

OUR CHURCHES.

Clinton Chapel, (Zion), services at 11 a.m., 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Sunday school at 1 p.m. **REV. J. A. TYLER, Pastor.**
 Presbyterian Church, corner 7th and College streets; services at 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Sunday School at 10 a.m. **REV. R. P. WYCHE, Pastor.**
 St. Michael (P. E.) Church, Mint St., services at 8 p.m. Sunday school at 4 p.m. **REV. QUINN, Pastor.**
 M. E. Church, south Graham street, services at 11 a.m., 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Sunday School at 9 a.m. **REV. G. W. PRICE, Pastor.**
 First Baptist Church, south Church street, services at 11 a.m., 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. **REV. E. EAGLES, Pastor.**
 Second Baptist Church, east 4th St., services at 11 a.m., 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Sunday School at 1 p.m. **REV. Z. HAUGHTON, Pastor.**

SOCIETIES.

G. U. O. of O. F.—Rising Star, No. 1555, meets bi-weekly, Thursday night. Odd Fellows Hall. **W. J. HUNTER, N. G.**
J. P. Smith, P. S.
 Star of Hope, No. 1,790, meets bi-weekly, Tuesday night, Odd Fellows Hall. **G. M. GRIER, N. G.**
T. N. Davidson, P. S.
 Pride of Sharon, No. 2,223, meets bi-weekly, Friday night, Odd Fellows Hall. **SANDY MCKEE, N. G.**
T. J. Weddington, P. S.
 MASONIC.—Paul Drayton Lodge, No. 7, meets first and third Monday nights in each month. **JOHN SMITH, Wm. Smith, Secretary. W. M.**

Lodge Directory.

Good Samaritans, working under Grand Lodge No. 2.
 Reliance, No. 10, meets every Tuesday night, in Holden's Hall, on corner of Trade and College Streets—Richard Pethel, Secretary.
 McPeeler, No. 11, meets every Monday night, in Holden's Hall—Lizzie Means Secretary.
 Golgotha, No. 25, meets every Thursday night, in Holden's Hall—Wm. Foster, Secretary.
 Silver Hill, No. 82, meets every Friday night, in Holden's Hall—John Spencer, Secretary.
 Ebenezer, No. 103, meets every Wednesday night, in Holden's Hall—Henry Ross, Secretary.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Persons failing to get their paper promptly, will please inform us at once.
 The communication from Mr. C. M. McNeill and the one from County Line, are crowded out.
 Harnett county Teachers Institute, is in session at Lillington. White and colored teachers are invited to attend.
 The firemen went to the First Baptist Church last Sunday afternoon in uniform to hear a sermon by Rev. Mr. Eagles.
 The Cape Fear Graded School at Haywood, N. C., is said to be flourishing under the management of Mr. S. G. Atkins and Mrs. Cooper.
 A lad named Wil Creswell, while riding a horse of Mr. Rigler's, was thrown and had a leg broken. It was splintered we learn, and he is doing well.
 They have raised the south sidewalk of Trade street from Church street to the Mint, nearly two feet. This brings it nearly on a level with the north side.
 The Republican campaign club of 2nd Ward, is requested to meet on Friday night next at Mr. E. Preston's new house.
DAVID GRAY, Ch'm.
 Mr. J. T. Williams has been invited to deliver the annual address before the S. S. Convention at Lillington on the first Friday in September.
 Mr. Phil. Clayburn has the sympathy of his many friends in the city in his sad bereavement. He has lost four children in the last year; two in the spring from fever, and two last week from whooping-cough. His last is taken. We extend our warmest sympathy.

"Odd Fellows' Parade."

The Odd Fellows made a fine appearance on the streets last Wednesday afternoon. Several visiting members were in the city beside delegates, but no Lodge in a body, we think, from abroad. A brass band from Greensboro, and the Sharon band furnished the music for the occasion. They marched through some of the principal streets to Zion Church, but owing to some misunderstanding of the Sexton, he had not opened the church and the procession marched on to the M. E. Church, the doors of which were thrown open to them, and were then addressed by P. N. F., J. A. Tyler. The address was pointed and interesting. Though quite short it was highly appreciated by all who heard it. S. P. West acted as Master of ceremonies.

Marrriages in July.

The register of deeds for Mecklenburg county issued marriage licences to the following couples during the month of July:

COLORED.

Cane Young and Mary Blount.
 Wm Grant, Adeline Johnson.
 Henry Patrick, Sallie Bryant.
 Jas Withers, Eliza McCain.
 Sandy Refell, Jane Evans.
 Chas Stowe, Manova Caruthers.
 Grgen Litaker, Amy Marrow.
 Austin Black, Banna Downs.
 Wilson Potts, Minnie Ninch.
 Paul Gannt, Caroline Holt.
 Cyrus Spring Jane Robert.
 D S Johnston, Amanda C Caruthers.
 George Gaffney, Laura Hart.
 James Alexander, Hannah Williams.
 John Reed, Jane Lemley.

