

PERSONS AND THINGS.

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At this time of the year one sees in print a great many jokes made at the expense of New Year's resolutions. The resolutions which are made and often ridiculed by the gainer are apt to have their origin in the imagination of some writers. The resolutions rarely made in good faith may be worthy of better treatment. At a prayer meeting held on New Year's morning the leader suggested that those present write out and hand to him their resolves for the coming year. Of course, no names were signed to the papers so that the writers were left free for frank statements. The following is a list of the resolutions:

"I want to make my life for Christ and the Church a better and more faithful one."

"In remembrance of past blessings I intend to try to bring gladness to the hearts of those with whom I come in contact."

"To spend and be spent in the service of God and my fellowmen."

"To be kind and patient to all those around me. To put my own feelings aside and help them that are less fortunate than myself."

"To be more loving in my judgment of others."

"To do more for the poor people through the coming year; and more for the Master."

"With God's help to set a good example for those around me; and grasp the opportunity to do them good; and to strive faithfully to live a life of helpfulness to others."

"Trusting in Jesus Christ for strength, I will try and be faithful to Christ and his Church and do what I can to help others."

"To live each moment as if it was my last."

"A happy New Year for everybody. Everybody work for each others' prosperity."

These resolutions embody the underlying spirit of ordinary Christian life. The dominant note in practically all of them is consideration for the welfare of others. When resolutions of this type become the accepted standard of the world at large and when they are actually put into practice, then we shall see the triumph of righteousness in all the world.

Wrong cannot reign on the throne always; nor shall truth always perish though it ascends the scaffold blindfolded and bound. Behind that scaffold stands the all-wise God, and He will bring it to pass; "For the Judge of all the earth will do right."

Our church here is prospering from every viewpoint. Seventy-eight members have joined within the past four months.

Asbury Park, N. J.

REV. E. S. CALDWELL'S WORK.

By Rev. H. L. Hubert.

The attention of your many readers is called to Rev. E. S. Caldwell, a very good minister and a wide awake pastor. I had an opportunity to visit his work at Harlow. He has been there only eight months. This church has been dormant for about ten years; but since the good brother, Rev. Caldwell, has been there, it has made its way up to the top, and his members say they are going over. On my visit to his church, I was met with a warm reception and a red hot revival and many a soul was saved and several dollars for General claims were raised. Rev. Caldwell is preparing to remodel the church. Both Christians and sinners speak well of him. He is a real business man and the white citizens of the town say that he is the man for this place; for he is trustworthy and has done more than any other minister that has been here in fifteen years. He said he was working to make it to the top, yet it was a long ways off, but if prayers and work and living right will make it, he will get there by and by. Your prayers will be a help and I will ask all of the good gospel ministers to help him, because he will take good advice from any minister. When he took this charge, it was in the grip of the flu epidemic and a deal of deaths were numbered. His members, as well as himself and others felt real discouraged, but by endurance and my encouragement, he

pressed on day by day. He is now a happy soul. This church was a thrown away place. Preachers did not want to go there, but being a strong character, he clung to the bush. All the members want him back another year and say they must have him; yet he has but little to say about his going. He is contemplating going near some good school district for the benefit of his girl, yet he says, "I will be submissive to my Bishop."

Harlow, N. C.

WILLIAMS CHAPEL.

By G. F. Washington.

At Williams chapel A. M. E. Zion church, Montgomery Ala., we had the pleasure of the presence of our Bishop, Rt. Rev. J. W. Wood, D. D., of Indianapolis, Ind., who preached a powerful, practical, comprehensive sermon from Romans 8th chapter, 13-14 verses, which was highly appreciated by the large audience which greeted him. Quite a large collection was raised to help the pastor, Rev. O. P. O'Neal, on his conference assessments.

Monday night the Bishop and Mrs. Wood were tendered a grand reception by the church and friends, under the auspices of the Stewardesses, Mrs. Mattie Washington, chairwoman, Nancy Bibb, Matilda Hamilton, assisted by Madames Virginia, Georgia Boyd, Bettie Long, Mary Williams, and Artie Lou Williams, who gracefully acted as chief waitress.

The evening's entertainment was begun with devotional exercises. "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," was most inspiringly sung. "The Lord is my Shepherd," etc., was read for a scripture lesson; a most fervent prayer was offered by Dr. L. D. Workman. Bro. G. F. Washington, chairman of the trustees, made a very appropriate address of welcome, which was most convincing. Dr. W. H. Finley, Presiding Elder of the Wetumpka District, Dr. J. H. Larrimore, Presiding Elder of the Greenville District, Dr. L. D. Workman, Presiding Elder of the Montgomery District, Dr. W. M. Bascomb, pastor of Mt. Zion A. M. E. Zion church, made brief remarks, touching upon their delight at being present at a place where they knew they were welcome at all times, but especially delighted to join with this great gathering of people to do honor to our Bishop whom we love so well.

