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"Grace, mercy and peace" be with all our readers through the year 1894. The world is growing old and this long century is rapidly coming to a close, but the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ is fresh and young as ever for all who prize it. The times are hard and scant, but there are great riches of mercy from our heavenly Father in store for those who will seek them. There is a great deal of unrest which is heaving in the bosom of society, but the Spirit will give deep and blessed peace to the year to those who consent to be led by him. Pray for a blessed year, and if you will live as you pray, the blessing cannot fail.

The present issue of THE WACHOVIA MORAVIAN has a happy flavor of Christmas about it. The season has been a peculiarly favored one in Southern churches. The weather was very beautiful, but that was only a part of the blessing. So much had been done to make the season pleasant to the Sunday School scholars that the days were radiant with festal occasions. Even in a new congregation like that of Fulp, the kindly enthusiasm was so great one might have supposed that their Christmas celebration had been the hundredth rather than the first. May the same zeal attend the Sunday School effort of every kind throughout the year.

The statistics of the year 1893, as printed in this number, are probably the most cheering which the Southern Church has ever been permitted to send forth. The growth during 1892 was so large that a diminution might reasonably have been expected in the following year, but, on the contrary, there has been a decided increase. The figures which will most interest our readers are the number of communicants, the total of church members, and the numerical state of the Sunday Schools. The net increase of communicants was 214; the net increase of members was 143, and the net increase in the Sunday Schools was 665. The per cent. of increase for communicants was 10½; for members in general, 11; for Sunday School teachers, 38; for Sunday School scholars, 24; for total in Sunday Schools, 25. What the Southern Church now needs to do is to lay to heart the apostle's example, "of forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those which are before." Earnest and united prayer from the very beginning of the year will give us a blessed season throughout. Let all the churches, all the ministers and all the workers be aroused anew to those supplications which lie at the foundation of all successful Christian effort.

In our last number we noted the gift of a saw-mill to the Bethel, Alaska, Mission. It came from the firm C. A. Hege & Co., of the Salem Iron Works. A recent letter from Bethel informs us how very happy this donation has made the missionaries. A little bottle was sent with the inscription: "The first saw-dust that fell from the mill at Bethel, Alaska, Aug. 8th, 1893." The letter from Sr. Kilbuck said: "I send you a small box of the first saw-dust that fell from the Bethel saw-mill. I thought you might care to have it. I can hardly write about anything else; we are so happy over it all. I wish you could be here to rejoice with us."

The Church at Home.

Bethabara.—The Christmas Eve Love-feast was followed by the Christmas Sermon. The Sunday School entertainment was held on Tuesday night, Dec. 26, and proved a very enjoyable occasion to all present. The teachers of the school decided to make a change from the usual custom of giving candies, and, instead, provided other gifts for the children, with which they were well pleased.

Bethania.—By liberal donations on the part of a number of our members we have succeeded in erecting a building for the deposit of horses, which is a great convenience for those coming from the country. The building is about 62x12 feet, with stalls on either side, each having a trough and hitching place. This is a good, substantial structure, and fills a long-felt want.

The Sunday School and orchestra gave a Christmas Cantata, entitled "St. Nicholas," on Friday evening of Christmas week. The church was literally crowded with spectators, and all passed off well.

The New Year's Eve services were largely attended. At 7 o'clock lovefeast was held; at 9 o'clock, service in which the statistical report and memorabilia were read; and at 11:30, the last service of the old year.

Calvary Chapel.—The report this month from each congregation will doubtless be of the many and varied Christmas festivities and blessings. Calvary must therefore follow suit. On the evening of Friday, December 22d, a very good programme of songs by the school, solos, duets, recitations, etc., was rendered by the Sunday School. A stage had been erected over the pulpit platform, and half of it was occupied by the youngest classes, while the other half was curtained off and decorated with a border of small trees for the tableau which were the special feature of the concert. Three scenes were represented: the Shepherds and Angel, the Three Wise Men, and the Sunday School Angel. The electric stereoicon was used and threw, at short range, a powerful light upon the groups while all the other lights in the chapel were turned off. All the participants in the exercises acquitted themselves very creditably. The youngest classes, in their song and recitation, with burning candles held in their hands, outdid their usual record. The entire chapel was decorated with festoons and trees, while a large star, illuminated with an incandescent light placed inside, hung over the pulpit.
On Saturday morning the platform was removed, and a large hill of rock was built over the pulpit, the desk itself appearing to be hewn out of the living rock. Much labor was entailed by these Christmas preparations, but all was given in such a hearty and willing spirit that a blessing rested upon it.

On December 30th, at 4:30 P.M., a large congregation of children, their parents and friends assembled in the church on more to partake of the usual Lovefeast. The Calvary choir rendered two anthems in a very pleasing style, and lighted candles were given out to all the little folk, according to the old Moravian custom.

With the coming in of the new year may the great blessing of our Master attend the work in this field.

Centreville--The Christmas time was made sad for one of our Centreville families by the death of Sr. Mary Caroline Blum on Christmas Eve. Her age was 65 years, 4 months and 4 days. The Sunday School Concert on Sunday afternoon, December 24th, was the best which the school has ever given. It was a good evidence of progress in the Sunday School work.

Colored Congregation--Two deaths have occurred in this congregation during December, the two oldest members being taken, Sr. Lydia Spangh, at the age of 83 years and 5 days, and Bro. Lewis Folz, at the age of 81 years, 1 month and 13 days. The Sunday School Christmas Concert was given on Thursday night, December 28th. The attendance was very large and appreciative.

East Salem--One of the sermons preached by the pastor during the month of December was on the subject of Baptism. The Christmas Concert, on Tuesday afternoon in Christmas week, was a very pleasing and successful event. It was entitled "The Bells of Christmas." The recitations and songs all had the ring of the merry Christmas bells.

Friedland--The December Communion season, on the 2d Sunday, was a very happy occasion. In the first service 18 persons were received into the communicant membership of the congregation. Of this number 14 were confirmed, two baptized and two re-admitted. The Lovefeast was very largely attended. In the Holy Communion 160 sat down together in sweet fellowship with our Lord and Saviour.

The infant daughter of Bro. and Sr. Franklin and Eliza Knauss, and the infant son of Bro. and Sr. Jacob and Leah Fishel were also baptized on this day.

But the order was excellent and the first Moravian Christmas celebration within the present bounds of Stokes county, N.C., was a pleasure to all. Bro. Linback has found a very capable assistant for his work in Mrs. Dr. Fulp, who lives near by and on whose husband's land it is hoped that the new church building will soon be erected.

One feature of this Christmas occasion which was especially noteworthy, was the fact that every member of the congregation from the oldest brother or sister to the youngest Sunday School child gave some recitation either of Scripture or of a layman. It was a real Christian Endeavor meeting.

