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## BOOKS OF GAMES.

At the Workers' Conference held at Harbison Agricultural College, Irmo, S. C., late in January, a very interesting discussion on the subject of recreation took place, led by Dr. Geo. Long, of Cheraw, S. C. Several outdoor games were recommended, as well as indoor games. It was requested that those who were acquainted with indoor games would furnish a list so that such games might be fully introduced. The following are a few of the games recommended:

- Icebreakers and Ivetbreakers—Herself—Edna Geister—\$1.35 Pub. G. H. Doran, N. Y.
- It Is To Laugh—Edna Geister—\$1.25, Pub. Woman's Press, N. Y.
- Let's Play—Edna Geister—\$1.25 for children, Pub. G. H. Doran, N. Y.
- Just For Fun—Helen Currier—\$1.00, Pub. Judson Press.
- Bushels of Fun—50c, (new) Pub. Missouri C. E. Union, Kansas City, Mo.
- Junior Frolics—Githens—25c, (new) Pub. Missouri C. E. Union, Kansas City, Mo.
- Successful Socials—Mrs. E. P. Gates—75c. U. S. C. E., Boston, Mass.
- Outdoor Stunts—A. L. Strouse—50c, Pub. A. L. Strouse, Berwyn, Ill.
- Games for Everybody—Hoffman—75c, Pub. Dodge Pub. Co., New York.
- Indoor Games and Amusements—Ruth Blakely—\$1.25, Pub. Geo. Sull Co., N. Y.
- Plays for School and Camp—Katherine Lord—\$1.10 (for boys and girls) Pub. Little Brown Co., New York.
- Games for all Occasions—Mary E. Blain—\$1.25. Pub. Barse Hopkins, Newark, N. J.
- Games—Draper—\$1.00, Pub. Association Press, N. Y.
- Enjoyable Entertainments—Health—\$1.22, Pub. U. S. C. E., Boston, Mass.
- Phonology—E. O. Harbin—\$1.25, Pub. Lamar & Barton, Nashville, Tenn.
- Fun and Fellowship—Githens—25c, Pub. U. S. C. E., Boston, Mass.

## CATAWBA SYNODICAL CONVENTION AND SCHOOL OF METHODS.

At a recent meeting of the Executive Committee of Catawba Synodical Convention and School of Methods, the following persons were appointed from that body to attend the four Presbyteries in Catawba Synod in the interest of the Convention and School of Methods to be held at Johnson C. Smith University (formerly Biddle) next August 27 to September 3.

Catawba Presbytery, Huntersville, N. C., April 4th, Dr. J. D. Martin.  
Cape Fear Presbytery, Lumberton, N. C., April 11, Rev. F. C. Shirley.  
Yadkin Presbytery, High Point, N. C., April 11, Dr. T. A. Long.  
Southern Virginia Presbytery, Petersburg, Va., April 2, Rev. G. P. Watkins.

The slogan is: "300 Enrollment from Catawba Synod (territory)."

THOS. A. LONG, Secretary.  
Johnson C. Smith University, Charlotte, N. C.

## N. C. MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE CO. BUYS AFRO-AMERICAN MUTUAL.

Announcement is made that the N. C. Mutual Life Insurance Co., of Durham, has bought the business of the Afro-American Mutual Insurance Co., of this city. The purchase includes all business in force throughout the State, as well as the splendid three-story office building and furniture located on Second street. Messrs. Thad L. Tate and J. W. Crockett, who has charge of the Afro-American since its organization, about fifteen years ago, have become so busy with other lines that they have found it necessary to take this step. While we regret to learn that our local friends are selling their business, we rejoice to know that it is being kept within the race. The last public utterance of John Merrick, the founder of the N. C. Mutual, was: "I want this company (N. C. Mutual) to live to serve the race and its institutions, and it will." When we think of the hundreds of our people being employed by this company and realize that it has bought every other race company in its territory that was failing and saved the business for the race, we see his wishes coming true. Messrs. Moore, Spaulding, Avery, and young Merrick have kept the ideal of the company pure and we find it the greatest race institution of its kind in the world. Mr. A. E. Spears, who had a large part in negotiating this purchase, has been placed in charge of all the company's business in the western half of North Carolina. His offices will be continued in the new Mecklenburg Investment Building, while the other offices will be rented.

