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## HISTORICAL SKETCH

The Christian Freedmen, a monthly foli, 6 x 10 inches, devoted to the interests of Christian education and the Presbyterian work among the colored people of the South, published by Prof. J. H. Shedd of Biddle Institute, now Biddle University, started in the Spring of 1874, was probably the first publication of its characer in the South, and it has had a continuous line of succession. One year later it was merged into the Southern Evangel ist, started by Prof. Shedd and Rev. W. A. Patton, of Charleston, S. C., and published monthly from that city. January 1, 1879, the AFRICO-AMERI-CAN PRESBYTERIAN was started at Wilmington, N. C., by the present owner and editor as a semi-monthly. Three months thereafter an arrangement was entered into by which the Southern Evangelist was merged into the Africo AMERICAN PRESBYTERIAN, the manage ment of the latter taking over the form er. And a little later the latter was published continuously as such without where we cannot speak; defending us

From the first the paper received when all human lips are dumb; prethe cordial support of our Presbyterian the good that is it us, which otherwise days of ed it would would never be known to any extent; pronouncedly Presbyterian. The timent and guiding us often in circumconduct a shaping opinions for us, moulding sen stances where we are perplexed and olk so feeble that the position of aper would tend to arouse greater know not what course it is best to pur ition from the stronger and un sue; it is the medium through which the But the editor regarded the great work of the church and the school on from a different angle. To is made known to the world, and is in ind a more pronounced stand for yterianism and more information itself an educator of no small import. subject among the colored peo of our deserving race papers have a des pages. d in Christian aggressiveness along perate struggle to keep in existence terian lines. He believes more is needed to day. During the en and their editors must needs engage in istory of the paper the editorial other lines of work or business in order thas been done by him. A half to support themselves and the papers. columns would hold all the edi matter that has not been pro those that for one reason or another do by him. In the other depart been the usual work



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REV. W. E PARTEE, D. D.

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people and in consequence thereof our papers are improving. But above all in power for good, we esteem the religious newspaper, that si lent preacher of righteousness, and of the many such the AFRICO-AMERICAN PRESBYTERIAN holds a unique place. There is none other like it.

are becoming more and more a reading

During the 25 years past how many newspapers, religious as well as secular, have been brought forth and fretted out a brief existence and passed away eaving scarcely a memory behind, while this one we are now holding in our hands has visited our homes regu larly for that quarter of a century, and tid many who are now men and women have fed upon it from infancy. Ought it not be highly prized by us all? In structing, encouraging and inspiring it An has been to us in many a dark hour. Why has it lived? Because it fills a place, a unique place, and it deserves | Boa to live.

made a weekly paper and has been ted Negro paper is? Speaking for us ba Synods, how could we get on with Brethren of the Atlantic and Cataw and pleading our cause often times from each other, from our churches fan, it out it? How we would miss the news North and schools, news which we can get and in no other paper!

When in Florida for eleven years people and but two of us colored Presbyleriad unsp ministers in the entire State, I liways the looked forward with eagerness to the stre coming of the Africo-American Pres BYJERIAN, bringing me news from all over the field and pu'ting me in a real communication, with the brethen who personal association could n

enjoy. Now, in brethren, I am ju

We can rely u doctrines for its we have confiden ability, of nobl We leave out of consideration now seeking to do secrated to G not deserve the support of the people vancement the years. But for and refer especially to those that are rianism and ors included all the worthy, are edited by manly men, Some

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Again, the successful editor must thew personal journalism, both sub d objective, if the phrase be Once it becomes known tor is conducting his paper for the promotion of his own ish ends his helpfulness to any orthy cause terminates. On the her hand, it is as injurious to devote tine and space to the injury of other The injury sought to be done e accomplished, but the editorial offer even more in the end where, one cannot rise by n another. don't hunt trouble and don't

run away from it either for one e'f or good rule. Trouble always gets in on chedule time. It is wiser to await its coming with calmness and in a state of preparation. When it does come one should not get frightened and run away. Make a manly stand. Uphold the principles and sustain those whom you represent. He is a great coward who brings on trouble and then takes the lead in flying to some place of safe principle should be ready sword in defence of the same principle, should conditions be reduced to such a state of harbarism as would

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it has our hea tor unaid er and their support are nece so as we congratulate Dr. Sanders and the Africo-American Presbyte RIA to day, let us acknowledge the value of the paper to us and pledge ou selves to do far more for its support

then we have done in the past. God less the AFRICO AMERICAN PREBYTERIAN, and long may it live. Va , December 13, 1902.

GREAVE THE AFRICO-AMERICAN PRESBYTE-RIAN!

REV. DAVID BROWN, D. D.

ds of families and thousands will lend their hearts and es in extending congratula-AFRICO-AMERICAN PRESn reaching this auspicious Silver Anniversary. For f a century the Africo. RESBYTERIAN has been the anion" in many a home as been the "Bulletin early overy minister of on the Southern field. It rong link in clasping this work close to the great resbyterian Church. As a as kept alive the coals of faith nas in the work and in the Church om it is making such an sacrifice. It has stood in our schools, our Church, obple. It has advocated prin ich, if practiced, will make must have had a God sent surface.

