfactorily was taken to the more salubrious climate of Sierra Leone. Despite the best of attention death ensued. Beyond these meagre details no further data is at this time available.

Minister Curtis was appointed Minister to Liberia by President Wilson about two years ago, succeeding Dr. George W. Buckner, of Indiana, who resigned, and was the only colored man holding a ministerial commission.

Methodist Bishops on War.—Atlantic City.—The Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church address the church as follows: "The Bishops assembled in the regular session of the Methodist Episcopal Church express the conviction that the fate of civilization hinges upon the outcome of the present war. If the doctrine that might makes right, the acceptance of military democracy as the means of settling the big political idealism with which we entered the war, it gives us the greatest satisfaction to note the moral seriousness which we find everywhere in the attitude of men turned toward the great contest. "The war was entered upon by a people devoted to peace until longer continuance therein upon the terms offered imperiled the safety of the nation and of the human race. We rejoice in the practical unanimity with which the people now stand back of the war, especially in the response to appeals for loans and in acceptance of heavy taxation, and our hearts are thrilled by the quick response to the call of the Government and the appeals to patriotism by the young men of the nation.

"We urge a heavier taxation, if need be, of the profits of business, so that the coming generation may not be handicapped under a too heavy burden of war debt. We call especially for a stern outlawry of all forms of vice which sap the strength of our soldiers and of the manufacture and use of strong drink, which saps the strength of the nation at home. "We desire to express our most earnest hope that the appeal of the President to the people of the German empire may find ultimate response."

The address calls for the creation of sentiment for arbitration and the limitation of armaments, after the war. A leading music critic says of Roland W. Hayas, tenor, of Boston, Mass.: His voice has an unusually beautiful quality, powerful for stirring dramatic passages, with liberal range, with even tones throughout. His enunciation is delightfully clear. He has made marked progress in the art of interpretation. He realizes that a climax should not be anticipated, that continual emphasis is not expression. But best of all he feels what he sings and is able to communicate his sentiments and emotions to his hearers.

Tuskegee and Hampton Get \$125,000.—More than half of the \$5,000,000 estate of Mrs. Maria Antoinette Evans, widow of Robert Evans, of Boston and Beverly, was bequeathed to charitable educational and other institutions by her will. The bequests include, Tuskegee Institute, Tuskegee, Ala., \$100,000; Hampton Institute, Hampton, Va., \$25,000.

Not Allowed to Drive Automobile.—Miami is a little town in Florida where a colored man is not allowed to drive an automobile for white people. He is allowed to drive in Miami. And recently, when a colored physician purchased a car and attempted to drive through the streets, he was abused and stoned by a mob of white people.

BALTIMORE, MD., NEGRO Y. M. C. A. TO HAVE A NEW BUILDING

The management has purchased properties at 1615-17 Druid Hill avenue, making a site 58 by 100 feet, including present building. The work of erecting has commenced, one building has been razed and the second is under fire.

Plans call for a modern building with four stories and basement, with a sub-basement for the heating plant. The building will cover the entire lot and will be modern in every way. It will cost about \$100,000. There will be a gymnasium, running track, swimming pool, bowling alleys, pocket billiard room, men's and boys' lockers, showers and coat rooms, reading room, club room, and other more than fifty dormitory rooms for men.

New York.—The Kappa Gamma Kappa Club is the name of a new organization recently formed among young college women of Greater New York for the purpose of closer contact for mutual social and intellectual advancement. The members extend an invitation to all college young women to join the club, believing that more good can be accomplished by being organized than through individual effort in order to render larger service in educational work. Arrangements have been made to hold regular meetings at the rooms of the Young Women's Christian Association in West 112nd street the first of each month at 2 o'clock P. M. The officers for the first year or term are Miss Elizabeth Townsend, president; Miss Anna Jones, vice president; Miss Dorothy Hendrickson, secretary, and Miss Agnes Griffin, treasurer.

Richmond, Va.—The National Civic Improvement Association of this city is taking the lead in showing our people the necessity of holding their homes and farms in the South instead of leaving them to seek uncertain employment and wages in the North and West. The association believes that this is the wrong time to migrate to other sections. Farm products are bringing high prices now and good wages are being paid for farm labor. Housing and food supplies are scarce and prices of what one has to pay in the North.

