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Announces Candidacy For Senatorial Toga

One of Nebraska's Foremost Citizens and Omaha's Most Public-Spirited Men Would Serve in Senate.

JOHN LAUDERDALE KENNEDY

Ex-Congressman, Able Lawyer and Conversant with Public Affairs Well Qualified for Office.

Nebraska, since statehood, has justly prided herself upon the men of high character and efficiency who, with one or two exceptions, have been her representatives in congress and senate. Her senators have been men of ability from the Hon. Phineas Hitchcock, a loyal republican of the old school and at a day when republicanism meant much, who was her first choice, to his illustrious son, the Hon. Gilbert M. Hitchcock, a liberal-minded and progressing democrat, of presidential timber—although Mr. Bryan might dispute it—who now so creditably fills this high office.

In Nebraska's succession of able and influential senators it is confidentially believed by all republicans and conceded by many friends and admirers in all parties that the Hon. John L. Kennedy of Omaha will soon take his well-merited place.

Mr. Kennedy is an ex-congressman, of a brief but distinguished career in the house of representatives; a lawyer of ability; a close student of public affairs; a convincing and persuasive speaker; a successful business man; a liberal-minded, justice-loving, and public-spirited citizen; a man "with an opinion and a will," who by dint of application and hard work, has risen from the ranks of the lowly to a position of eminence and wealth, and yet is one of the "common people," affable, sympathetic and approachable; a cultured, courteous, high-class Christian gentleman.

John Lauderdale Kennedy comes of sterling Scotch parentage. He was born in Ayrshire, Scotland, not far from the birthplace of Robert Burns, one of the world's greatest poets. His early education was acquired in the thorough public schools of Scotland. His schoolmaster hated slavery and inculcated his pupils with his principles, telling them of the horrors of American slavery. Naturally a Scot believes in human freedom. Young Kennedy came to America when seventeen years old. The West attracted him. He went to LaSalle county, Illinois, and for four years worked on a farm. Being ambitious for a better education, he enrolled as a student at Knox college, Galesburg, where he worked his way through. He did not take his degree in course, because, just before his graduation, he rebelled against what he believed to be an act of injustice against a fellow student and left the college. Subsequently Knox college gave him his bachelor's

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Think On These Things

"What is worth much is sure to cost much. The perfection of your life is to you the most precious of all goods. It will cost much self-control, much self-denial, much self-sacrifice, but it is worth it all."



THE HON. JOHN L. KENNEDY
Candidate for Republican Nomination for United States Senator.

Retires After Thirty Years Army Service

Seattle, Wash., Oct. 1.—Only 45 years of age, William A. Vrooman, regimental quartermaster sergeant of the Ninth cavalry, retired on September 12 after thirty years continuous service, with pay amounting to \$67.50 per month. His entire service was with the Ninth.

Vrooman enlisted in 1886 at Buffalo, N. Y., when only 16 years old. He served in the Indian campaign of 1890-1891, was at Santiago in the battle of San Juan Hill, and was in the Philippine campaign of 1900-02. He qualified in 1894 as distinguished marksman, the highest qualification in the army.

Sergeant Vrooman received his retirement papers at Douglas, Ariz., where the Ninth is stationed, on September 12, and the next day he was escorted by the regimental band and a large number of his comrades when he took the train for Cheyenne, where he visited before coming on to Seattle. He will make his future home in this city.

Ejected From Ohio Playhouse

Cincinnati, O., Sept. 24.—A flagrant case of race persecution was that of Luke Prowd, son of the Rev. H. D. Prowd, pastor of Mount Street church, who was forcibly ejected from a moving picture theater on upper Central avenue, after he had purchased his ticket and secured a seat.

Young Prowd was first ordered out by an usher, then the proprietor informed him that colored people were not allowed in that theater. A policeman was called, and when Prowd persisted in retaining his seat, he was forcibly removed.

Dr. Prowd took the case up with Mayor Spiegel and Chief of Police Copelan, and the action of the policeman was investigated. He plead ignorance of his limitations as an officer, and was allowed to apologize to young Prowd, and to publish his apology in the daily papers. This he did. Dr. Prowd and his son will push the case against the proprietor of the theater.

Owns Ten Thousand Acres and Syrup Mill

Cabin Boy at Fourteen, With Monthly Wages of Fifteen Dollars, Becomes Capitalist at Forty.

BARTON FRANKLIN POWELL

Raises Hundreds of Bales of Cotton and Ships Products From Farm and Refinery All Over U. S.

Albany, Ga., Oct. 1.—Forced by lack of means to leave school when only fourteen years of age, to take a job as cabin boy on government survey boats improving Flint river, which job carried wages of \$15 per month, ten years later Barton Franklin Powell was superintendent of the river improvement work as successor to the man who had given him employment as a cabin boy. Holding this position for twenty-four years, saving and investing his money in farming and timber lands, Powell today owns 10,000 acres of land in Baker and Dougherty counties, Ga., 100 mules, 15 horses, 100 head of Jersey cattle, 200 head of Berkshire hogs, with all the machinery and equipment necessary to operate his plantation.