## TRIBUTE TO MRS. LOTTIE McDOWELL.

Once more our community has been shocked and saddened by the death of an esteemed resident, Mrs. Lottie McDowell, the beloved wife of Bro. J. W. McDowell, a prominent elder of Calvary Presbyterian church. Apparently well, she attended a meeting of the Court of Calanthe on March 1st. Next morning at 5 o'clock she was stricken with apoplexy and succumbed 14 hours later.

Afflicted with indigestion and heart trouble, Mrs. McDowell realized her condition and frequently predicted that her end would come quickly. For the last year her life has been one, physically, of constant strain and pressure. The burden was heavy, but she carried it evenly and steadily and without a murmur. She was a true companion, of sweet and lovable disposition, and the Christian influence she exerted over all who knew her will ever be remembered. I did not know her as long as some others but I knew her long enough to clearly recognize in her a woman of pure, strong character and rare loveliness.

It does seem strange to our poor mortal reason that one so essential to the happiness and comfort and development of the home, so useful to society, should be taken away so suddenly. But God makes no mistakes and we humbly submit to his will. The wide circle of those who knew her are indeed mourners.

One of the most beautiful things about her was her devotion to her entire family, especially her ten children. Such love and care I hope are not uncommon, but I have seen few women in my lifetime who seemed to me at once so tender and so true. Well may her children revere the memory of her who has left the record of such a life for them to emulate; and may the mantle of her eminent virtues descend upon them. Her character is a rich legacy to her kindred and friends.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God."  
"Sleep on, dear sister and take thy rest.  
In the land prepared for the redeemed and blest."

T. T. McRae, Winnsboro, S. C.

## LAURA STREET CHURCH, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

By Mrs. M. C. Williams.

On Sunday, February 18th, the services at our church were interesting throughout the day. The Sunday school was largely attended. We were much pleased to have with us, Dr. Holley, of Albany, Ga., and Dr. McCoy, our Sunday School Missionary Superintendent.

Dr. McCoy spoke very complimentary of the interest shown in the Sunday school by officers, teachers and pupils.

At 11 o'clock Dr. Holley preached from Jer. 31:29, "The fathers have eaten sour grapes and the children's teeth are set on edge." The sermon was based on the subject: "Hereditance and Environment." This wonderful sermon will long be remembered.

On Sunday evening, February 25th, at 6:30, "The Boys' Brigade" rendered a splendid program, under the direction of Mr. F. M. Morton, our Sabbath school missionary.

March 4th at 11 o'clock, Dr. Gregg took his text, from St. John 6:69, "And we believe and are sure that thou art that Christ, the Son of the living God."

Dr. Gregg's sermons are always interesting. At 7:30 p. m. an African prince spoke from the subject: "The Results of Mission Work in Africa." His lecture was both interesting and instructive.

The Workers' Conference met on Monday evening, March 5th, at 7:30 o'clock. These meetings are always interesting.

On Thursday evening March 8, the Women's Missionary Society held their regular monthly meeting at the home of Dr. C. A. Ward. The ladies were entertained by Mesdames McLendon and Myers.

Mr. F. M. Morton was called home a few days ago on account of the death of his father, which occurred at his home, Due West, S. C. We are glad to have Mr. Morton on the field again, as his presence adds life to the Sunday school.

## THIRD STREET CHURCH, GASTONIA.

By Miss F. Odessa Nicholson.

Sunday morning our pastor, Rev. J. A. Rollins, brought us an inspiring and touching message from Ecclesiastes 12:14: "Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments; for this is the whole duty of man." The following questions were asked and ably discussed: (1) What am I? (2) Whence came I? (3) Whither am I bound? (4) What is my duty? (5) What is my danger? What is

my destiny? The sermon caused us to ponder deeply.

At the evening service we listened to a sermon from Romans 1:14: "I am debtor both to the Greeks, and to the Barbarians; both to the wise, and to the unwise."

