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AYDEN, N. C., WEDNESDAY, JAN. 10, 1906.

EDUCATIONAL NOTES.

This is the week of prayer and should be sacredly kept by all churches with special reference to the growth in grace of the membership and the conversion of sinners.

We expect a house full at Rhetoricals, in the Seminary tomorrow night, as these exercises are good indications of the progress the students are making.

Sabbath Schools, using the Star Quarterly should make the Mission note, after last Sunday's lesson, read all money should be sent to Eld. E. T. Phillips, Ayden, N. C. Please do not forget it.

Mrs. L. M. Peden returns her sincere thanks to sister Annie D. Sawyer of Pamlico Co. for the New Year's present.

We had the privilege of sampling it after it was properly cooked and join with her in pronouncing it one of the best we ever ate.

The Seminary brings several thousand dollars into Ayden every year and every legitimate business is aided by it. This makes every one interested in the prosperity of the village a friend of the school and an active agent in securing financial assistance and inducing students to attend. Continual earnest work is the just price of permanent success.

Bro. W. R. Sawyer of the Trent Church, Pamlico Co. visited the Seminary last Thursday, offered the prayer in the chapel exercises and gave the students a very pertinent and instructive talk, which they highly appreciated. He is one of the first and most ardent friends of the School and proves it by continuous support.

Eld. R. F. Pittman attended his quarterly meeting at Little Creek last Saturday and Sunday for the Pastor, Eld. J. M. Barfield, who was unable to attend. Eld. M. A. Woodard attended his quarterly meeting at the Hugo Church, at the same time. Our five ministerial students all, give promise of usefulness and we pray God to make their future much more efficient than even their most sanguine friends now hope.

It takes money to publish a news paper. Quite a number of our brethren have injured themselves financially, by trying to publish a paper without sufficient capital, or reasonably prospective patronage enough to pay its running expenses. These failures have injured the denomination by making the public believe that it is too weak to sustain needed enterprises. What we ought to do and can do, with united effort, is to increase the circulation of the FREE WILL BAPTIST to ten thousand and enable the office to publish useful books, pamphlets, tracts and so forth for the good of our Zion.

Bro. T. J. Sawyer made us a very pleasant call at our home the same day and paid us, out of his own money, fifteen dollars on the annual pledge of one hundred dollars by the Eastern Conference. Heretofore he has paid ten dollars per year, but increases it this year because some are a little slow paying their proportion. We thank him very sincerely. We have to buy all our provision and clothing and depend on our small salary for the means. If it is withheld, or even not paid in proper time, we are greatly embarrassed. We do not want a cent that we do not justly earn and hope we have shown this so clearly that all can see it. If we know our own heart we are consecrated to God and the Free Will Baptist Denomination. To the latter because it is a true representative of the doctrines and practices taught in the Bible.

HYMN BOOKS.

You will please allow me to state through the BAPTIST that our Secretary and treasurer Mr. D. Sasser, has 2000 of our Zion's Hymn Books just from the press and I am sure that the great brotherhood of the Free Will Baptist will be well pleased with the books at the price which is much lower than they have ever been sold for before. The books are neatly printed and bound in muslin, paper and board. We sell them for 20, 25 and 30 cents. For the board backs per dozen \$3.60. Muslin per dozen, \$3.00, and paper per dozen \$2.40. All orders must be accompanied with the cash.

We want three or four agents in every state where there are any Free Will Baptist churches. You will do well to write me at Stallings, N. C. or D. B. Sasser at Kenly, N. C. for terms.

We want these books in every new churches. Please send in orders at once.

Yours in Christ,

J. W. VALENTINE,
Stallings, N. C.,
Pres. of Zion's Hymn Book Co

GOOD FOR THE FIRST.

DEAR EDITOR:—Please allow me space in your paper to let its many readers know how much I enjoy reading the good Free Will Baptist paper, especially when I read the letters from the girls that have the same name I have. This is my first letter, and if it escapes the waste basket, I will try again, as I've heard people say, try and try again, and you'll succeed at last. I am no member of a church, but hope to be some time. Father, mother and sister are all members of the good old Free Will Baptist church. Father, and mother, at Peoples Chapel and sister at Barnes Hill, Nash Co. Well I guess I will stop for this time.

