## BIBLICAL EPISCOPACY. Review Of Brother J. A. D. Bloke's

Article. Continued. BY BISHOP C. C. PETTEY, A. M., D D.

LETTER NO. 9. The Rev. Mr. Bloice while standing the presence of Saint Paul last week came very much discomfited and per-exed as he listened to Paul's testiy regarding the truth of Episcopal authority and distinctive orders as rec ognized by himself and the other Apostles. In the midst of the gloom of his frustration, he invited me to take my Greek Testament and go with him to Miletus, where he had heard of a ministerial convention of some sort. I accepted the invitation and journeyed with Bro. Bloice had told me on our way that Christ created no distinction in Episcopos and presbuteros, to give a paster support. When we entered the seat of conference, we found Bishop Paul presiding. After the usual preliminaries, Paul arose and delivered an Episcopal address to Warner was a pointed to it six years the elders and deacons, which bespoke ago, is in good condition. Six years for him such Episcopal authority as no ordinary moderator could have exer-cised; and charged them concerning

e (Paul) was only equal to the 17-28. He talked freely of the aurity exercised by Paul over the el-Bloice in the same conversation said that "The New Testament recognizes taking such authority over the elders? Why did he give authority to Titus concerning the many churches and elders in Crete? If there was no distinction and l'ader. Titus was not Bishop in charge, why did Paul leave this all important work cause left I] thee in Crete, that thou uldest set in order the things that as I had appointed thee." After , is it not strange that he or any conference. would offer argument in favor

through delivering his Episcopal ad-

arity of the ministry? he Rev. Bloice turns to the readays-"The Bishop would have exclusive prerogative of the 4:14 and exclaims "What a evelation!" Indeed it must be a new evelation to him. He then wishes to Paul was present and assisted in or laining Timothy. Well, we Methodists all understand just how a bishop assists in ordinational services in conference. The elders do the voting and the bishop the ordaining. Doubtless the presbyters assisted Paul in th s way. It is unreaonable to suppose that Paul being not among the chief but chief Apostle to the Gentiles would stand by and play the second part in the ordination of a bishop, who was to succeed him in office, but conduct these solemn services himself, peing bishop of the district even as bishops do now, when visiting bishops are esent, as was possible in this case. Paul settles this matter. See 2 Tim. 1:6. "Wherefore I put thee in remem brance, that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands."

You get no argument from 1 Tim. 4:14 of elders ordaining Timothy. may have been the circum. ances, Paul declares that he ordained ("By the putting on of my If the ordination referred to Bro. Bloice, in 1 Timothy 4:14, be e same ordination referred to above, en Paul was simply associated by

he was, he doultless laid hands upon ON THE FIELD OF ZION. Pimothy by the will of the presbytery; hence'the bisho; represented the presbytery. If Paul was not the bishop representing this p esbytery, then it is certain that Timotl v received two ordinations if no more; for Paul ordained him once somewher . It matters but little which road Bro Bloice chooses, either will lead him to where Paul ordained Timothy once i not twice.

[TO B : CONTINUED.] Newbern, N. 7.

MORE NEHEMIAHS NEEDED.

BY REV. A. A. WILLIAMS.

I hardly ever write to the paper but duty calls me to it. I have been the church at Newville which blew him. Upon our arrival there, we found 28 years in the ministry, and longer Elders of Ephesus and thereabouts to have a right to speak when I see our land and my counsel, saved our neet him on this occasion at Miletus. Zion going dewn in the North Alabama Conferer ce. Some of the stathat Christ created no distinction in the state of the st equal; and that the New Testament recoguized no distinction between the circuits had to be attached to them

