AT DOUGLASS’ BIER

Thousands Throng to Gaze Upon the Dead Face.

IMPRESSIVE FUNERAL SERVICES TODAY

Eloquent Tributes to the Memory of the Great Negro.

SCENES AT THE CHURCH

The funeral of Frederick Douglass makes today historic to thousands of people in the District of Columbia. The colored schools of the city were closed, and among those of his own race the day was observed by the closing of places of business and the general cessation of their daily pursuits, to do honor to the dead. The funeral program had been until late yesterday broken in upon by pressure of various societies, who begged to be represented in the tributes of the occasion. The services were held in the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church, beginning at 2 o’clock, and were still in progress when The Star went to press.

A private service was conducted at the Douglass home, in Anacostia, just before the removal of the remains to the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church. Rev. Hugh T. Stevenson, pastor of the Anacostia Baptist Church, conducted a prayer service, which was supplemented with Scripture reading.

Waiting Throng.

Early in the morning the streets around the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church, on M street, began to fill with a countless throng of people. As the sunny morning hours passed the gathering swelled until, when the blue-gated police in came to take charge, the crowd reached down M street to 15th and down that thoroughfare past.