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HON. W. P. CANADAY.

Since the *Southern Protectionist*—which seems to have been started to protect the democratic party against what seems its final doom in this State, has said so much against Mr. Canaday, we will say in a few words why Mr. Canaday should be trusted in preference to Mr. Dockery. The *Protectionist* charges Mr. Canaday with appointing democrats to office and with being disloyal to the party. That is the old cry of "stop thief." The *Protectionist* needs only to be read to show whether or not it is disloyal to the party and the history of the editor may be enquired into to learn what he has ever done for the party; and if the paper has done more than abuse and speak disparagingly of republican leaders, and if the editor has ever done more than hold a good paying office in the party given him on his father's name, and received the honors of the party four years ago of election as delegate by the request of his father, and bore his father's name, we have yet to learn of it. The *Protectionist*, in its course will do the republicans more harm and the democrats more good than any two democratic papers could do by fighting straight in that party.

Now why did Mr. Canaday appoint democrats to office?

A few years ago while Sergeant-at-arms of the Senate, and the republicans only one majority, appointments were taken from the majority and the offices coming under the Sergeant-at-arms were divided among all the Senators, and democratic Senators as well as republicans could have their friends appointed. When a Senator had an office, Mr. Canaday could do no more than appoint the man nominated. The principal officers of the Senate are elected by that body. If it was a common thing for Mr. Canaday to appoint democrats to office, why don't Mr. Dockery name more than one, of the hundreds of men he has given places since he has been an influential man in the departments and with the administrations at Washington.

Mr. Canaday needs no defense at our hands. He is too well known in this State and country. While mayor of Wilmington he showed that he had the broadest shoulders and the biggest heart of any man that has ever filled that office. His administration was a success and a living monument especially to the colored people. When he was made collector of that port, he went further and stood firmer by the colored man than any white man has ever done in North Carolina. His chief deputy was a colored man and the only one ever holding a similar position in the State. A majority of his employees were colored and his inspectors, &c., were treated like men.

When Mr. Canaday went to Washington he did not do as many other men. He still held influence and did not forget his party and friends. He has given to colored men more places in Washington City than any man, living or dead. At the close of the republican administration, more colored men held places in Washington credited to Mr. Canaday than to all other republicans from the State combined. He has spent more money for the party than any man in the State. He is a friend to a friend and will stand by him and fight for him when necessary. There is not a truer and more loyal man to the republican party than Hon. W. P. Canaday. He is a bold, wise, true and safe leader.

For these and other reasons the republicans have honored Mr. Canaday and will continue to honor him. The colored men of this State and country respect and honor him because

he treats us like men. The colored men of this State will elect him a delegate at large when the State convention meets, and we will be willing to have him head a Sherman delegation or to cast our votes for the choice of the delegation.

FAYETTEVILLE NOTES.

The weather has been quite mild, but at this writing the cold wave is visiting us.

Last Monday night 2d inst. a severe storm arose accompanied with loud peals of thunder and lightning.

The Normal Literary Society, which is presided over by Prof. G. H. Williams, we learn is progressing rapidly.

Mr. E. L. Thornton, of Tarboro, N. C., was in town a few days ago.

Mr. John Holloway, of Wilmington, N. C., paid us a short visit last week.

The Golden Star Lodge held a festival in Masonic hall last Wednesday and Thursday night.

Vacation days will soon be here, and perhaps the little boys and girls will welcome them.

The grand rally for the church bell at Evan's chapel will come off next Sunday, 15th. It is hoped that every one will do his and her duty. Our pastor, Rev. J. M. Hill, is working faithfully.

Easter was strictly observed at Zion. The church was handsomely decorated with green shrubs and white turlin. Flowers were very scarce. The pastor preached one of his rich, flowing sermons. In the afternoon the Holy Sacrament was administered. The choir rendered several anthems which had been prepared for the occasion.

Mr. G. C. Scurlock spent Easter Sabbath in Maxton. He is constantly travelling now in the interest of the Temperance cause.

A few weeks ago fire broke out in store occupied by Mr. F. P. Williston. It was not long before the whole town was illuminated. A good number of his goods were saved, though the real loss is not known by many.

Mr. A. W. Whitfield writes that he is highly pleased with his new mountain home—Asheville. He is very much missed, especially on Gillispie street.

The revival meetings at Zion have closed, after a continuation of eight or ten weeks. About eighty persons were happily converted. It can truly be said that the "Holy Ghost" was in the midst of God's people. We only give a synopsis of the doings at Zion, as another copy will appear relative to this and Easter services.

As the editor gave us such a nice diet on long manuscripts a few weeks ago we must cut our notes down very short. We never like to make large debts. You will hear from us again soon, readers. MARY.

Fayetteville, April 12th.

NOTES FROM CONCORD.

In 1885, on Easter Sunday morning, there were four men and two women in the guard-house from the influence of whiskey. This being 1888 there has been a great change. The path to the guard-house is covered over with green grass. But we are sorry to say we have the terrible evil to fight against again. We are not glad that we have it to fight, but we fight it with boldness. We have selected General Jesus for our Captain and therefore we do not fear.

Please encourage all your readers of this paper in our behalf. Some of our weak-kneed christians say it makes money matters hard, but we know that it pleases God, and therefore we fight on.

Mr. Editor, I have been waiting on some other parties who said they were going to send when I did—but find enclosed one dollar. H. TURNER.

District Conference.

Please allow me to say to the public through your paper that our District Conference of the Wilmington District will come off here at Laurinburg on the 18th of April, and also the Sunday-school Convention will come off on the 21st and close 22d. Rev. J. E. Champlin, Presiding Elder of the Wilmington District, will preside. Pray for us, that God may bless our coming together. Yours truly,
W. H. SMITH.