On Saturday, Jan. 6th, Bishop Ronitalscher preached here again, and after the sermon, a fervent meeting of texts and of prayer was held.

Hope Sunday School--The Christmas exercise was given on Christmas Eve afternoon. It was a pleasant occasion. The songs and recitations were well rendered and reflected great credit upon the superintendent's and teachers' labors.

Kernersville--Bro. Howard Ronitalscher held Christmas Eve service. A large and appreciative audience was present.

Macedonia--The Sunday School Christmas celebration was on Christmas Day. The exercises consisted principally of songs and recitations. A large evergreen tree was set up in the church and filled with gifts for the teachers and scholars and the public generally. The superintendent, Bro. A. R. Sheek, remarked that it was the best Christmas they had ever had.

Mt. Bethel--The Christmas exercises were held here on Sunday, December 17th. There was a sermon at 11 o'clock, and Sunday School exercise at 2 o'clock. After the recitations and songs, gifts, provided by friends in Salem, were distributed to teachers and scholars.

A new church committee was elected, consisting of the three brethren; Madison Ayers, Van Buren Boyd and Edgar Smith. Bro. Herbert Pfohl was with the pastor, and took part in the Christmas service.

New Philadelphia--Christmas was observed with special religious exercises on the 23d and 25th of December. On the 23d there was preaching and lovefeast, and lighted wax candles were distributed to the children. After the regular services a Church Council was held, and the Bro. Julius P. Transue, David A. Shore, Albert F. Thomas, Allen A. Crater, and Alexander B. Mock were elected a Board of Elders to serve for two years. Bro. James B. Butner was chosen Steward, and
and the Brn. Columbus E. Reich and Gideon Livengood, Chapel Servants.

The infant daughter of Bro. and Sr. Alexander and Alice Mock was dedicated to the Lord in the sacrament of Infant Baptism in the course of the day.

The Sunday School Christmas exercise was given on the 23rd. Songs and recitations were rendered, and gifts from a large tree were distributed to the school and friends.

Oak Grove.—The Christmas exercises were on Christmas Day. The pastor preached an appropriate sermon upon the text, Matt. 13:16, 17. After the sermon the Sunday School sang a number of songs prepared for the occasion, and presents were distributed to the teachers and scholars. About 150 packages were given out.

Bro. Thomas Disher, the superintendent of this Sunday School from its organization, has tendered his resignation. His place has been filled by the election of Bro. V. M. Sievers.

Olivet.—The Christmas Lovefeast and Sunday School entertainment was celebrated at 11 o'clock, Christmas Eve day. The singing, accompanied by organ and violin, was excellent. The Chapel would not accommodate the large number who were present.

Pleasant Fork Sunday School.—This School entertained a very large company on Christmas Eve. The exercises showed the results of self-denying labors. All passed off excellently. The large guilder in the front of the church was a great attraction. There was a gift for every teacher and scholar, and many friends availed themselves of this opportunity to distribute gifts to others. The pastor among the rest was not forgotten.

Providence.—The pastor preached on the 3d Sunday. A Church Council was held after the service to elect a Board of Elders for two years. The Brn. James Fulp, John Southern and John L. Walker were chosen. On Sunday, Dec. 24th, appropriate Christmas services were held by the pastor at 11 A. M.

Salem.—The Christmas and New Year's weather was the most beautiful which has been enjoyed for many years. The spirit of the congregation corresponded with the brightness which prevailed without. Among all the happy holiday seasons here enjoyed there has never been a happier one. On Christmas Eve, the church with its several hundred infant faces, lighted up by the wax candles was a sight worth remembering. The singing on the great lovefeast occasion, on that evening, was joyous, as one seldom hears congregational singing. On New Year's Eve, at 4:30 p. m., the pastor is accustomed to distribute cards among the children. As the troops of little ones come up to stand around the desk before which most of them had been baptized, every heart was touched. In the evening, at the Memorabilia and afterwards, in the midnight service, great crowds were present. Perfect order prevailed. In deed a peculiar solemnity rested on the final service of the year, with its conclusion in the first hour of 1894. It seemed a fore-taste of a deeper outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the new period of time. When Bro. McCUSKIN told of a young man who was that day dying in God's peace, a pin might have been heard to drop.

The Sunday Schools showed by the excellence of their programmes how careful the year's work had been, while the large attendances manifested the general interest felt in their labors. Calvary gave its entertainment on Friday evening, December 23rd; Christ Chapel, on Saturday evening; Centreville, on Christmas Eve afternoon; Home School, on Christmas Day evening; East Salem, on second Christmas afternoon, and Elm Street, on the evening of the same day. The Colored Sunday School, with singing that was wonderfully beautiful, closed the series on the following Thursday evening. Home and Elm Street Sunday Schools gave their concerts in the Home church, which was made especially appropriate for these occasions by the beautiful decorations. The pulpit was surrounded with evergreen arches. The transparency of the Nativity was placed behind the pulpit in a bed of cedar and laurel. The great festoons met from the corners of the church over the central electric light, and thus hung as a canopy over the large audiences gathered beneath.

Salem Congregation has been greatly blessed during 1893. It now consists of the Home, Calvary, East Salem and Centreville branches with several other missions and Sunday Schools chapels, all working harmoniously together. The Spirit of God has blessed the new arrangement, as may be seen from the fact that 84 communicants were added during the year.

Union Cross.—This Sunday School is growing in size and interest. The Christmas celebration on Sunday, the 24th of December, was a very happy occasion. Songs and recitations, prepared by the scholars, were given. The Kernersville Band was present and furnished appropriate music. Gifts, prepared by friends living in Kernersville, were distributed to the scholars. The Sunday School wishes to say, through The Wachovia Moravian, that they very heartily thank the kind friends for this evidence of their love, and that they highly appreciate the kindly spirit thus manifested. The School also thanks the Kernersville Band for their interest and participation in the exercises.

Salem Female Academy.—During the early part of the month of December, three-quarters of an hour were taken each evening for four successive days by Principal Clewell, who read selections from Dickens' Christmas story, "The Cricket on the Hearth." The selections were illustrated by means of electro-silhouette pictures. The Principal was assisted by Mr. William Peabody, of Salem.

Professor Skilton's classes in Harmony and History of Music are a source of enjoyment and profit to the music-workers who attend them.

A warm and earnest prayer-meeting is in progress. The services being held on Thursday afternoon of each week.

Thanksgiving Day was a happy occasion for the King's Daughters. This Society visited the Church of our Lord Jesus, during the afternoon. They strive with commendable zeal to do good among the needy.

Examinations were the order of the day for several weeks previous to the happy Christmas Festival. It is quite a heavy task for the Principal, since the 250 pupils have to pass the examination in all branches of their studies.

