EAST BALTIMORE CITIZENS OKGANIZE

Association Formed To Make Dete-Imined Fight For Better School Facilities.

SCHOOLS ARE IN TERRIBLE CONDITION

Jefferson Street School Has Been In Use Since 1855-Others Just As Bad.

The gentlemen who have started the movement for a new school building in the vicinity of Monument and Caroline streets have organized themselves into the Colored Citizens' Equitable Improvement association of East Baltimore, and are now working with might and main to secure a new building. Premission has been granted by

the School Board to use a room in School No. 101 as a meeting place. At a meeting of the association Tuesday night, a special committee reported that it had held a satisfactory interview with Mr. Albert Fankhanel, chairman of the Committee on Increase Accommodations of the School Board, and that a new building could be obtained after hard work. The association will meet again at the Jefferson Street School next Tuesday night.

The officers are: William Gibson, president, and Rev. Joseph Gwynn, secretary and treasurer.

A DESCRIPTION OF

THE SCHOOLS

That the three buildings used for school purpose are totally unfit may be seen from the following description:

School No. 101 Jefferson street near Caroline. A brick building of two stories and six class rooms. The lot is 86 ft. 6 in. by 80 ft. the building 32 ft. by 80 ft. Ground rent \$200. The building was erect. ed in 1855 at a cost of \$5,000, was used for a long time by white pupils, being originally known as Male and Female Primary School, 13. Was originally of four rooms but in 1870 two more rooms were added. Prof. Wm. R. Creery, then Superintendent, described these rooms as "very large and comfortable." In fact, they are now the best rooms in the building, though hardly up to the modern standard. The building is entirely inadequate for the present needs of the community. The arrangements of the yards and class rooms is very unsatisfactory, and the proximity of surrounding privies and out houses makes the conditions at times almost unbearable. There are no halls, no office, no retiring rooms, no adequate storage space, and no cellar. Coal and wood are kept in

outhouses. In his report of 1905, the Supervisor of School Buildings said: Snow Hill, Md., May 29. — The 'This is a building that should old soldiers of the McKinley Post Home Missionary be vacated as soon as practicable. No. 78, had their annual sermon The vice principal's room, lower preached at the Mt. Zion Baptist (Special to The Airo-American Ledger.) burned on most days. Side yards pastor, Rev. E. J. Henry, assisted | Chestertown, Md., May 29. — the hospital after a slight operawindows.''

structure erected in 1864 at a cost summer. 54 ft. Ground rent \$130. Was or- Academy, is home. very small, the average size being ware. in the rear is a source of great days in Baltimore last week.

discomfort. Of this building the Supervisor ley, is still quite ill. said, "There is nothing good that can be said of it; if it meets a single requirement of a satisfactory has its exit outside; the heating Church, last Sunday night. is by stoves; ventilation by win- Asbury M. E. Church gave its he assured them that the day would dows; the old privies have become pastor, Rev. Edward Moore, a re- come when their children would not very, foul and are a constant source ception last Friday night.

son and Bond streets, is a rented M. E. Church last Tuesday night. \$420, according to the report of Rev. S. H. Smith, pastor of the (Special to The Afro-American Ledger.) 1905. The Supervisor said this Second Christian Church, was call- Easton Md. May 30.—The funerbuilding is "worse, if that be pos- ed to Baltimore last week. sible, than the main building. The John Williams, of Patriarchie No. Bethel A. M. E. Church Monday - rooms are small, stairway very bad, 167, of Odd Fellows, Chambers- afternoon. She was a teacher in yard not larger than a small cham- bug, Pa., repesented his partriachie Bethel Sunday School for a number ber, and privies in yard in a chron- in the field day exercises of the of years. ic state of nuisance. As an ex- third regiment in Brooklyn, N. Y., Rev. Charles Bailey, of Preston laureate sermon at Biddle Univerample of 'how not to do it' this yesterday. building is a model"

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Hagerstown Happenings

school the fact is not discrenable (Special to The Afro-American Ledger.) Circle, under Mrs. Mary E. Holland. by the average observer. The class Hagerstown, Md., May 30.—Per- The annual memorial services of rooms are small and poorly lighted; severance Lodge No. 3, I. O. of Sumner Post G. A. R. were held Sunthe arrangement of rooms is very Good Samaritans, had their annual day afternoon at the G. A. R. Hall. disadvantageous; there is but one sermon preached by Rev. David The Memorial sermon was preached stairway in the building and that Johnson at Ebenezer A. M. E. by Rev. J. A. Young. After pay-

of discomfort; the yards are small." A musical and organ recital was there would be universal peace. School No. 111 (Branch), Madi-given by the choir of Ebenezer A.

Mrs. Cordela Love, of North Miller.

Dakota, who has been visiting her father, Mr. Jacob Wheaton, has the sick list. gone to New York.

