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NOTICE

When you see this paragraph marked with notice that your subscription has expired, and without renewal at once we shall be compelled to discontinue your paper.

We particularly call the attention of our subscribers to the fact that whenever they see two blue marks opposite our paragraph, relative to time, it is the last paper that will be mailed until the subscription is renewed.

The Cleveland Globe says: Hon. I. B. Abbott is a white man. Look out, Bro Pulis, that you are not sued for slander. A man cannot be much more colored than friend Abbott!

A great revival is going on at Fayetteville, N. C. Rev. J. M. Hill writes us that there have been 248 converts, Rev. A. F. Moore baptized 41 at Goldsboro last Sabbath, and Rev. G. W. Chilton states that there have been 61 on his circuit. This is truly encouraging.

There will be a great contest between the North Carolina, Central North Carolina, South Carolina, and Alabama Conferences for superiority in raising the General Fund. It was a warm contest last year, and curiosity is an apt to hear the result. Let all do their best.

We would be glad to have every Sunday school belonging to the connection to become a subscriber to the STAR OF ZION. It is pleasing to know that quite a number are subscribers to it now. How many superintendents and ministers will look after this matter?

We can beat that in the States, was happily illustrated in the contest between the English cutter, Gallatea, and the American, sleep, Mayflower, for supremacy last week, when it was shown beyond all question that America can beat England at anything that involves national honor or glory.

Right you are friend Bonaparte. The earthquake incident as related by you did assume a humorous view, because after our fear subsided we could imagine how ridiculous was our conduct in endeavoring to escape a catastrophe so direful in its possibilities, and to think how far off we were in imagining what it was.

The North Star, published by Messrs. Keogh and Boyd, at Greensboro, N. C. is acknowledged to be the best weekly Republican paper ever published in the State. It is bold, aggressive, respectful and always consistent. It is worthy a place in any family.

The Prohibitionists of Pennsylvania have nominated Rev. J. M. Palmer, a colored preacher, for Congressman at large, in the 90th Congress. He is a good speaker of splendid character

and a gentleman withal. While he will not be elected, or come very near it, for that matter, yet it will have the effect of demonstrating the gradual disappearance of color line in partisan politics, and at the same time set at rest the oft repeated assertion of the incapacity of the Negro for the discharge of the responsible duties of citizenship.

The prospects for the success of the approaching Colored Industrial Fair, to be held at Raleigh are very encouraging and the Secretary assures the public that in both the number and quality of the exhibits, that it will surpass all previous ones. It is hoped that the friends everywhere will make it convenient to be present and thus show their appreciation of an enterprise which has done so much to bring before the public such works of art, agriculture and industry which so eminently demonstrate our mental and material capabilities. The Fair can and should be made, not only a temporary, but a permanent success.

The excitement incident to the great earthquake has partially subsided, and we now breathe with an air of satisfaction believing that the worst is over. It is gratifying, however, to add our feeble testimony to the generous charity exhibited by the people of the whole country, irrespective of section, creed or nationality, in providing for the relief of the sorely and famine-stricken people of Charleston in consequence of the great shock. It shows the unity of the popular feeling when destitution or calamity befalls any portion of the great Republic. New York, Boston, Philadelphia and Chicago were not one whit behind Southern cities in responding to the call for outside aid. It is satisfaction to know that God will bless the cheerful giver.

HOME CULTURE.

What is being done in the home for the training of the young? Are christian parents training their children properly? Are they teaching them the laws of love, obedience, regard for truth, the duty they owe to themselves and to the Redeemer who died for them? Home training is after all, the training that is to shape the destiny and career of every boy and girl. Neglected, no teacher can be responsible for his or her conduct. Let a father or mother be a bad example for their children, and no one need be surprised at the kind of life the latter may lead. Chaste language, pure lives and refined deportment in parents, are qualities which weigh heavily in moulding the character of their children. We may profess as much as we please, but unless we possess these requisites, our teaching is vain, and all our talk is mere habel, for the good it does.

OUR MATERIAL PROGRESS.