The farmer is coming into his own in the South, and those who stick to their job now and for many years to come will reap a rich harvest in crops and largely increase the ownership of property. The great world war has created new conditions, and our people have opportunities open to them now that were without of before the outbreak of the European war or America's entrance into the dreadful conflict. The Hon. J. H. Jackson, H. Price is the secretary.

Prominent Negro Converted.—The list of converts in a recent issue of "The Missionary" organ of the Apostolic Mission House, Washington, D. C., recorded the reception into the church of Dr. William Henry Johnson, of Albany, N. Y., one of the most prominent Negroes in America. He helped to buy the freedom of Frederick Douglas, and he was a friend of Abraham Lincoln.—Catholic Times and Standard.

Rochester Helps Build a Catholic Church.—Another Catholic church is being erected in Colorado with the cooperation of John B. Rockefeller, Jr. It is at Route and is in charge of the Rev. John D. Liorotti, pastor at Walsenburg. Mr. Rockefeller has now re-organized with several Catholic congregations in securing churches.

In the Nation of Shopkeepers.—Napoleon spoke of England as "a nation of shopkeepers" in the lifetime of the London shopkeeper is illustrated in a store: lot of a dry goods dealer. The merchant was of an exorable temperament, and on hearing his assistant say to a customer, "No we have not had any for a long time," was unable to contain such an admission.

He fixed his eye on the assistant and said to the customer, "We have plenty in reserve, ma'am, plenty upstairs."

The customer looked dazed for a moment, and the shopkeeper did not seem happy when his assistant informed him that the customer was speaking about the weather and had remarked, "We haven't had any rain lately."

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opiate in these sad hours of bereavement with the writer. Pray for us.

New Jersey News, E. E. Jackson.—Dear Mr. Editor: I congratulate you on the present management of the Christian Banner, and wish you much success. Success to the paper cannot come on wishes, however, but on money and subscriptions.

The brethren of the State seem in low plight of the action of our State convention relative to Russia. The method by which churches and associations should be governed, but there are brethren who seem to ignore the action, and it is better that we have no rule, law or system if we are not going to stand by it.

(1) The convention passed an act that churches and members of that State convention desiring counsel or aid in any matter, and said church a member of the association in that district, should apply to the association through its moderator, who, finding it advisable would call a council and consider the interest of that church.

(2) If the church is a member of the State convention the permanent council should be called in. If it is a new body to be recognized or a minister to be ordained, it should be under the auspices of the permanent council. But all this has been evaded, and I wish to enter my hearty protest and inform those who are pursuing that course that I call on behalf of the State convention a halt if we are not in harmony with the action of the convention, and wish to pursue the original course, do away with the law, and then we will not be considered in the social engagement church people called no harm or sin. He surely gave the public slip to hell a blow—

Dr. W. P. Hayes, pastor of the Mt. Olive Baptist Church, N. Y., read an excellent paper to our conference last Monday. He bitterly condemned some of the social engagements church people called no harm or sin. He surely gave the public slip to hell a blow—

Dr. R. D. Wynn is progressing in health and is still answering the Master's call through the pastors in the preaching of the gospel. He is booked for New Brunswick the fourth Sunday evening in November.

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preceding Christmas at the St. Thomas parish, Louis. Windsor avenue if that place can be secured. Infinite information will be given through the daily press. Watch the papers.

Messrs. J. E. McKluney, Oliver Waring and brother, and Deale Hunt are among those of our young men who have responded in the call of the country. Let us have the names of others. We want to place them on a roll of honor.

What has become of the Woman's League? Is it sick? Why, then, it needs a physician. If it is dead there should be a burial. The body of no respectable personality should not be allowed to remain on the top of "fern farms" until decomposition sets in. Women do not fail. We are looking for better things, sisters.

We understand that there has been organized a Hartford branch of the National Association for the Protection of Negro People. We have not been formally notified, but we are heartily in favor of it, and hope that it will receive the unlimited support of every member of the race.

Miss Bevela Linden and Mr. Carter were happily united in the bonds of holy matrimony at the residence of the bride, 34 Beulah street, Wednesday, Nov. 14, 1917. Rev. C. L. Fisher officiating. Dinner was served after the ceremony.

Little Marjorie Duges, the daughter of Mrs. Beards Duges, 25 Beulah street after several days' illness departed this life Friday, Nov. 6th. The body was interred by Undertaker Johnson in the Spring Grove Cemetery, Saturday, Nov. 10, 3 P. M. Rev. C. L. Fisher officiating.