Raising 900 to 1,000 bales of cotton yearly is only a part of the results achieved by Powell, for he also raises large quantities of grain and cereals, runs a well-equipped grinnery, buying about as much as he raises, is a large cotton buyer, providing a home market for the tenants and small farmers of the community, buys and sells cotton seed, and to cap it all, Powell owns and runs a syrup refinery, manufacturing pure Georgia cane syrup, for which he has created so great a demand that his shipments are made to points in all the territory from Maine to California.

\$35,000 for Last Year's Cotton.

Outgoing and incoming shipments by water are handled at Powell's Landing, a private dock on Powell's land, where the Flint river steamers tie up. Ninety families have homes on the plantation, and with an average of five to a family there are 450 people on Powell's land. F. B. Priestly, Powell's nephew, the oldest son of his youngest sister, is chief overseer of the plantation's activities.

A recent transaction involved the sales of 865 bales of cotton held over from the 1914 crop. This cotton brought 8 cents a pound, the total sum received being more than \$35,000.

Mr. Powell was married in 1890 to Miss Nancy E. White of Albany, and of eight children born to that union seven are living, five boys and two girls. That the children might have the advantages offered by the city schools, Mr. Powell acquired a handsome residence in Albany, and Mrs. Powell and the children occupy this home during the school term. Mr. Powell is now 49 years of age and a conservative estimate of his wealth puts it at about \$300,000.

General Race News

GRAND PAGEANT TO BE
PRESENTED AT CAPITOL

Washington, D. C., Sept. 24.—The DuBois pageant, "The Star of Ethiopia," is scheduled to be presented three times during the week of October 10 at the American league baseball park. One thousand participants of both sexes and all ages will be required for the production and an advertisement for performers has appeared in a local paper. They will represent Kushites, Egyptians, Mohammedans, Bantus, West Indians, dancing girls, freedmen, children, etc., all concerned with the development of the Negro race from the beginning of time to the present day. The affair is promoted by the National Pageant and Dramatic association, which has been incorporated under the laws of the District by Mr. L. M. Hershaw and others.

J. Rosmand Johnson of New York is to direct the music, and Mr. E. S. Burroughs of Wilberforce university is to have charge of the dramatic features. The production is to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of the adoption of the Thirteenth amendment to the constitution of the United States.

A NEGRO OF HONEST FAME

(From the Hudson Dispatch, Hoboken New Jersey.)

Joe Jeannette, Negro, has retired from the prize ring, quitting the so-called profession after years of honest ring battles. So far as fighting goes, he was a credit to that kind of sport. He always put up a good fight—the best that as in him—and that is the reason he was always so popular and such a good drawing card. He was temperate in his habits and was always fit to fight. It may seem paradoxical, but he was a merciful fighter; he was not a brute; he never took advantage of a man whom he outclassed by giving him the beating that would have been possible. In basketball, in which game he was also a star, he could display his marvelous strength to make opponents look ridiculous, if he so desired, but he never roughed it, and always deported himself as a gentleman.

ILLINOIS METHODISTS WANT NO NEGRO BISHOP

Springfield, Ill., Sept. 24.—When a resolution was introduced into the Illinois conference of the Methodist Episcopal church on Monday, September 13, petitioning the general conference to elect a Negro bishop, the conference refused to pass it, although a strong fight in its favor was made by the Rev. J. A. Kumler of Hamilton, Ohio.

Dr. Kumler declared that there were Negroes in the M. E. church who would be an honor to Methodist episcopacy and declared that "when we push this people out of the church, Christ will feel himself a stranger to it."

Roscoe Conklin Bruce, assistant superintendent of schools of Washington, D. C., who was seriously injured in an automobile accident, some months ago, is unable to assume his school duties.

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"BIRTH OF A NATION CAUSES RIOT IN PHILADELPHIA

Philadelphia has had a riot. "The Birth of the Nation" caused it. Having appealed unsuccessfully to the mayor of the city and the governor of the state to prohibit the presentation of Dixon's distasteful photo-play, an assemblage of colored citizens estimated at 5,000, among whom were many white sympathizers, marched to the Forrest theater to protest against its appearance. As the crowd was orderly all went well until some one hurled a brick through the theater window. One hundred police then charged the crowd and in the brief fight which ensued some of Philadelphia's best colored citizens were injured and some of the police did not escape without painful bruises.

It is to be regretted that the authorities did not heed the respectful plea of its petitioners. The Philadelphians did absolutely right in protesting in boots. Their intentions were of the best. They did not seek trouble. The unfortunate feature was that some hot-headed and doubtless irresponsible member of the crowd threw a brick, which gave the police an excuse, if not a reason, for charging and dispersing the crowd. The protest succeeded. The photoplay was ordered taken off the boards by the mayor. If this action had been taken in the first place the subsequent trouble would have been avoided.

GERMAN WAITERS TAKE PLACES FROM NEGROES

Paterson, N. J., Sept. 15.—Sixteen Germans and Austrians who have been interned at Hoboken on the German ships were given jobs on Monday at the Hamilton club, to which the mayor and other prominent officials belong. The Negro employees who have been there for many years were discharged.

Charles I. Morey, superintendent, is responsible for the change, which is evidently one of the steps being taken to care for the Germans forced to stay in this country because of the war.

