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## AIMS OF THE CRUSADER

Our aims are as high as the heavens. They are difficult of execution, but not impossible of attainment.

They are, first of all, to give you a magazine that you yourself will designate as the best. A magazine that you will be glad to tell your friends about. A magazine that you will be just as proud of in the train as in your home. In a word, a magazine that will please, delight, educate and will inspire to pride of race but will never insult you. A magazine that will fight your battles, that will tell you truths—some unpleasant or perhaps not in accord with your previous convictions—but will never betray you. *A magazine unbought and unbuyable!*

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*The Crusader* aims to unite and arouse to a sense of their present duties and opportunities and future menace the various sections of the Negro Race throughout the world.

Our aims are high, but with *your* help we can attain them for *our* Race. *But*, the task will not be easy and victory calls for *Sacrifice* and *Service*. Negro men and women sacrificed to the extent of many hundred dollars to launch this magazine upon its fight for Negro rights. The staff is at present sacrificing its time and service in a fight that is the fight of every Negro. Many have helped and are still helping. What are *you* doing? Surely *you* will not be satisfied to stand by and let others fight *your* battles. Man power counts in business as well as in war. This is *your* fight, so pitch in and help!

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## LIBERIA

*"The love of Liberty brought us here."*

Such is the motto of Liberia, whose sons throughout the checkered career of the Black Republic have shown a devotion towards democratic ideals and a determination to keep their country free that can find no parallel in the history of any other country of small population.

This liberty-loving spirit permeates the Liberian Declaration of Independence, which was adopted July 26, 1847, and which says in part:

"We the people of the Republic of Liberia, were originally inhabitants of the United States of North America. In some parts of that country we were debarred by law from all rights and privileges of men. In other parts, public sentiment more powerful than law ground us down. We were everywhere shut out from all civil offices. We were excluded from all participation in the government. We were taxed without our consent. We were compelled to contribute to the resources of the country, which gave us no protection. We were made a separate and distinct class, and against us every avenue of improvement was effectually closed. Strangers from all lands, of a color different from ours, were preferred before us. We uttered our complaints, but they were unattended to, or met only by alleging the peculiar institution of the country. All hope of a favorable change in our country was thus wholly extinguished in our bosoms and we looked about with anxiety for some

asylum from the deep degradation."

What these Negroes who have returned to their ancestral land think of the experiment may be summed up in the words of Lott Carey:

"There never has been an hour or a minute, no, not even when the balls were flying around my head at Crown Hill, when I could wish myself in America."

It is men like Lott Carey, proud of their new found liberty and determined to protect it with their last breath, that have secured Liberia in her freedom despite the covetousness of white nations and, in face of every handicap that these nations could place in the way of her progress, have made Liberia a success and an example of what Black men can do with even half a chance.

Liberia is a success. But Liberia is not perfect. No nation is perfect, despite the fact that most white men demand more from Liberia than they would expect from their own nation or from a white 'colony' with everything done to promote the interests of the few white residents that powerful nations, like France and England, can do. There is no fairness in comparing Liberia with Sierra Leone, its British-ruled neighbor. Yet in one of the most important points of comparison—education—Liberia leads her neighbor (and in fact all West African administrations). Sierra Leone, with a revenue six times greater than Liberia, spends only one-fifth of the sum devoted by Liberia to the cause of public instruc-

tion. As a result, Liberia has produced many great Negroes. "The public documents of the Republic," says Frederick Star in "Liberia", "have always been well-worded and forceful. The messages of successive presidents to the Legislature have shown extraordinary ability. One who follows the dealings of Liberian officials with foreign governments is constantly impressed by the fact that in deliberation they show judgement, in diplomatic procedure extraordinary skill. It is certainly no unjust discrimination to emphasize the literary power of such men as ex-President Arthur Barclay, Chief Justice J. J. Dossin, ex-Secretary of State F. E. R. Johnson, and Judge E. Barclay, a poet of no mean ability."

And what of the land that has developed these extraordinary men of Negro race and their fervent love for its free institution? Of her one of her sons declares:

"A more fertile soil and a more productive country, so far as it is cultivated, there is not, we believe, on the face of the earth. Its hills and its plains are covered with verdure which never fades: the productions of nature keep on in their growth through all the seasons of the year. Even the natives of the country, almost without farming tools, without skill, and with very little labor, raise more grain and vegetables than they can consume and often more than they can sell. Cattle, swine, fowls, ducks, goats, and sheep, thrive without feeding, and require no other care than to keep them from straying. Cotton, coffee, indigo, and the sugar cane, are all the spontaneous growth of our forests, and may be cultivated at pleasure, to any extent, by such as are disposed. The same may be said of rice, Indian corn, Guinea corn, millet, and too many species of fruits and vegetables to be enumerated. Add to all this we have no dreary winter here, for one half of the year to consume the productions of the other half. Nature is constantly renewing herself, and constantly pouring her treasures, all the year round, into the laps of the industrious."

### THE CONQUERORS

By PAUL LAWRENCE DUNBAR.

Round the wide earth, from the red fields  
your valor has won,  
Blown with the breath of the far-speaking  
gun,

Goes the word.

Bravely you spoke through the battle-cloud  
heavy and dun.

Tossed though the speech towards the mist-  
hidden sun,

The world heard.

Hell would have shrunk from you seeking  
it fresh from the fray,

Grim with the dust of the battle, and gray  
From the fight.

Heaven would have crowned you, with  
crowns not of gold but of bay,

Owning you fit for the light of her day,  
Men of night.

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### "A PARTING WORD"

If Jim-Crow cars must still convey me  
home

When I return from fighting o'er the foam,  
If I am still to fill the worthless job

And be the same old plaything for the mob;  
If after all my sacrifices and pain,

Your segregation laws would still remain—  
Then better would it be for me to crave

A little spot in Flanders as my grave.

—Andrea Razafkeriefo.

### THE FATAL DREAM

By Andrea Razafkeriefo.

A Heinic boy lay dreaming,

His cheeks were bathed in tears;

For he beheld a vision

Of sauerkraut and beers.

He sighed aloud, though sleeping,

For he had suffered much;

He even swore and cursed the day

That fate proclaimed him Dutch.

Then came another vision

That filled his soul with gloom;

He saw his dear limberger

And smelt its sweet perfume.

He 'woke and in his anguish

A trench rule he defied,

For he stood up, and then came—BANG!

And our poor Heinic died.

## EDITORIALS

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### THE GREAT ILLUSION

*"The youngest Negro child now living will not live long enough to witness any change in the methods of the strong and powerful white races in so far as these methods apply to the darker races, who submit to their control and direction as to what is best for them. The dream of the Negro in an alien civilisation is not going to come true."—Bruce Grit.*

It is time that we faced the facts squarely. We have drifted along for years, our heads in the clouds and our feet nearing the precipices, our minds clouded and obsessed with the dream of an ultimate equitable solution of the Negro Problem in an alien civilisation—a solution which, in the nature of things can never be achieved.