Don't forget "The Festival of Happy Days" cantata, Thursday, Nov. 22, at St. Thomas parish house.

Don't set the annual fair at Union November 27 to December 3.

The closing rally of the season at Union, Sunday, Dec. 3. Let the governors get busy. Let the campaign be hot. Let us gather up the fragments—twelve baskets full. Bring us your news. Buy our papers. Give us your subscription.

Shiloh Baptist Church, Plainfield, N. J.—Last Sunday a great time was experienced in the service of our blessed Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Our pastor, Rev. E. W. Roberts, delivered two very helpful and instructive addresses to large and appreciative audiences. Our Sunday school is moving right along to success. It is sinning sitting a superintendent. Next Sunday afternoon a sacred concert will be given for the benefit of the school. Mr. C. Alexander has charge of the health and is still answering the Master's call through the pastors in the preaching of the gospel. He is booked for New Brunswick the fourth Sunday evening in November.

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Hartford, Conn., Date—Pastor J. A. Wright, of the Congregational Church, smiles today. His rally netted over \$300.

Let there be no strife between us. It would have been better had one or both of the Baptist pastors been a part of the Housing Committee, since they represent such a large part of the Negro population of the city, both new comers and old settlers. But since those who named the committee did not think of this, let us believe their intention good, and lead our auditors for the common weal. It is Union never was whipped unless she was not there. She was conspicuously absent in large numbers last Sunday at Talbot street. That explains the situation. If we do not expect a reputation of this fogging at Pearl street, Union must be on hand. We hail with delight the coming of the Bible and Christian Workers' institute to be held in this city at the First Baptist and Shiloh Churches, December 31. We hope that our members of the church, Sunday school, Y. P. U., and Missionary Society will take advantage of this rare opportunity to receive the information and inspiration necessary to perform the great work of religiously training our people. Some of the best speakers of this and other States are on the program.

At last the long-talked-of exhibit is a tour to summer destination. A movement is on foot to hold a meeting Wednesday of the week

you held every one's attention. 7:00. Missionary Circle prayer meeting was nicely attended. 8:00 P. M. Rev. Brown preached a wonderful sermon from St. Luke xxi. 43. His text was: "I will make mine enemy thy footstool." Rev. Johnson, from Nazareth Baptist, was with us. Three people came forward for membership. We had quite a few visitors on Sunday. Collection good all day. Communion next Sunday. Come out and enjoy yourself. All are welcome. Pray for us. Mrs. MARGARET E. EDMUNDS, Reporter.

First Baptist Church, Yardley, Pa., Rev. B. J. Smith, Pastor.—11 A. M. preaching by the pastor. 37th Psalm, 1st verse. 1 o'clock, Sunday school. 3 P. M., the pastor preached another excellent sermon from Job 1, 2 and 3. We are thankful to say that Sister Carrie Smith, wife of the pastor, is able to be about again. We are looking forward to a work of prayer in our church for the saving of the lost souls of Yardley. Pray for us that God may give us one word to rejoice over.—MARTHA DOTSON.

Even Church Notes.—Sunday morning, pastor preached from the text: Neh. 1. 4. Sublimity, "Practical Christianity," and indeed he preached a wonderful and soul-reviving sermon. At 2:30 P. M. Sunday school was well attended and we thank the older person that takes an interest in the Sunday school, 3:30 Junior B. Y. P. U. is taking on new life. 8 P. M. pastor preached from Neh. 1, 11, subject, "Nehemiah's Prayer," and he preached again from his soul and those that had the blood of Jesus applied to their hearts felt the witness of the spirit. If you want to come and get a full supply of grace, come to our prayer meetings, Tuesday evening, Collection, \$37.15. Please come forward for prayer: two united with the church.—ESTHER BROWN, Reporter.

