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Short correspondence of subjects of interest to the public is solicited; but persons must not be disappointed if they fail to see their articles in our columns. We are not responsible for the views of correspondents. Anonymous communications go to the waste basket.

The People's Advocate takes us to task for saying that Fayetteville has sent out more lawyers than any town in the country. He finds, after searching the country over, that Richmond, Va., has sent out 9, while Fayetteville claims only 7. We add to our list Mr. Reuben S. Smith, of Washington, whose parents went from Fayetteville. But we said town. Richmond is a city of sixty-five or seventy thousand people, while Fayetteville is but a cross-road town of less than four thousand people and not even a town charter. Fayetteville is a town, Bro. Cromwell, yet she is not ashamed to stand up beside big Richmond. We think we are ahead yet. We are glad to see Richmond has done so much. We hope our object is understood in publishing these things. Bro. Cromwell's book is worth thousands to the race.

Our Graded School.

On Tuesday, in company with Dr. Williams and Hon. J. H. Williamson, we visited the Graded School. Mr. J. E. Ratley, the principal, kindly showed us through the building, beginning with Miss Sallie Hall's room and taking us up to the highest. Miss Hall is an excellent primary teacher, and it is a great blessing to the community that we have such a young lady to give the young and tender minds the proper start in the great struggle of an education. Little fellows of six years who entered school the present session, write legible hands, read, draw and have good ideas of mental arithmetic. In fact, they seem to know as much as children learned in olden times, after spending several years in school.

Miss Annie Alston had just taken charge of her room that day, and of course had not learned her children. Miss Bell Butler seemed to have the fullest room, and as well disciplined as could be desired. They showed good training and recited in a manner to convince one that they understand their lessons. We would put Miss Butler down as one of the best teachers in the State, and we found her busy and room well disciplined. Specimens of the work of the children were seen on the blackboards all around.

Mrs. M. W. Alston had a class on one word which entertained us some time. It is very beneficial to the pupils and interesting to the visitor to see the inventive powers brought out of the child by forming words restricted to certain letters. The word used by these children was by them put into more than forty different shapes, and they were cut off for want of time to go further.

We failed to get to Miss Mary Lynch's room before she dismissed her children, and wound up our business in Mr. Rattley's room. He has the advance classes and we were entertained by a class in book-keeping and one in algebra, the latter being especially interesting and gratifying to Hon. Williamson.

We have a fine corps of teachers and a fair building, with a janitor to keep it in order, and it is hoped that some way will soon be made clear for an assembly room, where all the children and teachers can meet together for exercises, &c.; also, that the whole block on which the school house is situated may be purchased for a playground for the children. It is badly needed and can be bought cheap.

Grace Church will have a special Easter sermon on Easter Sunday morning by the pastor. The Sabbath School exercises will come off at 7:30 at night. Something grand may be expected in the morning, and the public is invited to come during the day and night.

Fayetteville Correspondence.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., March 29. The protracted meetings are still going on at the Baptist Church. Prayer meetings every evening, and on Sunday at 2 o'clock p. m., a large crowd assembled at the usual place to witness the baptizing of several candidates.

The Presbyterians are preparing to build a new house of worship. We wish them success in their efforts.

Death has again entered our door and robbed us of our loved ones. On Sunday at 1 o'clock p. m., Mrs. Diana Flowers folded her arms in death; she was an aunt of Mr. A. W. Whitfield. She was buried on yesterday by Evans' Chapel. Our sympathies are with the family.

Col. G. T. Wassom, of Goldsboro, was in our town last Thursday. The Colonel is traveling in the interest of the temperance cause. On the evening of the 22d inst he was greeted with an appreciative audience at Evans' Chapel (Zion) where he delivered an eloquent lecture on temperance. All who heard him were highly delighted. We extend an invitation to the Colonel to visit us again.

The Odd Fellows' Anniversary sermon was preached at the A. M. E. Church Sunday night by Rev. Eli Walker, of the Presbyterian Church. The members of the Order were out in full dress.

Again the ceaseless march of time has brought us to the bright and beautiful days of green foliage and fair spring flowers. The meadows have been thickly covered with the dainty little "mountain rose," while our gardens are laden with butter-cups, hyacinths of the richest hue, and even when we peep into the greenhouse the pure white, delicate "calla lily" seems to say "Welcome spring, delightful spring." And with these priceless gifts of sunny skies, fresh grass and foliage, buds and blossoms, spring brings to us in countless numbers those little swift-winged messengers of joy to cheer us with their glad songs as they prepare their summer residences, and assure us that they have come to be our neighbors for the whole season. While we speak of our flower-gardens we will not forget to say a word about the vegetable gardens—for who is it that does not delight to see one of these nicely-arranged gardens, full of palatable delicacies? Then here are our fields, now sown with grain soon to be cut, to produce food for man and beast.