No one can read the future, but certainly it is possible to predicate what will or will not occur in the future on what has or has not occurred in the past. "There is nothing new under the sun". The unprecedented may occur. But the probabilities are dead against its occurrence. History repeats. Black and white have never lived together in the past on terms of equity and equality. One has ever been enslaved and despoiled by the other. There were white slaves in Europe and the Americas. Racial antipathy is as old as the hills. It existed from the first ice ages between *Homo primigenius* and his more perfect development, *Homo Sapiens*. Racial antipathy—and behind it the oppression by the strong of the weak—will continue to exist until the Millennium... *When the king of the animal kingdom lays down with the lamb then may Negroes safely listen to the exponents of the ultimate equitable solution.* In the Millennium all things are possible. But this is not the Millennium. This is the age of organised force. Of "Force, force to the utmost!" This is the period of the worship not of the gentle Christ but of the biggest battalions and the most effective cannon. Force is the only language modern nations understand. The adaptation of her national ideals to the gospel of Force was what saved Japan and gained for her the recognition and respect of the world. The lack

of organised Force invited the partition of Africa and at present menaces the independent existence of China. Force is the great destroyer, but Force is also the great savior and regenerator. It can be possessed by all who are willing to pay the price in *Sacrifice and Service*. The price of Force is also the price of *Liberty and Justice*. For Force will break the tyrant's rule and free the oppressed as well as shackle free, but unprepared, nations. Force is the ruler of the world, the arbiter of the destinies of nations. The existence of a strong Japan guarantees to Asia's teeming but unorganised millions the eventual fruition of the doctrine of Asia for the Asiatics. The existence of a strong Liberia would do as much for Africa and the African races, even as Liberia now guarantees *Liberty, Equality, Opportunity* and '*Security of Life*' for all black men who, like Lott Carey, would flee from conditions where no matter "*however exceptional my conduct, and respectable my character I cannot receive the credit due to either,*" and who like Lott Carey, will undoubtedly discover that "*there never has been an hour or a minute; when I could wish myself back in America*".

The books of Fate are sealed, but the books of History are open wide to all who care to study her teachings and there is no excuse for the existence of foolish opinions among literate men and women. What has not happened in all the centuries that have gone by is not likely to come to pass in the future. Black and white have never lived together on terms of equality and harmony. The minority and the weak (even in the case of sub-species of the caucasian race) were slaves in the past and they are slaves in the present as well, since "*to be controlled by laws in the making of which he had no part is the exact definition of a slave*". Slavery is not dead. All that has changed is the type of bondage.

The lesson of history in respect to races living in an alien civilization is plain and he who runs may read. The dream of the Negro of an ultimate equitable solution of the Negro Problem in an alien civilization is the greatest illusion of all times. We

fully agree with Bruce Grit that it can never come true.

### PARTY SUBSERVIENCY

Year after year Negroes, with characteristic faithfulness and self-contempt, have helped to elect white men to high offices of trust and honor. Ambitious white politicians have, with remarkable regularity deceived Negro voters with campaign pledges which were never fulfilled. And in this deception they are ably aided by conscienceless and contemptible Negro hirelings who would not be stopped by any honorable barrier.

In no other campaign, so far as Negroes and local candidates are concerned, has the line of demarcation been so clearly defined and well-established as it is this year. Never before in the history of politics in this State has any of the parties been so just and considerate as the Socialist Party has been in nominating and supporting three Negroes without plea or compromise.

The Socialist Party was as wise in its selection of the men as it was in its decision to insure political justice to the Negro masses. We have confidence in the character and ability of the Negro candidates. We believe that they will acquit themselves honorably in the respective legislative assemblies and strive unceasingly to promote the best interests of our race. Knowing the merits of George Frazier Miller, A. Philip Randolph and Chandler Owen we urge the voters to give them their support.

The election of the Negro candidates means the vindication of the principle of elective representation.

We have been too long subservient to parties. Too long have we blindly followed the advice of white men and their tools. It must be remembered that Republicans and Democrats have taken turns in lying to Negroes. Both parties have ignored the needs of Negro communities. Unlike the white communities there is not a single playground or bathhouse in any Negro community. Through the lack of playgrounds Negro boys and girls, whose very lives depend upon wholesome aid and proper exercise, are exposed to serious dangers. As a result whenever Negro children—through the lack of playgrounds—play in the streets, some are brutalized by white policemen and

others are killed by speeding automobiles.

Such conditions obtain because Negroes generally do not vote intelligently. Their senseless subserviency to the political parties prevents them from voting wisely and thereby improving whatever conditions are injurious to their welfare.

Every race—except the Negro race—is well represented in the different legislative assemblies. No man who does not suffer from an untoward condition can fully appreciate its awful effects. The prejudice and injustice of white men justify the belief that Negroes to be well represented must be represented by Negroes.

The time has come when we must cease to be instruments of political parties. We must take an independent and united stand for greater elective representation.

Regardless of what may be said to the contrary, it remains a fact that when our political fortunes as a race are involved Republicans are Democrats and Democrats are Republicans. The difference between the two powerful parties is only nominal: The one party is just as unfair and prejudiced in its treatment to its Negro members as is the other.

Negroes must choose between party-subserviency and race-allegiance. To be blindly loyal to any party is to be indifferent to the future of our children and to sacrifice the best interests of our race. The situation demands that we put our race before our party.

We must not permit ourselves to be deceived by any foolish chatter to the effect that any party has a claim on us because it gives insignificant offices to a few members of our race. As a matter of fact Republican administrations have appointed Negroes as a matter of political expediency and as compensation for services rendered; and Democratic administration have appointed Negroes for the same reason.

The trouble with us Negroes is that we are too easily swayed. We are ever ready to magnify things which are of no importance and to unreasonably minimize and forget the gravest and most unpardonable injustices.

Our race should not drift into political slavery because of the appointment of a few of its members to unimportant offices.

Until the Republican Party or the Democratic Party does something which is of

benefit to the entire race; until either of the two parties make lynching a federal crime, thereby enabling our brothers and sisters to live and labor in the South with the assurance of greater security; until then, Negroes must vote under the emblem of that party whose candidates will promote Negroes' interests.

By renouncing party subserviency and voting for the Negro candidates, Negroes will secure elective representation and its associated advantages.

### ACKNOWLEDGMENT

*The Crusader Magazine* gratefully acknowledges the donation of \$5.00 by "A Race Patriot"; the redemption by the Elite Amusement Corporation of the pledge of a \$25.00 donation; and the valuable aid received from Miss Hall, Messrs R. L. Rossi and R. L. Douglas, who between them have secured several hundred new subscribers for *The Crusader*.

We wish to let our friends and all Race Patriots know that *The Crusader* is now on a paying and highly satisfactory basis, due in large measure to their generous contributions and splendid support. The reception accorded us surpassed even our expectations, based as these were upon a previous venture in the magazine field and upon the immense prepublication advertisement given *The Crusader*.

However, the need of money is still urgent, if we are to 'carry on' in the most effective manner the propaganda for a free Africa and for Equal Rights in America, as well as be prepared at the first talk of peace and peace negotiations to double our efforts and press home our demands for a Democracy in which the Negro shall have equal share. Our fight, to be effective, must include agitation in the white press of this country and of Europe. the buying, reading (and oft-times translation) of American and European publications, the purchase of books dealing with the African question so as to keep informed of the trend of opinion and to take issue, whenever necessary, with the statements and conclusions of white writers.

For this all-important work we solicit the

continuance of contributions and the support of the Third Negro Liberty Dance advertised elsewhere in this number.

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### "NOR HISTORY, NOR MYSTERY"?

From stones and bronzes, from flesh and blood, message after message welled up from ever greater depths, until they took us back to the wonders of an astoundingly far-off past. The stories heard with amazement by the classic authors of antiquity as the former voices of a time long gone, lived again as we turned the tropic pages of universal history; but I ceased to smile, although I was often obliged to remember that "black" Africa was deemed to have "nor history, nor mystery". Leo Frobenius in *The Voice of Africa*.

# FREDERICK DOUGLAS

## AN APPRECIATION

By BRUCE GRIT.

The foundation of the structures which he assisted in building is again being undermined. A United States Senator from one of the late slaveholding states has quite recently discovered that the XIII, XIV, and XVth Amendments to the federal constitution were placed there improperly and he has introduced a resolution in the Senate to have them removed to the "scrap heap."

These amendments are the joint work of a group of the ablest constitutional lawyers and statesmen that this country has ever produced, men whose conception of the spirit and the purposes of the law were in full accord with Hookes' splendid definition of its object and mission. These amendments have withstood the attacks of near-constitutional lawyers for nearly fifty years without impairment or injury. Their value and force as law have not been affected in the slightest degree, because they rest upon the solid foundation upon which Justice hath builded her house.

