

OUR CHURCHES.

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

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parading, rowdy festivals should be no longer tolerated by our people.

The Brotherly Association had their fourth annual sermon preached at Presbyterian church last Sunday afternoon by the Rev. R. P. Wyche. This is one of the best societies in the city.

The lecture at Grace church Wednesday night by Mrs. Early was well attended. It was a good lecture, instructive and entertaining. The temperance people have in her a noble worker. She met the W. C. T. U. on Thursday afternoon.

The concert at Grace church last week was a complete success in spite of the rain. It was repeated on Tuesday night of this week by request, and though the clouds still threatened rain, something over \$46 was cleared in the two nights.

Thirty-eight persons left Concord about three weeks ago for California. It is said another large party will leave there soon for the same section. The result is said to be visible around Concord already as everybody has plenty work and better wages.

Mr. W. H. Mumford a student of Biddle University, died at his home in Richmond county about three weeks ago. He returned home from school sick about the first of April, but his doctors were unable to do him any good and he was soon called away.

We need money. Please send us some without delay or excuse. Persons owing us should remember that we can't run a business on promises, be the intentions ever so good. Don't wait to get more but send us what you have. Our terms are in advance.

Rev. R. H. Stitt, P. C., will preach a special sermon to young men to-morrow night at Grace church. A full attendance is desired. Let all the young men in the city turn out and hear him. There will be room also for old men, old ladies and young ladies.

The commencement exercises of Livingstone college comes off next Wednesday 16th. The annual address will be delivered by Rev. C. F. Deems, D. D., of New York. The baccalaureate sermon will be preached to-morrow by Rev. J. W. Brown, of Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

We were compelled to give up our trip to Newberne to see the General Conference because so many of our subscribers failed to pay us. Just how some folks can go along having a good time, spending money foolishly and still refuse to pay us we don't understand, unless it be pure meanness. Please give us something.

General Conference and Bishop Hood. The following resolutions introduced by Mr. J. C. Dancy in the General Conference last week were adopted:

WHEREAS, We have the utmost confidence in the Christian character of Bishop Hood, and while we would not presume to dictate or hamper his opinion, yet we see the necessity to

RESOLVE, That this General Conference express its dissent from the views attributed to Bishop Hood in the newspapers, which charge him with favoring reimbursement to the ex-slave holders for slaves emancipated, as we regard it as against the Constitution and the spirit of civilization.

These resolutions by Mr. Dancy were offered as a substitute for others offered by Rev. A. Waters. Rev. Waters resolutions excited spirited debate and the matter was settled by the above resolutions which puts the church right and square against paying for the slaves.

Our Graded Schools. The attention of our readers is called to the importance of a play ground for our graded school children. As it now stands we have hardly sufficient ground for the children to stand on outside the house. The children play on other people's property and as soon as this property is fenced the children will have no place to play. The city should have bought at least one square for the school, especially as it is so cheap. We have spoken of this matter before and we earnestly hope all parents and others interested in the children will give the matter consideration. Let

the matter be brought to the attention of the school commissioners. Lots are being sold off the white graded school property for three times as much per acre as it will cost to buy for the colored school. Why not take some of that money and buy land for the colored school? Some one should put such things before the proper persons for action. Our lady teachers should have better pay for their services, too. If the principal or commissioners don't see and act, let the people act themselves. Let all move at once, after considering the proper move to make.

This property adjoining the school will soon be sold, as it is very cheap, and action should be taken while it can be had. At least one square should be bought, fenced in and divided between the boys and girls. Let us see if it can't be done before the beginning of the next session.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.

SECOND ROUND.

March 1st, 1888.

