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NOTICE AGAIN

Correspondents and exchanges will please send all communications and papers to Charlotte, N. C.

Consistency in the ministry is as much a duty, to say the least, as in any sphere or vocation of life.

Some small newspapers, like some small men, are never content unless attacking some other paper or person, in every way their superior...

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FINANCIAL hindrances prevent the editor of THE STAR from attending the Kentucky and Missouri conferences which meet the 4th and 11th inst. respectively at Clarksville, Tenn., and Evansville, Ind.

We can get sufficient money, we will attend our own conference—the Allegheny—which meets at Pittsburgh, Pa., on the 18th and the Genesee which meets at Gloversville, N. Y., on the 26th.

THE STAR feels much encouraged because of the many kind words received from those who appreciate our endeavor to make the paper what it should be.

From now until the Centennial Jubilee shall close in "Mother" Zion church, New York City, the columns of THE STAR are open to communications concerning the centennial of Zion Methodism.

The August number of The Negro Educational Journal comes to our table teeming with thought and information. Its contents include contributions from some of the most eminent educators of the South...

The great need of our church today is men in both the ministerial and lay ranks who are capable of doing their own thinking—men who are in touch with the people...

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ways heard gladly. He has successfully pastored four or five of the leading churches in Zion and his fame as a financier and builder dates back and he is now only coming up to his old standard.

- (2). To obtain larger appropriations for schools in the State. (3). To have colored schools made equal to the white schools. (4). To get a colored man appointed or nominated to some office of dignity and honor in the State.

The call further states, "if we leave this matter to the average politician, we can never get the recognition demanded."

Among the signers of this call we fail to see the names of any of our prominent political leaders of the race in the State; and while we do not regard this as a reason why the call should not be made and heeded by all who hold similar views...

The men who made the political deal which partially wrested the State from the control of the Democrats and made it possible for Republicans to have an honest vote and fair count, the men who are now counselling together for the future welfare of Republican interests...

PERSONAL MENTION

Rev. A. A. Crooke closed his revival at Monroe with 20 conversions and accessions to the church.

Gov. Carr, of this State, has appointed Hon. Chas. M. Cook Secretary of State, vice Hon. Octavius Coke, deceased.

Revivals have been held at each of the three churches of which Rev. W. L. Alexander is pastor and through these nearly forty souls have been happily converted and added to the church.

We are pleased to know that Rev. A. M. Moore, P. E., has sufficiently recovered from his attack of sickness and the shock of his grandmother's death to be able to fill his appointments and preach those great sermons so characteristic of him.

Rev. E. E. Wilson, D. D., writes that, "we are preparing to enlarge our church to accommodate 200 more persons as our present space is far inadequate to meet the demands of the congregations which throng us every Sabbath."

Rev. J. A. House, pastor of Moore's Sanctuary, has held a very successful revival. More than 25 persons have been converted and added to the church.

Rev. L. W. Taylor of Lawrenceville, Ga., writes that his charge is constantly improving and is destined to be one of the strongest in the North Georgia conference.

Rev. E. M. S. Simmons, pastor of Zion church at Raleigh, N. C., has built up one of the best and most enterprising congregations we have in the State.

Rev. J. W. Smith, of Carlisle, Pa., called upon his congregation two Sundays ago to give him \$200 to pay on the parsonage.

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Rev. E. H. Simmons, D. D., pastor of Clinton Chapel, this city, never appeared to better advantage as a preacher and worker in revival meetings than during the campmeeting which closed Monday night at Latta Park.

Prof. I. Garland Penn, Commissioner General of the Negro Department of the Atlanta Exposition, is now engaged in preparing a historical guide of the Negro exhibit, to be distributed in the building during the Exposition.

It will be heard with regret by their many friends that neither Elders A. F. Moore of Wilmington nor W. J. Sides of Concord are enjoying that degree of health which enables them to perform their pastoral services regularly and satisfactorily.

Our thanks are hereby tendered Presiding Elders L. S. Peterson of the Tuskegee (Ala.) district; J. E. Mason, of the Genesee (N. Y.) district for \$3.00 each; Elder B. F. Martin for \$2.50; Rev. L. W. Oldfield, of the Louisiana, for \$1.00, which with \$1.50 more from subscribers and \$5.29 general fund has been our income since our last report.

BISHOPS' MEETING

The Board of Bishops will meet in Washington Metropolitan church, St. Louis, Mo., on the 2nd day of October. The Centennial committee will meet at the same time and place to complete arrangements and program for the celebration.

CHARLOTTE (DIST.) S. S. CONVENTION

REV. H. B. BRUCE

The 16th session of the Charlotte (Dist.) S. S. Convention met at Weeping Willow church, four miles south east of Charlotte, on Wednesday, the 7th ult.

Rev. G. G. Murravies, P. E., of the district called the convention to order. After the usual devotional exercises, the Presiding Elder was elected president and Elders Clinton and Bruce were chosen secretaries.

The Weeping Willow choir, which had been in training for the occasion under the instruction of Miss Johnson, of Grace church and chorister Hennigen, furnished excellent music throughout the session.

After some remarks by the Presiding Elder and the announcement of committees, the choir sang a beautiful selection and the convention adjourned for dinner.

