

Colored Men Reduced.

Changes in the Treasury Department at the beginning of the fiscal year indicate the demotions of colored employes out of all proportion to their numbers in the department. It is to be noted also that while there were some promotions they were either in positions below the clerical grade, or in the lower clerical grades. No case of a promotion of a colored man or woman to the higher grades in the service has been reported. The Bee has information as to the following cases of demotions:

H. C. Tyson, reduced from \$1,800 to \$1,600; Geo. W. Jacobson, from \$1,600 to \$1,400; Dandridge, from \$1,600 to \$1,400; E. J. Morton, from \$1,400 to \$1,200; W. P. Napper, from \$1,400 to \$720 (he resigned rather than accept the reduction); Lewis Thompson, from \$1,400 to \$1,200; Addison Syphax, from \$1,000 to \$720, and assigned to duty as watchman; Ebenezer Bassett, from \$1,000 to \$720, and assigned to duty as messenger; Julius Ross, from \$1,400 to \$660, and assigned to duty as laborer (resigned), and Thomas H. R. Clarke, from \$1,400 to \$1,200.

The Bee proposes to make a study of these departmental changes, and, as far as possible, to point out all cases of injustice. On its face it looks as though there is an organized effort to eliminate the colored man from all service in the departments except menial and unskilled.