

MANAGER'S COLUMN.

OUR SPECIAL ISSUE.

We present to our generous subscribers this week the faces of our Editors and employees in the Publication House. We promised this special issue some weeks ago but one thing and another prevented our bringing it forth. We have a few extra copies of this issue which we would be glad to furnish to our agents provided they can dispose of them.

To present the faces of our force is quite a pleasure to us since they are colored workmen and are giving such complete satisfaction along the line of the art preservative. With the machinery we have, together with the efficient force we carry, our House is prepared to turn off work as quickly and as accurately as any colored establishment of the kind in the world.

What we need now is the patronage of the whole Church and a fair contingency of the race. If the brethren would send us their matter through the mail to be printed, we could print it and return it to them about as soon and as cheap as they could get it done at their homes. The fact that we know nearly all our men makes it easy for us to get the matter correct while, other printers, most of them white, do not know the names and titles of our men, and what a horrible spectacle they present to the public some times.

SETTLE UP, AGENTS.

We fear we shall be placed under the painful necessity of stopping the packages sent to many of our agents. They will not settle up monthly as we ask them. Miss Chase of Providence, Mr. Chapman of Carlisle, Rev. Wakefield of Indianapolis and several others settle up promptly, but some others will not. Why not? If you have sold the papers then you are due us 3 cents for each copy sold; if you haven't sold them, then return the papers; if you can't sell them, let us know. We think this but fair. The Department needs the money. If you will not settle and will not return papers or can't sell them we will stop the papers and will not print the extra numbers for you, which we are compelled to do in order to furnish you. Those who are two months behind and more will be promptly cut off after this issue.

We could not secure the cuts of several of our employes, hence they do not appear, but we give you a brief sketch of their lives.

MR. HENRY CARTER, FEEDER.

Mr. Henry Carter was born and reared at Salisbury, N. C. He came to Charlotte in 1896. He was employed as an apprentice in our office in 1897 and renders fairly good service as feeder and office "devil."

MISS ELIZA J. JOHNSON, BOOKBINDER.

Miss Eliza Janette Johnson was born and reared in Charlotte, N. C., and educated in the public schools of Charlotte. She is very proficient in music and has been the organist of Grace A. M. E. Zion church for about seven years. She is the daughter of Robert and Sarah Johnson and sister to Rev. Green W. Johnson of Scranton, Miss. She is one of the bookbinders in the A. M. E. Zion Publication House.

MISS ESTELLE J. CARSON, BOOK-STITCHER.

Miss Estelle Julia Carson was born and reared in Spartanburg, S. C., where she lived and attended the graded school until August 1891, when she came to Charlotte, which place she now makes her home. She is a worthy member of Grace A. M. E. Zion church and makes herself generally useful in church work. She is the head employe in making up, stitching and binding books in the A. M. E. Zion Publication House.

MISS GRACIA R. SCOTT, CLERK.

Miss Gracia Regina Scott was born at Rochelle, Ill. When she was about 8 years of age her people moved to Harrisburg, Pa., where she lived for several years. Afterward she lived in Shippensburg where she became the adopted child of Mr. and Mrs. George A. Barnes. She attended the graded schools in Shippensburg where she completed her studies at an early age. After the death of her foster mother she returned to live with her own mother in Harrisburg which city she still makes her home. Through the influence of her cousin, Mr. Leonard Johnson of Lincoln University, she was induced to return to school. Dr. J. F. Moreland gave her a scholarship in Livingstone College where she is prosecuting her studies. For the Summer she is filling the place of clerk in the A. M. E. Zion Publication House.

*Yours truly,*  
*G. S. Blackwell.*

MRS SMALL'S CASE.

