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When you see this paragraph marked take notice that your subscription has expired, and without renewal at once we shall be compelled to discontinue your paper. We particularly call the attention of all our subscribers to the fact that whenever they see TWO BLUE MARKS opposite our paragraph relative to time, it is the last paper that will be mailed until the subscription is renewed.

The unveiling of the Bartholdi Statue of "Liberty Enlightening the World" took place in New York yesterday in the presence of distinguished personages representing America and France. The ceremonies were conducted on a grand scale.

Mr. Hewitt, who is running for Mayor of New York, is the same man who declared so positively in 1863, during the Presidential campaign, that the "Morey letter" was in the handwriting of Jas. A. Garfield, and although proven to be a forgery and so admitted by his best and leading party friends, he has never made apology for this unwarranted slander. Good material for Mayor, isn't it. Political hatred and animosity are frequently carried to far, and this case serves as an example.

Rev. H. V. Harris arranged a splendid meeting at Mockville last Saturday, and invited Prof. J. C. Price and J. C. Dancy to be present to speak. They both were present and addressed a large audience. Prof. Price spoke on the Home and Temperance Reform while Mr. Dancy discussed the Negro as a factor in this government. Each spoke for about an hour. At night Prof. Price lectured on the "Negro and his peculiar work" at the Court House to a large audience. All were delighted. Both were royally entertained during their stay, and speak warmly of their reception and treatment.

President Cleveland contributed ten dollars towards the relief of the A. M. E. Church at Charleston, and we take this opportunity of heartily thanking him for the whole race, for his condescension in thus relieving the wants of the needy. It is currently reported that the colored people, who needed it most, received a very insignificant proportion of the great amount of money sent to Charleston for the relief of the destitute. Some explanation should be given at once. At any rate Mr. Cleveland continues to make himself a splendid example for his party, so far as the Negro is concerned.

We want it distinctly understood that we do not wish to do the Editor of the Messenger the slightest injury. We took issue with him because we considered him in the wrong. He denies having intended any such thing and it is far from our purpose to misrepresent his motives. Personally we have not the slightest prejudice or ill will toward him. He made a mistake which he does not consider, and it may be of the field rather than the heart. We do not wish him to think that we harbor ill feelings against him. His experience in the field of journalism ought to be a guarantee of his ability to steer clear of breakers.

A gentleman who put a short advertisement in the STAR OF ZION, says he paid better than any advertising he ever did. Others might profit equally as well.

Bishop J. Moore has just returned from Liberia, where he reports the work as prospering splendidly. He is anxious that all the churches bestir themselves and raise all the General Fund they are due.

The Protestant Episcopal convention at its session in Chicago, has refused to prefix its title with "Catholic". This is well. Its policy is rather circumscribed, and to prefix Catholic, although having a professedly broader signification, would really render it more narrow minded, so far as its church polity is concerned. They showed wisdom in rejecting the proposal and we congratulate them.

The Prohibition sentiment, although strongly opposed by party dictation is growing South and North. It is said to be stronger in Texas than anywhere else and threatens to disintegrate the Democratic party there. It is also strong in Pennsylvania, New York and other Northern states, but it is hardly likely to change the political complexion of those states. It will be the issue of these days, if not now, but will win with, instead of without the support of one of the existing political parties. The abolition of slavery did not succeed till a party took hold of it; neither will prohibition in our judgment. But one of the parties will have to expose its principles in the near future.

Our friend the Abice-African Presbyterian refuses to enter the discussion growing out of the Messenger's arraignment of Bishop Jones. In this it is entirely right as it should never have been started. The controversy was heightened, however, by our good intentioned contemporary's publishing the matter which excited the controversy. Its failure to publish the reply in full may have served to quiet and allay any undue feeling, and we hope the whole trouble is at an end. Bro. Saunders has hitherto shown himself fair and just, and we hope never to find him treading in other paths, as we have always regarded him as a friend and Christian gentleman.

The rallying cry all along the line should be "Do your duty." In whatever avocation of life the simple performance of one's duty brings a satisfaction which nothing else can give. If a man feels that he has neglected his duty there is a certain amount of dissatisfaction and remorse of conscience which disturbs his peace continually. It is a small matter, perhaps, at the time, but by multiplication it assumes such proportions as to reduce one to a financial wreck, or cause the best laid plans to wholly miscarry. Do your full duty and the responsibility of another woe or misfortune rests not on your shoulders. Ministers, members, and friends are you doing your duty? If so we expect to hear of you a good report at conference.

