

CAMPAIGN ECHOES.

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I am quite sure that it will be gratifying to every loyal member of our communion to know that there is a rising tide of interest in our Million Dollar Campaign. I have been at several places within the last fifteen days, and I found everywhere a most hopeful sentiment concerning the big undertaking.

Responding to a very cordial invitation of Bishop J. S. Caldwell, I had the pleasure of accompanying him on a trip to some of the charges in the Philadelphia and Baltimore Conference.

Our first stop was at Harrisburg, Pa., where I visited our two churches in that capital city. At the Sunday morning service we were with that able and efficient pastor of Wesley Union church, Rev. S. N. McNeil. After an interesting and instructive sermon by the Bishop, the claims of the Tercentenary were presented. The members took hold immediately, subscribed liberally and assured us that their quota will be forthcoming annually. In the afternoon we were with that earnest, energetic young pastor of Harris chapel, Rev. R. L. Briscoe, where his congregation gladdened our hearts by going "over the top," while we were present. Notwithstanding the inclement weather, there was a full choir and an appreciative audience to greet us. The venerable Presiding Elder of the District, Rev. E. H. Curry, was with us, and entered heartily into this service.

After this meeting, Brother Ficklin, one of the members of the church took us in his automobile to Carlisle for the evening service. The pastor of the beautiful Wesley St. A. M. E. Zion Church, Rev. S. Q. Swann, had a full vested choir and a large congregation out at the evening service to hear about the Ter Centenary Movement. Both the pastor and his congregation took hold of the campaign with enthusiasm and made liberal subscriptions covering the five period.

To note the fact that Rev. Swann is identified with all the life activities of this community. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and has the respect and confidence of both races. What he says goes in Carlisle. It must be said that Mrs. Swann also rendered invaluable assistance in making our stay pleasant and profitable at this point.

With Carlisle as Headquarters, and Rev. Swann assisting with the engagements, we visited other points in the Cumberland Valley. Rev. A. P. Pritchett and his good people gave us a splendid reception at Mt. Pisgah A. M. E. Zion church, Shippensburg, Pa. They subscribed their full quota and the pastor will go to the mid-year Conference at Washington, with his first installment. We found Rev. Pritchett a power for good in this community.

We reached Chambersburg on the next evening and were delighted to find that Rev. R. F. Pile, the pastor of this church had already collected his entire quota for the year. As the pastor had familiarized his congregation with the movement and made the collection, we thought it inadvisable to speak more than a word of congratulation and leave the cards for the members to make their subscriptions. However, after a powerful sermon by the Bishop from the text: "What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits toward me. \* \* \* I will pay my vows unto the Lord now in the presence of all his people," things took a different turn that it was necessary to allow the subscriptions to be taken. Under the spell of this great sermon some of the members not only put a dollar into the collection, but came forward without any solicitation for pledge cards. I have never heard the Bishop to better advantage. Our campaign in this section ended at this point. It was a success from every view point.

Since returning to Washington I have presented the claims of the movement to the congregation of Lomax Chapel, Arlington, Va., of which the scholarly Rev. F. R. Killingsworth is pastor. This people not only subscribed most liberally, but paid in most of it in cash.

The Bishop reports that there was a most liberal response in the Alle-

THE AFRICAN BISHOPRIC.

By Rev. W. W. Jones.

Editor Star of Zion:

Will you grant me space in your valuable columns on the subject of the African Bishopric? I am very much concerned, and the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church should be very much concerned at the spirit displayed by some of our African brethren in their arguments for a native African Bishop. The Church does not want to threaten or coerce to do what is right. It is a matter that will depend entirely on the General Conference. I am not against the Reverend Pinanko personally, and would like very much to see him a Bishop for some time to come, for he is to be congratulated for the good work he has done; but the question has got to be looked at from every angle. First is the Rev. Pinanko eligible for election? The Discipline says (1) No man is eligible for the office of Bishop who has not been twenty years a travelling minister (2) and who has not attained to the age of forty. Vice pp. 196, section, 1, 2.

I have quoted the Discipline so as to displace any animus that might arise in the minds of our African brethren in the event things do not go according to their liking; for if Pinanko is eligible on the second section, I am almost sure he is not on the first; and the law has got to be adhered to when favoritism will not be charged to the General Conference.

Now let us put aside the legal aspect and look at it from the viewpoint of policy. The question of a Bishop not being conversant tribal languages is no obstacle to his election. Missionaries have done good work through interpreters and a Bishop is not an ordinary elder who has to come in daily contact with his members. I have seen English Bishops dealing with East Indians and Chinese converts, also with aboriginal tribes through interpreters among their ministers and catechists and the work suffered in no degree, but on the other hand prospered.

We have got to look again at the fact of the existence of tribal jealousies and prejudices and an American Bishop will be the one to neutralize such a conditions which is a greater evil than not knowing the languages. The Anglican Church had native Bishops like Crowther and the Johnsons, and has now Olewole, but these Bishops worked in conjunction with white Bishops. Our Church is young and the General Conference has to be very careful whom it sends out in the African field, for besides being an African Episcopal Church, it is also an American Church, and nothing must be done to sever the link between America and her chief fields in Africa.

