

COLOR LINE WAS IGNORED

**White Woman and Negro Arrested
for Walking Together.**

WOMAN DENIES THE CHARGE

**Says She Has Been Humiliated and
Disgraced—Claims Husband
Is Traveling Actor.**

Mrs. James Charles, a handsomely dressed white woman of prepossessing appearance, who lives at the corner of Loyd and Hunter streets, and who claims that her husband is a traveling actor, was arrested last evening with C. W. King, a negro cook, the officers charging that the couple were walking and talking together on the street.

The woman was in tears when she reached the police barracks. She bitterly denied her guilt, and vowed to have revenge for having such a charge made against her.

The negro man denied that he had either walked or talked with the white woman.

The officers, who were J. T. Shepard and Mitchell, two experienced and careful patrolmen, stick to it that they saw the couple talking together as they strolled on Whitehall street.

The affair promises to have some sensational developments.

Mrs. Charles was seen at the police barracks last night shortly after her arrest, and she made the following statement to a Constitution reporter:

"I am an honest, hard-working woman, and there has never been aught against my character. My husband left the city yesterday on a trip. I went out for a walk this afternoon and after securing a paper started down Whitehall street toward home. I stopped to look at some things in a show window and heard music in a store. As I paused to listen to the music I noticed a negro man, the one arrested with me, dancing on the sidewalk. I smiled at his antics and was about to pass on when a policeman touched me on the arm and said he wanted to talk to me. I stopped and he asked why I talked to a negro. I denied having spoken to any negro. I told him I was a southern born woman, and his insinuations were an insult. He then said he would have to arrest me, and I was ridden to the police barracks in a patrol wagon. It is the first ride I have ever taken of the kind, and I have been humiliated and disgraced. But somebody will suffer for this before it is done with."

The negro, King, was asked about his arrest. He said he cooked for a man on Pryor street, and was on his way home when he stopped to dance to music he heard in a store.

"I never saw any white woman," he said. "I was asked by a policeman why I had spoken to the woman, and I told him he was mistaken. I never even knew there was any white woman near me."

Officer Shepard, who made the case before Officer Mitchell came up, states that he saw the woman and man talking together, and saw them walk side by side several minutes before he stopped them.

The cases will be tried in the recorder's court this afternoon.