Still it is interesting and important for us to know what is back of the minds of some men who have been clothed with a little brief authority and who think the thoughts, and employ the same methods and tactics to repress Negro aspiration, and to insult our manhood and intelligence, which were characteristic of the mental attitude and opinions of the type of white men whom Douglas fought on the rostrum and in the press because they were the inplacable enemies of his race.

We are again called on to do some of the same kind of fighting and writing to protect and conserve our rights, that Douglas and his contemporaries did to help win them for us.

Certain external events in the world outside have had a guiding and controlling influence over whole civilizations, for the reason that they strike a chord that gives new impulse and uplift that vibrates through the ages like a dominant chord in a great symphony.

If I were asked to portray the character of Frederick Douglas, I know of no words

that would more fittingly describe him than those of Hitopodesa, an East Indian poet, who said, "Good speeches in assemblies, fortitude in adversity, these are the self-attained perfection of great Souls."

The man who coined the phrase, "God and one are a majority" in that sentence revealed to the whole world his innate greatness of mind and of soul for only a truly great mind could have conceived a thought so pregnant with significance and truth.

Mr. Douglas was always in a majority for he was always on the Lord's side, and the Lord was always on his side whenever he went out to do battle against the enemies of his race. He was more than a match for any white man who dared to measure arms with him in a discussion of the slavery question. He made a monkey of the notorious Captain Rynders in a public meeting in this city, of the Anti-Slavery Society which he came here to address. Rynders had insolently interrupted the meeting to give one of his thugs an opportunity to assert that Negroes are monkeys. When Mr. Douglas finished with Captain Rynders there was but one opinion as to who was the real monkey, for he made the captain look like change for a penny, and the laughing stock of the meeting.

The vocabulary has well nigh been exhausted—of superlatives to describe the incomparable genius and indomitable courage of Frederick Douglas, his brilliant wit, and biting sarcasm, and his superabundant fund of humor were assets that helped him to score on many occasion and he always scored like a gentleman with dignity and a consciousness of his ability to attain the object at which he aimed.

His continuity of purpose in the pursuit of an object was one of his distinguishing characteristics. There has been only one Frederick Douglas and the mould in which he was formed has been broken. He was a Manly Man, a Prince among men, and "he did not fear the face of the clay".

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# FACTS, FUN AND FANCIES

By-ME

## News From the "H" System

*Hellville, Satana, Sept. 14, 1918.*—Ben Hillman, a recent arrival here, who was awarded the Cross of Fire by His Majesty, King Devilona, for his wonderful services on earth has accepted the position as *Chief of Furnaces* and has straightway outlined his policy to the *Pitchfork Daily News*, in which he says in part:

"Thank *Methistophcles* there are but a few *Negroes* here and these are much too many so I intend to make it hot for them. I notice, to my profound disgust, that, contrary to our methods on earth, the *Darkies* here are enjoying the privileges of white men. One, in particular, is in charge of the *Brimstone Department*. This must not continue and I will use all my influence to have him removed. *Coons* in my departments who are now *attending the fires* will immediately be put to *shoveling coal, sifting ashes* and *general porter* work. *The color line* here, as on *Earth*, must and will be drawn."

## A FEW DON'TS:

*Don't* go to the *Library*—it's *free*, besides you might *learn* something.

*Don't* save your money—there are plenty of *pawnshops*.

*Don't* be temperate—help the bartender get rid of his *poison*.

*Don't* seek *knowledge*—train your *hair* and let your *brains* take care of themselves.

*Don't* be cheap—take a *swell* apartment, no matter if you get *dispossessed*.

## SHORT JABS.

*Christianity* is something that should be—but isn't.

*Male Editors* are many but manly ones are few.

*Spitting* is a filthy germ-spreading habit, mainly forced by *cuspidors*.

*Slavery* was never a disgrace to the slave but to the master.

## DO YOU GET THIS?

A Southern soldier in Flanders recently wrote home saying.

"The kaiser has sent a hurried call to Germany for the best chiropodists in the country as he fears he will soon suffer with de feet.

## NEWS THAT SHOULD BE TRUE

Notice To The Public:—

Realizing that many of our brave boys will die—not only for Democracy but to make our property safe n America, we, believing it our patriotic duty, hereby resolve to give one year's free rent to the families of such men.

(Signed) LANDLORD'S LEAGUE

## THEIR PRIDE HURT.

The Colored women employed by the Interboro Subway walked out in a body when they were asked to clean stations and cuspidors.

AN HONEST LEAGUE AND COURTESY LEAGUE was formed by the white storekeepers of Harlem recently.

"Kink" and "Bleach Your Skin" ads have disappeared from all Colored papers.

## THE SOOTHSAYER SAYS:

Factories will be opened by a noted hair culturist of Harlem in 1999.

Many Negro leaders of to-day will help the race—by croaking.

Negroes will patronize their own stores—on Jewish holidays.

The war will end when it's over.

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## THE SERVANT PROBLEM.

By GERTRUDE E. HALL

(The consideration of an Old Question from a New Angle)

One of the gripping plays at the Lafayette Theatre produced a character who told the waitress of the fashionable restaurant that he knew she didn't think, if she did she wouldn't be a waitress.

Whether the above words are quoted directly or not they are sufficient to show the exact attitude at times of the authoritative and despotic human being. By many of them the servant is seemingly denied the credit of possessing her fifty ounces of brain. One would think to hear some people speak that Nature had especially endowed her with the nineteen ounces of an idiot. And probably because of extraneous circumstances or the lack of initiative she is ground into the rut and believes it. But such is not the case. The most of us get about the same amount of brain but it can be as flabby as the biceps muscle of the arm. The grumbling house-servants' is flabby because she has allowed herself to think that she is a failure when her trouble is unmistakably brain-sluggishness. In plain words she is a servant because she is too lazy to think. And as there are vast numbers of servants in the race, the slip of the tongue by the restaurateur is too good to pass unnoticed now that the servant problem is again to the fore, being widely discussed by mistress and the maids who did not nab the opportunity to fill the vacancies left by men.

To use the slang of the day, too frequently the servant is found 'rubbing it into the mistress' much to the servant's own detriment. The problem will never be settled, until it is settled by the servant; until she endeavors to strenghten her weak flabby brain-tissues by reverting to books she has long been separated from, such as mathematics and Latin and by casting her "good enough" English. She must arise an hour or two earlier and study before and after the day's work is over. This was done with pride in the days of slavery and long since too. None of our ancestors had such chances as are passed out to us to-day. And

the greatest curse to anybody is the curse of the soft snap.

Would we ever have heard of Lincoln, Booker Washington or Douglas had they been blown into the flowery beds of ease? We wonder.

It is to the advantage of every one to give the best that is in them. It is plain to be seen that the people who work for money alone never set the world afire with ambition.

Now with all due respects and opportunities to the employer the moment servants begin to show signs of thinking or enter the act of self-assertion, they are then labelled impudent servants, so what if a toiling, patient maid should prudently express her thoughts? What if she did attempt to carry out the thoughts of doing something more respectable than domestic service? How quickly would plans be made by the mistress to keep her in her happy lot! More money will be offered, other plans would be discussed and this is the important juncture. If an employer has not heretofore appreciated the service of the maid and finds herself about to lose a "prize", that is the time to go. The maid should realize her value. If one is worth five or ten dollars or more per month to an employer there is something about that person that is worth thrice that to herself.