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This case, however, and all such cases, are within purview of the presiding bishop's authority, and unless he is inclined to do so, he need not call any other bishop to assist him, notwithstanding he can consult with any or all of the bishops on such matters. But that does not imply that the Board of Bishops is an appellate court. There are only four appellate courts known in our Discipline, and the Board of Bishops is not included. *Shippensburg, Pa.*

BISHOPHOOD'S APPOINTMENTS

AUGUST.

- 1st.....Portland, Me.
- 3rd to 4th.....Worcester, Mass.
- 5th.....Great Barrington, Mass.
- 7th.....Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
- 8th.....Kingston, N. Y.
- 9th.....Troy, N. Y.
- 10th.....Hudson, N. Y.
- 11th.....Catskill, N. Y.
- 12th.....Newburg, N. Y.
- 14th...Fleet-St., Brooklyn, N. Y.
- 15th to 17th, Asbury Park, N. J.
- 18th.....Tarrytown, N. Y.
- 20th to 21st...Sag Harbor, N. Y.
- 22nd to 29th...New York, N. Y.
- 30th.Hempstead and West-  
.....burg, N. Y.

REMEMBER THE ORPHAN.

Pastors will please take a special collection on the last Sunday of July. The money collected will go for the benefit of the Colored Orphan Asylum, Oxford, N. C. Every father, mother and child should put aside a small sum for this Sunday.

Rev. Robt Shepard, Pres.,  
Miss R. E. Bond, Agent.

CONGRATULATIONS.

I congratulate you and the Manager for the new dress on the STAR.—Rev. H. H. Thomas, Gaffney, S. C.

I am proud of the STAR and the great success it is having which is largely due to the genius and ef-

provement of our Publishing Department under your administration has been no surprise to me. I knew that only the lack of finance could impede your success. And now comes the STAR in its new and improved form. Accept congratulations for past achievements and best wishes for your future



HON. J. C. DANCY, A. M., Editor Quarterly Review.

forts of the Manager and the Editor.—Rev. S. W. Hutchings, Portland, Maine.

The STAR is a fine paper now. She is fast becoming the sun for light. Congratulations.—Rev. S. B. W. Trent, Belfield, Va.

The 8-page paper is up-to-date. We can rally for Zion when such men as Blackwell and Smith are at the head. Boys, marching must be done.—Rev. Hugh Hamner, Valley, Miss.

I am well pleased with the 8-page paper. You two brethren are worthy of all the honor that the Connection can give you. You are fixing yourselves in the hearts of the people. Rev. L. Blue, Winn, Ala.

The 8-page STAR is now the leading paper of the race. I have been reading it for ten years and at no time in its history has it come brimful of interesting news as it does now. Congratulations.—Rev. J. D. Donald, Beverly, Ala.

Brother Blackwell, you and Brother Smith will please accept my congratulations for the great improvement on the STAR. You have brought it a long ways up the hill since I was its first business manager. Go on.—Rev. W. J. Moore, Wilson, N. C.

Mr. Editor: You and your efficient Manager have caused the STAR to eclipse all of the stars in the journalistic galaxy of the race. It is both the morning and evening star of Zion. You will be elected bishop in 1900, and the Manager, eminently fit, must wisely remain in charge of our great Publishing House awhile longer.—Rev. W. L. Lee, Coffeville, Miss.

Dear Backwell: The marked im-

success.—W. B. Fenderson, Allegheny, Pa.

I want to extend congratulations to Manager Blackwell for the great work that he and his colleagues are doing. They are making for themselves a great name among their brethren, under God, and I am quite sure that they with God's assistance will reward you for your sacrifice and success. The STAR OF ZION is the equal of any religious journal in the land.—Rev. R. E. Wilson, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Messrs. Smith and Blackwell: You are celebrating to-day the Grand Opening of our improved Publishing House. I congratulate you on the great success you have made in the enlargement of your Department and the character and high quality of your productions. You have demonstrated—practically so—the fact that Zion's interest is safe in the hands of her young men. I enclose the one dollar in obedience to your call with the prayer that the response may be heeded by three thousand instead of three hundred. God give you continued success.