Mr. Editor-

We assembled in Eyan's Chapel the above date, to hold our conference. I arrived a little late and found Elders Hill, Leavy, Granger and W. J. Moore and all the officers waiting. It being late we postponed the conference until Saturday. We find the work here in a prosperous condition. The finance plan that we adopted at the first quarterly conference is doing well. We have a surplus after paying off the pastor. The Lord certainly was with Bishop J. W. Hood, D. D. in returning Rev. J. M. Hill here. The revival was prosperous and I remained in or about the city fifteen days. They also pounded the pastor on Friday night, bringing him sugar, hams, &c. Bro. Joshua Council acted as P. E. Steward and did well; he raised over \$30 for me on this occasion; he certainly is the right man in that place. Next I visited Rev. M. N. Leavy at Beaver Creek. (10) Conference open with religious exercises, Elder Leavy had the officers marshal to the plan for conference and every thing was pleasant. He is doing well and the people are paying his salary well. I next visited Rev. D. F. King, at Rock Rose circuit, March 17, we had a pleasant conference. There has been considerable trouble on this circuit the last month, about their pastor, but I visited all the churches and all things are reconciled. Johnsville circuit I found things not as pleasant as they ought to have been, but the pastor Rev. Grange is not in fault. I next visited that great man D. A. McKay, at Love Grove and found all things in good condition and the people all pleased with him. He is pushing things to the gate. (March 31st.) Next I visited Rev. S. M. Best, Paradise, Norrington and Steward Creek and I found the people well pleased with him and they say he is the best man. He has collected more General Fund than any pastor on the district except Rev. J. M. Hill up to this date. I visited Rev. G. B. Kelly on the same date, at Long Ridge, he had all of his office marshals to the plan the conference was very pleasant the collection was good for the pastor, &c. I next visited Chapel Hill April 7 and found Rev. R. H. Bright moving along nicely, the conference was pleasant, &c. April 14. I visited Gunter's Chapel and found Rev. J. H. Love, we had a pleasant conference and Bro. Love seems to be doing well though the churches hasn't paid him much money as yet, but they say they will pay up. I next went to Lemon Grove I found the model pastor Rev. J. D. McKay and found things all pleasant the people well pleased; the conference was fine and they say it was the best conference ever held on the work; the collections were all good this circuit is looking up. I also met on the same day Rev. S. W. Jackson at Mitchell's conference. The officers were all present. I hope that this circuit will raise their general fund this year, the officers all say they will aid the pastor in collecting the general fund. I collected over \$4.00 during the conference. I next visited Rev. E. B. Bennett's work Wednesday Thursday Friday and Saturday. 25 26 27 and 28. Things were not so pleasant but I hope they may be better we had a fine time in general class ex-P. E. Williams and Rev. J. D.

McKay were with us. Collections good.

New Hope circuit, Rev. E. W. Dix I met him at his post, also Elder D. A. McKay was with us we had a pleasant conference. Elder E. W. Dix doing well, collections and general funds. Yours respectfully, A. M. BARRETT.

STEWARTSVILLE TOWNSHIP.

The Republicans of Stewartville held their township convention Saturday, May 5th, 1888, for the purpose of selecting and electing delegates to attend the county convention to be held at Rockingham, Richmond Co., N. C., on the 11th inst. L. C. Preston was re-elected chairman, N. F. McEchern Secretary. Delegates elected to attend the county Convention—W. H. Renigar, W. H. Woodward and M. L. Shaw.

A resolution was offered by Rev. T. B. McCain by way of endorsing Hon. O. H. Dockery, of Richmond county, N. C., being the strongest that Republican party of North Carolina could put before the people at large for Governor of North Carolina. The same received and adopted. Brief speeches were made by Messrs W. H. Woodward, J. W. Anderson, W. P. Evans and T. B. McCain. The proceedings of the convention was ordered to be sent to the Charlotte MESSENGER, the Wilmington Bulletin and the Broad Axe for publication.

The following resolutions were offered by T. B. McCain:

WHEREAS, Some time has elapsed since the Republicans a Richmond county have reiterated of platform of principles. Therefore be it

Resolved, 1st. That we recognized in the approaching campaign that fact that while hopeful to the Republicans a vigorous contest will necessary and worth the name of a great party like ours.

2d. That we are in favor of a tariff amounting to a firm and steady protection our American Institution and to protect home industry.

3d. That we do not appreciate the action of the national legislature with its Democratic majority for its failure to pass the Blair bill and to repeal the odious internal revenue laws.

4th. That we demand the unconditional repeal of the present system of county Government.

5th. That as a standard bearer in the approaching contest we want a man to head our State ticket that is able to compete with any Democrat in the State. And we believe that that man is found in the person of Hon. O. H. Dockery, of this county.

6th. Therefore we recommend that delegates of this convention be recommended to support such men in the county convention that will use all honorable means to secure the nomination of O. H. Dockery as the people candidate for Governor of North Carolina.

