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Recorder of Deeds, Mr. Lincoln Johnson is confined to his home slightly indisposed.

Dr. C. B. Punn is in the city.

Dr. James E. Shepherd of Durham, N. C., left the city Monday, for his home.

Mrs. Ellen V. Chase Williams of Abbeville, S. C., who has been seriously ill for several weeks is able to be up again.

Dr. J. Elmer Dillinger, M. D., late major and surgeon U. S. V., was in the city this week as a delegate to the Sunday School Convention.

Miss May Fletcher of Baltimore, Md., visited this city last Sunday.

Miss Nellie Johnson of this city, attended the A. M. E. Zion Conference recently held at Harrisburg, Pa.

Mrs. John B. Lockely of this city, stopped over in Harrisburg, Pa., on Monday of last week to see relatives. She was en route to Oil City where she will spend the summer.

Miss Mayme Smith of Cincinnati, Ohio, is spending a few days in this city.

Miss Mary Hicks and Mrs. Sadie McCuba of Baltimore, are visiting friends in this city.

Miss Montrose Green of Harrisburg, Pa., was in this city last week to the graduating exercises of the nurses of Freedmen's Hospital.

Miss Janet Harris and Mrs. Howard Harrison are visiting relatives in Harrisburg.

Hon. Ralph Tyler was in Cincinnati, Ohio, last week.

Dr. L. H. Harris, Jr., of Richmond, Va., is visiting friends here.

Rev. J. C. Tyler of this city is spending a few days in Pittsburg.

Among the Washingtonians who attended the National Negro Conferences in New York on May 12, 13 and 14th, were, Mr. L. M. Hershaw, Rev. J. Milton Waldron and Mrs. Mary Church Terrell.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Brown have returned to New York, a spending a few days in this city. They were the guests of Dr. and Mrs. S. L. Corrothers.

Mr. Geo. W. Adair, has returned to this city after a very pleasant stay in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. C. Williams are spending an enjoyable stay in Indianapolis, Ind.

Mr. W. C. Hueston of Kansas City, Mo., is visiting friends in this city.

Mr. James Minor has returned to Jersey City, after a very pleasant stay of ten days here.

Mrs. Samuel Purnell, Mrs. Charles P. Minniss and Mr. Allen Bell of Wilmington, Del., are visiting relatives and friends here.

Miss Mamie Harris is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Simpson in Philadelphia, Pa.

Dr. and Mrs. W. S. Loftin returned here Monday, May 16, after very pleasant stay in Philadelphia. While there they were the guests of Miss Mary Walton on Christian St.

Mr. Frank Backus spent Sunday, May 15th in Richmond, Va., with his mother.

Mr. Dock W. Boyden came to this city this week to get his mother and accompany her to his home in Detroit, Michigan, where she will reside in the future.

Rev. J. H. Holloway and Dr. Macbeth of Charleston, S. C., attended the Sunday School Convention in this city last week and this week.

Mr. Frank Fowler Brown of the Cole and Johnson show has gone to his home in Indiana, where he will spend his summer vacation.

Dr. W. D. Cooke, pastor of Quinn Chapel, of Chicago, Ill., was in the city this week to the commencement exercises of Howard University,

when his oldest daughter received a diploma from the Normal Training Class.

Prof. and Mrs. J. D. Martin of Charlotte, N. C., came to this city last Wednesday to attend the Sunday School Convention.

Mr. B. Young, editor and manager of Journal and Guide, Norfolk Va., spent Tuesday of last week in this city. While here he was the guest of Mr. R. W. Thompson.

Rev. Dr. S. S. Morris of Suffolk, Va., spent a very pleasant trip in this city last week and this week.

Rev. Moses Jackson of Chicago, Ill., arrived here last Thursday to attend the Sunday School Convention.

After the 5 and 10 cent theatre, between the acts, and at all hours, ice cream soda is now all the rage, especially that snappy, cold, pure, delicious kind that is served at the drug store of Board and McGuire, 1912 1-2 14th street, n. w. It is made right, served right, tastes right and is right.

Miss Virginia Gibson of Chicago, Ill., has been appointed to a position in the Recorder of Deeds' office.

