

HON. ALBERT ADAMS.



Councilman J. Albert Adams, of Annapolis, whose portrait accompanies this sketch, is a native of Maryland, having been born at West River in 1872. He attended the County schools, but preferred trade and business to a college education. At an early date he formed a partnership with his father, under the firm name of "George Adams and Son," and for many years, they successfully conducted the business of blacksmithing, wheelwrighting and undertaking. In 1899 he sold out his interest in the business to an elder brother and settled in Annapolis, where he successfully combined and operated the undertaking and livery business. Subsequently, he constructed a handsome hotel, which he now operates with the real estate business. In 1907 Mr. Adams was nominated and elected to the City Council of Annapolis, and served the full term of two years. The disfranchisement measure, as applied to Annapolis, having rendered nugatory the colored vote of that city, he dropped out of political life until the Supreme Court of the United States dealt that iniquitous measure its death-blow. In 1915, however, he was again a candidate for the City Council, and had as his opponent in the primaries Lawyer William H. Howard. Mr. Adams easily disposed of his opponent and was elected at the polls. Mr. Adams is a widower, his wife having died some years ago. He has two charming daughters attending school in Washington to whom he is passionately devoted. Mr. Adams is a general host, and at "College Heights," his summer home, he has entertained some of the most prominent members of the race, including ex-Governor Pinchback, Booker T. Washington, Judge Robert Terrell, Lawyer Warner T. McGuinn and others. He is a member of the Masonic fraternity, Odd Fellows, Elks, Knights of Jerusalem and other orders.

PROF. G. W. KENNARD.



Founder of The Kennard Hospital, 704-706 Ensor St.

One of Baltimore's most highly respected citizens and deserves great credit for the advancement he has made in social, financial and religious circles. He is a big-hearted citizen.

MRS. HANNAH C. SMITH.



Mrs. Hannah C. Smith, General Secretary of the Colored Young Women's Christian Association, was called to this work May, 1913.

Born in Charlottetown, Prince Edward's Island, Canada. Educated in Boston, Mass.

Active in all efforts for the betterment of the race and community, she has brought large experience with women and girls to this work.