

TERMS: \$1.50 Per Annum, Strictly in Advance.  
Six months, 80 cts., three months 50 cts.

NOTICE.

The following gentlemen compose the Editorial Staff of the STAR OF ZION:

J. McH. Farley, Traveling Agent, Petersburg, Va.  
Associate Editors—J. A. Tyler, Charlotte, N. C.  
Rev. J. W. Smith, 1016, 21st St. Washington, D. C.  
Rev. T. O. R. Williams, New York Conference.  
Rev. J. C. Temple, Kentucky Conference.

Rev. H. Blake, Corresponding Editor for S. C. Conference, Lancaster, S. C.  
Rev. E. Geo. Biddle, New England Conference.

Rev. W. H. Ferguson, Tennessee Conference.  
G. C. Scurlock, Esq., State canvassing agent.

Dr. J. H. Manley, Petersburg, Va.  
J. W. A. Moton, East Alabama Conference, Montgomery, Ala.

Rev. J. C. Saunders, Tuscaloosa, Ala.  
Rev. F. A. Clinton, Florida Conference.

Allegheny Conference, Rev. John A. Mulligan.  
Rev. P. M. Jacobs, Philadelphia & Baltimore Conference, Harrisburg, Pa.

NOTICE I.

When you see this paragraph marked take notice that your subscription has expired, and without renewal at once you 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.

Mail subscribers are requested to remit by check, Post Office Money Order, Postal Note or Registered Letter.

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS.

The STAR OF ZION will be glad to receive well-written communications from all parts of the country on subjects of general interest and giving items of news. It is understood, however,

1. That the editor is not responsible for the views expressed by correspondents.

2. That in all cases the real name of the writer must accompany his communication. This is desired not for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith.

3. That articles for publication should be written on one side of the sheet only, as a plain lead is desirable.

4. That the editor reserves the right to reject such matter as in his judgment may determine it improper for publication.

5. That to insure publication, articles should be pointed, expressed in decent English, free from personal abuse, and dealing with live questions.

JOHN C. DANCY,  
Business Manager of STAR OF ZION,  
Salisbury, N. C.

A NEW PROPOSITION.

READ AND ACT UPON IT

A GREAT INDUCEMENT.

A CLUB OF FIVE FOR \$6.

In order to encourage our friends to work more energetically for the STAR OF ZION,

We hereby offer as a SPECIAL INCENTIVE to send the paper to CLUBS OF FIVE FOR \$6.00.

Now is a splendid chance for members and laymen everywhere bestir themselves during the holidays, to secure us all the subscribers they can.

Work! Work! WORK!!!

If you wish to extend the circulation of your church and race paper here is a splendid opportunity to do it.

Begin an immediate canvass. Think of a club of five for \$6.00. Send the cash with each order. No credit in this.

WHERE WE STAND.

A friend wishes to know if we think it the part of wisdom for him to go into the Democratic party. Well, no, we do not think it the part of wisdom for a man to go any where, where he is not invited. The Democratic party South, has never invited the colored man into its ranks. It seems good quality in him, and never fails to see a bad one. It professes to believe that the worst white man is better than the most cultured and refined colored man. It insults us, makes us the party hobby, and can never interest a political gathering, until it solemnly declares that the Negro must be kept down, and then follows the famous howl of approval. The party actually survives on its presumed hatred of the Negro. Without him as an issue it would go to wreck in about five minutes if taken to trial. There are numbers of the party leaders who expect to reach an issue, but who dare not say so if they have any political ambition. They are entirely at the mercy of the ungenerous white.

Rev. J. W. Thomas, of Fayetteville, is preparing to erect a hall for the use of the church in holding all its entertainments and the Sunday School. The church has in hand already a considerable sum, and will raise the required amount at an early date.

The New York Age came to us last week in six page form, full of the choicest news and contributions, and exhibiting a courage and manliness of utterance, worthy of its best days. Fortune and Peterson are real newspaper men as this edition fully proves. Wish they could keep it up. Success to you, veterans.

The Indianapolis "Freeman" has rushed right to the front in Negro journalism, and holds it own with a grip that is astonishing for so youthful a competitor in the journalistic race. But we do admire pluck, energy and determination, as these qualities always win. Editor Cooper deserves the hearty congratulations of the entire colored press for the astounding success which has crowned his unremitting efforts.

