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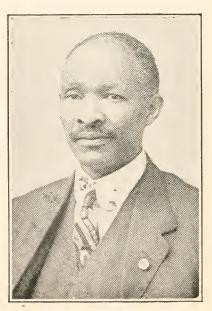
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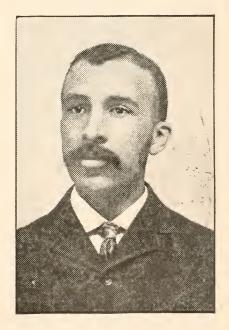
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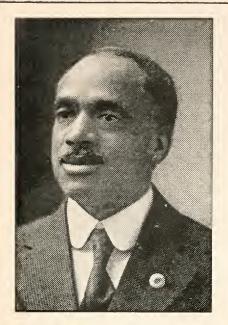
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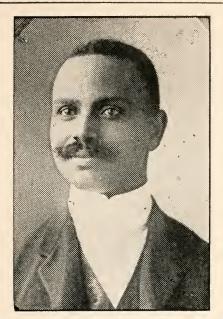
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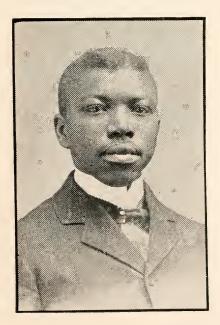
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Wednesday, August 18

(Opening Session) Convention Hall, Garrison and St. Botolph Streets.

- 10 A. M. "WELCOME TO BOSTON," His Honor, James E. Curley, Mayor, followed by Responses and GENERAL BUSINESS FEATURES (practical addresses and discussion by live men and women on live topics.)
- 8 P. M. SYMPHONY HALL, cor. Huntington and Mass. Avenues. "WELCOME TO MASSACHUSETTS," His Excellency, David I. Walsh, Governor. ANNUAL ADDRESS of Booker T. Washington, President National Negro Business League. Chorus of Sixty (60) Voices from Combined Church Choirs (J. Sherman Jones, Director; Mrs. Lida Thomas Bright, Organist). CLARENCE CAMERON WHITE'S VIOLIN QUARTETTE will render selections.

Thursday, August 19

- 10 A. M. Continued Business Addresses, Papers and Discussions.
- 2.30 P. M. TO 5. Trolley Trip to Historic Points in and about Boston (including Concord, Lexington and Bunker Hill).
- 5 TO 7 P. M. Reception by Citizens to Delegates and their ladies, at the Unity Social Club, 228 West Canton Street.
 - 8 P. M. Continued Business Session.
- 9.30 Reception by the Cambridge Negro Business League (B. H. Poucher, President) at the State Armory in Cambridge, just across the Harvard Bridge. Address of Welcome to Cambridge, by His Honor, Timothy Good, Mayor.

Friday, August 20

- 10 A. M. Closing Business Session. Reports of Committees, etc.
- 3 P. M. Tour through Filene's Great Department Store, cor. Washington and Summer Streets.
- 8 P. M. TO 3 A. M. Mammoth Reception and Banquet in Convention Hall, Garrison and St. Botolph Streets, tendered to Visiting Delegates and Friends from far and near. Everybody Welcome. MUSIC, TOY'S ORCHESTRA. CATERER, JAMES H. MADISON.
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Saturday, August 21

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Prayer Rev. Walter D. McClain

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In 1900 there were 450 undertaking businesses operated by Negroes; now there are about 1000.

In 1000 there were 140 Negro merchants engaged in whole-sale business; now there are 240.

In 1900, fifteen years ago, there were 10,000 Negro retail merchants; now there are 25,000.

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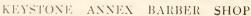




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THE RACE.

By Isaac S. Mullen.

The association of men for mutual improvement is as ancient as human society. When nature was in its early infancy and people were few, they banded together in union for instruction, safety, protection and profit. Hence in this early age cities arose guarded with walls for their defence, arms were forged to repel invasion and to give success to every improvement, and therefore humanity was united by the imperative law of union. In this epoch of the world's history and in this stage of civilization, instruction, safety, protection and profit should be the paramount idea for success in all that the race may undertake; and to promote the advancement of intelligence and education, it is meet and proper that in all branches of industry we should advance on these lines. The Negro Business League is one source through which this can be successfully accomplished.

