

General Race News

THE TWENTY-FIVE FOREMOST LIVING COLORED MEN

The following communication has been sent to the New York Age by I. M. A. Pecker:

In the interest of sociological research, inquiry was recently made for a list of twenty-five foremost living Colored men. Of course, the making of such a list would vary according to the bent of mind, diversity of interests and broadness of vision of the individual consulted. One of the parties consulted submitted the following list:

In the amusement field—Bert Williams, the comedian, and Harry T. Burleigh, musician. Athletics—Howard P. Drew, John Lester Johnson. Authorship—Charles W. Chesnutt, W. E. B. DuBois, Kelly Miller. Clergy—Revs. Hutchens C. Bishop, Francis J. Grimke, Charles T. Walker. Diplomacy—John S. Durham, Henry W. Furniss. Educational—Prof. W. S. Scarborough, Robert Russa Moton. Finance—J. C. Napier, Charles Banks. Journalism—Chris. J. Perry, Ralph W. Tyler. Medicine—Dr. Daniel H. Williams. Law—William H. Lewis, Edward H. Morris. Painting—Henry O. Tanner. Poetry—C. Stanley Braithwaite. Politics—Charles W. Anderson, Bishop Alexander Walters.

It might be of interest to see how many of the same names would appear in, say a hundred different lists made up by individuals in different sections of the country. In the above selections no attention was given to localities, though as the writer was more familiar with East and North those sections may predominate in his selections. However, let some others try their pens and brains in choosing twenty-five candidates for a contemporary hall of fame—only live ones to be included.

The Monitor suggests that our readers submit similar lists.

COLORED CITIZENS RAISE \$500 FOR FIRE VICTIMS

Nashville, April 7.—The Negro board of trade, Nashville's Colored commercial organization, raised \$500 in cash at its meeting March 23, to be used for the relief of victims of the fire here. The Negro board has been designated the official agency to take charge of the Colored sufferers by the Nashville Commercial Club and the city commission. The Department of Social Science at Fisk university is co-operating with the Colored organization in administering to the several hundred Colored victims.

AFRICAN KING DEAD REIGNED FORTY-FIVE YEARS

London, England, April 7.—Lewanika, king of Barotseland, early in March, passed away, leaving twelve widows. His kingdom was situated in South Africa and covered an area about the size of Germany proper.

He was a little over 60 and had reigned forty-five years. Early in life he was somewhat rough in his methods and killed a cousin who disputed the throne with him. Later he was overthrown by Akufuna, a usurper, who ruled for some time at Lealvyi, the Barotseland capital. Lewanika, however, rallied his forces, defeated Akufuna in a bloody battle, and replaced the crown on his own head.

His temporary reverse was a lesson to him. He abandoned the role of tyrant, welcomed missionaries and ruled by justice rather force. He never became a Christian.

Lewanika attended King Edward's coronation, gave the new sovereign an ivory tusk and a leopard skin, was received at Buckingham palace and became an accomplished diner-out. After his return home another attempt was made to depose him, but he settled it with fifty soldiers and a Maxim gun.

NEW YORK CONFERENCE WANTS NEGRO BISHOPS

Peekskill, N. Y., April 7.—The New York conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church went on record as favoring the election of Negro bishops by a vote of 123 to 15. The vote was taken following an eloquent plea by the Rev. Dr. Wm. H. Brooks, pastor of St. Mark's M. E. Church, West 53d street, New York City. The decisive vote of the New York Conference, it is thought, will have considerable weight in influencing the action of other conferences on the question.

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