Mr. G. C. Scurlock, of Fayetteville, N. C., has written us a strong letter endorsing our fight for the manhood rights of the race, and assuring us that the race is with us in it, and for us to dare defend the right even though we should do so standing alone. Thank you friend Scurlock. We counted the cost before firing, and the fight will be kept up until the victory is won.

SENATORS INGALLS, in his famous speech in reply to Senator Butler, of South Carolina, proposed justice as the remedy for existing race troubles. So we say—justice on the part of both parties. If it should be given to colored men in the South by the party in power, we would have three times or five times as many holding office as are now doing so. Yes, give us justice. We ask not more, we can not be content with less.

Don't forget Zion connection will be one hundred years old, six years hence. That must be our rallying year everywhere. The effort will be made to raise one hundred thousand dollars that year for all connective purposes. We can do it. The committee will formulate plans ere long, and they will be given to the whole church for action. No church with any pride at all will fail that year. We expect the "Old Mother" alone to raise \$500,000. Begin now to think about it.

AND still the STAR twinkles for all. Its success is the result of its freedom from timidity. It does not wait to learn what some one else thinks and then write, but it writes what it thinks, and what it believes all others ought to think also. It believes it is right and then goes ahead. Nine cases out of ten we think our readers would vote us right. Then help us to reach more readers and convince them, too, that we are right and the Negro problem will ere long be solved. We are doing our best to solve it.

The opening of the lecture room of Zion church, New York, on Sunday the 24th of June was a grand affair. Bishop Hood preached a most excellent sermon as did Revs. H. A. Monroe, J. W. Smith and D. W. Wisler. The improvement is just wonderful, glass doors, paneled ceiling finely decorated, new heaters, pipe in bronze, and the church painted in light oak are the features. The total collections for the day aggregated \$671.28. The success was certainly marvelous. All honor to Rev. A. Walters.

The Washington Debating Society (white) of this city, last week debated the question, "That some portion of the United States which may appear best suited, should be set aside for the American Negro, where he may govern himself."

Agreed upon the condition that "that some portion" be these Southern States, whose forests we have hewed down, whose low grounds we have dug out and cultivated, whose soil we have enriched by our labor, blood and tears, and whose prosperity is the result and outcome of our unrequited toil.

We are glad to see it even hinted, however, that we are capable of self government—that fact having been so long denied. If we are capable of self government—as indicated—why not capable of assisting others to govern themselves? Why worry so much about white supremacy when it is not and never has been a real issue. It is a south-grow to frighten the white recalcitrants and kickers, and induce them to submission. Yes give us about ten Southern States and we will be content. Eh?

We hear continually of a jealous, unmanly and unchristian spirit, obtaining in many conferences, where it should not. Ministers are reported to be envious of one another's success and actually belittle instead of commend one another's efforts and success. However great their brother minister's success may be, they always find some reason for it, other than the real reason, to prevent his receiving full credit, and insinuate that it results from some influence other than that of the minister. Certainly, but he is the instrument, under God, in that success.

A man is shamed or provoked by the Bishop, and the gonips start to work to destroy him, if possible, because they were not given the place. Members of congregations are often approached and the ruin of the minister is plotted in order that a vacancy may be created; and the chances of the schemers for promotion, as they think, enhanced.

Now there has been enough of this sort of thing. It is degrading, humiliating and unworthy of Christians.

ATTENTION, READERS!!

Send 10 cents for a copy of Seven Facts on Baptism to

Rev. H. W. Barker,  
Lynchburg, Va.

Box 86, Tenn.

A GRAND FAIR.

Rev. W. H. Thurber is President of a fair, which will be held at New Bern, N. C., beginning Aug. 26, 1899, and lasting four days. He promises that it will equal anything of the kind ever held in the State, and calls upon all the friends of race progress to aid him in making it the grand success, which it deserves to be. Mr. W. W. Lawrence is the Secretary, and the two will spare no efforts to get together as many attractions as possible, so as to guarantee an immense patronage.

The unbounded hospitality of the people of New Bern justifies the belief that no one who can avail himself of the opportunity to be present, when the gates of the exhibition are opened on the morning of Aug. 26, will fail to do so.

LET THE BILL BECOME A LAW.