It is time now that we, too, were discussing the servant problem for the day is fast approaching when vast numbers of the race will enjoy the comfort that servants make possible by their drudgery and seemingly endless working hours. When this condition becomes general will the Negro too look upon his servants as inferior human beings? For just how far he will succeed in his business career depends upon how he treats his help. As Frederick Douglas has said, "There is no better material in the world for making a gentleman than is furnished in the African" and those words hold good

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## THE CHILDREN OF THE SUN

By GEORGE WELLS PARKER.  
*In The Omaha (Neb.) "Monitor"*

In my last article I tried to definitely place the position of Greece among the nations of African ancestry and believe that all future evidence will but confirm and further fortify the position of such scholars as Mr. Asquith and Sir Arthur Evans, who have given the students of Europe to understand that the ancient Grecians were a brown skin race. Can you for a moment realize what this admission means for us? Greece, the greatest nation that ever lived, the people who brought to the very highest pitch every real amenity of civilization, belonged to the African race! Count every admission that has been forced from the white race during the last 30 years and none can be greater than this. They maintained that every nation that had contributed greatly to the civilization of the world was white and least of all did they ever expect any testimony to show against this conception in relation to Greece. One by one the nations have crept into the African column and today it may be asserted with almost absolute fact that every great nation of the past was not white, but black.

Go now read your Grecian history over again. Read Homer and Aeschylus and Euripides. Picture Helen as a teasing brown, Achilles as a swarthy giant and Agamemnon, who was a member of the black line, an imposing picture of royalty. Read the Suppliants and Prometheus Bound and see how the legends of Africa are woven in with the legends of Europe. Time and again men have wondered at the close relations between them, but none cared to speak in the black's defense. It took strong hearts and sharp spades to unearth remain after remain and fling them at the feet of the world, before it would concede that Greece was a sister to Egypt in blood.

The elementary races of Italy were also African. They, too, belonged to the Mediterranean family. Prof. Sergi has proven with a wealth of evidence that if ever the Aryans did invade Italy, they were only temporary residents and never succeeded in eliminating the African civilization

which they found established there. Jean Finot, the well known French savant and scientific scholar, says in his work on "Race Prejudice," "not to speak of the prehistoric and therefore doubtful peoples, we see Italy at the dawn of the period accessible to science, two great branches of the African peoples, viz., the Libumi and the Sicani." The Pelasgians were there also and, according to Virgil one of their tribes occupied the Palatine, one of the seven hills of Rome. The seemingly greatest of all early Italians were the Etruscans. Who were they? We know that they were a civilized people long before the rise of the Romans, that they developed a great commerce on sea and land, and that in the employment of their resultant riches they showed marked taste and refinement, bringing the influences of art to bear upon the formation of a society already well versed in the principles of religion, government, and education generally. But again the question, who were they? Brinton says they were Africans, Lefevre calls attention to their art where their African features are plainly visible, and last but not least, Sergi places them with the African family of races which established themselves throughout the great basin of the Mediterranean. The Etruscans were the forerunners of Rome.

No tribute is necessary to Rome. We all know what she was and what she did for the world. She represented the more material aspects of civilization as secured through military power. Her legal system was an institution of wonder and formed the basis of Anglo-Saxon law; her national organization was a creation of political genius. "The two classic civilizations," says Sergi, "were not Aryan, but Mediterranean. The Aryans were savages when they invaded Europe, they destroyed in part the superior civilization of the Neolithic populations and could not have created the Graeco-Latin civilization." And so it is all but an unfolding of the story of human striving. The rhyme goes back-

## The American Race Problem

### No. 3—The Negro's Solution.

While lynching, jim-crowism, peonage, convict slave labor, segregation and other forms of oppression leading to the ultimate dehumanization of the Negro constitute the white man's "Solution" to the American Race Problem, the Negro's Solution, until recently, has been more of a hope against hope, a dream in a realm of fact, than any definite attempt towards a solution that would be just and honorable to his race as well as acceptable to the white man.

Whether it was the advice to "buy pigs" or the declaration that white men would learn to respect and honor Negroes as soon as Negroes acquired sufficient property and education it was all diametrically opposed to human nature, the lessons of history and the facts in the case. The South has long since proved the fallacy of the theory that the ownership of pigs (and other property) will secure one in the rights of life and property. "Observe," says Prof. Hart, "that this ferocity is not directed against the Negro simply because he does ill, **but equally if he does well.**" While William P. Pickett, a keen observer of conditions in the South, says:

"Now the fallacy of this view (that education or wealth will solve) lies in the assumption that the higher the state of education and ability the Negro can attain, the more wealth he can accumulate and the greater his prosperity, the more he will be liked and appreciated by the white race in the South.

"The contrary is always the case. The Southern Negro who performs humble duties, who is content with menial occupation, who bears himself meekly, stands in the attitude of hat in hand, is not ordinarily the subject of aggressive racial animosity. It is the Negro who asserts himself to the level, social or political of the white man, who meets with the sternest opposition."

Another proffered solution for the problem is "simple justice". A beautiful

theory, indeed, but one that absolutely ignores the kind of human nature that made the poet exclaim that "man's inhumanity to man makes countless millions mourn". In the face of the fact that the white race (nor, in truth, any other race) has never been just in its dealings with unorganised and (therefore) weak peoples it would seem that Negro leaders who are expected to be versed in the human records called history) would hesitate to offer seriously such a solution as "simple justice," yet a sea of talk has been sent out along this line and much good mental energy wasted.

Still yet another beautiful solution is "to leave it to God". This is the advice of those who would have us egotistically look for a special dispensation of Providence in our own particular case, forgetful of the fact that "God helps those who help themselves".

All these beautiful theories come together to form the "Ultimate Equitable Solution", the great illusion of the Negro in an alien civilization. But the fact is that beautiful theories and eloquent harangues upon justice, liberty and the guarantees of the Constitution little avail in the face of the many-sided race problem, imbedded as the latter is in the natural fortressness of human nature (caucasian nature in particular) and the cold reality of racial antipathy.

Latterly, however, a new solution has been offered as the Negro began to recognise that the salvation of his race and an honorable solution of the American Race Problem call for action and decision in preference to the twaddling, dreaming and indecision of 'leaders'.

This new solution is nothing more or less than independent, separate existence. "Government of the (Negro) people, for the (Negro) people and by the (Negro) people".

"When two ride a horse one must ride behind" is an old adage the truth of which has yet to be questioned. Then, too, Ne-

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## DIGEST OF VIEWS

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### THE PRESIDENT'S SPEECH

President Wilson, upon the occasion of the launching of the Fourth Liberty Loan, again enunciated the principles of Democracy for which this country is fighting. These he expressly declared to be:

Shall the military power of any nation or group of nations be suffered to determine the fortunes of peoples whom they have no right to rule except by force?

Shall strong nations be free to wrong weak nations and make them subject to their purpose and interest?

Shall peoples be ruled and dominated, even in their internal affairs by arbitrary and irresponsible force or by their own will and choice?

Shall there be a common standard of right and privilege for all peoples and nations or shall the strong do as they will and the weak suffer without redress?

Shall the assertion of right be haphazard and by casual alliance or shall there be a common concert to oblige the observance of common rights?

Certainly it would appear that the President is specifically including the oppressed peoples of Africa and Asia, laboring under superimposed alien rule, in the "sweeping processes of change and settlement" to follow this war. And this is generally the opinion of the Negro press, for says *The Amsterdam News*; under the heading of "The President's Speech":

"The United States Constitution guarantees the enjoyment of "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness" only to a special group and within certain confines. President Wilson, in the name of the American people and with their backing, declares applicable to all mankind the principles enunciated both by the Declaration of Independence and by the Constitution of the United States. President Wilson's speech is without a doubt the grandest human utterance in the history of mankind. It speaks for the oppressed of Africa and Asia as well as for the oppressed of Europe. It guarantees to the African peoples as to the European peoples free development and "Government of the people, for the people and by the people".

It is the loftiest, the most just and the most democratic utterance on record!

And James W. Johnson, in *The New York Age* makes the following comment on the principles laid down by the President.