Every race has its history. The Negro who has been a factor in making this great nation from its inception, by his labor, and as a defender, has not been given that place in history which his services deserve.

That Massachusetts, the home of Garrison, Phillips, Sumner, Wilson and Andrew, champions of liberty and justice, has no history of Negro industry is somewhat to be deplored.

In 1846, sixty-nine years ago, there were in Boston twenty-two different vocations consisting of one blacksmith, Joel W. Lewis; one teamster, Amos F. Clark; one stevedore, Robert Roberts; one whitewasher, Amos F. Clark; one fancy goods merchant, Eli Ceaser; one milliner, D. S. Carteaux; two cigar makers, John Bell, John Thompson; one jeweller, J. S. Jackson; one cordwainer, James Scott; two grocers, James Turner, Henry Randolph; two furniture upholsterers, Isaac Messick, Charles H. Roberts; two restaurant keepers, Wm. Junier, C. G. Gisseau; one chimney-sweep, Joseph Scarlett; one clerk, Robert Morris; four boot-blacks, Henry L. W. Thacker, Orcardo Minot, John Charles, Oato Freeman; one house-wright, S. R. Alexander; seven barbers, Charles Grant, Richard A. Hector, Charles Rose, Henry Freeman, Joseph Clash, C. W. Green, Augustus Henderson; twenty-two hairdressers, Peter Avery, John Brown, Benj. R. Bassett, Lemuel Burr, Geo. C. Cleary, Thos. Cole, John B, Gray, John T. Hilton, C. F. Howard, Peter M. Howard, R. H. Layton, Richard Leighton, Andreas Lewis, Geo. Makkers, J. Lockley Marshall, John B. Pero, William Perry, George Putnam, A. F. Clark. John D. Ravellion, Wm. F. Shiloh, John J. Smith, James West, Brazilla Williams, Chas. Williams, W. H. Cassell, Warren Freeman; twenty-two clothes cleaners, Jas. R. Brown, Henry Carpenter, Jonas Clark, Henry Hall, John P. Coburn, Wm. E. Gray, Wm. Lawson, Simpson H. Lewis, Coggin Pitts, Wm. Riley, John Robinson, John Rogers, Alex Simpson, Reuben Simpson, J. B. Smith, Peyton Stewart, Henry Taylor, Samuel Wilson, John Wright, Geo. Washington, Solomon Griess; two tailors, Henry Weeden, Wm. Dunkins; one handcart pedler, John Logan; one musician, Peter Howard; one boarding house proprietor, James Aikens.

The Negro population in 1846 was about eight hundred, and those employed in the various occupations were between one hundred seventy and two hundred. There were no doctors, lawyers, nor dentists, mariners and laborers were quite numerous and these were principally located in the North End.

From clothes cleaning Joshua B. Smith entered in to the catering business in 1848 or 1850, and continued until his death in 1882. He was perhaps the most noted caterer in the country. His fame spread far and wide. No man of his race was better known among the notable men of the nation. He began the catering business in a small shop in a basement on Brattle street. In the early sixties he became the owner of an elegant building on Bulfinch street, which was purchased from him by the city and is now the quarters of several pieces of fire apparatus of the Boston Fire Department. He was at one time a member of the Legislature, serving with credit his constituents of Cambridge by whom he was elected. He was a close friend of Charles Sumner, Garrison, Phillips, Gov. Andrew and Henry Wilson. He was ambitious, progressive and tactful. At his death he left property and a considerable sum to his family.

Peyton Stewart, who was also in the clothes cleaning business on or about 1850, opened a gymnasium on the corner of Boylston and Washington streets over the Old Boylston Market. His patronage was of the white race. He was assisted by his daughter in giving athletic instructions. He was quite prosperous and continued in business until his death about 1870.

In 1846 there were three colored churches: African Methodist Episcopal Zion; May Street, (Revere Street), now Fourth Methodist Episcopal; the Independent Baptist church located on Smith Court off of then Belknap street (now Joy street) made famous as the place where Wendell Phillips took refuge from the mob in 1859, was protected by the Colored people and taken to a place of safety.

