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SPECIAL NOTICE.

Dear brethren and friends of A M E Zion church. Sister Maria Bowe, the wife of Elder Bowe, has been authorized by the fourth quarterly conference, which convened in Norfolk City, Virginia, to go forward and ask aid or our many friends of Zion to help us. We are in great need of money at this time, we have two churches in Norfolk city now, and an indebtedness upon both that must be paid. Dear friends, please do not refuse us, also Rev. J. H. Manley of Manleys temple, A M E Zion, is also authorized to ask aid for our churches in Norfolk city.

Yours truly for the advancement of Zion,
Rev. D. W. BOWE,
Contractor.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

BINGHAMTON, N. Y.,
October 9, 1884.

The first district session of the Genesee conference convened at 2 p m in A M E Zion church, Whitey street. Presiding Elder Jno Thomas called the conference to order, and assisted by Elders S J Berry and J E Mason conducted the opening services.

Subsequently the following officers were elected:

Secretary—J E Mason.
Assistant Secretary—G C Carter.

After the reading of the rules the presiding elder made some preliminary remarks, stating the object of the session, the importance of facilitating business and harmonious action throughout.

On motion of S J Berry a committee of five was appointed on the presiding elder's salary and the appointments.

After a short interval the committee on the presiding elder's salary and the apportionment of the respective churches reported.

The report of the committee called forth an earnest and enthusiastic discussion, lasting several hours, in which many participated.

The presiding elder's salary was finally determined as \$400 and traveling expenses for the ensuing year.

The discussion as to whether Binghamton in her present financial embarrassment be apportioned \$35 or \$25; continued until the time of adjournment, 6:30 p m., when Elder Mason moved that in view of her pressing liabilities she be exonerated; carried.

EVENING SESSION.

Presiding Elder Jno Thomas called the conference to order at 7:45 p m.

The journal of the afternoon was read and approved.

Dr. Goodman moved that the motion to exonerate the Binghamton church from taxation be reconsidered, as it was establishing a bad precedent, as Elders Berry and Collins making brief addresses corroborating the same it passed.

Elder Carter made a motion that the apportionment of the Binghamton church be \$25. After considerable discussion passed.

Subsequently the other churches, through their representatives, having accepted the apportionments of the committee, were apportioned respectively.

A motion then prevailed that the proceedings be published in the STAR. After some discussion, it was, on motion, agreed that the next district conference and Sunday School convention be held at Elmira, N Y, the first Wednesday in June, 1885.

The presiding elder followed in a brief address relative to the work of the district, the brethren entered into a general discussion respecting the quarterly meetings, etc.

Conference adjourned with singing "Praise God from whom all blessings flow," and the benediction by Elder C A Smith.

Yours for Zion,

SECRETARY.

P S—Enclosed you will find money order for \$1 25 for the publication.

REPORT OF THE YORKVILLE DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

FIRST DAY'S SESSION.

The Yorkville District conference of the A M E Zion church convened at Lowryville, S. C., in Providence church according to appointment Sept. 24th, 1884, at seven o'clock, p m, on assembling the conference was treated with a sermon of congratulating delivered by Elder J H Jackson, of Rock Hill, from Rom, 15th chapter, 1st verse, which was delivered with power and demonstration, of the spirit, so much so, that the least that can be said of it, is God talked to us at that hour, through the organ of Clay. After the ministers and delegates were assigned their homes the conference adjourned to meet tomorrow at nine o'clock.

SECOND DAY'S SESSION.

Thursday morning the 25th conference met at the appointed time Elder D I Walker, presiding, H Blake, chosen secretary, and reporter to the Star of Zion, and J R Bryant assistant secretary, after reading the 24th chapter of Matthew, Rev N A Crockett, lined the hymn on the 222 page, I would be thine, O take my heart etc., Rev Crockett also addressed the throne of grace, in a cheering manner, thanking God for sparing our lives, to meet in another District conference, and invoking Gods blessings upon the meeting. The roll was called and a quorum answered to their names. Rev D I Walker, the presiding, addressed the conference relative to the providence of almighty God amidst storms, cyclones, death and adverse winds of satan; in bringing us together once more in another district conference, and touching the death of of Revs J P Thompson and R McLean; both members of this district, that have departed this life since the annual conference. Several committees were appointed, the conference being fully organized the business of the conference was pursued with diligence.

At 1 o'clock the conference was presented a nice dinner by the members of Brown chapel, which was enjoyed.

Much business of importance was transacted during the day. Committee on devotion announced H Blake to preach tonight assisted by F Adams. Rev I J Jackson to preach at Brown chapel.

Conference adjourned to meet at the regular hour tomorrow.

THIRD DAY'S SESSION.

Conference met pursuant to adjournment, Elder D I Walker in the chair.

The conference was opened in regular form. Reports were received from different circuits, which showed much improvement.

About 62 deaths of members to about 308 converts and about \$645 00 of church improvements, also much improvement in Sunday Schools.

