

TALKS, On Varick Endeavor, BY THE PRESIDENT.

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We gladly accept the opportunity of contributing for the mental and spiritual welfare of the young people, and especially for those who belong to the Varick Christian Endeavor Society.

By this act we did not destroy our relations to the United Society of C. E. We sustain the same relation in this respect as an adopted child would to the persons who adopted it.

Zion deserves to felicitate herself in the fact that she was the first to place herself on record as a distinctive colored denomination to adopt the C. E. as the official Young People's Society.

Now since we are in line of march, let us keep step to the glorious strains of the heavenly harps.

TOPIC FOR SUNDAY, JAN. 10.

"Spiritual Power; Whereas it Comes And How to Get it." Phil. iv. 4-13.

Mon., Jan. 4. From the Father. Pa. 68: 28. Tues., Jan. 5. From the Son. Acts 8: 1-16. Wed., Jan. 6. From the Spirit. I Cor. 3: 1-16.

Thurs., Jan. 7. Through prayer. Isa. 57: 1-6. Fri., Jan. 8. Through faith. Luke 7: 1-10. Sat., Jan. 9. Through obedience. Josh. 7: 1-26.

Scripture Verses.—Joel I. 28, 29; Luke xxiv. 49; John xiv. 15; Acts 1: 8; I Cor. 12: 13; I Pet. 1: 23; James 1: 25; I John 3: 24.

Muscular power belongs to our bodies, and is gained by growth and exercise. Spiritual power belongs to our hearts and minds; it is a freedom from worldly care, an incomprehensible peace with God, a beautiful contentment with whatever circumstances surround us, a bold confidence in meeting all that may be before us.

Our readers will notice a slight change in schedule found on fourth page of the paper of the S. A. L. Railroad. This company has fitted up a nice office in this city on S. Tryon St., where information, schedules, etc., may be easily obtained.

To the Pastors in the North Carolina Annual Conference: Dear Brethren: According to Resolution of your last session, the fifth Sunday in each quarter is devoted to raising certain connectional claims.

At all the conferences visited by the Manager and Editor, the subscribers whose petitions we could not then obtain were asked to drop a card to the Editor immediately on finding out what their new post-office address would be.

Will the subscribers in asking to have their papers changed, please give their old as well as their new address. This done, you will help to facilitate the business of the office greatly.

While the management omitted publication on December 31, we feel our subscribers will highly appreciate the splendid Supplement which the Editor and Manager arranged for a surprise and a New Year's gift to our many liberal supporters.

Since taking hold of the STAR of ZION June 1, 1896, the Editor and Manager have been able to increase the list 500 in cash subscriptions, most of whom are yearly subscribers.

It is a source of regret that the Review which had at one time so wide and high reputation cannot now claim the confidence of its admirers. But we want to assure those who have anxiously waited for it that it is not wholly the Manager's fault.

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Possibly the best supply of Sunday-school literature ever gotten out by the Sunday-school Department of our Church was published for the 1st quarter of 1897.

The different annual conferences would do well to send their minutes to the Publication House to be printed. Besides turning out a job of 40 pages in 20 days, we are arranging to bind in one volume all the Fall and Winter conference minutes that have come into our hands.

A happy New Year to all of our readers is the best wish of the Manager. Since writing the above we find it will be impossible to get out the Supplement. It will appear later.

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Ring out, wild bells, to the wild sky, the flying cloud, the frosty night, the year is dying in the night; Ring out, wild bells, and let him die!

Ring out the old, ring in the new! Ring, happy bells, across the snow. The year is going—let him go; Ring out the false, ring in the true!

Ring out the grief that saps the mind, For those that here we see no more; Ring out the feud of rich and poor, Ring in redress to all mankind!

Ring out a slowly dying cause, And ancient forms of party strife; Ring in the nobler modes of life, With sweeter manners, purer laws!

Ring out false pride in place and blood, The civic slander and the spite; Ring in the love of truth and right, Ring in the common love of good.

Ring out old shapes of foul disease, Ring out the narrowing lust of gold, Ring out the thousand wars of old, Ring in the thousand years of peace!

Ring in the valiant man and free, The larger heart, the kinder hand; Ring out the darkness of the land, Ring in the Christ that is to be.

Dr. J. T. Williams.

Dr. Williams, the talented and brilliant physician and surgeon of Mecklenburg County, N. C., stands a good show to be selected as resident physician of the colored insane asylum at Goldsboro, N. C.—California Elevator.

The friends of Dr. J. T. Williams are urging him for the position of Superintendent of the Eastern Asylum for the colored race at Goldsboro. In point of practice Dr. Williams is the oldest colored physician in the State.

Zion in this part of the Master's vineyard has taken on new life. Rev. W. J. Caver, our presiding elder, is marshalling a great host. He has added more value to the connection in the last two years than has been added by any of his predecessors.

Rev. B. L. Stanton is our pastor. He is a gentleman and a Christian. God and Bishop Pettey did a great thing for Breakville and Middleton Grove A. M. E. Zion churches when they sent us such a pastor.

The new church was dedicated September 20th. The Sabbath was a high day in Zion. The Sabbath-school marched in at 9 a. m., followed later by the Sons and Daughters of Zion.

Yours truly, S. L. Blackwell.

January 18, 1897. Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Bryant will celebrate the 20th anniversary of their marriage at their residence in Salisbury, N. C.

A. Humbles, an Afro-American, recently loaned the Baptists of Virginia \$18,000 with which to build a seminary at Lynchburg.

It is said that the famous explorer of the African jungles, Henry M. Stanley, is gradually turning black. What next?—Negro Solicitor.

The Women's League, composed of colored women of Denver, has been admitted to the Colorado State Federation of Clubs.

As the white man goes up, so goes the black, and vice versa. Their present and future interests are identical and cannot be separated.—Indianapolis World.

The first colored woman to receive the degree of A. M. was Mary Patterson, who graduated at Oberlin in 1862.—San Francisco Elevator.

There are in Topeka, Kan., five colored schools, employing nineteen colored teachers.

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