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Major Charles Young Gets Spingarn Medal

Governor of Massachusetts Makes Presentation at Mass Meeting in Tremont Temple.

AN EFFICIENT ARMY OFFICER

Marked Ability Shown In Organizing and Training Constabulary of Liberia.

Boston, March 3.—At a great mass meeting held Tuesday night, Feb. 22, under the auspices of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People in Tremont Temple, Hon. Samuel W. McCall, Governor of Massachusetts, awarded the second Spingarn medal to Major Charles Young, of the United States Army, for his work in organizing and training the constabulary of Liberia. This gold medal, valued at one hundred dollars, is the gift of Dr. J. E. Spingarn, of New York, chairman of the Association, and formerly professor of comparative literature in Columbia University, and is awarded annually to the man or woman of African descent and American citizenship who shall have made the highest achievement during the preceding year in any field of elevated or honorable human endeavor.

The committee which decided the award consisted of two Northern white men, ex-President William Howard Taft and Oswald Garrison Villard, of the New York Evening Post; a Southern white man, Dr. James H. Dillard of Virginia, director of the Slater and Jeanes Funds; and two colored men, President John Hope of Morehouse College, Atlanta, and Bishop John Hurst of Baltimore. Mr. Moorfield Storey, formerly president of the American Bar Association, presided.

Major Young was born in Kentucky in 1868, and was educated in the public schools of Ohio. He was appointed to West Point Military Academy from Ohio in 1885, and since graduating in 1889 has served in the Seventh, Ninth and Tenth Cavalry, and the Twenty-fifth infantry of the United States Army. He was major of an Ohio battalion during the Spanish War. Afterwards he was detailed as Superintendent of the Sequoia and Grant National Parks in California, where his "interest and ability were commended in formal resolutions by the Visalia Board of Trade, which declared that "by his energy and enthusiasm and business qualities displayed, the money set aside for improvements of the parks was most wisely and economically expended." In 1904 he was sent to Haiti, and thence twice to the Philippines, where in the absence of the Colonel he was in command of the regiment on several occasions. He was promoted to the rank of Major in 1912, and was then sent as military attaché to Liberia. There he undertook the work

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Nebraska Civil Rights Bill

Chapter Thirteen of the Revised Statutes of Nebraska, Civil Rights, Enacted in 1893.

Sec. 1. Civil rights of persons. All persons within this state shall be entitled to a full and equal enjoyment of the accommodations, advantages, facilities and privileges of inns, restaurants, public conveyances, barber shops, theatres and other places of amusement; subject only to the conditions and limitations established by law and applicable alike to every person.

Sec. 2. Penalty for Violation of Preceding Section. Any person who shall violate the foregoing section by denying to any person, except for reasons of law applicable to all persons, the full enjoyment of any of the accommodations, advantages, facilities, or privileges enumerated in the foregoing section, or by aiding or inciting such denials, shall for each offense be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and be fined in any sum not less than twenty-five dollars, nor more than one hundred dollars, and pay the costs of the prosecution.

"The original act was held valid as to citizens; barber shops can not discriminate against persons on account of color. Messenger vs. State, 25 Nebr. page 677. 41 N. W. 638."

"A restaurant keeper who refuses to serve a colored person with refreshments in a certain part of his restaurant, for no other reason than that he is colored, is civilly liable, though he offers to serve him by setting a table in a more private part of the house. Ferguson vs. Gies, 82 Mich. 358; 16 N. W. 718."

Something to Make You Think

CHRISTIANITY AND CHRISTENDOM

By the Rev. Geo. Gilbert Walker, M. A.
Topeka, Kansas.

The world, that is, Christendom, knows enough to save itself in ten years. The greatest need of men today is the doing of what they know. The trouble is that men fail at the point where they most need to stand firm. It seems to me that they fail because they do not put into positive action the Gospel which the Christian Church has taught for nearly two thousand years. We receive the Gospel of the Master; we learn it; we systematize it; we define it; and then we relegate it to some cloud country far above our heads. It makes a beautiful theory; and we are content.

The Gospel of the Master WILL save the world. We must so use it. The Gospel of the Master is broad enough and adequate to save mankind. The world will not be saved apart from the Gospel of our Lord.

What means all this preaching of Brotherhood—the Brotherhood of Man? We hear much of it in the churches. We read much of it in books and periodicals. It is defined. It has been threshed out again and again. It is rightly conceived to be one of the major principles of the Christian Religion, and yet it is not one of the actual working motives of the vast majority of Christian people. If we think men are equal before God; if we believe that the soul of one man is as valuable as is the soul of any other man; if we think the grace of God, and His blessing, and gifts actuate the hearts and personalities of all alike, why do we not behave as though we believe it? Is it that we are hypocritical? Is it that we are whitened sepulchres? Is it that we are false, craven? Do we imagine that the Creator of the Universe is a class God, or a race God, or a narrow-minded, prejudiced God? Does it not seem a little like mockery, a little like empty mummery—this topsy-turvy practice of Christianity?

The exploitation of the poor, the ignorant, the weak; the wide and ever widening race prejudice; the greed for money and power at the expense of those who are unfortunate and down; the unsavory political situation—and these are not varieties or exceptions. They are, or seem to be, organic maladies of the world which calls itself Christian.

What means all this talk of reform? Mind you—men and women, reformers if you please, have been discussing justice, social adjustment, civic righteousness; have been preaching the hardship and duress of the laboring people, have been denouncing the greed of monopolists and exploiters; and

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GROW WITH GROWING
OMAHA

United States May Get Danish West Indies

The Recent Strike of Colored Danes Has Reopened Question of Sale of Islands.

