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the other genera t, assisted the Bishop ng the Lord's Supper. of welcome on behalf of the citiz nd church was made by that old veteran warrior in Zion, John Henry Butler. In simple and earnest words, inspired by the love he has for Zion and the cause she represents, he welcomed her loyal sons and daughters to the church, to the hospitality of their homes and to the proud Monumental City. Rev. W. J. Holland responded in befitting terms in behalf of the Conference. He paid a high tribute to the work and character of Brother J. H. Butler and expressed great pleasure in our Conference meeting in this center of commercial activity.

A great portion of Thursday was taken up in receiving words of fraternal greeting from the distinguished visitors of other Churches. Bishop Handy of the A. M. E. Church was introduced and made a practical and timely address, urging the brethren to be loyal to their Bishop and faithful to their vows as ministers of Christ. A delegation from the Ministerial Association of the city was introduced, and Rev. E. Lyon, D. D., of John Wesley M. E. church, their spokesman, delivered an eloquent and well-prepared address. He spoke of the representative men whom he had met in New York at our Centennial, and commended the work of the Church in lifting up fallen humanity. The applause was deafening when he said: "Being conversant with the facts as I am, Zion is the oldest independent Negro Church organization in the world." Rev. P. A. Wallace, of Lincoln University, responded.

On Friday, Dr. A. J. Warner addressed the Conference in behalf of the church extension cause, and as usual carried his auditors by storm. He strongly urged each pastor to organize "mite societies" and thus help to spread the borders of our Zion in the West. Dr. G. L. Blackwell, Business Manager of our Publication Department, and Prof. B. A. Johnson, of Livingstone College, visited the Conference and represented their departments as being in a flourishing and prosperous condition. Among the many distinguished fraternal delegates were Revs. J. J. Adams, S. L. Corrothers, M. L. Blalock, Smith Claiborne, G. W. Kincaide, C. S. Whitted, also Mrs. Laura Jackson of California. During the discussion of the report on Education Bishop Pettey covered himself with glory by his broad and masterly treatment of it, discussing it in its different aspects and phases, showing that we have need of industrial as well as higher education, but that either ought not to be advocated to the exclusion of the other.

The two events on Saturday that attracted the most interest were the making of the third presiding elder district, the election of Rev. S. S. Wales to preside over it, and the election of Rev. Mrs. Mary J. Small to elders' orders. After a spirited contest she won.

On Monday evening, Bishop Pettey, before a crowded assembly, ordained to the sacred ministry the fire woman in the Methodist Church. Thus the Philadelphia and Baltimore Conference leads the way again.

On Monday, a delegation of General Officers, headed by the Bishop and General Secretary, Dr. William Howard Day, visited and extended fraternal greetings to the General Conference of the M. E. Church, South, then in session in the city. They were received with every mark of courtesy by the bishops and brethren of that great Church.

About $1,452 general fund was raised. Conference will meet next year in Carlisle, Pa.

APPOINTMENTS

OF THE PHILADELPHIA AND BALTIMORE CONFERENCE.

First or Philadelphia District—Presiding Elder, R. A. Fisher; Wesley, J. S. Caldwell, D. D.; Union Mission, Frisby Gibson; Mt. Zion, W. C. Armstrong; Frankford, A. J. Spencer; Franklinville, J. H. Johnson; Media, C. H. Wye; Grace, Wilmington, Simon Guy; St. John's; J. W. Phillip; Plymouth, Isaac S. Johnson; Marshallton, J. H. Williams; Ross Point, Joseph Duffan; Macedonia; J. C. Brown; Portsville, W. M. Johnson, Salisbury, W. H. Wright; Princess Anne E. S. Bailey; Quantico, to be supplied; Upper Fairmount, to be supplied; Oriole, J. E. Williams; Avondale, J. M. Hall; Lincoln University, J. E. Allen; New-

ton District—Pre- owden; Calbreath ley, A. . Crook, M. Cypress;

more, M. M. Bel imore, S. T. Whiting; Clinton more, S. R. Ringgold; Anne Ar County, Md., Patuxent Circuit, Ho R. Gray; Arlington, Va., B. H. Free Gibson Grove Circuit, I. Simpson; Oa Grove, M. J. Anderson; Clement Chapel, to be supplied.