Mrs. Thomas J. Calloway of this city are the quest of Dr. and Mrs. Booker T. Washington, Tuskegee, Ala.

Mrs. Henry Ogletree and Mrs. Lee Kilpatrick, who have been visiting friends in this city and Baltimore, Md., have returned to their homes in Atlanta, Ga.

Mrs. Ogletree and Mrs. Kilpatrick were the recipients of many receptions in both cities.

Mrs. C. J. Jones of Atlanta, Ga., attended the graduating exercises of her son, Mr. LeRoy Jones at Howard University this week.

Friday evening, May 13, was the occasion of quite a brilliant entertainment given in honor of Miss Anna Martin, at 1109 New Hampshire avenue, n. w., as an expression of the regard of her friends. Miss Martin left the city on Monday, May 16, for a sojourn of six months in Chicago, accompanied by Mrs. Lannie Diggs.

Miss Phoebe E. Perry, a member of the senior class of the Teachers' College of Howard University has been appointed teacher of English and history in the Lincoln High School, Wheeling, W. Va.

Miss Hattie B. Cole of New York sister of Mr. Robert Cole, is the guest of her sister, Miss C. Harris, 316 Elm street, n. w.

Miss Marie Wolfolk of Atlanta, Ga., is in the city the guest of friends.

Rev. and Mrs. Wallace have been the guest of their mother, Mrs. Jennie Pinkney of 81 O street, n. w.

**CLASS DAY EXERCISES**

There were a large crowd present Tuesday afternoon in the amphitheatre of Howard University. The occasion was class day exercises. This is one of the largest classes that has ever held faith at this institution. Class Day Exercises, May 24, 1910.

The program:

Overture—Orchestra.

Welcome Address—President.

Class History—Miss J. M. Berry.

Oration—J. S. Butts.

Music—Orchestra.

Class Poem—L. E. Jones.

Giftatory—W. C. Chase, Jr.

Mantle Oration—W. R. Wilson.

Music—Orchestra.

Prophecy—Miss Sadie B. Davis.

Valedictory—E. M. Pollard.

Class Song—Words by Miss H. J. Terry.

Class Roll:

Charles W. Barnett, Brandon, Miss.

Joanna M. Berry, Washington, D. C.

Norman E. Boyd, Washington, D. C.

Jonathan S. Butts, Jarrets, Va.

William C. Chase, Jr., Washington, D. C.

Hensley L. Cox, Grove Hill, Ala.

Joshua W. Cliford, Cleveland, Ohio.

Sadie B. Davis, Augusta, Ga.

James F. Dagler, Ladonia, Tex.

Rufus J. Hawkins, Live Oak, Fla.

Bertha Hanson, Washington, D. C.

Ethel G. Jones, Baltimore, Md.

LeRoy E. Jones, Atlanta, Ga.

Julius H. Love, Baltimore, Md.

William A. Love, Baltimore, Md.

Reginald L. Lynch, Barbadoes, B. W. I.

Sarah N. Merriweather, Washington, D. C.

Alice P. Murray, Washington, D. C.

Frederick D. Norris, Helena, Ark.

George W. Oldham, Austin, Tex.

Phoebe E. Perry, Wytheville, Va.

Earnest M. Pollard, Littleton, N. C.

John C. Ridout, Baltimore, Md.

Carrie E. Snowden, Washington, D. C.

Howard H. Sumners, Harrisburg, Pa.

Harriet J. Terry, Cornwall-on-Hudson, N. Y.

Welford J. Terry, Fredericksburg, Va.

Williams R. Williams, Norfolk, Va.

**UNION RECEPTION**

Rev. S. L. Corrothers, pastor of Galbraith A. M. E. Zion Church has been returned for the ninth term as pastor of Galbraith Church. There is no man in the connection who is appreciated and honored more than Dr. Corrothers. There is to be special services tomorrow at 11 o'clock a. m.

Sunday, May 29, is to be a red letter day in Zion.