Sunday had been set apart as Rally day at our church. At the close of the morning service the following clubs reported:

Club No. 1—Mr. Henry Washington, captain, \$56.40.  
Club No. 2—Miss Pearl Brumfield, captain, \$28.00.  
Club No. 3—Mrs. J. E. Nicholson, captain, \$14.00.  
Total, \$98.40.  
Too much praise cannot be given the captains, whose untiring efforts made the Rally a success.

Miss Gertrude Orr, Mr. A. J. Hasson, and Mr. Isaac Burris worshipped with us Sunday morning.

The Missionary Society will meet Tuesday evening, March 20, with Miss Lizze Costner.

Quite a large and appreciative audience heard the Johnson C. Smith University quartet in a concert given at the Highland Graded school auditorium, Thursday night, March 8.

Miss Beulah Brodie and Vivian Shute, teachers in the Gastonia graded school and also in our Sunday school, spent the weekend at their home, Charlotte.

Mrs. Queen Curry was a visitor at the evening service.

## ELDER T. LASHLEY.

Resolutions by Freedom Church, Aberdeen.

Whereas, the great and Supreme Ruler of the universe has, in his infinite wisdom, removed from among us, one of our worthy and esteemed fellow brothers, Elder T. Lashley; and

Whereas, the long and untiring faithful discharge of his duties to the session and church makes it eminently befitting that we record our appreciation of him; therefore,

Resolved, that the wisdom and ability which he has exercised in the aid of the church by service, contribution, and counsel, will be held in grateful remembrance.

Resolved, that the sudden removal of such a life from our midst leaves a vacancy and a shadow that will be deeply realized by all the elders and members of the church, and will prove a serious loss to the community and the public.

Resolved, that with deep sympathy with the bereaved relatives of the deceased we express our hope that even so great a loss to us all may be overruled for good by him who doeth all things well.

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the records of this church, a copy be printed in the Afro-American Presbyterian, and also a copy printed in Sanford Enterprise and a copy be forwarded to the bereaved family.

Respectfully yours,  
Elders Wm. H. Boyd,  
John M. Davice,  
Andrew Thomas,  
C. A. Utley,  
Committee.

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## WOMAN'S MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT

Conducted By Mrs. H. L. McCrorey

Editorial Secretary, Catawba Synodical Missionary Society.

## MISS HALLIE Q. BROWN.

Noted National Character, to be Guest of Charlotte Next Week.

On Tuesday and Wednesday of next week, March 27-28, our city is to be honored by the presence of the outstanding woman of our race in this country, Miss Hallie Q. Brown, the distinguished president of the National Association of Colored Women. Her services have gone beyond the bounds of our own country, for at least twice she has represented her race in Europe, and did it well.

She will speak at a large mass meeting of women and men at Clinton Chapel, Tuesday night, March 27. No charge will be made for admission. A contribution will be taken to pay for expenses.

On the following day at 4:30, at Grace Church, she will be at an open meeting of the women of the clubs and others desiring to be present.

She is returning to Ohio her native state from a speaking tour through Florida, Georgia and South Carolina where large and enthusiastic audiences have greeted her at every point. Her first North Carolina engagement will be in Charlotte whose people can well represent the forward movement which characterizes this State. She is a wonderful speaker and no one should miss hearing her.

The City Federation of Women's Clubs, under whose auspices she comes to Charlotte, is urging every citizen to be present Tuesday night at Clinton Chapel to see and to hear this noted character.

The following clipping from the Northeastern Journal is interesting reading concerning her.

"Miss Hallie Q. Brown, president of the National Association of Colored Women, has held the chair of English and Public Speaking at Wilberforce University, Wilberforce, Ohio, since 1912. As a graduate of that institution, she has done more for her Alma Mater than any other alumnus, and filled more important positions than any other woman of the race. Beginning her life work in Dayton, Ohio, as teacher in the public schools, she taught in Yazoo, Miss.; was dean of Allen University, dean of Tuskegee Institute; and has held the chair of English in her Alma Mater for ten years.