The Colored Industrial Fair Association has been successful in securing greatly reduced rates over all the Railroads in the State, so as to put it within reach of all. The exhibits promise to exceed those of any previous Fair. Many States will be represented. The news from every direction is that it will eclipse anything of the kind ever undertaken by the race. Zion Wesley College will be represented with some very fine handiwork, crocheting and the like. All those attending the State Teachers Association will be admitted at half rates on Educational Day. The presence of Hon. John M. Langston, as speaker, will attract quite a number of persons from a distance. Mr. Wasson, the Secretary, writes us that this Fair will certainly surpass all previous ones. Friends give it the benefit of your presence and assistance as it deserves both. It is helping greatly to solve the vexed "Negro Problem".

Mr. A. S. Stewart, perhaps the wealthiest man in America, died at her home in New York, this week at the advanced age of 84 years. Her husband, the prince of New York merchants, died ten years ago.

SHUNNING SOUTHERN PRIDE.

It is given out in Washington, and has been pretty widely circulated, that the failure of Mrs. President Cleveland to visit Richmond last week, after she had promised and arranged to do so was owing to the presence, at Gov. Lee's residence, of Miss Winnie Davis the accomplished daughter of the President of the late Confederacy. The Southern papers are very much exercised and wroth over the matter and threaten to get even with the President for such a slight, yet offence to southern pride as they term it. The episode shows conclusively that the country is not thoroughly settled yet. The conciliation we hear so much about is not so much a fact as it is a fancy. Northern and Southern Democrats vote the same National ticket but their sentiment is very different indeed. Besides Northern Democrats think less of Jefferson Davis than do Southern Republicans if such a thing is possible.

HEW TO THE LINE.

It has come to a pretty pass in this country that a man cannot disagree with another man without being denounced as dishonest; and cannot join the Knights of Labor, without being denounced as the associate of negroes.—Daily Examiner.

You see the whole matter in its proper light. There are some men in the world who will learn nothing and forget nothing. All such the world would be better off without. This is a rapid, progressive age, an age in which times change and men must change with them. There is no standstill anywhere. In politics, business and everything there is progress for the better. The "ignorant, thoughtless and intolerant" time server must get to the rear, and allow the progressive men of enterprise and ideas to come to the front. Progressive, energetic men who love their State and country defy unjust jeers and criticisms and hew to the line. The Knights of Labor are teaching professing Christians a useful lesson, that "God is no respecter of persons, nor color." The whole nation must come sooner or later to a recognition of this fact. To doubt it is to doubt God, and to doubt His word. The cry of the wolf has been falsely raised so often, that few believe or heed it when made.

TURN ON THE LIGHTS.

If the story of the recent tragedy at Chapel Hill, as told by a correspondent of the Greensboro North State, is half true, or if there is any foundation for another version of the affair which is given privately but which has never gotten into the newspapers, it is proper that judgment of the conduct of the negroes should be suspended until their side of the story is told in court. It is very strange that they should wantonly, and without any provocation, have first insulted and afterwards attacked the students. Let us wait for all of the facts.—Stateville Landmark.

Right you are. There are individuals in the vicinity of Chapel Hill who strove earnestly to find some clue which would lead to the apprehension of the colored men in order that they might lynch them. For what? Why for defending their homes against the attacks of midnight marauders. If reports are to be believed, the colored man's wife had been insulted and threatened by these students, and he warned them to keep away from his house. They became angered, which anger increased in its intensity so that they gathered a crowd and went to the house about 12 o'clock at night to teach him a lesson. The result was one was killed outright and others injured while endeavoring to gain entrance. We ask in all candor, were not the colored people right in defending their house? If not, away with home and all its sanctity and sacredness.

OUR EVANGELIST.

BY REV. R. H. MORRIS.

Those who have watched the progress of our Connection since freedom has been proclaimed to our people here in the South, are greatly astonished far beyond the most sanguine expectations at the wonderful results of the efforts put forth and the means employed in the untold good that has been accomplished.