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### SHOWERS OF BLESSINGS

St. Paul Baptist Church, 352 West 35th street, New York city, Rev. M. Arthur Booker, Minister.—On Sunday, November 4, just three weeks after the October rally, the people came forward and placed enough money on the table to finish payment of the pews and fixtures of the church, thus leaving a balance of only about \$50 to be paid on the painting and decorating. Wednesday night Mr. J. Thomas gave a good program at the Y. P. U. Mr. Harrison, president of the Lyceum, St. Mark's, and Doctor Mayfield, vice president of the same organization, gave splendid and helpful talks, and there were several very good vocal solos. Thursday night the Old Maids were present and held their convention. They are all very popular. There was a large audience to enjoy all they said. Mrs. Jennie Smallwood, the president of the Ladies' Fishers' Board, had charge of the Old Maids, while Mr. Wm. Lovell acted as master of ceremonies. The entertainment was a success in every way. Friday night the prayer meeting was unusually well attended, and the convert, in the person of Mr. Thompson, set the fire burning, which did not stop till the close of service Sunday night. Sunday morning Doctor Shaw, of Boston, Mass., preached a wonderful sermon. In the afternoon Licentiate John, of Shiloh Baptist Church, this city, preached a sermon that stirred every heart. The Praying Band held this service and was greatly benefited spiritually and financially. The pastor preached his seventh anniversary sermon in the evening, taking as the theme, "Serving Christ by Service to Men." His report showed that the past twelve months exceeds all other years of his pastorate. Two young men were received for baptism at the close of the sermon. The attendance for all services of the day was good and the offerings also were very good.

Huntingdon Valley, Pa., Rev. P. D. Chandler, Pastor.—At Sunday morning service Rev. Jordan, of North Glenside, preached for us a good sermon. We enjoyed it very much. At 2.30 the Sunday school, with R. W. A. Lucas at his post. The school is well attended; collection good. In the evening the Rev. Bro. Kirby, of Orange County, Va., was with us, and preached a most wonderful sermon. In many ways we were made to rejoice in the end of their Session. The Sunday school rally was a success; the superintendent thanks all for their loyalty. Our revival began Sunday night, and three came forward to be prayed for, and will continue a host of friends to mourn our loss. We shall indeed miss her. She was a member of four or ders, which turned out in large numbers, showing their last marks of respect, with most beautiful floral designs.

Calvary Baptist Church, Chester, Pa., Nov. 12.—Services were largely attended. After devotional services the pastor introduced Rev. Bro. Stier, who took for his text, Romans 1, 16, "I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation." To everyone that believeth to say it was a gospel tract is only a mild way of telling the truth, for when he was through we felt as though we had passed through a postecostal shower. All eyes were bailed in tears. The Sunday school met at 2.30 P. M. and carefully studied the lesson. 6.30 P. M. the B. Y. P. U. met and carried out a very interesting program, as usual. 8 P. M. the regular church service began. There were seated in the pulpit with the pastor Brother Young, Rev. Martin, who will be chorister, and the writer. The pastor preached a big sermon. He thrilled his audience. At the conclusion of this wonderful sermon Mrs. William Evans sang "Because He Loves Me So." A series of meetings will start Monday night, conducted by Rev. Bro. Price. We will tell you about this in our next writing. The sick are Brother Jones and little William Evans. The Christian Banner is coming all right. Mrs. Ada Baker and Mr. Parry were united in the holy bonds of matrimony the 4th inst, by Pastor Bennett. They are happily domiciled at \$50 Central avenue. WM. EVANS.

Shiloh Baptist Church, Scranton, Pa., Rev. F. W. Price, Pastor.—Rev. Mackey, of New York city, was with us all day Sunday and preached both morning and evening. Both sermons were very much enjoyed by all. Our pastor was an exciting preacher in the morning the text was from Mt. Luke vi, 30; subject, "Blessed Are Ye

Poor." At night, from II Kings, v, 10; subject, "Dipping Seven Times in Jordan." The congregations were large. This being our annual fall rally Sunday, the clubs made a very good report. The rally was continued until next Sunday. Mr. West Hill has returned home from the South with his bride. We wish them success and happiness. Mr. Claude King and Mr. William Copeland have recently married. Rev. Mackey will leave Scranton Tuesday for California.

Central Baptist Church, Rev. Chas. Blackwell, Pastor.—At the 11 A. M. service the pastor preached a sermon to the workers of the church whose untold efforts made an excellent success of the rally of the previous Sabbath. We are sure Central will, with one mind, build the walls and perfect her organization. The Sunday school is splendidly attended. 7 P. M. the B. Y. P. U. was well attended. The topic was introduced by Miss P. H. Henderson. 8 P. M. the pastor preached a touching sermon. While he was preaching all realized the joy of obedience to the will of God, even though we are in sorrow and seem to be forsaken. Auxiliary's meeting as usual. Wednesday P. M. prayer service and B. Y. P. U. Sunday, Nov. 18, 7 P. M. in the Sabbath school. Special Fathers' and Sons' Day.