"In 1894 she first visited England in the effort to raise funds for Wilberforce. In 1899 she represented colored women at the International Congress of Women, in London, and appeared before Her Majesty Queen Victoria. Miss Brown was also a speaker at the World's W. C. T. U. which met in London at this time. She was a delegate abroad to the World's Missionary Conference in 1913 and was given \$16,000 by Miss E. J. Emery for a girls' dormitory for Wilberforce, which was named in honor of the donor's mother—the Kezia Emery Hall."

## A BAZAAR AT RIDGEWAY, VA.

The Helping Hand Missionary Society of Trinity Presbyterian Church of Ridgeway, Va., and the Parochial School observed Washington's Birthday (Feb. 22.) with a program and bazaar. The program consisted of recitations, solos and playlets which was enjoyed by all present. The bazaar was a splendid success. The amount of money from the sales of the garments that were made by the sewing class, under the instruction of Mrs. Elizabeth Wilson, as sewing teacher, amounted to \$23.92. This money was raised for the benefit of the Y. O. P. Society and the Women's Missionary Society. The effort is to meet all financial obligations before the year closes.

## FROM TRADD ST. CHURCH, STATESVILLE.

Sunday afternoon, February 24th, a creditable program, "George Washington's Birthday," was rendered by the Sabbath School. The children spoke well. The music was splendid, with Miss Mozella B. Hill as organist, who plays for both church and Sabbath school in the absence of Prof. D. S. Alexander, who is off teaching.

The Sabbath school is doing well with Mr. H. C. Cowan as superintendent.

The Elders' and Deacons' Association was held here Friday, March 2nd. The first half hour was spent in a praise service conducted by the president.

There were many interesting subjects discussed. The first was, "What the Presbyterian Church Stands For." Discussion was led by Mr. Elias Summers. All subjects were considered at length, but those that brought about lively discussions were: "Are We Ready for Self-Support?" and "The Every Member Canvass: Why? And how conducted?" These topics were well discussed and it seemed as if everyone went away feeling more determined to be self-supporting.

The meeting was largely attended by elders and deacons. The next meeting will be held in Allen's Temple Church, Cleveland, N. C., the first Friday in June.

Sabbath morning, March 3rd, our pastor, Rev. J. L. Hollowell, D. D., preached a soul-stirring sermon from James 2:19.

Our Missionary Society is progressing with Mrs. E. P. Alexander as president. We have just sent in our apportionment of money (\$11.00) to the Presbyterian Board. The society had a very program Friday evening, March 1st, a Pew Rally, on Sunday, March 4th, for the benefit of the same.

Pray for our success.  
(Mrs.) H. C. Cowan.

## BEN SALEM CHURCH.

By Miss I. C. White.

Sunday morning, March 18, Rev. W. M. Hairston preached a most wonderful sermon. He seemed to possess a double portion of the Holy Spirit which seemed to burn as fire in dry stubble. His text was found in Acts 20:18, "And when they Acts 20:18, "And when they were come to him, he said unto them; ye know, from the first day that I came into Asia after what manner I have been with you at all seasons."

After listening to such an inspiring sermon our deacon, Mr. A. S. Grier, made a short statement, saying that he hoped everyone would contribute something for our pastor; and thus help the gospel light shine brighter. The collection amounted to \$4.05.

At 1 o'clock, March 18, the Women's Missionary Society met at the church. Many matters were suggested for the unifying of our church. The meeting was largely attended.

Mr. J. A. Bogle, one of our efficient Sunday school teachers, was absent on last Sabbath on account of influenza in his home.

The officers held a short business meeting at the church on last Sunday evening, March 18.

On March 11 we had an inspiring prayer meeting which was conducted by Mr. T. B. Billings.

The women of the Missionary Society regretted very much the absence of one of our active members, Mrs. Lillie Bogle, who is very sick with influenza and also her mother-in-law, Mrs. Hannah Bogle, and little Miss Hannah Sarah Bogle. We hope they will soon be out again.

We are very sorry to say that Miss Bertie Brown, who has been ill for the past month, is improving very slowly.