It is encouraging to note the interest the Colored people in this State are taking in the acquiring of homes and landed property. We have noticed at Greenville, Tarboro, Greensboro, Charlotte, and a great many other points that the attention of our race is being turned to this important need. And too, they are building comfortable houses, paint and plastering not being neglected. In Greenville, N. C. we counted 53 new residences most of them containing three rooms all owned by colored people. These things are evidences of material progress and speak well for our economy and saving propensities. What we want is more of this spirit. We need to own farms, grow industrial habits become independent of the destroying mortgage system, and thus attain to a true manhood that knows no despotism in financial parlance, to whom respect and abundant homage is due. We need to stop throwing our hard-earned savings away indulging in unnecessary luxuries or in gratifying every ambition which requires an unnecessary outlay of means. All should provide for the future by carefully guarding the present. What we have acquired in the few years just past, start-

ing with nothing, would bear no comparison with what we ought to acquire now with a hundred millions of capital said by the latest statistics to be invested in money and property. Let us therefore try to make more, work more, and save more. The eyes of the world are watching us, let us accomplish more than their fond hopes have allowed them to dream.

PERSONAL.

Prof. A. S. Pryor, of Petersburg, has been called to the Principalship of the Graded school of Staunton, Va.

Hon. John R. Lynch plants nearly a thousand acres in cotton and corn every year in Adams County, Miss.

We were pleased to shake the hand of Rev. R. S. Rieves on Tuesday. He reports his work as doing splendidly.

The reported rumor last week, that Preskitt Cleveland was shot in the Peckskill Mountain, proved to be entirely unfounded.

Rev. E. Beard, of Winchester, Ind., has been appointed President of the Southland College, Helena, Ark. Vice Calvin Clark resigned.

The Wendell Phillips Club, of Boston, tendered Hon. Frederick Douglass a banquet prior to his departure for Europe.

Rev. Geo. E. Smith is meeting with great success in his ministerial work at Boston. The people love and honor him.

Bishop S. T. Jones, D. D. held the Michigan and Canada Conference last week, and reports show that the session was quite an interesting one.

The accomplished Miss Jane Thomas, of Raleigh, N. C. stopped over at Salisbury returning from Asheville, last Friday the guest of Mrs. J. G. Dancy.

Miss Addie G. Smith, the esteemed daughter of Hon. J. J. Smith, and accomplished cantatrice is meeting with great success in her chosen profession.

Bishop J. W. Hood has returned from the West where he held the Kentucky Conference. It was far more successful financially than formerly.

Edwin H. Hackley, a colored attorney has just been unanimously nominated by the white Republicans of Denver Col. for the House of Representatives.

Rev. and Mrs. R. R. Morris have arrived at Tarboro from Providence, R. I. Mrs. Morris was there only a few days, having reached here Wednesday.

Rumor has it that Miss L. B. Bragg of Petersburg, Va. is to become a teacher in the parochial school, under Episcopal auspices, at Charlotte, N. C. She is now in this city the guest of Prof. Noble.

Rev. M. V. Marable has succeeded admirably with his work at New Bern and the completion and dedication of Clinton Chapel is ample testimony to this fact.

The Virginia Obit says that "Hon. Peter Clark, of Ohio, is booming for the position of Minister to Liberia, to fill the unexpired term of the late Rev. Moses Hopkins."

Rev. R. A. Fisher is pushing the work on his church at Norfolk, Va., with his accustomed vigor, and his success has exceeded the hopes of his most sanguine friends.

Hon. David A. Jenkins, ex State Treasurer of this State and a man of great executive and financial ability and honesty, died at his home in Charlotte on Wednesday of last week, at an advanced age.

DESERVED COMPLIMENT.

We venture the assertion that those who attended the eloquent colored orator, Rev. Joseph O. Price, in the Messenger Opera House Thursday night on the "Welfare and Prosperity of the Colored Race," never heard anything or read anything in their whole lives before so equal it. It was a masterpiece of eloquence, of research, of history, of logic, of theology, and of oratory. Certainly have we never heard anything to surpass it, or even to equal it. Joe Price has consecrated his life to the service of God, and the uplifting of his race in all those characteristics which make a race Godly. His heart is in his work, and great will be his success. — Goldwyn Ar-

RECEIPTS CHILDREN'S DAY COLLECTIONS.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Amount. Includes Rev. F. Archie Mt. Pleasant N. C. \$6.13, M. Slade Charlotte N. C. \$51.30, M. Rankins Burnt Corn Ala. \$1.30, Mrs. C. I. Lacy asst. Supt. \$5.00, Rev. M. S. Anderson Ledn N. Y. \$1.00, J. B. Colbert Indian Hill N. C. \$5.00, J. W. Levi Oxford, N. C. \$3.20, Rev. E. J. Scourlock P. E. \$1.70, District Conference, Miss. \$1.70, Rev. E. C. Skinner, New Haven Conn. \$3.00, Rev. Joseph Gomez Greenville Ala. \$4.60, Total \$765.83, Rev. C. R. Harris Treasurer.