Society Meeting

very narrow, rooms small, stairway by Rev. Charles Briddle and Rev. The Home Missionary Society of tion. poor, heated by stoves, ventilated by J. W. Jewett, of the M. E. Church. the Delaware Conference held its Mrs. Ella Rounds, after spending annual session at Janes M.E. Church School No. 111, Ashland avenue the winter and spring in Baltimore, last week. Mrs Susie D. Wright, and Bond street. A two story brick has returned home to spend the president, being absent on account of sickness, Mrs. Hargis, the vice of \$7,000. Size of lot, 80 ft. by Mr. Willie Spence, who was president, presided. Welcome ad-80 ft., size of building, 40 ft. by graduated from Princess Anne dresses were delivered by Mrs. Nettie Robinson and Rev. J. R. iginally used as Male and Female More than one hundred and fifty Holland. After some excellent Primary School No. 5. There are persons left here within the past reports, the officers for the ensuing, ten class rooms, some of them very, week to pick strawberries in Dela- year were elected. The election resulted in virtually the same offiabout 12 ft. by 15 ft. The stable Rev. Charles Briddle spent a few cers: Mrs. Susie Wright, president Mrs. Hargis, first vice president; Mr. Thomas Purnell, of Mt. Wes- and Mrs. Julia Johnson, second vice president.

A very attractve part of the program was a demontration by the little girl of the local Queen Esther ing a glowing tribute to the soldiers fight with sword and gun but that

Easton Happenings.

al of Miss Agnes Blake was held at

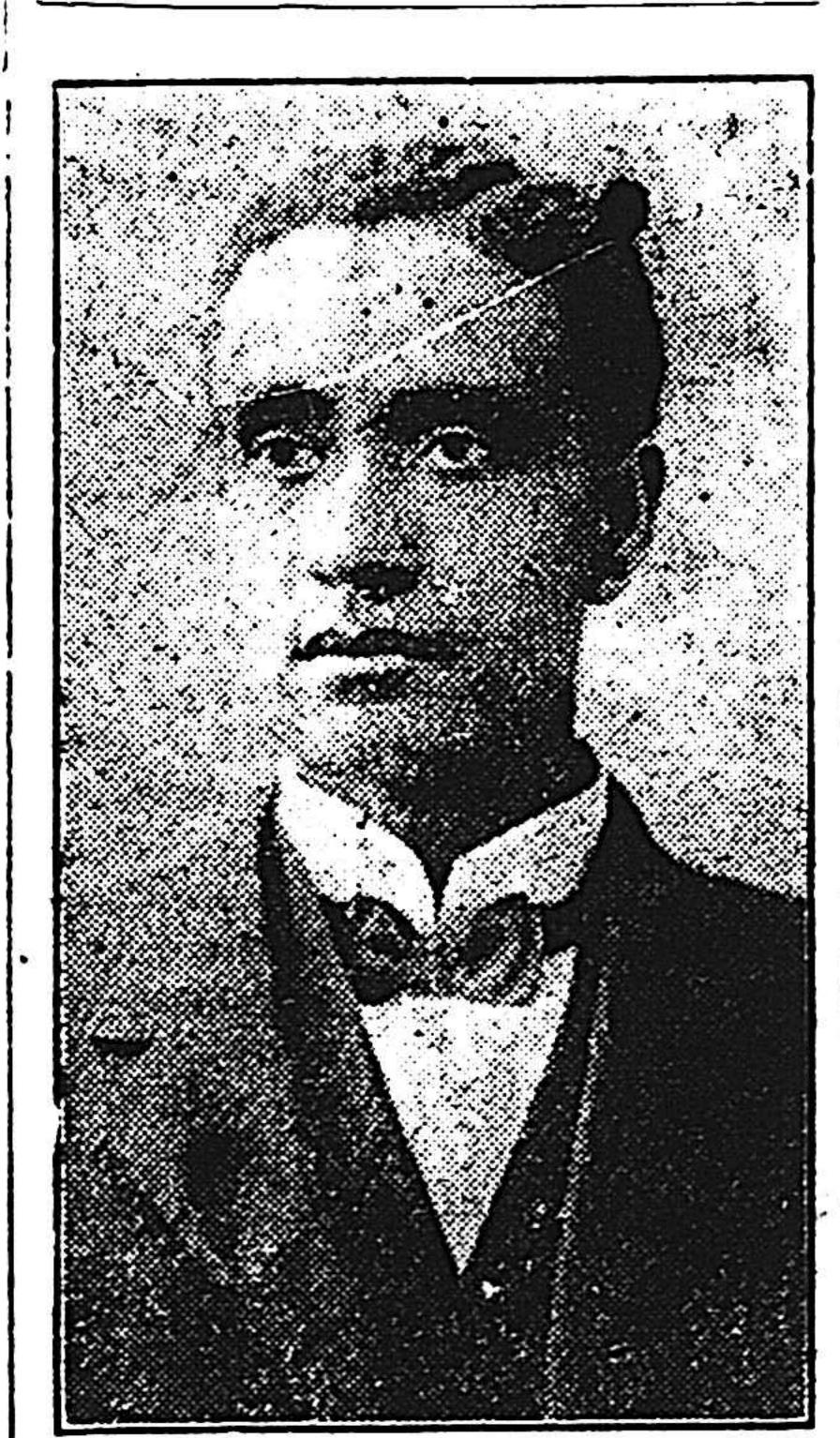
Mrs. Agnes Sprouse is still on

The funeral of Miss Grace Morse took place at Asbury M. E. Church Tuesday. The Grand United Order of Odd

Fellows turned out Sunday at 3 o'clock at Asbury M. E. Church. Mrs. L. J. Boston is home from

Miss Gertrude Parson is out of town this week. Miss Franisner Gates is visiting

her brother and friends. Miss Ninnie Holiday, of Cambridge, is the guest of Miss Nettie Jenkins, of 209 Talbot Lane.



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