New York City. gheny and the Ohio Conference, and that both Conferences subscribed their full quota and paying \$2,000 in cash. Dr. W. C. Brown and Dr. T. J. Moppins have canvassed much of their Districts and have made encouraging reports to this office. As soon as their fall rallies are over they will take the fields again. Too much cannot be said in praise of their excellent work.

Pastors, please take notice that Regional District No. 1 comprises the following conferences: Philadelphia and Baltimore, New York, New England, New Jersey, Western New York, Allegheny, Ohio, Albemarle Virginia, North Carolina, East Tennessee and Virginia. If you are a member of any one of these Conferences and desire pledge cards, please write to me for them at once. There should be a pledge card in this office for every member in the District. If you or your Presiding Elder think that either one of the managers or I can be of assistance in stimulating subscriptions, kindly let me know and we shall endeavor to arrange an itinerary including your church.

Our million dollar campaign is a combination of sound business and real consecration. It can be put over without doubt, and the results to follow will mean the salvation and uplifting of many who are now in the gall of bitterness and bond of iniquity. Our District must go "over the top."

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WISE AND WHOLESOME SUGGESTIONS. NEW YEAR GREETINGS.

By An Apostle Of Sunshine.

Editor Star of Zion. Kindly allow space for this article.

Attend the seven natural schools daily, the greatest center of knowledge and understanding, where the letter killeth and the Spirit makes alive, and the true essence of godliness is taught by the best teachers; namely, observation, comparison, concentration, experience, inspiration, decision and sincerity; where the birth of mother wit is found common sense, culture. These schools rule our life, our health and our happiness.

If you want to know whether you are going to be a success or failure during the year 1920, you can easily find out; the test is simple and infallible; a blessing to all. Old, but ever new method that defies the constructive forces of nature.

Science has no summit too lofty for its ascent, culture and unity has no gate too strong for its vibration to pass the Sentinel, without being seen, and enter, seeking its own, and find it in the heart of humanity "Charity to all."

Do you value time and save money? Can you concentrate your mind upon a task, when things are going on around you that interest you or disinterest you?

It pays to be a good listener at times; if not, step aside.

Are you willing to pay the price; make a sacrifice and line up with us for service on the seen and unseen battlefield; the human heart?

You will find as sure as you live; you may not think so, but you will lose your opportunity and nerve in life's battle, at the psychological moment, if you don't stop and listen, and enlist in the battle against waste and wrong doing.

The seed of success winning out is in men and women who are resolved to find a way for themselves they will always find opportunities enough if they do not lie ready at their hand, they will make them. While they are making their own heavens they are making a heaven for others.

Success treads on the heels of every right effort or endeavor; common sense, intensified.

The man or woman who would succeed in this age must single out their specialty, and into that, must pour the whole stream of their activity.

All the energies of their hands, eyes, tongue, heart and brain, practical knowledge in their heads, health in their bodies, skill in their hands, will be their own letter of recommendation.

These qualifications make the class of men and women of whom the world is so proud today.

Oneness of aim, and the direction of energies to a single pursuit enable a person to become invincible.

The moment you have a definite aim, attention is quickened; the mother of memory and all that you acquire groups and arranges itself in a manner that is lucid; because, everywhere as always it is intelligent relation to a central object of constant growing interest, mysterious to behold as a dew drop sparkling on the lawn of paradise.

This method of concentrating also forces upon us the necessity of thinking clearly, which is, after all the highest result of education; for what we want is not superficial learning, but knowledge that is the power to make learning answer its true end, as a quickener of our in, which is power essential in the new life.

Save your pennies which is opportunity, so, when the trial for the prize, the true test of your life comes, you will be able to win, reach the goal of your ambition.

It is the best way to reduce friction, strife, between races, the high cost of living.

It is the best way to prepare for a rainy day; it is the best way to forge ahead in the Commercial and Financial World.

It is the only way to happiness, prosperity and the survival of the fittest. It is the only way that millions of people can start a bank account, build a home, make the world better.

Intelligence and a widener of our intellectual faculties.

Do business in the name of the

FACTS UPON FACTS.

By S. A. Chambers, "Cannon Ball"

We suppose that you have drawn up a nice set of New Year Resolutions, however we venture to suggest a few that may be helpful.

1. Resolved: To stop kicking and pull. Kicking means that we are not pulling and pulling means that we are not kicking.

2. Resolved: To consider that our head is not larger than the heads of heads of the Church.

3. Resolved: To work in harmony with whatever plans that have been and may be inaugurated by authority. The thing will be a success.

4. Resolved to give to God one tenth of our income by giving it to some worthy cause or some needy person.

5. Resolved: That the Tercentenary shall be a success so far as we are concerned; and we should be concerned to the full measure of our capacity.

6. Resolved to do the thing next to us and we will not have to come back to it. For it must be done by some one and why not us.

