

Church Directory.

Religious services are held in Evans Chapel, A. M. E. Zion Church, every Sabbath as follows: 1. Prayer meeting at sunrise. 2. Sunday School at 9 1-2 o'clock A. M. 3. Morning service at 11 o'clock A. M. 4. Evening service at 3 o'clock P. M. 5. Night service at 7 o'clock P. M. Rev. H. C. Phillips, Pastor.

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To the Ministers and members of the A. M. E. Zion Church.

Dear Brethren:

As we have adopted the "EDUCATOR," published at Fayetteville, N. C., by Messrs. Waddell & Smith, as our Organ, I hope you will do all in your power to increase its circulation. The "Zion Church Advocate" has been suspended for several months, and the Bishops have decided to give it no further encouragement. I think we have seen the end of it.

Do your best to send Messrs. Waddell & Smith \$20 for 10 yearly subscribers.

I believe we can make this effort a success. Let us resolve to do it, and it is done. I will publish my appointments and note my visitations briefly in its columns. Anything you wish published send to Prof. R. Harris. Write short letters, and matter will not be crowded out.

Yours for the success of the "EDUCATOR."

J. W. HOOD, Bishop 3d. Episcopal District Fayetteville N. C. Jan. 15th. 1875

Bishop Hood's Appointments for March.

- March 3d - Union S. C.
6th - Salisbury N. C.
10th - Greensboro "
12th - Statesville "
15th - Concord "
19th - Lincolnton "
24th - Morning Star "
25th - Biddleville "
25th - Charlotte "

To whom it may Concern

Be it known that the General Conference of the A. M. E. Zion Connection, at its session in Charlotte, N. C., June, 1872, took into consideration the propriety of establishing schools for the education of our people in the South, and selected for said purpose Fayetteville, N. C., as a proper place to locate a college for said purpose.

The conference also elected the following persons as a Board of Managers to carry out the object contemplated by said conference:

- Bishop J. D. Brooks, President.
J. P. Hamer, Vice Pres't.
Bishop S. D. Talbert, Treasurer
Dr. J. A. Thompson.
Jacob Thomas.
George Bosley.
P. A. Lee, Corres. Sec'y.
J. A. Jones, Rec. Sec'y

We therefore appeal to a generous Christian public to aid us in this praiseworthy object, in educating and christianizing our poor down-trodden and oppressed race, and also to send out missionaries to teach and preach the Gospel of Christ.

The Minutes of the N. C. Annual Conference, held in Newbern Nov. 25th to Dec. 2d 1874 are now ready. Send orders to R. HARRIS Fayetteville N. C.

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Religious Department.

Ministers and members of the A. M. E. Zion Church are specially invited to write for this department.

Write only on one side of the sheet, and sign your name to every letter.

All letters for this part of the paper should be addressed to R. HARRIS, FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.

TO THE MINISTERS OF THE A. M. E. Zion Church in America.

Dear Brethren:

Through the liberality of Messrs. H. M. & S. B. SCHEFFELIN, of the city of New York, I have the pleasure sending you the Bible Catechism entitled: "MILK FOR BABES" and CHILDREN'S BREAD"

Two Thousand Copies of each kind have been placed in my hands, to distribute a copy to each of the Ministers of our beloved Zion; also an additional Five Hundred "Children's Bread," bound in Board, to be sold for the benefit of our Board of Publication.

The gentlemen who have made this noble gift were not content with giving the 4,500 books, but have most generously given us a set of Electrotype Plates, from which we may print the books, for the benefit of our people. Their request is, that a copy of the bound volume, embracing both Catechism and Hints to Teachers, be placed in the hands of each Minister in the Connection, and also a copy of the "Milk for Babes," for him to place in the hands of the Teacher of the Infant Class of his Sabbath School. The surplus of the copies, after such distribution, to be sold, and the proceeds of them used to print more, under the direction of our Board of Publication, at prices as nearly the cost of printing as practicable.

Therefore, my brother, read for yourself; examine it prayerfully, and if it should meet your approbation, which through God we trust it will, we will be glad to hear from you.

