

CLEVELAND LETTER

By Alexander O. Taylor.

Cleveland, O., Nov. 6.—Enthusiasm and earnestness to the cause of prohibition was certainly evident in the parade participated in by the men, women and children of the various Afro-American churches of the city on last Monday evening. The Christian Alliance band led the procession up Central avenue to East 49th street, then countermarched to East 36th street and Scovill, where services were held in the Cory M. E. Church. Enthusiastic addresses were made by Revs. G. V. Clark, Charles Bundy, H. C. Bailey, E. A. White, Mr. P. W. Lemon, and Dr. Geo. W. Southwell (white), president of C. E. Union and assistant pastor of the Euclid Avenue Baptist Church. Messrs. Saul Lucas and Carroll Scott led the special music.... Mesdames Carrle Keets and Sadie Cisco-Bolden and Mr. William Carroll were recent visitors here from Chicago. All are former Clevelanders. Mr. Carroll's father is quite sick.... Mrs. Saul A. Lucas, 3943 Central avenue, entertained at dinner Wednesday Miss Francil King and Mrs. Sidney Hill of Lima, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Taylor and Mr. Daniel Fowler in honor of Mr. Harold Taylor and Miss Eva Allen, who marry the 12th.... Miss Virginia Robinson of East 87th street entertained the Book and Thimble Club Friday, the date one of its anniversaries.... Suit entered against the Luna Park Amusement Co. for discrimination against him in the skating rink at Luna Park on the occasion of the "Republican Day" picnic last July by Mr. L. E. Hill, assistant to Mr. E. F. Boyd, embalmer and undertaker at 2604 Central avenue, was compromised for \$50, the minimum amount allowed by Hon. H. C. Smith's "Civil Rights Act." Mr. Hill's attorneys were Messrs. Carver and Thompson (white) of the Engineers' Building. He is said to be the "war" champion skater of Ohio.... Special evangelistic services are being held at Cory, M. E. and Shiloh Baptist churches.... The Boethian class of St. John's A. M. E. Sunday school entertained in "Brazilian" style in the parlors of its teacher, Mr. Saul A. Lucas, Monday night. Mr. Dan Fowler's paper on his recent trip to South America was exceedingly interesting.... Hon. Harry C. Smith, editor of the Gazette, and three times member of the Ohio Legislature, was the principal speaker at three meetings in Warren County recently. Judge Jos. W. O'Neal, Hon. L. K. Langdon, County Auditor, and Editor Mulford of the Lebanon Daily Star, County Chairman Hamilton, Judge Wright and others were among the prominent men of the county who accompanied and assisted Mr. Smith on the speaking tour, made by auto.... The following named Afro-Americans served as judges and clerks in the election booths Tuesday: Dr. F. H. Weaver, Messrs. Charles McAfee, Frank Mintor, Samuel E. Woods, Paul Jones and Mose Dixon. Mr. Thomas W. Fleming, the Afro-American member of the State Republican Executive Committee, did some splendid work locally in behalf of the cause he represented.... The recital given at Mt. Zion Church Thursday evening for the benefit of the Old Folks' Home by Madam Carolyn Montgomery, contralto, was an artistic treat. She was ably assisted by Mr. Fred Hackley, Cleveland's favorite lyric tenor, and Mr. Dickson of the famous Parker orchestra.... The Williams Singers entertained a large and appreciative audience at Cory Chapel last week Wednesday evening, each member of the company scoring a "hit." Mr. Henry Taylor, the promoter, deserves special credit for bringing such artists as compose this company to the city. They will be welcome in our midst at any time.... On last week Monday evening Immanuel Commandery No. 32, K. of T., recently formed by the consolidation of Ezekiel and Red Cross commanderies, was consecrated and dedicated. Most Eminent Commander Sir J. H. Bowles, assisted by Very Eminent Sir T. H. Edmonds, Grand Standard Bearer, and Very Eminent Sir A. J. Thompson, Grand Prelate, officiated. Officers were installed after the dedicatory services. The ladies of Queen Elizabeth Chapter No. 9, O. of E. S., with Worthy Matron Mrs. Maggie Rogers as their leader, attended as special guests. A fine banquet was served.... Any information as to the Defender can be had from the special representative, Alexander O. Taylor, 2335 East 29th street, Cleveland.