TRUTHFUL TALK.

BRUTUS IN BOSTON ADVOCATE.

We cannot point to an enterprise which is conducted by colored men, which receives the hearty support of the race. Let us take for instance newspaper enterprises among us. There cannot be any questioning of the assertion when I say that the journals published by men of color are doing more for the elevation of the race than any of the various instrumentalities, the schoolhouse not excepted; still with all the efforts put forth in the race's behalf, look at the meagre support received. I know of no class of men who are making greater sacrifice than those who are the publishers of our newspapers. Why are they not better supported? Why are they not more appreciated? Simply because we lack that essential element which is so requisite—RACE PRIDE. How many men are spending their brain, time and energies simply to publish newspapers for the purpose of defending the race against the unjust attacks which are published in newspapers, published by white men. It is a sad truth that the masses of our people seem to take delight in defeating the success of those who are trying to rise in the world, by withholding their patronage under all circumstances. This kind of conduct has and will continue to cripple us until we are taught better lessons.

FAYETTEVILLE NOTES.

Tuesday night, August 31st will ever be memorable to the inhabitants of Fayetteville. An earthquake, such as never happened here before, was felt about 10 o'clock. Consternation prevailed in every quarter of the town. Prayer-meetings were held in every direction, and during the remainder of the night the cries of men, women and children could be heard. It was awe-inspiring. Several accidents have been felt since, but no damage to life or property has been sustained.

The revival at Evans Chapel, conducted by Rev. J. M. Hill is continuing with much success. Several have been converted. Sunday afternoon thirty-eight joined the church.

Rev. R. H. Simmons was here last week. He spent a few days with his friends.

Mr. Geo. C. Scurlock arrived on Friday last.

HARRIS CIRCUIT.

On the fifth Sunday in August the P. E. was with us. Every thing was carried out nicely, and we succeeded in raising \$23.45 on Saturday and Sunday. On Sunday there was a vast number of people gathered together and the P. E. presided, an excellent sermon. The P. E. went away giving Harris Circuit great praise for taking such active steps in financial matters, and also in the revival of religion for the spread of the Redeemer's Kingdom. I think by the end of the year I will have every cent of my general funds or pretty near it at least. — W. D. DICKINSON.

OBITUARY.

GONE TO HER REWARD—OTHER ITEMS.

My daughter died here Monday evening at 10 o'clock, in the full triumph of christian faith, requesting me to meet her in heaven. She was fully conscious of her death. She was embalmed and kept nicely up to my arrival on Wednesday morning. She was buried at 3 o'clock in the Eastern Cemetery in this city. Rev. Mr. Riley conducted the service at the house as our pastor was not here. He is a Presbyterian minister. She was 15 years old the 21st of last month. Her request was for Bishop Jones to preach her funeral, as he baptized her when she was small. I was summoned here by telegram and did not receive the STAR before leaving home.

The Ky. Conference is in session in Evansville Ind., with J. W. Hood presiding. All the members and delegates are in attendance, and a good time is anticipated.

I will send you the proceedings of the District Conference held in Newport Tenn., from the 26th to the 29th of Aug. Elder A. G. Keeler made the conference a success for our church and connectional interest.

If no providential hindrance intervenes, I will return to Asheville on the 11th of this month.

Yours affectionately, Samuel Sherman, Louisville Ky., Sept. 3 1886.

HERTFORD ITEMS.

BY REV. J. H. MANLEY.

This will inform the many readers of the STAR that we have just closed a very successful revival on the Hertford Circuit, which resulted in 46 converts. We had the pleasure of having Bishop J. W. Hood with us on Sunday August the first. His presence in Eastern North Carolina, as a Bishop, is always gratifying. His sermons at Bay Branch and Hertford, were perfect gems of theological deduction. His influence and wide-spread usefulness in this section, and in fact, in the whole connection, can not be described by any human being. He met with a warm shake of the hand from both white and colored, while here.

It affords me unspeakable pleasure to state that while in Norfolk Va., a few days ago, I met Rev. Andrew Cartwright, our Superintendent of the African Mission Conference. He speaks in glowing terms of our beloved Zion in Africa.

