

## A NOTED RACE CHAMPION DIES.

Interesting Sketch of an Eventful Career.  
Church and Society.

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There was held in St. Paul A. M. E. Church, Cambridge, last Sunday, a no licence meeting. Several prominent speakers were present, among whom were Revs. Ely Moore and Hon Geo. D. Chamberlain, M. Higgins and others. The Robt. A. Bell Post 131 elected as officers: Commander Joseph H. Smith; Senior Vice, C. John W. Harvey, Junior Vice, Com. W. A. Hopkins; adjutant, Mark C. London, quarter master, Thomas H. Young; chaplain, Henry C. Cornish; Surgeon, E. Walker; officer of the day, J. J. H. Snow; officer of the guard, W. H. Hunt; delegates to department encampment, Thomas H. Young and S. A. Valentine; alternates, J. J. H. Snow and W. H. Hunt. Charles street A. M. E. Church held its 15th anniversary last Tuesday evening. Last Sunday Zion A. M. E. Church commenced with a 6 o'clock service and at 7:30 was the eighth service. It was the last great effort to pay off the \$15,000, remaining on the church. The total amount raised was \$2,015.50 which clears the church and something over. Rev. L. G. Blockwell deserves great praise for his untiring efforts. At Rush A. M. E. Zion church Cambridge last Thursday night, the Pugsley Brothers famous Tennessee Warblers gave a very successful concert, every one was well pleased.

Rev. Tunis G. Campbell, one of the oldest and best known clergymen in Zion A. M. E. church died December 1th at Allston, Mass., the funeral took place from St. Paul A. M. E. church Cambridge; Rev. J. T. Hayslett officiating; assisted by Presiding Elder T. F. G. Webster and Rev. E. P. Grimnage of Worcester. He had been a judge and military governor, and lost a fortune in trying to educate his race. He was born in Middlebrook, New Jersey April 1st 1812. At the age of five years he was taken in charge by a white man and sent to school at Babylon, L. I where he remained until he was eighteen years of age. At that time it was desired that he should go to Africa as a missionary. He refused to go and at once he began his career as an anti-slavery lecturer. His father moved to New Brunswick, N. J. in 1832, and it was here that he formed an anti-collinization society and then pledged himself never to leave this country until every slave was free. While preaching and lecturing he was several times mobbed, and once came near being killed. Between 1841 and 1845 he was active in establishing schools for colored children in New York, Brooklyn, Williamsburg and Jersey City. During the anti-slavery period he helped those slaves who were successful in escaping to the North. In the first year of the war he got the contract to raise 1000 troops. In 1863 he sent to President Lincoln a plan whereby the free people of the South could be educated and made self supporting; no answer came, but in its stead came a commission to report to Gen. Saxton at Hilton Head, S. C. After the fall of Charleston he was sent as military governor to the Sea Islands of Georgia. There he organized and established schools and a government, at the head of which he remained for two years. He was afterwards removed by Gen. Tilson under the reconstruction act of Congress he was appointed one of the registrars for the second senatorial district of Georgia. Subsequently he was elected a member of the constitutional convention, and then State Senator from the same district. From that time until 1874 Mr. Campbell was in constant trouble in the state of Georgia. Owing to the political difficulties he and his family were obliged to leave the state to save their lives. On leaving the state he went to Washington where he lived for several years. About eight years ago he came to Boston, and in 1885 he joined the A. M. E. Conference under the Presiding Elder Rev. John Hayslett, and joined the St. Paul A. M. E. church Cambridge; settled in Allston, Mass., and there engaged in the missionary work, and continued until his death.