Third or Harrisburg District—Presiding Elder, S S Wales; Wesley Union, J H McMullen; West Harrisburg, S J Clements; East Harrisburg, G J Hawks; Carlisle, W J Holland; Chambersburg, B J Bolden; Shippensburg, W H Pollard; Mt Holly, James A Stokes; Williamsport, G W A Talbott Gettysburg, P A Wallace; York, Pa P J McIntosh; Fawn, W H Turner, Wrightsville, W H Marshall; Middletown, I R Johnson; Lock Haven, D P Witten.

Marietta and Lancaster—S E V Holand.

PRICE MEMORIAL TEMPLE.

NORA J. EASON.

Our Easter exercises were carried out nicely. It was a fine program composed with the exception of three pieces by Negro brain and printed by Negro men. On Monday we all enjoyed a pleasant ride out to the picnic ground where an enjoyable time was had. At 8 we spent an enjoyable evening at Caton Hall.

"The world may sneer and tell us
We'll never reach the goal,
But while the world is talking
I'll say 'Move on, my soul.'"

Dr. G. L. Blackwell, our pastor, will keep the church moving. It is our intention to build up the Temple. What Temple? First the temple of the Lord; secondly, the grea Price Memorial Temple. Dr. Blackwell is a hustler as a pastor, Sunday-school worker and editor.

Concord, N. C.

IN A FEW WORDS.

REV. J. J. ADAMS.

Bishop Walters preached the baccalaureate sermon recently to the students at the Virginia Normal and Collegiate Institute from St. John 1:4. Theme, "Light." The discourse was masterful, eloquent and impressive, and the faculty, students and visitors were loud in their praise of it. Do not forget that Bishop Walters is winning high praise wherever he goes in Virginia.

Mr Editor, the people at Harrison-street Baptiist church here where you preached during the Bishops' meeting are voluminous in compliments of it and say if you come this way again for me to send you over there to preach again. I told them to turn Methodist and we would send you and a host of other good preachers here. One Baptist deacon said if we ever fire off any more gospel guns like those heard during the Board of Bishops that they will have to give up; that the people said they never before heard such preaching.

Say, Mr. Editor, I see in the STAR where Rev. J. R. Dangerfield asks you to wire a few words to heaven in the interest of his work. Have you a shorter telegraphic line to heaven than the rest of the preachers? If so, we had better make you a pope or archbishop instead of a bishop and send our petitions to you?

Petersburg, Va.

[We will have to measure the other preachers' telegraphic lines before we can answer you as to length. Dangerfield believes in our line.—EDITOR.]

NOT AS REPRESENTED.

BY REV. C. W. H. LLOYD.

Mr. Editor: Seeing in your last issue what might be taken for a report of our work in the city, I submit a few facts, not desiring it to be understood that Zion is in such a shape as represented. I was pastor of our church here 12 years when operated by the Presbyterians. There hasn't been a more successful year than the present conference year, all things considered, in my knowledge of this work. I was bred and born here, so I feel that I am competent to judge. Being compelled to leave my work at Deposit, New York, early in the Fall on account of sickness, and being requested by my presiding elder after convalescing to remain at home until I was stronger, caused me to be a regular worshipper at Hope chapel A. M. E. Zion church; so I can testify to the good work done here by Rev. J. Harris Accoe, a good man and a fine preacher and singer.

Through the efforts of our aggressive Presiding Elder, Rev. James E. Mason, D. D., Hope chapel, a $6,000 church was placed under the charge of our Zion, and it has been handled so satisfactorily to the Presbyterian mission which controls the matter

uring the session of our district conference and Sunday-school convention, and I am glad that some who were disposed to find fault with the pastor's bill of fare, are loudest in their praise, as he fed all the pastors and delegates at the church parsonage.

We have 425 colored persons here and like every section we have some good, bad and indifferent people. I think that as we have two presiding elders on this territory that our work can be properly manned without an adjoining pastor being compelled to puff Utica. Our pastor here is modest and doesn't believe in blowing his own trumpet. This new charge this year has raised from all sources, $1,023.18.

33 *Broadway, Utica, N. Y.*

REWARD ACCORDING TO LABOR.

BY REV. G. W. MAIZE.