The Birmingham station that was very weak when the great Dr. A. J. ago it paid the presiding elder \$6 a quarter; now it pays \$25 a quarter; then general tix was \$30 a year; now their duties as pastors of their respective congregations, which had been in- over \$100 a year. Dr. Warner is trusted to their care. Acts 20:17-28. gone, but I think the church is well Saint Paul was really holding a conferprovided for with the pastor. The ence as we Bishops do these days. Dur-ing this time Bro. Bloice and I were silently witnessing these proceedings. I is very large; las all the mines in it, whispered to him and said this must be and not a church for Zion for one of an Episcopal conference, for Paul is certhem, except Brookwood near Tuscatainly acting Bishop, for when Paul was loosa, and that has not more than 50 members. There is paid to colored thing else necessary to make up a ress, and giving orders, I was thorghly convinced that he was Bishop of miners every jear not less than \$200,diobese. Bro. Bloice however 000 and Zion does not get \$100 of ed to be very contentious and I that money. Old circuits have gone, stations given up, and Zion is dead

im there trying to convince Paul in Bessemer which is 12 miles from following week Bro. Bloice had a Birmingham; and has 20,000 populaion with me concerning Paul's tion. In 1892 we held a quarter al address(?)" delivered at there, the Rev. R. C. O. Benjamin to the Elders of Ephesus. Acts being Presiding Elder, was sick, and Rev. T. R. Ga nes was pastor. Zion nority exercised by Paul's giving gener- was stronger there then than she is dain elders in every city. Notwith- ed \$25.15 for presiding elder; \$7.50 standing these statements by him, Bro. for pastor, and \$31 on church debt. Church house was 30x60, congregano distinction between the words 'epis- tion 300 or more, and it paid presid copos and presbuteros. I then asked ing elder \$10 a quarter and bid fair Bro. Bloice if there was no distinction to be one of the strongest stations in of orders in those days, why was Paul Alabama; but now she is dry, not a member, not a house to preach in, not even a local preacher or a class

East Birmingham station, like Bessemer, is now gone-had to be atto him alone instead of to the elders of tached to help Woodlawn statione conference? See Titus 1:5. "For Gate City gine to help Woodlawn station. The e has not been a new g, and ordain elders in every congregation eported in this district in four years, and it has all the coal ag the evidence as given above by in it where there is more money paid stles, much of which Bro. Bloice to colored people than in the whole

in this conference that have no ap- vival which was considered closed. pointments, and not one reported one that in the Primitive Church, place or member in this last conferthe sermon I asked every one who ence. Your writer has been chap- would accept Christ to meet me at or their divine successors to lain of the Stite prison and would be the altar, and four souls met me and for the ministry" He re- to-day if he would pledge himself to over them we labored till half past the Democratic party, but I cannot. ten o'clock. We were last year at Fayette, on the compromise with me by agreeing that Fayette circu t, one of the oldest in the State, with four churches about church to depot and taking the 12:17 20 miles apart, in a very poor part of train. The splendors of morning the State. We got but little pay, broke forth on us in Harrisburg. make them. That I will do, God be-

Bishop Jeh 1 Holliday, who is doing a mighty work for Zion in the southwest, ut who were these men constituting orders and se ls the STAR OF ZION in his eabytery in 1 Timothy 4:14? It travels. He is a grand man, a great have been possible that some of preacher, as asy to approach now as he were apostles or bishops. If the was hefore he was elected bishop. That then was Episcopal in it's is the kind of men we want for bishops as we believe it was, some and general officers-men who after

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My Soldiers Coming To Conference

Clothed With Victory.

BY REV. R. A. FISHER, D. D.

highest order of piety and takes God him to love him. at His word; and however dark may be the clouds of adversity, his faith Thompson Memorial Mission, Philachurch in Mechanicsburg frem sale under a bogus mortgage.

On Sunday the 20th, we had a spiritual refreshing. The church at Stokes, his wife.

day night and continuing until Friday night. We had glorious meet- may soon recover and be at his post, ings each evening. That church is in a splendid spiritual condition. That is the church whose edifice God District of the Philadelphia and Balenabled me to save to the Connection. It was from that church my Christmas turkey came, and everyfirst-class Christmas dinner.

Saturday the 26th, I came to Williamsport where Rev. G. W. A. Tolbert, one of Zion's strongest men, had made all things ready for a great quarterly meeting, and where we had been engaged in a protracted meetblessed him in saving many of the hardest cases in Williamsport. Old bert's church. Thus his church has been wonderfully built up. We had Sunday morning a splendid sermon by Brother Brown, a local elder of the church; at 3 o'clock a great sermon was preached by Dr. Asbury of Bethel church. Dr. Asbury is a Christian gentleman, the kindly sympathies of whose heart are world. J M Jenkins; Bartow, A H Evans. wide in their scope. The fraternal his church, and Rev. Tolbert's church, is the most complete it was ever my and a man whose judgment can be trusted. The writer preached on A Marshall. Sunday night, and so powerfully did broke out afresh. At the close of

Having business matters to look after in Harrisburg, we went from

but now we lave had it divided and Wesley Union A. M. E. Z. church, we will reach one of the largest mines Harrisburg, the capital of Pennsylvasteward, Mr. Samuel Hall.

as we believe it was, some and general officers—men who after a young man I have known since months.