A stone bench, made of Indiana sandstone, 28½ feet in size, was recently presented to the School by Dr. George R. A. Riede, of Toronto. It has been placed beside the fountain also recently presented by the Bishop.

The daily round of school-life and study has been occasionally interspersed with an enjoyable Recital, given by teachers and pupils. The sixth in the course was given by the Elocution Department, in charge of Miss Scriber. The seventh by Miss Vest's music pupils. The eighth by pupils of Misses Hagan and Gosling, also of the Music Department.

[Communicated.]

The Christmas celebration at Fulp, was one of great interest to the neighborhood; for the Sunday School here had only been organized last May, and the congregation, with its seventeen members, only in November, and this was its first Christmas. —and the wonder was, who would hold the celebration. The scholars were anxious to take part in the recitations, and the members of the church, with the exception of the two oldest, who could not come out, were also willing to recite a portion. Sunday before Christmas was given to rehearsals. Many had brought a bountiful supply in their baskets for dinner, so as to
make a full day, because morning and after

noon, December 23rd, the schoolhouse was to be

The Bishop RONDTHALER who had come on

the noon train from Salem to be with us,

to the School, reminded them that the
gifts and the lights were to be regarded
as symbols of the great Gift of God in
sending his beloved Son Jesus Christ as the
Infant Saviour of mankind, who, when
he came to manhood, declared Himself to
be the "Light of the World."  

**Subscriptions.**

To Dec 31, 1894, J. H. Spraker, Miss H. Foltz,
Salem; D. C. Kiner, Crocket Depot, Va.

To Feb 28, 1895, Miss A. Steiner, Miss Lydia
Fogle, Salem; Miss Maria Boner, Greensboro.

**Acknowledgements.**

Received for Kingston, Jamaica:

- From Salem Juvenile Miss. Society... $20 00
- From Calvary Chapel Congregation
- From Y. M. M. Society, Salem.... $50 00

Received for the Delaware Mission:

- From Salem Juvenile Miss. Society... $20 00

Received for Provincial Collection:

- From Friedland Congregation... $3 35
- Macedonia.. 1 80
- Providence.. 1 00
- New Philadelphia.. 2 53

Total... $8 68

Received for Mosquito Mission:

- From Y. M. M. Society, Salem.... $50 00

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**Marriages.**

On December 25th, 1894, by Rev. Edward S.
Crosland, Mr. D. T. Hine, of Joelton, to Miss
Christina Ziolk, of Pfaffstown.

On December 27th, 1895, by Rev. Edward S.
Crosland, Mr. James F. Kerney to Miss Eva
Sapp, both of Kernersville. Ceremony in the
M. E. Church, Kernersville.

In the Friedberg congregation, on Jan. 1st. 1894. Bro. FRANK FISHER, aged 78 years, 9 months and 5 days.

At Salem, on Jan. 12, 1894, Br. CHARLES
GUSTAVUS BRYCE, aged 82 years, 6 months and 8
days. He was the first Mayor of Salem, in
1856.

**Amounts Received During the Year 1893,**
**Mostly Heretofore Acknowledged and Forwards to Place of Destination.**

**From Salem Juvenile Missionary Society:***
- For Mosquito Mission... $3 48
- Bohemian Orphanages... 35 00
- Port of Spain, Trinidad... 24 00
- Mispah, Jamaica..... 15 00
- Kingston... 12 58
- For Medical Training School... 75 00
- For Foreign Missions... 75 00
- Home Mission Pastor... 30 00

**From Young Men's Missionary Society:***
- Mosquito Mission... $50 00
- For Foreign Missions... 50 00
- Kingston, Jamaica... 125 00

**From Friedberg Congregation:**
- For Mosquito Mission Boat... $9 00
- Theological Seminary... 5 00
- General Mission Fund... 7 00
- Provincial Expenses... 7 00

**From Ladies' Mile Society:**
- For General Mission Fund... 43 00
- For Foreign Missions... 17 00

**From Bethania Congregation:**
- For Foreign Missions... 15 00

**From Eden Congregation:**
- For Foreign Missions... 1 58

**From Friedland Congregation:**
- For Foreign Missions... 3 00
- Provincial Expenses... 3 35

**From Hope Congregation:**
- For Foreign Missions... 95 00
- For Macedonia Congregation... 95 00
- For Foreign Missions... 1 80
- Provincial Expenses... 1 80

**From New Philadelphia Cong:**
- For Foreign Missions... 9 63
- Provincial Expenses... 9 63

**From Oak Grove Congregation:**
- For Foreign Missions... 2 89
- Provincial Expenses... 2 89

**From Providence Congregation:**
- For Foreign Missions... 5 00
- A Friend, for Mrs. Kilbuck... 5 00
- For Special Mosquito M. Fund... $10 00
- Miss M. Dafoor, deceased... 5 00

**Appropriation of Interest provided by Miss A. J. Shub,
deceased:**
- For Foreign Missions... $118 68

**Total...** $2005 63

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With this number the first year of The Wachovia Moravian is completed. We have reason to be thankful for the measure of success which has attended the enterprise. The number of subscribers is larger than could reasonably have been expected for a first year of issue. The general satisfaction expressed with the paper has been greatly cheered us in our effort. There has been but one complaint and this was rather of the nature of praise than of censure. It has frequently been said that readers wished there was more of it, and that the small sheet gave them a desire for a larger one. If it is borne in mind that there have been no advertisements inserted, that there have been no clippings from other newspapers to fill up space; and that the matter has been carefully condensed, readers will at once see they have been getting a larger paper than from the size of the sheet might have been supposed. It is the easiest thing in the world to fill side after side of a newspaper sheet with cuttings from other journals. Nor is it a difficult matter to enlarge upon some little church affairs, like a festival, or an entertainment, until it covers a column or two, and seems from the length at which it is reported to be one of the grandest events of the age. But it is not so easy a thing to cover the life of the District, with all its congregations, and much Church intelligence besides, with a brief series of condensed paragraphs which every body is willing to read because they are not very long. Looking at the matter in this light a much larger paper, representing as small a District as ours, would certainly lose a good part of its interest. Still we may be able to add something to the size of The Wachovia Moravian if our friends will earnestly support it. As must be evident to all the paper is published at a loss, which is paid by the guaranteed contributions of a number of patriotic Moravians. It is, therefore, especially important that subscriptions should be promptly renewed with the payment of twenty-five cents, and that as many be added to the present number as possible. With a fair increase of the subscription list we shall be able to add something to the size of the paper.

