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COLORED MEN IN OFFICIAL POSITIONS
Places Which Progressive Members of Our Race Have Made for Themselves in Confidential Service.

New York Evening Post.
A lawyer who advertised the other day for a stenographer and typewriter was much surprised to receive application in one day from four young colored men who were sandwiched in among the thirty-three other applicants, twenty of them young women—who overran his ante-room, flowed into his private office, and kept him for just six hours from doing a stroke of business. The colored men who applied, he said, were clean-looking mulattoes of most prepossessing appearance, and in manner far more respectful than the white ones. As to their qualifications in the matter of speed and accuracy of work, he saw little difference between white and colored; but he engaged a young white man, he added, because he thought it was the most natural and easy thing to do.

The incident led a reporter to find out whether there were many negroes engaged in this city in clerical positions, such as typewriters, stenographers and private secretaries. The first office visited was that of a transcontinental railway company in Broad street. All three elevator men in the building were negroes; so was the man who stood guard over the executive offices of the company, and saved them from countless interruptions during the day. So was the stenographer and clerk to the general purchasing agent. The last of these was about 24 years old, very light in color, and of most pleasing address. "How did you get this place?" he was asked.

"Hard work and sticking at it," he said. "I started in as errand boy, became an office boy, and then worked nights in a school which taught typewriting and shorthand. Then when I became proficient I boldly asked for a place, and got it. I have been here ever since, and the gentlemen who have business with this office treat me just as if I was white—perhaps they are a little more considerate than they would be to many white men I have seen behind typewriters. Know many other young colored men in offices? Yes, a great many, probably fifty within a few blocks, if you count stenographers, clerks and office boys."

It used to be said that no one could ever see the late Collis P. Huntington, president of the Southern Pacific Company, unless Mr. Huntington's colored private secretary so willed it, and this modest man had often to deny his master to some very important men, but always so politely that no offense was conveyed. Since Mr. Huntington's death his secretary has continued in the employ of the company, but lately he has taken up his headquarters in the Huntington residence, where he acts as confidential secretary to Archer M. Huntington, the adopted son of the late millionaire. "Is Mr. Gould in?" was asked the other day at the office of George Gould in the Western Union building. The answer came that he was, but that his private secretary would have to be seen before access could be gained to Mr. Gould. When the secretary appeared he proved to be a young mulatto, becomingly modest, and yet determined that no one should see Mr. Gould unless his business was of importance, and Mr. Gould apparently lets him be the judge of that. It was said he has three times raised the young man's salary for his faithful work as secretary and "general protector from cranks."

The cases cited above are somewhat exceptional, but there has been in the last few years a most marked increase in the number of colored men admitted to the schools teaching typewriting, bookkeeping and shorthand, and consequently in those employed in clerical positions in business houses all over the country.

To Our Many Colored Readers.
From and after this date those who desire to receive The New Age must have a clear record on its subscription books. Hereafter no credit will be extended to subscribers. Our effort to give to the readers of this journal a bright, up-to-date newspaper, with its special features for the people of our race, certainly deserves this recognition. Having sent The New Age for two or three years to many colored people who professed inability to pay in advance, we now feel that they should manifest their appreciation of this kindness by preparing to pay up immediately. Do not wait for a second notice. Remit at once.

The Pelton Armstrong Co., a new lumbering corporation, has purchased the logging operations of H. E. Armstrong and J. B. Yeon on the Alekman river, Wash., investing in the two purchases about \$100,000, thus showing faith in the lumber future of this coast.

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CITY NEWS

C. A. Ritter, Society Editor.
We shall know no favorites, and shall be absolutely impartial. To insure publication, all local news must reach us not later than Thursday morning of each week.

The Phyllis Wheatly Critic Club is the latest thing in our midst. Its object is the intellectual development of the members.

The Afro-American Council will give an entertainment the last of May for the benefit of the Chas. Sumner monument fund.

New Northwest lodge No. 2554, G. U. O. of O. F. and Household of Ruth No. 844 will attend the Bethel A. M. E. church on the second Sunday in May, the occasion being the annual Thanksgiving sermon.

At the Paul Lawrence Dunbar Literary Society the debate on the subject "Shall Capital Punishment Be Abolished" was spirited and interesting, attracting a large audience. New officers are to be elected at the next meeting.

On the 26th inst a benefit concert will be tendered to Rev. E. J. Swan in the Zion A. M. E. church, Thirtieth and Main streets. An excellent programme has been arranged. The admission has been placed at 15 cents. As Rev. Swan expects to leave for the East the middle of May, it is hoped that all of his friends will take pleasure in being present in on this occasion.

One of the most successful social gatherings was the surprise tendered Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Gayle last Tuesday evening, when a number of their friends took the house by storm, coming loaded with various refreshments. They proceeded to make themselves at home and entertained their host and hostess in a royal manner. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Gayle, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. B. Plummer, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Ritter, Mesdames S. West, E. Lee, K. Gray and R. Williams; Messrs. A. H. Foster and Thomas Johnson.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

State of Oregon for the county of Multnomah.
In the matter of the estate of Lucy Knapp, deceased:
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed by the county court of the state of Oregon, for the county of Multnomah, administrator of the estate of Lucy Knapp, deceased, and all persons are hereby notified to present any claims which they may have against the said estate, with proper vouchers, duly verified, to the undersigned, at room 716, Chamber of Commerce, Portland, Oregon, within six months from date of the first publication of this notice.

DWIGHT F. KNAPP,
Administrator of the Estate of Lucy Knapp, deceased.
Dated, March 29, 1901.
Date of first publication, April 6, 1901.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

Notice is hereby given that I have filed my final report and account as administrator, with the will annexed, of the estate of Oliver Van Duzer, deceased, in the county court of the state of Oregon, for the county of Multnomah, on Monday, the 6th day of May, A. D. 1901, at 2 o'clock P. M. and the court-room of said court, in the county courthouse, in Portland, Oregon, have been appointed by said court as the time and place for the hearing of objections to such final account and the settlement thereof.
DAVID M. DUNNE,
Administrator as aforesaid.
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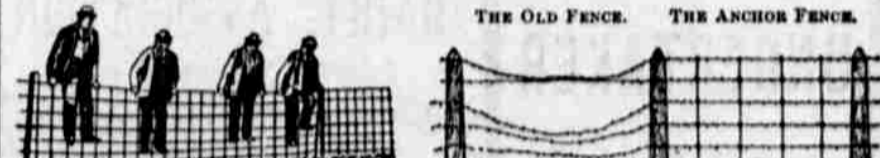
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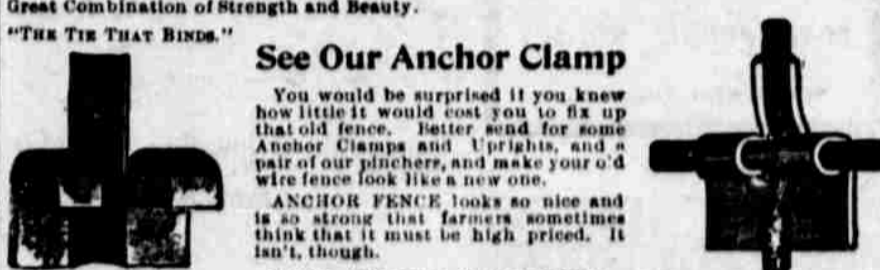
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