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Mr. Miles, I saw the program of the Jubilee that is to be given in honor of Dr. William J. Moore, one of the worthiest characters in the grand old North Carolina Conference. It is a cause that we feel willing and ready as a body to play our part in, because we know something of his work and worth to Zion Connection, and most especially to this Conference.

Dr. Moore has not only been a leading minister in Zion since '65, but a father to the Conference, and a friend indeed to her ministers. It is nothing more than right that we should do something in token of respect to him who was there when the first Zion seed was planted in Newbern, N. C., out of which has grown three conferences and two pieces, with a host of over 40,000 members. We raise more money for Zion and have sent out more representative men than any other State in the union.

We claim our Price and Blackwell as our fruits of which we are justly proud. So since we are called upon this time to honor home, we must prove ourselves equal to the task. While looking over the program I discovered that only one minister that has stayed at home and helped to make the North Carolina Conference what it is to-day, was worthy of having anything to say in honor of home and other noble things, viz., Rev. H. Bell. Now, Mr. Editor, we are getting tired of such floundering business. We are very often called upon to help buy the sugar but are left out in the division of the pie. We did think that if we were not able to do honor to Zion in New York at the Centennial, nor to Bishop Hood in Fayetteville; that surely we would not be too foolish to make a prayer in honor of Dr. Moore in day to Wilson. Where are such men as Rev. John Hooper, P. E., Rev. S. B. Hunter, P. E., Rev. Wm. Sutton, A. M., P. E., Rev. W. A. Keys, Revs. S. B. Gaskill, F. B. House, C. H. Phillips, L. B. Williams, J. W. L. Council?

They are ministers that have been with Dr. Moore all their days, and they are no butterfly ministers hunting for the largest bush with the most flowers. No, they have stayed at home and have held what was given them and augmented the work yearly.

If I was Mr. Miles I would give them some place at the feast, such as boot-blacking or door-keepers; any way, some little place to let them know that I knew they were in the Connection. Brother Miles, have not you some little insignificant place that you can give these men? I hate to see them left out altogether. And if you should need a sexton why not take Prof. Fonville? The way the thing is looking now, I am afraid the people will think it is "Dr." Miles' Jubilee instead of Dr. Moore's. It looks very much that way to me.

Mr. Editor, we have had a generous-hearted set of ministers; but they have been ignored so much that they are becoming reluctant; and if they can't be heard, I am afraid ere long that they will be felt. Take for instance the Centennial money: my district conference raised \$50 in Greenville (you were there, Mr. Editor.) \$10 of that money I paid out of my own pocket; that of the ministers paid \$5 each, but Rev. A. A. Crooke, who was then pastor in Tarboro, N. C., credited every cent of that money to himself and church.

When Bishop Hood's Jubilee was in Fayetteville we tried to do our part, yet we received but very little recognition. Now we are called on again, and I for one feel determined that the honorable ministers of the old North Carolina Conference shall have some recognition or I will not be in the fight. I do not want one word to say myself, but the pioneers of the Conference must be heard some time. Bishop Lomax is calling on the Connection to help in a worthy cause. Yes, sir, Bishop, I will help and many others will help, but after we help, when the times comes round for some one to go up and view the temple that we have built, please don't forget that we were there in the bursting of the stones from the quarry. Let the workers be honored sometime, and let Mr. Talker rest awhile.

Cronley, N. C.

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A. Walters, Chairman

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G. L. Blackwell.

PEARLS OF INFORMATION.

BY REV. H. W. SMITH.

We often surrender our own rights for the sake of peace.

Those who pray much, have no time complaining.

What kind of religion is that now abroad: "I love God but not my brother."

An ignorant ruler with love is better than a wise tyrant.

Eternal Life is the chief object of every (thoughtful) Christian.

Ministers who are jealous of each others' gift or ability unwisely work against each other.

A consecrated professor, will have confidence in others.

Without holiness we cannot inherit heaven.

We have financial days set apart, why not have a prayer day in our church once a year for a specific purpose?

Honor is not seemly for those who do not understand.

An angel wants to see one brother oppress another wrongfully.