The property of the present at such a they are promoted will not get the big boyhood. He is a powerful preacher with the present at such a they are promoted will not get the big boyhood. He is a powerful preacher with the present at such as the promoted with the present at such as the present at the present at such as the pre

and the crowd will follow him. He BALTIMORE has done a great work in East Harrishurg. He is a very friendly young Looking Forward To Conference Gainman. I spoke of Rev. J. H. Wye

and his meeting some time ago. Rev. W. H. Marshall, the pastor of Leaving Carlisle Saturday, Feb. Middletown and Wrightsville, has 19th, I soon found myself in Mechan- been and is growing in popularity in icsburg on the Cumberland Valley his charge. He is a learned, sweetrailroad. That church and the one ly disposed and useful representaat Newville are pastored by Elder J. tive of the Philadelphia & Baltimore Stokes. He is a man possessing the Conference. One has only to know Rev. D. P. Witten, pas or of J. P.

penetrates the gloom. Within the delphia, is an earnest missionary and last eighteen months he has rebuilt is doing the best he can for success Rev. A. J. Spencer, of Frankford, down in the September storm; and Pa., has certainly done a good work him. Upon our arrival there, we found that the than that in he Church. I feel I by the assistance of Rev. W. J. Hol- this year. I know no man in this conference who is more devoted to the missionary work and who has accomplished more good under the

same circumstances than he. Rev. Frisby Gibson, who is now Newville has been revived in a fastened to his bed under an attack week's meeting, conducted by Sister of la grippe, is a man of linest qualities, and has succeeded against some Monday the 21st, I took an early odds in doing a good work at Union train for Harrisburg where, after an Mission, 9th and Girard avenue, hour and a half, I passed on to Lock Philadelphia. He has a great re-Haven, Pa., the most distant point vival meeting now in progress, and in my work. There I conducted a more than fifty souls have already series of meetings, beginning on Mon- been saved, and still the work goes on. His church is praying that he

This closes my report as Presiding Elder of the First or Philadelphia timore Conference.

Philadelphia, Pa.

## SOUTH FLORIDA CONFERENCE.

Mr. Editor: None but subscriber to the STAR received appointments. Left many places to be supplied. Here is a chance for supernum raries, who will abide by the law and will take mission work and board their families. ing for several weeks. The Lord had The conference adjourned Tuesday night, March 8th, at twelve a. m. I H. Green has died. F.ev. Thomas and young sinners have not only H. Darley is the superanduated minbeen converted but joined Rev. Tol- ister. The new society is Seville, organized by Moses Houston. Conference is to meet in Tampa, Florida, 2nd a splendid quarterly conference. On Wednesday in March, '95 at 10 a. m.

APPOINTMENTS. Tampa District-G W Maize, Presiding Elder. Tampa station, G L

Leesburg District W J Sanders union between him and Rev. Tolbert. Presiding Elder. Evinston and Micanopy, W C Cato; Orange Heights. ange Bend, J E Rivers; R dgewood, A

Gainesville District-J R Harris, We have about 30 young ministers God bless His own word that the re-Mission, S Gilvard; Gain swille, H K Watson; Live Oak Mission, J W Jones; St James Mission, GB Wilson; West Jacksonville Missicn, L E Carr.

Missionary Evangelists, Jos. Sexton and Wiley Walker. C. R. HARRIS, Presiding Bishop.

A GREAT FRAUD.

BY W. D. MCKAY.