Bishop Hood, the senior Bishop of the A. M. E. Zion Church, will attend the services at 11 a. m., and offer the morning prayer. The sermon for the morning at 11 a. m., will be delivered by the Right Reverend J. W. Smith, A. M., D. D.

In the afternoon there will be a Woman's Rally under the supervision of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society, at which time Mrs. Ida V. Smith, the wife of Bishop Smith, will present Mrs. J. W. Hood, the first president in the Missionary Movement in the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church.

Sunday night, at 8 p. m., there will be the annual gathering of the Masons of the District of Columbia to hear a special sermon by the pastor, Sylvester L. Corrothers, D. D. The public in general is invited.

Monday night, May 30th from 8.30 to 11 p. m.

The distinguished guests will be Right Reverend J. W. Smith, A. M. D. D., a resident Bishop of Washington, and Right Reverend J. W. Hood, D. D., LL. D., of Fayetteville, N. C., the oldest Methodist Episcopal Bishop living. Another important feature of the occasion will be the celebration of the eighty-first birthday of Bishop Hood.

The following program is to be observed:

Scripture Lesson—Rev. Logan Johnson, D. D.

Prayer—Rev. C. C. Alleyne, A. B.

Address of Welcome on behalf of the Zion Preachers' Association—Rev. W. H. Ferguson, D. D.

On behalf of the Baptist Church—Dr. J. Milton Waldron.

On behalf of the A. M. E. Church—Rev. John Hurst, D. D.

On behalf of the Public Schools—Prof. R. C. Bruce, Assistant Superintendent of Public Schools.

On behalf of the District Government—Justice Robert H. Terrell.

On behalf of Howard University—President W. P. Thirkield, D. D., LL. D.

Our indebtedness to J. W. Hood—Hon. J. C. Dancy, LL. D.

The Negro Pulpit—Dr. I. N. Ross.

Response—Bishop J. W. Smith and Bishop J. W. Hood.

Rev. Dr. Abraham Simon, teacher, orator scholar. Rabbi Washington Hebrew Congregation will address Y. M. C. A. Men's Meeting on subject "The Education that is Worth While," Sunday, May 29th, 3.30 P. M., True Reformers' Hall, 12th and You Sts., n. w. Special music—Whistling chorus.

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Howard University Contestants.

W. J. Joiner, 5.

Kelly Miller, 5.

Miss Maude Childress, 3.

W. A. Dyson, 3.

George W. Cook, 3.

L. B. Moore, 5.

J. G. Logan, 2.

Public School Contestants.

Mr. Grant Lucus, 5.

Miss Katie C. Lewis, 8.

J. W. Cromwell, 5.

Miss Emma F. G. Merrill, 7.

J. E. Walker, 1.

J. T. Layton, 3.

Mrs. M. E. Tucker, 1.

W. T. S. Jackson, 4.

J. T. Layton, 10.

Miss Mary E. Wilson, 114.

Miss J. C. Grant, 1.

Miss E. A. Chase, 25.

J. C. Nalle, 3.

Miss M. L. Jordan, 1.

Miss C. E. Hunter, 3.

Miss Serena Carter, 3.

Miss Agnes Davis, 1.

Miss Voshta Turley, 1.

Miss Clotie Houston, 1.

Miss Dollie Dodson, 1.

Miss Florence W. Williams, 2.

Miss Martha Legrins, 1.

F. L. Cardoza, 1.

Miss Maude Fleming, 1.

Miss Alice Jackson, 1.

Miss Isabell Sidney, 1.

Miss Notala Collier, 2.

Miss Harriet Shadd, 1.

Miss Jevena Campbell, 1.

Miss Rachel Cornish, 2.

Miss Bessie Miller, 4.

Miss Sallie Fisher, 2.

Miss Marcia Montgomery, 2.

Miss Janie Cole, 4.

Mr. Moria Saunders, 5.

Miss Parthenie Woodson, 5.

Miss Lula Davis, 2.

W. Bruce Evans, 50.

Horace Anderson, 10.

Miss Matilda Wheeler, 1.

Miss Marie A. D. Madre, 2.

Miss Mattie Bowen, 2.

Miss Belle Kinser, 1.

Miss Julia Brooks, 4.