The good people of the church had brought provisions in abundance and soon had a long table heavily laden with everything that a prosperous community can make and devise to tempt a hungry appetite.

SUMMERVILLE (GA.) S. S. CONVENTION AND DISTRICT CONFERENCE

REV. D. M. PINEARD, P. E.

The address of welcome, by Rev. Bennett, was postponed on account of the absence of Rev. R. D. Davis, who was to respond to it.

The reports of delegates and superintendents were next taken up. The following delegates reported: Mrs. Annie Morris, of Grace church, Miss Nancy Irving, Moore's Sanctuary, Miss Ida Stewart, Rockwell, G. W. Cross, Torrence Grove, Miss Mary Wallace, Mowing Glade, Miss Laura O. Hunter, Clinton Chapel, J. F. Smart, St. Mark, Thomas Ray, Little Hope, Miss Della Kirk, China Grove, Miss Irene Meeks, Steel Creek, J. A. Davis, Biddleville, J. L. A. Hennigen, Weeping Willow.

A collection was taken, announcements made and the convention adjourned.

At 10 a. m., Thursday, the second session opened. Rev. Bruce conducted devotional exercises.

Several distinguished visitors were present, among whom were, Bishop Lomax, Dr. Morris, Revs. D. S. Baker, of the Presbyterian church, C. L. Davis, of Ebenezer Baptist church, Editor W. C. Smith, Dr. J. T. Williams and a number of prominent ladies and gentlemen from the city.

Excellent papers were read by Miss Nancy J. Irving, subject, "How the Sunday-school should be taught, and by whom," Miss Julia Workman, subject, "Our Sunday-school department, its need and how to make it a success," Miss Maggie Kirk, subject, "Music," Mrs. Ivory Meeks, subject, "Evils of intemperance."

Mrs. Meeks' paper on temperance was a strong one and was highly commended by Bishop Lomax, who made an eloquent speech on the subject. Mrs. R. R. Morris and others freely discussed Miss Irving's paper, and Dr. Morris spoke on the subject of Miss Workman's paper.

One of the best and most important papers was on the subject, "The necessity of sending and training our children in our own Sunday schools" by Rev. E. H. Simmons, D. D. The paper was an able presentation of logical arguments in favor of training our children in our own Sunday schools.

The convention was sumptuously entertained by the good people of Weeping Willow. Elder Bennett, his Sunday-school and congregation deserve great credit for the splendid arrangements and excellent repairs made on their church to accommodate the convention.

MICHIGAN AND CANADA CONFERENCE

BY REV. W. H. SNOWDEN

The Michigan and Canada conference convened for its 19th annual session at Lake View, Mich., July 31, 1895, at 10 a. m., Bishop A. Walters presiding.

The convention was called to order by the Bishop who proceeded to open the session by reading the 115th Ps. and the 1st chapter of the 1st Epistle of John and, in an ardent, Christian spirit, commented on the great benefits to be derived from living a Christ-like life.

The conference then proceeded to business and the following officers were elected:

continued in session through the 17th. Presiding Elder Pinkard opened the conference in due form. The usual number of elective officers was chosen and the business part of the conference was taken up.

All the ministers were present and active in the work of the conference and convention. The sum of \$25 was raised during the conference, \$20 of which paid expenses, \$4 donated to the church and \$1 to THE STAR OF ZION.

The Presiding Elder took up the program and completed hearing the delegates' reports.

The following ministers and delegates also took part in the discussion of the above topics: Revs. H. E. Love, G. W. Haselrig, McLenon; Messrs. W. F. Robinson, Alonzo Kelley, Henry Harrison, Andrew M. Whorter and others.

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Rev. W. A. Fitch, of Grand Rapids, Mich., statistician, Dr. J. L. Rickman, reporter, Wm. H. Ridout, marshal.

At this juncture, conference adjourned to meet at Mecosta, Mich., August 1.

It was while on our way to Mecosta that Bishop Walters began to complain of a pain in his knee and, upon arrival there, he was unable to alight from the carriage, and had to be carried into the house of brother Corrothers, where he remained in bed until Friday, holding conference amid the heat and the pain of his leg; but, owing to the excruciating pain, he appointed Rev. Mott to preside over the conference.

We must commend Mrs. Walters by saying that we never before witnessed a more faithful and lovable exhibition of female heroism than that displayed by her at her husband's bedside.

The writer is sorry that he cannot say more concerning this matter, but the King's business at Washington requires haste and he is compelled to be there to attend to it.

Rev. Muggage was ordained elder at Grand Rapids by Bishop Walters.

Conference adjourned at Lake View to meet at Grand Rapids, the 4th Wednesday end July, 1896.

The Michigan and Canada Conference is destined to become one of the greatest conferences in the connection. The outlook is good and the prospects are better for the future than they have ever been.

May the good work of the conference continue to increase for the cause of Christ and humanity until it is felt, not only in Michigan and Canada, but in every place where vice and immorality may exert their demoralizing influence, and until the kingdoms of this world become the habitation of our God and his Christ and while our Zion continues to march on.

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The wise action of the Atlanta directors ought to be a potent factor in allaying race suspicions and jealousies throughout the South, and thus bringing about an era of good feeling between white and black through out Dixie-land.—Ex.

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