
MUST GET OUT.

Four Little Children Found Locked Up in a Room—In the Event of Fire What Would Happen ?

Board of Health Has Ordered the Houses in Question to be Closed in Ten Days.

A day or two ago the sanitary authorities made a tour of inspection through the buildings at the foot of Brant avenue and near the drill shed. These buildings are occupied by several colored families. The inspectors found them to be in a greatly dilapidated condition, and to be insanitary enough to be reported to the board of health of the city. Many of the rooms were so scantily furnished as to be almost uninhabitable.

The officers found a door locked and asked to have it opened. No person on the premises had a key to the padlock. The inspector broke open the door, and within he found four little children who were locked up there, and would remain so locked until the return of the parents. In the event of fire in the premises, and they would have gone like tinder, it is shocking to think what would have befallen the little ones who were locked under key and padlock.

The insanitary condition of the houses referred to was considered by the board of health last night, and an order was issued to close them in ten days.

THE HOUSEHOLD "GODS."

Several of Them Dropped Over the Windows—Wrath Has Been Kindled.

On Monday evening Constables Wallace and Donnelly were deputed to remove several colored families from the condemned tenement on Brant Avenue. The sanitary authorities had condemned the premises and ordered the families to get out. This they appear to have been somewhat dilatory in doing, and so the police removed them. Some of the unbreakable household "gods" were thrown out of the window, but all the others were carried downstairs. Several of them have fallen to pieces, and it is reported that the colored families referred to will have recourse to the law.

A JOLLY TIME.

The Colored People of This City and Other Friends Had a Jolly Picnic Yesterday.

Monday was Emancipation day, and all the colored people in the city, and a few friends from outside, had a most enjoyable outing at the Mohawk park and lake. The merry party took cars early in the afternoon, and with well-filled baskets and quite a multitude of little babies, set out to celebrate the occasion.

In the park itself, a delightful time was spent. There many family greetings and family re-unions took place. The three sons of old Mr. Jones came over from Buffalo on their bikes, and their respective ladies also came over likewise on bikes. They were hailed with the warmest enthusiasm. It should be said the whole occasion was eminently respectable and enjoyable.

OLD BUILDINGS ON FIRE

The Ramshackle at the Foot of Brant Avenue Was Evidently Set on Fire by Somebody.

At 5.30 a.m. yesterday an alarm of fire was turned in to the fire hall. The brigade responded to the call promptly, and the blaze proved to be in the old Watts' property, commonly known as the "rookery," at the junction of Brant avenue and Colborne streets. The building was dry as tinder, and burned furiously giving the firemen a hard fight for some two hours. When the flames were finally subdued the entire upper storey was gutted.

The fire was confined to the top storey of the building, and was undoubtedly of incendiary origin. Of course the firebug left no clue to his identity. There was no one living in the building, the occupants having been ordered out some time ago by the board of health. None of the insurance companies are involved, in fact it is impossible to find an owner for the premises, all the parties having any interest in the property stoutly disclaiming ownership.

ored people joined heartily and the proceedings were watched until early this morning.

EXPOSITOR COUPON SERIES

Two Pictures Added of the Queen and Prince of Wales...Special Offer For Whole Lot.

The Expositor has just completed arrangements with a large publishing house for colored pictures of the Queen and Prince of Wales. These pictures are now on exhibition at The Expositor Office, and make the fifth in the series. Either of them may be had upon presenting four coupons and ten cents at the business office of The Expositor. Or for ten coupons and fifty cents friends of The Expositor may have the Queen, the Prince of Wales, a copy of Lord Roberts, Lord Kitchener and Baden-Powell, five pictures for less than half the price of one. These pictures are in colors, 18x24 inches in size, are on coated calendar paper and suitable for framing. Save your coupons and secure the pictures, as they will not last long. They will be mailed to any address in Canada or United States at these prices. Address Coupon Department, The Expositor, Brantford, Ont.

The Baseball Match.

The feature of the afternoon celebration and one which provided no end of amusement for the spectators, was the baseball match between Hamilton and Brantford colored nines. The locals tried "Cash" Washington, "Jeff" Smith and "Andy" Workman in the box and all three were fairly effective. However, the Hamiltonians won out in a six innings game by the following score:

Brantford Colored Nine.		Hamilton Nine.					
A.	B.	R.	H.	P.	O.	A.	E.
Smith, p, c	4	2	1	1	0	1	
Workman, p, c	3	2	1	9	0	2	
Tanner, s, s	4	2	2	0	2	3	
Turner, lb, cf	2	1	2	0	0	1	
Walker, 2b	4	1	1	2	0	0	
Davenport, cf	4	1	0	2	0	3	
Williams, lf, ss	8	1	1	1	2	0	
Snowden, rf	3	0	0	0	0	0	
Washington, p	3	1	0	3	0	1	
	30	11	8	18	4	11	

Hamilton Nine.		Brantford Colored Nine.					
A.	B.	R.	H.	P.	O.	A.	E.
Harris, p	6	2	1	1	2	0	
W. Workman, lb	4	3	2	5	0	1	
Duncan, 2b	5	3	1	2	1	2	
G. Workman, 3b	5	3	1	2	0	2	
A. Workman, s, s	4	3	1	0	1	1	
Rubidoro, c	5	3	2	6	1	2	
Hull, lf	6	2	2	1	0	0	
Williams, cf	3	0	1	0	0	0	
Washington, rf	3	0	0	0	0	0	
	29	21	11	18	5	8	

By innings—
Brantford 0 4 0 0 4 3—21
Hamilton 5 4 3 1 3 5—11
In the Evening.

