

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. Alstos, pastor.

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We want one thousand new subscribers by the first of January. Let every lady and every gentlemen reader send us one new subscriber or send us a list of the reading colored people around you, with their postoffice address, so we may send them a copy of our paper.

Hurrah for President Harrison.

Let us all go and see him inaugurated. Who will be our next postmaster and who will go in the Mint?

Miss Emma Crowell has returned home from a visit to Union county.

The democrats of Old Virginia now figure their own majority at 1,000.

Mr. Dallas Alexander and little daughter spent a part of the week in the city.

People are beginning to settle down to business again as they are satisfied with the results.

The excitement over the election has caused us to neglect our business as well as friends.

Bishop J. J. Moore preached at Grace last Sunday morning, and at Little Rock at night.

The democrats of North Carolina now claim 11,000, with the republican west yet to hear from.

Mr. Preston H. Brown is still down in Union county and is doing good work for the MESSENGER.

Republicans are having ratification meetings in different parts of this State as well as republican States.

Rev. W. P. Phifer organized a Baptist church for colored people at the Mayor's court room last Sunday.

The young men of Wilmington are preparing to visit the inauguration in grand style. A good crowd will go.

The letters from Mr. Lewis of Lumberton and Mr. Taylor of Lincoln reached us too late for this issue.

They say all the letter carriers for this city must be colored men as white men will fill the best places inside the offices.

Miss Minnie Sumner returned home last Tuesday from a visit to Raleigh. She was tendered a reception by the Hesperian club.

Messrs. A. Brady, W. G. Ford, C. W. Eddins and F. W. Ahrens have been mentioned as possible candidates for the postoffice.

Some of the press is mistaken in saying the military were called out in

our city on election day. Everything passed off quietly.

Hon. O. H. Dockery is the man to represent the South in President Harrison's cabinet. We would like to see him made Postmaster General.

The new railroads for this city are being discussed now, and it is said the county commissioners will next Monday week consider petitions for election.

There will be many new faces in the field when the offices are to be given out. They say some of the old ones have had enough and should not go back in. Let all have a chance.

We do not mean to single out particular democrats to be removed, but simply mean that all must go and go speedily after the 4th of March. There are a few though, in whose exit we will take special delight.

The Central N. C. Annual Conference meets at Fayetteville next Wednesday. Bishop J. J. Moore will preside. Dr. J. T. Williams and Mr. R. A. Simmons are the lay delegates from this district.

Our military company should not miss the opportunity of going to Washington on the 4th of March and march behind our next President in the grandest demonstration ever seen in Washington. What about it Capt. Taylor?

This is our time to laugh, and no one ought to object to our having our full share. Negroes and radicals are as certain to take the federal offices as the sun is to rise, and what Negro and what rad won't laugh? It's hard, but it's fair.

Dakota, Montana and Washington territories have been pleading for Statehood some years. As the people's party is now in power and these territories have the acquired population, wealth and improvement, they will be admitted by the 51st Congress.

Charleston and Columbia, S. C., are made up of as high-toned, aristocratic democratic business men as are in the South, and they stood Negro postmasters. Suppose a Negro should succeed Gen. Young, who would die from the effect? But faint-hearted republicans might say it wont do to give the Negro even a subordinate place.

We surrender much of our editorial space this week for the reproduction of two articles which appeared in this paper in May and October concerning church and schools. They are reproduced at this time because the annual conference of A. M. E. Zion church will be in session in Fayetteville next week. We hope all the preachers will read both articles carefully.

The next man to Col. Dockery to be remembered by President Harrison should be Mr. O. J. Spears, of Harnett county. He is a lawyer and a farmer and should have a good place. Wonder if he would like to go to Brazil or be Commissioner of Agriculture, or Solicitor-General. Mr. Harrison will honor his administration and North Carolina by recognizing Mr. S.

A return of republican rule is very encouraging to colored people everywhere, yet it makes it more important for every colored boy and girl to be sent and kept in school. You will want your boy to fill some office or your girl to marry an office holder after a while, but unless a fellow knows something he can't even be a janitor to a postmaster. Times are getting better and your children will enjoy it if you only do your part by them.

