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CROSSING THE OCEAN.

Pleasant Journey—Little Sea Sickness—Concert.

BY BISHOP G. W. CLINTON, D. D.

Mid Ocean, Aug. 20, 1901.
Rev. J. W. Smith, D. D. Dear Dr. Smith: We are on our seventh days' journey aboard the great steamer Majestic. Our party consists of Zion six bishop, Mrs. Walters, Mrs. Alstork, Mrs. Clinton, Mrs. Randolph, Drs. Caldwell, Blackwell, Colbert, Jacobs, Moreland, J. McFarley, Bradley, Prof. Atkins, Dr. M. C. B. Mason of the M. E. Church and his wife and Mr. H. T. Williams of Africa. We have had a little sea sickness in our crowd, but all are in good trim to-day. Our fare is first class and of the highest order. I want you and Dr. Hill to make selection of Zion's literature, including the STAR OF ZION, our Hymn book, new Discipline, Sunday school literature, *Quarterly Review* and everything that you can get that will make a show and send it to London by mail.

Our party has already made a grand impression on board. Speeches have been made by Dr. Blackwell, Dr. M. C. B. Mason, Prof. Atkins and Walters. The singing has attracted the attention of all on board. Mrs. Clinton has been invited to sing in a concert to be given in the large dining room this evening in which most of the participants will be white. I shall write you when we arrive at Liverpool.

Of the men who represented Zion before only two, Dr. Farley and Bishop Hood, survive. Dr. Farley is with us and has a copy of the proceedings, also the diary which he kept. We are making the journey in an eight day floating palace this time. It took them twelve days before.

Mid Ocean, Aug. 21, 1901.

Rev. J. W. Smith, D. D. Dear Bro.: This will let you know that we spied land early this morning, and at 10 o'clock we arrived near Queenstown where our vessel "slowed up" that a small steamer might come from Queenstown to take off passengers who were destined for that point in Ireland. The mail was taken off there and sent to Queenstown, Ireland, that the mail for London might go on via railroad, and mail for America might return on the mail steamer which awaits American mail. Our vessel has made the following time. 1st day from Aug. 14 to noon Aug. 15:

Date	Miles	Latitude	Longitude.
Aug. 15	374	40-19	65-42
" 16	427	40-43	56-21
" 17	425	41-00	47-00
" 18	439	44-50	38-33
" 19	441	48-02	28-54
" 20	434	50-23	18-25
" 21	390 to Daunts Rock at 10 o'clock a.m.		

Distance travelled 2,037. Passage 6 days: 15 hours.

Remarks. Light breeze, calm smooth sea; light to moderate breeze Southly sea; moderate breeze, moderate Southly sea; moderate breeze S. W. Southly sea. Fresh to strong wind rough sea. Strong to light breeze South sea.

Our party are all well. The concert last night was very good. My wife sang two solos. Drs. Jacobs, and Colbert, with Mrs. Randolph and Mrs. M. C. B. Mason sang a chorus with Mrs. Clinton; all the other performers were white. The receipts taken in were over \$115. Our party has held its own in every respect. Speeches by Drs. Blackwell and Mason of

the M. E. Church. Prof. Atkins and Bishop Walters, with the singing by our party, have attracted much attention. We are to reach Liverpool to-night. We shall remain on ship and take breakfast and then go ashore and leave on the first train for Glasgow, Scotland.

Church Items.

HERE AND THERE.

The family of Rev. J. W. Wright has arrived at Portland, Oregon and been royally received.

Rev. Tilgham Brown, of San Francisco, Cal., delivered a fine lecture last week on "A plan for the Protection of the Negro."

Our church at Los Angeles, California, has received the additional improvement of electric lights. Rev. Hawkins is pastor.

The Zion church at Oakland, California, gave their pastor and family a large donation of good things last week.

Rev. S. L. Stinson is very sick a his post at Rogersville, Tenn. He is a successful pastor, and a pulpit orator. Our Annual Conference convenes there, October 16. Pray for his recovery.—W. W. Slade, Greeneville, Tenn.

