

OUR CHURCHES.

St. Michael's (P. E.) Church, Mint St. Services at 10 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday-school at 4 p. m. Rev. P. P. Atzros, pastor.

Clinton Chapel, (A. M. E. Z.) Mint St. Services at 11 a. m., 3 p. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday-school at 1 p. m. Rev. M. Slade, pastor.

LOCAL.

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NOTICE.

We have waited patiently with many of our subscribers, and now that the cold weather is over, and we are still hard pressed for money, we will expect all to pay up now without further delay.

The General Conference at Newbern is now ten days off.

This is nice spring weather and pretty moonlight nights.

The Yadkin Presbytery was held at Salisbury this week.

Commencement at Livingstone College is now only three weeks and three days.

Mr. Green H. Henderson returned home from Washington City last Wednesday.

Mr. Wiley B. Hunter of Raleigh has resigned from the editorship of the Outlook.

We are glad to say to our readers that we will have furnished us a letter from Raleigh every week.

The Baptist Advocate is a small semi-monthly started at Newbern, N. C. Rev. A. J. Marshatl, editor.

The Broad Ace is a new paper started at Rockingham, Richmond county.

Mrs. Dr. Williams returned home last Saturday from a visit to her parents and friends in Raleigh.

Mr. E. H. Dibble and wife of Camden, S. C., spent several days in our city and left for their home last Monday.

Miss Anna Sloan of Salisbury spent last week in our city, the guest of Miss Lydia Robinson. She was returning home from South Carolina.

Col. Geo. T. Wassom is again in the journalistic harness. The Goldsboro Voice is a new paper under his control.

Hon. Roscoe Conkling, one of the ablest of American's statesmen, died last Wednesday morning ten minutes before 2 o'clock.

You have not done your duty till you have paid for this paper and sent us at least one other cash subscriber. Let us hear from you.

The question now puzzling some of our people is this: When forfeit money is put up for a prisoner, he fails to appear at the time but is delivered by the bondsman two or

three days there after, received by the authorities and locked up—should the forfeit money be refunded?

Small pox is increasing in New York and Philadelphia

The Y. M. C. A. is in State convention here this week in their new building.

That was a severe hail and rain storm that fell on this city Thursday afternoon.

The democrats are now claiming 80,000 majority in Louisiana, in the election held there last Tuesday.

The republican county convention will be held in the court house next Saturday—28th.

The Oriole Literary had a pleasant meeting on last Tuesday night at Mrs. E. W. Butler's. The next meeting will be May 1st at Miss Lydia Robinson's.

When our leading colored men fail to support our race institutions and race enterprises, they fail to that extent to show their ability to lead the race.

Charlotte is to have a public building. Congress is expected to pass the bill soon appropriating \$85,000 for the building and it will go up on the Mint lot.

Mrs. Coleman, of Morganton, and Mrs. J. C. Daney of Salisbury, mother and sister of J. W. Brown, spent last Sunday and Monday in our city.

Rhode Island gave us a republican victory and elected a colored man to the legislature. Colored men attended both republican and democratic conventions, and ran on the tickets of each party.

The industrial department of Biddle University is well supplied with carpenter's tools, type, and a fine Gordon jobber. The young men are learning to handle the tools, and their drawing is very good.

We were shown at Biddle, a round table invented and made by one of the students. It is a drop leaf-table; both sides may be let down. It has six sliding legs which may stand separately or in three pairs.

Mrs. Charlotte Evans and Miss Ida Evans of Wilmington and Mr. Walter P. Evans of Laurinburg spent last Sunday and Monday in our city at the Goode hotel. Mrs. Evans and daughter have been in Memphis, Tenn., since November.

A Neat Barbershop.

Henderson & Rudisill have just added much to the appearance of their barbershop by repapering and whitewashing it. It now presents a neat appearance. They have also just received a new lot of razors and clippers and are prepared to give satisfaction to all customers.

County Convention.

Next Saturday is the time for our county convention to select delegates to State and District Conventions, which will elect delegates to the National Convention to be held in Chicago the 19th of June. Besides electing four delegates and alternates at large, the State Convention will nominate a ticket for State officers and Judges of the Supreme Court.

Care should be taken to select good men, who have a knowledge of the Republicans in the State qualified to fill these several places—for we want to nominate none except such as would do credit to the party and the State.

