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their startling wonders and that sound !' them before his congregation so This is one of the greatest evils

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fted in them the same principles. ous voyage. on the streets in our town, as as many others throughout this d Southland, and you cannot tell minister from anybody else, so far dignity is concerned. We do not any attack upon the uneducated ister, neither would we do him an stice, but it is our sentiment, and trust the sentiment of the entire ple, that the quicker these charrs step back and let the intelliit divines of our race take their es, the sooner you will see a nan bettered one hundred per cent. e times demand men who will warn of their sins and not whoop them to a state of emotion and barbarmen who will preach that callis ability and not a voice from ven: men who will preach that gion and Christianity require us besides Sunday. I once heard ninister say: "It is not any serious m to lie, but it is almost an un-

new religion." Neither do we, and forward friends. What religion was in the of money , so it is to-day Min-

into the streams of God's Holy Word, Rev. J. R. B. SMITH DEAD, and also in New York before he came plough to its icy bottom and bring a thirsting peop e, are the men required at this age. A man who works all the week and gets out his sermon at 12 o'clock Saturday night, cannot preach to a weak and wanting

people as we are. educated ods to preach to our people. We are born in Brooklyn, April 19, 1846, were the ushers. Bishop J. W. Hood, and Rome to fathom; A little anecdote told by Major Harceased received his early education in The sermon was preached by Rev. Jaest sweets lie hidden to- ris seems suited just here: 'One Sunar greatest sages. If this day evening a cold lady went to ow can the uneducated church, for som; cause. The son reg out the hidden facts and mained at home. Later in the evening he was me; by the voice of his hinister must be above his mother. 'Oh! sor, you ought to of ation or else he is a failure, been to church to have heard Brer ne has come or is fast approach- John's sermon Oh! that sermon hat the uneducated preacher will that sermon! that sermon!' 'Well thing of the pasi; and, like oth- mother, what d d he say?' 'I don't cient customs, will have to take know; you aughter been there. back pew. This age of en- 'Well what was his text?" 'Idon't nment requires ministers who know what he said or preached about. masticate the Scriptures, bring but oh! that sound! that sound!

the most ignorant can under- evils caused by the uneducated preach-The argument, "All didn't et among our scople and it can be the chance to be educated," will checked by educated divines preachsuffice; for there is no man with- ing to our people, that sound isn't rehe last 20 years who didn't have ligion. You will find the Bible to be ance to secure a limited educa- the most interesting and complicated if he chose to do so. The unedu- of all studies; therefore it requires ministers must study so as to be men of deep thought and extensive th the times, for this age requires learning to expound it. Within the es who not only read but under- next half century the greater portion d the Bible. An ignorant preach- of the Negro race will have been revd in one of his sermons, "A red olutionized religiously. The unedud cow supplied the children of cated minister has been crowded from with milk the forty years they the large cities to the small towns wandering in the wilderness." and plantation where he is becoming n the name of heaven can our less prominen each year. A few be elevated and prosper, and more risings and settings of the sun all, have the proper ideas of and they will have gone to meet their e worship when such is preached God, and their places will be filled by The educated divises. When that hour nister is nearer and has more to do dawns upon as, the demands of the th the elevating of the masses of age will have been supplied: we will r people than any other living be caught up n a new era and will acter; therefore, he should be a have better t mes, fairer days and

Livingstone Ala.

BISHOP WALTERS' APPEAL.

(1) Question to the Bishops: Have ed with dolls r certificates? If they ders in at once

of working up the Centennial in his district. It is his duty to see that Centennial exercises are held in every church in the district. The presidin his district will be given fifty dol-

lars in gold. (3) A worl to the pastors: Every pastor in Zion Connection must see to do right and be Christ-like, more it that a Cen ennial Jubilee is held in his church on or before the fourth Sunday in September, and an amount onable sin to take part in parlor 353 Bleecker St., N. Y., (instead of A great many say, "We do not an be supplied by applying to Cenprietor of the Western Echo, at Bath, an educated minister to preach N. Y. City The pastor that raises the great like actablishment of the Coldinary The pastor that raises to us the largest amount il receive fifty dollars in the rprizes see list in an-

CHARLOTTE, N. C., THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 1896.

up mysteries an l untold wonders to A Preminent Divine, Soldier, Politician in this city the church has prospered and Editor Passes Away.

A BRIEF SKETCH OF HIS LIFE.