In each of the interests of the church special marks of the divine favor of God are seen, which demands admiration, praise and gratitude. Many earnest prayers have ascended to the hill of Zion. Strong and implicit faith in God, and indefatigable labor with self sacrifice and much self denial practiced combined with money, time and talent have been the means used to effect what our eyes see to day. Our temporal affairs such as the Book Concern, Press, and Educational department are marvelous to consider. Our mission fields are far and wide, sending home encouraging reports saying "the harvest is great and the laborers are few." Then the many churches which have been built as well as the numbers that are in course of erection. The vast army of Sunday school children who are studying the life, character, and teachings of Jesus every Sunday, all impress amazement upon the observers of the little church which came out of the John st. M. E. Church New York, about the year 1796.

First, we had Superintendents, then Bishops who were elected every four years, the Bishops for life, men who came up into the church through the proper course being endowed by the Holy Spirit who consecrated their time, talent, lives and their all to the cause for the Master's sake and the elevation of the race. Men who have not said go forward but sounded the call, come on, and the hosts have and are obeying orders to day.

The office of Presiding Eldership is now an addition to the ministerial rank and though to some the office seems unnecessary yet, we find it a very important factor in aiding the advancement of the church as an under Bishop, the office is indispensable. But to the subject of our article: "our evangelist Rev. J. W. Brown of the N. Y. conference, a child of our church, a son in the gospel of our Connection, converted, licensed and sent out from the Gaspee st. A. M. E. Zion church Providence R. I., to preach Christ and Him crucified, has filled the pulpits of our important and popular churches in the New England conferences, regarded as an able minister, a successful pastor and a judicious administrator as well as a grand representative of the churches in the East. When he was transferred to the N. Y. conference expressions of sorrow were heard both from the city as well as from the minister that such a change should be made, but as it was the Bishop's choice submitted to his excellent judgement prevailed.

Rev. J. W. Brown for some years past expressed that he was not following the impressions of the Holy Spirit upon his mind; he said his work was not pastoral labor but to go forth and proclaim Christ to all that while he liked and choose to be under our creed and church—yet he wished to save men independent of denomination or sect, his mission is to all the world "come sinner thou all things in Christ are ready now." Having this impression after receiving his appointment and about to settle down to work he found that he was disregarding his convictions, consequently he resigned his charge and set out upon his work. He has had strong opposition from the fact that those who knew him, desired to not release him from pastoral work, therefore persuasion, entreaty and pleading were resorted to so that he would not leave the pastor ranks, but all in vain, no money, no fame no church in view he goes forth to the work trusting God for support and expecting men to be saved. As ministers of the same church let us en-

courage and give help in every possible manner to our brother in the work he is impressed with that he is called to perform. Who dare say he is not called to the special work? Who knows but this is another avenue opened, for men and women that they may find their way into our church? There are thousands of our people yet unsaved. Know nothing of God's church nor religion. This may be one of the means to reach such. The new Methodist church in England would not recognize Gere Booth when he said he wanted more scope than the church allowed. The consequence was he went out on his own responsibility trusting God, now to-day his adherents number their thousands almost in every land and place. The Salvation Army is now a power doing great good in many ways; therefore, encourage our evangelist. Invite him to help us and no one knows the happy results that may occur.

WORK PREPARATORY TO REVIVAL.

The strictest definition given of revival, as applicable only to the church and the Scriptural conditions join closely to the steps to be taken in every case before any mighty work of grace may be expected. "If my people who are called by my name shall humble themselves, and pray and seek my face, and turn from their ways, then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sins and will heal their land." The pastor must begin with his own heart. A fire in the pulpit is the best means of kindling a fire in the pews. The pastor should not talk about revival, but be revived. Let him expect nothing from his people that is not first in his own heart. He should bemoan deadness in the church before the congregation until he has in the closet removed deadness in himself before God. No searching and rebuking sermons to his flock will avail much, if he has not already felt the rebuke of them as the truth of them have searched his own soul. Thus humbled, penitent, burdened, yearning for the presence and power of God, let the pastor lay his heart open to those who are his spiritual advisers and his natural helpers in every good work. The pastor should now aim at great searching of hearts with his people, preaching to the church, let this be followed up in the closer contact with the prayer meetings. Compel Christians for the time being, to forget the impenitent in their great concern about their own condition before God. The tendency is to turn at once to the impenitent. The impression prevails that God is not working if conversions are not taking place. Let this habit be corrected, get the people to heart searching and penitence, confession and humbling of soul before God; and have them understand that this is more acceptable to God, and more likely to secure his large blessing, than a sudden zeal for the impenitent, they are in no condition to do the ungodly much service until they have humbled themselves before God. As soon as you find a few persons on whose altar a holy flame is kindled, have with those persons a special appointment of an hour of communion and prayer; pleading God's special promises and bearing special cases before God. Arrange for special prayer among the mothers in Israel, the devout and Godly women who will et-serve a certain time for prayer for the outpouring of God's spirit. Call the Sunday School teachers together and have them interested in the same way for their schools. Have the interest compel the meetings but don't appoint extra meetings to get up interest. With a prepared church the pastor may turn to the impenitent, and pour the hottest shot. Yes, lightning truths into the fortress of error, with the assurance that the conditions are now present for a great awakening and multiplied victories. I do not say that a pastor is to wait for this before he makes appeal to the ungodly. I do not say that souls will not be given him, though he has no such aroused, humbled and praying