The late May Street church is now located on Shawmut avenue. The Zion, which was on West Centre street, now Anderson, is located on the corner of Columbus avenue and Northampton street. The Independent Baptist church, now a Jewish Synagogue, has its place of worship on Camden street, known as the People's Baptist church.

Beginning about 1850 it will be interesting to note some of the progress made. In the Directory of 1846, there were no Negro Doctors or Lawyers. During the interval coming to the fifties there were two doctors of note, Drs. DeGrasse and Rock. Up to that time the population had somewhat increased and there appeared a necessity for men of that profession. They were prosperous to a great degree.

There were two Lawyers, Robert Morris and Mr. Bradley. Morris practiced in the Courts of Boston. He was astute, witty, intelligent, could grasp a situation equal to any at the bar, and plead cases in the highest courts. He was respected by the judiciary, honest in all dealings with his clients, and no words of reproach were ever heard against him.

The number of barbers had increased. Charles Rose, on Hanover street, near Court street, had seven chairs. His patrons were white. Benjamin Dutton, on Cambridge street, had patrons of both races. Steenburg, on Washington street, near Summer, was reported to have the largest barber shop in Massachusetts, with sixteen chairs.

One merchant, Nathaniel Springfield, sold straw by the bundle, and by thrift, economy and ambition accumulated property to the value of many thousand dollars.

Additional barbers were the Ruffins, among them George L., who became a member of the Massachusetts Legislature and Judge of one of the courts.

Two chimney sweeps, Joseph Scarlett and John Gilmore. Scarlett's father taught him the business of sweeping chimneys. He had for many years the monopoly in that line, derived from it several thousand dollars and was the owner of considerable property.

Of musicians there were two, Henry Williams and Frank Howard. Williams was considered unexcelled in his day. His compositions were used by various bands and orchestras.

Howard was a violinist, a very few excelling him. He was also noted for his compositions, his patronage was quite extensive and he was well known.

There were two blacksmiths, James Davis and Joel Lewis, both being masters of their trade.

Dry Goods and Tailoring-Lewis Hayden, corner Cambridge and Russell streets, West End, kept a dry goods and tailoring establishment for a number of years. Lewis Hayden was born in Lexington, Ky., December, 1816; came to Boston in 1818. He was a slave of Adam Rankin, a Presbyterian minister, and was sold to Elijah Warner for a pair of horses at the age of 10 years. He lectured for the Anti-Slavery Society and conducted meetings throughout New England and New York. He was indicted and tried in February, 1851, for taking part in the rescue of Shadrach Sims, the first slave captured in Boston under the Fugitive Slave Law. He helped Sims into a cab which took him out of the city. Hayden was acquitted. He was also connected with the attempt to rescue Anthony Burns in May, 1854. His house was the haven of escaped slaves. He was at one time a member of the Mass. Legislature and for 30 years messenger to the Secretary of State. He helped to equip the 54th and 55th Colored Regiments in 1863. His son, Joseph, was with Farragut at New Orleans and died in the service. Lewis Hayden was a man of courage, determined in every particular and a friend to humanity. Among his friends were John

Brown, Phillips, Garrison, Douglass, Sumner, Wilson and Gov. Andrew.

Mark R. DeMortie was engaged in the boot and shoe business. He was one of the underground railroad agents and succeeded in having many slaves sent to Canada. He was active in recruiting for the 54th Massachusetts Colored Regiment. He became sutler of the regiment and remained with it until its final discharge.

There were four boarding houses kept by Weaver, Mulligan, Cassian and Foreman, situated in the North End. These houses were known as "sailor boarding houses," and there could be found men of various nations mingling with one another, but on account of their language it was hard to understand them.

There was but one real estate office, kept by Wm. Nutter.

Of caterers, J. B. Smith, before mentioned, and Howard and Gregory, whose business flourished for a time; on account of reverses they went out of business. Smith survived them many years.

flistorian Wm. C. Nell, a writer of many interesting books, a person of vigor, and ambitious with a propensity to go ahead in every undertaking, alert in matters pertaining to the race. He was active in having a law passed in 1850 whereby there should be no separate schools among the white and colored children, and he lived to see its successful termination. He also suggested that there be a monument erected to Cryspus Attucks. He was highly respected in the community by all who knew him.

Printer Benjamin Roberts, who did a most prosperous business, was one of the foremost in advocating the rights of his race and among those who advocated that Colored children should attend white schools.