WHITES.

E K McCulloch and Mary Harkey.
 Simon Lesser, Annie Rintels.
 Ed C Ray, Bessie L Dewey.
 Nathan Schloss, Joe Nathan.
 Jno L Parker, Nora McAllister.
 M F Kirkman, M G Flow.
 Thos Knotts, Maggie Helms.
 J Robt Cobb, Sallie Gause.

District Grand Lodge G. U. O. of O. F.

The District Grand Lodge of North Carolina, G. U. O. of O. F., met in Odd Fellows' Hall, this city, on Friday last, at 12 m., and was duly opened by Grand Master I. B. Abbott. A large number of lodges was represented by delegates. After going through the usual preliminaries, questions of great importance were discussed, among which was discussed with great interest, education and care of the orphans, and relief of widows of deceased brothers of the order. From the spirit exhibited, the future prospect of this branch of the order is brighter than ever. The bringing to the front such men as G. C. Scurlock, J. A. Tyler, W. E. Holly, and others, is bound to have a telling effect upon the Order. Geo. C. Scurlock is quite a young man, the most respected and industrious in his section. While he has spent much time for the good of his people, he has stood by the forge and anvil in his own shop and brought himself up to a material stand-point that makes him independent, honest, outspoken upon all the topics of the day, and always looking out for the general good of his people. Being of the highest moral standing, he has done more for the moral elevation of his people than any young man in the State. He is a consistent member of the church, and strictly temperate in his habits. We congratulate the Lodge upon the election of Bro. Scurlock as its chief officer.

After a harmonious session of two days, the Grand Lodge ended its labors. The next session will be held in Goldsboro the first Tuesday in August, 1883. Past Grand Master I. B. Abbott was elected to represent the District Lodge at the R. M. C., which meets in Boston, Mass., second Tuesday in October next. The following officers were elected to serve the ensuing year:
 Grand Master—Geo. C. Scurlock, Fayetteville.
 Deputy Grand Master—N. S. Taylor, Raleigh.
 Grand Secretary—W. W. Lewis, Newberne.
 Grand Treasurer—W. E. Holly,

Greensboro.
 Grand Chaplain—J. A. Tyler, Charlotte.
 Grand Guard—M. P. Holly, Newberne.
 Grand Marshal—Geo. M. Grier, Charlotte.
 Grand Warden—Winslow, Reidville.
 Executive Committee—I. B. Abbott, S. P. West, J. W. Neal.

Personals.

Mr. J. T. Williams spent several days in the city this week, the guest of Mrs. Killian.
 We were pleased to have with us this week, Mr. Geo. C. Scurlock of Fayetteville.
 Col. Wasson of the Goldsboro Star, was in the city this week.
 Col. Thos. B. Keogh, of Greensboro, was in the city two or three days this week.
 I. B. Abbott, of the Newbern Lodge, spent a part of the week in the city.
 Miss Mary Lynch left us on Monday last for Alexandria, where she will "teach the young idea to shoot."
 Mr. W. H. Houser left for High Point on Wednesday last, with a lot of hands to take a contract of work. Mr. Houser is one of our best brick masons.
 Rev. Dr. Edward Blyden of Liberia, is visiting America.
 Cadet Whittaker is lecturing in the Northern States.

For the Messenger.
SAMBO'S CHANCE IN MECKLENBURG POLITICS.

The colored people now have a grand opportunity to have some recognition on the Republican ticket this fall here that they never have had, or will have for many years to come. This is caused by the fact that this County was carried by 1,500 majority for the Antiprohibition ticket, and thus making victory possible this fall. In scoring this victory the colored people cast, practically, a solid vote for Anti-prohibition, and from this issue we have a combining of different elements of both parties into a coalition party, whose sole object is the defeat of the Bourbon Democracy. Now this party claims the negro voter as its faithful ally, because of his vote on Anti-prohibition, and relies on his vote to carry this County against the organized Democracy this fall, for without the negro votes the party would not elect a single man. Now, this being true, the colored voter must demand a colored representative on the ticket. He is in majority in the Republican party, and should demand a just recognition of his rights. The so-called leaders of the Republican party have pledged the negro votes to the new party without his consent, and have practically dropped the Republican party and have taken hold of the Liberal or Coalition party. This being the case, there being no Republican party to fight for, what is the negro voter to do? Vote on which side he may he will vote a Democratic ticket. The only difference between the two parties now is simply what they promise, not what they have done. Such being the case, the Democracy being demoralized, a new party being formed, then the negro should demand that his representative be one of his own color, or that the elective offices be divided with him.

