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Citizenship Rights Not to Be Abridged.

1. All persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the State wherein they reside. No state shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any state deprive any person of life, liberty, or property without due process of law, nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws.



THE CURTAIN DROPS

The curtain has been rung down. "Bert" Williams, one of the greatest comedians who ever entertained an audience, has made his last appearance on the stage. The curtain of the other life has been rung up for him and he has gone to join his companions of so many years here upon the American stage, George Walker and his talented and cultured wife, Aida Overton Walker, who before him entered into rest. Thousands mourn the death of "Bert" Williams. Those who came into close contact with him, professionally or socially, were impressed with the fact that he was a gentleman of the first rank. His career upon the American stage has done a vast deal to raise the race in the estimation of the American public. Our own acquaintance with him began many years ago, in the heyday of that brilliant company which he then headed. Noticing that they were billed to appear in Omaha, we wrote him stating that among his company there might be some Episcopalians who would enjoy the privilege of attending service; and if so, they would be given cordial welcome at St. Philip's Church. We received a courteous letter from him, regretting that our letter did not reach him until he was dressing for the matinee Sunday afternoon, or he and his wife would have arranged to come. He wrote in part: "I am deeply touched by your courteous letter, for I have been in the 'show business' now for eight years and you are the first minister of any kind who has ever invited me to go to church or seemed to think that show people had souls worth saving. You will doubtless be pleased to know that both my wife and I are Episcopalians and that I have a half-brother who is in the priesthood, the Rev. Richard Bright, rector of St. Stephen's, Savannah, Ga., whom you may know." Our friendship has lasted through the years and we with others mourn his sudden taking off. He played his part well and has left an honored name among those who have adorned the American stage.

WHAT DO NAMES MEAN?

THAT depends upon the personages which they represent. If those who bear them are persons of character, ability and influence, names mean a vast deal. In this connection attention is called to the influential names of men and women, not only of national, but international renown who have signed the memorial petitioning the United States Senate to

pass the Dyer Anti-Lynching Bill. The Monitor departs from its usual custom in publishing this rather long list of names, which contains only part of a long list of America's foremost citizens who have signed it, because we believe it will be advantageous to let our readers know the type of American citizens who believe that the anti-lynching measure, recently passed by the House of Representatives and now before the United States Senate, will prove remedial in freeing America from mob murder, a crime which all law-abiding citizens deplore. Any cause that can enlist the influence of such a number of prominent citizens of the republic representing such a wide sweep of interests and activities must be a worthy and vitally important one. It augurs well for the success of the measure, in which our people are vitally interested because we are so largely the unfortunate victims of mobs; but our interest is overshadowed by the responsibility which rests upon all the citizens of the United States to see that the orderly processes of the law are maintained, for only so can this nation endure. The fact that citizens of this type are willing to lend the weight of their names and influence to this measure shows that they realize this grave responsibility.

AGREES WITH STARR.

EVIDENTLY that reporter on "La Tribuna," Rome, Italy, agrees with Professor Starr of the Chicago University that colored women are the most beautiful in the world, if one is to judge by his description of Mrs. Leila Walker Wilson, whose presence he noted among the hundreds of thousands in the throng before the Vatican. He waxes eloquent in describing her. Greek lyricists would style her "An Ethiopian Artemis." It is conceded by all who know her that Mrs. Wilson is a charming woman, her gracious manner not being the least of her charms, but that Roman reporter seems to have been most wonderfully impressed. He doubles himself backwards in his efforts to describe the charms of this American daughter of the sun.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends for their kindness and for the expressions of their sympathy with us in the death of our beloved husband and father.
 Mrs. Fannie Looney and Family.

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JOHN ALBERT WILLIAMS, Editor.

REFUGEES HUNT FOOD IN VAIN

American Relief Workers Are Finding Constantinople City of Distress.

IS DAILY GROWING WORSE

City Teems With Refugees in Such Great Numbers That All Cannot Possibly Be Looked After—Children Cared For.

New York.—As warfare and petty tribal conflicts in the Near East continue, American relief workers are finding Constantinople a city of distress, where conditions daily grow worse as new refugees wander helplessly in on the endless—and usually vain—quest for food. Returning members of the overseas personnel of the Near East relief all bring back the same story of misery. These are supplemented by the letters and periodical reports of relief agents on the field.

Situation is Desperate. When the evacuation of the French from Cilicia and the consequent flight of the Armenians and other portions of the native Christian population, the situation threatens to become one that the imagination recoils at picturing.

"Constantinople already teems with refugees in such great numbers that all cannot possibly be looked after," writes Mrs. Jeannette W. Eulich, a member of the relief unit in the Ottoman capital, who previously had wide experience as a missionary. "Now the people of Cilicia are coming to care for them. How terrible the need is in spite of all that America has sent us would be hard to make any one understand who has not been here. The weather is bitterly cold and each day brings its fresh stream of misery."

"Yet there are also encouraging things—the gratitude of a group of Armenian mothers, last week, when old clothes from America were distributed among them. One mother said, as she held out the few garments given her: 'I could never have bought these, as they would have cost some liras. Just the same, I want to give something. I can only give a melfid'—or about 10 cents—but all I can give, I want to give.' And each woman present did the same. Out of their dire poverty they gave some 12 liras—about \$5—and, since this is a country with free education, we need the money to put additional children into school."

