## the Henry George News

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## New Philadelphia Director-Curator

THE Philadelphia extension of the Henry George School will carry on. The death of its beloved director on January 14th was a serious blow, not easily overcome.\* But shortly thereafter, George Collins, a faculty member of the school in New York, expressed an interest in the position, and on July first, following a brief period of training, he will take up the role so long identified with Joseph Stockman.

Mr. Collins was born in Jamaica, West Indies, and has been living in New York for several years. He offered his voluntary services to the Henry George School in various capacities, and has delighted audiences with his dramatic readings. Another creative interest is operatic singing — he has performed in community productions of Faust, Carmen, Aida and Pagliacci. Not forgetting his native land, he joined the Jamaica Progressive League and helped to promote land value taxation there.

Being director of the Philadelphia extension has a special meaning, since its headquarters are in the house where Henry George was born, at 413 South 10th Street. The director must also serve as curator, and therefore George Collins will be living in the historic birthplace.

\* February HGN.



A fervent desire to install a suitable memorial to the late director caused the Joseph A. Stockman Memorial Fund to be instituted. It is gratifying to report that many contributions from kind friends have been received.

Enthusiastic assistance has been pledged by a newly formed Advisory Board, consisting of Julian Hickok, Chairman (Philadelphia's first director); Roy Raby, vice chairman; Miss Lucia Cipolloni, secretary; Cleo Anderson; John Auld; and George Stockman, son of the late director. All friends of the school are cordially invited to meet the new extension head at dinner in Kugler's Restaurant on July first, to be followed by an evening meeting at the birthplace situated in a section of downtown Philadelphia soon to be handsomely rebuilt.

On September 2nd—the 125th birthday of Henry George—delegates to the international conference will visit the birthplace (see back page).