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Short correspondence of interest to the general public is solicited, but don't be disappointed if you fail to see your production in our columns. We are not responsible for the views of correspondents. Anonymous communications go to the waste basket.

Some tell us the Liberal party is dead and there is no use kicking about it any more; but we are by it as the Irishman was by the snake: There is punishment after death.

Mr. Oscar E. Jones of Wilmington is our traveling agent, and is authorized to solicit and collect subscriptions for advertisements.

### COLORED JURORS.

At their last sitting the Commissioners for this county appointed two colored gentlemen as jurors for the February term of the Superior Court. We hail this as a good omen. A recognition of the intelligence and constitutional rights of the negro; an evidence of better feeling between the races, and the result of the outspoken manhood of the press and the leaders of our race. Two men have been selected; we think that an excellent beginning. They are men too of intelligence and moral standing. We congratulate the people of Mecklenburg county, and assure them that they need only to stand by each other, their country, and the right, and all will be well.

### HELP THE MESSENGER.

With this, our first issue, in the new year, we appeal to our friends in Charlotte and the State of North Carolina, to help the MESSENGER. It is your paper, published for your defense and general benefit. It is the duty of every reading man and woman to encourage the paper by taking it and doing all in their power to circulate it. The paper is published for the benefit of the colored people, and if it is properly patronized everybody will be forced to admit, in a few months more, that a marked improvement has been brought about in the interest of the colored people in this section. Who will mind paying \$1.50 a year for a paper that takes a bold stand in defense of the colored man in every sense? One that strikes at the colored man's enemy, matters not in what name or shade he comes. And then this is the only paper we have in this section of the State. The whites have five papers in this city and one in nearly every county. We must not let the MESSENGER suffer in this manner. The matter needs only to be brought properly before our people. We hope everybody will read this and subscribe and pay at once for the MESSENGER. All good judges of papers say it is the best paper published in the State by colored men. It is in one of the fastest growing cities in the South, and is the very paper for the colored people. Let us realize more than our expectations in the way of subscriptions this new year. We want at least five hundred subscribers in Charlotte. Let us have them.

For the Messenger.

### Our Chester Letter.

Mr. Editor:—Permit me to take this opportunity to acknowledge the receipt of your letter conferring on me the honor of associating you in the editorial work of your paper. I highly endorse and appreciate your noble effort in keeping up a respectable and meritorious journal in the interest of the colored people. And while I willingly and gratefully accept the honor conferred upon me, be you assured that I fully recognize the grave responsibility which such a position imposes. To furnish matter interesting and entertaining, both as news and food for the higher faculties of the mind, is a task which has taxed the literary store of our best thinkers. And while I am unable to make any claim to literary fame or aptness in the art of gathering news, I trust that my deep interest in the welfare of my race, and the anxiety with which I watch every movement which tends to elevate or hinder its progress, will afford sufficient thought to fill the space allowed me. I fully recognize the importance and potency of the effort to keep up a newspaper by men of our race for the benefit of our people. That the newspaper is power of great value to whatever cause it espouses is a fact too long established to need any testimony to strengthen it. One of the leading things needed to advance the prosperity of our race and set them in a proper light before the thinking world, is to inaugurate, encourage and perpetuate such enterprises as have made all great races and nations what they are. We trust that we are sufficiently aware of this fact to encourage the people with whom we are conversant to give a liberal support to your already widely-known and highly appreciated sheet. And feeling that your circulation is somewhat extensive already, and that it is read by some of the most intelligent of our day, and that it has merited the esteem of all who know it, we shall ever do our part to keep it up to its present standing, if we can do no more. Hoping that we have not intruded on your space in this, our first effort, we shall close.  
G. W. CLINTON.

For the Messenger.

### Our Washington Letter.

WASHINGTON, D. C.  
Jan. 9th, 1883.  
The Civil Service Bill passed the House without amendment, and awaits only the approval of the President. It was rushed through like a meteor and many a flower of enchanting eloquence was born to blush unseen and waste its sweetness on the desert air. Well, after all, divers reports to the contrary notwithstanding, this is a most exemplary piece of legislation. If the Senate would use less dignity, pomp and ceremony and the House less superfluous lung-power, as a substitute for brain power, less noise and less of this contagious wrangling and act squarely, fairly and unhesitatingly upon the manifold questions and issues which imperative and decisive attention our fortunes would be bettered, our industries quickened and such upheavals of popular indignation as we have just witnessed unnecessary. This Civil Service Bill provides for the appointment of three commissioners at a salary of three thousand, five hundred (\$3,500) dollars, who shall have the general supervisory power of examination and the appointment of not less than three examiners, who shall be Federal office holders in the State or territory where the examination take place, and also a chief examiner at a salary of three thousand (\$3,000) dollars. The examinations for appointments to the subordinate offices of the Government shall take place twice per year at the most centrally located place in the State, and the candidates will be examined in the lowest branches of what ordinarily constitute our high

schools. The bill is painfully verbose and the department clerks here are much exercised over it, on account of the failure to make any more specific provision or dismissal. The bill will take effect within sixty days after its passage.