A set of would-be lords belonging to our church pastored by Rev. T. H. in Alabama -- Coronia. We have no ma, is among our best known in the Hall took the Sabbath-school money a station on the Southern railraad, pastors afterwards became bright protested and one of he lords in- pay \$100 on their property outside people who desire to attend Zion. 75 miles west of Birmingham. We lights on the Episcopal bench. It sulted him and threater to look the their other expenses. built a church there last year with 24 still holds its place of intelligence church doors because the trustees had Salisbury, Md., Rev. W. H. Brown, pastor. He is a worker and built and the church has wall paper inmembers. Slaughter Fairview, 8 and influence. Rev. James H. Mc- no deed for it and this lord said he Wright, pastor. This is where we is doing a grand work. His people side.—Rev. J. C. Bellany, Point Washmiles from Berry, has a little house Mullen. B D, is at present pastor. paid taxes on it. The pastor and need a large church. Bro. Wright love him and follow him. Our last ington, Fla. and 28 men bers. This is my ap. He is a scholar of deep and varied trustees asked for a deed three times has brought this congregation up. visit to his work was very pleasant. pointment. If I have more I must research, a pleasing orator of the and none was given, and Rev. Hall The church seats between three and He tries to please. most charming character, a most and his board bought a piece of land four hundred, but they have to turn ing my helper. If these circuits and companionable young divine, and is from Mr. Y. R. Porter and secured a about half that many away every stations are o be revived and built justly popular and influential. The deed and now the words are white Sunday night. Bro. Wright is called up, the men must go to work. If Sabbath-school of that church is one with timber for a new church and the pure Gospel preacher by his peothey cannot do the work, our bishop of the first in the State, and is super- many sympathizing friends are belp- ple. will bring in other men who can do intended by Prof. John P. Scott, who ing us. Pastors should see that our ling us. Pasto sighted secretary of both the trustee The people are assisting our pastor. much credit for his week, on this Money is being raised for the new board and quarterly conference. The His name will never die on Rehoboth charge, because Plymouth was alpresident of the trustee board is Mr. circuit. Mr. Editor, 1st this alarm most a thing of the past when he Stephen Ziegler; preacher's steward, sound throughout our Zion so that went there. I don't believe any oth-Nicholas Butler; Presiding Elder's our ministers and trustees may exam- er man could have saved it just then. ine and watch ahead for such things Just things: a congregation not buy-At our church at East Harrisburg, in the future. The STIR is the Best ing and its incidental debts amount-Rev. G. P. Hawkes is pastor. He is paper that I have read for six ing to nearly \$500. But Bro. Brad-

BY REV. W. H. SNOWDEN, P. E.

Mr. Editor: We are rounding up another year of hard yet beneficial work for God and Zion. We have

tired hard to keep every interest of and they have been doing all in their Bro. Cypress has made good his time power to help make the district a success. It is only due that I say something that the readers of the STAR may know what is going on in the Baltimore district.

Zion, Baltimore, Rev. M. M. Bell, pastor, will entertain our Conference which meets May 18th. He and his good people are in the midst of a replans whereby they can take good care of the Conference.

St. John's, Wilmington, Del., Rev. shape. J. W. Phillips, pastor. He is a young man much beloved by his peo- Wales, pastor. He is one of the men ple and is doing a good work.

Marshallton, Del., Rev. Robert field to labor in but Bro McCarty seems to be the man. He knows how to master unruly people.

Gettysburg, Pa., Rev. B H. Freeman, pastor. This church never was in as good condition spiritually or strong preacher. financially as it is now. The mem-Freeman that can't be said of all men, he takes every collection the general Church calls for at the time. He teaches his people that it is bet- and take a look at the work he is doter to obey than sacrifice.

Fawn circuit, Rev. W. H. Turner, pastor. This is one of the best circuits I ever travelled over. They love and respect their rastor. He has been wonderfully blessed with another one of 'my men who pays everything the general Church calls good. for at the time. His work is one of the best in the district.

St. James, Fernwood, Pa., Rev. J. N. Hall, pastor. He has only a few members but they are true and tried. They love their Church and are working hard to get a church.

Metropolitan, Washington, D. C, White; Key West, TF E Blackman; its large debt. Bro. Dariels knows town. Now we have a fine lot, a Samuel Sherman is our competent pre-East Florida, W A Bain; Palm Beach, how to make ends meet, and his peoJ M Jenkins; Bartow, A H Evans.

ple believe he is the right man to bers.

Bro. Bailey has the real misganville, Ala. make the church what it ought to sionary spirit.