"With the right sort of men the people will be gathered, money raised, churches will be built and Zion's borders enlarged; such as Wilbur G. Strong, Birchmore, Butler, Hannon and Fannin in Florida."—*Bishop G. W. Clinton in A. M. E. Z. Quarterly Review, on Church Extension work, etc.*

Rev. Birchmore stayed in Florida one year only. The late Rev. Hannon only visited the Florida Conference now and then and did no local work at all. The sainted Fannin was never in Florida in his life. We see in 1864 W. G. Strong in Key West, and in 1866 the late D. S. Winn in Pensacola; then in 1869 the first Florida Conference was held at Pensacola; from thence we have T. D. Darley, Joseph Sexton, W. C. Vesta, Harrison Williams, Solomon Grimes and a number of others. The late J. M. Butler comes in in 1874 and goes out in 1880. Darley, like St. Paul, spent his money, time and talent, traveling and preaching for God and Zion in Florida, while W. C. Vesta, Sexton, H. Williams and others follow their leaders. Now he (Darley) is at home in Tampa, Fla., and blind H. Williams is superannuated. Should they not be remembered when the roll is called? Yes. We hope in the near future to be able to show in many instances why we are so far behind in our work in Florida. But, thank God, we are now on the road to progress.

Now, Mr. Editor, if you through energy and intelligence keep the STAR shining, no one should have the credit but you. Therefore, it is simply our intention to let the reading world know that those mentioned above are the real old pioneers of our churches in Florida. We love to read the STAR down here for two reasons: first, it is ours; secondly, it shines brighter and brighter every day.

Our Christian Endeavor Society is now in a working order and has 100 or more members. Brother James A. Hannibal is the president. He is capable for the work in every particular. The Zion church is now working through the V. C. E. Society as never before. South Florida Conference expects to do her whole duty his year along all lines, especially on general fund. A word to the wise is sufficient for all concerned.

Florida.

PLEASED WITH HIM.

BY T. H. SNOW.

The Georgiana circuit is under the pastorate of Rev. A. Stokes. The people, Methodist and Baptist, are well pleased with him as an erudite preacher. We see nothing to retard the progress of our church in this our circuit. He paid the presiding elder some days before the convening of the first quarterly conference. Rev. Rodgers said that it was the first time that he had met a pastor with such anxiety. At 1:45 p. m., Presiding Elder Rodgers delivered his quarterly address which was very encouraging. He arose and congratulated the members for their carefulness in preparing grand reports. Sunday at 11:30 he preached fro Rev. 2:4, 5 a grand sermon and plied it to the many attitudes About 7:30 p. m. Rev. preached from Gal. 6:7, heart-touching sermon. know Zion is on the marc

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Our gr more battl but by co they succeed skillful mariner obtains most valued lessons o amid storms and temp he displays fortitude a ance. It is well said, "S uses of adversity," for th us our powers and the tr character. We have al while passing through th life that it is not ease a that make true men and efforts and difficulties. God dens us with many privatio besetments in life, because aware of the fact that we poo tals are not able to withsta dangerous influence of prosper

Thus He who knows us bette we know ourselves has set be difficulties and adversity as in ors. Severe though it may be strengthens our nerves, sharpe will, and better prepares us severest battles of life. know how much, or what until we have tried; and ins will not try, unless we are forc do it. Gibbons says, "All pe have two educations, one which receives from others, and one, important, which he gives hims

Sewickley, Pa.

ZION UNKNOWN

BY JACKSON SMI

Mr. Editor: I am no stra you, although I have not see for years. Being your father proud of your promotion and cess, I know you will let me in the STAR OF ZION. Why is i none of our Zion missionaries been down in this part of Geo I have been here at Ashburn years and have not seen a preacher. We have inquired found no Zion churches in thi of the country. We are livi Georgia Southern R. R. line, hundred miles north of Florida is 85 miles from Ashburn to M We have no churches in Tifton, A burn, Ariba and Rianner. should find her way in these plac

Ashburn, Ga.

[We have been acquainted w the above gentleman all of our —Editor.]

A GOOD WORKER.

MRS. SALLIE MCKENZIE.

Our church is prosperous and been ever since our much belo pastor, Rev. D. L. Maultsby, been with us. He is a true wor for Zion and a hustling builder. grand rally the second Sunday March for the purpose of building steeple on our church, netted $52 9 The steeple is nearing completion. is a beautiful structure and a much to the beauty of our ch Our quarterly meeting in January was a spiritual success. The Holy Ghost fire broke out and burned for 15 days. The results were 41 conversions and 36 accessions. Our Presiding Elder Mitchell rendered noble services in our revival. He stayed with us a week and his powerful sermons and irrisistable persua sion caused many souls to come to Christ.

Southport, N. C.

A GOOD PREACHER.

BY J. W. TAYLOR.