Rev. O. P. O'Neal introduced the Bishop in a few well chosen remarks. The Bishop made a brief talk touching upon various matters so important to be accomplished to make our Zion greater and grander for the uplift of mankind to a higher plane. He spoke of the importance of pastors making full reports. "Because the Connection," said he, "needs the money to carry forward the great plans contemplated." The Bishop looked about the church and said: "I want to tell you this is my church and I love it. You have a splendid church, but I see some needed improvements (naming them) and I want you to make them by the time I come again, for if the Lord is willing, I am coming back again."

This open and frank request of the Bishop caught the members who gave evidence of complying with his request.

The Bishop took occasion to thank the people for their cordial welcome, and the grand reception tendered him and Mrs. Wood; and invited all who could come to Wetumpka to do so, and see him in action as Bishop for the first time. Although he was a Bishop he had never held a conference. They will also see Mrs. Wood in action among the missionary workers.

The stewardesses uncovered the Bishop's table, which seemed to groan under the weight of the many good things. Those who sat with him were Mrs. Wood, Mrs. Bascomb, Mrs. O'Neal, Drs. Finley, Larrimore, Workman, Bascomb, Mr. King and Mr. J. J. Johnson.

Prominent among the guests were Mrs. G. Rutledge, Mr. and Mrs. Will Jordan, Mrs. G. May Hamilton, Mrs. S. Corbett, Mr. Jas. Ivory, Mr. John Harris and Mr. E. Ezell. A high compliment was paid the officers and members of the church for such a magnificent entertainment so much enjoyed by all. The stewardesses presented the pastor, Rev. O'Neal

with a fine suit of clothes. Montgomery, Alabama.

THE WORK AT KANSAS CITY

Rev. H. R. Jackson was sent from the New Orleans District to pastor St. James church, Kansas City, Mo., last July. He arrived in the city on the third Sunday in August. Already the members can see the church moving forward by leaps and bounds. We are proud of Rev. Jackson, and in two years we will have one of the first churches in Kansas City. Bishop Wallace made one of the wisest choices of his life when he sent him to this city.

Thomas Fleming, Reporter.

NEWBERNE DISTRICT.

The Newberne District, presided over by the able and enterprising Dr. William Sutton is in fine condition. We had a round report at the Annual Conference at Washington, N. C. Too much can not be said in behalf of the loyal, hard working pastors who are standing by the Presiding Elder and are doing their full duty, along all lines. Bishop Caldwell and the Editor of The Star of Zion paid us a visit in September which has been beneficial all over the district. Come again.

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the big ball room, Mrs. Feickert presided, and at the speakers' table were Former Governor Stokes, State Chairman; Mrs. Arthur Livermore of the National Committee; Mrs. Lewis S. Thompson, of Red Bank; Rev. Florence Randolph of this city; Mr. W. D. Brown, of Camden Court; Former Governor Runyon, and Assemblyman-elect Mrs. Van Ness of Orange; all spoke but Mrs. Thompson. Each sounded the same keynote, some adding to the number; others contenting themselves with saying that for Republican women, "Opportunity has knocked at the door, and they must answer the summons."

Gov. Stokes was the first speaker. He said among other things that "I am always ready to confess a mistake when I can profit by it," which of course, was his way of apologizing to the ladies for being so long among "those opposed" to the ratification of the Anthony amendment. The women took it good-naturedly, for now they are in, they are eager to know how far they are to be taken in and the State leader was insistent about this. He stated it is the duty of the women as well the men to show their interest by voting, adding he would like to make voting "compulsory" for both men and women.

Mrs. Feickert read a telegram from Vice-President-elect Calvin Coolidge, expressing his interest in the gathering, also letters from

erature.

It was some job and although they are not boastful, yet the Republican women of New Jersey yesterday, for just one day, did "view themselves with pride."

Jersey City, N. J.

MOTHER ZION CHURCH.

Dr. Brown waxed eloquent in the delivery of brilliant discourses at Mother Zion church last Sunday at both services. The auditorium was crowded to its usual utmost capacity. The over-flow meeting also enjoyed an unusually large attendance, where Rev. A. E. Piggott preached. Dr. James E. Mason, Financial Secretary of Livingstone College, worshipped at the evening service and contributed a very fervent prayer.

At the evening service Mrs. Catherine Mead, President of the Board of stewardesses, representing the auxiliaries, members and friends of Dr. and Mrs. Brown, made a pretty speech in presenting him the customary purse amounting to Five Hundred Dollars. Dr. Brown made a suitable reply, renewing his pledge to give himself as unstintedly as ever to the development of the interests of Mother Zion church. Dr. Brown commands the same high and exalted place in the hearts and affections of not only the members of Mother Zion, but of New York City at large, as was tangibly evidenced in this Christmas purse. Mother Zion recognizes and appreciates the fact that in Dr. Brown she has the premier pastor of the Connection.

The Sunday School keeps up a large average attendance; and the collections are a flattering testimony of the interest the classes are manifesting in securing the banner every Sunday.