GEORGIANS LYNCH NEGRO BOY; FACES HIS DEATH STOICALLY

Jackson, Ga., Sept. 24.—Joe Persons, a negro boy not more than 14 years old, was hanged here today for assaulting an 8-year-old white girl. To the half hundred persons around the scaffold the boy admitted he committed the crime and stoically announced he was ready to die.

Although he weighed only seventy-five pounds, his neck was broken by the fall. Officers did not attach weights to Persons, as had been suggested to them as possibly necessary to successfully execute him.

HANDLES OVER HALF A MILLION DOLLARS

The Supreme Lodge of the Knights of Pythias which recently met at Columbus, O., reported some very substantial, financial and numerical advancement. Over half a million dollars have been handled through the executive officers since the last meeting and the enrollment of members now stands at 250,000 of the Pythias and 87,000 of the Courts of Calanthe.

MEMBER STATE DENTAL SOCIETY

Newark, N. J., Sept. 24.—Wendell P. G. Urling, D. D. S., is the only living Negro member of the New Jersey State Dental society, having been elected to membership of that organization at Asbury Park.

In sending the notice to Dr. Urling, the secretary of the society, Dr. John C. Forsythe, took opportunity to pay a tribute to Howard university, from which institution Dr. Urling graduated in 1904. Through proficiency and worthiness Dr. Urling has built up a splendid clientele in this city.

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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 devotion, 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. Ser-

vices daily at 7 a. m. and 9 a. m. Fridays 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., 181 South Twenty-fifth street, South Omaha.—The Rev. Harry Shepherd, pastor. Residence, 181 South Twenty-fifth street. Services: Preaching, 11 a. m.; Sunday School, 1:30 p. m.

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.

Science Notes

BY WILLIAM G. HAYNES.

Cotton in Natural Colors.

Instead of having to dye cotton, we may in future grow it whatever color we desire. Colored cotton is already grown in various parts of the world, and we have only to assemble the colored varieties in our own country, and produce intermediate tints by interbreeding, to obtain the result suggested above. In order that this may be brought about, of course, the different colored varieties must breed true; that is, the seeds of yellow, green or red cotton must always produce cotton of that one particular color. That this is true, and that the colors are not due to the influence of soil or other environment, have been proved by A. W. Brabham, a plant breeder of Olar, South Carolina. Says a writer in New York World Sunday Magazine:

"The production of cotton tinted by nature with any color desired is the newest and most revolutionary departure attempted in the cotton-growing industry, and one which may have far-reaching effects in the United States.

"Commercially, the achievement of natural colors in cotton would obviate the use of chemical dyes, which, besides their expense, are said to damage the fabric of the cheaper varieties of cotton-stuffs. With the perfection of the new process it would be possible to feed to the looms, to suit any design, cotton threads colored by nature with tints which could not fade."

"The leading apostle of colored cottons is A. W. Brabham, of Olar, S. C. He points out what is scarcely known to the American public—acquainted only with white cotton—that already there exists species of cotton of many various hues.

"Besides the white cotton of the United States, Peru produces a cotton with reddish lint; brown cotton is grown in Egypt, Peru and Hawaii; a yellow cotton is produced in China; and India has a gray cotton. In addition,

a green cotton has been evolved in South Carolina, and even a jet-black cotton is said to have developed in Mexico. C. H. Clarke, of Boston, has written to Brabham that it has proved feasible in laboratory experiments to produce a blue cotton.

"Brabham's chief contribution to the introduction of colored cottons is his proof that the different species whether from Peru, Egypt or China, will breed true to color in whatever soil they are planted. It was at first thought that the hues of the line were due to peculiarities of the earth in which the cotton grew. But by experiments in South Carolina, he has established that the seed from gray cotton in India produces gray cotton wherever planted; and that the same is true of red cotton from Peru, yellow cotton from China, and brown cotton from Egypt. It is well established that white cotton from North Carolina or Texas also remains white cotton in the tropics.

"The American experimenter may thus have at his disposal eight different hues of cotton—white, red, brown, yellow, gray, green, blue and black. According to Brabham, by interbreeding it will be possible to blend these colors into all the intermediate tints. For instance, by breeding white and red cotton together we should arrive at a fixed type of pink cotton; by blending red and blue cotton we should achieve purple cotton; and the intermixture of black cotton should give us darker hues of all the other colors."—Literary Digest.

The following questions and answers are taken from the Scientific American and may be of interest to those who wish to enlarge their general knowledge:

J. J. F. asks: Please inform me, when an automobile is going around a curve, which wheel leaves the ground—the outer or the inner? Does the same apply to a railroad train on a track going around a curve? A. A vehicle of any kind turns toward the outer side of the curve, when it is overturned by rounding the turn too fast. This is the effect of the centrif-

ugal force produced by the high velocity of the vehicle. The name centrifugal means fleeing from the center. As the pressure of the vehicle is outward, the outer wheels press harder on the ground or rails than the inner, and the vehicle overturns upon the outer wheels as a center. Thus the inner wheels must leave the ground first.