Rev. P. W. Laramore has b with us for three years, and dur his stay we have improved rapid Number of members added to church, 50. The indebtedness of t church was $88, which has been p up in full. We have bought an gan, be furniture, Bible carpe

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A GOOD WORKER.

BY REV. C. R. H.

The commencement at Livingstone College was as usual a complete success. There are always persons present who say "It is the best we have ever had." This is evident that the institution under the management of President Goler has kept up the high standard maintained under the lamented J. C. Price and show the fears entertained upon his accession to the presidency, that the interests of the school would suffer, not to have been well founded.

One drawback to the prosperity of the College has long been the dilatoriness and want of push which has characterized the management of the Children's Day programs. They are never out of press as early as they should be and schools which use the programs must put off the obervance of the day until later in the year in order to have time to practice, or hurry through an imperfect rendition or substitute one of their own. In either case the result is not as satisfactory as would be if the programs were in hands of Sunday-school workers two months before Children's Day.

At Charlotte I learned that the programs will soon be ready for delivery and that in the meantime punch cards would be sent to every Sunday-school in the Connection as far as the addresses of superintendents or pastors could be obtained. Any that have not yet received them would do well to apply at once to the Business Manager, Rev. G. L. Blackwell. Let us push the Children's Day matter as vigorously as the Sunday School Day or Easter Collections were and $3,000 should come to Livingstone and at least half that amount ought to be raised for the colleges in each of the educational districts.

PHILADELPHIA AND BALTIMORE CONFERENCE.

BY REV. P. A. WALLACE.

The seventieth session of the Phila delphia an ore annual Conference E. Zion Church e in our beauti ss and Warn- 18th to 24th, ttey, A. ar

PROGRAMS READY.

The Children's Day programs are ready and are now being mailed. Let each superintendent order them at once. The typographical arrangement is good, the title page being exceptionally pretty and artistic. Our Foreman took great care and pains in the setting of it, and to him belongs the credit for its excellent appearance. He is a bright-minded young man and one of the most efficient Negro Foreman in the land. Dr Wheeler, assisted by Mrs. Perry G. Walker, gotten out a nice literary and cal program. Each Sabbath- will be furnished with five pro- ee; all over that number will e cents each. Send to the g House at Charlotte, N. five programs and if you an five send the money F. Wheeler, 219 Wheat , N. Y.

ROTING STARS.

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McDowell of Yorkville, 60 in a rally recently.

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ruce, of Salisbury, N. C., 4 in his rally three weeks ago

R on, of Fort Lawn, S. C., has ressions to his church in the last six months.

"W'en de office gits up in de mawnin' en goes seekin' for de man it ginrully falls over him fo' it goes ten steps."—*Ex.*

Wm. Braxton, of Kingston, Tenn., says the church is progressing nicely and enjoying prosperity under Rev. M. McLendon.

Mrs. Lena Sims, of Union, S. C., says that Rev. H. W. Smith preached a noble sermon to the Odd Fellows a few Sunday nights ago.

Rev. W. L. Lee, of Coffeeville, Miss., preached the funeral of Mrs. Jennie Boothe who died April 30, 1898, in full triumph of faith.

Mrs. Albert Orange, of Pittsburg, Pa., gave a big reception the 11th ult. to Bishop Holliday and wife. Prominent persons from Allegheny were present.

T. J. Jones is agent of the Walters' h School in Wilmot, Ark. He asks y Zionite to rally and help him to e $300 towards the laying of the ndation.

n A. M. E. Zion mission has been ed in Social hall Cor. 35th and er Sts, Pittsburg, Pa., by Rev. H. L. s assisted by Rev. G. W. Lewis, P. is thought to be a good locality ch.

Geo. W. Clinton delivered the mon Sunday, May 8th, at demy. All who attended complimentary to the sermon. could not have been others *inston (N. C.) Herald.*

Miss Rosa Leona Dudley and Mr. n Wesley Morten will be united in ock Thursday evening June 16, 1898, Peter's church, Newbern, N. C., o'clock, Bishop C. C. Pettey offi- Reception from 8.45 to 11.20,

. Fonvielle, of Goldsboro, entioned as available timber of the STAR OF ZION, the offi- n of the A. M. E. Zion Church, Dr. Smith decides not to accept tion.—*Washington, (D. C.) Colerican.*

rally by tribes two Sabbaths ago . B. Fenderson, of Avery mis- church, Allegheny, Pa., raised re is very little said son but he is one ers in too.