Yours respectfully,
IDA BONE,
Nashville, N. C.

WHAT WE BELIEVE TO BE HOLINESS.

DEAR BAPTIST:—I will write a few words on the subject of holiness. We have some out here who differ with us on what it takes to constitute holiness. We as a denomination believe in holiness, but we do not believe it takes the second work to make a man holy, or to sanctify him Jesus said in John 3:5 "Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." If there was a second work, why did not Jesus say, except a man be born again and again? It was because one work was enough. In first John 5, proves this statement. Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ, is born of God. Born means delivered. What, delivered from part of sin! No, not from a part of our sins, but from all sin. So you see one work cleanses a man up and makes him pure. It sets him a part from sin, and sanctifies him. If a man is born of God, he is a child of God, and to be a child is to be fit for heaven. How many applications of the blood of Christ does it take to cleanse a man? One, for Jesus said the blood of Jesus Christ his son cleanseth from all sin. So we see one application of the blood will cleanse a man from all sin. Where does a man come in contact with the blood of Christ? I say at the altar, for the blood was offered upon the altar, for our sins, so we got it at the altar. After a man is born of God he is as white as snow, he is pure in heart, and the Bible says, that the pure in heart shall see God, without which no man can see the Lord. If a man has the blood he is holy, for the blood cleanseth him from all sin. Then a man is pure. Some will say, "where is the Adamic sin?" Who ever saw that word in the Bible? I do not believe that man inherited sin from Adam, he only inherited a fallen nature, and that nature will produce sin. When a child comes to the years of accountability, and not before, Jesus gives the child as a new testament model of a Christian, for he says, "suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not for of such is the kingdom of heaven." So then if the child is a fit subject of the kingdom he is not a sinner. When the child is old enough to know good from evil, and it takes evil, it sins and is on the downward road to ruin and it needs regeneration, or to be placed back on the line from which it fell. Not by works which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us. You see a man is washed clean in his blood, and where is there any room for the second work? We find in Revelations that Jesus said, "I have some what against ye, because thou hast left thy first love, repent from whence thou art, follow and do the first work, or else I will come unto you and will remove the candle stick out of its place, except thou repent." We notice that this text teaches one work, and so it is in all the Bible. Notice Cor. 1:30 when a man is saved, he is sanctified, justified and redeemed, so it is all done at one time. I am glad that I live with a people that believe in holiness, and it we are made holy we must live holy, and if we live holy we must not indulge in sin, or any thing of a sinful nature,

If we fail to live a pure life, we will fail to see God. There are so many preachers that fail to preach a pure life. Let us try to live above sin. Jesus said, "I write unto you little children, that you sin not." Did Jesus mean this? Yes, he meant just what he said. We ought to live right every day, and may God help us to do it. God bless the BAPTIST, Editor, and readers

J. C. HODGES
Bruceville, Tex.
FROM SOUTH GA.

DEAR EDITOR:—I have read about all the letters from the brethren and sisters, and I like very much to read them. They have a grand effect on our morals, stimulate our minds and is food for our souls. Besides all this it is a source of great pleasure to hear from our brethren. Sometimes they cross a little but I enjoy it, while some become offended, and want to dictate to every one. The views on sanctification by the different writers, I can't help but think, has done much good, and the subject of an education ministry will do good. Our Bible teaches that in union there is strength, and in a multitude of words there is council. Now, we have had letters from both sides. While one contends that it takes a college educated to take the fort in large cities, the other contends that if a man will study the Bible, that he will be fully qualified to stand before the world. We will say to the brethren, it takes an education, and the study of God's word to reach the minds of some people. I will say that when we reach the minds of some people, we seldom ever reach the souls of such characters. Some may say this is a strange argument, but nevertheless it is true. If all our preachers had a good English education, there is no doubt, but what we would all get better preaching. We admit that little real good can be accomplished without the aid of the Holy Spirit, while we must confess that there are several blind men that can't read at all, that are able preachers. They have acquired a wonderful knowledge of the word of God and preach well, but at the same time, without a good education, it is up hill business. God has permitted us to live in a time when an education is one of the greatest gifts of God to man, but we believe that God wants all his people organized, for without organization God can do nothing with them but destroy them, as he did in the wilderness and as he has done in all ages. We contend that when God said, "Let there be light," He meant that he would fill this earth with knowledge, and place every means of help in the reach of man, for his progress through this world, to the land of rest. Therefore knowledge and wisdom are man's help-mates to lead him home, and qualify him for the work of God. God has placed both in the reach of every individual that has ever, or will ever live. There is always help at our hands, if we will accept it, in God's way and how much wiser and better people the world would have to day, but we will not accept these great blessings, as our Lord has offered them to us. We think that all we have read has and will do us good. If they have been