C. O. W. asks: Are all living cells necessarily germs? Could a bone cell or a tissue cell properly be called a germ? In other words, do the two words, cell and germ, have exactly the same meaning? A. A germ is a cell with peculiar possibilities. If fertilized, it develops into an embryo, and becomes finally like the parent from which it originally came. A cell from a piece of bone has no such possibilities. If a bone is injured the cells adjacent to the injury do not propagate other bone cells and thus join the broken ends together. New

cells are formed in material which the animal develops in the gap between the broken ends, and the union is thus completed. All living cells are not germ cells.

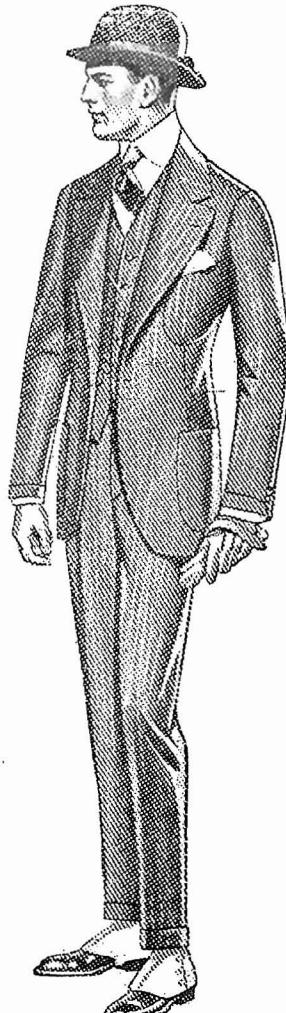
GETTING RELIGION.

You can't go much on folks who git Religion in a day;
An' claim they knew when they "cum through"

Their sins wuz washed away.
Fer when they git excited
An' their blood gits overhot,
It's ten to one they'll say sum things
They afterwards regret.
They ain't no sense in jumpin' round
An' shoutin' like you're mad,
They's saner ways of showin' that
With all th' world you're glad.
An' too it doesn't matter much
Jes when it is er where,
You'll find HIM ever waitin' fer
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—Chicago Defender.

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PREPAREDNESS.

It's in the air. It's the dominant thought of the day. And it pertains chiefly to military preparedness. Somehow men cannot rid themselves of the idea that some of the greater powers of the world have designs upon our country and that when we least expect it some foe may attack us. For such an emergency it is claimed we are wholly unprepared; and that therefore it is only the part of wisdom to enlarge the army and navy, strengthen coast defenses and expend millions on fortifications and ramparts.

We are not of those who fear attack from without. The foes that the nation should most fear are to be found within our own borders. They are greed, lawlessness, divorce, intemperance, extravagance, a growing caste system and class-antagonism. America, in our judgment, has more to fear from these insidious foes than from the heaviest siege guns, the strongest navies and the largest armies that can be turned against her. And while it is possible that we may have to engage in battle for home and country—which may God forgive—to us it seems improbable.

We should, however, bend all our energies to raise the moral tone of the nation so that the foes within may be subdued and expelled. This calls for the united effort of the best brain and brawn of the nation.

Can we but have a nation dominated by justice and righteousness—and wherein the humblest can feel that all his rights and privileges are secure, this will constitute the chief factor of our national preparedness for whatever the future may have in store.

With any large number of American citizens smarting under a sense of injustice, the mobilization of army corps, the assembling of fleets and the building of arsenals and forts will avail us little should foreign foe attack us. But with a happy, prosperous and contented, God-fearing people America is invincible.

WHERE TO LOOK FOR SOLDIERS.

Under the above caption the following letter, which furnishes food for thought, was recently published in the Army and Navy Journal:

San Antonio, Tex., Aug. 6.
To the Editor of the Army and Navy Journal:

I trust it will not be considered presumptuous for a mere civilian to offer a suggestion concerning our plan for national defense; but as the son of an army officer and as the father of two others I have always taken a deep interest in military matters, and read the Journal every week with as much care as a "regular."

In devising the new plans for the mobile army and for an adequate reserve system I hope the war department will not overlook our Negro population.

The Negro is first, last and all the time an American (and from the looks of things we are going to need Americans). He loves the flag and has reason for his patriotism. As a soldier he has time and again proved his courage and fitness as a fighter.

In time of trouble out of the 12,000,000 Negroes in this country, an army of 1,000,000 men could be put in the field, and this force, made up of the descendants of ex-slaves, may yet be necessary to preserve the union.

It would be a strange thing, indeed, if these Negro-Americans (and they seem to me to be the only ones who can properly use the hyphen) should be able to repay their debt to the nation by aiding so materially in defending it.

HENRY TERRELL.

We have learned with regret of the death at Washington, D. C., where he went to attend the national encampment of the G. A. R., of Dr. S. K. Spaulding. Several years ago we were a near neighbor of Dr. Spaulding and a warm friendship sprang up between us. He was one of those high-class, broad-minded Christian gentlemen of the other race of whom there are far too few. To his wife and daughter we extend our sympathy.

The Burgess-Nash company is to be congratulated upon its welfare association, which it has established among its employes. It is a movement that could be adopted with advantage by other firms. We are in sympathy with all movements that make for the betterment of any class of our citizens, whatever their employment may be.

By way of reminder, we desire to state that you ought not wait until the snow begins to fly before laying in a good supply of black diamonds. In buying your coal get into communication with the coal dealers who advertise in The Monitor.

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Safe to Try.

