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*Yours truly,*  
**G. L. Blackwell.**

**TO THE NEGRO RACE.**

CALL FOR A MEETING OF THE AFRO-AMERICAN COUNCIL, TO BE HELD IN WASHINGTON, D. C., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29TH, 1898.

To the members that were enrolled at the formation of the Council at Rochester, N. Y., September 15th, 1898, and all the signers of the call for said meeting, and all who are in sympathy with the object of the Council (which is the amelioration of the condition of the Afro-American race,) and are willing to contribute five dollars annually towards the carrying out of the purposes of the Council:

You are hereby requested to meet at Washington, D. C., on Thursday, December 29th, 1898. If any apology is needed for the issuing of this call of the Afro-American Council so soon after its formation, I hope the following reasons will be satisfactory:

1st. A large number of the leaders of the race who were anxious to attend the convention held at Rochester were prevented from doing so because of the limited time between the issuing of the call (Aug. 24th) and the date of the convention (Sept. 15th).

2nd. The place of meeting (Rochester, N. Y.) was considered by many as too far removed from the masses of our people where the majority of our leaders reside, necessarily entailing considerable expense. Mr. Fortune, who issued the call for the Rochester meeting, recognizing this fact, gave the following as his reason for doing so: "My excuse for calling the meeting at Rochester is to take advantage of the race sentiment which will be invoked by the unveiling of the monument of Frederick Douglass in Rochester, September 14; a city in which Mr. Douglass spent some of the best and happiest and most fruitful years of his life, and one of the freest and most tolerant cities in the Republic whose hotels, homes and press will receive the conferees with open arms and generous hospitality."

3rd. We did not have sufficient time to finish up the business of the Council as satisfactorily as desired.

These reasons make it necessary that another meeting be called in a more central locality to consummate the work so auspiciously begun at Rochester, giving ample time between the issuing of the call and the date of the meeting for all needed preparation. The continuation of brutal lynchings, unjust discrimination on railroads and in hotels, restaurants and labor unions, the attempted disfranchisement of Afro-Americans in several of the Southern States, and a host of other obstacles which are thrown in the way of our moral, financial and educational progress, make it absolutely necessary that we organize and perpetuate an organization for self protection.

The Afro-American press is almost a unit in its demand for a national organization which has for its object a fair representation in the government of the country, local, State and national; to resist by all legal and reasonable means mob and lynch law, of which we are made the special victims, and to insist upon the arrest and punishment of all such offenders against our legal rights; to resist the tyrannical usages of railroads, steamboats and other corporations, and the violent and insulting conduct of their employees; to labor for the reformation of our penal institutions, where barbarous, cruel and unchristian treatment of convicts is practiced; to secure a more equitable distribution of school funds; to insist on a healthy emigration from terror-ridden sections to other and more law-abiding sections; to encourage all kinds of business enterprises, etc.

My reason for calling the National Council during holiday week is that the delegates may take advantage of the reduced rates made during that time. All applications for accommodations should be made to Mr. E. Cooper, 459 O St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

[Signed] A. Walters, President.  
*Jersey City, N. J., Nov. 1st, 1898.*

The learned Rev. W. B. Fenderson says he is starting off grandly at Logan's Temple in Knoxville, Tenn. Good. Bishop Hood says Fenderson is the man for Knoxville.

Mr. J. Andrew Cunningham and Miss Sara S. E. Abram, of Union, S. C., were married November 9th in the A. M. E. Zion church at 9 o'clock. Reception was from 9:30 to 11:30 p. m.

**GEORGIA ITEMS.**

BY REV. H. P. THOMAS.

It has been a long time since I have written to the STAR. I want to congratulate you as being one of the best if not the best Editor in the editorial galaxy. As for the STAR it is simply a record-breaker. The Editor of the Augusta (Ga.) Union says you and the STAR are the best.

All of the work in Georgia is prospering as well as could be expected under the present circumstances.

I see you are being constantly meddled with by envious spitfires and jealous sycophants; but I see you have a plenty of grit and manhood about you, and the pungent upper-cut you gave that chronic sore-head last week was a cooler. Hit 'em hard and lay it on heavy. Go ahead, you know your business.

Times have been quite doleful around Pleasant Home, Augusta and the suburbs. The "reaper death" has cut down some conspicuous landmarks and promising youths. Sister Barbett Chisholm, a faithful old member of Social chapel A. M. E. Zion church, took shipping for glory a fortnight ago, and the scenes around her death-bed were remarkable. The writer was with her a few hours before she died and had prayer with her, after which she said, "Now my child, sing some of those pretty Sunday-school songs with me for the last time. I am going to leave you. When October comes, I'll be in glory." We sang, "Shall we meet beyond the river," etc., and she joined in the singing. At 3 o'clock of September 29th, she took her flight for heaven.

Mrs. Susie M. Blair, a woman of fine traits, was suddenly snatched away by death the 11th inst. at 5 o'clock p. m. She made no claim to Christ and I fear she is lost. The funeral was attended by the writer. The large family is sorely bereaved. It was a heart-rending sight at the grave to hear the members of the family, from babbling infancy to tottering old age, utter the lamentable cries, "Gone! gone! lost! lost! goodbye, goodbye. I hope the eyes of some person who is indifferent about their soul may read this and be impressed."

*Augusta, Ga.*

**THE CHESTER DISTRICT.**

BY REV. D. D. MOORE.