A considerable number of our brethren and sisters living at a distance from their congregations have subscribed to The Wachovia Moravian, but a still larger number have not done so. We are very desirous of reaching these members who are still cut off from intelligence concerning the life and work of their Home Church. It was largely on account of these scattered Moravians that our Southern Church paper was commenced. The Church needs their support and sympathy in various ways. If they will keep themselves well informed about what is going on in their own denomination they can become the most valuable members we have. Their residence among Christians of other names makes them representative Moravians and gives them an opportunity of serving their Master, which is, in some respects, greater than is enjoyed by those at home. But if they are to have their full value for the Moravian cause, they must be well informed with regard to the doctrine and work of their people. We wish to give them some help in this direction by means of The Wachovia Moravian. We would suggest to those who are already subscribers to help us in reaching the scattered Moravians who are not. Will you not kindly urge a subscription upon them as a part of their Moravian duty? In a small Church like ours, whether it be in developing its Church newspaper, or in any other respect, every body should lend a hand.

The mildness of the winter continues to be a source of special thankfulness. Every day that passes without snow and ice makes the condition of those who are out of employment more endurable, and their relief less costly. It is to be hoped that many a year will pass before so hard a season like this will come again. In the country every one can have bread enough to eat, but in the towns the food supply is sometimes very scant and yet people live through these circumstances of temporary want with a brave spirit, unless severe cold entirely breaks down their powers of endurance.

Our friends in the country have happily found out the Salem "Home." They have done it in a very kind and practical way. In passing by they often leave various kinds of produce which they can well spare, but which is a great help to an institution which has so many older and younger persons to care for. As a result of their thoughtful charity the ladies in charge of the "Home" have been able to care for even more poor people this winter than usual. They most earnestly thank the kind givers from the country for what they have done in helping the "Home" through these hard times.

As this season of the year our pastors are busy with their courses of Catechetical Instruction. In doing this work they are following the best example of the Christian Church in all ages. So careful were the early Christians with regard to the Catechetical Instructions that from two to three years were given to them before the candidates were fully received into the Church. The result was that faithful and steady members were trained who were ready even to die for the Saviour. Some of the brightest and most beautiful instances of martyrdom were found among these instructed candidates. In the Dark Ages the Church became careless with regard to the instruction of its candidates for the Communion, and the result was a multitude of careless members. It was only in the time of the learned and pious Speaker, in the 18th century, that the evil was fully corrected, and that modern piety may be said to have commenced. We cannot expect that a congregation
will have steadily, giving, working members unless they have been well instructed. The roots of doctrine are very needful for the fruits of Christian practice, and there is no way of getting the doctrines which is so good as is that of learning them one by one in the blessed connection in which the Holy Ghost has set them. Preaching tends to awaken souls; instruction trains them after they have been awakened, and when members have been both awakened and instructed the best results may be expected in the life of the congregation.

The visit of Dr. Hark, of Bethlehem, Pa., during the month of January, was highly appreciated. His address on Christian Love as the mainspring of Moravian Missions went home to the heart of the great audience that listened to him, as did his sermon on "The Value of Eternal Things." Such visits greatly strengthen and bind together the Church North and the Church South. It is not so much by Synodical resolutions as by personal relations that our hearty union is maintained.

**Moravian Missions.**

**Note.—** All contributions to the Moravian Missions sent to the "Editors of The Wachovia Moravian, Salem, N.C.," will be thankfully received and acknowledged in the next issue. The work committed by the Lord to the Moravian Church to be His messenger among the most ignorant and degraded heathen appears earnestly to the assistance of those who love every Church, love His name.

**THE MISSIONARY MEETING.**

**Conducted by Bishop Edward Rosthaleur, D.D.**

It is the custom of many of the best churches to hold a monthly meeting in behalf of Missions among the heathen. When we remember that the preaching of the Gospel to those who have never heard it is the chief request which Christ has made of His Church, we may be sure that a meeting, once a month, in order to consider the work which the Saviour has most on his heart is not too frequent.

It is our intention, as far as the limits set by the size of our paper permit, to hold a monthly meeting with our readers on the subject of Missions among the heathen, especially those of the Moravian Church. We would ask the careful consideration of these articles by the influential members of our churches. Often a Sunday School superintendent or teacher can do a blessed work for the Lord if he will bring some point of mission interest before the scholars. Frequently members, in reading or mentioning some missionary fact in their prayer-meetings, will wake up a service that is on the point of going to sleep. Friends, living far away from Moravian congregations, will find, if they make a practical use of their Moravian missionary knowledge, by sending in their own contribution, and those of others, that they actually are proving a most useful Moravian congregation in themselves, even though for the time they have neither church building nor pastor.

With these classes of readers in mind, and trusting that the Lord may lay a special blessing on what is written, we propose from month to month to describe some mission-field, beginning in this issue with an account of the

**ORIGIN AND GROWTH OF MORAVIAN MISSIONS.**

The Moravian Missions among the Heathen commenced in the year 1733, five years after the great revival. On a visit to the Danish king at Copenhagen, Count Zinzendorf had become acquainted with a negro servant, who gave a lamentable account of the heathen condition of his people, and especially of his sister, on the Island of St. Thomas in the West Indies. She wanted, he said, to know about God, but there was no one to teach her. The Count was deeply moved. He spoke to the Herrnhut congregation on the subject, and had the negro, Antony, come forth and present the case. Several members were greatly affected by this story of utter spiritual destitution, and offered themselves for the service. After some time of probation, one of them, Leonard Dohner, was accepted. An old brother, David Nitschmann, was chosen to accompany him and help him in the commencement of his work. In a farewell meeting, on August 18th, 1732, more than a hundred persons sang a stanza in their behalf, each singing separately, after the custom of those days, and then handed it to them in written form, as a comfort for their difficult journey. Three days later, on August 21st, which has ever since been a memorial day in the Moravian Church, Count Zinzendorf took the two brethren, in a carriage, as far as the town of Bautzen, about twenty five miles away from Herrnhut. Thence they travelled, on foot, for some hundreds of miles, to Copenhagen. Their funds were very low, each having only four dollars and fifty cents in his pocket, but they had the fearless martyr-spirit of the old Bohemian fathers. Wherever their purpose became known people reproached them, dissuaded or reviled them on account of so foolishly an attempt as to go to preach to the heathen. They found one golden exception. A noble lady, the Countess Stolberg, talked with them in a friendly way, and cheered them greatly, they afterwards declared, by saying to them: "Go, and if they kill you for the Saviour's sake He is worth it all." It took brave men to feel comforted by a word like that.

Arrived at Copenhagen they were met with a torrent of opposition. Their undertaking, in those days of the Church's neglect of the heathen, was considered foolish if not criminal. No one would at first help them; no ship allow them passage. But they met every hostile and disatinguishing word with an undaunted answer. When informed that they could not tell the Gospel to the slaves unless sold into slavery they said: "Then we will become slaves ourselves." The Church of Christ has never forgotten this answer and never will until her Lord comes in His glory to reward the "Illustrious army of martyrs."