FOUR MILLION PRICE OFFERED.

The Archipelago Includes Islands of St. Thomas, St. Croix and St. John and Lie East of Porto Rico.

Copenhagen, March 3.—The recent strike of Colored people in the Danish West Indies has reopened the old question of the sale of the islands to the United States. If the question of the sale comes up again in Parliament, the general belief here is that it will receive a favorable majority in both houses, provided the United States offers a greater sum than the \$4,000,000 offered in 1901.

M. Hageman, the wealthiest planter in the Danish West Indies, has just published here a pamphlet on the situation from the point of view of the most influential Danish residents of the colony. M. Hageman favors the sale. In the pamphlet he recognizes the efforts made by the Danes to improve conditions in the island, but views their future under Danish rule pessimistically. He particularly points out that the population is decreasing alarmingly. Infant mortality he says, is very high, having recently reached sixty-three and a half per cent. The sanitary conditions in the islands are very bad, according to Mr. Hageman.

The pamphlet says the economic conditions for the time being are fairly good as the sugar crop is excellent. This, however, is not considered by Mr. Hageman as sufficient and he expects a return to bad conditions as soon as the price of sugar has fallen.

Some years ago a bill was presented to Congress asking an appropriation of \$4,000,000 to buy the Danish West Indies, which were considered of both commercial and strategic value, especially with the completion of the Panama canal. The project fell through. In 1909, Denmark offered to sell the islands to the United States but before the transaction could be put through the offer was withdrawn.

The Danish Archipelago includes the islands of St. Thomas, St. Croix and St. John. The islands lie to the east of Porto Rico.

NORTH CAROLINA GOVERNOR ATTENDS COLORED FUNERAL

Raleigh, N. C. Mar. 3.—Governor Locke Craig and Secretary of State Bryan Grimes headed a body of state officials which attended the funeral here last Monday, Feb. 28, of Austin Dunston, a colored porter. Dunston had been employed in the executive offices in the capitol for more than forty years. It was said to be the first Colored funeral ever attended in North Carolina by the governor and the executive staff.

General Race News

RICH BROKER TRIES TO ADOPT COLORED CHILD.

Evansville, Ind., March 3.—Clifford Yarborough, 48 years old, a white man and a wealthy grain broker of Pulaski Tenn., made application in Circuit Court here for permission to adopt Eugenia Murray, a pretty 17-year-old mulatto girl.

Yarborough admitted he was the father of the girl and explained his unusual action by saying he "felt that he should rectify a wrong."

Yarborough was accompanied to court by an attorney, who presented the written consent of the girl's mother, Alice Murray, to the adoption.

"The girl's mother is colored," W. C. Vawter, Yarborough's attorney, announced. Judge Evans was astounded. In answer to a question from his attorney, Yarborough admitted the girl is his child.

"I feel that I should rectify a wrong," said Yarborough. "I have plenty of money to take care of the child. I brought \$7,000 to Evansville with me."

Yarborough said he wanted to give the girl his name. He admitted he was married, but said he and his wife were living apart and that he had not consulted her about the adoption proceedings.

Judge Givens said he could not grant the petition. If he legitimized the daughter, he would be taking a step which would in practice have the same results as permitting the intermarriage of races. He said he could not consent to miscegenation.

The mulatto girl was in the courtroom. She could easily pass as a white girl and is strikingly beautiful. She is said to be talented in music.

She and her mother came here from Pulaski, February 7. It is said they formerly lived on Yarborough's plantation.

CONGREGATION SUBSCRIBED \$48,000 FOR CHURCH

Atlanta, Ga., Mar. 3.—The First Congregational church, Rev. F. H. Proctor, pastor, broke the world record for Colored churches last Sunday morning, Feb. 20, when at one sitting it subscribed its entire indebtedness of \$4,800, with the exception of \$300, which was pledged at the evening hour. Subscriptions ranged from \$1 to \$500, the largest amount being subscribed by a woman. Payment is to be on the installment plan running for one hundred weeks.

This was done in response to the appeal made by Rev. W. W. Newel, of Chicago, church efficiency expert of the Congregational Church Building society, who preceded his appeal with a strong sermon on sacrifice. He interpreted sacrifice as investment, and urged his hearers to invest their money in the payment of the debt overhanging their property, which is valued at \$200,000.

PLANS AID FOR COLORED PEOPLE.

Cincinnati, O., March 3.—The Council of Social Agencies has arranged a conference of organizations dealing with problems of the Colored people to prepare a definite plan for handling the situation. It also has arranged a plan for centralized auditing for its affiliated organizations making an immediate saving of \$1,200 a year.

TEXAS LOSES JIM CROW SUIT AGAINST RAILWAY

Austin, Tex., Mar. 3.—Chief Justice Key, of the Court of Civil Appeals, has handed down an opinion deciding against the State in its suit against the Galveston-Harrisburg and San Antonio railroad, charged with violating the State's jim crow law by allowing four Negroes to ride in a sleeping car from Los Angeles to San Antonio.

The justice ruled that the train was in interstate carrier and the State had no jurisdiction over the passengers; also that the State failed to show whether there were cars with separate compartments for Negroes, which is all that the law requires.

COLORED WOMAN GETS \$750 FOR INJURIES

Chattanooga, Tenn., Mar. 3.—Verdict in favor of the plaintiff for \$750 was secured in the case of Cordie Street, Colored against J. B. McAllister, which was tried by Judge Bachman last Thursday in the Circuit court. The case involved the rules and laws of landlord and tenant, the duties owed by landlord to their tenants. The woman lived at 842½ Fort street, which property is owned by the defendant. She alleged that on March 5, 1914, while she was walking down a pair of steps, they gave away, causing her to fall.