I have adopted this mode of communication, viz: a Circular Letter, as we have no other mode, our late paper having ceased to live, which is much to be regretted. Why it has ceased to exist, is an important question. Our regret on this head is partially relieved by the action of the Bishops, adopting the "EDUCATOR," printed at Fayetteville, N. C., as the Connectional organ. Let us give it our undivided support. "For Zion's sake I will not hold my peace."

Therefore I take advantage of this opportunity to direct your notice and the attention of the people committed to your charge to the condition of our Book Concern, established in 1872, and located in Washington. Its doors are closed, its shelves are empty, and the place is deserted. A very trifling contribution from each Church would enable us to open its doors, and supply our people with useful and needed books, at about the cost of printing and paper, at which prices it should be the aim of every Publication Board to furnish books when they cannot afford to give them away. May I ask your prayerful attention to this, as I am satisfied that many of our ministers, teachers and people could be thus supplied at much less prices than books are generally sold by Book Concerns and Publication Boards.

The plates having been given, the Catechism will be sold at about the cost of printing: "Milk for Babes," 5 cents; "Children's Bread," 15 cents; Together with "Hints to Teachers," bound in Cloth, 25 cents, with 20 per cent. discount when taken in quantities. Orders for the present to be sent to my address, 66 Grove Street, New York.

P. S. I would remind the brethren that the RUSH MONUMENT has been completed, and only \$3 received from the South. This work is Connectional; your help is needed; send your mites, and God will prosper you.

Your brother in the Christian's hope JACOB THOMAS. New York, Feb. 9th, 1875.

Brother Thomas has sent us a supply of these books, to distribute in this Episcopal District. We will send one copy, free, to each of our Ministers who will send us five cents to pay postage. Send orders to R. HARRIS, Fayetteville, N. C.

What We Need.

By C. R. HARRIS.

II.

A second object we should strive to gain is

PROPERTY.

By this term, I mean both kinds of property, personal and real.

Money, or its equivalent is a source of power and usefulness in every community. Capital represents labor,—we might almost say, it is accumulated labor; for if one dollar is the wages for a day's labor, he who has a hundred dollars has at his command a hundred day's labor, and he has but to speak the word and two hundred brassy arms are ready to do him service. So every dollar we save is a day's work laid in store for future contingencies.

We all know how much power is lodged in the hands of the owner of a large factory. Hundreds look to him for employment and are dependent on him for a livelihood.

Money, well-directed is of use in more ways than one. The late Horace Greeley tells of a farmer in Vermont, whose lands were almost valueless until a spoke and handle factory was established in his vicinity. Then his acres became at once valuable on account of the timber used by the factory.

Capital not only employs men and remunerates labor, but also lessens the cost of living. Many manufactured articles in every day use are much cheaper than they would be if made by hand.

Without capital, no railroads or steamboats could be built, no manufacturing establishments, no mines successfully worked. In short, all the great business enterprises of life can be prosecuted only by those who possess property.

The possession of wealth affords means for deeds of beneficence and charity. It is the wealthy who found hospitals, build colleges, and endow institutions. Had we in our midst, moneyed men, as there are among the whites, Rush University would not lack the thousands of dollars it needs to become established and made a power in the land for good. Instead of one, there would doubtless be a dozen or more such institutions sustained by the munificence of our wealthy citizens.

In seeking thus to set forth the advantages of wealth, I would by no means advocate the idea that mere money is the chief good. Indeed, a slavish devotion to the acquisition of riches is to be deprecated. Money is to be sought for the good it can do, and with this end in view, it deserves strong efforts to obtain it.

We need LAND. Ownership and culture of the soil are among the features which distinguish civilized from barbarous nations. These give to men steady, industrious habits, and tend to make them peace-loving and law-abiding. No man is more independent than the farmer. In this climate, he can produce all of the necessities and many of the luxuries of life. He can raise his wheat and his cotton.

