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### RELIGIOUS GATHERINGS.

The Methodists at St. Louis, and the Baptists at Fort Worth.

Two notable religious gatherings will be held in the South this week, the general conference of the Methodist Church South, at St. Louis, and the Southern Baptist Convention, at Fort Worth.

The Methodist Conference will be called to order by Bishop J. C. Keener, as the senior of its eight Bishops, and Rev. John O. Martin, of Baltimore, will probably be the secretary. This conference represents 1,200,000 of the 5,000,000 or more Methodist communicants of this country. The full list of delegates from North Carolina was published in Saturday's NEWS. Rev. Dr. Brooks, of Shelby, and Rev. F. D. Swindell, of Wilmington, arrived here Saturday night, and left this morning for St. Louis. Mr. Swindell was accompanied by his wife and children.

Two trains for the Baptist convention will leave here in the morning. One is the Original Baptist, and the other the Special Baptist. Rev. A. G. McManaway, Rev. F. O. S. Curtis, Mr. C. A. Dixon and Walter S. Liddell, of Charlotte, and Rev. J. M. Manaway, of Shelby, will leave for Fort Worth in the morning.

### To Our Subscribers.

Quite a number of our Sam Jones subscribers have decided to take THE NEWS for a longer term and have requested us to keep their names permanently on our books. All who desire THE NEWS sent to them regularly will please notify us at once, as the terms of most of them expire this week. THE NEWS will be sent to any address for 10 cents per week, 40 cents per month, or three months for \$1.00. Please give us prompt notice, as every subscription not renewed will be dropped at the expiration of the time paid for.

### LOCAL RIPPLES.

—Harry Harman, who is to get up the floats for the 20th May parade, is at the Buford.

—Rev. Thomas W. Dixon is to lecture in Raleigh, on June 10th, in the interests of the Baptist tabernacle.

—The big illuminated posters for the 20th May celebration have arrived and are being distributed by the committee.

—Mr. and Mrs. Jas. E. Hickey, of Atlanta, arrived at the Buford last night. They will be entertained at tea this evening by Mr. and Mrs. Ehney.

—There were fifty additions to the Tryon Street Methodist church yesterday, and the pastor has the names of more than fifty additional who are to join.

—The Washington reporters who have been doing the South passed through Charlotte yesterday on their return home. They spent an hour and a half here, but did not have a chance to take in the city.

—A cow belonging to Henry Conner, colored, was staked near Sixth and Graham streets yesterday. She tried to jump a ditch, but the rope that held her was not long enough, and she fell into the ditch and broke her neck.

—Miss Julia Stewart, of Cabarrus, and Miss Mary Davidson, of Mecklenburg, left yesterday morning for Caswell county to attend the wedding of Rev. Mr. Wade, of South Carolina, to Miss Jennie Mitchell. The ceremony takes place at the residence of the bride's mother in Caswell.

—A meeting of the committee appointed by the university alumni at the last commencement to report a plan for establishing a Chair of History at that institution has been called by Col. W. L. Saunders, chairman, to meet at Chapel Hill on Wednesday, June 4th of next commencement. General Rufus Barringer, of Charlotte, is a member of the committee.

Sam Jones Endorsed from the Pulpit.

Rev. R. C. Reed, pastor of the Second Presbyterian church, and Rev. A. G. McManaway, pastor of the Tryon Street Baptist church, each referred particularly to Rev. Sam Jones in their sermons yesterday, and each endorsed him strongly. Mr. Reed was particularly cordial in his endorsement of the evangelist, and eulogized him highly. Mr. Reed spoke of Mr. Jones and his work as some long hand and no evangelist ever received a higher endorsement from the pulpit than that given Mr. Jones by Mr. Reed.

### A WOLF HUNT IN CHARLOTTE.

One of the Incidents of Sam Jones' Week Not Yet Recorded—Jim Shoeshine has the Pelt.

Heard about the big wolf hunt in Charlotte last week? No? Well, there was one, and it was a lively one too. The wolf skin is now hanging on a peach tree in front of Jim Shoeshine's residence, in rear of the Central Hotel. Jim not only got the pelt, but he had quartered the wolf and was going to have a wolf steak for supper, when an old colored woman happened to hear about it. She hunted up Jim and said: "Look heah, you nigger! You gwine eat dat wolf meat? Ef you do, you'll sholy nebber eat nudder bite of anything else long's you live, and that won't be long." Jim reluctantly abandoned the idea of a wolf supper.

It all happened last Friday, while the town was swarming with people. A gentleman living in Sampson county sent a big live wolf to the Central Hotel, expecting to follow it in a few days and take it to Baltimore, where it was to be placed in a park. The wolf was thoroughly tamed. It came in a big slatted box, and Mr. Eccles had it placed in the courtyard in rear of the hotel. Friday afternoon, the animal broke out and bounded off. Fifty odd boys and men put after it, and the crowd grew bigger as each block was passed. The wolf got into College street and ran by the freight depot, then it took through Logtown. As it ran by a colored woman's house it snapped up a chicken and ate it, feathers and all, as it ran. The course of the chase was to Myers street. Then the wolf cut through the fields. Reaching the waterworks reservoir it jumped in. The crowd surrounded the reservoir, and the engineer hearing the racket, ran out with his gun. "What is it?" he asked as he saw the strange animal. "It's a wild wolf," they shouted, whereupon he raised his gun and killed the animal. Two runners from the Central came up just too late to save the life of the wolf.