SWEPT FROM HOMES BY FLOOD.

New Orleans, La., Mar. 3.—Three thousand Negroes were marooned in the northern part of Tensas parish by the flood waters resulting from a break in the levees along the Mississippi, Arkansas, Atchafalaya and the Red and Black rivers.

Eight parishes were flooded, but only three persons, all Colored, were drowned. These persons were swept away when the Mississippi levee near Newelton, La., was swept away. Many of the Colored men, forced to take refuge on the levee above and below Natchez, have been given employment on levee work.

THE SAMS IN THEIR USUAL DRAW

New York, Mar. 3.—Sam Langford of Boston and Sam McVey of California fought ten rounds to a draw at Madison Square Garden here Thursday night, Feb. 17. Langford weighed 193 pounds and McVey 212.

In another match Andre Anderson of Chicago knocked out Geogre Rodel in the fifth round. Anderson weighed 215 and Rodel 185.

MAJ. MOTON SAILS FOR KINGSTON, JAMAICA

New York, Mar. 3.—Maj. R. R. Moton, principal elect of Tuskegee Institute, accompanied by Mrs. Moton, sailed Thursday, Feb. 24, on the steamer Tivives of the United Fruit Company for Kingston, Jamaica, where he will take a much needed rest. The new head of Tuskegee expects to return to New York about the middle of March.

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PROTESTS AGAINST PROPOSED LAW

Jackson, Miss., Mar. 3.—Bishop Theo. Bratton, of the diocese of Mississippi, writes an open letter to the Legislature in which he makes a vigorous protest against the passage of the bill pending to prevent teachers of one race teaching children of another race, aimed, of course, at white people teaching Negro schools. The bishop states that such a law would overthrow long developed plans of Roman Catholics, Episcopalian and other boards, and that it is useless even to suggest they have not done good work. One of the largest schools for Negroes in the South is located at Tougaloo, seven miles north of Jackson, and where white teachers are employed doing a great work. There are similar schools at Jackson and other places, all under direction of church denominations. Such a law would practically destroy the possibility of Christian education for the Negro, says the bishop.

COLORED MEN SUE U. S. ARMY OFFICER FOR HEAVY DAMAGES.

Galveston, Tex., Mar. 3.—Suits for damages aggregating \$108,113 were filed in Federal court here last Monday against Maj.-Gen. J. Franklin Bell of the United States army, the town of Texas City, Tex., and the Texas City Board of Trade by twenty-six Colored men who allege that, after a hurricane of last August, they were arrested and forced to work clearing away the wreckage without promise of pay. Gen. Bell was in command of the army division encamped at Texas City at the time of the storm.

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Mt. Moriah—Twenty-sixth and Seward streets. The Rev. W. B. M. Scott, pastor. Services: Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.; preaching, 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; B. Y. P. U. at 6 p. m.

Zion—Twenty-sixth and Franklin (temporary location). The Rev. W. F. Botts, pastor; residence, 2522 Grant street. Telephone Webster 5838. Services: Devotional hour, 10:30 a. m.; preaching, 11 a. m.; Sunday School, 1 to 2 p. m.; pastor's Bible class, 2 to 3 p. m.; B. Y. P. U., 6:30 p. m.; choir devotional, 7:30 p. m.; preaching 8 p. m.

Episcopal—

Church of St. Philip the Deacon—Twenty-first near Paul street. The Rev. John Albert Williams, rector. Residence, 1119 North Twenty-first street. Telephone Webster 4243. Services daily at 7 a. m. and 9 a. m. Fri-

days at 8 p. m. Sundays at 7:30 a. m., 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School at 12:45 p. m.

Methodist—

Allen Chapel, A. M. E., 5233 South Twenty-fifth street, South Omaha.—The Rev. John H. Nichols, pastor. Residence, 5233 South Twenty-fifth street. Services: Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8:00 p. m.; Sunday school, 1:30; class meeting, 12:00; A. C. E. L., 6:30; prayer meeting, Tuesday evening at 8:00.

Grove M. E.—Twenty-second and Seward streets. The Rev. G. G. Logan, pastor. Residence, 1628 North Twenty-second street. Services: Sunday School at 10 a. m.; preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Epworth League, 6:30 p. m.

St. John's A. M. E.—Eighteenth and Webster streets. The Rev. W. T. Osborne, pastor. Residence, 613 North Eighteenth street. Telephone Douglas 5914. Services: Sunday, 11 a. m. and 8 p. m., preaching; 12 noon, class; 1:15 p. m., Sunday School; 7 p. m., Endeavor; Wednesday, 8 p. m., prayer and class meetings. Everybody made welcome at all of these meetings.

CHRISTIANITY AND CHRISTENDOM.

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how much have we heard of the conditions of ten millions of black people in this country?

Do we imagine that the God of Justice forgets the Negro? Do we suppose the God of Righteousness winks at the hoodlum justice, the hooligan righteousness which is meted to an entire people because their skins are dark?

Is Christianity effective in the life of the world? Or is it that men are mocking their Lord? I am sure the latter is true where Christianity fails, or rather where it seems to fail. I am sure our Lord is true, and that He will save the world; but only insofar as we are sincere, consistent and uncompromising to the best of our knowledge and ability. Christianity is not failing; but so-called Christian civilization is failing because it is not really Christian.

