

SPRAYS FROM RHODE ISLAND

Private Dr. "Ed." Speaks to the Bishopric.

BY REV. THOMAS A. ROACH.

Low tricks of politics are used by candidates for the office. The lieutenants of candidates often employ every low trick available just to get their candidate elected to the office of the bishopric.

I raise my hand to high heaven I am not impelled by any sordid motive in expressing my opinions about a man who can with credit ascend the holy stairway of the Episcopacy.

I wish to speak of a recognized churchman, a prolific writer and a noted humanitarian.

Good fortune dictated that Dr. E. D. W. Jones should descend from one of the ablest dignitaries, and from one of the most illustrious educators that ever lived. Unlike the writer who taught his industrious, but illiterate father to write, Dr. Jones is favored with an aptness, a quickness of apprehension, a cultivated readiness to see and speak eloquently on any subject when called upon, a skilled dexterity, bequeathed by the angel of heredity. Such a light should be lifted out of the trenches.

Jesus Christ said: "A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid." The inference is the city must be carried to the hill. Carry this starlight to the hill! Remove this Liberty Statue to the harbor of Connection-

has to say about that class of writers: "The writer does the most who gives his readers the most knowledge, and takes from him the most time." Much is learned by reading what he writes. As an original thinker his parish becomes too narrow for his productive mind. His ideas find their way in periodicals, magazines and the dailies. They make good sentiment that help to neutralize matters in the church and readjust chaotic conditions in the connection.

As a humanitarian, few equals can be found. As a lover of human nature he finds the choice pleasure in studying men and women. He clearly defines their weaknesses and strongly points their ability, gifts, graces and adaptabilities.

Had Phillips Brooks been living had he made the acquaintance of this noble man, he would respectfully ask that Dr. Jones be clothed with purple robes of the Bishop's bench.

He is impartial in his spiritual regard for men. He enters the arena to fearlessly champion the cause of a man if he is persuaded that the cause is just and right. He is at all times for the defense of right principles regardless of unpopularity. A man's birthplace distills no odor of prejudice, no feeling of damaging jealousy. He holds high esteem for a man for what he actually is or might be, whether his birthplace happens to be in Africa, Amer-

Dr Anderson A Great Editor--Star An Excellent Paper--Some Criticisms--Roosevelt and Whitman.

BY BRUCE GRIT.

It has been some time since I have written for the Star of Zion and my failure to do so has not been from any lack of interest in the paper, or in its very able editor who is an old friend and who is well up to the standard set by the former Editor Smith. I like the moderate predecessor of the incomparable Smith stepped from the Editorial chair into the flaming robes of a Bishop, if this thing keeps up. I may throw my hat into the ring and become a candidate for the Editorship of the Star of Zion and ultimately a Bishop in the A. M. E. Zion Connection. I don't know what Anderson is thinking about right now but I suppose he sometimes wonders how he'd look and feel in one of those silk gowns, with gold rimmed specks and a fierce look on his face, while the fussy brethren on the floor are yelling Bishop! Bishop!! Ah appeal fan your ruling suh" It must be a grand and glorious feeling to have and hold power, to use it like a giant, but like a giant Anderson is wearing the editorial toga in old Roman style and appears fully content, good enough. He wears it with a great

best from a news, literary and editorial point of view in the whole state of N. Carolina. I think if a few of us old contributors to the Star would get together through correspondence and arrange to award a prize—say of \$25 cash to be equally divided among the force of the Star for the best edition of the Star on a given date turned out by that date, it might do a lot of good for them and the Star. The composers, the proof readers and makeup men under this incentive would put forth their best efforts to show a criticising public, that they actually knew their business.

You have the material, the tools and the workman, and they have the opportunity to show themselves the master of their art. I am agreeable on this prize stuff to bring out an edition of the Star that will make North Carolina and the adjoining towns scream for joy. It's your next move brethren.