Ebenezer Baptist Church, Rev. Alexander Childs, D. D., Pastor.—The fire still burns at this old campground. Services are being conducted. Rev. L. S. L. Bush is preaching and singing the gospel every night. Services last Sunday will not soon be forgotten. Next Sunday is the annual rally, and all roads lead to Ebenezer. Our work are improving. Business is picking up in the Progressive Club. Thursday was a great day in the Missionary Circle. Miss Taylor and Miss Jeffries made splendid reports of the convention. They brought the convention home with them.

Mount Plagah Baptist Church, Anbury Park, N. J., Rev. E. D. Crowl, Pastor.—The pulpit was occupied, both morning and evening by our pastor. Morning text was "Having a Fixed Purpose," I. Chronicles, 1:10. In the evening he spoke from the subject "Let There Be No Division Among You." Both services were well attended.

The Sunday school lesson was heartily taught, owing to the funeral, at 2 u. m. of our beloved sister, Mary Davis, of Myrtle avenue, who fell asleep Friday, 12:30 u. m. Her death her family she leaves a host of friends to mourn our loss. We shall indeed miss her. She was a member of four or ders, which turned out in large numbers, showing their last marks of respect, with most beautiful floral designs.

The B. Y. P. U. was excellently attended. There is indeed a marked improvement in our union. The subject of the evening was "What is Committed to You." This was thoroughly discussed by the officers present; each was well informed. At the close of the service the installation of the officers took place. Judging from our leader Mrs. C. Droomgool, and her staff of willing officers, we should take the young people of Anbury Park for Christ and the church.

The solo sung by Brother Clarence Russell after the morning service. "Our Wedding Tobe" was very pathetic; he poured out his whole soul in this beautiful hymn.

Thursday evening, November 6, began our Window Rally, which will continue throughout the month. We were honored to have Rev. Love, of Mount Clair, N. J., to preach our first sermon and it was a wonderful one. The subject being "Development of the Divine Plan," Exodus II, 5-8.

The State Convention is indeed proud of their splendid leader, for Rev. Love is a spirited preacher, a vigorous orator, and a Christian gentleman. We do love him.

Day's collection, \$116.40.

Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Germantown, Pa., Rev. M. Winston, D. D., Pastor.—Services every Sunday at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. Teaching by the pastor. Sabbath school at 2.30; William Byrd, superintendent. Prayer meeting every Tuesday evening. Everybody welcome. The pastor, choir and congregation will go to the Penn Memorial Baptist Church Nov. 22 where Dr. Winston will preach.

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**A REMARKABLE VICTORY.**

The report that Woman Suffrage has won in New York State by 100,000 majority is one of the surprises of a surprising election. Any one could see that it was only a question of time, but it did not seem likely that this state would be found ready to give the suffrage this year, and few of the most ardent suffragists could have hoped for so large a majority.

The victory which has apparently been won by woman suffrage will probably surprise its advocates almost as much as its adversaries, who are frankly astounded. It is the fitting climax of a long fight ably and devotedly conducted, and it almost certainly means the speedy granting of the vote to women throughout the country. The example of New York is sure to cause a stampede in that direction. The leaders in the cause are to be congratulated and the entire country hopes that general good will result.

It would be futile to speculate on the causes of the landslide. Probably there are fifty or a hundred of them, mostly trivial; but all tending strongly in the same direction. Since it had to be this way, perhaps it is well that the vote is overwhelming. The people have gone on a political jamboree; they just wanted a change—and they have got it with a vengeance.

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Cash, not merchandise, is what we are paying for subscriptions.

**CAMPAIGN TO RAISE \$2000 FOR HAMILTON BAPTIST CHURCH**

Hamilton, Ohio.—Prof. E. W. H. Curry reached the city Saturday and is in a campaign to raise \$2000 to pay the debt of the Baptist Church here. Rev. J. L. France, Pastor. Professor Curry is for soul-winning as well as raising money. Several have come for church membership.

Mrs. Mary Ross Bureau, reader of Boston, gave a recital at the First M. E. Church (the largest white congregation in the city), on Monday, and on Tuesday at the Second Baptist Church in the interest of the rally.