A friend of Nat Goodwin's was staying with the actor at his home in California, in the hope of obtaining relief from chronic dyspepsia. One day he was taking a walk along the beach with his host.

"I have derived relief from drinking one glass of salt-water from the tide," said the invalid solemnly. "Do you think I might take a second?"

Goodwin reflected deeply. "Well," he replied, with equal seriousness, "I don't think a second would be missed." —Osteopathic Magazine.

Letters From Our Readers

JUST A MINUTE, FR. WILLIAMS.

Omaha, Neb., Sept. 25, 1915.
Editor The Monitor:

I have read Father Williams' letter in today's Monitor and he is wrong. Evidently he has been reading Ridpath, who is more wrong than he.

The terms Negroid, Negroloid, Negritic, Hamitic, African, and many more have been used to squeeze by the term "Negro," but I am going to stay right home with that term and prove that the "queer expositor" wins hands down.

As to the Ethiopians, the Greeks named them that, meaning "the dusky faced ones," and no historian, except Ridpath, ever had the nerve to call them Caucasians. There are too many Ethiopians walking around loose nowadays to raise a question as to their ethnic relations.

Let us take the Egyptians. Here is what William Flinders Petrie, the greatest archeologist who ever lived, says: "It is certain anatomically that there is much Negro blood in the oldest Egyptians." Once more. The Anthropological Society of Berlin sent Dr. Rudolph Virchow to Egypt to bring home evidence that the Egyptians had no Negro blood. Imagine their joy when the eminent scientist delivered his home-coming address with this introduction:

"I thought I could find, by comparative examination of the living and the remains and pictures of the dead, some points establishing the change of ancient Egyptians into the Egyptians of modern times, but I have returned with the conviction that ancient Egypt and its neighboring countries have not essentially changed during all these periods. If Menes really existed, then they were in his time Negroes, since quite old mural paintings show Negroes with all their peculiarities."

As to Semitism, how is this? Frederick Ratzel, in his "History of Mankind," says: "What further contributes to make the Negro physiognomy less strange and bring it nearer to our wonted conceptions, is that in many of its manifestations an approach to the Semitic type unmistakably emerges, such as one may often call Jewish in character. There is some foundation for the view that in the Semitic type of the Jew, the Arab, the Syrian, and so on, there is also an underlying mulatto type. There is a germ of truth in it." Wheew!

Here is an official description of the sarcophagus of Esmunazar II, King of Sidon, who reigned in the country of Jethro: "The features are Egyptian, with large full almond-shaped eyes, the nose flattened and the lips remarkably thick and after the Negro mold."

Did you ever see a white man look like that, Father Williams? If so, he was a Negro with leucoderma.

Please read Shakespeare again. Iago calls Othello "a black ram," and several other naughty names. And the Moor in "The Merchant of Venice" orates:

"Mislike me not for my complexion,
The shadow'd livery of the burnished sun."

And the young suitor becomes so excited that he asks Miss Portia to bring him

"The fairest creature northward born,

Where Phoebus' rays scarce thaw the icicles,
And let us make incision for your love,
To prove whose blood is reddest, his or mine."

Some challenge, that.

Now the Moors were largely Negroes converted to Islam by Mohamed. The latter was of the Southern Arabians, the Abbasids, a black people, of the House of Hashim and the Tribe of Quyrsh, which house and tribe trace their origin back to the union of Ishmael with a daughter of Yemen, a Negro tribe.

Space forbids further discussion, but I have much more of this sort of evidence and the authorities quoted. But of all things, don't feel sorry for us. Hope on. We are doing tolerably well, and we are so vain as to be proud of it. Peoples, like the ocean tides, rise and fall, and our tide is rising and not falling.

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"YOUR PEOPLE" (?)

We sincerely hope that our young people who read the queer contribution of the Rev. John Williams to The Monitor of last week will feel neither humiliated nor discouraged, but rather will be inspired by the opinions of such an authority as the learned Dr. Milholland, who, besides being a sociologist, is an ethnologist of national repute. He is not superannuated, but is a scholar in the active stage. We are grateful to note broad, optimistic men like Dr. Milholland on the Negro's side.

The Rev. Newell Dwight Hillis of New York's famous Plymouth church once said: "When God has stripped some men of the flesh and peeled them of the blubber as a man peels an onion, and flailed the earthly out of them, at last, perchance, they will know what Emerson meant when he said, 'All gentlemen are on the Negro's side. I do not mean by gentlemen people of scented hair and perfumed handkerchiefs, but men of gentle blood and generosity, filled with nobleness, who, like the Cid, give the outcast leper a share of their bed, like the dying Sidney, pass the cup of cold water to the soldier who needs it more.'"

The Rev. Fr. Williams has evidently read history to little purpose. 'Tis true not much is known of the very early history of the black race. In the period when Negroes were dominant in North Africa much of all history was vague. It is found, however, that Cush, Ethiopia, and black are synonymous terms and that Negroes, or blacks, descended from Cush, the son of Ham.

What, then, of the progenitors of the Negro race? The Bible says: "And the sons of Ham; Cush, Mizraim, and Phut, and Canaan." We find that Cush was the oldest son of Ham and was the father of six sons, of whom Seba and Nimrod were the greatest and best known. We read: "And Cush begat Nimrod and he became a mighty one in the earth." Nimrod was the founder of the Babylonian empire. A grandson of Cush, Sheba, founded the wealthy kingdom which bore his name and whose queen made the memorable visit to Solomon.