JR Montgomery; Kissinmee. M P pastor, is in fine condition and we field if we only had a little money. privilege to witness. The Rev. Tol- Powe; Leesburg circuit, R W Bal- believe it will be able to do more in Bro. Scott has worked hard and paid general finds a new privilege to witness. ert is a powerful preacher, songster, lard; Hawthorne, S E Kinler; Or- the future than in the past. Bro. off all the debts and is now arrang- than ever before. The pastor has the people and it does them good.

Union Wesley, Washington, D. C., for Conference. Rev. A. A. Crooke, pastor. He is Rev. J. S. Clemens is a hustler that Rev. S. J. Hargrave is one of the succeeding nicely. His people are right. He started to build Clemen's ablest preachers and orators in Zion. always wide-awake, ready to work Chapel with 15 cents, and has suc- He is intellectual and preaches to a He has had a big revival; many souls cost of nearly \$4,000, and has paid preparing to build a brick church here. knows Bro. Christmas knowsthat sin- five or six like him nowners had to fall. Financially, the York, Pa., Rev. P. J. McEntosh, how to make out appo church is doing excellent.

by is wiping the debt out, nbers and succeeding

DISTRICT. Guy, paster, is succeeding beyond our expectation. Members are being ing Souls And Property. added and money raised to meet all expenses. Bro. Guy is doing a grand

work.

John Wesley, Washington, D. C. Rev. W. A. M. Cypress, pastor. This church is alive spiritually and financially; a glorious revival has been our great Church before our people, hold and many souls converted. in this city. Quantico, Md., Rev. C. A. Gain,

> pastor, is moving on nicely. They good service. Rockville, Md. Rev. Smith Claiborne, pastor, is moving on nicely.

Money is hard to get, hence we can't do as we would like. This people vival just now, yet they are devising need a new church but it seems impossible. The pastor is working hard to bring up everything in good and Zion must grow. I wish every one Ross Point, Del., Rev. H. B. ell, S. C.

the law and teaches his people the for a lot on Sycamore street at a cost of McCarty, pastor. This is a hard same. This work is all that could be \$250. The members have already paid expected. He is building a new fore conference. Rev. J. M. Washingchurch at Macedonia.

much about this work? No, every- Shoin, Sec'y, Nashville, Tenn. body knows that Rev. Colbert is a good, successful pastor, and you who ing, the debt he is fighting. He colored friends. We ask for the prayers raised more money last quarter than of all.-Miss E. Paris, York, Ala. any pastor in the district.

revivals at each church. He is getting on fine. Bro. Washington Johnson is a grand man. The members bas succeeded here and did much and friends are very liberal in their do-

Burville, D. C., Rev. T. Keene, pastor, is a very hard work to pastor Mt. Pleasant circuit. I am proud of from it. The pastor has worked, but -A. Cook, pastor, Brush Creek, A.a. to little benefit.

Princess Anne, Md., Rev. E. S. not be given the pastor and his peo- modelled his caurches and made them Rev. R. J. Daniels, pastor. This ple. Just think! The first of last very comfortable. He also held two re-Rev. R. J. Daniels, pastor. This durch is moving on nicely meeting June, Zion wasn't known in this little bership. He is a noble worker and Rev.

> Oriole, Md., Rev. Thos. H. Scott, ing to build a new church.

Rev. I. B. Walters, of Mt. Olive, Clinton mission, Rev. C. Ringgold, Baltimore, Md., is succeeding grand- second to none on Chester district. pastor, needs something to give it ly. He has gotten into the hearts of that good, gospel preacher, Rev. Dr. tion, R R Frederick; Green Cove new life. Bro. Ringgold is a good his people and they are now working Killingsworth -S. M. Hicklin, Van hard to help him have a good report Wyck, S. C.

> at any time and for any good cause, ceeded in erecting a building at a crowded church. He succeeded that were converted. He secceeded in more than half of it. He has 15 The first two weeks he was on the work getting Rev. Bro. Christmas to con-members now. Where is his equal? he raised \$71.63, bought lumber and duct his revival, and everybody who Let him come to the front. I need ceiled the parsonage. He is a coal burn-

pastor. This church is in a fine con-Trinity, Washington, D. C., Rev. dition. They have enjoyed a glori-Logan Johnson, pastor. This is a ous revival, added many to the roll. church there but if I live we will State, and has been served in by- and bought Presbyterian literature grand people, only a few in number, The church is crowded every Sunday. Zion. I found no parsonage when I came, have one before the end of this year! gone days by some of the ablest men and brought it into the school and but they are mighty in strength I am in hopes they will build a new but I pulled off my coat, rolled up my Berry, where I am now appointed, is of the Connection. Several of its taught it to the children. Rev. Hall Every three months (I believe) they church that will accommodate the sleeves, gut the hammer, saw, square,

Peach Bottom, Pa., Rev. Z. T.