The possession of land is the more requisite for us, because most of us were raised on farms, and are well acquainted with their management. Let us gain a foot-hold by the pur-

chase of land, and we will have the basis for assured and continued prosperity.

Quarterly Conference.

JONESBORO, N. C. Feb. 13. 1875.

Conference met according to appointment, at 2 1-2 o'clock P. M. Rev. A. M. Barrett presiding, who opened the Conference by reading the 7th Chapter of Habakkuk and singing the Hymn—"And are we yet alive" &c.—followed by prayer all in concert by Rev. J. Cameron

The following officers were then elected: A. W. Marsh, Recording Secretary, R. D. Dalrymple Asst. The bar of Conference was fixed and the brethren seated within the Bar; Rev. A. M. Barrett then proceeded to deliver his address which was very impressive and consoling:

Dear Brethren of this Quarterly Conference, we have been spared by the mercy of God to meet at Jonesboro Chapel in a Quarterly Conference once more, where we can meet each other in love and harmony, this being the second year that I have met with this Board in a Quarterly Conference. He expressed gratitude for the kind manner the Board of Jonesboro Chapel had treated him and congregation and his tender regard for the Board and congregation &c. Every thing is working smoothly, we are advancing heavenward.

R. D. DALRYMPLE, Ass't. Sec'y.

EVANS CHAPEL, Fayetteville N. C.

There are several religions in the world, but there are none like the christian religion. They may give life to society, but they can not give life to the soul. The christian religion can do both.

Let us have it then. 1st Repeat. 2d be converted. 3rd be sanctified.

H. C. Phillips.

Faith as a Medicine.

The cure of any illness which does not consist in a disorganization of the tissues, can often be accomplished when the person thinks that it can be done. If we physicians, who treat patients every day had the power to make them believe that they are to be cured, we certainly would obtain less fees than we do, and I must say that the best of us would rejoice at it. There is no doubt at all that if we could give to patients the idea that they are to be cured, they would often be cured, especially if we could name a time for it, which is a great element in success. I have succeeded sometimes, and I may say that I succeed more now than formerly, because I can in giving faith obtain a cure. I wish, indeed, that physicians who are younger men than myself, and who will have more time to study this question than I have, would take it up, especially in those cases in which there is a functional nervous affection only to deal with, as it is particularly, though not only, in those cases that a cure can be obtained. Indeed, a cure may thus be obtained in certain organic affections; even in dropsy it may lead to a cure. You know that it will stop pain; that going to a dentist is often quite enough to make the toothache disappear. I have seen patients come to me with a terrible neuralgia, who dreaded the operation I was about to perform, and, just at the time I was to undertake it, ceased to suffer.—Dr. Brown-Sequard.

The above explains all the miraculous cures of the Church of Rome. They are all cases of the kind described as curable by faith, and when that faith is excited by a scapulary, a medal, a dream or a supposed revelation or vision, the cure follows as a natural result—and that is all there is about the miracle.

Questions for Sunday Schools.

The following answer to the questions proposed in this paper week before last is received: viz:

11th Chapter of Judges, beginning at the 30th verse, the story is found. Question. Who was the captain? Answer. Jephthah.

Who came out to meet him? His daughter. Did he perform his vow? He did.

Found by Ann Eliza Hadley, age 12, a member of St. Joseph's Sunday School.

Correct answers, as above, were also given by Andrew Chesnut, Charles Maxwell, John Walker, Eddie Thornton, Daniel Culbreth, Mrs. Margaret Hill, Ann M. Johnson, Lina Huske, Anna Taylor, Hetty McNeill, Jane Williams, Anna Williams, all members of the Methodist Sunday School.

Hours of Prayer.

FULTON ST. PRAYER MEETING.

Friday.

The following interesting letter was received to-day: "Brethren—A few months ago I asked you to pray that the great Head of the Church would bless our special efforts for the salvation of souls.

God heard and answered. Forty souls were converted and added to the Church."

