



REV. DR. ERNEST LYON

Rev. Dr. Ernest Lyon, former pastor of John Wesley M. E. Church, for more than 12 years, and now pastor of Ames Memorial M. E. Church, corner of Carey and Baker streets, this city, is one of the leading men of his race, capable by education, travel and experience. He was for nearly 8 years Minister Resident and Consul General of the United States to the Republic of Liberia, and now Liberian Consul General in the United States for the past 12 years. During the war period he was, by appointment of Governor Harrington, Chairman of the Colored Division of the Maryland Council of Defense, and received deserved commendation at the close of the war. He is by appointment of Mayor Broening one of the commissioners to erect the Million Dollar War Memorial in the public square in front of the City Hall.

Added to his other distinctions, at the last commencement exercises of Kittrell College the Board of Trustees unanimously voted to confer on him the honorary degree of Doctoris Divinitates, and Bishop J. Albert Johnson deputed the Rev. Dr. A. L. Gaines to present the diploma at a function held in his church in honor of the occasion. Dr. Lyon is known and recognized throughout the country as one of the foremost advocates of the race.