"Here the President lays down a bill of rights to which we heartily subscribe. And we earnestly hope that he will be enabled not only to force these principles upon the world at large, but that he may be enabled to gain for them full acceptance in the United States. We hope that within our own borders he will be able to bring about an interpretation of these principles that will include white and black alike."

The *New York News*, too, accepts the President at his word and under the caption of "President Wilson and Liberty" says:

"If President Wilson was the spokesman of dominant liberty loving nations of the world then Liberia, Hayti and all the other black nations and peoples of the world—then liberty for their black brethren everywhere will also be their reward...."

"The President has made his covenant of LIBERTY for you. Let us take him at his word. LET US SUBSCRIBE TO THE FOURTH LIBERTY LOAN!"

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### TAXATION WITHOUT REPRESENTATION

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Samuel Adams once defined the status of a man who had no part in the making of the laws that govern him and no voice in his own Government as a slave:

"I believe that to be bound by laws to which he does not consent by himself, or by his representative, is the direct definition of a slave."

And the "*New York Independent*," a new radical paper tells us that:

"The Negro in America to-day is in no different to the American in 1776.

"The American government collects the Negro's portion of governmental burdens year after year, day after day. But the Negro has no voice in the American government.

"There is not even the voice of one Negro in the House of Representatives or in the Senate. The Congress of the United States.

"Negroes may analyse the situation to suit themselves. But the facts presented are incontrovertible. He need but solve these two questions—Is the Negro sharing in the taxation for the upkeep and maintenance of the American government?

"If taxation without representation is tyranny for white people then taxation without representation is the same for black people."

### THE AMERICAN RACE PROBLEM (Continued from Page 12)

groes have had the opportunity of observing how quickly the Japanese adaptation of their Government and philosophies to the caucasian gospel of force won for them the respect and consideration still denied the Jew after centuries of achievement and much accumulation of wealth. Negroes are rapidly learning that superior force (not sentiment whether of justice or liberty) dominates the thoughts and actions of men.

Next Month: "The Menace of the Future".

### THE ETHIOPIANS

Ethiopia, the most distant region of the earth, whose inhabitants are the tallest, most beautiful, and longlived of the Human Race. Herodotus.

#### "THE BLAMELESS RACE"

The sire of gods and all the ethereal train,

On the warm limits of the farthest main,  
Now mix with mortals, nor disdain to grace.

The feast of Ethiopia's blameless race.  
—Homer.

### BACK OF THE WHITE MAN'S MIND.

"It is not difficult to argue from a point of view of Christian religion and humanity against an instinct which finds its extreme, but yet its logical, expression in the burning of some Negro offender at the stake. But

all the arguments in the world will not prevail against Nature. Once a type has won a step it must be jealous and "selfish", and even brutal in its scorn of lower types; or must climb down again."

"The misfortune of success has never been better exemplified in the world's history than in the results which have followed from the White Man's attempt to arouse Japan to an appreciation of the blessings of European civilization."

"The white man moved from one easy conquest to another. In Asia, India, China, Persia and Japan were in turn humbled. *Africa was made the slave-farm of the white race.*"

"Machiavelli would have found prompting of some grim aphorism in this curious eagerness of Europe to teach the teeming millions of Asia to rid themselves of checks on their natural growth, and thus to increase the pressure of the Asiatic surplus seeking an outlet at the expense of Europe."

"Mistaken regard for what we believe to be divine laws and a sentimental belief in the sanctity of human life, tend to prevent both the elimination of defective infants and the sterilization of such adults as are themselves of no value to the community. Under existing conditions the most practical and hopeful method of race improvement is through the elimination of the least desirable elements in the nation by depriving them of the power to contribute to future generations. Black sheep, for instance, have been *practically destroyed* by cutting out generation after generation all animals that show this color phase."

"The abolition of the slave trade, while dictated by the noblest impulses of humanity, is suicidal to the white man."

"The lethal sleeping sickness far more fatal to blacks than whites, *should run its course unchecked.*

## BUDS OF ETHIOPIA

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Eugene Mars Martin, the son of Mr. and Mrs. David I. Martin, both of whom are famous musicians, was born in New York City June 29, 1904. It is therefore not at all surprising that this boy displayed musical talent at a very early age. As soon as he was able to walk his father



**EUGENE MARS MARTIN**

gave him a 16th size violin which was tied around his neck. He played his first tune (which was taught him by his mother) when he was three years of age. Ten months later little Eugene appeared as soloist at a concert given at the Grand Central Palace for the benefit of the Hope Day Nursery. At the age of five he toured the South and during his recitals

played many difficult classic. Eugene's musical education was placed in the care of Conrad C. Held, the noted teacher and composer. His musical knowledge is by no means confined to the violin for he has also mastered the technique of the piano. On the evening of February 21st, young Martin appeared at Aeolian Hall and achieved great distinction by giving a program of fifteen different violin numbers, including works of Bach, Schubert, Corelli, Tschaikowsky and others. The Metropolitan newspapers praised Martin's performance highly. The musical critic of The New York Evening World said:

"Prodigies find little favor from me. Yet a word of encouragement must be given to Eugene Mars Martin, a young Colored boy violinist who gave a recital in Aeolian Hall. The boy has talent and is without pretension or affection and the musically cultivated colony of people of his race who live too near Harlem and too far from Broadway and 42nd street to get the newspaper exploitation they deserve are to be congratulated on bringing him to downtown notice."

Mr. and Mrs. Martin have a right to be proud of their boy for they have laid the foundation of what is destined to be a remarkable and astonishingly great career.

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"Even in the most dangerous parts of the Congo, where a man would require a strong military escort, a white woman would always be able to pass unmolested.

—Torday.

men—that is to say, they are better-man-

The Zulus are by nature ladies and gentlemen, speak more gently, are more graceful in their movements, and altogether better company than any roomful of Anglo-Saxon people it has ever been my good fortune to meet.

—Poultney Bigelow

## MEN OF OUR TIMES

Dr. GEORGE FRAZIER MILLER

Dr. George Frazier Miller, the most fearless and upright leader of the Negro Race in America was born in Aiken, S. C. November 28, 1864. He was the youngest of six children. When he was six years his father died and his support naturally fell to his mother who was assisted by his grandfather Richard Edward De Reef, one of the most prominent citizens of Charleston S. C. during the first half of the nineteenth century.

Miller at an early age showed that he possessed exceptional talents and a remarkably developed mind which caused observers to believe that its possessor was destined to have a noteworthy and inspiring career. When he left the public and private schools he took preparatory and collegiate course at Howard University and graduated from that Institution in 1888 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. In the Fall of the same year he matriculated at the General Theological Seminary of this city from which institution he graduated in 1891.

Dr. Miller entered the Graduate School of Philosophy of New York University in 1901, took a post graduate course and devoted special attention to the philosophy of religion, logical science and metaphysics. He wrote a syllabus of logic (unpublished) which won the approval of Prof. James E. Lough Ph. D. of the department of Logic and Psychology. He has written numerous tracts, essays and pamphlets on "Socialism and its ethical basis". In recognition of his scholarship and literary attainments, the faculty of Howard University conferred upon him the degree of doctor of divinity.

Dr. Miller has been pastor of St Augustine P. E. Church in Brooklyn since 1896. During his pastorship he has made great improvements in the church.

He was one of the founders of the radical organization known as the Niagara Movement, projected in 1905 on the Canadian shore of Lake Erie, to combat the spirit of self-effacement, retreat and surrender, which, "as a withering blight" seemed to

have overcome the intelligence and manhood of the Race.

Dr. Miller has been a member of the Socialist Party during the past twelve years and has always proved himself a capable and courageous defender of the oppressed and persecuted and a relentless opponent of all forms of injustices without regard for their perpetrators. He is now the Socialist Candidate for Congress in the 21st Congressional District.