The Apostle to the Nations tells us that God will not be mocked. If this be so—and we know it to be so—is it not the reason why civilization seems to be failing at the point, and at the time, when it needs most to stand firm? Christianity never loses. We lose; Christianity always wins. We win only as we are faithful and sincere in our profession and practice of the Gospel of Christ. We have built up a magnificent body of Christian teaching. We have contended a sublime Christ. We have conceived a glorious Gospel. We have worked out a truly wonderful and absolutely respectable Christian ethic. We have but to take them seriously. We have but to make them real, actual, positive motives in our domestic, professional, commercial, industrial, political, judicial, Christian life, in order to mount up to the very pinnacle of Christian vision and rewin

"Christ for the world;
The world to Christ."

Let us not only sing it, but let us believe it and strive seriously to do it. It will be done. Let us have our share in bringing it to pass.

The ground hog is still on the job.

Timothy V. Jones, John Knott and H. Randolph are serving on the jury.

John Andrew Singleton, who is attending Howard university has made the glee club, is a member of the quartette and has been engaged as tenor soloist in St. Mary's Episcopal church, Washington, D. C. He is also making a good record in his class work.

Clyde G. Brannon, well and favorably known in Omaha where he was a member of the First Regimental band, and now a student in Howard university, Washington, D. C., was confirmed in St. Luke's Episcopal church of that city last Sunday, his baptism having taken place on the Sunday preceding.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Amos Madison, 2509 Grant street, died at the Swedish hospital February 22, and was buried the day following in Mt. Hope cemetery.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. James Harris, 2204 North Twenty-seventh street, died February 25 and was buried the following Sunday in Mt. Hope cemetery. Jones and Chiles were the undertakers.

NEW CASTLE HAS FIRST COLORED POLICEMAN
New Castle, Pa., Mar. 3.—Andrew Wells, 1717 Pennsylvania avenue, has been appointed on the police force in this city.

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RESENT THE INSULT.

We have received and published in this issue a communication from R. C. Price, in which he calls attention to the fact that the Chicago Laundry which does a large business among our people in this city, has a very poor opinion of this class of its patrons. Not only so, but it does not hesitate to let its employes know what that opinion is.

We are publishing this communication advisedly, knowing the responsibility we are assuming in doing so. We are publishing it because after investigation we find that the order, the original of which we have in our possession, was dropped by Harry E. Wilson, a driver for the Chicago Laundry in P. H. Jenkins' barber shop on Dodge street; and that when he learned of its loss he begged to have it returned to him. We have also been advised that the proprietor or manager of the laundry has been to see Mr. Jenkins to urge him to retain the agency which Mr. Jenkins has refused to do. We have also learned who "the old lady Bird" referred to in this order is. We were fully advised of these facts before we consented to give this communication space in our columns.

We do not know the proprietors of the Chicago Laundry. We do know that the writer of this order has gratuitously insulted the whole Colored race in this city and for that gratuitous insult we agree with our correspondent that all Colored patrons of the Chicago Laundry should withdraw their patronage from the same and give it to others.

In all probability the proprietors of this laundry may attempt to make some underling the scapegoat and so disclaim responsibility, but it is hardly possible that any subordinate employee would, without instructions from some one in authority, presume to sign the initials of one of the firm to such an order as that the driver lost. We hope that "Harry" will not lose his job, because he is not to blame. It is rather unfortunate for the Chicago Laundry that this order to their driver was lost and came into the possession of those whom "M. A. K." contemptuously designates as "niggers."

The time has come for the race in this community to refuse to spend money with individuals or firms who either insult us or permit us to be insulted and slandered where they can prevent it.

The thousands of dollars spent by our race with the Chicago Laundry and other steam laundries in this city would equip, maintain and return large dividends on a laundry of our own. Resent this insult and at the same time plan to capitalize and run a well-equipped laundry of our own.

Don't spend money with those who contemptuously call us "niggers" if

you know it. If you don't know it, that's another matter.

By united and intelligent action we can secure every right to which as American citizens we are justly entitled. We should not ask for more; we should not be satisfied with less.

The Monitor is here to openly resent any gratuitous insult to the people whose mouthpiece it is.

"THE CAT CAME BACK."

Of course you know the "Cat" has been away. What fun the playful "mice" had while he was gone. The "Cat" admits he enjoyed the fun of the aforesaid playful "mice" as much as did they. Now that he is back, instead of attempting the impossible—catching and devouring the "mice," he simply purrs—can you hear him?—purrs his satisfaction with what the mice accomplished at their play. He admits they "put one over on him" with the agility and cleverness which is characteristic of cunning mice; and in doing so they gave great pleasure to our readers.

The "Cat" has come back, not to devour, but to enter into the merry play of the "mice" and all have fun together. For play, we are all beginning to learn, is necessary to serious work; and old and young can work the better when a due proportion of time is given to healthful play.

The segregation ordinance, despite the opposition of such fair-minded papers as the Globe-Democrat, has passed in St. Louis. We do not believe the people of St. Louis ought or will let this unjust ordinance become effective. Its enforcement ought to be fought to the last ditch. And, in passing, we would note that those of us who live in other communities ought not view these measures that are being enacted into laws or proposed in other sections with indifference. They are symptomatic of American colorphobia and race prescription. They are facing us in other forms in almost every city in the United States. Omaha is not free from it. Our plain duty is to strike an effective blow at it wherever and in whatever form it appears. If this be done in the incipient stages of the malady it will prevent more serious trouble in the future.

The Editor desires to publicly thank those whom he left in charge of The Monitor during his absence for their excellent and conscientious work, particularly are his thanks due to Mr. W. G. Haynes, who acted as editor-in-chief, and to the others who so loyally helped him. Our readers will agree with us that our publication gained in every way by being left in such competent hands.

Whatever anyone else may do, let us always conduct ourselves wherever we may be as ladies and gentlemen.