L. C. PRESTON, Chairman. N. F. McEchern, Sect'y. Laurinburg, N. C., May 5th 1888.

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Presiding Elder's Appointments.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.—3d Round. Fayetteville—May 31 to June 4. Savannah—June 9 and 10. Manchester—June 16 and 17. Cameron, Hoods Chapel—June 23, 24. Mt. Hebron—June 30 and July 1. Norrington—July 7 and 8. New England—July 14 and 15. Douglass Chapel—July 21 and 22. Evans Chapel—July 28 and 29. Staleys—August 4 and 5. Gulf—August 11 and 12. Mt. Zion—August 18 and 19. Zion's Grove—August 25 and 26. Fayetteville—August 30 to Sept. 3. A. M. BARRETT, P. E. Raleigh N. C.

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 Staud, 2d Sunday. Simfield, 2d Sunday. Centre Grove, 3d Sunday. Weeping Willow, 3d Sunday. R. S. RIVES, P. E.

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. Gallie, Anson Co.—April 7-8. Rockingham—April 14-15. Zion Chapel, Kyeser Moore Co.—April 21-22. Gooden's Chapel, S. C.—April 28-29. Snow Hill, Richmond Co.—May 5-6. Iland Creek, Montgomery Co.—May 12-13. Harrisville, Stanly Co.—May 19-20. Fair View—May 26-27. W. H. SIMMONS.

Republican State Convention.

The undersigned Executive Committee 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.

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CHANGE OF SCHEDULE.

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

WESTBOUND TRAINS.

Table with 3 columns: No. 1, No. 3, Nos. 5 & 7. Rows include STATIONS, Daily ex. Daily ex. Tri-Sunday. Sunday. weekly. Lv Wilm'gton 6:40 p.m. 7:00 a.m. 5:45 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 a.m. 5:00 a.m. 7:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m. 4:45 a.m. 8:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:54 p.m. 3:00 p.m.

EASTBOUND TRAINS.

Table with 3 columns: No. 2, No. 4, Nos. 6 & 8. Rows include STATIONS, Daily ex. Daily ex. Tri-Sunday. Sunday. weekly. Lv Rutherford 8:40 a.m. 10:52 a.m. 12:45 a.m. 3:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m. 1:25 a.m. 7:00 a.m. 2:30 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 5:45 a.m. 4:25 p.m.

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TRAINS MOVING NORTH.

Table with 3 columns: Passenger and Mail, Freight and Passenger. Rows include Lv Bennettsville 8:15 a.m. 1:30 p.m. Ar Maxton, 9:25 a.m. 3:35 p.m. Lv Maxton, 9:35 a.m. 4:11 p.m. Ar Fayetteville, 11:25 a.m. 8:10 p.m. Lv Fayetteville, 11:40 a.m. 10:00 a.m. Ar Sanford, 1:55 p.m. 2:25 p.m. Lv Sanford, 2:15 p.m. 3:10 p.m. Ar Greensboro, 5:40 p.m. 7:45 p.m. Lv Greensboro, 9:50 a.m. 3:00 p.m. Ar Ararat 4:00 p.m.

TRAINS MOVING SOUTH.

Table with 3 columns: Passenger and Mail, Freight and Passenger. Rows include Lv Ararat 4:00 p.m. Ar Greensboro, 9:50 a.m. 7:30 a.m. Lv Greensboro, 10:05 a.m. 1:52 p.m. Ar Sanford, 1:30 p.m. 1:52 p.m. Lv Sanford, 1:50 p.m. 3:00 p.m. Ar Fayetteville, 4:15 p.m. 6:30 p.m. Lv Fayetteville, 4:30 p.m. 5:30 a.m. Ar Maxton, 6:27 p.m. 9:00 p.m. Lv Maxton, 6:40 p.m. 9:45 p.m. Ar Bennettsville 8:00 p.m. 12:00 m.

Passenger and Mail No. 2—dinner at Sanford. Pass. and Mail, No. 11—dinner at Germantown.

FACTORY BRANCH—FREIGHT AND ACCOMMODATION.

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Table with 3 columns: Leave Millboro, 6:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m. Arrive Greensboro, 9:30 5:40

TRAINS MOVING SOUTH.

Table with 3 columns: Leave Greensboro, 1:30 p.m. Leave Factory Junc. 2:15 5:05 p.m. Arrive Millboro, 3:00 5:45

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