In the contest election case of Lee vs. Richardson, 1st. S. C, District, the Hon. A H Pettibone, of Tennessee, a very able lawyer, after a searching investigation has pronounced Mr. Lee fairly and legally entitled to the seat now held by Richardson. It is currently rumored that Mr. Lee will secure his seat, though he expressed himself as hopeless, but he expects Congress to require him his contesting expenses.

At the Bethel Literary Association last Tuesday, Rev. Dr. Blyden read an able paper upon "Negro and Christianity," in which he declared that Mohammedonism is preferable to the present christian religion so-called, and that it would secure to the Negro more than any other form of worship manliness, character and equality of rights. His paper provoked a warm discussion from Prof. Greener. Rev. Mr. Brooks, of the 19th Street Baptist Church, Mr. Cardoza and others. To-night Messrs Jesse Lawson and W. C. Chase will read papers.

Rev. James Cook, of Boston, gave two lectures at the Congregational church during the past week to crowded houses. This eminent lecturer is a man of tremendous natural powers, and varied accomplishments of the most scholarly and searching character. No one can well afford to miss hearing a man of such captivating force and energy and scholarly attainments.

On last Wednesday Mr. Wm. E. Mathews, and Miss Emetta Bozeman, a public school teacher were married at the bride's residence. Many sensational reports are on the wing none which are proved. Several school teachers are implicated. Rev. Mr. Crummell, assisted by Rev. Mr. Grimke, performed the ceremony. The most fashionable of Washington society were in attendance. The Episcopal choir gave a Sunday night concert at their church last Sunday, which was largely attended. The ladies of Union Bethel A. M. E. church are actively engaged in preparations for a prize entertainment, to be held on the 16th, 17th and 18th inst. All nature is clothed in white and it snows, it snows, it snows.  
E. I. T.

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Lumberton, . . . . . 10:30 p.m.  
Laurensburg, . . . . . 12:30 a.m.  
Hamlet, . . . . . 2:30 a.m.  
Wadesboro, . . . . . 4:30 a.m.  
Monroe, . . . . . 6:30 a.m.  
Matthews, . . . . . 8:30 a.m.  
Arrive Charlotte, . . . . . 7:40 a.m.  
Leave . . . . . 8:40 a.m.  
Tuskegee, . . . . . 9:32 a.m.  
Lincolnton, . . . . . 11:38 a.m.  
Arrive Shelby, . . . . . 12:40 a.m.

TRAIN No. 2 GOING EAST.  
Leave Shelby, . . . . . 1:40 p.m.  
Lincolnton, . . . . . 3:22 p.m.  
Tuskegee, . . . . . 4:52 p.m.  
Arrive Charlotte, . . . . . 5:40 p.m.  
Leave Charlotte, . . . . . 7:55 p.m.  
Matthews, . . . . . 8:37 p.m.  
Monroe, . . . . . 9:37 p.m.  
Wadesboro, . . . . . 11:45 p.m.  
Hamlet, . . . . . 2:07 a.m.  
Laurensburg, . . . . . 3:07 a.m.  
Lumberton, . . . . . 4:52 a.m.  
Arrive Wilmington, . . . . . 8:50 a.m.

Each of the above trains connect with the P. & A. Airline for Raleigh. No trains leave Charlotte for Wilmington, on Saturday nor Wilmington on Sunday.

### TIME TABLE

Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley R'y.  
To take Effect on Monday, June 12th, 1882.

UP.  
(DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.)  
Fayetteville, . . . . . 4:40 p.m.  
Little River, . . . . . 5:10 p.m.  
Spout Springs, . . . . . 5:30 p.m.  
Swann's Station, . . . . . 6:05 p.m.  
Jonesboro, . . . . . 6:35 p.m.  
Sanford, . . . . . 7:05 p.m.  
Egypt, . . . . . 7:45 p.m.  
Gulf, . . . . . 8:20 p.m.  
DOWN.  
(DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.)  
Gulf, . . . . . 6:00 a.m.  
Egypt, . . . . . 6:15 a.m.  
Sanford, . . . . . 6:45 a.m.  
Jonesboro, . . . . . 7:20 a.m.  
Swann's Station, . . . . . 8:00 a.m.  
Spout Springs, . . . . . 8:55 a.m.  
Little River, . . . . . 9:30 a.m.  
Fayetteville, . . . . . 10:15 a.m.

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