The National Election law has passed the House by a small majority. This is well. Fair elections are as much to be desired as any one thing in the country. Where fraud and violence and intimidation are allowed to carry elections, the national safeguard becomes jeopardized that moment. Fair elections are the greatest boon the country ever enjoyed, and fraudulent ones are the worst curse. The South is actually destroying itself by its inculcable methods of preventing freedom of elections. Think of Jackson, Mississippi, holding the whole colored vote at bay all day by an armed mob of ruffians, whose sworn duty was to prevent them from voting. If the States are powerless, or wink at such outrages, then the Federal Government should interpose its strong arm. Let the bill become a law, and it will benefit the entire country North and South alike. There can be no justice, where there are no fair elections.

MENDELL V. JONES.

The mother of the late Mendell V. Jones, came down from Worcester, Mass., to attend his funeral. It was indeed a severe loss to her. He was a brilliant, promising young man, of such modesty, as to make him friends everywhere. He was a born poet, the most athletic of the students and as popular as any. All loved him, professors and students alike. He was a great favorite with ye editor, and he spent many pleasant moments in our office. He loved fun and we delighted to keep him in jolly good humor as we do all the boys. No one could possibly regret his loss more than we. It does appear that in his death we have lost a member of the family. His end came peacefully and calm and he passed on to life into a glorious reward. He was a faithful, ardent Christian, studying to be a minister of the Gospel. Peace to his ashes.

SOWING AND REAPING.

The world is still moving. Senator Wade Hampton was hosed from the platform by his party allies in South Carolina a week ago. Democrats are threatening to shoot one another every day because of the bitterness of the fight between the regular led by Hampton and the Farmers' Alliance led by Tillman in that State. The "wealth and intelligence" and "white supremacy" leaders are exhibiting themselves in a light that is a spectacle to angels and men. But, it must be remembered that they "sowed to the wind in 1876 and are now reaping the whirlwind."

"Whoever a man sows that shall he also reap." God's word will not—shall not fail. Why will the South believe otherwise? Both sides are denouncing the Negro, but both sides will ere long call on him for his support. Mark the prediction, Justice will not always slumber.

That was a strange sight, at Harvard College a few days ago, when a Negro graduate delivered the class oration and in such a fitting manner. It was in Massachusetts that Garrison, Phillips, Sumner, Douglass, Hayden and others plead for Negro emancipation, and it was in the classic halls of Harvard College, the chief center of learning in this Nation, that a representative of this once down trodden and servile race justified the hopes, purposes and sacrifices of these veterans who struggled so nobly and so well for grand a triumph, after so desperate a conflict. The race will by its future achievements still further justify such high hopes. We are winning laurels in every avenue open to us despite all the unjust prejudices against us. God takes the humble things of the world to confound the mighty. The high and lifted self conceited must be abased, while the humble shall be exalted. God's purpose falleth not.

QUIT YOUR DEVILTRY.

We hear continually of a jealous, unmanly and unchristian spirit, obtaining in many conferences, where it should not. Ministers are reported to be envious of one another's success and actually belittle instead of commend one another's efforts and success. However great their brother minister's success may be, they always find some reason for it, other than the real reason, to prevent his receiving full credit, and insinuate that it results from some influence other than that of the minister. Certainly, but he is the instrument, under God, in that success.

A man is shamed or provoked by the Bishop, and the gonips start to work to destroy him, if possible, because they were not given the place. Members of congregations are often approached and the ruin of the minister is plotted in order that a vacancy may be created; and the chances of the schemers for promotion, as they think, enhanced.

Now there has been enough of this sort of thing. It is degrading, humiliating and unworthy of Christians.

It has a bad effect generally, and decreases the respect for those who should be held in the highest esteem. It is time to quit it. The salvation of souls, and the spread of the work generally, is to be preferred to those wicked plottings, which bode no good to those engaged in them, nor the church at large. We say stop it.

LET THE BILL BECOME A LAW.

The National Election law has passed the House by a small majority. This is well. Fair elections are as much to be desired as any one thing in the country. Where fraud and violence and intimidation are allowed to carry elections, the national safeguard becomes jeopardized that moment. Fair elections are the greatest boon the country ever enjoyed, and fraudulent ones are the worst curse. The South is actually destroying itself by its inculcable methods of preventing freedom of elections. Think of Jackson, Mississippi, holding the whole colored vote at bay all day by an armed mob of ruffians, whose sworn duty was to prevent them from voting. If the States are powerless, or wink at such outrages, then the Federal Government should interpose its strong arm. Let the bill become a law, and it will benefit the entire country North and South alike. There can be no justice, where there are no fair elections.

MENDELL V. JONES.