At last their Christian persistence won the day. Aid was furnished by influential persons, a ship was found for them, and in due time they reached the Island of St. Thomas, and at once seeking out Antony's sister, they preached the Gospel to her. After heavy trials the work was wonderfully blessed. Multitudes were converted, and the Moravian missions were gradually spread from island to island over a great part of the West Indies.

From that time on to this the Moravian Missions have moved from land to land. In Greenland the work was commenced in 1733; among the Mohican Indians of North America in 1740; in Labrador in 1770; in Surinam (north-eastern South America) in 1776; in South Africa (second and successful attempt) in 1792; Central America in 1849; among the Asiatic Himalayan Mountains in 1853; among the lepers at Jerusalem in 1867; among the negroes in British Guiana in 1878; in Alaska in 1885; in 1891 in Central East Africa.

The Moravian rule has, from the beginning, been rather to go to such heathen as no one else would go to. Frequently
they have been invited to come, as when in 1885 no one else was willing to go to Central Alaska, the appeal was finally made to the Moravians to do it. The spirit of the work has remained the same as at the beginning, one hundred and sixty-two years ago. Moravians have ordinarily sought out the lowest heathen, like the Hottentot and the leper. They have endeavored to carry the Gospel to each separate soul; winning the heathen, if possible, by kindness before they could speak their language, and then telling to each individual the story of the crucified Saviour. They have not preached morality nor indulged in polemics. They have found that it was the news of the love of Jesus which has made even the degraded Papuan of Australia a new man, lifting him into the moralities of the Christian life. On the sterile coast of Greenland; in the dense forests of South America; among murderous Indians, and in the lowly kraal of the Hottentot, they have learned with admiring gratitude, the truth of that saying of our Lord Jesus: "And if I be lifted up from earth will draw all men unto me."

In the year 1893 there were 123 stations, by which we mean mission centres, with church, parsonage and schools. There were 327 European and American missionaries and 1802 native ministers and helpers. There were 31,653 communicants, and a total of 91,844 converts.

The expense of this great work, spread over all parts of the earth, is kept at the very lowest figure. The missionaries, as is well known, receive but small salaries compared with their brethren of other churches; the secretaries who preside over the great enterprise live in small cramped quarters in the German village of Berthelsdorf, near Herrnhut, in Saxony. Much of the support of the work comes from the missionaries' own hands. And yet the annual outlay amounts to about $360,000. It is a great expenditure for a small body of Christians, and therefore aid is welcomed and very frequently also given from every part of the Church of Christ. Thus the various denominations, in a very practical way, show their joy over the success which God has been pleased during 162 years to give to Moravian Missions among the heathen.

The Church at Home.

Bethabara.—It is encouraging to note that the attendance at the preaching service on the third Sunday in January, notwithstanding the rainy weather, was very good. The members of this congregation have in contemplation some needed repairs in the audience room of the church. They hope to carry out their plans some time during this year.

Bethania.—The Week of Prayer was duly observed during the second week in January. The subjects for prayer were practical and to the point. A good deal of interest was manifested. The Lord's Supper will be celebrated the first time in the new year on the second Sunday in February.

Calvary Chapel.—The taking down of the Christmas decorations removed the last outward traces of the happy festival season. The Chapel was then thoroughly cleaned for the New Year. During the month the Sunday School has maintained a high average attendance despite the bad weather. Several changes were made in the classes at the first session in January. The pastor himself has taken charge of the married men's class.

The event of most interest was the Holy Communion on the afternoon of Sunday, 21st, at which seven new members were received into church fellowship; this increases materially the working force of the congregation. A class has been formed for those, several in number, who will be confirmed on Palm Sunday. The Y. P. S. C. E. has now made another step forward. The second part of the prayer-meeting is conducted by leaders chosen from the membership. Good success has attended this arrangement. The society is preparing for "social" to be held on Christian Endeavor Day, Feb. 2, at the residence of Mrs. Shelton, Cherry Street, Winston.

Centreville.—A new committee was recently elected by this congregation as follows: Brn. Samuel Knauss, George Rumpf and Emory Knauss. The Sunday School is in a very prosperous condition.

Colored Church.—The apportionment of membership dues is a new feature in this congregation. It has been favorably accepted by the members as was proved by the prompt payment of the first collection. The first communion of the new year was held on the 4th Sunday, January 28th. It was a reason of real spiritual refreshment.

East Salem.—The prayer-meetings are growing in interest and helpfulness. The secret of their successful and blessed progress lies in the fact that the young people are taking a more active part in them.

Eden Chapel.—A Sunday School is talked of for this place of worship. May it soon materialize into a reality!

Elm Street Chapel.—On the first Saturday evening in the new year, Jan. 6, a Y. P. S. C. E. was organized at this Chapel by Bro. Thiele, with 16 charter members. It has since sustained very large additions to its membership, and its prospects for future usefulness are very bright.

Friedberg.—There were many cases of la grille in the congregation during the first weeks of this year. Bro. Frank Fisher, an aged and beloved member, died very unexpectedly on the first day of the new year. In the course of the month of January the Committee met on several occasions and revised the Church Rules. This revision will be submitted to a congregation council on the 17th of February.

The Sunday School system has been reorganized in the hope of better results in this branch of Christian activity in the congregation. Sr. Katy Crouch's jubilee on Saturday, 20th ult., was highly enjoyed by numerous relatives and friends.

Friedland.—This congregation was deprived of its monthly preaching service owing to sickness in the pastor's family.

Kernersville.—The infant son of Bro. Henry C. and Mrs. Anna A. Kerner was baptized on the 4th Sunday in connection with the morning service. A new Committee was elected for the congregation, consisting of the brethren Israel Kerner, D. V. Kerner and Henry C. Kerner.

Macedonia, Oak Grove, Providence.—In these congregation, belonging to Bro. Woosley's charge, the usual routine work was carried on. Bro. Woosley was enabled to visit each and conduct a preaching service. Considering the roads and weather the attendance at each place was good.

Mt. Bethel.—In former years our Blue Ridge congregation, because of its isolation, was deprived of the benefit and enjoyment of divine worship during the winter months. This has happily not been the case during this winter. Bro. McCriston's zeal and consecration surpasses all seeming difficulties. Once a month, and every month in the year, his
face is set and his steps tend towards this beloved charge. The January service was attended by 39 people, who came through rain and sleet to hear the Gospel. The Sunday School officers for the new year were chosen on this occasion. Bro. William M. Ayers was made superintendent, Bro. Van Buren Boyd, Assistant Superintendent, and Bro. Edgar Smith, Secretary.