Portrait Painter, Edward Bannister, whose reputation was broadcast and whose patrons were of the white race, did a lucrative business and after a while went abroad.

One jeweller, John Wright, for many years was well known.

It is interesting to note that in the fifties there was formed a Dramatic association by the name of the Ira Aldrich Theatrical Organization, named after the great Colored tragedian whose fame spread far and wide in Europe. They appeared in many of Shakespeare's plays and in various comedies They prospered for a time and were patronized by the white race. There are two surviving members, one the writer of this article, and Mrs. Mary Jane Price of Winchester.

It will also be interesting to know that there were two military companies, the Massasoit Guards and the Liberty Guards, but they were not attached to the Militia of the State as Governor Banks was opposed at that time to there being any Colored men belonging to the State Militia. The Massasoit Guards existed for a short time. The Liberty Guards became the Shaw Guards and later Company "L" now of 6th Regiment M. V. M. The old Sixth was the regiment that passed through Baltimore, April 19, 1861, in whose ranks the first blood of the Civil War was shed.

Of organizations, there were the Prince Hall Lodge of Masons, Bay State Lodge of Odd Feilows, of which John A. Long is a charter member, previous to the fifties, and later on the Young Men's Friendship Association. Previous to the Civil War there seemed to be no incentive among our people for the formation of any associations, and not until later was there any movement in that direction.

In the City Directory of the forties the names of Colored people and their vocations were placed in the back part separated from those of the white people. As time passed on, this distinction was discontinued.

The breaking out of the Civil War caused many to go out of business. When peace was declared and the Colored population began to increase, new efforts were made and there was an advance along the lines of various industries. People seemed to put on new zeal and have the idea of competition with those of the white race.

Since 1865 there have been about twenty-six doctors of various kinds: James G. Still, John B. Hall, C. N. Garland B. R. Robinson, C. W. Harrison, S. E. Courtney, J. A. Sutherland, T. E. A. McCurdy, H. G. McKerrow, Walter O. Taylor, J. A. Braithwaite, B. L. Whitehead, E. D. Osborne, U. N. Murray, John J. Smith, J. D. Gibson, F. R. Coursey, Herndon White, Isaac L. Roberts, L. M. Holmes, J. A. Shepard, Thos. W. Patrick, M. A. N. Shaw, A. B. Lattimore, D. J. Prichett, G. Williams, W. Alexander Johnson, the only Dermatologist of color known to the writer, and James A. G. Hinton, Christian Science Practitioner.

Among the dentists are: A. C. Dunning, A. S. Nairne, W. B. Jones, W. Alexander Cox, A. F. Cheeks, Samuel A. Long, Don J. Pinheiro, Chas. W. Kerr, G. F. Grant, H. W. Ross, C. G. Steward, A. P. Russell, Jr.

Lawyers are: Wm. L. Reed, W. C. Mathews, L. C. Hicks, J. W. Schenks, E. E. Brown, Curtis J. Wright, Chas L. Raysor, C. M. Williams, John Burrill, Butler R. Wilson, Edgar P. Benjamin, J. W. Ramsey, Clifford Plummer, Wm. Williams, C. G. Morgan, W. Alexander Cox, David E. Crawford, Joshua Crawford, Wolff Bros., W. J. Foster, William Peyton, George Lattimer, J. P. Williams.

Barbers have increased over those in the forties, having all the furnishings of modern times. Among the up-to-date shops may be mentioned J. B. Stokes, Robert Reardon, W. R. Cogbill, E. E. Casneau, Nathan Walton, James Allen, F. E. Allston, Stephens Brothers, J. O. Johnson, W. H. Jones, G. W. Gray, who is the proprietor of two establishments equal to any in the city, Owens & Richardson, S. R. Riley, J. R. Keeble, T. R. Montgomery.

In the forties, hairdressers were more numerous than barbers and there has been no marked increase in that line but rather a falling off.

Sixty-five years ago there were no Colored painters, carpenters, masons, undertakers, manicurists, music teachers, piano teachers, beauty schools, coal and wood dealers, nor banks.