Yours very sincerely,  
W. H. Goler.

NOTICE.

M. E. Young, the Manager of the People's Benevolent and Relief Association of North Carolina, is preparing to have quite a demonstration throughout the State, Wednesday, August 10, 1898, and asks every member of said Association to give a small donation of ten cents each for the purpose of establishing an Old Folk's Home. It is indeed a grand enterprise, and every colored person in the State should join the Association, and every member of the Association should give the small donation. The members and friends in Charlotte, will meet in Clinton Chapel, Wednesday, August 10, 1898. Addresses will be delivered by many of the leading men in the city. Music by the band. Refreshments in abundance. Everybody invited. Admission free.

AFRICA.

BY MRS. A. M. STITT.

Africa, dear Africa,  
The ancient home of our race,  
Why should we think in horror  
Of her again to grace?  
Africa's shore I'd love to view,  
If for only just one reason;  
'Tis Simon's home who bore the cross,  
For Christ, when accused of treason.

Africa the modern Egypt—  
Ignorance is a bondage she's under,  
Oh, why not be willing to do all we can  
To burst those bands asunder?

She has no time to offer God  
A sacrifice of praise;  
Because her idols take her time,  
To them her children raise.

Oh, were her children taught as ours—  
As though we were relation,  
Come out at least one day a year  
And work for Education.

There soon would be a Livingstone  
Planted upon her soil,  
And ignorance be broken down  
By faithful earnest toil.

Oh! Where can we find a Moses,  
Who will his God obey?  
When plagues come of every kind  
Look to Him, He is the way.

Oh! Israel wake up, 'tis day,  
'Tis time, begin to march,  
Pharaoh determines to keep you hear,  
And blockades every arch.

Get your sandals and walking staff,  
Borrow jewelry from your neighbors;  
Which is the earnest Christian's prayer,  
The earnest Christian's labors.

March on, 'tis only death to stay,  
Perhaps you'll reach the goal  
And shout with a triumphant song,  
Praise God, Oh, praise Him, my soul.  
*Concord, N. C.*

Rev. D. E. Best two Sabbaths ago raised \$57.42 towards putting up his new church building at Biddleville, N. C.

Rev. C. Fairfax on his return to Port Chester, N. Y., the fourth year was given a grand reception by his people. His work is on a boom. His lawn sociable recently cleared for the Sunday-school \$57.59.

With such a STAR as you have given Zion I congratulate you. The 8-page was a long needed and is a decided improvement. Long may you live to write and defend the history and polity of our great Zion.—Rev. T. A. Weatherington, Montgomery, Ala.

I offer my congratulations on the new dress of the STAR which is a beacon light in my household. I long for its coming each week. God bless you, Editor Smith, in your work, and make the STAR shine brighter and brighter until its rays shall penetrate in every Zion household and in every land where the flag of our Zion is unfurled to the breeze.—Mrs. Nettie Brown, New York City.

The camp-meeting at Ebenezer will open August 17, 1898, and close August 25. Everybody invited. Revs. J. W. Thomas, P. E., W. M. Massey, G. G. Musgraves, J. S. Settle, W. H. Graham, A. J. Gorham, J. J. Hunter, J. J. Stubbs, W. R. Hunter, H. C. Chambers will be present and conduct it.

Rev. N. B. Stelley, pastor.

EYES OF JEALOUSY.

BY MRS. REV. W. L. MOORE.

Brother S. A. Chambers says there is no authority for the ordination of women. Our brother does not see through eyes of faith, but looks at Sister Small with eyes of jealousy. Now, I understand that word "ordain" to mean to appoint, establish, to decree, invest with ministerial or sacerdotal functions. So then Phoebe, Mary and many others were ordained. My dear brother, do not worry any more about the sisters, but help see after Zion's property more than you do, then we will not have to ordain women.  
*Boston, Mass.*