Rev. E. D. W. Jones, A. M., the brilliant pastor of Avery Mission, Allegheny Pa., is still popular with his members and the community and is having glorious success.

Rev. J. D. Corrothers, the poet-preacher, of Hackensack, N. J., has raised over \$400 in three months, completed a new gallery in his church and put a new roof on the parsonage.

Rev. R. S. Rives, D. D., formerly pastor of Opelika Station, is now stationed at Washington, D. C., and Rev. J. H. Manley, D. D., of Pensacola, Fla., has been secured to carry out the unexpired year.—Alabama Headlight.

My article on the district conference was published all right with one exception. It should have said the F. and A. A. York Masons (national compact) laid the corner stone.—Wm. Rowan. Chattanooga, Tenn.

Rev. J. C. Temple, one of the most popular divines of Pittsburg and who is pastor of the John Wesley A. M. E. Zion church, who was the founder of Atkinson college at Madisonville, Ky., has had the degree of doctor of divinity conferred upon him by that institution.—Pittsburg Independent.

Within a month the A. M. E. Zion church of Amsterdam, N. Y., has raised \$50 among its congregation to repair and paint the church and parsonage. The work is finished, everything has been paid for, and the property is greatly improved. The pastor, Rev. T. A. Auten, had a successful pastorate last year both spiritually and financially.—New York Age.

I find several typographical errors in my reply to Rev. E. Geo. Biddle of August 25th. I said, "Who has ever." The printer makes it "even." I said "Who have lost their heads." Printer sets it "hearts." I said "makes." Printer set it "makers." Where I said touch, the printer puts it "fiave." That printer ought to be careful and correct his proof.—Rev. D. C. Covington, Wilkesboro, N. C.

THE EXPOSITION.

THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEGRO BUILDING IS FAR ADVANCED.

NEWS NOTES FROM CHARLESTON.

Interest in the coming Exposition is on the increase, and the grounds are attracting hundreds of visitors. Every stranger who comes to Charleston wants to see the Exposition grounds, and as the



Negro Building, S. C. I. and West Indies Exposition.

street railway company gives special rates on Saturday, numbers of residents here visit the grounds for a Saturday afternoon outing. A special committee from the Pan-American Exposition visited our city during the past week, and after inspecting the grounds and looking over the plans of the Exposition, gave it their hearty endorsement and recommended exhibitors at the Pan-American to arrange for space at Charleston.

The progress which is being made in the erection of the buildings, has astonished those who have no idea how rapidly such things can be done. One month ago there were many who declared that it was impossible to have the buildings completed by December 1st, the date for the opening, and prophesied that we would have the Paris Exposition fiasco repeated at Charleston on a much smaller scale. These doubting Thomases are now able to see that they are convinced.

The Cotton Palace, which will be the largest building on the ground is well under way, and its imposing dome can be seen from across either the Ashley or the Cooper River, miles away. The other buildings are in various stages of completion, all giving promise of being finished in ample time.

The work of constructing the Negro Building is far advanced, frame is up and the roof is being put on. One can get but an imperfect idea of this building from an illustration; it is only when the building itself is seen that we get home idea of its proportions. Already applications for space are on file and those who intend to exhibit in the Negro Building should not delay making application. "Come early and avoid the rush." Mr. Booker T. Washington will be in Charleston on September 12th, to lecture in the interest of the Negro Department of the Exposition. The lecture will be delivered at the Thompson Auditorium, a building which will seat about 7,200 persons. Owing to Mr. Washington's great popular

ity the seating capacity of this immense building will doubtless be taxed to its utmost.

Labor day will be very generally observed here. The various trades have been actively engaged in organizing, during the past year, and should all the Unions parade, fully one half of the adult male population in Charleston will be in line. Last year for the first time in the history of our city, colored

and white men marched in the same procession, and the colored surpassed the whites both in numbers and appearance. The recent strike in various sections of the country, and the strike of the local machinists and boiler-makers, and the local bakers, have drawn attention to the labor organizations. They have promised a fine parade and Labor Day is looked for with interest.

Notice.