Our greatest need at this age is a at his home Monday morning after an He was a member of Post Pratt. G. minister who will preach directly to illness of several weeks from pericar- A. R., 127 of Kingston, and of the save the souls of men and not to paint dites. For five weeks he had been Order of Moses of New York. He is and polish his language to suit their confined to his bed. It was thought survived by his wife and here chilears .. Many a time have I heard the day or so before his death that dren. preachers take heir texts in Genesis, there was some slight improvement The funeral was held Thursday preach for thirt, minutes, and failing in his condition, but towards morn- and was largely attended. The serto produce the esired effect, jump to ing, Monday, a change for the worse vices were held in the church on Sev-Revelation and preach about the occurred and death soon followed. He enth Street. The remains ay in state it is an impossibility "Book of seven seals," and the "An- was one of the ablest preachers in the from 8 o'clock until 10:30 in the down-trodden people gel with one foct on the sea and the African Methodist Episcopal Zion morning. A guard of honer from state of ignorance and other on the kind," until he would Church in this country. He was a Post Willard, G. A. R., was stationed

to Troy. Since he came to he church as it never did before. 11. 1892 he was elected committeems n-ut-large on the Republican State committee and represented Rensselaer county in Rev. J. R. B. Smith, pastor of the the executive committee of the col-A. M. E. Zion church of this city, died ored Republican State or muization.

hip by ministers being have preached lis congregation to the profound thinker and forcible speaker. at the church until the funeral. The are not above their desired point of emotion; then he He stood high also in Grand Army different church organizations atit is the sentiment would take his seat. We need men circles, having been department chaptended in a body. The McAlpin king Afro-Ameri- who will take o her and right meth- lain at one time. Rev. Smith was Guards, connected with the church, ook which glad that those times and methods and was a son of Francis Smith, a na- D. D., LL. D., was in charge of the are fast sinking; and ministers who tive of Virginia, who was born a service. Bishop A. Walters, of New can lead us upon the mountain of slave, but obtained his freedom and York, read the opening lymn, and numble peasant, is knowledge whe e the air is purer, the became a creditable portrait painter the Presiding Elder of the district. all ages. It was too water, sweeter and the sun shines in New York. Rev. Smith's mother Rev. E. Geo. Biddle, of Newburgh, most learned men of brighter, are fa talling our pulpits. was also born in slavery. The de- read the lesson from the Scriptures.



ple reason that uneducated men heaven, life's rea for the Negro will came a pupil in the Model Grammar board of trustees of the church; the grandly received by his people. that nature have preached and en- be calm, and he will have a prosper- School and Upper Canada College at Rev. Benja nin Judd, of Hudson and Yonkers, N. Y., Rev. W. B. Bow-Toronto, and at the age of 13 was a the Rev. Allan Walker, of New York, ens, pastor, is meeting with great sucwriter on the Toronto Globe. After- Veteran soldiers of this city and vi- cess. His people are standing right wards he was a contributor to the cinity were present, including repre- up to him. The officiary and mem-Anglo-African, a paper printed in the sentatives of Post Willard and the bers of his church on 15th ult. gave interest of the colored people. He Ladies' Auxiliary, with the president, Presiding Elder Biddle a fine recepreturned to the United States when Mrs. Gates, of Post Gilbert, of Green tion. Dr. Biddle responded in eloquent all your presiding elders been furnish- 16 years of age and became a resi- Island and Posts Kane and M'Conihe terms. A few remarks were made by dent of Rochester. He enlisted in of West Troy. Presiding Elder Grif- Rev. R. J. Strothers, of Tarrytown, have not beer supplied, send the or- the Forty-fourth Massechusetts regi- fin, of the Troy Methodist conference, N. J.; also Mr. C. Kingsland of the ment the same year and served for also attended the funeral. The re- same place. (2) A word to the presiding elders: three months, when he was discharged mains were taken to Kingston for in-By an act of the General Conference for being under age. He afterwards terment.—Ex. every presiding elder in the Connec- enlisted in the Twenty-seventh regi- In addition to what is said in the tion is made an agent for the purpose ment of United States colored troops above there was a largely attended peared in the STAR. mustered in at Delaware, Ohio, and funeral service in the Zion church at became and efficient soldier. He be- Kingston, N. Y., conducted by Rev. came a non-commissioned officer. He Adam Jackson, pastor. Bishop Waling elder that raises the most money burgh in 1864. After the war he be- took part. The Kingston G. A. R. came interested in the freedmen's held a very impressive service at the work and persued his studies. At grave, giving him a military or G. A. one time he became a writer on the R., funeral. Commander Geo. M. Rochester Democrat and Chronicle. Brush, of Pratt Post 127, Deputy of Afterwards he spent some time in the South and in '72' became prominent in Sunday in S. ptember, and an amount equal to one dollar per member sent political affairs in this State. He was to the treasurer, Rev. E. Geo. Biddle, chosen delegate to the Colored Men's Alphin Guards, a company of young members is an evidence of their ap-