On one occasion when questioned as to how he became a Socialist he said:

"I was once an ardent Republican, but after a period of blind following, the fact of the Republicans' abandonment of their espousal of human rights and universal liberty was borne in upon my consciousness through their flagrant prostration before the money powers of the land: their one advocacy was, finally, a high protective tariff which was highly inimical, and in no wise beneficial, to the interests of the Black man and the whole of the working class. The spirit of John Brown, Wendell Phillips, Joshua Giddings William Lloyd Garrison, Charles Sumner, Thaddeus Stevens, Owen Lovejoy and Frederick Douglas would loom up magnificently only in the golden October days, and at meetings distinctively Colored, simply to fade into inglorious obscurity when the polling day had closed; and noting all this, resolved to be no longer duped by wiles and chicanery of Republican leadership.

The grievances of the Socialists began to claim my attention to discover, if possible, whether their grievances and mine were common. Investigation convinced me that with one exception—color prejudice—those grievances were identical: the fiction of plutocracy and oligarchy; the ring rule, the mammon-god, the haughtiness of wealth, the industrial servitude of the masses of all races and nations.

As a Colored man, or Black man, in America I feel my grievance very keenly and resolved to cast my economic and political lot with that vast body of suffering humanity that was, and is, giving vent to its grievances.

Socialist literature and labor problems began to absorb my attention, and the ethical harmony of Socialism and the economic principle of the ancient prophets and of Christ became more and more evident. It was then I began to expound the principle of Socialism, as an element of the Gospel message, in the pulpit, at public meetings, and at street gatherings."

The many friends of Dr. Miller who are working assiduously to insure his election are confident that (if he is elected as Congressman) by virtue of his past performances, his undaunted courage, and unchallenged character he will eloquently champion the cause of the Negro Race and acquit himself creditably as a representative of his people.

Miss Galloway came to New York in the Fall of 1914 and finished her business course at Gaffey's Business School. She then secured a position as stenographer with one of the largest jewelry firms in New York and remained employed in that capacity for three years.

She has since been associated with the Beehive Printing Company, the largest Negro printing establishment in New York City, in which firm she is a stockholder and secretary of the Board of Directors, besides having a responsible position in the offices of the concern. But for her patience and perseverance Miss Galloway might have been a failure instead of an inspiring example of success. Today she is one of the most promising and prominent Negro business women because she was thoroughly prepared when opportunity knocked at her door.

**LYLLIAN M. GALLOWAY**



An inspiring example of the powerful influence of principle, patience and perseverance is afforded by Miss Lillian M. Galloway to young girls who find themselves left unaided and unprepared to fight the battle of life.

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**A DIFFERENT MEANING**

Irving Cobb, the noted white writer stated in a recent article that the word "nigger" will have a different meaning after the war, merely being another term for a good American. This may be true. I venture to predict that "cracker" will have a different meaning after the war also as the one-time timid, harmless and conservative "darky" backed by his hardening, man-killing experiences on the battlefields of Europe, will be prepared to make that word stand either for a reformed heathen or a dead one.

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By W. FRANCIS, Jr.

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Renewing souls with Vigor and bringing to the light

The Negro Universal to rally to the fight.  
The task is one-enormous, the sacrifice supreme;

But courage is the watchword, and Justice is the theme.

For us to solve the problem for a true Democracy,

Our strength must be united to gain a victory;

So let us steer our rudder to the center of the stream,

And run amuck the rubbish to keep the path serene;

And solve the lesser problems—the things we should erase

Before the tide of Justice can turn to our race.

Let's face the issues squarely, and take each one in turn;

And remedy the little things that cause our hearts to burn.

Let's solve the potent question that stuns our very growth

And classifies the Negro according to his birth;

While all are Africa's people, the North, South, East and West.

The sons of Ethiopia, despised and long oppressed.

And then again—the Negro who separates his kin,

And picks his sect according to the color of his skin;

While all are Africa's people, no matter what the shade;

If Yellow, Brown or Black we are Negroes just the same.

Could we not intermingle and help to inculcate

The spirit of the era that permeates the race?

And may our goodly brother from the Isles across the sea

Resolve to use the ballot to hasten unity.  
To love his native country; that land that he adores,

But the "Land of Bread and Butter" he should surely love the more.

For all are Africa's people, the North, South, East and West.

The sons of Ethiopia, despised and long oppressed.

These are the lesser problems that time will soon efface.

If the Negro Universal will rally to the pace;

And the message will re-echo and leap from place to place.

Onward to Democracy! Upward with the Race!

### WHO WERE THE EGYPTIANS?

It appears positive that the Colchians are of Egyptian origin. I suspected this fact, others have mentioned it to me, and I wished to make certain of it for myself. I can affirm that the two nations have retained remembrances of each other, which are more vivid, however, among the Colchians than among the Egyptians. These nations both have a black skin and woolly hair. Herodotus.

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## THE SERVANT PROBLEM.

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in spite of our being thoroughly imbued with American habits and customs.

There are servants who would not change their status under any consideration, they are the ones who like their work. They sit. Besides it is impossible to survive without them. Therefore it should be the ambition of toilers to begin something for themselves. The life-time savings of a servant would not maintain them to a ripe old age should they become prematurely disabled. But there is a chance in business and in case of failure there will linger vivid memories of the interesting fluctuation. Also a chance must be given the younger person for experience. Democracy permits all this and there is no reason to kick if one does not qualify for something different.

Girls should realize that it is folly to measure themselves against the leisure of fellow workers and against the comforts of mistresses. For this reason it is folly to write

maudling "stuff" and expect to improve the servant problem. It must be remembered that we are confronted with the same domestic problems now, that are seriously affecting white people unless those who qualify for housework go about in a cheerful, conscientious and a business-like manner, giving a fair day's work for a fair day's pay. we will suffer like consequences.

The fact must not be overlooked that all honest work is God's work; and menial tasks should be looked upon as experience. Think of an editor in these days who begins at the top without the accomplishment of short-hand writing. Think of a woman opening a boarding house to make one dollar do the work of two without the experience with expenses and people.

After all it is a relief to know that "some lives are lived as silently as the coming of an eastern dawn which purples the morning hills in matchless splendor, they leave us, too; with the same noiseless tread as the summer sun on a summer evening sinking westward. There is much of beauty in silent well doing."

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## "DARKEST AMERICANS"

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"Darkest Americans" is, on the whole, the best show in which we have ever seen The Smarter Set Company. It is well staged and gorgeously costumed and possesses quite unique scenery, charming dance numbers with well rendered songs, the ensemble especially being superb.

But "Darkest Americans" is much more than a pleasing concoction of song, dance, comedy, good music and pretty scenery and costumes. It carries a deep Race interest as well, with its interesting exposition of the ancient glories of the Negro Race and meritorious presentation of songs by modern Negro composers, including some of the famous Jubilees and Spirituals.

The show is tinged, too, with deep patri-

otism, both of a national and racial kind, which serves to make it all the more impressive to auditors of the present day.

Whitney and Tutt's "Smarter Set" with such a show as "Darkest Americans" should receive a cordial welcome wherever they appear in Negro America.

## FEATURE FILMS AT THE LINCOLN THEATRE.

All who remember William Fox's great spectacle "A Daughter of the Gods" which created such an artistic furore in New York City a few years ago and which, by the way, was brought to Harlem by the Lincoln Theatre soon after its release, will be delighted to hear of another Fox spectacle "Queen of the Sea", featuring the world-famous Annette Kellerman and which the Lincoln Theatre, following its policy of bringing the best to Harlem, will present on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

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The heyday of the American Negro is at hand. He has always figured in the wars of America and is still making history for the country. Though in the History of the United States his vital importance is only slightly mentioned, or omitted completely. But not so in Mr. J. W. Cromwell's publication of *"The Negro in American History"*. Mr. Cromwell has spared no efforts to untangle the usefulness of the Colored people so strangely interwoven with American History. And with the sterling examples of Frederick Douglas, Booker Washington, Paul Lawrence Dunbar, Henry O. Tanner, Benjamin Banneker, Phillis Wheatley, Fanny M. J. Coppin, Sojourner Truth and others there is small reason for doubt as the lives of so many brave hearts are gathered into one book that when Mr. Cromwell's work takes its place in every school and library in this country, the cornerstone will be laid for a better, brighter and more hopeful spirit in encouraging the American Colored youth to believe that America is his country.—G. E. H.