Miss Estelle Collier, 1.

Miss Pearl Lewis, 3.

Mrs. Eva Fletcher, 10.

Miss M. S. Jordan, 10.

Miss Elfrida Kennedy, 27.

Miss Minnie A. Lucas, 8.

E. Christopher Williams, 64.

Robert Mattingly, 105.

Miss Sarah C. Lewis, 10.

Miss Rosa Carter, 18.

Miss Beatrice L. Chase, 55.

Miss Lou Washington, 5.

Miss Gertrude Tibbs, 3.

Miss Emma B. Hall, 5.

Miss Beatrice Martin, 4.

Miss Mamie McGuinn, 3.

Mr. David Green, 2.

Mr. L. C. Bradley, 5.

Miss Millie Gibbs, 8.

Miss Gertrude Early, 2.

Miss Nellie Ford, 4.

Miss Elizabeth Tancil, 6.

Miss Emma Carroll, 2.

Miss Harriett Williams, 5.

Mr. Maurice Clifford, 3.

Miss Lizzie Clark, 2.

Mr. Thomas Heathman, 2.

Mr. H. W. Lewis, 3.

Miss Susie Quander, 4.

Miss Ray Cornish, 3.

Mr. Bernard Keyes, 2.

Mr. Roscoe Vaughn, 3.

Miss Annie Howard, 5.

Miss Eva Watson, 4.

**SACRED CONCERT**

The music loving folks of this city was given another rare treat Sunday evening at Metropolitan A. M. E. Church. Prof. John T. Layton gave one of his sacred concerts by his famous choir. To say Metropolitan A. M. E. Choir is going to give a Song Service is sufficient. Everybody knows what that means—a rare musical treat. They were assisted by Mrs. Mary H. Demby of Boston, Mass., and Mr. Frank Fowler Brown of Indianapolis, Indiana.

The opening hymn "Metropolitan" is a composition of Prof. J. T. Layton, it is a harmonious and beautiful hymn and has become a great favorite in the A. M. E. Church Hymnal. "The Lord is My Light" by Thompson was given with great precision and vigor—the bass solo by Prof. Layton was artistically rendered—the deep and sonorous bass notes were very appealing. "Show Thy Mercy" by Marshall was artistically rendered by Miss H. Demby, she has a wonderfully sweet and pathetic voice and sings with great artistic skill. "Ye People Rend Your Heart" by Mendels was sung by Mr. Frank Fowler Brown, who has a beautiful tenor voice and an exceptional range was a master-piece. "Inflammatus" by the choir and the obligato by Miss Demby was a great musical triumph for the choir and Miss Demby, she sustained the high "C" with a large and perfect tone, which evidenced that she is a great artist. The organist, Prof. Wm. Braxton was up to his usual standard and showed what practice and consistent effort can accomplish.

The choir as usual held the pennant "Excelsior" where they sang at the Church of the Covenant a few evenings ago. One of the most prominent members of that church said "that is the best music that has been presented in this church this season." May Prof. John T. Layton and his efficient and gifted choir continue to ascend the ladder of

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**A NIGHT WITH THE SPIRITS**

Strange Manifestations At True Reformers' Hall Sunday Night

The great Houdin, the "Man of Mystery," from Calcutta, India, is to give a Scientific Test Seance of spirit phenomena at True Reformers' Hall, on Sunday night, commencing at 8:15. Admission, 25 cents; reserved seats, 35 cents.

**MR. BRUCE'S REPORT.**

Elsewhere in The Bee will be seen excerpts from the report of Assistant Superintendent Bruce, of which there has been so much talk and criticism. If what Mr. Bruce states be true, the Colored High School is radically wrong, and makes contention of The Bee correct when it stated some time ago that graduates from the Armstrong Manual Training School to the Normal School No. 2 were not justly treated. Certainly Mr. Bruce's report calls for an investigation somewhere.

**FAIRMOUNT HEIGHTS**

On Sunday, May 15th, 1910, the grand rally of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Fairmount Heights, was held at the public hall at that place.

