

POETRY FOR THE PEOPLE

THE BLACK BELT

I live in the Black Belt,
And not on the Lake Shore Drive,
The larks wake me in the night time,
And you, thank our God, I'm alive.

TO CHARLES H. D. ESTE

O Africa son, thou bard of royal airs,
With heart all overflowing that
would sing!

war they freest went

Nor have they ever thrown a cruel
bomb or killed a president.
He's always first to color, when this
country calls on men to fight.

A PROPHECY TO ETHIOPIA

Oh, say do you know that the day
shall arrive
As sure as the sun shines in yonder's
clear sky,

SOMETIMES

By H. ELIZABETH DOWDEN
Sometimes I feel just lak
Thinks no one of tryin';

A NEW DRIVE

A new drive for Africa's freedom.
Oh hear the ringing call,
Join in our ranks and truly say
Africa shall be free.

A NEW POET APPEARS IN MONTREAL

Professor Wm. Ferris, Literary Editor,
Negro World.
Dear Sir—I hope you will forgive my
repeated demand upon you for space
in your valuable column, but I feel it
my privilege to commend you highly

Every day my Father leads me
Close beside a running stream,
With a cup of patience feeds me,
While He bids me lean on Him.

A GREETING TO HON. MARCUS GARVEY

Hon. Marcus Garvey, Pres. Gen.
U. N. I. A. and C. L.
Universal Building,
New York City.
Dear Sir: I am authorized by your
subjects and my fellow citizens to in-

BRUCE GRIT'S COLUMN

IF

Negroes in the United States of
North America are really, as is alleged
by some of our writers and speakers,
full fledged citizens of this country?

IT IS THAT ALL CITIZENS OF THIS REPUBLIC

regardless of race or color, are to stand
upon an equal plane before the law, and
to share equally the burdens and the
benefits which the law imposes upon

State an opportunity to function?
A lynching in New York city might
not go off as successfully as a lynching
in Georgia or Mississippi, and I
don't mind advising these would-be
lynchers to use the soft soap, and not
to yell so loudly, "Lynch the Nigger."
It might not be "the Nigger."

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alleged to be a native prince of...
is travelling through the United States...