The colored people here have never had an intelligent conception of their power as voters. For instance, in the election in 1880 in the 3rd Ward in Charlotte, W. R. Myers, for Congress, received a majority of 160 votes over Major Dowd. Buxton 150 over Jones, and Garfield 148 over Hancock. There were not 50 white Republican cast, and all the colored men voted straight Republican. We know, as we kept the name of every Republican who voted, and can show how every man

voted that day. In the Anti-prohibition election, the vote of the colored people was as one man for anti-prohibition, and the great victory of 1,500 majority in the County is owing to his vote, and as victory seems assured in the fall, it is no more than right that the negro should have a place on the ticket for his faithful services in the past.

The negro votes the ticket as a Democrat drinks corn juice—straight. Now if he must change through sheer policy, and for the benefit of the party, and vote for coalition, he must have some substantial evidences that the party means business, and not mere wind. And he will not vote blindly—he has got his eyes open, as Grey says. So sure are some of the coalitioners of victory, that they have already selected places for themselves and friends on the County ticket, but never a word to the negro what place he shall have, expecting, as they do, to be placed there by negro votes, is any colored voter too blind to see it. They are working on the same principal as the negro and the white man who went hunting in partnership. The result of the day's hunt was a buzzard and a turkey. "Well," said the white man, "Sam, you take the buzzard and I'll take the turkey, or I'll take the turkey and you take buzzard." "Look heah, boss," said Sam, "you nebber turkey to menarry time." This states the case exactly, while the ticket is being made up and offices being divided, the colored voter stands with his hat off, but "dey nebber say turkey narry time." He may be made to eat buzzard, but like Bill Toats, "he'll derned ef he has a hankering arter it."

Now it is claimed by some so-called colored leaders, that it is not policy to place colored men on the ticket, that it will drive off good Republicans and blast our hopes of victory. By whose votes will victory be made possible this fall, if not the negroes? Who stands the blunt or bathe. The negro don't scatter tickets; he votes the Republican ticket every time.

There is a class of colored and white Republicans who style themselves leaders, who claim that to place a negro on the ticket is to invite defeat, and all such moves are instigated by Democrats to defeat the Republican party. Such men are not to be trusted, as these same men have followed a policy by which the Republican party has not gained a single victory since they have had charge. Their very incompetency is shown in every move they have made. They have never suggested an intelligent idea in the management of County politics worth hearing. Therefore, colored men, think for yourselves, and do not be led astray by men who have neither the ability nor the desire to do you any good whatever.

Now we claim only a small place on the ticket—something like Register of Deeds, a member of the Legislature, and Constable, will do just now. We must have something. This is a big County, and there are a great many good colored Republicans in it who intend to be represented on that ticket, or there will be a fuss in the camp. We intend to push it till the convention meets, and we intend to have it. Every colored man wants it, and all are with us. So rally 'round the flag, boys.
BAD AXE.

For the Messenger:
Colored Mission Work in Concord, N. C.

CONCORD, N. C., July 31, 1882.
 Mr. Editor:—We enjoyed quite an interesting service in the Court House on yesterday evening, the occasion being a sermon by Rev. D. J. Kootz, the only ordained colored Lutheran minister in the South; and we take great pleasure in affirming that the discourse was alike creditable to the head and heart of its eloquent author. The text was, "Come thou and all thy house into

the Ark," from which, after a brief prologue, the preacher took occasion to show that the ark fitly represented the church in her saving power and efficacy, and that, as all were lost who remained out of the ark, so all who live and die in neglect and contempt of the church and her means of grace, will also perish, showed that only those who went into the vineyard and wrought, received nothing.

It is not possible in the brief space allotted to this paper to give a full report of the gentleman's effort, suffice it to say, that the large congregation went away delighted, expecting to return that night, when a church will, in all probability, be organized. It was pleasing to see the interest manifested by the colored people in this new religious enterprise, and they were greatly encouraged by the presence of a number of white people, and by words of cheer from Rev. S. T. Hollman, President of the N. C. Lutheran Synod, and pastor of the Concord Lutheran Church. He assured us that we could depend on the moral and pecuniary support of the Lutherans of the State, that funds would be contributed to aid us in the erection of a church, that we should be left free and untrammelled in the management of our own congregation, that \$225 had already been raised towards our pastors support, and that the position occupied by Mr. Kootz was such as to hand him down to future ages as a hero in the great strife against sin and in defense of the faith of the great Reformation—the faith of the church of Christ. He also made an interesting statement as to the doctrines and cultures of the Lutheran Church, a statement highly gratifying, and promised to address us on the same subject at another time, to which we shall joyfully look forward.

We now call upon all friends, at home and abroad, to come forward and give us their prayers, sympathies and contributions, to aid us in building up the first colored Lutheran Church in North Carolina. Send contributions to

WARREN C. COLEMAN,
 Concord, N. C.

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