Mount Pisgah Baptist Church, Asbury Park, N. J., E. D. Crowley, Pastor. At 11 a. m. the pastor preached an excellent sermon, his text being "The Foundation of Temple Laid," Para 2:1-13.

Sunday school, at 2 o'clock, was well attended. A choir of the school the members and friends formed a line and marched back to the beautiful new red-brick church, corner of Springwood and Boarden avenue. The Rev. G. A. Harris, of New York; Rev. Crosby, and our pastor led the happy march. With great rejoicing the first service was held in the lecture room of the new Mount Pisgah Temple at 4 p. m. Rev. G. A. Harris bringing to us a most wonderful sermon. The junior choir sang some very beautiful and appropriate selections.

The H. Y. P. U. met at 7 p. m. The program was in charge of Group No. 1, Miss Helion Durell, leader. All present thoroughly enjoyed the interesting meeting.

At 8 p. m. the Rev. G. A. Harris brought to the waiting congregation another powerful sermon. The Holy Spirit was manifested in the midst and the listeners were fully prepared to welcome the holy communion. Five, a mother and four children

received the right hand of fellowship. Collection for the day, \$125.

There will be preaching, beginning Thursday, the 8th of November, until the 7th of December, every evening. The pastor has invited some of the very best speakers. On Thursday November 16, there will be a supper and program. All invited to be present. Mrs. J. H. MITCHELL.

**Carfare by the Mile**

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workers for American war policies and denounces pacifists. United leaders call out 5700 men on United States jobs in New Jersey in effort to force Government to utilize employes of own plant.

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COTTON MARKET

NEW YORK, Nov. 12. - The cotton market was less active today, due to difficulties of distribution and uncertainty of Russian and Italian affairs. Two of the largest ocean freight brokers in the city are said to have orders to book 60,000 bales of cotton from New York to any port in the United Kingdom at any price, but have been unable to secure space.

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CHURCH EXTENSION AMONG THE NEGRO BAPTISTS

My Dear Fellow-Worker: The editor permits me to have a heart-to-heart word with you on the subject of church extension. Very dear to workers, are you interested in Church Extension work? Are you one of those souls of God to Feed and House the flock? Are you hearing that call by doing your best to Feed and House them?

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A mob of white men horsewhipped a white preacher in Kentucky. The preacher, alleged crime was that he prayed for the release of the soul of the Kaiser and the proud men who surrounded him.

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## EPISCOPALIAN ENDORSEMENT

My dear Messrs. Warwick, Publishers:

Please allow me, in this formal way, to thank you for copies of the Christian Banner kindly sent. I hope you will be able to make a success of it. The title attracts my attention: "Christian Banner." We are, just now, compelled to think of "Banner" and what it means to every American. Has he really a flag? What does it mean to him? What is he willing to do for it? Of the word "Christian" it pains me to see in some places not to hear it used in certain connections. I always ask the question, "What do you mean by using it?" Is Christianism a N. M. C. A., e. g., right when the color line is drawn? Does a church building belong to Christ when the color line is drawn? And often it is not only the color line, but the money line. Is the worship—sometimes seen or heard in Christian (?) building, really Christian worship? Does any one actually believe that the Christ is pleased with it? Are "Billy" Sunday's harangues Christian preaching? Are the ways in which moneys are raised for so-called Christian work of any kind Christlike ways? *Do we really understand Christianity?* Does any one dare to assert that the Christ is pleased with all the things called "Christian?"

I could hope that, in every respect, there could be such a thing as a "Christian Banner." That every one who carries it would in very deed be a Christ follower. Then, among Christian people wars would cease; Negro "auto da fes" would cease; contractor-hired political conditions would cease, and true brotherhood, which is the only way of practically exhibiting the existence of a "Christian Banner," would be found everywhere. "And his banner over us was love."

Faithfully yours,  
HENRY L. PHILLIPS.  
We give space in our editorial columns to this remarkable communication because of the man and what he represents, and of the great catholicity of spirit exhibited. Doctor Phillips was rector of the Church of the Crucifixion, Philadelphia, for more than thirty years. The church reached its highest estate under him. He is archdeacon and has been mentioned for Bishop. Publishers.

You say you must feel, or you cannot believe. What a mistake! You are believing every day without any feeling. For instance: You have a mortgage in New Orleans. You have no money to go there. A friend telegraphs to a firm there to meet the claim. You do not feel the telegraph go. You do not feel the weight of the money, nor hear it clink as it passes from hand to hand in New Orleans. You do not feel that the mortgage is lifted. You only believe it. You believe your friend. And you are happy. Believe God and be happy. —Irenee.