Rev G W Clinton, of Chester district arrived; he was introduced and seated in the bar.

He (Rev G W Clinton) addressed the conference on the subject of Sunday schools, which was intelligent, appropriate, and pointed; and delivered in the greatest simplicity, and with much enthusiasm, as that young theologian always do. At this juncture according to a recommendation of the committee on condolence, one-half of an hour was spent in hearing remarks from different brethren, relative to the life and death of Rev J P Thompson, and Rev R McLean, Elder D I Walker and Rev N A Crockett, to spoke at large on the subject showing that they lived the lives of christian ministers, and died the death of the righteous, "peace to their ashes" committee on devotion reported Rev N A Crockett to preach to night, Rev B Burton, to preach at Brown's chapel conference adjourned to meet Saturday mornidg at nine o'clock.

FOURTH DAY'S SESSION.

Conference assembled according to adjournment, the presiding officers in the Clay conference opened by reading, singing and prayer. The business of the conference being nearly completed, a few resolutions were offered and passed. H Blake was elected secretary for the next meeting of the conference, and to record the minutes in the conference journal. Conference finally adjourned to meet at Pleasant Valley, Fort Mill, S. C., 1885.

H. BLAKE,
Reporter.

The meeting of the Ladies' Home and Foreign Missionary Society was held in Washington City, D. C., and not here as announced through the STAR, the scarcity of money prevented many from attending in person, but we suppose they were represented by proxy. We shall be glad to report their proceedings.

MISCELLANEOUS.

We published in our last issue a communication from our missionary in Africa, Rev A Cartwright asking for aid to carry on the mission work in Africa, we hope our ministers will strengthen the hands of the Ladies Home and Foreign Missionary Society, so that they may be able to help Bro Cartwright.

We acknowledge that Bro Rives is right for calling us in question by noticing the Hillery case under the title of Bishop, for he is no more Bishop among us as the general conference dispossessed him of his honor but as we know he is dead while living so far as title is concerned we thought it would not do much harm to say bishop. Bro Rives writes a strong letter, read it.

A letter, signed, F W Overton, speaks well of the work in Norfolk, under Bro Bowe.

Elder J H Mattocks of Goldsboro, N. C., says his station is doing well, he has raised \$85 00 general fund and paid it over to the steward up to Sept. 29th, 7 converts and 22 added to the church in September.

Rev R T Terry, of Camden, S. C., writes that he has had some trouble with a local preacher relative to paying the general fund, everything else is doing well.

Rev G W Clinton writes that he has had glorious success on his work this year, 133 accessions, and 35 converts.

Bro J S Jackson writes a good letter from Bird Eye church, Greenville, Ala., in which he says the church is doing well the last quarterly conference held by presiding Elder J M Butler, was a grand success, the people spoke well of and enjoyed the meeting much. Elder Butler preached a noble sermon.

Bishop Jones took a flying trip to Little Rock, Ark., a week ago, to look after important church business. We hope him a pleasant trip.

The members of the Virginia conference will all take particular notice that the conference will certainly convene on the second Wednesday in November, the 12th, and not the 3d. See Bishop Jones' notice; let every one be on hand promptly.

Rev S W Burton gives a good account of his work at Liberty Hill, S. C. He mentions a number of his good working sisters in his church and the amount of money raised by them.

Bro F R Murchison will write another letter if he wish it published. Can't make any sense of the one to hand.

Rev A G Kesler writes that his circuit is brightening up in the midst of hard times.

We are still over-crowded with matter awaiting publication. We shall try and make the best we can of all. We hope our writers will take notice that we cannot repeat one thing so often. We have already noted the death of Mrs Bynum and others. So we can't publish any more. May she rest in peace.

Bro Aaron White will please accept our thanks for the invitation extended to us to visit Abingdon again.

Notice.

Mr. Editor: Cape Fair District Conference will meet on the 21st of October at Zion chapel, Sampson county, 12 miles from Magnolia. All the local preachers are requested to bring the sum of \$1 without fail; all the delegates must be there to represent the district fully. All the superintendents of the Sabbath Schools will attend to represent the schools in the district. All the local preachers will not fail to bring their license. Rev. E. H. HILL,
Presiding Elder.

NOW, NOBLEST-OF-THE-LAND.

BY AMANDA THOMPSON.

Now, noblest of the land, be brave;
Once more your precious country save.
Again the day of earnest choice
Demands that you shall use your voice.

And trusty weapons burnished bright,
Against King Alcohol's base might;
Oh, see the almost countless foes,
Who have no pity for life's woes!

Now Noblest of the land, be true;
Once more the helpless look to you—
Bring all your gifts, your service bold
To the great warfare you uphold.

As watchers you alarm will try
All men whom party cannot buy;
Thus you'll be gaining strength and might
Because your principles are right.

Now, noblest of the land, be wise;
Delay not when you're called to rise
And bring deliverance from the curse,
Which fills the liquor-dealers' purse!
CAVE SPRING, MO.