New Philadelphia. — The monthly appointment was served by the pastor. In addition to the ordinary Sunday morning service there was also a meeting in the evening. Steps were being taken to "clear up" an acre of ground near the church, to be put in cultivation the coming summer.

Olivet. — The infant son of Bro. Jesse and Sr. Viola Atwood was baptized on the 3d Sunday, in connection with the afternoon service.

Salem Female Academy. — On the occasion of Dr. J. Max Hark's recent visit to Salem the Cooking School of this Institution gave a dinner to which a few guests, including Dr. Hark, were invited. The table was beautifully decorated, and the bill of fare elaborate. All the dishes were prepared by the young ladies. The Cooking Class consists of five young ladies, with Miss Wolle at their head.

Dr. Kinyoun, of the U. S. Marine Hospital Service, delivered an instructive address on the subject of Sanitation, to the physicians and health-officers of Winston-Salem, on the 2d of January, in the chemical laboratory of the Academy.

The Mid-Winter Concert, which was given on a recent date, gave evidence of the thorough and conscientious work which is being performed in the Music, and Elocution Departments of the School. The programme was carefully and judiciously arranged, so as to present every grade of work done in these departments. No pains were spared to produce the most desirable effects, also, by means of powerful electric lights and gracefully festooned drapery about the stage. About 250 voices were combined in the choruses; the solos were beautifully rendered; the instrumental music was varied; the recitations were favorably received. A number of gentlemen from the towns assisted in a variety of important ways. All in all considered this was the most satisfactory concert of its kind ever given in the Academy.

Salem. — The first Sunday in the year, though gloomy without, was very encouraging within. The attendances, morning and evening were large, and a collection of $80.86 was taken up for Foreign Missions. The Woman's Missionary Society held their annual meeting on this afternoon. The past year was probably the most successful in their history, both as to collections made and Christian work encouraged.

The Week of Prayer was observed by special services from Monday, Jan. 8th, to Friday, Jan. 12th. The meetings were very well attended and very fervent. Many testimonies were given. Several conversions took place, and the Church was greatly blessed.

The anniversary love-feast of the Young Men's Missionary Society was a most interesting occasion. The attendance was very large. The young men presented excellent reports of this year's work. The speech of the President, Bro. Herbert Pfohl, was full of life and point. The Secretary, Bro. William Pfohl, gave a model statement of the correspondence of the Society. The address of the evening, made by Dr. J. Max Hark, of Bethlehem, Pa., was an eloquent and delightful tribute to the loving and Christ-like spirit in which Moravian missionaries have done their widely extended work. Bro. Hark also gave the congregation an excellent sermon the following Sunday.

With the month of January, in view of an early Easter, the "Instructions" have been commenced. The first subject of discourse was "The Way of Life," and the second, "God." The interest of the congregation in this characteristic Moravian activity is very evident. A sermon was preached on the subject, on January 28th, in which it was shown that the Moravian Church, by its close catechetical instruction, has followed the best examples of the Church of Christ from the days of the Apostles.

On Friday, January 26th, a very suggestive Lecture was delivered in the Academy Chapel by Ex-President Battle of Chapel Hill, on "Paul at Athens;" and, on the following Monday, the very active Mission Band gave a very pleasing entertainment, in Elm Street Chapel, in aid of Bro. Siebner's Mission at Bluefields, Moskito Coast.

The month of January has witnessed the departure of two members of the congregation of long standing. Bro. Charles G. Brieztz, of Salem, and Brother Charles E. Steiner.

Miscellaneous. — An effort is being successfully made this winter to continue the Sunday School work at New Philadelphia, Providence and Pleasant Fork, it having been the custom, heretofore, to adjourn the Sunday School after the Christmas celebration until next Spring. This is an important step in the right direction and calls for our most hearty encouragement.

On the afternoon of the 14th of January a Union Mass Meeting of all the Young People's Societies of the Twin-City was held in the Presbyterian church in Winston. The church was entirely filled and many could not get inside the doors. Short addresses were made; reports were read, and a beautiful consecration meeting closed the exercises. It was the universal opinion there would be another in the Fall.

CARD OF THANKS.

The Managers of "The Home," in Salem, desire, through THE WACHOVIA MORAVIAN, to make thankful acknowledgment of a liberal donation of vegetables, dried fruit, etc., by the Friedberg congregation.

GERTRUDE SIEWERS,
Secretary.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

The Treasurer of THE WACHOVIA MORAVIAN would kindly urge all subscribers to the paper to renew their subscriptions without delay. This number completes the first volume. It would be a handsome thing to have all renewals paid in before the issue of the next, and handsome if each present subscriber would secure one new one, and thus assist in placing the paper upon a more substantial footing. We trust, too, that the very few who have not yet sent in their 25 cents for the first year will do so without fail.

Subscriptions.

Mrs Warren, Bolt, California, to Feb., 1895; Mrs. J. J. Robertson, Salem, N. C., to Feb., '95; David Tash, Enterprise, N. C., to Feb., '94.

Marriages.

On January 31st, 1894, at the Salem Home Church, by Bishop Rondthaler, Mr. Jesse Daniel Laune, of Woodland, California, to Miss Mary Alice Vogler, youngest daughter of the late Mr. E. A. Vogler, of Salem.
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The time has come for the renewal of subscriptions, most of which commence with the month of March. Our friends can do us a great service by promptly renewing their own, and, where it is possible, sending us new subscribers. It is especially important that the money should always be sent with the subscription. The price of twenty-five cents a year is so small that we cannot, as is the case with larger papers, carry these amounts on credit. If, for a year or two, our friends will faithfully help us, we may expect that The Wachovia Moravian will be firmly established. And this will be one of the best things which has ever been done for our Southern District.

Since the last issue of our paper a departure has occurred which will awaken sorrow wherever the news of it goes throughout our Brethren's Unity. One of our best and ablest men, Bishop Mark Theophilus Richard, has entered into his rest. For a number of years our brother's health had been failing, until recently he had been obliged to lay down his office as member of the Unity's Elders' Conference, of which he had been a member. A new attack of illness ended his useful life on January 31st.

To Bishop Richard the Southern District owes an especial debt of gratitude. He was with us in 1883, when the constitutional questions had arisen which involved the whole future of this portion of the Moravian Church. His clear insight and warm sympathy aided greatly in giving our affairs their present shape, in which we all rejoice.

Bishop Richard was a very spiritual man. His whole administration of the Montmirail School for Young Women was a period of quiet but deep revival among his pupils. His parting words in the Salem Church will always be remembered: "The Moravian Church began by revivals, and by revivals it must be continued."