Mr. Theodore Roosevelt a citizen of the world resident of Oyster Bay, New York, a man of destiny and the biggest hearted American this side of heaven, has just distributed among the various war charities here and abroad the proceeds of the noble prize which he some years ago won for a Thesis on peace, and among the

MISSIONARY DAY. ANNIVERSARY

4th SUNDAY SEPT. 22, 1918. AN APPEAL OF MERCY. EXPEDITION FUND ONE SERVICE—SEE PROGRAM—AND THE ENTIRE COLLECTION FOR OUR MISSION RELIEF FUND

Dear Bishops, P. E. Pastors, Missionary workers Supt. and members also Presidents of our V. C. E. Societies of the African M. E. Zion Church: Another Missionary Anniversary is upon us, and our task, opportunities and responsibilities are no less today than at any other time in the history of our missionary efforts.

The voice that calls is as loud and strong today as in years that have past. The Master's commission "go" will ever be obeyed until His gospel shall have been preached in every part of the world.

We are sending out five thousand programs this year. The largest number ever sent out from this department. We ask every pastor in our church to observe Missionary Day according to the program and send in to our Board the entire collection of this one service. We hope that our pastors will take advantage of this opportunity to do a creditable service for their church and humanity.

Never before in the history of the world have we had such a

and no one... which... work... what... saying... would... he could... hear them. Ain't he a scream!

Gov. Whitman despite the buzzing of the gad flies and gnats, hereabout, seems to be well on the way to re-election to succeed himself at Albany. He has made an excellent governor and has shown himself friendly to the colored people, he will undoubtedly in his next term if elected give more tangible proofs of his interest in the black man, than he was able to do in his first administration.

It takes all of the first term of an administrative office to learn the ropes and get his bearings. The second term usually develops in him those high ideals which are possessed by all good men in office and which they do not always have opportunity to give expression to. Governor Whitman is a good man and an earnest and sincere friend of the race.

Bruce Grit.

H. Blake of Spartanburg S. C. who has things well in hand and the church work well organized and at work. Up to the present time, more money has been raised than in any previous year up to this time of the year.

Rev. Blake has won the confidence of both white and colored people. Baptist, Presbyterian and Methodist.

We learn through Rev. Blake's administration as a pastor and a man, making one's self agreeable goes a long way toward guaranteeing the chance to use talent possessed.

The men who have real ability to accomplish what they set out to do simply because of their

loved is to have an open door. After all we find that Rev. Blake shows the way to help a church (Continued on page five)

ten what the end will be... thing we do know and this is: the present conflict will bring about far-reaching changes among all nations of the world and especially will Africa be affected, and whatever concerns Africa should concern the black man the world over, for Africa cannot be redeemed without the black man, and the black man cannot be redeemed without Africa. Their relationship is inseparable, and since this is true, we should contribute our "bit" in the name of Him who died to save us all.

For truly Africa and her people must be saved not for the church alone, but as a nation of people to be reckoned with as other nations of the world. We are sending out this appeal because we want you to help us. Duty demands that you as a pastor must stand up for all that the Zion Church represents, at home and abroad. We appeal to every member of our Zion every where to rally around the standard of the cross and assist our cause in foreign fields.

The Board is asking for \$5000 as an African Relief Fund or an African Expedition Fund. For Bishop Geo. C. Clement, D. D., our missionaries, the Keta Building and for the Sec. This money must be in hands by Jan. 1 1919. The assessment on your certificate will not meet this demand therefore we appeal to you to render the "Missionary Paegant" entire collection for this one service. I have the utmost confidence in our Zion ministry to do any thing for the advancement of the church to which we all belong.

The third Episcopal Dist. will arrange to give Bishop J. W. Alstork a testimonial to raise \$1000 for his visit to Demarara S. A. Feb. 1919. In all \$6000 is asked for, so make your Missionary Day exercises count for the Master.

Now brethren see to it that you have a great missionary meeting invite others to join you and celebrate (Continued on page 5)