Colored men will soon be called upon to circulate and sign petitions for men to fill certain places. They are hereby warned to be careful before committing themselves to any man, to first find out how he stands on the Negro. A man who thinks it is not yet time for the Negro to fill responsible places anywhere, should be "spotted and downed." There are Negroes here competent and deserving to fill any place in our post-office, Mint or revenue service.

It is Better Thus.

We do not rejoice at the downfall of any one. It is our good fortune to have the advantage in this great change, and it is better that it is thus.

The white man in the South who has honest convictions, and believes in the principles of the republican party and dares express his convictions, cannot succeed well in a business that depends upon his neighbors. Under a republican administration he can accept a federal position and stand in the courage of his convictions.

The poor, but honest, educated Negro, against whom all trades, professions and business are closed, is given an opportunity to improve his intellect, and remunerate and take care of his aged parents, who kept themselves in poverty, working to educate their boy. The democratic office-holder in the South is an aristocrat and will be taken care of. So aside from politics, it is far better thus for all concerned.

Died in Liberia.

Mrs. M. C. Perry, wife of Rev. Frank B. Perry, missionary to Liberia from this city, died on the morning of the 11th of September. The letter reached us too late for publication. It will appear next week.

What Does This Mean?

The interest in the election on Tuesday last was not confined to the men. There was an organized "Brigade of Non-voters" who took their position on an elevation with arms stacked ready for any emergency. Their weapons looked very formidable.—Charlotte Democrat of the 9th.

Fill Up the Schools.

While our hard worked school teachers are doing their full duty and every thing seems to be going on smoothly, the parents are not performing their duty. The little ones are started to school sometimes before they are six years old to lighten responsibilities at home, but the girls and boys of 14 to 18 are not to be found in the school room. Where are they? Have they entered college or some seminary?

Our boys and girls ought to be kept in school here until they finish the course laid down in our graded system and a higher course should be added and the higher classes should be crowded as well as the lower. We ought to have a high school department in our graded school and all these young women and young men who find so much time to idle on the streets and at entertainments should spend their time more profitably in a way that will be useful to them in after years. But how can we have a higher department when the children don't stay in school long enough to finish the course already laid down?

There are many parents here not able to send their daughters off to school, but can well afford to spare them every forenoon, and the girls can make enough afternoons and Saturdays to clothe themselves. Parents are urged to consider the great loss to themselves and their children, as well as the drawback to the race by a continuance of ignorance and crime on the State. There is no excuse for the colored people of this city remaining behind any other city in the State. Let us take advantage of our opportunities. Every colored girl and boy in this city should have at least a common school education. Biddle should have not less than fifty young men from this city and every year should graduate a dozen Charlotte boys. A high school department of our graded school should turn-out and send off to Scotia and elsewhere a dozen or more girls every year.

Will the preachers and teachers do their duty in advising and urging our people to keep their children in school and will parents be advised and help to work out this great and mighty problem? Our responsibilities as a race are becoming greater every day. The solution of the problem is in the school room, the church and the home. We need teachers throughout the country and in a few months will have plenty of money to pay them. These young women who spend about six and a half days in a week washing and ironing and destroying their health for a few dollars, if they had spent the time they should have in the school room would be able to enjoy life. Send your girls to school. It matters not if they are large and

have to stand by small fellows. They had better be ashamed of this a few days in the school room, than live a whole life of shame. They will get over it in a few days and the sooner they start the sooner they will get over it. There is a score of young women in this city who can well afford to go to school and who ought to go. They can easily do their work in the afternoon and on Saturdays. The time they spend on the streets would profit them much more if spent in the school room.

Young men and young women say they have to work. What are they working for? What can they show besides their good clothes? If a young man or young woman can't go to school and feed and clothe themselves by working half of each day we would like to know the reason why. Parents, send your boys and girls to school, big and little ones. Young folks, go to school, you are needed just over yonder. You will enjoy life better and make others happier. Fill every school house and you will never regret a day properly spent in school.

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