Our tenderest sympathy is extended to Mr. J. W. Barnhart and family, of the firm of Waters-Barnhart Company, our kind and obliging publishers, in the bereavement that has come to them in the loss of their youngest daughter, Marguerite, a young woman of great promise, who died from typhoid fever early Sunday morning. We can only commend them in their sorrow to the one unfailing Source from whom alone comfort and consolation can come.

Two police magistrates are to be chosen this year, one for the North and one for the South Side. We are pleased to commend to our readers John N. Baldwin, a gentlemanly and high class young lawyer, as our choice for police magistrate. Vote for him.

In our next issue we shall begin the publication of short series of articles on "The Editor's Observations on His Visit to Memphis, Tennessee." It is thought that these articles will be of interest to our readers.

The Monitor seems to be the only real, live, boosting newspaper in Omaha. The World-Herald has suggested a good slogan for the city: "GROW WITH GROWING OMAHA." Why don't the newspapers take it up and publish it on the front page? Follow The Monitor's lead. Sound the slogan everywhere: "GROW WITH GROWING OMAHA."

LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

THE CHICAGO LAUNDRY SLANDERS RACE.

Omaha, Neb., Feb. 29, 1916.
To the Editor, The Monitor:

I would like to call the Colored people attention, especially those who deal with the Chicago Laundry, to the fact that a driver for that laundry, while pulling out his books to check up in one of his offices on his route accidentally dropped an order that had been given him from the main office of the laundry.

The order reads as follows:
"Harry: Go after that old lady bird hammer and tongs and make her pay you \$10.00. She owes

\$25.00 and there is no nigger living whose credit is good to that extent. Tell her we simply must have the money and that's all there is to it.
M. A. K."

This is the kind of order that the Chicago Laundry hands to their help, when it comes to collect a bill from one of their Colored patrons.

Upon investigation I found the initials "M. A. K." to be those of a woman who has an interest in the concern.

This is not from any of their help, but it comes from one of their stockholders, who is imitating the Ben Tillman idea of the Negro. To arouse a feeling in the minds of their help like that is as dangerous to legitimate business as the venomous fangs of the African bouconstructor is to the human flesh.

When she says that "there is no nigger living whose credit is worth \$25." I resent that, as will every other Colored man. Mind you, the order did not read "Nigger" but "nigger," with the small "n." To my personal knowledge I know Colored men whose credit is worth thousands of dollars. I dare say that I know Colored men, whose word can get more cash money than the valuation of the concern in which she happens to be a stockholder. When she said that there is no Negro whose credit is worth \$25.00 she has covered too much territory.

There are Colored men in this town who can get anything from a pair of shoes to an automobile laid down at their door upon their word. Representatives of the biggest concerns in town will bound them for their business upon those scales.

I hope that every Colored person now doing business with the Chicago Laundry will cast their lot with another laundry, and let them know why they cut off relationship with them. Any concern that will instruct their representative to collect a bill from any race or creed of people, as this laundry has done is unworthy of their business.

I have been unable to find out who this "old lady bird" is, nevertheless, the Colored population of this town was insulted again, with the Ben Tillman slang. It should be resented with a boycott.

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Events and Persons

In Which You Will Be More or Less Interested.
News for This Department Must Be Received by Wednesday Night.

The Negro Woman's Christian Association met Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 23, at their home and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. T. S. Riggs; vice president, Mrs. A. Wilson; secretary, Mrs. C. B. Frederick; assistant secretary, Mrs. R. W. Workuff; corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. G. Jewell; treasurer, Mrs. Lena Moore. Mrs. J. H. Smith, Mrs. P. Walker, and Mrs. M. D. Marshall were elected to the directory board. Mrs. L. Lemmey, a former resident of Omaha, and a well known club woman, was present and gave a helpful and highly appreciated talk. A large number of ladies were present. Two new members were enrolled.

For County Treasurer
EMMET G. SOLOMON—adv.

The Social Hour Club gave their second annual Valentine Party at the residence of Mrs. Solomon on the afternoon of Valentine's Day. The decorations for house, table and dishes were all suggestive of St. Valentine. Progressive whist was played. The first prize was won by Mrs. Williamson, the second by Mrs. Mabel Green; and Mrs. L. H. Adams captured the booby prize. By an oversight this item was omitted in last week's issue.

Miss Audrey Hall, who has been quite ill, is much improved.

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Church of St. Philip the Deacon will give their usual monthly tea next Tuesday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. Sarah Lewis, 2818 Miami street, Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. S. B. Canty being the hostesses.

John N. Baldwin announces his candidacy for the republican nomination for police magistrate of Omaha, and respectfully solicits the support of all colored voters.—Adv.

Second Annual Chicken Dinner will be given by the Excelsior Club at Twenty-fourth and Charles streets, Thursday evening, March 9th. Admission 25 cents. B. Johnson, W. Saunders and W. N. Moore, committee.—Adv.

The Delta Phi Club was entertained at a valentine party February 16, at the home of Miss Hazel Washington, 3915 North Thirtieth street.

The Elite White club was entertained at the residence of Mrs. H. W. Black, Wednesday, March 1st. The hostesses being Mrs. James, Mrs. L. Hicks and Mrs. Black. A luncheon was served at 1:30 p. m., which was followed by whist. Miss James won the prize for the highest score.

For County Treasurer
EMMET G. SOLOMON—adv.

The services on Ash Wednesday at the Church of St. Philip the Deacon will be as follows: Holy communion at 7 a. m.; morning prayer and lithany at 10:30 a. m.; evening prayer and sermon at 8 o'clock. Thursday a "Quiet Day" for women will be conducted by the Rev. Fr. Leete, rector of St. Luke's, Plattsmouth, from 9 a. m. to 4:00 p. m. Those who can not remain through the entire day are at liberty to leave at the close of any meditation.