SAYINGS ABOUT RALEIGH.

The people around and about the capital city are in the midst of a great excitement over the arrival, this morning of the two fraudulent bank officials, Cross and White, from the boodler's paradise, Canada. Before their leave of this icy clime many doubts were maintained by the citizens of their return to this country. After all it is through their own courtesy that they are at the demands of our court. District Attorney Busbee signed an agreement that they would only be tried for three forgeries, and not for having in custody stolen money. Yet these men have stolen more money than all the ninety-six of those Negroes in the State of North Carolina together. The State Bank is completely gone, and on its door can be seen the sad inscription, *closed*. A stranger not cognizant of the fact in passing might think it was a national or State holiday, and the officials were out on a bird hunt.

The editor of the *Outlook*, W. B. Hunter, has tendered his resignation to the manager of the *Outlook*, which has been accepted, and he will no longer be responsible for what appears in its editorial columns.

The teachers are making extensive preparations for the reception of the teachers from the different parts of the State, who will attend the State Teachers Association.

Politics are somewhat on a boom in the different wards of the city, and each political leader is closing up his columns for the grand contest, which will soon be in our midst.

We notice in the last issue of the *Wilmington Bulletin* a very severe criticism on the editor of the *Cape Fear Advocate*. While this may be true about his deceitfulness (and your humble servant would dare say not), it seems that when we see one of our race possessing such *principle* as published by the *Bulletin*, instead of pushing him down the hill, we should endeavor to elevate him. Remember the Negro has already 43,600,000 of Anglo-Saxons behind him, and against him, either politically or socially. It is proper to go to the man—not write him up in such a manner. We were sorry to see such noble mind as the editor of the *Bulletin* possesses stoop to notice such articles as often appears in the *Cape Fear Advocate*.

The *Charlotte Messenger* is hailed at the Capital as one of the greatest Negro journals in the country. Smith indeed, is a powerful editor—not only an editor, but a financier in the newspaper business.

We hope Prof. E. E. Smith is satisfied, having received that recognition so much desired by him. He has been a candidate for the Mission since the days of Hopkins. Success to him. Hope Taylor's flees will not run him home.

Raleigh, N. C., April 9, 1888.

NEWS AROUND MAXTON.

Miss C. B. Miller opened a primary school in Maxton, Monday, April 2d.

Miss L. D. Lee is still teaching at Alma. Reports coming in from there gives much credit to our young teacher of Lumberton.

Mr. G. C. Scurlock, Grand Lecturer and Organizer of Good Templars in the State, lectured here in the M. E. Church to a large congregation.—Twenty-six took the obligation.

Thanks to our many friends for past assistance to build a church at John station. Please don't stop, as we are where help is needed. The frame is up and we desire to use the church by the first of July.

I administered sacrament last Sunday to ninety-seven communicants.—Four new members joined church.

Our Sunday-schools are in a better condition, and has more literature than for years past. Sunday-school convention in connection with Wilmington District Conference at Laurinburg April 18-20.

The Maxton *Union* printing press has been moved in one room over M. McNair's store—prepared for Y. M. C. A.

Sorry to announce our aged father, Stephen McPhalls, is not expected to live, with heart troubles.

If good societies will create good morals Maxton will be lifted. We have G. U. O. O. Fellows, Independent Samaritans, Knights of Labor, Knights of Honor, Friends of Temperance, Y. M. C. A., Chosen Friends,

Silver Star Band, Good Templars, Maxton Guards, and 5 good churches and Sunday-schools.

Mr. Editor, don't let a copy of your paper, the *Messenger*, fail to appear, for our readers are out of sorts when they fail to get its tidings.

Yours in every good work.

O. W. BLAYLOCK.

IN MEMORIAM.

We, your committee, do report as follows:

"Another hand is beckoning us,
Another call is given;
And glows once more with angel-steps
The path which reaches Heaven.

"Our young and gentle friend, whose smile
Made brighter summer hours,
Amid the frosts of autumn time
Has left us with the flowers:

"No paling of the cheek of bloom
Forewarned us of decay;
No shadow from the Silent Land
Fell round our sister's way.

"The light of her young life went down,
As sinks behind the hill
The glory of a setting star—
Clear, suddenly, and still.

"We miss her in the place of prayer,
And by the hearth-fire's light;
We pause beside her door to hear
Once more hersweet 'Good-night.'"

With what force and reality come these lines of the poet!

How shocking and yet how suggestive are the dispensations of Providence!

His dispensation has been among us. Our ranks have been despoiled. Another gentle and sweet soul gone—a powerful personality is silent. The grave holds her fast. Death has claimed her for his own. Mrs. Marie De Sinclair is no more. The faculty and students of Livingstone College do resolve:

1st. That in her death is lost, to the Institution, a devoted, efficient, and untiring worker in the promotion of its interests; to the instructors a congenial and noble associate; to the students an accomplished and exemplary teacher.

2dly. That while we bow in humble submission to the will of Him who "doeth all things well," we feel a profound sadness in the loss of our associate and teacher.

3dly. That we extend to the bereaved husband tenderest expressions of condolence, and pray God that he may be sustained in this his hour of deep grief.

Resolved, further, That this report be published in the *Star of Zion*, the *Charlotte Messenger*, and the *Tennessee Star*.

Respectfully submitted,

E. MOORE, Chairman.

S. G. ATKINS, Sec'y.

Committee: Miss Jennie C. Jones, Miss Fannie C. Petty, Miss Gertie S. Holmes, R. H. Stitt, Edward Fields, T. T. Richardson, J. D. Bibb, Miss Bettie Riddick, Miss Dusky Hamilton.

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