Baltimore, Md.

Lord's Day under the pattorate of our have had several accessions. Our services are more largely attended than they have been in ten or twelve years N. C. church which has been started. A new lot was purchased on one of the leading streets for its crection. It is to have a gallery and basement. We have a new organ and chandeliers. Last July our tor organized a church three m here known as the Lea

## Jones, Wilmington, Del. Rev. S- NEWS FROM THE FIELD.

Succinct Reports Indicative Of The Progress Of Zion.

THE CHURCH AT WORK

I am a subscriber of the STAR. Our church is spiritually alive and has had 15 accessions. Financially we are somewhat embarrassed, Rev. J. W. Smith is a soul-stirring pastor and is endeavoring to build up the work. We have opposition, but we know the oak cannot grow and thrive without winds and storms to nourish it .- Mrs. Mary Mohr, Raif, Ala.

My revival a: Zion Chapel resulted in 57 conversions and I baptized 47. At love their pastor and he renders them Little Zion I had 27 conversions and baptized 39. I have received 148 members in the church in twelve months and raised for all purposes on the circuit \$587.96.—T. M Moore, Furmou, Al.

The STAR OF ZION is, the best paper that I have seen and read. I love Zion. My brother pastor is doing all he can for Zion. This is a good point for a church could read the STAR .- D. O'Neal New-

When we organized here the people who knows no failure, understands knew nothing of Zion. We are paying \$50 and they expect to pay \$50 more beton is our presiding elder and he is a Portsville, Del., Rev. J. W. Car- great evangelist and sweet singer. He roll, pastor, is small but seems to be carried East Nashville, Tenn., by storm in earnest. The pastor is a good and the people said he ought to have stayed here three weeks. They say they will help to build up Zion in East Nash-Galbraith, Washington D. C., Rev. ville, for they are carried away with bership has wonderfully increased. J. B. Colbert, pastor. Need I say what they have seen of Zion.—S. W.

Our pastor has bargained for a half acre of land for \$175 with a building on don't believe it, I invite you to come it and has added 13 members to the church. We have a lively Sabbathschool. Zion here has many white and

Bishop Pettey appointed us here at Arlington, Va., Rev. A. C. Wash- the last conference and we have found a ington, pastor, is a good work and is generous people. Presiding Elder J. B. nations to us .- W. T. Hayes, pastor, Bardstown, Ky.

My people are coming to the front on and very little support can be had them. We are proud of Bishop Small.

Our pastor, Rev. Samuel Washington, who came among us a stranger, but came Bailey, pastor. Too much praise can- full of zeal, trusting in the Lord, has re-

White Oak Church is favored with the return of our pastor, H. F. Martin. Potomac circuit, Rev. W. H. Cook, pastor. Here we have another good Bishop I. C. Clinton hit the nail on the head again. We are so well pleased as general funds and Connectional claims young people working and the Sabbathschool has bought an organ. We are

The people of Maxton, N. C., believe er and hustler. Bishop Hood knows how to make out appointments .- A. E.

Bishop Lon ax assigned me here from the Florida Conference. I came here in March with a bold heart to build up nails and lumber and in 40 days built a little cottage to live in. Since my arri-

Rev. E. J. Carter is a man with rare natural mental powers. He is a bold thinker and a pleasing and effective speaker. He has done a great work in Persons are joining our church every lina. Boys, let us push him to the gate Tennessee and in Western North Caroat the next General Conference, and efficient pastor Rev. C. Campbell. We when the gate opens let us make him a bishop so that he can spread our beloyed Zion.-Rev. R. B. Porter, Asheville,

## NOTICE.

All who expect to attend the Howard Day Testimonial" from April 27th to May 2nd, 1898, will please form me at o see so that accommodation

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