The Presbyterian Printing Office.

While in Wilmington we called at the Africo Presbyterian office, and were shown around by editor Sanders. The paper is well known in the South, and we will speak here of the office. Mr Sanders has his office on his lot at his residence; and it is well fitted up with printing material including a job press and one of the finest Campbell newspaper presses in the State.

Besides his own paper, he prints another colored paper. He has shown in this effort that colored men in North Carolina can own and manage enterprises as well as other folks. We were especially pleased with this press. It is a Campbell Country press No. 2 and does good work and is very fast.

The Butcher Bird.

Of all the birds of Florida there is one that will afford an idler lots of amusement if he will spend an occasional hour watching closely. It is the shrike or butcher bird. A few days ago I was in an orange grove a few rods from the house, where an old negro, with the assistance of a mule, was plowing and a butcher bird was flying from tree to tree, following up the newly plowed furrow, looking for insects. Every few minutes he would go to pick up a beetle or insect, and for some time he simply swallowed his victim.

After a little he seemed to have enough to eat, and just then a little flock of larks were seen running along in the newly turned furrow, at times almost touching the old negro's heels. Now and then they would come across an insect too large for them to easily manage, and then would begin a little scuffle. Then the butcher bird would swoop down in the center of the little flock, snatch up the insect and fly off with it before the larks knew what had happened. The butcher bird had eaten all he wanted, and so, with the beetle in his beak, he flew to the nearest orange tree, and, selecting a long, sharp thorn, he impaled the insect upon it.

I watched this bird put at least ten insects on different thorns. During an hour, besides numerous large insects, the butcher bird captured two snakes, the largest of which was two feet long and very lively. These snakes, although they squirmed and twisted, were taken with difficulty to an orange tree and, after a good bit of hard tugging, they were left with a thorn through their bodies. When the butcher bird is not looking for food or for victims to stick on thorns, he is generally looking for other birds for the purpose of fighting them, and so he keeps busy from daylight till dark.—The Naturalist.

Few Cook Stoves in Manitoba.

In the northern section of Manitoba, which is remote from any railroad, one rarely sees a cook stove; the box stove and open fireplace reign supreme. Fancy cooking is therefore out of the question, but to compensate for that we get a bountiful supply of venison and small game and our unrivaled "Manitoba white-fish," which can be cooked by simple methods.

For bread, when we can obtain yeast, we cook it in a bake kettle (a shallow kettle with close fitting lid), which we place in the hot sand of the fireplace and cover with coals and allow it to remain for one hour, when the bread turns out beautifully browned, perfectly cooked, and as light as a feather. But in winter the cold is so intense that it is a hard matter to prevent the sponge from getting chilled or frozen when rising over night. Some abandon yeast bread for bannocks or gillettes, the "half breed" bread, made of flour, salt and warm water, with generally a little grease added, and this makes a good, wholesome, palatable bread, especially good for traveling with, as it is easy to thaw at the camp fire and very satisfying. The method of making it is as follows: Use warm water, in which dissolve grease, say a piece the size of a walnut to one pound of flour; knead thoroughly, adding flour until the sponge is fairly dry, but not too dry; then roll out into cakes about half an inch thick and bake; if in an oven, not too quick a one; for an open fire we put the cake in a frying pan and turn until stiff, and then prop it up before the fire and turn regularly until cooked. For baking on top of a box stove, the cake must be rolled thinner and requires constant attention to prevent burning, and forcibly reminds one of the story of "King Alfred and the Cakes."

One of the difficulties we encounter in winter cooking is that everything gets frozen as solid as a rock and is very difficult to prepare, and takes much longer to cook in consequence.—Manitoba Cor. Detroit Free Press.

Secret of Crystallized Figs.

One of the cleverest mercantile dodges that has been played in this town in many a day is the new crystallized fig racket. Cheap, marvellously cheap, crystallized figs have recently invaded the fruit stores, the groceries, the street stands. The usual price for crystallized fruit is from 70c. to 80c. a pound. This new variety of figs sells at 20c.

When you try them they are not very delicate in flavor, but still they are not bad, and answer the purpose with people wanting something sweet very well, and they are having an immense sale because the conjunction of the words "crystallized figs" with "20c." was so remarkable it gave them a big "ad." The cleverness comes in in the fact that they are not crystallized figs at all.