NAME	AMOUNT
Philadelphia Conference	101.00
Allegany Conference	33.00
Total	370.50
Churches, etc.	431.18
Total	\$801.68 (less \$4)
Travelling expenses (collecting)	132.00
Leaving a balance	665.68

NAME	AMOUNT
New York to Liverpool, including incidentals	98.00
Liverpool to London and return, and incidentals	26.00
In London and Liverpool	16.00
Liverpool, Grand Canary, and Sierra Leone, (and incidentals)	124.00
In Sierra Leone	22.40
Sierra Leone and Sherbro (with incidentals)	19.50
Sherbro to Monrovia, (and incidentals)	26.50
Monrovia and Brewersville, (four hired men)	34.00
Monrovia to Axim, (and incidentals)	36.25
Axim and Dix Cove	14.80
Dix Cove and Cape Coast	28.50
Total from New York to Cape Coast	445.95

NAME	AMOUNT
Cape Coast, Dix Cove, Axim, Monrovia, Sierra Leone	118.00
Sierra Leone, Bathurst Gambia, Liverpool	107.00
Liverpool, London	10.50
London, Glasgow	14.00
Glasgow, New York	86.00
Total	348.50
Grand total	794.45
Amount collected, cash	665.68
Over and above receipts	128.77

At the meeting of the Board of Bishops, I read a report of the amount collected and expended, and explained that I had spent about \$125.00 more than collected, but knowing the condition of the funds, while there were brethren who thought I should present my bill for the balance, I had declared to them that I would not ask one cent from the Connection above the amount collected; but I was requested to make a more extended financial report. If the above is not sufficiently clear, I am willing to go into details and itemize from day to day. Sometimes I say incidentals. For example: when I entered the harbor of Sierra Leone I had occasion to go from one ship to another, thence on shore and return; when I asked the boatman for his charges, he demanded ten shillings: \$2.50.

From Monrovia to Brewersville, I was compelled to hire four men and a hammock, to pay the men's way up the St. Paul's River on the steamboat, feed them, and pay their hire until I returned to Monrovia.

A trip to Africa is not beneficial to the traveler under any circumstances; and nobody desires to go but one who has an earnest desire to advance the interests of Christ's kingdom.

I reported 47 members at Brewersville and 9 at Johnsonville with excellent prospects; and some one thought a thousand dollars paid to Rev. Cartwright, and more than six hundred dollars on my trip was too much money spent on fifty-six souls.

The foundation for a public school and society has been laid at Cape Coast, and negotiation is being carried on with a church organization of several churches at Lagos for admission into the Connection; and great encouragement has been given to the members of the Church at Liberia on receiving a visit from a bishop of the Connection. Indeed a presiding elder of another church told them that would be the last visit they would have from a bishop of the A. M. E. Zion Church—I am willing to give his name as I received it from members of the church. I promised the people that I would try to make them another visit two years hence, but I confess I am not over-anxious to undertake the job. I would like some other bishop to have a chance and find out what it will cost to go and return. I have spent more than two hundred dollars of my own money on this trip.

I brought a young man—William Hockman—from Cape Coast, and placed him in Livingstone College, and he is entirely chargeable to me: so far I have not asked the Connection for one cent.

A church in British Honduras is urging me to go there and receive it into the Connection and I have this reported to the Board, but have not been greatly encouraged in the matter. For the church and Connection's sake I am willing to divide my personal earnings with anyone who is willing to go. I go as duty and not as pleasure. Say if you want a more extended report—you shall have it. My mind is to obey authorities.

J. S. Small.
York, Pa.

IMPORTANT RESOLUTIONS.

At the Presiding Elders' Union of the Palmetto Institute which met at Williams' chapel in Carlisle, S. C., March 23, '98, Rev. R. K. Williams was elected chairman and Rev. S. T. Meeks, P. E., was secretary. On the following day the following resolutions were adopted: 1. The third and fourth sessions of the Institute shall be held in May shall be held on the 1st and 2nd days of every year. 2. Every year shall be held on the 1st and 2nd days of every year. 3. Each pastor and presiding elder shall be held on the 1st and 2nd days of every year.

On Varick Endeavor Union
BY THE PRESIDENT.

APPEAL.

To the Varick Christian Endeavorers of the A. M. E. Zion Church now Working under the Auspices of the Varick Christian Endeavor Union—Greeting:

Dear Christian Workers: You are hereby advised that a plan has been proposed by the President of the Varick Christian Endeavor Union to celebrate the Second Anniversary of the adoption of said Society by the General Conference of the A. M. E. Zion Church, 1896. The object is to stimulate greater activity among the Christian Endeavorers and concentrate their efforts, in a financial way, in behalf of the mission cause. We, your chief pastors, are heartily in accord with the splendid work your Societies are doing and we approve and commend the celebration and desire that you put forth your best efforts to make the occasion a success. We believe that your Society, which has already become an important factor in our Church, can do a great deal for the upbuilding and spread of our Church.

Yours for the cause of Christ and the Church, Bishops

J. W. Hood, A. Walters,
T. H. Lomax, G. W. Clinton,
C. C. Pettie, Jehu Holliday,
C. R. Harris, J. B. Small,
I. C. Clinton.

FACTS CONCERNING THE C. E. MOVEMENT.

Question—When, where and by whom was the Y. P. S. C. E. organized? Answer—February 2, 1881, at Portland, Me., by Rev. F. E. Clark.