Among the many Societies and other organizations that have sprung into being within the larger circles of church membership, the most vigorous and flourishing is the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor. It is now only thirteen years since, in Williston church, Portland, Me., the first Society was formed, and yet, today, within this movement toward a practical form of Christian unity and brotherhood, one of the highest ideals of the Society, are to be found the best representatives of almost every denomination in the universal Church of Christ. What Zinzendorf so prayerfully and earnestly desired to see, a "Church of God in the Spirit," bids fair to become an actual fact through the Christian love and charity that forms one of the most beautiful essentials of Christian Endeavor fellowship. We are glad to note the rapid growth of the Societies already established in our Province, and the eagerness for more concentrated effort on the part of our young manhood and womanhood, who see the helpfulness of a closer working organization. Six Societies are already numbered in our Southern Moravian Province, all organized within the past year and a half, and the request has come from several other quarters for information with regard to the principles, etc., of the Society. This is always gladly furnished, and we warmly second the recommendation of our recent Synod that a Society be founded in each congregation as soon as practicable.

On February 26th, the annual meeting of the Salem Bible Society was held in the Home chapel. This is the fifty-second time that such an annual meeting has taken place. The Society has, in its half century, done a great deal of good in distributing Bibles throughout the county and in providing convenient depositories for the sale of the Holy Scriptures. In this way the average of Bible supply in Forsyth county has come to be unusually good. The two depositories are at the Land Office in Salem, and at Mr. Justice's Bookstore in Winston.

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THE MISSIONARY MEETING.

Conducted by Bishop Edward Rondthaler, D.D.,

Moravian Missions in Greenland.

Part I.

The favorite missionary hymn of English speaking Christians, "From Greenland's Icy Mountains," reminds us of a great field of Moravian endeavor. The missions in Greenland, both from the character of the country and the heroic nature of the effort to establish them, have had a peculiar interest for the Christian Church.

The man who called this vast Arctic island by the name of Greenland must have possessed, to a singular degree, the gift of a grim humor, naming the country by what it lacked rather than by what it had. The English explorer, Davis, who discovered it in 1585, gave it the name which in sober earnest it deserves, when he called it "The Land of Desolation."

Although Greenland is, as far as we know, an island, yet it has almost the size of a continent. A journey around it would count up 3,600 miles. It is, however, so fringed with islands and pierced with deep, narrow bays, called fjords, that if the traveler were to follow the edge of each bay and island, he would find, at last, that he had travelled, not 3,600 miles, but as much as 104,000 miles; that he had surrounded a country equal in size to ten North Carolinas.
The whole interior of this great island is a vast sea of ice, thousands of feet thick and spread over the country like a tremendous deluge. The explorer, Nansen, who, a few years ago, was the first to cross it, found that the central ridge was about 10,000 feet high. It is a great world of ice, which stretches, utterly silent, in the deep arctic night that prevails there during the larger part of the year. There is no sound of bird or beast; it is the home of no living thing of any kind. It lies lonely and silent as the grave.

Out of this strange interior of Greenland come the icebergs. They are formed in the following way. The snow, falling upon the interior heights, gradually pushes the ice on the mountain sides downward. The ice moves in masses a thousand feet thick, at the rate of about 50 feet an hour. When this tremendous ice-river begins to reach the edge of the deep bays indenting the coast, the water, working against its bottom, breaks off enormous pieces. They topple over with a thundering crash, and are then floated out of the bays into the wide ocean, until far south they gradually melt away in the warmer waters.

The narrow strip of coast between the interior ice-belt and the sea is very uneven and rocky. There are little patches of level ground here and there, especially about the fords, but the main feature of the landscape is cold, bare and often icy mountains. On the edge of the ocean the headlands rise to a height of from 3000 to 7000 feet, and give the grim welcome to the voyager which has been well expressed by the poet (quoted by Thompson):

In front of the Greenland glacier-line,
And close to its base we were;
Through the misty pall we could see the wall
That beetled above the sea.

A fear like the fog crept over our hearts,
As we heard the hollow roar
Of the deep sea thrashing the cliffs of ice
For leagues along the shore.

The winter in southern Greenland is not particularly cold, owing to the neighborhood of the sea, but there is practically no summer, the average height of the thermometer at that season of the year being only 44°. Around the bays will be found patches of white birch and alder brush. The highest tree yet discovered was a white birch 14 feet high. There are, as in other arctic countries, plenty of berries, but the effort made to grow potatoes, for instance, utterly failed, the climate being too cold.

The supply of land animals is naturally small. There are reindeer and foxes and white bears, and the Eskimo dog is used instead of the horse. Occasionally a few cattle have been brought from Europe as curiosities, but it is not a country in which they can thrive. If, however, the strip of coast-land is comparatively bare of beasts, it is plentifully supplied with birds and sea-animals. The sea-birds fly in immense flocks and their elders-down feathers form one of the few articles of Greenland export. The waters are filled with fish, with walrus, and with whales, some of which are said to weigh as much as 200,000 pounds or to be equal in weight to 80 elephants! The chief sea-animal, however, and without which the Greenlander could hardly exist, is the seal. This animal supplies the hunter, not only with meat, but with the oil that supplies him with light and heat, and with the skins that make his clothes, his tents and his boats. The missionaries, it is said, having found that they could not make the Eskimo understand what a lamb was like, they never having seen anything that in the slightest degree resembled a lamb, ventured to speak to them of the Saviour as "the little seal." and thus gave the natives the most delightful emblem of the Blessed One they could get.

A peculiar race of people inhabit Greenland. We shall find them again in Labrador and again, across the whole Continent, in Alaska. They are the people of the Arctic world, which they love more dearly than many do the more favored temperate zone in which they were born, but from which they freely emigrate. The Arctic dweller, on the contrary, is rarely willing to leave his cold, bleak home of rock, ice and snow, and when he does go away he is in danger of dying from very homesickness. He is a stout man of medium size, with large head and small limbs. His face is flat with bones, and if his skin were clean, which it very seldom is, it would be found to be almost as fair as ours. His hair is coarse black, as a test in a spelling-bee. His skin is a terror to the learner. It bristles with grammatical forms and its verbs will bear additions almost without end. Thus a single word will be drawn into inordinate length. We have extracted one from Thompson, which might serve as a test in a spelling-bee. It is "savigkensiarattoakasumaryottatog," which is said to mean: "He says he will go away quickly in like manner and buy a pretty knife," all in one word. His way of counting is peculiar: He does it on his hands and toes. For the number "twenty" he says: "One man finished," while "twenty-four" will be: "One man finished and four on the next." With such
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a start in numbers arithmetic is, as may well be imagined, very hard for him to learn. But, while his mind would, in the main, be reckoned dull, he is not without reasoning powers, which are sometimes quite keen. He is also very fond of music

and will learn to play skillfully, especially on wind instruments.