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conference in 1882 and

sound wisdom and broad in- brighter prospects. Fill our pulpits Brooklyn and in the Vine-street cob Thomas, D. D., of New Rochelle. t. The masses of our people are with refined and intelligent divines, school, Buffalo, where he went after The pall-bearers were J. J. Erps and pastor, is a thorough church worker, onal and superstitious, for the and, under the blue sky and smiling the death of his father. He also be- J. E. S. Williams, representing the as well as a gospel preacher. He was

was wounded at the battle of Peters- ters, Dr. Thomas and Rev. Biddle New York, and Chap. A. F. Drake, convention at Troy and to the Re- colored men organized by the de- preciation of him. athletic games." God hasten the Jersey City. Any pastor who has when all such characters will not received a sample of the program to be used in the individual churches to be used in the individual churches at the was editor and protocontain the funeral obsequies both in Troy publican State convention at Elmira. ceased in Troy took an active part in and in Kingston.

> Persons desiring to communicate with Bishop G. W. Clinton can address him as follows: Aug. 26-30.

A BRIEF REPORT Of the Work of the Men on the New

York District.

BY REV. R. J. STROTHER, A. M.

Having been elected by the New York conference to report its work from time to time, and having received a brief statement from the weekly.

the place and is arranging to buy the ing funds and banking it.

Kingston, N. Y., Rev. Adam Jackson, pastor, is a man of large experience and is bringing order out of confusion, and we are hopeful yet of this church being brought to the front.

meeting with great success. Newbergh-Rev. W. H. Newby, pastor, a transferee from the Phila-

Peekskill, N. Y., Rev. L. D. Williams, pastor, is more popular now than before and is and intelligent, faithful and upright young man.

Nyack, N. Y., Rev. W. H. Abbott,

Mamaroneck, N. Y .- Rev. W. H. Ely, pastor, is a grand church worker. A notice of his work has already ap-

Portchester-Rev. C. Fairfax, an exemplary pastor, has his work in good working order.

New Rochella-Dr. Jacob Thomas pastor, has his work in splendid condition. Pastor and people live in

River Head, N. Y .- Rev. P. M. Jackson, pastor, is in fine working or-Sag Harber, N. Y., Rev. E. J. Mil-

Oyster Bay-Rev. T. W. Johnson

pastor, is getting along nicely with Westberry, N. Y., Rev. C. W. Tynike, pastor, is beloved by his mem-

bers and is meeting with success. Hempstead-Rev. G. H. Simi stor, is also meeting with success

bers of Zion church at Yonkers on the night of Presiding Elder Biddle's reception, by the pastor Rev. W. B. On Children's Day.—Secretary Johnson Bowens, assisted by Revs. Biddle and Makes his Report. Strothers.