While in Norfolk, we were the guest of Rev. R. A. Fisher. We went with him to see the New Church. The walls are nearly completed; thus a brick church in Norfolk, for Zion, is no more a dream, but a reality.

FROM PROVIDENCE RHODE ISLAND.

However strange it may appear, it is true nevertheless, that Rhode Island is the greatest place for solid pleasure I know of.

I can scarcely realize that I am in charge of a church; for since I have arrived here from the Capital city (Washington) I have had but little freedom from the company of a generous-hearted people who delight in taking their pastor to every place of interest—excursions &c, daily have so engaged me that I feel to be on a little pleasure trip.

Allow me to mention the name of some of the places: Oakland Beach a fine sea view situated nearly on a level is a fine excursion site; also Creston Park; Silver Spring, Newport and last but not least is Rocky Point; to describe this beautiful place is a task, I admit beyond my power. I can but faintly picture in a few words the beauty and grandeur of this magnificent site; there is no place that is such an exhibition of God's creative power and the wonderful skill exhibited in the construction of those lofty hills, while huge rocks lift their craggy heads far above the surface seemingly

to bid defiance to the omnipotent arm of Him who gave them birth. A natural cave that is destined to recall to the mind of a student in sacred history; the days of Elijah, when he hid in a cave at Beer-sheba. And then there is the lovely shaded groves, rustic seats, bathing conveniences, and the great Narragansett Bay which is an inlet of the Atlantic Ocean, between New Port, Washington, and Kent Co's. It is supposed to be about 25 miles in length, and varies from 3 to 12 miles in breadth; it affords to the Rhode Islander fish, oysters and clams, beside pleasant yachting of every kind.

Among the things of interest are the celebrated shore or clam bakes ready dinner enough for 50 cts. to last one person a week. I met a lady that sat an hour at a table, and after devouring clams, baked fish, and clam oakes, chowder, sweet potatoes, corn pickles, bread, crackers, watermillon, Roman punch, and about 1 pint of 3 per ct. beer, filled two pockets, and carried off a big lunch in her handkerchief; as was said by a gentleman from the country, "Such a sight I never did see before."

Well I must say I have no reason to complain. When I came here on June 24th my church was \$1400 in debt and Aug. 30th we paid \$500 of the indebtedness we now have but \$900. Bishop Hood requested that I get half the amount this year; but with the help of God I shall get all off and be ready at the next conference to go and help some one else, as it seems to be my calling to assist churches in financial struggles.

We are now preparing to fight the \$900 on Nov. 8th will be the next day of battle. Trust under God to be able to say to the readers of the STAR that Gospee street A. M. E. Zion church of Providence is free.

Respectfully N. J. GREEN.

THE LAST ON THE SUBJECT

After a silence of nearly a year on the "Organic Union" subject, we did not give our reasons why there would be no Union, though we promised to do so. We prepared the article and reviewed it it looked as if we were grappling with intentions and actions yet in embryo, and for this might be put down, as hinting a reckless fanatic. But had that article appeared the positive declaration that it was a cunning attempt at engulfment of our church and that by the very brother who turned up as the adder in the grass, could not have been truer had an angel furnished the information. We hold that the entire affair was beneficial to our church. It enabled us to put all the technical and controverted questions of our church to our African brethren in such a fair light that their bravest men honestly conceded all we have ever claimed and that is cannot be said hereafter that the blame for not uniting rests upon us. And besides this they never knew before that we had so many young men with so much backbone. This has always been one of our streaks of righteous ambition that we are able and are playing our part in the evangelization of the world. Put it down African brethren will never again take our men for grass hoppers. We believe in fraternal "Union" when it results from pure motives, and the only way to have such a "Union" is to force men to it by demonstrating our claims of equality and independence of the fraternal "Union" proposes to be of such a nature as to recognize our Bishops as Bishops; then we feel ourselves bound to respect but if (as it has been in the past) we shall have no time to hypocritically waste in that way. We think upon the whole, Zion respected whatever benefits grew out of this "Union" overture.

BISHOP HOOD'S APPOINTMENTS.

- 17th Friday, Stateville, "
19th Sunday, Monteville, "
at 10 p. m. Torrance Chapel
at 4 p. m.
20th Monday, Bladleville, N. C.
21st Tuesday, Moore's Sanctuary
26th Sunday, Weeping Willow
at night, Charlotte Mission
Address, Sept. 15th to 16th, Morranton N. C. 11th to 15th Stateville. 16th to 24th Charlotte N. C.