Dr. A. B. Vincent, recently a teacher in Shaw University, delivered a stirring address at the J. C. Price Lyceum at 4 o'clock. His subject was: "The Challenge—for a New Interpretation of Democracy."

An interesting meeting was held at the Christian Endeavor hour.

On Wednesday evening, December 29th, a reception was tendered the 17 Class Leaders for the very creditable work they have accomplished during the recent Thirty-Seventh Annual Class Leaders' Rally, when \$15,000 was raised. Mrs. Lelia Walters made a most comprehensive address in her review of the work of Dr. Brown as pastor, and paid him many glowing and deserving compliments. The Dean of the Class Leaders, James E. Nickson, the young recruit, Edward W. Stewart, and the veterans and Chairman of the Board of Leaders, James A. Hopkins, made very interesting speeches on the achievements of Leaders and members and friends in the raising of this sum. The musical numbers were contributed by Mme. Georgia Berry and Mr. Walter Williams. Both artists made very pleasing renditions. Mr. Fred R. Moore, Editor of the New York Age, also contributed a very stirring speech on the work accomplished by Mother Zion church since her advent into Harlem. Messrs. P. H. Richardson, H. H. Thomas, J. A. Hopkins and James E. Nickson were presented with some tangible appreciation of their respective classes.

The present week will be observed as the Week of Prayer, and Sunday, January 9th, will make the beginning of an intensive campaign against sin by Mrs. Nora Fields-Taylor, who has conducted the revivals in Mother Zion for a number of years. Mrs. Taylor is one of the foremost evangelists in the country, and she commands a large following irrespective of any denomination. The Class Leaders will conduct the prayer and praise service in consecutive order, commencing with P. H. Richardson.

The Bible Class sessions will be resumed on Wednesday evenings at the Brotherhood House from 8:30 to 9:30 under the tutelage of Rev. Wm. Rives, of the Young Men's Christian Association.

Rev. S. R. Morris, formerly of the Bethel Church, will preach at the Communion service next Sunday afternoon.

Twenty-seven persons joined the church during the day last Sunday.

Fifteen hundred calendars with the picture of D. B. Fenderson, the President of the Board of Trustees, (Continued to page 7.)



Rev. Mrs. Florence Randolph, Elder in A. M. E. Zion Church and Leader in New Jersey Women's Clubs and Political Circles.

REV. MRS. FLORENCE RANDOLPH LEADS NEW JERSEY REPUBLICAN WOMEN—MAKES NOTABLE SPEECH.

600 Republican Women Attend Big Jubilee.

Six hundred and fifty women and fully half a hundred men attended the Republican Women's Jubilee Luncheon at the Robert Treat in Newark yesterday; and to quote former Governor Runyon, one of the speakers, "Everybody felt it was good to be there."

The Republican women know no differences, all women are welcome to its ranks, as Mrs. E. F. Feickert, the State leader, expressed it, "the organization is for all women, rich or poor, black or white," and there they were, all kinds, from every county in the whole State. Hudson had seventy-five, a few men in the number; Jersey City, fifty of these; Bayonne and other sections, the remainder. Hudson also has its share of officers in the new Republican Woman's Club, formed previous to the luncheon. Mrs. W. W. Wauters, of Bayonne, and Rev. Florence Randolph, of this city, were named among the twenty vice-presidents, while Mrs. C. P. Eaton, as county chairman, is one of the Board of Governors, so that this county has three representatives on the executive board.

The luncheon was the very first attempt ever made to bring the women of the State under a political banner, and the result was pleasing. For the luncheon the tables were crowded close together in the big ball room of the hotel, and there were more placed in the galleries and in about every available place in the hotel dining floors. For the post-prandial feast, all crowded in

both Senators Frelinghuysen and Edge, giving their congratulations for the work of the women.

"That with victory comes responsibility," was the warning of Mrs. Livermore, national committee member. Her plea was for a Woman's Republican Education League, that every woman in the country should have opportunity to learn what the Republican party stands for, has accomplished and hopes to do for America, thus showing why women should be in the Republican party.

Mrs. Van Ness, who will be in Trenton this winter with the other members of the Legislature, reminded her audience that she will be their representative and that she wants to know what the women want her to do. In the same way Mrs. Randolph spoke for the women of her race, urging that they be given opportunity to know more about the party and its work, for, she added, "my people feel kindly toward the party of Lincoln."

The last of the speakers was ex-Governor Runyon, who has a big vision of the work possible with the women organized and ready.

Before the day ended Mrs. Feickert gave data to show how the women had worked in this, their first voting year. Nearly one thousand meetings were held for women; no attempt was made to count the meetings where the women attended with the men. Several field workers were out for six weeks; over 980 automobiles were used by women on Election Day "to get out the vote." In all one million pieces of campaign literature were sent out from Headquarters, so if the New Jersey women were not "educated" it was not the leaders' fault. And all of this with a quantity of county work all over the State, for less than \$10,000, including all the lit-