The Chester district conference met October 26-30 at Mt. Zion A. M. E. Zion church, the Rev. F. Killingsworth, D. D., presiding elder, assisted by Revs. J. H. Jackson, P. E. of the Lancaster district, and N. A. Crockett, ex-presiding elder, now pastor at Rock Hill, S. C.

All of the ministers' reports showed that the district is marching on with an eye single to every department of our great Church. All of the churches voted for the return of their pastors and presiding elders.

The secretaries were D. D. Moore, H. Blake and J. C. Cohn. The annual address by the presiding elder to the ministers and churches was grand and filled with food for the pulpit and pews. Rev. H. Blake had written a fine paper on education. Blake is a fine Christian gentleman. Chester

is blessed to have him as their pastor.

The district will be disappointed if it fails to get Dr. Killingsworth again as their presiding elder. He is a good man, a high-toned gentleman, and respected by all of his ministers. May he live long to do work for God and Zion. Conference adjourned to meet at Old Zion next year. The pastor and congregation made everything pleasant for the conference.

*Smiths T. O., S. M.*

**LITERARY NOTES.**

The book made mention of in these columns, "Major Delany," published by Lee & Shepard, Boston, will be sent, postpaid to any address upon receipt of price \$1.00. Let our readers order at once.

**"COMICAL COONS."**

This is a series of ludicrous illustrations gotten up in excellent style, printed on heavy coated paper, and nicely bound, published by R. H. Russell, Esq., 3 W. 29th St., New York. All children will enjoy a hearty laugh over the many comical situations in which the characters therein shown find themselves; and in fact, the book is calculated to draw a smile from the most sedate. A most excellent Christmas gift. Write the publisher for a copy. Price—

**"THE MARKET PLACE."**

This last most notable novel of that brilliant writer, Harold Frederic, far eclipses in power any of his earlier stories. Written when his genius had fully matured, he put the best of himself into "The Market-Place," as the novel is called, and it is destined to have extended popularity. For marvelous portrayal and analysis of character, for vigor of style, and for the brilliance and faithfulness of its pictures, it is a most fascinating pen picture. The story, which has to do with the fortunes of a daring speculator, and, incidentally, with the corruption existing among the titled directors of English companies, has been secured by *The Saturday Evening Post*, of Philadelphia, and will appear serially in that weekly, beginning in an early issue.

**"HISTORY OF THE SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR."**

The above is the title of a superbly illustrated, richly bound volume, by Henry Watterson. It is one of the most

authentic histories of the Spanish-American War that has so far come to our notice. Of course, anything by Henry Watterson would be readable. He, above all other men in America, is fitted by training and experience to write a history of this war, which has brought world-wide renown and glory to our arms. Every line of the book breathes an enthusiastic spirit of patriotism that is exhilarating and inspiring. It contains over 650 pages, a large number of full-page half-tones, together with many rich double-page illustrations in ten colors. It is sold by subscription, and will undoubtedly prove a money-maker to every intelligent salesman.

**"MOODY'S ANECDOTES."**

The secret of D. L. Moody's great success as an evangelist may be learned in part by examining a copy of the latest book issued by the Bible Institute Colportage Association, Chicago, entitled "Moody's Anecdotes." This book is a compilation of the anecdotes, illustrations and personal incidents used by Mr. Moody in his addresses. "Anecdotes," he says in the preface, "are like windows to let light in upon a subject." Then he continues: "Many and many a time I have found that when the sermon—and even the text—has been forgotten some story has fastened itself in a hearer's mind, and has borne fruit. Anecdotes have a useful ministry, and I pray God to bless this collection to every reader." A copy sent on receipt of price—fifteen cents, and postage—two cents—by the publisher.

REV. E. GEO. BIDDLE will visit the Virginia and North Carolina Conferences.—EDITOR.

**PREMIUMS.**

A chance for every minister whose conference meets between now and the 25th of December, 1898. To the pastor that raises the highest amount of the 10 cents per capita tax according to membership:

First premium—your choice between a handsome, beautifully bound Bible, History of the A. M. E. Zion Church, by Bishop Hood, and The Human Heart Illustrated, by Bishop Small.

Second premium—Your choice between a copy of Bishops Jones', Hood's and Small's Book of Sermons, A. M. E. Zion Hymnal (words and music), and Code on Discipline, by Bishop Small.

A. J. Warner, General Secretary of Church Extension.  
 J. B. Colbert, General Secretary of Missions, A. M. E. Z. Church.

**An Appeal.**

**To all Lovers of Zion:**

If the grand old Zion Church is to take and hold her place along side of the other religious denominations of the world, she must arouse herself to the importance of supporting her Church Extension Department. In order to give the Church an opportunity to do this we have planned to have every Church in the Connection raise a collection as a

**Thanksgiving Offering**

to the Church Extension Department. Let all loyal Zionites as they assemble in their various places of worship, to turn thanks to God for past blessings, contribute a piece of money that Zion may plant herself in places as yet unpossessed by her, and that the cause of the living God may go forward.

**\$3,000 the Watchword.**

We can raise the amount if we put forth the proper effort. Let every pastor set the matter properly before his congregation, and give the people a chance to work for God and Zion.

Forward all Collections the day after Thanksgiving to our General Secretary at 1401 Eighth Avenue, Birmingham, Ala., to be used in the interest of Church Extension work. He will receipt you for the same, which receipt you will take to your Conference as a part of your special ten cent tax.

Yours for the work,  
**ANDREW J. WARNER,**  
 General Secretary.