MRS. FANNIE P. SANDERS, Editor of the Woman's Department. 

man to be alone, I will make him ar | that large sums of money are to helpmeet for him, and they shall be one flesh." We believe that God made as attractive and homelike as t means for woman to share with man in gilded palace. Follow the six rules ine editor should not the duties and responsibilities of life; neither should he run and this is clearly implied by numer-

A dear out aldier of the cross said low. Ahove all let us not forget to me recently, "I can't take construction. He must not be an stock in the missionary business. I don't believe that God means for us to go away off yonder to Africa, among old, concern ourselves about our peo of us just like this old lady. The moment the missionary cause is mentioned Africa or some other far away country, with all the horrible tales of camibaln, etc., looms up before ou vision, there stiffen our hear von

> ry, in anecdotes, and in illustra the baneful effects of intemper have been kept to the front.

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ery member of the family has had ed and re impressed upon him aty and obligations to his church and minister. In this respect it has almost been a "Pastoral Letter" on the field.

From time to time the AFRICO AMERICAN PRESBYTERIAN has given special space to the young people of the Church. At one time the Sunday School Lessons we'e tioon its pages And then, again, a "Young People's Column" And then, again, the Column '' And then, again, the 'Christian Endeavor.' All of these have been belpful to the young peo ple. The writer never knew that so many young people were reading the paper until he took a vacation in writ ing for the "Young People's Column." (He did not mean for his vacation to b so long ) He learned then from many sources that many of the children

We pray for continued success and increased usefulness for the Africo- the brethren only. Where are the AMERICAN PRESBYTERIAN, and that its Golden Anniversary may look back upon a half century of work well done. Charleston, S. C., Dec. 17, 1902.

OUR EVANGELISTIC OUT-LOOK.

BY REV. J. J. WILSON, A. M., Pastor St. James Presbyterian Church, Greensboro, N. C.

I am grateful indeed to be allowed space in your valuable columns to eme which the Presbyterian phasize some features of our mission and Church work.

This work, in its present nature and demands, challenges a constancy of d repelled with herculean earnest and well directed efforts, vital ry insidious and unfair at ized by a spirit of true love for, and Lord of the harvest, in the very season consecration to, the habit of saving when some of our churches go into souls.

To be a successful fisherman for ple good and great. It has men, it is needless to say, requires to our fold; a more cordial charity; sbyterian in sentiment; Chris more real thought and prayer and com and a more widespread feeling of symrbearance; religious in tone; munion with God; a closer cultivation pathy in the great commission. its taste; temperate in its of this high art and a more persistent wise in its counsels and application of the means of actual gosin the defence of Truth. pel mission work, than appears on the

now speak of its mission in ed clergy men of convincing eloquence; Ouce in awhile I come it is not seldom that in our intelligent settled man or woman who pews those are found who possess a a reader of the Africo- firm grasp of that Bible doctrine PRESBYTERIAN since its which unerringly points to men the tiful and true in life. shment. They can tell you way of salvation; but rare

The question might be asked, wheth the families of the little party begin to we about all to do with differentiat er or not woman has any duty to per- get trgether. Where is the boy? men, rather than anything deeper form in connection with this great The word is passed around, and when vn in their natures In addition to work. The first revelation we have of it is discovered that he is not wish the conclusions as to human nature, God's exalted purpose concerning wom company, the parents retrace their an is when He said, "It is not good for steps and continue the search until the

Parents, our Guard ianship is Godgicen Let us keep cur chil dien as near to us as possible during the formative pericd of their lives, for it is said that what is learned in the cradle is carried to the grave. In not cases the evil enden cies outweigh the good. Therefore, we should I e ever watchfal. Should our children stray let us go out after them and seek diligently till our desire is accom. plished. We are not apt to be so fortunate as the above mer tioned parents; they found their son about "His Father's Business." .

Let us make our homes attractive for our children, Now this does not mean

expended. The humble hut can laid down by Dr. Hamilton and let mu tual love between parents and children ous examples given in His holy Word. be fostered and gracious results will fol-

Now that we see our auhome, let us, as did Queen Esther of the heathen. " Now, there are many ple. There is no better way of doing this than through the Church. The Church is the "River of God flowing on and on through the world, sending out its streamlets here and there, enrich ing and putting new life into the fallow ds and waste places." One of the amlets from this great river is th



response being asked for by the 16th inst. We have heard from a few of

The movement means that every church and minister should plan, and set the time prayerfully, for a se ries of evangelistic services to be held during the winter, wherever feasible, and thus help and be helped in the glorious work of saving souls.

It seems to us that every church knowing that its success, both financial ly and religiously, is in a deep and pervading spirituality which thaws out our hearts' coldness, and enlivens and stimulates them to Christian activity, and that every servant at work in the Master's vineyard, knowing that in the midst of such movements alone are we enabled to put to flight the armies of the aliens, would favor us with a timely response. The result of this organiza tion and effort, brethren, blessed of the winter quarters to return only at the song of the lark, would be a sustained spiritual efficiency; larger accessions

Again, dear brethren, we commend the plan to your consideration. Its adoption and execution will prevent much of those warm sensations that creep over us while facts and figures It is not rare to find among our educat are read at Synods and Presbyteries and which we all ought to feel on perusing the reports of Assembly and Boards; while we shall largely increase our charges, deepen the spirit of love, loyality and fidelity to all that is beau-

Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 17, 1902.