NOTICE! NOTICE!

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.,
October 8th, '84.

To the members of the Central North Carolina conference.

Dear Brethren—You are hereby notified to raise the General Fund and send it to me at once, so that I may remit the sum to the General Steward as our law directs. Look out! Some of the preachers have reported large sums of general fund collected several months ago, and yet they have not sent one penny to me. Come preachers of Zion, let us be up and do our whole duty, and all will be well with our connectational Institutions. The members of the A M E Zion church will pay if we preachers will do our duty. We did well, last year, we can and must raise more money this year. Let the Fayetteville District be the banner district this year.

Yours for Zion,

R. H. SIMMONS,
Presiding Elder.

Steward of the Central North Carolina conference.

Notice!

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.,
October 8th, '84.

The Fayetteville District conference will meet here in Evan's Chapel on the 22nd day of October and will continue three days. On the 24th the District Sabbath convention will be held. We hope that all the preachers will come prepared to pay us all back dues. It is hoped that the best Sabbath School workers in the district will come prepared to speak and read essays, etc. Pastors bring one dollar from each church to defray delegates expenses to the Annual conference. We want full reports from all churches, so that our work will be ready for the Annual conference, District conference will convene at 10 o'clock a m.

R. H. SIMMONS,
Presiding Elder.

NOTICE TO SALEMEN.

All persons who are several weeks behind in settling for papers received will find their papers stopped after this week. This do not apply to those who make regular monthly payments. Subscribers whose time have expired and they have been notified by our red marks will find their papers stopped unless heard from at once.

The corner stone of a new A M E Zion church was laid at Yonkers, N. Y., last week with very impressive ceremonies. Rev. Geo. E. Jackson, pastor of the church, invited quite a number of distinguished divines who were present and took part in the exercises. The occasion was a grand one. Zion is still going ahead building new churches and extending her borders.

Mississippi.

The second annual session of the West Tennessee and Mississippi District conference and Sabbath School convention held at Pope's station, September 16th, 17th, 18th and 19th with Elder L J Scurlock as moderator, whose work among the people in this section is arousing them from the State of dormancy into which they have fallen, through having being neglected.

The meeting was called to order on Tuesday at 10 o'clock a m, and opened by the elder with the usual services reading St Mark, 10th chapter. Hymn 237, lined by Elder A J Coleman, prayer by Rev W Jones.

The chairman cited the conference to the work before them, showing how these meetings were to promote piety—temperance and benevolence in the generations that in the future are to carry on this good begun work, in increasing a knowledge of the word of God.

Bro W J Curry was chosen clerk, Miss Nannie Riddick, assistant, Rev D J Adams, Recording Scribe, Rev M L Blalock, statistical secretary, Bro Scott Martin, marshal, Bro W S Cooper, timist, Bro R Benson, letter carrier, Bro M Shaw, Sexton,

During the conference committees were appointed to consider the interest of the various organizations in the connection. Elder H W Smith who has been appointed to get subscribers for the STAR of ZION reported a number of eight with an amount corresponding to the several periodical subscriptions of those who had concluded to take the paper.

The claims of Zion Wesley Institute were earnestly presented. The reports and proceedings in general of the conference will be published in pamphlet form and distributed among the churches and Sabbath schools in the district also to all of the organizations considered before the conference. The report of the statistical secretary shows a number of over 900 Sabbath school children in this section, with over 100 teachers and officers.

On Friday afternoon the Sabbath School of Pope's chapel having assembled, their services were opened and conducted by the Superintendent, Bro P G Goodson, assisted by Bro A B Poston. They consisted of singing, answering questions from the catechism and reciting verses from the Bible. The programme being successfully carried out, the Conference was invited by the Sabbath School to participate in a large dinner from tables arranged upon the tufted earth in various parts of the beautiful grove connected with the church property. The peace and harmony which reigned upon the occasion pictured out bright hope for Zion in the future. When the enjoyment of the day had been fully appreciated the conference was again called to order and business put before the house.

Bro White gave notice that the Panola camp meeting at Batesville would begin the Saturday before the second Sunday in October. The attendance was good from beginning to end.

Rev R Benson, chairman of the of the committee on entertainment, with all the members of Pope's chapel, were indefatigable in their cheerful efforts to entertain, and though the conference were many yet they admirably succeeded. The next session will be held in Memphis, Tenn., subject to the call of the chairman. The meeting broke with singing and shaking hands. The benediction was pronounced by Elder A J Coleman.

Wm J CURREY.

We are requested by presiding elder Simmons, to make the following statement relative to the Johnsonville circuit, which should have appeared in the conference minutes viz: The Johnsonville church paid their pastor, Elder G. W. Grange, as salary \$41.33; Green Grove, \$33.00; Kelly's Chapel, \$37.25; Rock Roe, \$50.00; general fund, \$14.68; presiding elder's salary, \$35.25.