A firm of confectioners got the idea from a girl in their employ, it is said, of running a cheap sort of fig jam or paste into molds roughly resembling a fig, coating them with sugar and calling them crystallized figs. The jam or paste is a good enough cheap confection, but they might have spent years and fortunes trying to get it on the market without achieving the success they have made now without the expenditure of a penny in advertising.—New York Graphic.

Resemblances in Hunchbacks.

I have practiced medicine and surgery for forty years, and I do not recall a disease or case of any particular kind that has not come under my observation. But one thing that I have made a sort of study in the way of close observation is the striking resemblance to each other of what is commonly called the hunchback. It does not take a close observer to see that they all look alike in the face, more so even than if they were full brothers. There is something strange about this resemblance, yet it is all due to that physical condition. About 99 out of 100 are so near alike that if the 100 were standing in a row, with their heads poked through slits in a sheet, you could not pick out your brother if you had one who was a hunchback. Few people would notice this remarkable fact, but if they do they will find how singularly true it is.—Physician in Globe-Democrat.

Counting our chickens before they are hatched would not be so bad did we first "candle" the eggs.

The damage from the phylloxera in France so far is estimated at \$2,000,000,000.

Republican State Convention.

The undersigned Executive Committees call a State Convention of the Republican party of North Carolina, to be held in Raleigh on Wednesday, the 23d day of May, 1888, for the purpose of electing four delegates and four alternates to the National Republican Convention, to be held at Chicago, on the 19th day of June, 1888, and for the purpose of nominating a candidate for Governor and other State officers and three candidates for Supreme Court Judges, to select a State Committee and for the transaction of such other business as may be deemed proper in the judgment of the convention.

Each county is entitled as delegates in said convention to twice the number of Representatives in the lower House of the General Assembly.

All persons without regard to past political affiliation, who are in sympathy with the principles of the Republican party of this State, are invited and requested to unite with the Republicans under this call in the selection of delegates.

- J. C. L. HARRIS, V. S. LUSK, J. H. WILLIAMSON, Geo. C. SCURLOCK, R. E. YOUNG, H. E. DAVIS, J. H. HARRIS, A. V. DOCKERY, W. C. COLEMAN, J. J. MOTT, J. R. SMITH, G. W. CANNON, J. H. MONTGOMERY, E. A. WHITE, T. M. ARGO.

Presiding Elder's Appointments.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT.—2d Round.

- Rockwell, 1st Sunday in April. Clinton Chapel, 2d Sunday. Torrence Chapel, 2d Sunday. Hopewell, 3d Sunday. Biddleville, 3d Sunday. Mac Chapel, 4th Sunday. China Grove, 4th Sunday. Little Hope, 5th Sunday. Jonesville, 5th Sunday. Dallas, 3d Sunday in May. King's Mountain, 4th Sunday. Oconoville, 4th Sunday. Monroe, 1st Sunday in June. Hudson, 2d Sunday. Clinton Stand, 2d Sunday. Simfield, 2d Sunday. Centre Grove, 3d Sunday. Weeping Willow, 3d Sunday. R. S. RIVES, P. E.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.—2d Round.

- Norrrington and Long Ridge—March 31 and April 1. Chapel Hill—April 7-8. Gunter's Chapel—April 14-15. Mitchell's Chapel and Union—21-22. Thompson's Chapel and New Hope—April 28-29. General Conference May 2d, at New Berne. Mt. Olive—May 19-20. Jones Mission—May 26-27. A. M. BARRETT, P. E. Raleigh N. C.

WADESBORO DISTRICT.—2nd Round.

- Matthew's Chapel, Richmond Co.—March 24-25, to be held by Elder M. S. Kelt. Gatwood Station, Anson Co.—March 24-25, to be held by Elder L. H. Wyche. Silver Grove, Richmond Co., March 24-25. Wadesboro—April 1. Galliee, Anson Co.—April 7-8. Rockingham—April 14-15. Zion Chapel, Kyser Moore Co.—April 21-22. Gooden's Chapel, S. C.—April 28-29. Snow Hill, Richmond Co.—May 5-6. Hand Creek, Montgomery Co.—May 12-13. Harrisville, Stanly Co.—May 19-20. Fair View—May 26-27. W. H. SIMMONS.