The Kentucky Conference, Madisonville, Ky., will meet October 9th, 1901; North Arkansas Conference, Brinkley, Ark., Nov. 13, 1901; West Tennessee and Mississippi, Greenwood, Miss., Nov. 20, 1901. The California Conference, Oakland, Cal., date to be announced when I return home, providence permitting. Say to the brethren Zion will have almost a full delegation at the Ecumenical Conference. We are all well. Let presiding elders, pastors do their best to make this a memorable year in the history of our Zion. Let us have an increased number of converts and accession, a full financial report, churches repaired and new ones built.

G. W. Clinton

A Good Investment.

One thousand mile tickets of the Seaboard Air Line Railway, which are sold at \$25.00, are good over the entire System, and are also honored between Richmond and Washington by the Richmond, Fredericksburg & Potomac and Pennsylvania Railroads, between Portsmouth and Baltimore by the Baltimore Steam Packet Company (Bay Line) and between Clinton and Columbia, S. C., by the Columbia, Newberry & Laurens Railroad. This ticket is proving to be a great convenience to the public, and its favorable conditions commend it to all. Ticket is good for one year.

A Splendid Book.

The Quarterly Conference Record by Rev. J. Sulla Cooper, A. M., D. D., is a book which every church should possess. Let every minister send to the Publication House for a copy. Price \$1.00.

J. W. HOOD,
Senior Bishop.

Waterbury, Conn.

The A. M. E. Zion Sunday-school and the Baptist and A. M. E. Sabbath schools of Sewickly, Pa., held their picnics at Wane's Grove, August 22.

NEWS EPITOMIZED.

By the Editor for the Delectation of the Readers.

SWEEPING THE HORIZON.

The fire losses of the United States last year were \$161,000,000

Missionary receipts of the M. E. Church for 1901, up to June 1, were \$696,050, against \$637,737 for the same date for 1900.

The American colleges received during the month of June in gifts and in subscriptions \$12,847,582. Of this amount Syracuse University received \$533,000.

Dr. Immanuel Pfeifer who broke his 30 days' fast at his country home in Bedford near Boston July 31 by eating a hearty breakfast says his next fast will be 60 days.

Bishop Hartzell has arranged for a new college at Ontolio, in British South Central Africa, for which the government has given \$15,000 and 13,000 acres of land.

Professor R. E. Houston, who recently died, was the author of 130 songs. Among these were "At the Cross," "Pearly Gates," "Wondrous Love," "His Yoke is Easy."

The United Presbyterians which met in Des Moines, Iowa, this year are not in love with Odd Fellows and Masons. A motion to allow a Mason to join the United Presbyterian Church was voted down.

The Rev. John Spurgeon, the father of the famous Charles Spurgeon, now dead, recently celebrated his ninety-first birthday by laying the foundation-stone of the South Norwood Baptist Church, in England.

A statistician has figured out that the people of the United States pay \$225,000,000 annually for getting born; \$300,000,000 for getting married, \$35,000,000 for getting buried, and \$1,415,000,000 for getting drunk.

The Odd Fellows' Journal at Philadeldhia, Pa., two weeks according to law, suspended branch lodges in nearly every State in the Union for being indebted to it for two years or more and will not pay their subscriptions.

London, July 24—A Parliamentary paper issued to-day gives the number of persons in the concentration camps, in South Africa, in June as follows: white, 85,410; colored, 23,589. There were 777 deaths among the whites in the camps, the list including 576 children. The deaths among the colored persons numbered 5.

The League Bureau, National Afro American Council, has issued from its Washington office, 2011 Vermont No. 1, giving in detail the case to test the validity of the Louisiana Constitution of 1898 made in violation of the 14th and 15th Amendments of the Constitution of the United States. The case is docketed as No. 65,432, Civil District, Parish of Orleans, Division of Orleans—State ex rel. David J. Ryanes versus Jerry M. Gleason, Register. The attorneys in the case representing David J. Ryanes are Hon. A. E. Pillsbury, Boston, Mass.; Hon. A. A. Birnly, Washington, D. C.; Major Armand Romain, New Orleans, La.; Hon. George H. White, Tarboro, N. C.; Frederick L. McGhee, Esq. St. Paul, Minn.