Josephus, in Book I, chapter vi, section 3, says: "The children of Ham possessed the land from Syria and Amanus and the mountains of Libanus, seizing upon all the maritime ports and keeping them as their own. Of the four sons of Ham, time has not at all hurt the name of Chus (Cush)."

We also read that Herodotus says: "Sebachus became master of Egypt and after reigning over it fifty years abdicated the throne and returned to Ethiopia, his own country." From these records there is nothing of which we may be ashamed and much wherein the Negro has made good.

We must remember that all history was written by the Caucasian, that the classification of mankind was made by the Caucasian, and that he wrote it and made it unto himself. Even in American history you read never of the bravery or deeds of the black man.

What of the Negro of today? Who are our people? In us the trace of blood, of ancestors, is a tragedy! Does not the blood of the Caucasian flow markedly in our veins? Can we

not easily trace to the enlightened English, the cultured French, the conquering German, the aesthetic Italian? What does the term "your people" signify? What are we, anyhow—"white man, black man, beggar man, thief?"

Dr. Blyden has said, "In all the wondrous work of creation, the making of man is God's crowning act. Man is our universal representative head and from him all peoples sprung."

The world needs to lose sight of RACES in the vision of the RACE. It needs to become color-blind to all but the beauty of the human soul. The triumph of one soul is the triumph of all true souls. The rise of one race is the rise of all races. In the sense of the brotherhood of man, no matter how small the triumph, how slight the rise, we should all rejoice together. Let us then "Look forward, not back; look upward, not down; lend a hand."

L. S. E.

I WILL.

I will start anew this morning with a higher, fairer creed;
I will cease to stand complaining of my ruthless neighbor's greed;
I will cease to sit repining while my duty's call is clear,
I will waste no moment whining and my heart shall know no fear.

I will look sometimes about me for the things that merit praise;
I will search for hidden beauties that elude the grumbler's gaze;
I will try to find contentment in the paths that I must tread,
I will cease to have resentment when another moves ahead.

I will not be swayed by envy when my rival's strength is shown;
I will not deny his merit, but I'll strive to prove my own;
I will try to see the beauty spread before me, rain or shine—
I will cease to preach your duty and be more concerned with mine.

—S. E. Kiser.

MORALLY MISCONSTRUCTED.

While the infant mind and body are strongly influenced by heredity, the average normal child grows up to be good or bad according to its teachings and experiences.

Since this is the case, the moral laxity of American childhood is evidence of faults in our methods of child training. Our boys and girls are not bad; but they are not good. They do not hold positive convictions as to what is right or wrong conduct. They are negatively good. Unfortunately, this condition makes them easy victims of temptation. Probably the condition itself is due to several causes. The public school teaches little in the line of ethics.

Boys and girls are told that they "mustn't" do so-and-so. But they are not bred into principles that will control their actions, and make them wish to refrain from doing that which is wrong. The negative method always arouses curiosity in the young mind. Lack of reasoning self-control is the tempter's best aid.

Instead of younger generations growing up with definite moral principles, we have a sort of moral wavering, a general indecision, a decided

disposition to let circumstances govern, and behave like the rest of the crowd. What young Americans need is to be taught to think for themselves, and govern their individual acts according to right thinking.—Mother's Magazine.

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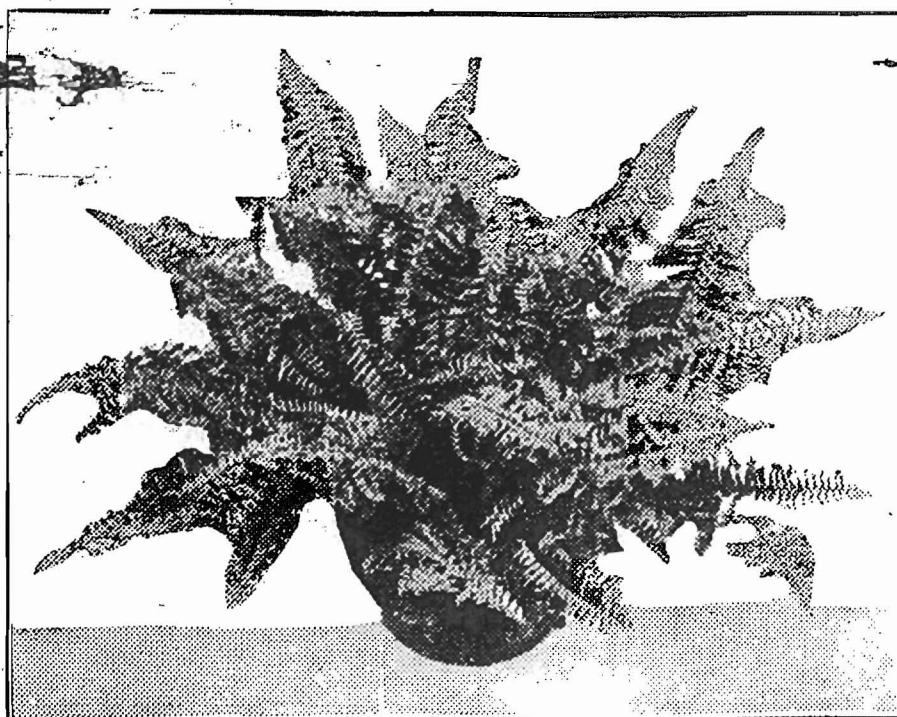
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By L. M. BENNINGTON.