In the evening an immense crowd gathered at the armory to see the cakewalk. Unavoidably there was some delay in starting, but when the cakewalk was commenced the visitors were kept laughing. There were five entries, and all of the walkers knew their business. The judges were Messrs. C. H. Watrous, T. H. Preston, M.P.P., Charles Taylor, W. C. Killmaster, John Muir, J. B. Wood, and Fred Frank. There was the greatest difficulty in selecting the winners, so keen was the contest, and four of the couples were made to continue the walk. "Rubber" Williams was master-of-ceremonies and kept the crowd in laughter all the time. Professor Grant of Hamilton, was announcer. Finally the judges decided that the prizes should be awarded as follows—
1. Andy Workman, and Miss McGurtis.
2. Mr. and Mrs. James Payne.
3. Mr. Ducey of Toronto, and Mrs. Woods.
4. "Cash" Washington and Miss Taylor.
5. Mr. Davenport and Miss Taylor.
The Queen city quartet was present and rendered several selections. The Citizens' band provided music for the cakewalk, and their task was by no means an easy one.
After the cakewalk had been concluded a portion of the floor was cleared and dancing began. The col-

EMANCIPATION DAY

The Colored Residents Celebrated With Great Heartiness in This City Yesterday.

BASEBALL MATCH
Was Won by Hamilton Colored Nine...The Cake-Walk in the Evening.

While the colored people do not know about celebrating Emancipation Day, the glorious day on which they received their freedom from slavery by reason of the goodness of the British Government, no one can fault them. The spirit which they enter into these annual events was splendidly exemplified yesterday when the people of the city saw for themselves the appreciation of the colored race of the possibility of the emancipation that awaits them and the success for them the more, justice and liberty that all British subjects are entitled to.

Emancipation Day is the one day of the year that distinctly belongs to the colored people. They give as heartily as anyone in the celebration of the other national holidays, but Emancipation Day is theirs in the strictest sense of the word.

There has not been a demonstration of the kind in Brantford in many years, and never before one so ready in elaborate and interesting and had been done that needed to be done or could be done, and the weather being perfect, did the best.

From seven to ten many visitors from outside had been expected, or as were desired, but fairly large crowds came from Brantford, Hamilton, Woodstock and other neighboring places, and these were met and welcomed in seeing that the streets of the city were thronged with people. Everything passed off smoothly and in an orderly and quiet manner, and the celebration was a success in every particular. They came into the city in the forenoon, and the afternoon part of the celebration, which was held at Motawak Park, attracted a very large number of people. Happily the white residents of the city appreciated the action of their colored brethren, and turned out cheerfully to assist in the demonstration. Both afternoon and evening was a far greater number of white people than colored in attendance, and they were well repaid for their trouble. To Jim Wilson, Mr. Snowden and a few others the credit is due for the success of the day. The walk necessary to guarantee any kind of success was an all out endeavor, of no mean magnitude, and required many days of secret, undivided attention. This was given by Mr. Wilson, who was the recipient of numerous compliments for the splendid success which has attended his efforts. Throughout the day he was everywhere, directing and inspiring, and at night he was well satisfied.

Mr. Goodwin acted as chairman in the afternoon at Motawak Park, and very efficiently. In the charge of the cake-walk which devolved upon him. In a neat address, which was frequently interrupted by applause, he pointed to the social, moral and industrial progress of the colored race, and explained the occasion for the demonstration.

Colborn Melroy, a Hamilton visitor, was also there and made an address. He argued that in each district a colored man who could speak should speak it being the greatest of days. He showed the audience that the next to England of taking the step that they did, and in giving the colored man was necessary and that all colored people should be in celebrating with sincerity and with heartiness.

The Queen City Quartette of Toronto, sang several selections and were especially applauded.

The Baseball Match.

The feature of the afternoon cele-

B.M.E. CONVENTION

Pastors of This Church Gather Here From all Parts of Canada.