The mother of the late Mendell V. Jones, came down from Worcester, Mass., to attend his funeral. It was indeed a severe loss to her. He was a brilliant, promising young man, of such modesty, as to make him friends everywhere. He was a born poet, the most athletic of the students and as popular as any. All loved him, professors and students alike. He was a great favorite with ye editor, and he spent many pleasant moments in our office. He loved fun and we delighted to keep him in jolly good humor as we do all the boys. No one could possibly regret his loss more than we. It does appear that in his death we have lost a member of the family. His end came peacefully and calm and he passed on to life into a glorious reward. He was a faithful, ardent Christian, studying to be a minister of the Gospel. Peace to his ashes.

SOWING AND REAPING.

The world is still moving. Senator Wade Hampton was hosed from the platform by his party allies in South Carolina a week ago. Democrats are threatening to shoot one another every day because of the bitterness of the fight between the regular led by Hampton and the Farmers' Alliance led by Tillman in that State. The "wealth and intelligence" and "white supremacy" leaders are exhibiting themselves in a light that is a spectacle to angels and men. But, it must be remembered that they "sowed to the wind in 1876 and are now reaping the whirlwind."

QUIT YOUR DEVILTRY.

We hear continually of a jealous, unmanly and unchristian spirit, obtaining in many conferences, where it should not. Ministers are reported to be envious of one another's success and actually belittle instead of commend one another's efforts and success. However great their brother minister's success may be, they always find some reason for it, other than the real reason, to prevent his receiving full credit, and insinuate that it results from some influence other than that of the minister. Certainly, but he is the instrument, under God, in that success.

A man is shamed or provoked by the Bishop, and the gonips start to work to destroy him, if possible, because they were not given the place. Members of congregations are often approached and the ruin of the minister is plotted in order that a vacancy may be created; and the chances of the schemers for promotion, as they think, enhanced.

CHILDREN'S DAY RECEIPTS TO DATE.

Rev. P. A. McCorkle, Salisbury, N. C.	\$61.21
B. F. Wheeler, Somerville, N. J.	8.02
G. W. McDonald, Goshen Hill, S. C.	5.75
J. P. Thomson, York, Pa.	11.45
J. H. Trimble, Mansfield Valley, Pa.	2.00
J. B. Saunders, Camden, N. J.	14.57
M. P. Hawkins, Attleboro, Mass.	35.65
E. M. Mitchell, Spartanburg, S. C.	1.70
J. R. McCoy, Lancaster, S. C.	5.00
M. Ingram, Union, S. C.	12.00
Sam'l Sherman, Birmingham, Ala.	20.00
R. T. Terry, Lancaster, S. C.	10.81
B. J. Jones, Hendersonville, N. C.	4.64
C. H. Tenycke, Yonkers, N. Y.	10.12
Abraham Sag Harbor, N. Y.	5.00
Joseph Keys, Kinston, N. C.	2.25
L. G. Mitchell, Chambersburg, Pa.	3.00
Elijah Hannett, Burlington, N. J.	15.00
E. J. Miller, Newburg, N. Y.	17.00
W. H. Snowden, Franklin, Pa.	2.75
J. H. White, Paterson, N. J.	5.00
J. A. Jackson, Yorkville, S. C.	8.93
N. J. Watson, Sewickley, Pa.	12.00
J. M. Mitchell, Tarboro, N. C.	15.00
F. J. Holmes, Lincolnton, N. C.	20.00
H. B. Moore, Bogertville, Tenn.	8.16
J. H. Starkey, New Market, Tenn.	8.70
Y. J. P. Colton, Oscola, S. C.	2.00
D. A. Williams, Charlotte, N. C.	8.18
G. S. Adams, Hickory, N. C.	9.00
H. B. Blain, Lancaster, S. C.	11.50
T. P. Moore, Yorkville, S. C.	14.00
S. C. Smith, Spartanburg, S. C.	50.00
A. J. McDonald, Darin, N. C.	8.88
W. A. Walker, Madisonville, Ky.	7.50
H. P. Collins, Mobile, Ala.	2.55
A. J. Tolbert, Rock Hill, S. C.	4.00
E. M. Tucker, Rock Hill, S. C.	4.00
J. B. Arnold, Abbeville, S. C.	10.00
T. V. Harris, Salisbury, N. C.	5.00
E. H. Cook, Rock Hill, S. C.	2.00
J. B. Hill, Rock Hill, S. C.	2.00
T. E. Green, Rock Hill, S. C.	2.00
M. R. Franklin, Oconee, S. C.	7.00
J. J. Brown, Little Rock, Ark.	2.50
Thomas Smith, Jersey City, N. J.	10.00
H. B. Edmonson, Trenton, N. J.	7.00
O. G. Crawford, Rock Hill, S. C.	2.00
G. M. Gray, Whitesboro, Ala.	5.00
H. B. Edmonson, Trenton, N. J.	7.00
F. J. Jones, Jersey City, N. J.	8.00
W. Johnson, Rock Hill, S. C.	10.00

CHILDREN'S DAY NOTES.

