

## MISS ANNE E. SMITH.



Miss Anne E. Smith, a native of Baltimore, the daughter of Martha H. and William H. Smith, was born on the outskirts of the city, near Pikesville, where she spent the first years of her life. She was one of a large family, and with the other children attended the rural school provided by the county. As a child she exhibited such aptitude and ability that she was often called upon to conduct the lessons of the younger pupils. When she had completed the county course of study, a friend, feeling the pity that it would be to have her schooling stop at this point, persuaded her parents to enter her in the Baltimore City schools. This they did, and after three years in the grades, the little student entered the High School. Here her work was characterized by that same earnestness and ability that had been exhibited earlier, and she graduated in June, 1902, from the Colored High School, among the first in her class. Her training school career began in the fall of 1902, and from that time until December, 1904, in her practice work as a teacher, she proved that the teaching profession had been the gainer by her enrollment.

Her teaching career was short, however, for Dr. J. H. N. Waring, in seeking someone to serve him as private secretary and at the same time to act as clerk at the High School, recognized Miss Smith's peculiar fitness for the job. She accepted the proffered position and has retained it until the present, serving under several principals, and fulfilling her many duties with a grace and ease, the result of thorough knowledge of her work and skill combined with tact. Al-