Will N. Johnson, Lawyer, Southwest Corner of Fourteenth and Douglas Sts. Douglas 4956.

The North Omaha Woman's Club met with Mrs. C. H. Hicks, 2020 Clark street, Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Lucy Watson, of Hot Springs, Ark., arrived Wednesday morning to make her home with her brother, William Douglas, who is chef at the Presbyterian Hospital.

The merchants and firms who advertise with us show that they want your trade. When patronizing them all them that you saw their advertisement in The Monitor.

The Crescent Whist club met Tuesday, February 22, at the residence of Mrs. John Long. Mrs. Long won the first prize, a beautiful hand-painted plate, and was also presented another plate as hostess. The booby prize was won by Mrs. Hunter. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Cole.

For County Treasurer
EMMET G. SOLOMON—adv.

The North Omaha Woman's Club had a splendid meeting with Mrs. Sarah Lewis, 2818 Miami street, as hostess, Friday, February 18. The arrangements for the Easter offering were about completed. The members will start to piecing quilts and sewing carpet rags as a means of raising some money.

The Rev. John Albert Williams returned Saturday afternoon from Memphis, Tenn., where he held a ten day mission in Emmanuel Episcopal Church. En route home he spent two days in Chicago visiting friends, being the house guest of the Goodchild family, formerly of Omaha. At the 11 o'clock service Sunday morning St. Philip's Church was filled by a large congregation to welcome him home, and Monday night, in honor of his birthday, parishioners and friends visited the rectory to extend congratulations and presented him with a substantial purse. Brief addresses were made by Messrs. W. G. Haynes, H. W. Black, M. F. Singleon, Dr. W. W. Peebles, Sergt. Bailey, L. H. Adams, and Mrs. T. S. Riggs.

Mrs. Esther Chatman, formerly of Dallas, Texas, but who has been making her home with her son, George W. Watson, 2716 North Twenty-eighth avenue, died at his residence Saturday morning after a protracted illness. Mrs. Chatman was 77 years of age and had been a faithful member of the Baptist Church for more than fifty years. The funeral was held from the family residence Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock, her pastor, the Rev. W. F. Botts, of Zion Baptist Church, officiating. Interment was in Forest Lawn Cemetery. The G. Wade Obee Undertaking Company had charge of the funeral. Mrs. Chatman is survived by her son, Geo. W. Watson, of this city; three daughters, Mrs. Bettie Jackson, Mrs. Mary Strother and Mrs. Lena Todd, all of Dallas, Texas, and who were present at the funeral; and other relatives.

Miss Grace Knighten of Chicago has been a guest this week at St. Phillip's rectory.

William G. Haynes who for the past year and a half has been employed in the laboratory of the Richardson Drug company, where he has given eminent satisfaction, has resigned and accepted a position in the laboratory of the Union Pacific Railway company, where he began his duties March 1st. Mr. Haynes was one of the four honor graduates of the University of Pittsburgh in the class of 1914, where he specialized in chemistry.

The Big Twelve Whist club tendered Mr. Charles H. Hicks a delightful surprise party Wednesday night at his residence, 2020 Clark street, in honor of his birthday. Speeches, music and songs added to the pleasure of the evening. Dr. W. W. Peebles in a bright and well chosen speech presented Mr. Hicks on behalf of the club with a beautiful mahogany smoking set. He was also the recipient of gifts from other friends.

Mr. LeRoy Broomfield entertained Monday at a dinner which was followed by a auto ride through the city complimentary to Mr. and Mrs. Gray of New York City. The other guests were Mrs. Mary Ryland and Messrs. Bob Robinson and Joe Abercombie.

Mrs. Charles Waters of Pittsburgh, Pa., will arrive in the city tomorrow night to spend several months with her daughter, Mrs. Ellsworth P. Pryor 1414 North Twenty-fifth street.

Will N. Johnson has filed for the nomination for public defender. He is a capable young lawyer of our race, a graduate of the state university, and has been practicing here for three years. We believe he has the ability to fill the office and we urge our people to stand unitedly back of him. TWO THOUSAND SOLID VOTES COUNT. LET US MAKE OUR VOTES COUNT THIS YEAR.

Miss Maudie Blackstone entertained a party of young folks at her home, 3912 North Twenty-first street, Friday night in honor of Miss Hazel Barber of Des Moines, Ia.

The Social Hour club met at the residence of Mrs. Solomon, Wednesday, February 23rd. The afternoon was spent in needlework. A prize of cut glass was presented to the hostess.

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Is your child unmanageable? Irresponsible? Irritable? Restless? Nervous? Disobedient? Does your child lie? Does your child have fits of temper? Remember that these distressing faults are only perverted virtues; that behind them are invaluable powers, gifts—splendid material going to waste.

To stop this tragic waste, to make her child perhaps twice what he is today, the average mother need not spend any more time or energy or love than she is today giving to her child. But to her love and devotion she must add definite knowledge; she must take a new attitude toward the child. It is not easy. It requires patience and patience, and endless courage—but, the reward! To develop the child into the complete man or woman—what a work! What a privilege for us mothers!—By Miriam Finn Scott in the Delineator.

"It maybe that you cannot stay
To lend a friendly hand to him
Who stumbles on the slippery way,
Pressed by conditions hard and grim,
It may be that you dare not heed
His call for help, because you lack
The strength to lift him—but you need
Not push him back."

THE BOYS' FRIEND.