7. Resolved: To be in our place at every service.

8. Resolved: That no one shall do what we should have done. To do what I should have done is to take my blessing.

9. Resolved: To live more of our preaching, and preach less of our living. Ourselves are not worthy to be preached.

10. Resolved: To take the lead in every good work and to take the rear in things questionable.

11. Resolved: To not bully evil to show that we are not afraid of it. But when we attack it be sure that it is for the good of the individual and of the community. That should be our motive.

12. Resolved: That if the place is not big enough to make us popular that we will try to make the place popular.

13. Resolved: That when men act within the bounds of their authority do not call them in question. This is meddling.

14. Resolved: That we will carry the mistakes of youth no further. Got to stop some time, why not now?

15. Resolved: That all men have rights that must be respected. Where our rights stop there the rights of others begin. Observe the hedge. It will prevent trouble.

16. Resolved: To do all the good we can, in every way we can, and wherever we can. This is our full duty.

17. Resolved: That the world shall be better by our having lived in it. We have no right to live otherwise.

18. Resolved: That some favorable trace of our career shall be found after "dust to dust, ashes to ashes" in solemn tone, shall be said over us.

19. Resolved: To let no opportunity pass unimproved. Good opportunities seldom return. They go on in search of a wise man to use them. They do not get very far from us before they find him; therefore they do not return. Regret does not bring them back.

20. Resolved: To carry our resolutions into effect. Better to not resolve than to resolve and not do. The road to success is blocked by broken resolutions. We did it. Not an enemy.

21. Resolved: To see everybody as a friend. In most cases enemies are imaginary, not real. When we consider the matter from every angle.

22. To treat all men as we would like to be treated and enemies will fade away like the mist of the morning before the pomp of the rising sun.

Lord is the best New Year's Resolution any one can make, and goodness and mercy shall follow you all the days of your life.

Make patience and perseverance your bosom friends; experience your guardian angel; caution, your elder brother, and hope your genius.

Save your health, which is capital; your character, by noble example and precept; by life and literature; by friends and neighbors; by the World we live in, as well as by the spirit of sympathy of all our foreparents, whose legacy of good words, mother wit, common sense and culture, and deeds we inherit.

READ THE STAR.

WATCHFUL WAITINGS.

By Rev. J. M. Cornell, Bethlehem, Pa.

Mr. Editor Star of Zion:

Just at the beginning of the New Year, I desire to say a few words having just returned from a most pleasant visit among my many kinsmen and friends of early boyhood days around High Point and adjacent country. It was just nine miles below High Point where I first saw the light of day and grew up to young manhood receiving my first school at Liberty Grove. These were literary training from the public school at Liberty Grove. These were very, very dear spots to travel over. I had not frequented them for quite 30 years. You may imagine how surprised I was at the changes there. I visited my only sister living, Mrs. Sylvia Finch, 118 Reed Street, met my only brother now living who came up from Greensboro to meet me, and then I began to cast about for the progeny of my immediate relatives and found them so numerous that I could scarcely count them. Nephews and nieces first and then second cousins and all of them vieing with each other to give me a good time. My old acquaintance families contemporary with my father and mother, who are yet living, claimed a share in the re-union. I had the merriest Christmas of my life. I met my old friend, Dr. W. H. Howard, ex-pastor here, but now big Presiding Elder, and by the way he looks it too. Our Zion church has as its pastor to succeed him a real live wire. I preached for him on watch night to a splendid congregation. Sunday 4th I was caught at Brooks Memorial M. E. Church in the Southern part of the city. The foundation of this church was Rev. Daniel Brooks, now superannuated. He was my father and mother's pastor in my childhood days. He sat and heard me. It was a great service, some shouting and tears flowing frequently. I left Sunday night for a two days stop over in Baltimore, Maryland, where I came upon three more nephews. I was happy to find them in business and sticking together.

I am at home now with a mind to work. I am praying that you are not disturbed as editor, for you are certainly on to your job.

Give us in May Drs. P. A. Wallace and J. W. Wood for Bishops also you better Crooke.

EVERY CLOUD HAS A SILVERY LINING.

By Miss A. Arnetta Brown.

Though the dark clouds hang above you; And many snares along your way; Never doubt there's one that love's you; He will guide you all the way... Every cloud is lined with silver. Viewed through faith an humble prayer. Yet it seems quite dark and dreary; The blessed glory lingers there.

(2.) Never let dark hours oppress you; Nor lament when days are drear; All that you need Jesus will give you. And in your pain he draweth near For every cloud hath a silvery lining. And they who strive for it shall see; Though the dark cloud hangs above you; Just beyond is the Calvary.

(3.) God has promised to defend you; As he protected those of old. And when the dark clouds gather over you; He the silvery lining unfolds. Every cloud is lined with silver; Yet it is seen through faith and love As the dark cloud dawns over you, A silvery lining is just above.

It is with deep regret and sadness that we mention the death of Mr. Robert Bruce, nephew and adopted son of Bishop and Mrs. R. B. Bruce. We extend to the family our sympathy in their hour of bereavement.

Dr. J. S. Campbell of the Georgia Conference, passed through the city enroute to the Bishop's meeting and said the office a call this week.