Of the amounts thus far reported Salisbury still holds the lead. Rev. McCorkle's makes...

Cyrus Day, under Rev. J. M. Butler, raised \$200, which is excellent, with only 87 members.

Rev. M. E. Hawkins, with \$95.65 at Attleboro, Mass., certainly sets the pace. That church has about 30 members.

Newburg, under Dr. E. J. Miller, raised \$171.

Rev. N. J. Watson, at Sewickley, Pa., raised \$22.

Rev. J. J. Holmes, at Lincolnton, raised \$20.

Rev. J. Mitchell raised \$15 at Tarboro, while Rev. J. B. Saunders raised \$14.57 at Camden, N. J.

Rev. E. J. Hannett, comes to the front at Burlington, N. J., by raising \$15.

Rev. Wm. Johnson, at Mocksville, N. C., raised \$19.08.

Rev. W. A. Walker speaks in part for Kentucky, having raised \$7.50, at Madisonville.

Rev. H. Blake, at Lancaster, S. C., raised \$11.50, while Rev. T. P. R. Moore at Yorkville, S. C., raised \$14.

Supt. W. H. Starkey, of New Bern, reports \$10.25, while Rev. W. L. Clayton at Hartford, N. C., reports \$10.51.

Read the list in another column and study it carefully. Most of the reports show great improvement, while some are slightly falling back.

Rev. J. T. Gaskill, of Johnson City, Tenn., sends in \$20 which is excellent.

Rev. O. H. Adie, from the mission field near Salisbury reports \$9.45.

Rev. Edward Hunter, of State St. church, Mobile, Ala., had a nice time and realized \$15.50.

Rev. T. A. Washington, Manager of Ala. had a splendid day and raised \$12.

Rev. Adam Jackson, at Yorkville, had an excellent program and raised \$10.

Rev. J. W. Smith, raised his forces at Harrisburg, Pa., and raised \$17.80.

Rev. D. J. Young raised \$10 at Copper Hill, which is very good for a small church.

Rev. G. I. Blackwell, although his church is considerably involved, raised \$16.10 at Cambridge, Mass., and the children had a grand time.

Rev. F. Killingsworth had a splendid program rendered and succeeded in raising \$12.80 at Chester, S. C.

Rev. R. E. Wilson had his forces thoroughly organized at Rock Hill, S. C., and when called upon they lifted \$17.35 without unusual effort.

Rev. M. S. Kell carried out the program splendidly at Wadesboro, N. C., and surprised many friends by raising \$20, which is very good.

Rev. W. B. Bowen never fails and this time was not an exception. He had a grand day and raised \$23.15, which is good for Providence, R. I., one of our best cities.

Rev. Filmore Smith made a splendid rally at Jersey City, N. J., and netted \$16.

At Tarrytown, N. Y., Rev. Jacob Thomas spared no pains to have a glorious and successful day, and he succeeded admirably \$28 having been realized.

Rev. J. B. Settle had the children and grown up people well drilled and carried out a splendid program. \$20 were collected.

Rev. M. V. Marable did very well indeed when it is remembered that his congregation is remodeling and beautifying the church anterior to entertain the conference this fall. The amount will be reported later.

Rev. J. P. Thompson, York, Pa., reports \$11.45; Rev. M. Ingram, Union, S. C., reports \$0.81; Rev. C. H. Tenycke, Yonkers, N. Y., reports \$0.12, while Rev. J. A. Jackson, Yorkville, S. C. reports \$9.92.

Rev. J. P. Thompson, York, Pa.	\$11.45
Rev. M. Ingram, Union, S. C.	0.81
Rev. C. H. Tenycke, Yonkers, N. Y.	0.12
Rev. J. A. Jackson, Yorkville, S. C.	9.92

CHILDREN'S DAY RECEIPTS TO DATE.