written in the spirit of love for light on these subjects then it is light to some of our readers. Education is one of God's greatest blessings to man. It expands his mind, refines his morals, and fits him for any position in life. It makes him more useful in every sense of the word, but an education without the Holy Spirit, is helpless without the aid of the Spirit of God, accompanying the education, to refine the morals, and place a mind in us that was in Christ Jesus, then we can preach the Gospel with much power. May God give us men with sound minds, to bring his gospel to us is my prayer.

Yours to serve,
REV. W. T. E. BUTLER,
Jesup, Ga.

UNION MEETING.

The union of St. Annah met with White Hill church, Roberson Co., Saturday before the 5th Sunday in October, 1905.

The one that was appointed to preach the introductory, not being present, Rev. M. B. Emanuel preached—Text: Hebrews, 13:1.

Services closed by praise and prayer.

Rev. Hatcher was chosen moderator. He was empowered to choose the different committees.

Devotional—S. Jones, F. Sweat and M. Locklear.

Finance—A. C. Cox and P. Davis.

On motion, Rev. Jas. Maynor was excused for his absence in the beginning of the union.

On motion, the roll was called.

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| James Maynor, | 10c; |
| E. H. Hunt, M. Locklear, | 10c; |
| P. W. Hatcher, | 10c; |
| Willie Hunt, | 10c. |
| Len Hammons, | 10c; |
| F. Sweat, | 10c; |
| Sarah Lowrie, | 10c; |
| Arron Oxendine, | 10c; |
| J. Hunt, | 10c; |
| H. Braboy, | 10c; |
| N. O. Hunt, | 10c; |
| K. Smith, | 10c; |
| M. B. Emanuel, | 10c; |
| Sarah J. Chavis, | 10c; |
| Robert Chavis, | 10c; |
| Dicy A. Locklear, | 10c. |
| A. C. Cox, | 10c; |
| Wm. Coats, | 10c; |
| C. Locklear, | 10c; |
| J. P. Locklear, | 10c; |
| P. Davis, | 10c; |
| J. Wm. C. Girt, | 10c; |
| Total, | \$2.20. |

On motion, the devotional committee retire and report. They reported Rev. Maynor close for open, and Rev. N. O. Hunt, open in p. m.

On motion, the union close for 30 minutes.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Union met and opened according to the report of committee. Moderator declared the house ready for business.

On motion, the reports of the different churches were called for, and each church was given in good standing, with 50c, each, for contribution.

Devotional committee retired and made the following report, viz: Rev. Maynor close this p. m.; and Rev. Robt. Chavis open services tomorrow, Rev. N. O. Hunt preach and Rev. Hatcher close. Rev. M. B. Emanuel administer the supper.

The finance Com. reports collected in this union, \$4.80; Expenses, \$1.25; Remainder, \$3.55; Public collector, \$1.30; Public collector, Rev. Robt. Chavis.

On motion, a vote of thanks was rendered, and the union adjourned by praise and prayer.
P. W. HATCHER, Mod;
W. D. MAYNOR, Clerk.

TWO MASTERS.

DEAR BROTHER:—Please allow me space in your worthy paper for a few words. I find in the Scriptures that no one can serve two masters. You cannot stay with the Devil all the week, and on the Sabbath go to the church and leave him at the door, or you cannot have Christ all the week, and on Sunday get Satan in your heart, and get drunk, play cards or dchle yourself in any such ways. It is known if you keep it a secret from men, it is not a secret from God. Mat. 7:19 every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit, is hewn down and cast into the fire." The day will come when all shall appear before a righteous Judge, and excusurs will do no good. Some people seem to think there is a time after death to repent, but according to the best of my understanding there is but one time and that is before death. All that have done the will of the Father which is in heaven, and they only shall be saved. Luke 19:23-31. The rich man repented when he saw Lazarus in Abraham's bosom. But thou didst beware of Lazarus in your life, and Lazarus did beware of evil things, and now he is comforted and thou art tormented. Besides all this between us and you there is a great gulf fixed, so that they which would pass from hence to you cannot, neither can they pass to us, that would come from thence. Will you all take this text and study over it? If ye die in your sins ye shall not be comforted. Forgive all mistakes and pray for us daily.

