

ON THIS DAY IN WEST VIRGINIA HISTORY SEPTEMBER 20



Prominent educator J. McHenry Jones, whose novel *Hearts of Gold* was the first published by an African-American in West Virginia, was installed as principal of the West Virginia State Colored Institute on September 21, 1898.

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1. Governor Glasscock states three things that describe his long acquaintanceship with J. McHenry Jones. What are they?
2. Prominent educators from around the state were in attendance, including the State Superintendent of Schools _____ and Superintendent of Charleston schools _____.

Think Critically: Can you think of another prominent African American educator from West Virginia? How did all-black schools differ from all-white schools prior to *Brown v. Board of Education*? How did the Civil Rights Movement affect education in West Virginia?

THE CHARLESTON GAZETTE.

CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 1909

PROMINENT MEN
ATTEND FUNERAL OF
J. M'HENRY JONES

Governor Glasscock Makes
An Address, Beautiful
Flowers Show Dead
Man's Popularity

The last rites over the remains of J. McHenry Jones, the late president of the West Virginia Colored Institute, were held yesterday at that institution and all that is mortal of the great negro educator was laid to rest in a plot of ground adjoining the Institute campus.

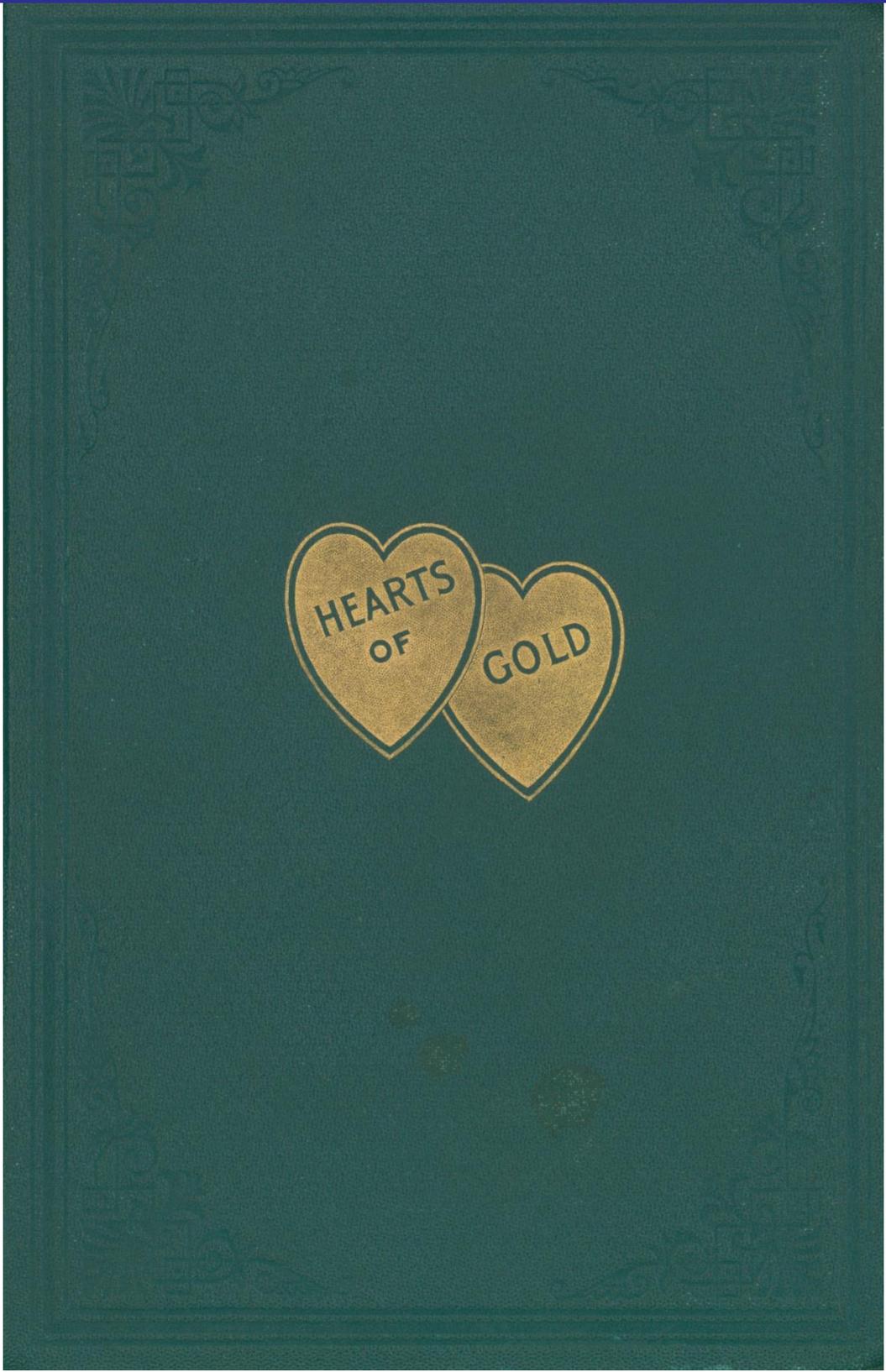
The most prominent men in the state were present to attest the respect with which they regarded President Jones, the K. & M. noon train carrying three special coaches to accommodate the crowd.

Governor Glasscock Spoke.

Governor Glasscock was present and paid the man who was so thoroughly beloved by his race the most touching tribute. He drew many helpful lessons from the life of Prof. Jones and said he believed the future of the colored race lay in the doctrine of usefulness. He spoke of his long acquaintance with the deceased educator saying he had found him to be a big, broad minded, well-liked and patriotic citizen of West Virginia.

Rev. J. W. Waters was in charge of the ceremonies and read the obituary. He was assisted by the Reverends J. V. Bryant and S. A. Thurston, of Huntington; W. E. Walker and S. R. Bullock, of Charleston, and J. W. Robinson, of St. Albans.

A feature of the funeral was the great number of floral offerings which were received from all sections of the country. Many prominent people from this and many other states were present, among them being Thomas Hodges and John Shepherd, of the State Board of Control; State Superintendent of Schools M. P. Shawkey, Superintendent of Charleston schools George E. Laidley, Judge H. C. McWhorter and Auditor J. S. Darst.



HEARTS OF GOLD.

A NOVEL,

BY

J. McHENRY JONES.

“Yet, by your gracious patience
I will a round unvarnished tale deliver;
Nothing extenuate or set down aught in malice.”
—SHAKESPEARE.

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