church behind him, but I do say that no large numbers will ordinarily be born to God in connection with a church, nine-tenths of whose members are asleep or drowned in worldliness. Genuine religion is the work of God in the soul. A revival is God's work; not theology, not ceremony, but simply this: supreme love to God. This is its core, its essence. Where this is, whatever else is absent, genuine religion is where this is absent, whatever else is present, genuine religion is not. The production of this in the soul is the work of God. He produces it, it is true, by means; nevertheless, no one else can or does produce it but himself. This work of God in the soul is liable to decay, therefore, a revival is indispensable. There are many things in and outside of man that tend to impair, weaken and destroy this supreme love. Carnal impulses, impure associations, social influences, engrossing worldly cares, these are all detrimental. They are to it like a blighting a moshpere to vegetation. This decay should be overcome by a revival. Revive this supreme love, quicken, energize it, give it more force and influence in the soul. This is the true revival; what many call a religious revival at this time, is a revival of crude theological dogmas, of mawkish sentiment, of puerile cant, of hymnological sensualities, of superstitious fears and of selfish longings for personal employment. Helps to a successful revival, first plead the promises before the King of heaven in tears; secondly, survey the ruins; third, remove the rubbish out of the way.—Subject: "Faith the Condition of Spiritual Power."  
(To follow in next edition.)

LIBERIAN NOTES—REV. M. A. HOPKINS—OTHER ITEMS.

The following letter though not intended for publication, addressed to Prof. D. C. Suggs, is of so much interest that we take much pleasure in publishing it. It shows the great need of missionaries in our father-land.

MONROVIA, LIBERIA, WEST AFRICA, August 30, 1886.

Dear Sir: Indeed your kind letter came to hand just at the time when I was sad and in the midst of great responsibility. Hon. Moses A. Hopkins had just died a week before your letter came and I was acting in his position at said time and therefore could not reply. I was however, glad to receive your letter. It produced in me feelings of cheer and joy. I thought you had forgotten me. I thought I was not living in your mind, but I see I am; and for it I am glad. I am still at my post doing the work for which I was educated, and the work I love and the work that to day tells me to die for the salvation of my people here. I find the work sweet. I find great pleasure in preaching Christ. Glory to His name for such feeling. Ah! my dear brother you and others of my race, who are in America, cannot see the deep need of our people for the Gospel until you come here. You cannot see how low our people until you visit this land where sin reigns and lives. The work is great. I preach at the above named place which is the seat of the government. I have the leading church in the Presbytery. My church consists of fifty-five members, my Sabbath School about 125. I am trying to work through and by the Spirit, and my work is growing. At this time I am not only preaching, but I am acting as the United States Minister Resident and Consul General, in the place of Moses A. Hopkins. I was his Vice Consul, before his death, and now I am in his place. God is doing good things for me. At present I am getting from your government \$1,250 a quarter. I shall get that salary till the next Minister comes. I cannot rejoice in myself, only in Jesus I can rejoice. Pray for me. I am glad you are doing well. I hope God may bless you to do still better. Roberts is here preaching about 15 miles from where I am; he is doing well. He preached Moses A. Hopkins's funeral He did it ably and well. I was with the family at the grave. We all wept bitterly. Oh! I am indeed sorry for Mrs. Hopkins that she should lose her husband in this far-off land from friends. It is no little sadness I have this day sent her via England to her home, (N. C.) in the U. S. She is a good woman. Pray for her that God may bring her safe to her home in North Carolina.

I am coming to America in the spring to speak in behalf of my school and also to the General Assembly. All the boys are here but James Wilson. Write soon. Give my love to Prof. Moore and Price.

I am yours truly,  
L. S. BEVANS.