Immediately following the reading of these letters, a brother rose and said: "Some weeks ago I asked your prayers for my Sunday-school. Where we have had only two conversions during the past three years, God has begun to answer those prayers. A young lady, teacher of a large class, but not a Christian, and for whose conversion I was most anxious, yesterday expressed a desire to become the Lord's. Do pray that she may now find Christ, and that this may be but the beginning of a blessed and long-continued work; and pray that our librarian may be converted."

"My daughter is very sick; pray earnestly that she may be restored," was the substance of a telegram received during the meeting to day. Another telegram read: "Pray for the church at Mount Carmel—twenty-four souls are seeking."

"Do please pray for my brother," wrote a loving sister; "he is almost persuaded."

Many other interesting requests were read and in deepest sympathy with all these supplicants, but in consciousness of utter inability to help except by prayer, the friends sang: "One there is above all others, Well deserves the name of friend; His is love beyond a brother's, Costly, free, and knows no end. They who once His kindness prove, Find it everlasting love."

Then to His infinite and everlasting love the many cases presented were committed.

Said a brother: "We are on the railroad track to heaven, and as on ordinary railroads, so we sometimes stop at a refreshment station, so we often find refreshment stations on the road to heaven. The station of secret prayer is one of the best. There our souls are refreshed and strengthened for our upward journey."

A young man asked the friends to pray that God would hold him, by His grace, to resist the adversary whose temptations he sorely felt. Cheered and comforted, helped and blessed, we parted, with the words of the closing hymn ringing in our ears—

"Sweet the moments, rich in blessing, Which before the cross we spend."

SATURDAY.

The meetings during the week that close to day have been occupied very much in prayer. When brethren have risen to speak it has been generally to present some urgent

request or to give a record of some glorious answer to prayer.

"I asked your prayers last week," wrote a friend; "while you were praying, God heard and answered; praise Him with me." Others wrote, "Pray for my brother going astray; pray for two aged brethren, both over three score years and ten, neither of whom has yet bowed at the Throne of Grace. Pray for my five sick children. Pray for my son, an only child, apparently wholly indifferent about his soul."

"A fortnight since," said a friend. "I asked your prayers for God's blessing on special services then to be commenced. God has been blessing us abundantly; the tide of saving grace has been full and overflowing. Now will you pray that God will give us a like blessing in a city in New Jersey, where similar services are to be commenced on Monday."

"Though not a professor of religion," said a young man at the close of the meeting, I would like to ask your prayers for a friend in distress. Please remember him."

We parted with three verses of "Joy to the world, the Lord is come."

MONDAY.

There was a very large attendance in the little chapel to-day. Nearly every seat had its occupant.

The petitions were so numerous that a great part of the time was taken up in reading them. The majority of them asked for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on churches throughout the Union, where already there were indications of revival work. There were, as usual, many petitions from mothers and sisters, praying for the conversion of husbands, brothers and sons.

The balance of the hour was almost entirely given up to prayer. Quietness, solemnity, and more than usual earnestness, characterized the proceedings.

We append a few of the requests: The pastor of a church in Castle Rock, Colorado, who has had success in being the means of saving souls during a protracted meeting there, but who is alone in the conduct of the meeting, and not physically strong, prays that "God would give them a glorious victory."

A missionary from Smith Center, Kan., asks that the Lord may give him strength, and also that the present afflictions there may profit all of them spiritually.

A church without a pastor in Hartford, Vt., had asked for prayer a few weeks before. God was now abundantly blessing them. They prayed God that a great work might be done in their midst.

A mother, in asking fervent prayers for the conversion of her children and husband, said, "Oh, Christians, my heart yearns for the family altar to be erected."

From Point Prairie, Mo., an anxious daughter and sister, who has just found peace, pleads anxiously for her brothers, sisters and father.

A mother, from Savannah, Ga., asks prayers for her two sons, that they may be led to give their hearts to Christ before she shall go hence and no more.

RULES FOR DAILY LIFE.—Say nothing you would not like God to hear.

Do nothing that you would not like God to see.

Write nothing that you would not like God to read.

Go to no place where you would not like God to find you.

Read no book of which you would not like God to say, "Show it to Me."

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