In Christ,
J. L. BELL.

PLAIN WORDS.

DEAR EDITOR:—Please allow me space in the paper. I enjoy reading so much, I have never written much for the BAPTIST, and if I make mistakes, I hope to be excused. How shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation? If we neglect our duty what condition will we be in? Lost and ruined. Let us go forth and do our duty, bearing reproach, for here we have no continuing city, but seek one to come. Let us all seek that bright and glorious home, where there is no sickness, sorrow or death. I sck that I can not thank God enough for a place of rest, if I should be fortunate enough to get there. Oh, what an awful day it will be for the unrighteous! Tell me sinners where you stand to day? If you will bear His voice harden not your hearts. Death comes first to every one, then comes judgment. We will all have to stand before the judgment, and account for a good or bad life. We read, "blessed are they that mourn for they shall be comforted." We do not mourn enough over our sins if we did it might cause others to turn to Christ and be forever saved.

Your sister in Christ,
SOLONIA CREEKMURE,
Spring Hope, N. C.

Your "few things" may be very few and very small things, but He expects you to be faithful over them.—Frances R'dley Haver, Ga.

WATERLOO W. VA.

ED. BAPTIST:—I see in your paper of Dec 20th an article from W. A. Poole, of Tenn, that has the right ring. Now let every educated, and uneducated Free Will Baptist in the land, forget I is learning and his ignorance, and lay his hand to the supplying our needs, as Bro. Poole has pointed them out to us. The man is not always an educated man, who carries a title, nor is he ignorant, who can bring things to pass. You may classify us folks up here in W. Va. Ohio, and Ky. where you think we belong, but learned or unlearned, we are at work. We have decided to hold a grand Free Will Baptist rally at Huntington, W. Va. Aug 9 to 19 1906, and we propose to give every one an opportunity, to do some great thing. Come and bring an offering. A piece of land, on which to build a college or Seminary, a check for money, a ring, watch or horse, any thing of value that can be sold, and the money put in the treasury, to help supply our needs. These articles you have been writing all read well, and make the old Free Will Baptist dear to our hearts, but they will not supply our needs. So please let us have your presence, and offering at Huntington, Aug. 9 to 19, 1906.

God bless you brethren.
DELL HUNT.
Waterloo, W. Va.

A CARD OF THANKS.

I desire to thank the brethren and sisters of Trent church Pamlico county, N. C. for ten dollars sent me by them, through Bro. W. R. Sawyer. May the good Lord bless them, and I feel sure God will bless you dear brethren. I also wish to thank the brethren and pastor of Thompson church, Miller Co. Ga. for the Christmas box sent me and family. We are very grateful for your goodness to us. Brethren, if you could have seen my little family enjoying the good things you sent you would have realized the truth of the Scriptures, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." The Thompson church is the only church that ever sent me a Christmas box. I know I am due Eld. Lunsford, for the box. Eld. Lunsford is a true Free Will Baptist, and has the cause at heart. The churches all around me could send us a small box once in a while of provisions, instead of money, it would be received just as money. I also thank Bro. T. L. Howard, of Sage, Ga for his Christmas gifts. God bless you all.

ST. CLAIRE,
Edison, Ga.

PLEASE EXPLAIN.

DEAR EDITOR:—Please allow me through the BAPTIST to ask Bro. E. L. St. Claire to thoroughly analyze its items of interest that appeared in the BAPTIST of Dec 20th if they were his, his name was not signed, but if his to carefully and prayerfully, weigh on the scales of Divine justice, mercy every word contained in said items, and send to the BAPTIST for publication. No one could better analyze the items than the writer, and it will keep some one else from trying.
Yours in Christ,
J. W. VALENTINE,
Stallings, N. C.