**WITH GOD AND THE COLORS.**—*A Mother's Prayers for Her Soldier Boy, by Lella Atwood Foust, with special designed cover and Lourdes border printed in khaki color around each page; second printing before the first was off the press; price 50 cents net per copy. The Vir Publishing Company, 200-214 North Fifteenth Street, Philadelphia, Pa.*

Our boys in the service are "going over" with the deepest sympathy of all patriots; they are on our hearts and minds all during the day and in the wakeful hours of the night. This is natural and right, but let us not forget the special class upon whom the burdens of this war fall so heavily and that is the mothers of our brave boys. Everything possible must be done to sustain them during their absence on their perilous errand. And, this book was written with this supreme idea in view—to help mothers to know that strength must come from the Lord to the mother as well as the boys. Mrs. Foust has a boy in the service and these devotions voice not only her own desires, but the aspirations of Christian motherhood

strengthen and deepen their lives. It is a fine book to place into every home where there is a service flag and no patriot could do a greater service for the spiritual helpfulness of these mothers than by directing their attention to the value of this uplifting devotional book.

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**SAMMY RICE**

By Andrea Razafkeriefo.

Right across the way from me  
Lives little Sammy Rice,  
And though he is a Colored boy  
I think he's very nice,  
We always chum together,  
And share our sweets and toys—  
I do not see how it is wrong  
To play with Colored boys!

At school he's on the honor roll,  
And he deserves it, too.  
For few white boys could stand the things  
That Sammy must go through.  
Insults are heaped upon him  
On the grounds and in the class,  
But he keeps bravely plugging on,  
And never fails to pass.

His people are the kindest souls  
That I have ever known;  
Each time I call, they welcome me  
As though I were their own.  
And when my mother hears that I  
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She slaps my face and tells me  
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**A CONTEMPORARY'S APPRECIATION***By Romeo L. Dougherty*

Ever since the appearance of *The Crusader* I have been afflicted with a mental torture I felt that I had to lend my voice in bidding welcome to this venture by my contemporary Mr. Briggs as he has given to Negro journalism one of the most dignified and up to date publications I have ever seen. Never having invaded this field before I thought it would be necessary to devote the space he has so generously set aside for this contribution to an academic treatise on the race question, and it was not until I remembered that he sought to educate the masses instead of trying to please the classes did I wake up to the realization that I could have saved myself the torture by simply announcing myself a 'la Dr. Frank Crane.

To many this article from the pen of the writer will come as a surprise, for it has been a custom among our people in the newspaper world to look with ill-concealed contempt upon the brother who dares to take upon himself the herculean task of carrying the light of a new day among his much abused brethren through the medium of a magazine, but I feel that it is a duty I owe myself to say how very welcome *The Crusader* is in a field surfeited with mountebanks if I am to be taken seriously in my own little sphere. How much better can we drive home the doctrine of race unity when those of us who weekly preach it can show by our own actions it is not an empty phrase!

*The Crusader* brings us a new message, a message that is fraught with hope for the salvation of our people all over the world for to my way of thinking Mr. Briggs in his "*Alien Education*" has sounded the keynote that will play the most important part in arousing a pride in our breasts for the land which he has so ably pointed out in other parts of his magazine as the only home for the sons of ancestors who gave to civilization things of which we can very well feel proud. If we would but take life a little bit more seriously and instill in our children love of race the road towards unity in our midst would not be so hard. I am proud to be a member of the throng that bids welcome to *The Crusader* and I take particular pleasure in calling upon

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those who have so graciously supported me during the years I have been on *The Amsterdam News* and *The New York News* writing sport to "follow the crowd" and support an organ which is not subsidized by a selfish few.

### THE CHILDREN OF THE SUN.

(Continued from page 11.)

are those who every day are bringing forth proof after proof that the blackskinned, wooly haired races of Africa were the first to discover the seeds of civilization and the first to nourish them and pass them on to the world.

And it is a sad commentary upon the alleged superiority of the Aryan that when they overran Italy and destroyed the Roman civilization, the whole of Europe sank into the darkness of ignorance and barbarism. If mental superiority had been build one greater instead of destroying it? They have ever been a race of destroyers instead of a race of creators and the vandals turned loose upon Europe today are the same vandals turned loose upon the Rome of yesterday. In their defense nothing can be said. For us we should remember one slogan always: "Hail Africa. All Hail! Mother and Protector of Civilization!"

### MULTUM IN PARVO (SELECTED)

The Mexicans say to their new-born offspring: "Child Thou art come into the world to suffer. Endure and hold thy peace."

Gibbon says: As long as Mankind shall continue to bestow more liberal applause on their destroyers than on their benefactors the thirst of military glory will ever be the voice of the most exalted characters.

An illustration of false emphasis is supplied by the Verse (1. Kings XIII, 27), And he spoke to his sons, saying saddle me the ass. And they saddled *him*.

An Eastern sage being desired to inscribe on the ring of his Sultan a motto, equally applicable to prosperity or adversity, returned it with these words engraved on the surface: "*And this, too, shall pass away*".

Coleridge says that Noah's Ark affords a fine image of the world at large, as containing a very few men, and a great number of beasts.

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### Bresslau of Veal.

From a stale loaf of bread grate sufficient to give three cupfuls of fine crumbs. Chop fine cold veal to measure one pint. Make a thin sauce with one tablespoon of butter, one teaspoon of flour, and half a pint of veal stock or rich milk. Add to this the crumbs, cook and stir for two minutes, then set aside until cold. To the meat add one teaspoon of salt, one half of a teaspoon of pepper, and one tablespoon of chopped parsley. Mix with the cold sauce and add three well beaten eggs. Fill small buttered molds with the mixture, stand in a pan of water, and bake in a moderate oven until firm in the center when lightly pressed. Serve at once with a rich tomato sauce.

### Ham Balls with Cabbage Salad.

Let a cup of bread crumbs cook in a pint of milk with a slice of onion and a sprig of parsley until the mixture is fine and smooth, add a dash of paprika and a teaspoonful of mixed mustard, the yolks of two eggs and two cups of cold boiled ham chopped fine. Mix thoroughly and set aside to cool. Shape into balls, fry in deep fat, drain on soft paper, serve surrounded with sliced cabbage and green peppers mixed with a boiled dressing.

### Cheese Straws.

One cup of flour two cups of grated cheese, one teaspoon butter, pinch of salt, one teaspoon of baking powder; mix with water and roll out like pie crust; cut in strips and bake a light brown. Nice with salad.

### Swiss Salad.

Mix one cup of minced ham, a teaspoon each of onion juice, chopped parsley, American mustard, and enough lemon juice and soft butter to form balls, surround with lettuce, and serve.

### Rice and Apple Pudding.

Cook in a double boiler two tablespoonfuls of rice and one pint of milk; three tablespoonful of sugar and the well beaten yolks of two eggs. Select enough sound apples to fill a baking dish; pare, scrape out the cores and boil in sugar syrup until clear like preserves. Line a baking dish with rice, place the apples

the removal of the cores with stewed raisens. Fill the space between the apples with rice. Cover with the white of eggs beaten to a stiff froth with two tablespoonfuls of sugar, brown and serve with sweetened cream.

### PEACHES FOR WINTER.

There are few who can resist the spicy pickled peach which is so delicious served with the meat course.