An old circus man tells this one:
"The usual crowd of small boys was gathered about the entrance of the tent in a town in Illinois. A benevolent looking old gentleman standing nearby watched them for a few minutes with a beaming eye. Then, walking up to the ticket-taker, he said, with an air of authority:
"Let all these boys in, and count 'em as they pass."
"The gateman, thinking that the benevolent looking old gentleman was indulging in a bit of philanthropy, did as requested. When the last lad had gone in, he turned and announced: "Twenty-four, sir."
"Good," said the benevolent looking old gentleman, as he walked away, "I thought I guessed right."—New York Times.

CUTTING A DIAMOND.

A diamond in the rough looks like a translucent pebble, and nothing more. No one but an expert can tell that it really is a diamond. It has to be cut before its brilliancy is displayed. More than that, its value will depend upon the right sort of cutting.

The angle at which the light strikes and reflects on each facet makes the jewel dazzling or dull, as the case may be. The Kohinoor had to be cut all over again to make it truly the "Mountain of light."

Life is a diamond in the rough, when a boy or girl begins it. It can be made a jewel or be left a mere pebble. Youth is the time to cut the facets and shape the angles of reflection. Diamond cutting is slow, tedious work, every expert knows that. But it has results that are worth all the drudgery. The shaping of one's soul is toil-some. Good habits are not made in a day. Pleasure must often be put aside. But little by little the roughest lot can have light and glory brought into it. Abraham Lincoln's life shows how such things can be done. God gives each human being a soul-gem to shape for this world and the next.—Home and School.

MOTHER THE WIDE WORLD OVER.

By George Cooper.

Hundreds of stars in the pretty sky;
Hundreds of shells on the shore together;
Hundreds of birds that go singing by,
Hundreds of bees in the sunny weather.

Hundreds of dewdrops to greet the dawn;
Hundreds of lambs in the purple clover;
Hundreds of butterflies out on the lawn;
But only one mother the wide world over.

SOUTH SIDE.

(Mrs. Lulu Thornton, Correspondent)
Mr. W. H. Perkins, of 4923 South 26th street, has been quite sick with a gripe this week.

The Monitor is on sale at R. L. Woodward's barber shop, 4831 South 26th street.

The Patriotic Drill given February 26th, was a great success. It was given by Mesdames S. R. Embree and W. H. Scruggs for Club C. of A. M. E. Church. These ladies realized between \$20 and \$25 on this entertainment.

The grand rally held February 27th, by the A. M. E. Church proved a decided success. The Church was divided into two clubs with friends to help. Mrs. S. Severe being one captain, and Mrs. Rev. J. H. Nichols the other. These clubs were each asked to bring in a stipulated amount. Each brought in more than they had been asked to raise. With the proceeds of this rally, which was \$109.45, the Church was able to pay off all her indebtedness. For which we thank God. On the day of the rally, aside from the financial success, we had brought back into the fold of Christ one of our oldest and best citizens of the South Side. This stands out far beyond the financial success.

Rev. W. B. Nichols, of Joplin, Mo., will hold a series of meetings at the Allen Chapel, A. M. E. Church, South Side. Rev. Nichols is reputed to be one of God's revivalists. He has just closed a meeting in Kansas City, where nearly one hundred souls were brought to Christ. Everybody in Omaha is cordially invited to hear him. Let every Christian come out and help us take Omaha for Christ.



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Science Notes

BY WILLIAM G. HAYNES.

BLOOD SUCKER ONCE VALUED.

Our great-grand fathers regarded the leech as a sort of first-aid outfit in case of sickness. In the days when blood-letting was a popular pancea the physician would have worried less over the loss of his pill box than over the death of this little animal. And so long as blood-letting was popular there was nothing to match the efficiency of the leech.

Nature fitted him for the task to which the physician adapted him. Long before he was used on humans the leech was performing operations of his own on fish, frogs and other neighbors of his in the mud and slime at the bottom of his marsh home.

His operating tools consist of a cup-like sucker at the end of his tail and another at his mouth. Also at his mouth are three semi-circular, sharp-toothed jaws, which he works together like a saw. With these he cuts his way through the scales of a fish and reaches the blood.

Then the leech's worm-like body begins to expand. He has 11 pairs of sacks in his stomach, and he must fill all these before he is satisfied. He drinks until he is from two to three times his natural size.

The leech is liveliest in daytime, and at night curls up for a nap. When winter comes he buries himself in the mud and waits for warmer weather.

EDIBLE FLOWERS.

In some regions of eastern Europe it is the custom to mix violets, roses and limes with sweetmeats in order to impart a floral tincture to the taste of fruit. In Turkey sweets are made of carnations, lilies and lavender. Floral sandwiches are made in Greece and Turkey with nasturtiums, a most edible flower that grows in most warm and temperate climates in profusion. Sandwiches are also made of peppermint finely ground and spread over thinly sliced radishes between even more thinly sliced and buttered bread.

It is said that the dahlia furnishes an excellent food, although somewhat acrid. In the kitchens of China and Japan flowers are almost as much in use as are vegetables in the preparation of rare dishes.

THE FLOWERS OF THE SEA.

Like the land, the sea has its flowers, but the most brilliant of the marine flowers bloom not upon plants but upon animals. The living corals of tropical seas present a display of floral beauty that in richness and vividness of color and variety and grace of form rivals the splendor of a garden of flowers. The resemblance to blossoms is so complete that some persons find it difficult to believe that the brilliant display contains no element of plant life, but is wholly animal in its organization.

Among the sea animals that bloom as if they were plants are included, besides corals, the sea anemone and the sea cucumber. It has been remarked that the birds and butterflies of the upper world are replaced by fishes of curious forms and flashing colors which dart about among the animal flowers.