In the early seventies, a grocery store was opened under the name of the Southern Grocery Store on Cambridge street; for a while it was prosperous, but on account of financial depression went out of business. At the present time there are Goode, Dunson & Henry Company, R. Edwin Scott, E. C. Glover, Wm. H. Moye and Church of God Grocery Store.

Among the increasing tailors, John H. Lewis, became one of the fore-most, beginning in a small way, and his establishment was equal to any in the city. Calvin, W. S. Sparrow, Ridley, Bruce Anderson, A. J. Moore, Wm. E. McIlvaine, L. J. Lynch, F. G. Hill, B. H. Hankinson, J. H. Lewis, Jr., and others, are engaged in the same line.

Gilbert C. Harris, Wig Maker, is said to be one of the best in that line. Others are Mme. Mary L. Johnson, Mme, L. C. Parrish and Mrs. Wm. Wilkerson.

There are three hotels, Pitt, Carelton and Melbourne. The Melbourne, situated on Tremont street, is elegantly furnished with all up-to-date improvements under the management of Reddick J. Royster.

There are three undertakers: Basil F. Hutchins, Benjamin F. Jones, and Clarence H. Adams. The establishment of Hutchins has few equals, situated on Tremont street in a large and elegant building, having a chapel and all modern conveniences. Jones' establishment also contains a chapel, and he pleases all who patronize him. Mr. Adams' place is also worthy of mention.

Of caterers there are James H. Madison, R. S. Spencer, John W. Douglass, Geo. W. Ross, Lloyd Marshall, all of whom endeavor to give satisfaction to their patrons.

Periodicals. In this line there are James H. Hamm, Chris Branum, J. W. White, D. P. Richardson and others.

Real Estate and Insurance. Charles Shepard, H. F. Jackson, G. M. Brown, Harding, Cox & Martin Syndicate and many others.

Another vocation is that of Chemist, which did not exist among our race in previous years. We find at least two, Philip J. Allston and Dr. Thomas W. Patrick, whose foresight, energy and ambition have placed the former in a responsible position and the latter at the head of a successful school of pharmacy.

Printers. Arthur W. Lavalle, Still & Still and William Grandlson.

Music Teachers. John F. Ransom, Fred P. White, Theodore Drury, Roland W. Hayes, Clarence C. White, Mrs. Maud Cuney Hare, J. Shelton Pollen and Ernest G. O'Banyoun, are among the foremost.

There is one hospital, under the supervision of Dr. C. N. Garland, with accommodations for a number of patients, and a staff of competent nurses. The hospital is equipped with all modern improvements.

There are two Homes for Women: Old Ladies' Home and St. Monica's.

Newspapers. A few years ago there were three weekly papers published, The Boston Leader, (Howard L. Smith); The Boston, (John D. Powell); The Republican, Advocate and Courant, (George W. Forbes.) At

the present time there are four: The Guardian, The Reliance, Thh Chronicle and Advocate, all weekly. All have a healthy circulation.

One drug store, Bay State Pharmacy, is conducted by W. A. Smith, Manager.

On the police force of Boston there have been six: Butler, Horton, Atus, Jenkins, Belt and Homer (the first Colored man receiving an appointment.) The latter has been in the position some thirty years or more, and is at present doing duty at Police Headquarters.

Bank. Eureka Co-operative Bank, founder David E. Crawford, is conducted on business principles and doubtless will become more extensively patronized.

The Umbrella Factory, Charles W. Woodest, Proprietor, has been in the business several years.

Bands. Some twenty years ago there was George W. Sharper's Boston Brass Band; since that time came the Commonwealth, the Boston and at the present time there exists what is known as the band of Company "L."

Hackmen. In that business there are four. The introduction of automobiles for carrying passengers has lessened the employment of hacks.

Fraternal Organizations. Sixty years ago in Boston proper there were but three. Now there are 43: Masonic lodge, (Chapters and Commanderies), Odd Fellow Lodges, P. G. M. Councils, Patriarchies, Household of Ruths, one Foresters, K. of P.'s, Calanthe K. of P.'s, one D. of Sphinx, St. Lukes, D. of Samaritans, four Tents of Moses, E. L. and D. of S., Eastern Star Rites, Daughters of Tabor, Gallenian Fishermen, Temples of Elks, one Camp Spanish War Veterans, one Auxiliary to Spanish War Vets., one W. R. C., Auxiliary to the G. A. R., one Post of the G. A. R.—Robert A. Bell, No. 134, Edward A. Ditmus, Commander, having held the position for ten years, Isaac S. Mullen, Adjutant for sixteen years.