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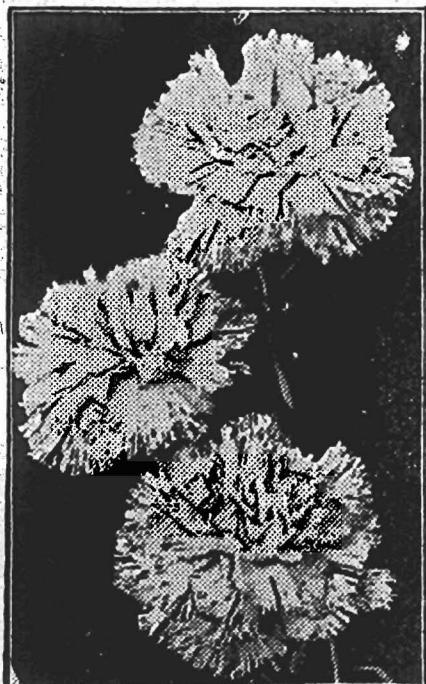
The flowers, too, are not only borne in abundance, but are of all the leading shades of color, from white through shades of pink to dark crimson, and from cream to bright yellow, as well as striped and blotched.

These new carnations are as easily grown as Japan pinks. The seeds may be sown in a box in the window during March or April, and the plants set out where they are to bloom when the weather becomes warm and settled.

Give them a sunny bed, and if you wish a fine show of flowers from each plant, pinch off the first stem that pushes up to bloom. This will cause the plant to stool out, and develop several stalks, each of which will bear a cluster of buds and flowers.

A rich, rather tenacious soil suits the plants, and they should stand eight inches apart in the row or bed.

For winter blooming sow the seeds in May or June and grow in pots, shift



A Fine Example of New Striped Carnation.

ing into larger pots as the plants develop.

The seedlings are rarely troubled with rust, which is the bane of the florist's plants, grown from cuttings. The seeds mostly germinate in from five to seven days.

MULCH YOUR PLANTS

If the season is warm, and the soil seems likely to dry out rapidly, water your plants well, and mulch about them with road dust. This will prevent the rapid evaporation of moisture from about the roots of the

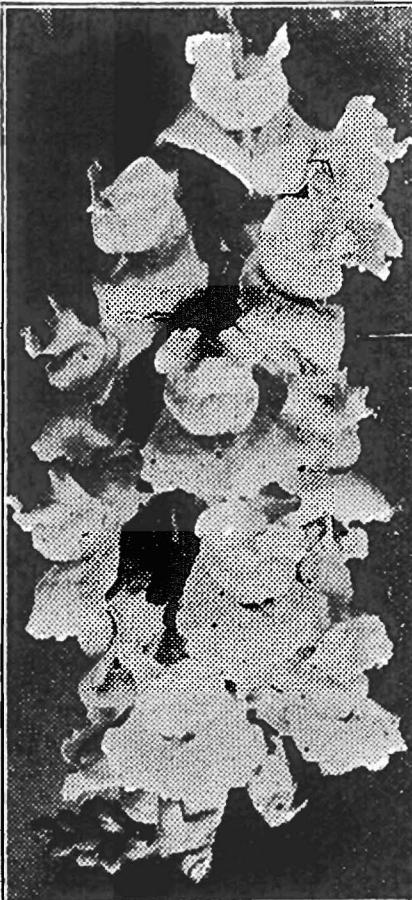
plants. Larger plants can be mulched with grass clippings from the lawn.

FLOWER LIST FOR AMATEUR

By L. R. O'BRIEN.

Among the most desirable plants for the amateur I would place the sweet pea first.

This flower has great value both for garden decoration and also for



Snapdragon One of the Old-Fashioned Favorites.

cutting. If care is taken not to allow it to develop seed, it will blossom during the entire season.

Plant at least three inches deep and as early as possible. Be sure and give a support of brush or of wire netting. The brush is preferable.

Among the old standbys is the petunia, which begins to bloom in June and keeps on blooming until frost. The flowers are showy and easily grown.

Phlox drummondii and the verbena are both profuse bloomers with a wide range of color and no garden should be without them.

Nasturtium, callospis, the poppy and marigold are old tried and true favorites and should not be overlooked.

The most fragrant of flowers, the mignonette, the pansy, the ten week stock, the aster and the snapdragon should all find a place in the garden, however small it may be. A corner of bachelor's button, the ragged robin, requires little care and makes a glorious splotch of color.

These are all old favorites, all are good, easily grown, and all are kinds that the beginner in gardening will soon get on friendly terms with.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT.

