

Relations of Colored Man to National Citizenship.

- A - The past. } ~
- B - The present. } ~
- C - The future. } ~

A.

Before the present can be understood or the future provided for there must be a thorough comprehension of the past. Human right is an evolution, ~~but~~ small in its beginning, slow in its growth; but each step in its progress is measured by the limitations of antecedent growth.

The present ^{national} relations of the colored man to citizenship grow out of the relations he has previously sustained to the American Republic and its people.

This part of the colored man in America is by inevitable necessity divided into the ~~relations~~ ^{imposed} by Slavery and those resulting from ~~total~~ emancipation.

1. ~~The~~ The relation of the colored man
as a slave.

As such he was without
any rights of person, of prop-
erty, of marriage, of family,
of name. — ~~of anything.~~

— &c, &c, &c.

As a laborer
As an intelligent being —
As a soldier — ~~the~~ ^{helpful} exponent of
the nation.
As a Christian —

2 — The Relations of the colored man
to of the Nation after Emancipa-
tion —

Freed without payment

" " money on lands

" " without barrier for
education.

3 — As a citizen —

The XIIIth Amendment made him
free — he could not be bought
or sold. — No rights as a citizen.

The XIVth Amendment made him
a citizen — created National Citizens-
ship.

Reconstruction Act, and
New Constitution, made him
a voter.

XVth - Amendment declared
that this right should not
be impaired or denied.

These Amendments all empowered
Congress to enact laws to re=
store the rights thereby conferred.

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