Clothes for Children. "At present we are distributing these old American clothes among 5,000 children. They have no fathers, these having been killed in the war or deportations; but they have mothers or grandmothers. The mother scrubs, sews, works in a restaurant—anything to keep a home together, which home consists of one mean room renting for a dollar or so monthly. These wretched families are scattered through 42 sections of this great city, and embrace six nationalities—Armenians, Greeks, Jews, Syrians, Chaldeans and Turks. The Near East relief cannot support them—it must look after its orphanage—but it does help them with one can of condensed milk and two loaves of bread weekly per child. Also during five winter months we sell them charcoal at half the market price."

"The sister of the lad who works in my home was recently put into one of the Near East relief orphanages here. She is thirteen years old, was taken by the Turks when she was only eight, was held by them for five years, and of course can speak only Turkish now. One of her eyes is gone, and she has the oldest, unhappiest face imaginable for a child of that age."

HOLDS WALKING POOR SPORT

Youth Who Is Famous Pedestrian Has Enrolled at Kansas College.

Emporia, Kas.—Hiking across country for fun is poor sport, according to Milo Gibson, boy hiker, who walked to Washington last summer and was received by President Harding.

"If you travel and write or do something for the benefit of humanity, these long hikes are all right," Gibson said, "but there's too much danger of becoming a professional hobo."

Gibson has enrolled as a freshman in the College of Emporia. He had intended to enroll at the school last fall, but was taken sick with pneumonia at the Grand Canyon of Arizona last August while on a hike from his home in Chanute to the Pacific coast.

Gibson traveled 500 miles last summer. On his long trips he caught many rides, but he did a great deal of leg work, especially in the West.

Drove Out Gamblers Quickly. Bloomsburg, Pa.—In 24 hours after he took the oath of office Police Chief Vervin Mericle drove the gambling out of Bloomsburg. His first edict was against punchboards and they disappeared quickly. He next visited several establishments where poker was played and notified them to close up and "beat it" or land in jail. The proprietors closed up and hurriedly left.

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BETTER ACQUAINTANCE IS NEEDED

(Associated Negro Press.) New York City, March 10.—"It's too bad the white people of America cannot know us as we really are," said William Pickens of the Associated

Negro Press, recently. Fifteen hundred people paid one dollar each to enter the Star Casino in New York City, last week and to entertain themselves with games and music, for the benefit of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and to forward its great fight against lynching and other evils.

There was a colored group, for sheer physical beauty the most wonderful thing in the round world. There was present every color of man and woman known to the creative powers of Nature. They were clean and bright and attractive in their manners.

If only the LYNCHER could have seen this social gathering, which he indirectly helped to call into being! Would he despair or would he grow mad?—He could not lynch all of these people, even, these gathered at the Casino. Some of them won't be lynched. And yet the gathering was only one-tenth-thousandth of the colored population of the United States.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP THE DEACON

A large congregation was present last Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock service. The vicar preached the first of a series of Lenten sermons on "The Church and Her Apostolic Ministry." His specific topic was, "Catholic, Not Roman." He showed how the Church, which is Christ's Mystical Body, of which He is the Head, was founded in Jerusalem on the Day of Pentecost and given by Her Founder, a definite Faith to teach, Sacraments to administer, a commissioned Priesthood and a Liturgy. Apostolic congregations were founded in Antioch, Ephesus, Corinth, Colossae, Rome, etc., and these were all Catholic churches, because they taught the faith once for all delivered to the saints, which is the Catholic Faith. When, therefore, these in communion with the Venerable See of Rome they betray inexcusable ignorance of both Scripture and Church history. Belief in the Holy Catholic Church is fundamental and necessary to salvation. Men delude themselves when they think they can be saved outside of the Church.

This subject will be continued in the next Sunday morning's sermon.

Confirmation instruction is given Friday and Sunday nights. A large class is being prepared for Confirmation on Palm Sunday, April 9, just one month distant.

The Woman's Auxiliary met Thursday with Mrs. Isaac Bailey, 2816 Pratt street.

The Girls' Friendly Society meets at the rectory every Monday afternoon.

MY COUNTRY, 'TIS TO THEE

(Tune, America.) My country, 'tis to thee, Sweet land of liberty, To thee we cry: Land where our fathers came, Land of our mothers' shame, Land of our toil and pain, Must thou too die?

Shame on thy starry crown, No black hand tore it down In days of strife, But blood of bond and free These black sons gave for thee And saved by loyalty A nation's life.

"These black sons have no right For which they need to fight," Thou now dost say: We hurl thy sentence back By million throats of black, Pray God to clear the track For freedom's way.

Shall Justice longer call In legislative hall To thee in vain? Where is thy boasted power? Thine is the waiting hour, Rise and no longer cower, Remove thy stain.

Then shall we noble thee, Land of the noble free, Thy name we'll love; Ours be this land so bright, Ours freedom's holy light. Protect us by Thy might, Great God above.

These are the words of the song sung by the Crispus Attucks' Chapter of the Red Cross at Pilgrim Baptist church last Sunday afternoon at the Attucks' Day memorial exercises.

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 GEORGE WALSH in "WITH STANLEY IN AFRICA" No. 5
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