Professions, no matter how positive and vehement, must pay for exactly what they are worth. For instance, these two: "Though all men shall be offended because of Thee, yet will I never be offended," and "Though I should die with Thee, yet will I not deny Thee." What did they amount to? So sure and yet so soon and so sadly forgotten they falsified. Hence the perpetual value of this advice: "Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation; the Spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." The large personal pronoun "I" stands very erect, and yet will hear but little weight. Prayer and watchfulness are the best safeguards. —Irenee.

While in the full vigor of life and health, while surrounded with hosts of friends, while flushed with the victory of popularity, you become restless and annoyed and stricken with undefinable fear if a few passers-by should revile you. You cannot bear scorn. You are sensitive to ridicule. You dread even "the old shouder." But look at your Lord and Master. Hanging on the cross, forsaken by his chosen disciples, under the ban of the church, suffering the agonies of crucifixion, "they that passed by reviled Him, wagging their heads." Humiliated down like a panting deer, he was hounded to the very last. Lonely, friendless, dying, and seemingly forsaken even by heaven, he must listen to the revilings of a motley crowd of questionable characters. —Irenee.

Rev. C. H. Spurgeon was much troubled by a dog that frequently visited his garden and destroyed his flower beds. Mr. Spurgeon resolved to watch and give the intruder a warm reception. One morning he saw the dog in his garden at its old trick. Picking up a stout walking stick, when the dog came near enough he took careful aim and threw his stick at it. But his aim was not of the best, and instead of hitting the dog the stick spent its force on the air. The dog looked up, and seeing the stick and the man, it drew its own conclusions, and, running to the stick, picked it up and brought it to Mr. Spurgeon. His wrath was disarmed; he could not strike the dog who thus humbly brought the stick that was thrown at it. So, taking the stick with one hand, with the other he patted the dog's back and said, "Good fellow, good fellow!" When people throw sticks at us, let us have the same lack of appreciation of their belligerent spirit as this dog. We will save many a quarrel. We may get many a pat on the head, and good words instead of blows. —Irenee.

NORTHERN UNIVERSITY—VIRGINIA SEMINARY  
There is a better understanding between the promoters of the Northern University and the representatives of the Virginia Seminary than ever before. The spirit of fellowship between the representatives of these institutions is growing all the time. Dr. W. F. Graham, known everywhere as the great advocate and supporter of the Virginia Seminary. Indeed, without his influence and his sacrifices the seminary could not have accomplished its great work. In the convention at Hittingburg he was endorsed as educational secretary for the Northern University. He will stir up interest for the institution without detracting one single bit from the Seminary. There is room for all to have a share in helping to elevate fallen humanity. We can seek at different stations without strife between us, for we are brethren. Surely Pennsylvania Baptists are coming into their own. The time will come, and soon, when our denomination must look to Pennsylvania Baptists for advanced ideas and denominational solidarity.

## NEW YORK COLORED BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

The New York Colored Baptist State Convention held its twenty-second annual session with the Walker Memorial Baptist Church, 1322 street, New York city, the Rev. L. B. Twisby, pastor.

This convention is not as large as some of the other conventions, but in quality it measures up. The foundation has been laid for a great superstructure and men shall yet come from the East and from the West to learn of the New York Baptists' accomplishments. It was our good pleasure to attend this meeting and to call our brethren's attention and to urge we are putting forth to increase the Christian Banner subscription list to ten thousand by next April. Dr. G. H. Sims was unanimously elected president for the fifth time. His annual message was delivered in a pleasing way. He pointed out many of the duties that the city churches must perform in this day of large responsibilities. Upon the church rests the good or ill of the large numbers of our people who are flocking into Northern cities from the South.

## THE NEGRO AND THE WORLD WAR

The world war has made prominent the problems relating to the Negro. There is in the United States his migration to the North. On the firing line in France thousands of black soldiers from Africa are doing their part. Africa, the continent richest in natural resources, is one of the stakes for which the war is being fought. All of these things have increased the demand for accurate, comprehensive and concise information concerning the Negro. Such information is supplied by the almost five hundred pages of the 1916-17 "Negro Year Book."

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## PENNA. BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

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