The forty-third convention of the church, opened its annual session here on Saturday. Rev. Benjamin Stewart, of Chatham, presided owing to the absence in England of Bishop Washington. The following officers were elected: Secretary—Rev. R. R. Ball, Toronto. Stationer and Reporter—Rev. W. H. Snowden, Brantford. Marshal—Rev. Robert Brown, Montreal. Finance Committee—Rev. W. H. Snowden, R. A. Ball and S. A. Lucas. Petitioners—Rev. Messrs. Brown, Blount and Drake. Rev. Messrs. R. R. Ball, B. Brown, and W. R. Drake were appointed to conduct the Sunday services at the Murray street church. The conference will hold its sessions from 9.30 to 12, and from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday, Rev. R. Brown of Montreal, delivered a very touching sermon at the B.M.E. church on Murray street, on the "Good Fight of Faith." In the afternoon, an impressive and interesting sermon was delivered to a large and appreciative audience on the "Pre-eminence of Christ." In the evening, another splendid address on "The Christ of God," was given by Rev. W. R. Drake. This morning's session was opened by Rev. G. W. Brown, of Owen Sound, who conducted the devotional exercises. Rev. Henderson Davis, of Windsor, and Rev. Herbert Weight arrived to-day to attend the conference. This afternoon the pastors are making their reports. To-night the convention delegates will hold a missionary meeting at Wickliffe hill. Some of the best singers of the B.M.E. church in Canada will be here during the conference.

EX-SLAVE DEAD

Peter Johnson Passed Away-- Was Attacked With Blood-hounds.

Peter Johnson, a respected colored man, aged 70, died on Saturday at the hospital. The deceased man had a romantic career. He was born in slavery on a southern plantation, and after reaching years of maturity made a dash for liberty. He was tracked with bloodhounds, but succeeded in effecting his escape and finally reached British soil by way of the "underground railroad." Johnson lived in Brantford since 1857 and was respected as a hardworking, capable citizen. The funeral took place on Sunday at Mount Hope, Rev. R. J. Trautman officiating. The pall-bearers were Messrs. John S. Jones, Thomas Snowden, Nicholas McComas, Charles Walker, Joseph Purdy and Stephen Brown.

B.M.E. CONFERENCE

The Closing Session -- A Most Interesting One -- Other Ministers Present.

The Old annual conference of the B.M.E. church was brought to a close at twelve noon, Monday, with prayer and the benediction by the venerable presiding officer, Father Stewart, of Chatham, to meet at Dresden on the third Wednesday in June next. The Bishop, Rev. C. A. Washington, had made out the appointments prior to his leaving for England in the interest of the British Methodist Episcopal Church of Canada, which were read by the secretary Sunday night at Wickliffe Hall, after the regular conference services at the Murray street B.M.E. Church, as follows: Bishop, Rev. W. B. Drake; Brantford, Rev. H. Robinson; Chatham, Rev. H. H. Wright; Dresden, Rev. R. L. Hodson; Harrow, Rev. C. R. Brown; London, Rev. R. B. Hill; Liverpool, N.S., Rev. J. Morley; Quebec, Rev. Peter Brooks; Niagara Falls South, Rev. Dr. Greer; Montreal, Rev. Robert Brown; St. Catharines, Rev. R. A. Ball; Woodstock, Rev. J. W. Brown; Windsor, Rev. Henderson Davis; Toronto, Rev. W. H. Snowden.

The meeting at Wickliffe Hall at 8:30 on Sunday night was well attended by an immense crowd of eager people to hear the delightful singing of the conference members and friends, and to hear the reading of the appointments. The Rev. Mr. Davis made a very touching appeal to the members of the conference and the congregation to do all that was possible in an honest endeavor towards seeking the worldly man to seek and to find the Christ of God. The Rev. Messrs. R. A. Ball and R. L. Hodson made an appeal also to the friends of God to do all they could in bringing men to God and peace on earth. The singing was grand and highly enjoyed by the large audience. The Rev. Dr. Spencer, of the First Baptist church, Brantford, also spoke at this meeting. He referred to the Rev. Mr. Snowden, the retiring pastor of the B.M.E. church at Brantford, and of his noble work and worth as a minister. He expressed his regret at seeing Mr. Snowden leave the city of Brantford, and, as a member of the Ministerial Alliance, he wished him God-speed on his journey and prosperity in his new field of labor at Toronto. The Rev. Mr. Dickson, pastor of the Wellington street Methodist church, also expressed his praise of the Rev. Mr. Snowden as a member of the Alliance, and as an upright, respectful man. He also wished the Rev. Mr. Snowden God-speed.

The conference was an enjoyable one throughout the whole of its sessions in Brantford. Though the amiable and highly respected Bishop C. A. Washington was not present, the conference proved a most successful and pleasant one to the members and friends of the convention.

The young people's convention of the B.M.E. church met in its first session at twelve noon Monday. After the roll call and reading of minutes, the meeting was adjourned to proceed to Mohawk as the guests of the O. R. society of the B.M.E. church of Brantford. The Rev. S. A. Lucas, the esteemed president of the society, had extended in the name of the society an invitation to the conference and the Y.P.C. to attend a picnic at the park, given by the O.R. of the Brantford church in honor of the conference and the Y.P.C. Monday afternoon. The society and the Rev. Mr. Lucas deserve great praise for the manner in which they, together with the Rev. Mr. Snowden, the retiring pastor of the lo-

cal church, entertained the conference and convention while being held at Brantford.

The conference, just before it closed, passed several resolutions thanking the friends of Brantford, the press, the pastor and congregation of the B.M.E. church for their kindness during its session here, as did also the Y.P.C.

The Rev. Mr. Snowden preaches his farewell sermon at the church Sunday night.