### The Juniors Off for Columbia.

The Charlotte Juniors, Capt. Thos. Garabaldi, left today for Columbia, S. C., to engage the Columbia baseball club in a three days' battle. The Juniors carry ten men and are in good trim, but they have a heroic club to tackle. However, their Charlotte friends expect to hear good reports from them.

### Sam Jones Sermons.

Copies of THE NEWS containing Sam Jones' night sermons of April 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, May 1 and 2, can be obtained at THE NEWS office. Each number also contains a synopsis of other sermons. Price 5 cents each, or the set for 30 cents.

Subscribers who missed any of these numbers will be supplied free by notifying this office.

### Y. M. C. A. Notes.

An interesting meeting was held at the Y. M. C. A. hall yesterday afternoon. Rev. Dr. Solomon Pool conducted the services and spoke from the subject "Indifference and Procrastination." This talk was highly enjoyed. There was a large crowd present.

The sum of \$200 was raised to be applied to the debt of the Y. M. C. A. building.

### Reduced Rates for the 20th.

On account of the celebration of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence on the 20th instant at Charlotte, round trip tickets to this city will be sold by way of the Seaboard Air Line as follows: From Wilmington, \$4.90; Raleigh, \$4.70; Henderson, \$5.50; Maxton, \$3.25; Rutherfordton, \$2.70; Shelby, \$2.10; Lincolnton, \$1.40; Sanford, \$4.05; Weldon, \$6.90.

For military companies a still lower rate is offered.

Tickets will be on sale May 18th to 20th, inclusive, and will be good for return until May 23d, inclusive.

### A Permanent Tabernacle.

A movement is on foot to secure a permanent tabernacle in Charlotte. The need of a building of that character has long been manifest, and it is now proposed to form a joint stock company and build a permanent tabernacle or auditorium. Sam Jones has made an engagement to return to Charlotte next April, and of course a special building will be needed for him. It looks like a good investment and those who put stock in it will be safe. The present building will be torn down after the June musical festival, to give room for the Associate Reformed church. One man offers to give \$1,000 towards erecting a permanent tabernacle.

### A JUNE ATTRACTION.

Something About One of the Famous Singers who is to be in Charlotte.

Last week's issue of Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper, contains a portrait of Mrs. Fenton Lawson, of Cincinnati, Ohio, one of the famous singers who is to take part in the June Musical Festival in Charlotte.

Mrs. Fenton Lawson is one of the most beautiful and popular matrons in Cincinnati. She is the wife of a prominent young merchant, who is a member of one of the oldest and most influential families in the city. Mrs. Lawson was Miss Corrine Moore. She came to Cincinnati about five years ago with her widowed mother from the South, to cultivate her voice. She entered the College of Music, and as a pupil of Professor Buch Foley, soon became a musical and social favorite. She has a fine soprano voice of high range. Mrs. Lawson is of medium height, with a Southern warmth of nature, sparkling black eyes and glossy raven hair, a pure brunette complexion, with high intellectual forehead.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawson were married in St. Paul's Episcopal Church about three years ago, and reside in a sumptuous home on Oak Street, Walnut Hills. Their receptions are among the most elegant given in the city. Mrs. Lawson is constantly importuned to sing for charities, and has just resigned the position of first soprano in the Church of Our Saviour, Mt. Auburn, in favor of concert work, and the managers of the coming May Festival are congratulating themselves on their good fortune in securing her as a soloist.

### The Death of a Respected Negro.

Allen Carson, one of the best negroes in Charlotte, died yesterday, from an attack of pneumonia, following the grip. Allen was one of the old timers, black as coal, with thick heavy side whiskers, but as honest as the day is long. Everybody in Charlotte knew him, and he had not only the respect, but the unbounded confidence of the white people. Allen was the former slave of Mr. James H. Carson, and freedom made no difference with him. He was a true and loyal black man, devoted to his former master, old mistress and young masters, and they were deeply attached to him. Old Allen's death brought sadness to that household. The boys employed Mr. Nichols undertaker to care for the body and had it placed in a handsome casket, which was covered with flowers contributed by Mr. Carson's family.

Allen's body was buried in Pine-wood cemetery this afternoon, the funeral services being conducted from the colored Presbyterian church, corner of 7th and College streets, by Rev. Mr. Wychie. Mr. Carson and family attended, and a number of other white people were present.

Ingalls and others of his stripe should have seen that funeral service. An old black man in a handsome casket furnished by his former masters, and covered with flowers cut by the hands of his mistress and first around the casket a circle of sorrowing white people.

Allen was 57 years old and leaves six children. During the latter years of his life, he had been tradesman for the housekeepers of Charlotte, and he never misappropriated a dime, or made a false representation. He died in the full respect of all is that a good old negro has gone to his reward.

### Movements of the Evangelists.

Rev. R. G. Pearson is to begin a series of meetings in Union, S. C., next Sunday.

Evangelist Fife opened his meetings at Gastonia yesterday.

The people of Wilmington have decided to secure the services of Rev. Sam Jones in that city next September, and are already moving in the matter.

Evangelist Stewart and Prof. Excell opened the meetings in the Danville tabernacle Saturday. Mr. Stewart preached in the morning from the text: "Brethren, Pray! us, that the word of the Lord may have free course and be glorified, and at night from the text: "Love your enemies." Sam Jones was to have conducted the meetings there today.

### First Presbyterian Church.

The pastor would invite those ladies who desire to unite with this communion to meet him in the church Tuesday afternoon, May 6th, at 5 o'clock, and the gentlemen Tuesday night at 8 o'clock in the church.

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