pastor, is succeeding nicely. Graves End, N. Y.—Rev. Butler, pastor, is July meeting with success. East Brooklyn-Rev. C. Randall pastor, is hold-Presiding Elder, E. George Biddle, lyn. Harlem-Rev. A. Walker pasing aloft Zion's banner at East Brook- July B. D., I herewith submit what is go-tor, is succeeding nicely. Middleing on in the banner conference of town, N. J.—Rev. G. M. Payne, pas- July the A. M. E. Zion Connection in the tor, is doing grandly. Fleet-street, North. We are more than glad to N. Y.—Dr. G. W. Offley, pastor, has Aug. welcome to our district Bishop J. W. been somewhat indisposed since con-Hood, whose counsels and wishes ference; part of the time confined to July have always been obeyed by the min- his room. He is up now and doing a July 3. J S Cowles, York, isters of this conference. As a think- grand work. He has the reins and er and mind-reader, he is unexcelled, knows how to hold them. His loving and his appointments are always repeople gave him a grand reception on July 22, J T Gaskill, Derby, ceived with great joy by churches the 30th ult. Mother Zion-Dr. M. and ministers. The fact that the R. Franklin, pastor, was tendered a July 31, C D Hazel, Cambrideport, 10 00 churches all over the district are ten-grand reception by his members July dering Dr. Biddle receptions is an 15th. Every department of the July 1, HSMcMullen, S. Ridge, 1100 syidence of their appreciation of church was represented. The STAR him, as well as the approval of the has already reported it. The welwise judgment of Bishop Hood in the come address was delivered by Miss appointment of him. He is elo- Nickson, a graduate of Livingstone quent, graceful and dignified; honest College. Her remarks were pointed in his dealings with men, and always and eloquent. Prof. E. V. C. Eato keeps before him the good of his presided. The officers have refurchurch. He has recommended each nished the parsonage and renovated it July 7, pastor to become an agent for the from top to bottom. Dr. Franklin is STAR. It is his plan to have each companionable and therefore at home. minister dispose of so many copies They are preparing to renovate the The following is a synopsis of the the desire of the pastor and board to work of the district: Hudson, N. Y., make it a beauty for the Centennial. Rev. B. Judd, pastor. has his work in Tarrytown, N. Y., Rev. R. J. Strothhand, and already has begun prepar- ers, pastor. This is possibly the ations for the annual conference. third church financially and other-Troy, N. Y., Rev. J. R. B. Smith, pas- wise in the conference. She is holdtor, is no more. He was unwell ing her own and gathering in more. since last conference; yet the church Rev. T. O. R. Williams is located is full of vim and sacred fire. This here. He is proving himself to be a grand preacher and orator never great help to the pastor. It is to be knew what a failure was. He was a painted in the latest style. On July St'nt's faithful pastor and an eloquent 7th, at 6 p. m., Mrs. Anna L. Kingspreacher, and his fame as a worker land, wife of Charles Kingsland, treaswas known in Zion Connection. Cats- urer of the trustees and preachers, afkill, N. Y., Rev. A. J. Tolbert, pastor, ter long suffering, died in the faith. is showing himself to be the man for She was a teacher in the Sundayschool. She leaves to mourn her deold Episcopal Church. He is collect- mise a husband, one daughter and three step-sons, besides other friends.

We could not think of closing this letter without expressing our grief at having to be separated from such able men as Drs. Coffey, Caldwell, Williams and Adams, and our joy in reson, pastor, is a man of God and is ceiving such noble Christians workers Bowens.

Dr. Biddle has taken up the work delphia and Baltimore conference, is M. A. Bradley left off; and those where our esteemed Presiding Elder who know him, know that he is at the head of a district where there are to be found men of push, grit, energy and loyalty. So there is no such

ing Elder, to our pastors copies of the age twelve years, and asked that king STAR weekly to be sold by them. to give him letters to his governors. Hold them responsible. Send me 10 and to aid him with money and in all copies weekly.

Tarrytown, N. Y.

please I with our beloved pastor, Eld- quest.' er S. Hernton, he has just closed a Do you believe in prayer? Do successful revival. There were you believe that prayer will acquite a number of souls who profess- complish such a result as that; that ed faith in Christ. Elder Hernton the heart of in idolater, of a heathen. is the right man in the right place, could by the power of God, be a He loves his church and will defend turned as to grant a request of tha it when called upon. He is a great kind? That was the first enpreacher and an accomplished leader. ment that came to this During his revival, he was assisted He asked God for a by Elder J. A. Miller, from Gastonia. thing. God gave him Elder Miller is one of Zion's stalwart what he asked for. When preachers. He labore l earnestly pressive and valued result that during the revival, and the congregation regretted to see him return naturally and visibly se HENRY G. HARRISON.

Joresville, N. C.

No matter what the state of the ther now is the time to subscrib

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A RESIJLT OF PRAYER.

BY C. H. WETHERBE.

It is well to refresh ourselves frething as a failure. The churches quently by reading some of the reare using their best steps to make the sults of genuine, heart-prayer. One Centennial the grandest gathering such result is referred to by Dr. B. that has ever assembled in the city of H. Carroll in a sermon on Nehemi-New York. Bishop Hood assessed ah's rebuilding the walls of Jerusathis conference \$1,000. When the lem. He says: "Now, what reasonannual conference meets every cent able hope could this man have that of that money will be on hand; if it is his request would be granted when not paid to the steward beforehand. he went to a heathen king and asked Please send by order of the Presid- permission to be gone from his bondother ways? What reasonable hope was there that this king would grant such request? There was only one The difficulties and opposition with power able to turn the heart of that which we have been confronted at king. That was the power of God; times have seemed insurmountable; and so he knelt down and prayed for but through it all we have kept Zion's that thing. 'O, Lord, I pray this banner high. Our church here at prayer. I am the cup-bearer of this Jonesville is still growing, religiously king. I pray thee to incline the and financially. We are highly heart of this king to grant my re-

of one man's prayer! Everyt against his praying, and yet lieved and so prayed that Go