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CARE OF THE BABY. Birth Registration.

Has the birth of your baby been registered? If not, you should see to it that this duty is performed without delay. It may some time be of the greatest importance to your child that there be in existence an accurate legal record of his birth, date, place, and parentage. Such a record serves to establish his age beyond question, and through this his right to the legal period of schooling and freedom from labor. It may also serve to establish his right to a disputed inheritance and to establish for him various property or other legal rights which may be in dispute. There are numerous instances where the lack of this sort of record has been the cause of serious losses of inheritance and of educational and other rights.

In New York City in 1913 the birth records helped to enforce the personal or property rights of more than 138,000 persons.

It is, in most states, required by law that the doctor, midwife, or other attendant at birth shall report the birth to the registrar of births, but as this duty is not infrequently neglected, parents should investigate to see whether it has been done properly in the case of their children.

The complete registering of all births is indispensable, not only to the individual, but to the state and the nation.

The Federal Government can and does tell us exactly how great is the accession to our population each year by immigration, or intake from foreign lands. At each port of landing immigration inspectors record each arrival and tell us his or her nationality, age, sex, destination, and how much money each one brings. But the Federal Government cannot go into the States and cities and establish registration offices and tell us how many children enter each State by birth. This work must be done by each State separately. We have no national bookkeeping to account for the ebb and flow of human life as an asset and a liability of our civic organism. We have no national records to give our sanitarians and students a basis for their preventive studies. Congress by resolution has urged the States to enact and enforce suitable registration legislation. The State governments must now act.

Most of the States now have adequate laws; their enforcement, however, depends to a large extent upon popular support. This support is assured if individual parents will insist upon the registration of each birth.—Prepared by the Children's Bureau, U. S. Department of Labor.

MAJOR CHARLES YOUNG GIVEN SPINGARN MEDAL

(Continued from first page.)

of re-organizing and training the Liberian Constabulary, and it is especially for his brilliant work in this connection that he is receiving the Spingarn Medal.

Ex-Secretary of War Garrison wrote on January 28:

"It is especially gratifying to me to learn that Major Charles Young, Tenth Cavalry, is to receive this recognition for his services in Liberia. There have been of a high order. His service there has received the highest

commendation from the President and Secretary of State of Liberia, as well as from our own Secretary of State and our Charge d'Affaires at Monrovia. I have directed the Commander General, Eastern Department, to designate an officer to represent the War Department on the occasion of his receiving the medal.

Major-General Leonard Wood writes:

"I appreciate very much the good work which has been done by Major Young in Liberia. He was selected for this work because of his special qualifications, good judgment and ability. It is a great satisfaction to know he has so fully met the requirements of that difficult situation. His service in the Army has been highly creditable to his race from every standpoint, and I beg you to transmit to him my sincere congratulations on the good work which he has accomplished and the well-earned recognition which he has received."

After the presentation of the medal to Major Young by Governor McCall, addresses were made by Bishop J. W. Hamilton of the M. E. Church, Dr. W. E. Du Bois, Editor of the Crisis, and Dr. Alexander Mann, rector of Trinity Church, Dr. Horace Bumstead, formerly president of Atlanta University, and Major of the Forty-third Regiment of Colored Troops in the Civil War, described the work of the Negro as an American soldier. A large representation of officers from the army posts near Boston was also present, and the War Department was officially represented.

The Spingarn Medal is offered each year by the donor and is not restricted to any particular field of human endeavor. Last year the first medal was awarded to Dr. Edward E. Just, professor in the Howard University Medical School, for distinguished work in biological research and for the advancement of medical education among colored people. It was presented to him by Governor Whitman in the Ethical Culture Hall, New York City, before two thousand people, and the occasion received the widest publicity in the press of the whole country, because of the recognition given a Negro for high scientific attainments.

COCKNEY AN OLD DIALECT

Writer Asserts That Peculiar Pronunciations Have Been in Use for Hundreds of Years.

Cockney speech has found a defender in Mr. Mackenzie MacBride, who undertakes to show that Cockney is no modern dialect or corrupted form of the King's English, but that it is of ancient and honorable lineage running back for nearly a thousand years.

It is pointed out that when the person "born within the sound of Bow Bells," says "thet" for "that," "benk" for "bank," and "byliff" for "baillif," he is really guilty of no corruption of the English language, since these pronunciations have obtained not only in London but in Kent and Surrey for hundreds of years.

"In like manner is justified "abaht" and "ahtside" for "about" and "outside." It is suggested that many Londoners have been laughed out of these "ancient and excellent" pronunciations. Mr. MacBride earnestly urges them not to change their speech because of any uncalled-for animadversions against it.

Whether Mr. MacBride be correct or not in his contentions, it is a fact that Cockney has survived for many centuries in the midst of speech that is deemed more cultured. It is a curious fact that in the Bahama Islands, which were settled more than 200 years ago by Londoners, the Cockney speech is as strong as it is in Cheapside.

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Next he gave us James Thornton's famous monologue in a heavy humorous voice. It was enjoyed very much. He then gave a scene from "The Devil," one of the dialogues between "Karl" and "the Devil."

In this his facial expression was full of egotism and deceit; his voice was cunning, and persuasive. Old Satan must have been proud of his imp.

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Then from an argument of "Life and Death" he gave us Neil O'Brien's quaint monologue in Negro dialect. The dialect was held throughout and the lines read in a droll manner. It's too bad more of our people were not out to hear him.

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You have been sending me The Monitor almost regularly since you began to edit it, which was in July or August, if I am not mistaken, so I am enclosing \$2.00, one to pay up for the first year, and the other for a year to come.

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