Sordid, indeed, must be the mind that does not appreciate these gifts; and hard and ungrateful the heart that does not look up with reverence and love to Him who, by His beneficent laws of nature, has vouchsafed to us these blessings. "Stoop where thou wilt, thy careless hand Some random bud will meet— Thou canst not tread but thou wilt find The hyacinth at thy feet." MARY McLEAN. Columbia S. C. Registered Dots. COLUMBIA, S. C., March 31. THE MESSENGER.—Court convened on Monday, the 28th inst. The criminal docket is full, which is a lamentable truth. E. C. C. Washington, Esq., a young colored lawyer, a graduate of Allen Law School, appeared at this session. The case against his client was a very clear one; but he succeeded, however, in getting the jury to recommend the prisoner to mercy. The party was charged with house-breaking and grand larceny. The presiding judge is Judge Norton, a new man to the ermine. He succeeds Judge Cochran. The Bethel A. M. E. Church gave a successful fair last week at one of Mr. W. M. Taylor's stores on Assembly street. The C. M. E. Church congregation formerly of Bethel A. M. E. Church are rapidly progressing in the erection of a Church on Blanding St., near Sidney Park. This Church is under the auspices of the Methodist Church South (white). It is said that they will have a school in connection with the Church. The first examination for teachers under the new Supt. of Education takes place on Friday, the 1st April. The teachers are looking forward to it with trembling, as Col. Coward was always rigid.

UNCS. Renew your subscription.

Salisbury Items.

The small boys were much delighted at the dancing bears on Monday.

The "Great Red Man" lectured in the court-house yesterday to a large crowd. No one seemed to understand anything that was said. The interpreter made known his wants.

The Williams family of great singers are in our town, giving entire satisfaction. They sang to quite an appreciative audience at the A. M. E. Zion Church. They will sing again on Thursday evening.

Bishop Moore will move his family from York, Pa., to our town early next week, and make this place his home. We will be glad to welcome the Bishop as a citizen.

There seems to be much excitement over the city election that will take place in May. The Democrats, Republicans, Independents and Laborers all have candidates.

The politicians seem to be waiting on the Knights of Labor candidate, but since the K. of L. is not a political organization it is not likely that a K. of L. candidate will be put in the field, but they will favor any candidate that will further the interests of the laboring classes.

Messrs. Neave and Crawford are spoken of by the Democrats; Keen by the Independents; Ramsey by Republicans and Laborers, and Julian by Laborers.

We are informed that Mr. W. E. Henderson, the Chairman of the Republican Executive Committee, will issue a call for a Republican Convention on next Saturday to put a full Republican ticket in the field for Mayor and Commissioners.

Ex-Mayor John R. Ramsey, Esq. is looked upon as the coming man.

Miller's large tobacco factory was burned on last Friday at 3 a. m. The wind was blowing strongly and great excitement prevailed. No other building burned, as the house stood alone. The fire was blown quite a distance. The Methodist Church and the Baptist Church (white) were in great danger, and a great amount of labor was required to save them. It is thought a tramp set it afire. The losses were covered by insurance.

OCCASIONAL.

New Church Organization by the Colored People.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., March 24.—The Quarterly Conference of the new organization of the A. M. E. Zion connection under the name of "Grace Church" was held on the date above with Presiding Elder, R. S. Rives in the chair, associated by Rev. E. C. Davidson. The following brethren were also present: Rev. J. E. McNeil, J. W. Thomas, J. S. Settle and W. C. Smith. The meeting was called to order by reading the 23d Psalm. Hymn 701 was lined by Rev. J. W. Thomas, and prayer offered by Rev. E. C. Davidson. After a few preliminary remarks by the chairman touching the very unique and unprecedented position in which he found himself, and the necessity of a special invocation of Divine aid to guide and control the affairs of the evening, business was then entered upon. Mr. H. S. Boulware was elected temporary secretary. The roll was called, and the disciplinary questions presented. On motion the following were elected: Leaders—Jethro Sumner, W. W. Smith, J. W. Smith, Horace Lynch and John Spencer. Trustees—W. R. Hinton, G. W. Johnson, Jethro Sumner, Silas Washington and J. W. Smith. Stewards—Jethro Sumner for the preacher, Horace Lynch for the poor. Stewards—Mrs. W. R. Hinton, Miss E. J. Houser, and Mrs. J. W. Smith. Committee on Church Record—W. W. Smith, Horace Lynch and H. S. Boulware. Church Secretary—W. W. Smith. Sunday School Committee—J. M. Hagler, R. T. Weddington, Silas Washington, W. C. Smith and H. S. Boulware. On motion, the Rev. E. C. Davidson was requested to assist the pastor in charge in case of absence. The Sunday School was reported to be in a very prosperous condition with 70 on roll and \$8.54 collected. Through the generosity of Messrs. W. C. Smith, W. W. Smith and G. W. Johnson, the school was favored with some very valuable books. Towards the close of the meeting, the Revs. J. E. McNeil, J. W. Thomas, J. S. Settle and Mr. W. C. Smith were called upon to address the conference. All did so in terms expressive of their high appreciation and great sympathy for and with the new church. One of the brethren said,

I am here out of mere curiosity, hearing frequently from the public that it was a "dry" church, and I want to see a "dry" church, for all churches ought to be "dry." I am glad that we have a "dry" church. Record my name on it." The Rev. Mr. Bloice, the pastor, then expressed his satisfaction with the proceedings of the meeting, the indications of bright prospects from certain communications, and the joy experienced by the presence and cheering words of the visiting brethren. The Presiding Elder then enjoined on the members a strict conformity to the principles couched in the language of the Apostle "Return good for evil, 'Shun every appearance of evil, and if it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men.'" The conference adjourned with benediction from the Rev. J. E. McNeil. The meeting on the whole was greatly characteristic of the principles which permeate and influence all sober or "dry" organizations. H. S. BOULWARE, Secretary.

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Condensed Schedule.

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