Rev. P. A. McCorkle, Salisbury, N. C.	\$61.21
B. F. Wheeler, Somerville, N. J.	8.02
G. W. McDonald, Goshen Hill, S. C.	5.75
J. P. Thomson, York, Pa.	11.45
J. H. Trimble, Mansfield Valley, Pa.	2.00
J. B. Saunders, Camden, N. J.	14.57
M. P. Hawkins, Attleboro, Mass.	35.65
E. M. Mitchell, Spartanburg, S. C.	1.70
J. R. McCoy, Lancaster, S. C.	5.00
M. Ingram, Union, S. C.	12.00
Sam'l Sherman, Birmingham, Ala.	20.00
R. T. Terry, Lancaster, S. C.	10.81
B. J. Jones, Hendersonville, N. C.	4.64
C. H. Tenycke, Yonkers, N. Y.	10.12
Abraham Sag Harbor, N. Y.	5.00
Joseph Keys, Kinston, N. C.	2.25
L. G. Mitchell, Chambersburg, Pa.	3.00
Elijah Hannett, Burlington, N. J.	15.00
E. J. Miller, Newburg, N. Y.	17.00
W. H. Snowden, Franklin, Pa.	2.75
J. H. White, Paterson, N. J.	5.00
J. A. Jackson, Yorkville, S. C.	8.93
N. J. Watson, Sewickley, Pa.	12.00
J. M. Mitchell, Tarboro, N. C.	15.00
F. J. Holmes, Lincolnton, N. C.	20.00
H. B. Moore, Bogertville, Tenn.	8.16
J. H. Starkey, New Market, Tenn.	8.70
Y. J. P. Colton, Oscola, S. C.	2.00
D. A. Williams, Charlotte, N. C.	8.18
G. S. Adams, Hickory, N. C.	9.00
H. B. Blain, Lancaster, S. C.	11.50
T. P. Moore, Yorkville, S. C.	14.00
S. C. Smith, Spartanburg, S. C.	50.00
A. J. McDonald, Darin, N. C.	8.88
W. A. Walker, Madisonville, Ky.	7.50
H. P. Collins, Mobile, Ala.	2.55
A. J. Tolbert, Rock Hill, S. C.	4.00
E. M. Tucker, Rock Hill, S. C.	4.00
J. B. Arnold, Abbeville, S. C.	10.00
T. V. Harris, Salisbury, N. C.	5.00
E. H. Cook, Rock Hill, S. C.	2.00
J. B. Hill, Rock Hill, S. C.	2.00
T. E. Green, Rock Hill, S. C.	2.00
M. R. Franklin, Oconee, S. C.	7.00
J. J. Brown, Little Rock, Ark.	2.50
Thomas Smith, Jersey City, N. J.	10.00
H. B. Edmonson, Trenton, N. J.	7.00
O. G. Crawford, Rock Hill, S. C.	2.00
G. M. Gray, Whitesboro, Ala.	5.00
H. B. Edmonson, Trenton, N. J.	7.00
F. J. Jones, Jersey City, N. J.	8.00
W. Johnson, Rock Hill, S. C.	10.00

THE GREAT SUPPER.

July 18, '90. Luke 14:15-24.

BY REV. DR. R. B. MORRIS.

15 "And one of them sat at meat with him." Jesus was the guest of a very prominent Pharisee at the time he spoke the words in the preceding verses, which gave rise to the expression, "Blasphemy is that shall eat bread in the kingdom." Unexpressed honor and pleasure to the person who shall partake of the blissful banquet either in the temporal kingdom of Jesus here, or in the future life. Just over the river where hungry, want and shadows have no place.

16 "Then said he." Jesus' reply was suggestive. "A certain man, representing God, the Father, the King of kings, who has spread a great feast of fat things. Ixxv:6 God's grace in which we have the fullest enjoyment and the most agreeable companionship. 'Bede many.' First the Jewish people and the rulers of the earth. Now this invitation is extended to all who are brought up in Christian families, trained in the Sunday School and in the church.

17 "Send his servants." Which was customary in those days to tell the invited guests that the supper was ready. Jesus, through his Gospel and by his servants the ministers and Sunday School teachers, bear the invitation, "Come," which is authorized by the Spirit and must be obeyed on pain of perishing. "All things are ready." Everything prepared. A full and free salvation to all men irrespective of race or nationality.

18 "And they