



JOHN HENRY MURPHY

Publisher and editor of the Baltimore Afro-American for twenty-six years, who died at his McCulloh street home following a brief illness, April 4th, 1922, at the age of eighty-one.

Mr. Murphy was dean of colored newspaper men, and the first to establish an independent weekly. In early life he was a whitewasher, at fifty-five he was broke, and with his wife's aid entered the newspaper business. He developed the Afro-American until it is the largest newspaper in the East, with the best equipped plant owned and operated by colored people in the United States.

N. B. The following is a suggestion made by the publisher of this directory, Mr. Robt. W. Coleman.

Why not name the next Public School erected in Baltimore for colored children; "The John Henry Murphy School"?