St. Joseph, Mo., Sept. 24.—A Local League in Action.—A report from the Local Business League of St. Joseph, Mo., says in part:

"The Local League here has increased its membership thricefold and is endeavoring to fill the place in the community for which it is ordained. The outlook to that end is very encouraging. The basic plan of action as adopted is 'one thing at the time.' For the present the task before us is that of getting our institution of charity, a hospital and orphanage for Northwestern Missouri, organized and endowed. Of course there are many other activities engaging our attention from time to time as our league is becoming the clearing house for all ideas, projects and efforts of a social and economic nature."

CHRISTIANITY.

Christianity is the one religion which proffers to save a man without eliminating, mutilating or starving some part of his essential nature. Christianity saves men wholly. Buddha called upon men to realize their nothingness; Jesus helped men to become all that it was possible for them to become. Buddha said that life was evil and promised men a heaven of unending sleep. Jesus said that life was good and promised men a heaven of unending growth. Epictetus bid men suppress their emotions and urged them to deny gratification to their feelings. Jesus aided men to deepen and to strengthen and to direct their emotions. Christianity is not a repressive religion; it enables men to express themselves fully and finely. Christianity does not impoverish life; it enriches it. Christianity does not narrow life; it expands and enlarges it. Men become not less but more their real selves as they become disciples of Jesus. A petty starved nature is not that of a Christian. An emasculated anemic life is not a Christian life. Christ imparts both vitality and virility. He awakens undreamed of depths of vitality in our beings. He makes our personalities deep and rich. He imparts to us life and life evermore abundantly. A thorough-going Christian should have a healthier body, a stronger reason, a kinder heart, a firmer will, and a richer imagination than his fellows. Being a Christian means being increasingly broad-minded and large-hearted and deep-spirited. It means being an exuberant son of God. Christianity is not self-denial; it is self-realization. It is not primarily a creed or a chore or a ceremony; it is life becoming full, free and fine, and rich, radiant and rejoicing. It is life journeying toward wholesomeness.—W. T. McElvenen, in "The Advance."

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(By Mrs. Sadie Selby.)

Rain, rain and more rain. Hay and corn are doing fine and frost having delayed coming, the people in the settlement will have plenty.

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Mr. Dewitt was in Seneca recently. Quarterly meeting here September 12th, conducted by the pastor the Rev. Mr. Barcley, was well attended.

Mrs. A. P. Curtis and daughter have returned home after a delightful two weeks' visit in Chicago.

Leo Leneer and wife are employed at the Seneca hotel as chef and pastry cook, respectively.

Mr. Harry Tyler has returned home from Seneca to his ranch on Big creek.

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Miss Pearl Woodson is teacher of district school No. 164, which has opened with a large enrollment.

Billy Sunday wouldn't stand any show out here. We don't draw color lines out in the hills.

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Haitien Marries a Virginia White Girl

Baltimore, Md., Oct. 1.—Maryland's law against the marrying of persons of Negro and Caucasian descent evidently does not apply to foreigners. This is evidenced by the fact that Maurice Menos, son of Solon Menos, the Haitien minister to the United States, was married in Baltimore to Miss Lillian Burgess, of Culpepper, Va., but recently attending a business college in Washington, where she met young Menos.

Menos is 26 years old, and is secretary of the Haitien legation, going to Washington a year ago from Paris, where he held a minor post.

The marriage was performed Friday, September 17, by the Rev. J. M. Wallace, pastor of the Aisquith Street Presbyterian church, an influential white minister. Mrs. Apted, an aunt, and Mrs. Joseph Janis, a sister, accompanied Miss Burgess from Washington to Baltimore and witnessed the ceremony. Luncheon was had at the Belvedere, the leading hotel in the exclusive residential district, after which young Menos and his bride left for New York.

The Haitien minister was not aware of his son's intention, and had not heard of the ceremony until questioned by reporters.

ANNOUNCES CANDIDACY FOR SENATORIAL TOGA

(Continued from first page.)

degree and a short while ago conferred upon him the degree of doctor of laws. While at Knox, one of his fellow students, who was also working his way through, was R. W. Freeman, the oldest colored letter carrier on the Omaha force. Subsequently Mr. Kennedy graduated from the state university of Iowa with the degree of bachelor of law. He came at once to Omaha. That was in 1882, thirty-three years ago. He had the usual trials of the average young lawyer. Pluck, patience and persistence won.

Nine years ago he represented the Second Nebraska district for two years in congress. Mr. Hitchcock, whom he expects to defeat in the next senatorial election, defeated him for congress. He was chairman of the republican state committee in 1911 and served as a member of the board of fire and police commissioners of Omaha for a number of years. Mr. Kennedy is a member of the Presbyterian church and a trustee of Bellevue college.

Early in July Mr. Kennedy, than whom there is no better qualified man in the state, announced his candidacy for the senatorial toga. The nominations are to be made at the primaries in the spring. The election follows in the autumn. Nebraska elects her senators by the direct vote of the people. At the primaries and at the subsequent elections of November, the colored voters—who in national politics are republican—will undoubtedly support, almost unanimously, the man whom they believe from his fair-mindedness and love of justice for all men, will do all in his power to insure to them, so far as legislation can effect it, not special privileges, but that equality of opportunity and all civic rights and privileges, untrammeled by repressive and discriminatory laws, to which they are justly entitled as American citizens. That man is the Hon. John Lauderdale Kennedy.

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