

COLORED SINGERS

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Part of Proceeds Will Go to the
New Colored Presbyterian
Church for Kingsport

Williams' Colored Singers, ranking among the country's most celebrated negro vocal artists, gave a concert of great merit in the auditorium of the Central high school here last night.

Many of the beautiful selections rendered were followed by repeated encores from the audience. The singers demonstrated a remarkable variety in the matter of selections, which ranged from old-time Southern songs to selections from world famed operas and European classics. The seven voices in the chorus, ranging from the deep basso to the lyric voice of flute-like quality, blended and harmonized beautifully.

Perhaps the most popular number of the program, however, was the imitation of a steam calliope by the male quartet.

The colored people of Kingsport have expressed their thanks for the concert, which was given in the interest of a new colored Presbyterian church, in the following resolution, signed by a committee of which W. B. Smith is chairman.

"We want to render our sincere thanks to Professor and Mrs. Whitney for having had the Williams' Singers to visit our city—an event that will never be forgotten. A per cent of the proceeds of the concert were to help build a Presbyterian church for the colored people.

"Also we want to thank the board and principal for their kindness and the liberal courtesies that they have shown us, and we will appreciate any aid rendered us in this great effort, as we stand in need of better places to teach and train our people that we may become better citizens in our community. 'He that giveth to the poor lendeth to the Lord.'

"Signed W. B. SMITH."

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