Rev. E. S. Williams, District superintendent preached the annual sermon on this occasion to the Corinthian Lodge No. 3857, G. U. O. of O. F., which attended in a body. The Household of Ruth connected with said order also attended the services and very a gratifying collection was raised towards the erection of the new M. E. Church shortly to be built at Fairmount Heights under the supervision of Rev. Wm. H. Howard, pastor in charge.

In furtherance of this enterprise, a literary and musical entertainment was given at the residence of Sergeant Frank Coleman of White avenue, Fairmount Heights, Wednesday, May 18, 1910, at which the following program was rendered:

Mr. Frank Coleman, Md.—Opening Address.

Mr. R. D. Williams, Md.—Response.

Mrs. W. T. Chapman, D. C.—Recitation.

Mr. W. H. Anderson, Md.—Solo.

Mr. W. D. Nixon, D. C.—Address.

Miss Mabel Browner, D. C.—Solo.

Miss Lillian Noble, Md.—Solo.

Mrs. W. B. Calls and Mr. Witz, Md.—Instrumental Duet.

Miss Hattie Boyd, D. C.—Solo.

Mr. Wm. Dixon, Ohio.—Solo.

The attendance was very large and refreshments were served.

The remains of Samuel T. Jackson brother of Annie M. Pearson, wife of James A. Johnson, were interred in Harmony Cemetery, Thursday afternoon last.

The Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the District of Columbia will celebrate St. John's day, June 24th, with a grand excursion.

Dr. J. R. Wilder will sail for London from New York on the 31st inst. He will be accompanied by his son. He will also visit Argentina, South America and other cities before he returns to the United States.

**APPEAL TO PARENTS AND OTHERS**

To the Supervising Principals, High and Normal School Principals, Assistant Directors, Building Principals, Teachers.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

There are many evidences of the fact that hundreds of our children between, say, 6 and 14 years of age are not enrolled in the local public schools. A trustworthy estimate of the aggregate number of such children is, of course, impossible, but one may safely say that the number runs up into four figures. For the entire District of Columbia the colored schools have but one Attendance Officer! This officer has devoted herself to her work with the utmost tact, intelligence, and efficiency but the task transcends the powers of any one person. What can we do to cooperate the Attendance Officer in this vital matter of getting the children into school.

Would it not appear advisable for us to urge all persons to send in to us the names and addresses of pupils from 6 to 14 years of age who, they happen to know, are not attending school? These lists we could, then, forward to Mrs. Ida G. Richardson, Attendance Officer, at Sumner School? The fact is that most of the students in the intermediate grades of our elementary schools and in the classes of the high, manual training and normal schools know the names and addresses of at least one or two such delinquents. The teachers of these students might be instructed by the proper authorities to have each pupil hand in a list of names and addresses before June 1, every precaution being taken to make the information absolutely correct. The list should, I think, contain, if possible, the following items: (1) Name of delinquent pupil, (2) sex, (3) age, (4) street address and (5) name of pupil's parent or guardian.

Many of the students in the graduating classes of the whole Normal School No. 2 are willing, the principal tells us, to give their services to the Attendance Officer, say, during the latter part of August and of September, for the purpose of visiting the homes of pupils who are not but should be in school and to impress upon the parents not merely penalties of not observing the Compulsory Education Law, but also the moral wrong of denying their children the opportunities of our free schools. Such service by the Normal School students (and by other persons who may be willing to assist) would prove of great value.

I write to you for your opinion of the plan which I have roughly outlined above and for any criticism or suggestion that may occur to you.

Moreover, don't you think that our teachers would be willing to bestir themselves much more systematically than they have hitherto done, to bring children to school?

Very sincerely yours,

Roscoe C. Bruce,  
Assistant Superintendent of Public Schools, D. C.

**Don't fail to go to True Reformers' Hall Sunday night.**

According to the reports of the Pennsylvania Railroad for the years of 1908 and 1909 its various lines carried a total of 299,762,658 passengers, and only one of this number have been killed as a result of a train wreck.

It is reported from Atlanta that cotton crop experts estimate that more than 25 per cent. of the cotton area in Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana will have to be replanted.

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Notice how the list for the teachers.

Have you noticed the contest which in your vote.