There are any number of good recipes, but one must be careful about the vinegar. It should be strong enough to preserve and give flavor, but too acid a vinegar will spoil the fruit. Usually a little water added to the vinegar to dilute it, using the amount of liquid required, will improve it. Take two pounds of brown sugar, a pint of mild vinegar, and a tablespoon each of cinnamon, and cloves, tie in a muslin bag, cook twenty minutes, then drop in the peaches, a few at a time and cook until soft, cover with the vinegar and leave the spice bag in the jar.

### Peach Jam.

This is especially fine flavored, as the steam is not allowed to escape, carrying with it much of the fruit. Pare the peaches and mash them to a pulp, add three cupsful of sugar to two of the pulp and mix well, pack into pint jars screw down the top lightly; place in a steamer or any convenience for canning and cook until all the juice is absorbed by the fruit. Place in the sun for a day or two and then it will be ready to put away. Peaches for canning should be firm and ripe placed in the cans and covered with hot syrup, then put into a boiler of boiling water and allowed to stand well covered over night the fruit will keep well and be fine flavor and color. The cans and covers should be thoroughly sterilized and the rubbers dipped into boiling water before being used.

### HOW TO CAN SWEET CORN

The United States Department of Commerce has issued the following directions designed to guide the thrifty housewife who is anxious to conserve the summer's supplies for winter's use. Can as soon after the corn is gathered as possible. Remove the husks and silk. Blanch by placing in boiling water for five minutes. Remove and dip quickly into and out of

cold water. Cut the corn from the cob and pack directly into the hot jars or cans to within one fourth inch of the top. Pour in enough boiling water to fill the container. Add one level teaspoonful of salt to each quart. Put rubber rings and caps of jars into position, but do not tighten the wire clamps. Seal tin cans completely. Place containers on a false bottom of wooden slats or wire mesh in a vessel of water deep enough to cover the containers completely. Keep the water boiling for three hours. Remove the jars, tighten covers, invert jars to test, seal and cool. Tin cans may be placed in cold water for rapid cooling. After the containers are cold, store in a dark cool place.

Rapid preparation for canning is especially desirable if a good quality of product is to be obtained. The best result can be secured when one person cuts the corn from the cob and another fills the containers. If it is necessary for one person to work alone she should cut off sufficient corn to fill one jar, pour on boiling water, add salt, place the rubbers and caps in position, and put the jar or container into hot water at once. The extra cooking which will be given to the cans first filled will not be injurious and a better product will be secured than if the corn were cut and allowed to stand until all the jars were filled.

**RESTING VARICOSE VEINS.**

Douglas H. Stewart writes in the Medical Council: "When a person with a varicose leg goes to bed he usually sits upon the bed and draws his leg in after him. The veins of that leg are dilated and remain more or less so for hours, therefore the vein walls do not rest. Let that person go to bed, hoist his leg up in the air, the higher the better, let him keep them there for five minutes and let him lower them slowly to the recumbent position. The veins are empty and the vein walls rest. After a few weeks of this exercise many patients declare that their whole sleep is more restful."

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## IDEAS

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If a man or woman leads simply an animal life—eating, working and sleeping—let them feed as animals do; but if they live a life above animals, as a social and religious being, then let them take food that gives pleasure to their palate, and *pluck* and *power* to all the instruments of their *mind*. A horse can live, and do a great deal of dull work, on hay; but spirit and speech require grain. There is no self-supplied, perennial fountain within the animal that enables him to expend more in the way of muscular power than he receives in the way of muscular stimulus and nourishment. Food, in its quality and amount, up to the limit of healthful digestion, is set over against, and exactly measures under ordinary circumstances, the quality and amount of labor of which a horse is capable. So, a cow can live on straw and corn stalks; but it would not be reasonable to suppose that she would give any considerable amount of milk upon so slender a diet. We do not expect rich milk, in large quantities, to be yielded by a cow that is not bountifully fed with the most nutritious food. The same fact attaches to land. We cannot get out of land more than there is in it; and having once exhausted it, we are obliged to put into it, in fertilizers, all we wish to take from it in the form of vegetable growth. Wherever there is an out-go there must be an equal income, or exhaustion will be the inevitable consequence.

The principle which these familiar facts so forcibly illustrate is a very important one, in its connection with human life. We cannot get any more out of human life than we put into it. When this idea dawns upon your mind, when we think deeply, we readily agree all civilization is an illustration of what we can accomplish by feeding the human mind. Man cannot live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God, whether spoken through Nature or revelation. There is no one idea in all God's universe so great and so nutritious that it can furnish food for an immortal soul. Variety of nutriment is absolutely essential, even to physical health. The mental and moral laws of life are the same as the natural laws. If we sow thises, we cannot reap roses. If we plant in

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the bricks together. This selection of a single idea from the great world of ideas to which the mind is vitally related, and making food and drink, and motive and pivotal point of action, and supreme object of devotion, is mental and moral suicide. My whole point here is to impress you personally with the importance of not kicking over your environments. If you don't like your position or condition, be a better man or woman, and then get a better position and so forth. This life is not made up of confusion—it is the result of regularity, of right purpose. Remember, I am not trying to get you into Heaven—how to save your soul—I am trying to tell you how to get bread and feed the body. There are men who are paid to save your soul. And this getting bread is a mighty big job. I am trying to tell you how others have made good—how the law must be heeded, and clearly state the fact that we cannot get more out of human life than we put into it.

Get rid of the idea of expecting circumstances or environment to be handed you on a silver tray. Get the idea that you can, however, select your thoughts, your ambitions, your objects in life; and these mental powers will surely shape circumstance for your personal success.

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## FERDERICK DOUGLAS

### An Appreciation

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orator at the White House, said after the meeting "that considering the conditions from which Douglas rose and the position to which he had attained, he was in his judgment one of the most meritorious men in America". Mr. Douglas had freely criticised the President's Southern policy in a public address and felt keenly that the administration measures of retaliation against cruelty to Negro soldiers by the Confederates were not drastic enough. Mr. Lincoln learning of Mr. Douglas' feeling about this phase of his policy asked his friend John Eaton if he thought Mr. Douglas could be induced to come to see him. Before this, however, he asked Mr. Eaton if Douglas knew that he, Lincoln, had written Governor Hahn of Louisiana, rising as he spoke and drawing from his private desk near at hand a copy of his letter of March 13th to Hahn he read the famous passage:—I congratulate you on having fixed your name in history as the first free state Governor of Louisiana. Now you are about to have a convention which among other things will probably define the elective franchise. I barely suggest for your private consideration whether some of the Colored people may not be let in, for instance the very intelligent. *And especially those who have fought gallantly in our ranks.* They would probably help in some future time to come to keep the jewel of liberty in the family of freedom". Then followed Mr. Lincoln's modest request for an interview with one of the "most meritorious men in America. Of this interview Mr. Douglas said to his friend Eaton: "I have just come from President Lincoln. He treated me like a Man; he did not let me feel for a moment that there was any difference in the color of our skins. The President is a most remarkable man. I am satisfied now that he is doing all that circumstances will permit him to do. He asked me a number of questions which I am preparing to answer in writing". Mr. Douglas never posed as a leader, of his race, he rather preferred to be regarded as one of its spokesmen. He was its leading spokesman and his opinions and judgement were heeded and respected. He never bit



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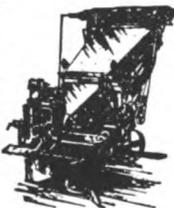
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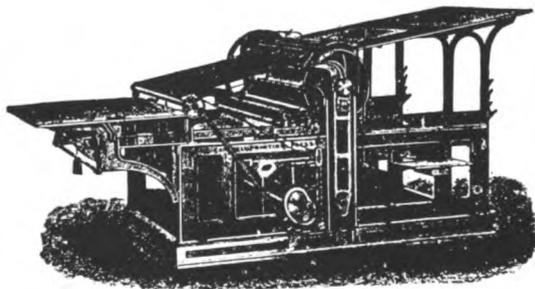
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