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REPUBLICAN PLAN OF ORGANIZATION.

Rules and Regulations for the Organization of the Republican Party of North Carolina as Amended and Adopted at the State Convention held in Raleigh, North Carolina, September 22d, 1886.

First. County organization.—The election precinct shall be the unit of county organization. Each precinct shall have an executive committee consisting of three active Republicans. They shall be biennially chosen by the Republican voters of the precinct, and shall elect one of the number chairman. They shall convene together at such time and place as the majority of them may elect. They shall biennially elect a county executive committee, to consist of not less than five members, who shall elect a chairman from their number. Vacancies in precinct committees shall be filled by the voters of the precinct, and in county committees by a convention of the precinct committees duly called; Provided that in case a vacancy occurs within thirty days prior to an election, such vacancy may be filled by the vote of the remaining members.

2d. Congressional, judicial and senatorial district committees, composed of no less than one member from each county, nor less than seven members, biennially elected by the several district conventions, each of whom shall elect a chairman from their number; Provided, that a senatorial committee shall only be elected in districts embracing more than one county. Vacancies occurring within thirty days of an election, may be filled by the vote of the committee.

3d. As amended by the Republican State convention:—There shall be a State executive committee composed of one member from each congressional district in the State, to be designated by the district delegations at State convention assembled, five members at large, to be elected by the State convention and the chairman of the convention at which the election is held, and said committee are required to call a State convention of the Republican party at least sixty days prior to every election for members of the General Assembly, and oftener if necessary in the interest of the party. Members of the State executive committee shall be biennially elected at the State convention, shall choose one of their number chairman, and shall elect a secretary, who is not a member, who shall reside at Raleigh.

4th. The chairman of the respective county, district and State executive committees shall call their conventions to order and act as temporary chairman, until a permanent organization is effected, with power only to appoint, and receive the report of a committee on credentials.

5th. No executive committee shall have power to elect or appoint delegates to any convention, whether county, district, State or National.

6th. No member of an executive committee or delegate or alternates duly chosen shall have power to delegate his trust or authority to another.

7th. As amended by the Republican State convention: Each county in convention assembled may adopt such plans as it may deem best for the election of delegates from its different townships or precincts to the county conventions.

8th. Representatives in congressional, judicial, senatorial and State conventions shall consist of two delegates and two alternates only for every member of the lower house of General Assembly, and shall be apportioned in the several counties accordingly.

9th. Delegates and alternates to the county conventions, shall be elected only by a vote of the Republicans of each precinct in precinct meetings assembled, unless changed as authorized by section VII, and delegates and alternates to the district, and State and National conventions shall be elected by a convention of delegates duly elected and sent by the people for that purpose after the notice and publication of not less than fifteen days of the time, place and purpose of such convention, and not otherwise.

10th. The certificate of the chairman and secretary of the meeting, setting forth the regularity of the primary meeting or convention, and the election of the delegates and alternates thereat, shall be accepted when uncontested, as a good and sufficient credential for such delegates and alternates.

11th. This plan of organization and procedure shall continue in force until changed or abrogated by a subsequent Republican State convention. Adopted in State convention, September 22, 1886.

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CHANGE OF SCHEDULE.

Wilmington, N. C., Jan. 1, 1888.

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Table with columns: STATIONS, No. 2, No. 4, Nos. 6 & 8, Daily ex., Daily ex., Tri-Sunday, weekly.

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TRAINS MOVING SOUTH.

Table with columns: Passenger and Mail No. 1—dinner at Sanford, Pass. and Mail, No. 11—dinner at Germantown, Ar Ararat, Ar Greensboro, Ar Greensboro, Ar Sanford, Ar Sanford, Ar Fayetteville, Ar Fayetteville, Ar Maxton, Ar Maxton, Ar Bennettsville, Ar Bennettsville.

FACTORY BRANCH—FREIGHT AND ACCOMMODATION.

TRAINS MOVING NORTH.

Table with columns: Leave Millboro, Arrive Greensboro, 8:00 a. m., 9:30

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Table with columns: Leave Greensboro, Leave Factory Junc., Arrive Millboro, 1:30 p. m., 2:15, 3:00

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