Question—What is the present membership of the U. S. of Y. P. S. C. E. in the world? Answer—3,163,020.

Question—What is the number of Y. P. S. C. E.'s in the world to date? Answer—52,717.

Question—How many members have we in V. C. E. Union? Answer—More than 10,000.

Question—How many societies in the V. C. E. Union? Answer—250 to date; constantly increasing.

Question—How can we ascertain any information concerning the C. E. movement in our Church? Answer—By writing to Rev. J. B. Colbert, the President, 1114 6th St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

Question—When and where does the next National Y. P. S. C. E. Convention meet? Answer—Nashville, Tenn., July 6-11, 1898.

Question—Who is the Editor of the Varick Christian Endeavor? Answer—Rev. J. S. Caldwell, B. D.

Question—Who is the Managing Editor? Answer—Rev. Jesse B. Colbert, A. M.

Question—Where is it published? Answer—1114 6th St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

Question—What is the subscription price? Answer—60c per annum; 40c for six months.

Question—Are you a subscriber? If not, why not? Answer—?

Question—What relation does the President of the local V. C. E. sustain to the quarterly conference of our Church? Answer—He is a member and should make a quarterly report.

What colored denomination was the first to adopt the Y. P. S. C. E., thereby making it the official Young People's Society? Answer—A. M. E. Zion.

Question—When? Answer—May 18th, 1896.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

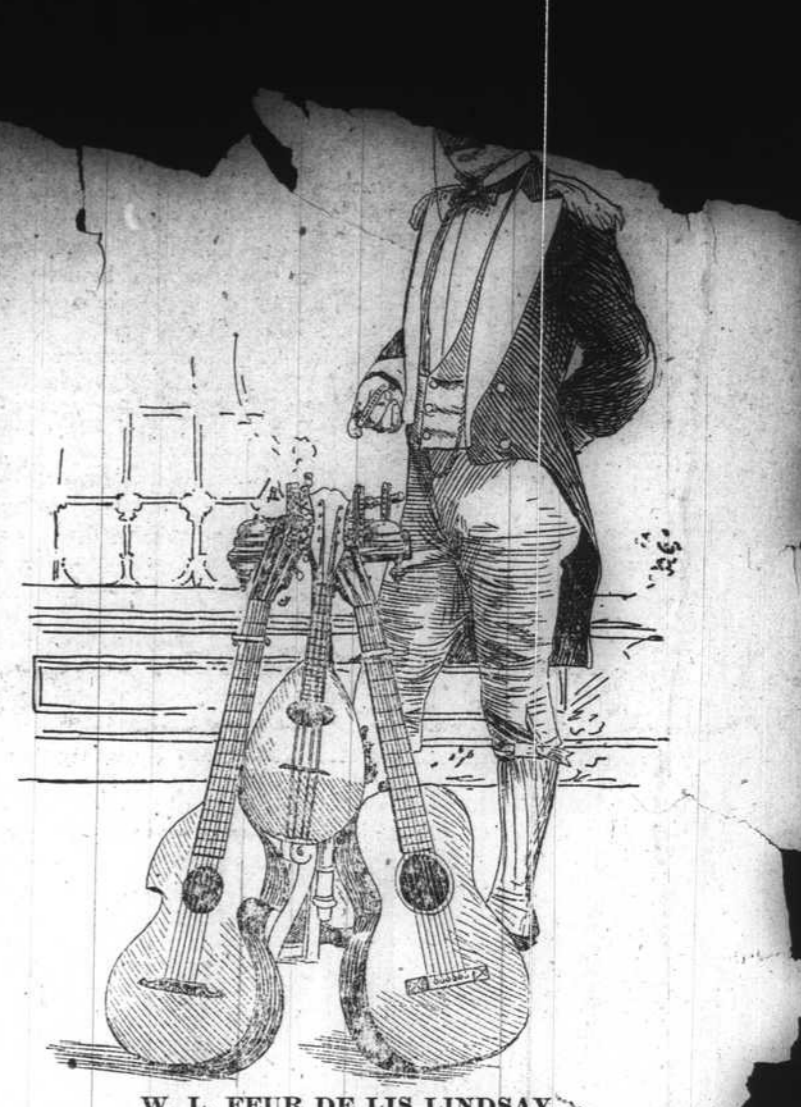
[Recommendations adopted by the Board of Bishops at their recent session at Petersburg Va., for the future direction and management of the V. C. E. Union of the A. M. E. Zion Church.]

1st. That the Varick Christian Endeavorer be adopted and put in the category with the Quarterly Review and the subscription to be 50 cents per annum to ministers.

2nd. That the 18th of May each year shall be hereafter observed as Varick Christian Endeavor Day by the A. M. E. Zion Church.

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