When we take into consideration that the United States Census in 1910 gave Boston 13,564 Colored people, it is surprising to note the number of organizations that have been formed. The total number of the race in the State in 1910 was 38,055. The figures of the census taken this year are not available as they have not yet been compiled. But it is safe to say that there are at least 15,000 Colored people in Boston.

Churches. A. M. E. Zion, Rev. B. W. Swain; New Twelfth Baptist, Rev. M. A. N. Shaw; People's Baptist, Rev. A. W. Puller; Ebenezer Baptist, Rev. C. A. Ward; St. Mark's Congregational, Rev. S. A. Brown; the former Revere Street church, Charles Street, A. M. E. church, Rev. M. W. Thornton; Fourth M. E. Church, Rev. W. J. King; St. Cyprian P. E., Rev. J. M. Mathias.

It will be of interest to know how many of the race have represented Boston in the Massachusetts Legislature and in the City Council. Elected to the Legislature were Charles L. Mitchell, John J. Smith, Edwin J. Walker, Lewis Hayden, George L. Ruffin, George W. Lowther, J. C. Chappelle (four years), Andrew B. Lattimore, Charles E. Harris, Robert Temoah, Wm. B. Armstrong, Wm. L. Read, J. B. Smith and Wm. H. Lewis from Cam-

bridge, twelve from Boston, two from Cambridge.

Elected to the Common Council, sixteen: John J. Smith, Paul Brooks, James W. Pope, Geo. L. Ruffin, Edward Armstead, Nelson Gaskins, Wm. O. Armstrong, A. B. Lattimore, Chas. E. Harris, Wm. H. Sims, Waldron Banks, Stanley Ruffin, Chas. E. Hall, J. Henderson Allston, Chas. W. M. Williams, Isaac L. Roberts.

At one time there was one of the best sign painters in Boston, who discontinued the business and became a preacher in the Zion connection, where he now is, namely Rev. E. Geo. Biddle.

Among the firms manufacturing remedies for the scalp and hair may be found Johnson Manufacturing Company, L. C. Parrish Company, and T. J. Jones. The two former concerns run, in connection with their business, a beauty school.

To the members of the Negro Business League, to you and your prosterity, the duty of maintaining and preserving the principles of union devolves. Such an important trust cannot be lightly assumed. Resolve then to dedicate yourselves with renewed energy to the task of steadily advancing this principle, until you shall be known by the value of your worth and not by the color of your skin.

"Make use of time, for the hour that is lost might be the lucklest provided it is converted to account."

Difficulties in the prosecution of your work you may and do meet, barriers may oppose your march in the way of duty, the intelligent may frown, and the ignorant may sneer; but all these complicated obstacles, instead of dampening your ardor, serve only to nerve your arms and inspire your hearts with a still loftier and nobler zeal in the performance of the great work before you.

Let the superstructure of the Negro Business League "be so builded that it will not crumble in the dust, nor sink into utter oblivion, nor become a ceaseless fabric of a vision."

"Stand like the anvil when 'tis smitten
With the full vigor of the smith's right arm,
Stand like the heavens upholden
By an Invisible yet almighty hand.
He, whomsoever justice doth embolden,
Unawed, unseduced shall stand;
Stand, like the rock that looks defiant
Far out on the raging sea that lash its foam.
Be determined, consistent, self-reliant,
Be masters of yourself and rule the storm."

PROGRESS

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To the Tune—"In the Gloaming"
Dedicated to the National Negro Business League, August 18, 1915.

After years of cruel oppression
Years for us of hopeless toil,
See our race has made progression,
See us cultivate the soil.
We are working, we are planning,
For uplifting of mankind;
Sparks of love, not hate, we're fanning
And that proves a master-mind.

We ask not for special favors
From the other races now.

Justice crowns the one that labors
Using both the pen and plough
God, our Father watch thou o'er us,
Help to make our worth appear,
And we'll make the land that bore us
Proud of every Negro here.

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Delegates, visitors all are invited to watch two of the greatest teams in New England battle for the supremacy.

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