His natural temper is not so much savage as it is cold. The Eskimo is a man of little sympathy and small amount of gratitude. He is not, like the Indian, averse to hard work. In his worst condition he does not swear. What he hates most is to be laughed at.

His religious faith is scanty and careless. He believes in ghosts and spirits, good and evil. His own spirit, after death, he thinks, will go to either some place above the earth, or down below it, which latter will be preferable, because warmer. The real object of Eskimo respect and The latter will be preferable, because warmer. Conducted by the Brn. McC

H. E. Rondthaler. These meetings continue to grow in interest and attendance, notwithstanding the frequent drawbacks of muddy streets with no lights. A number of the older boys, who are interested in the chapel work, have rendered very practical aid by the construction of street crossings, and the purchase of a large lamp which has been placed in front of the chapel building. The weekly prayer meetings are modeled after the Christian Endeavor idea, giving an opportunity for many to participate.

The Sunday School work has, during the last two months, received an encouraging impulse forward. An attendance of seventy-five in January has increased to one hundred and thirteen on the first Sunday in March. Those who are familiar with the building at once see that with this number it is exceedingly well filled, in fact, a vacant seat on Sunday morning is a rare sight and we sometimes wonder where the new comers shall be placed.

Two additions have been recently made to the working force, Miss Sisler having taken a class and Miss Effie Butner having assumed the Secretarial duties.

In addition to the Sunday School and Chapel services a systematic visitation of the field is conducted by the brethren in charge.

An appropriate service is being prepared for Easter Sunday afternoon.

East Salem.—In this congregation the religious interest has centered in the Christian Endeavor movement. A Society of this character was organized on the 7th of February, which promises to be a means for good in this community.

Eden Chapel.—Bro. Charles Crouch conducted the service at Eden on the afternoon of the 2d Tuesday in February. There was a large attendance, and members of the congregation who were present have expressed themselves as very well pleased with the brother’s effort.

Friedberg.—While Bro. Wm. Brewer was recently chopping down a small tree, his little five-year-old daughter, Maggie, came to where he was at work and, unperceived by him, placed herself in a position to be struck by the falling tree. Bro. Brewer saw her danger as the tree began to fall, and, to save his child, grasped the bough of the tree and struggled to draw it in another direction. In so doing he saved the life of the child, but was caught under the tree himself. He sustained severe and painful injuries in his right knee, from which he suffered for several weeks, but is now rapidly recovering.

The February Communion season, on the 2d Sunday, was an occasion full of blessing. It being the 1st Sunday in Lent, the pastor began a special series of Lenten services on the seven sayings of Jesus on the Cross. In the Holy Communion 135 sat down together at the Lord’s table.

On Saturday, Feb. 17th, a harmonious and spirited Congregation Council was held for the purpose of revising the Rules and Regulations of the congregation. About 50 brethren were present, and all classes and sections were well represented.

It is the intention to have these revised rules and regulations printed and gratuitously distributed in the near future.

Friedland.—The pastor found several cases of severe sickness in this congregation on the occasion of his monthly visit in February. There was also considerable excitement about rabid dogs in the community. Mr. Lucian Hine had the misfortune to loose his dwelling house by fire.

The Campbells have purchased a plot of ground near the Friedland tract of land and have begun the building of a church.

Pulp.—The Saturday afternoon preaching for February was well attended; also
A Musical Association was recently organized, with Prof. Skilton as President, and Miss Vest as Secretary. It consists of all the music instructors of the Academy and holds its meetings once in three weeks.

The Academy prayer-meetings are progressing steadily and doing a great amount of good. They are a blessed means of grace, and their influence is a power in the school.

The Literary Society entertainments given in February were a decided success. Admission fees were charged, and a nice sum of money was realized. By means of the Societies were enabled to pay off an additional $100 of the $500 assumed by them towards the building of Society Hall.

Union Cross.—Bro. Woosley resumed his monthly preaching appointment at this place on the 1st Sunday afternoon in February.

Wachovia Arbor.—The last month has seen the beginning of a decided forward movement in Wachovia Arbor. Near the beginning of February the Committee held a meeting to take up the subject of improvements, and it was resolved that a graveyard, of possibly half an acre, Graham's Hill, near the quarry at Mt. Airy, and are to be purchased and surveyed, was to be purchased and surveyed.

Mt. Bethel.—The February service was well attended, notwithstanding the rainy morning. The Sunday School is in a flourishing condition for the winter season. The next service will be on Easter Sunday.

New Philadelphia.—The appointment in February was missed because of the severe snow-storm which visited us on that day. Near the beginning of February the funeral of Mr. Craven Jones was held here by the pastor. The attendance was very large. Rev. Petrie, of the M. E. Church, and Rev. Robertson, of the Dunkard Brethren's Church, were present and took part in the services. Mr. Jones died on the 4th of February, at the age of 75 years, 6 months and 1 day. He was a very highly respected citizen.

Oak Grove and Providence.—The pastor preached at both places on the 3rd Sunday. This was the hardest trip he has had to make this winter. Good congregations were in attendance at both places.

Salem Female Academy.—The "Historical Sketch of Salem Female Academy" by Miss Adelaide L. Fries, in the February number of The Academy, presents interesting reminiscences of the Civil War.

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THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

The Annual Conference will hold its sessions this year in the church at Friedland on the 9th and 10th days of May. A committee of brethren were requested at the last Ministers’ Conference to prepare a programme to expedite the Conference work. The following is the programme as prepared:

Wednesday Morning, May 9th, 10 o’clock.
1. Opening Exercises and Sermon by Bishop Rondthaler.
2. The Wachovia Moravian—subject introduced by Rev. James E. Hall.

Wednesday Afternoon, May 9th.

Wednesday Evening, May 9th.

Thursday Morning, May 10th.
1. Prayer-meeting, conducted by Rev. Edward Crosland.
2. Sermon on the subject of Missions by Rev. James E. Hall.

Thursday Afternoon, May 10th.
1. How can our congregations be more thoroughly instructed in Moravian doctrine and usages, introduced by Bishop Rondthaler.
2. Miscellaneous.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.—With the return of the Spring season, a number of our schools which had closed their sessions after Christmas, are being re-organized. New schools are being formed in various neighborhoods, from which we hope to hear more in the future. Between Salem and New Philadelphia, at the Hamburg Free School House, a school has been recently undertaken by members of the New Philadelphia congregation. At Bluff, 2½ miles west from Kernersville, the brethren of Kernersville congregation have taken up a new Sunday School work. Near Bethania a new school was commenced a few weeks past by members of the Bethlehem congregation. From Sedge Garden, Abbott’s Creek township, Forsyth County, comes an earnest invitation desiring the organization of a Sunday School in that community.

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Part II.

The coast of Greenland was visited by Scandinavian voyagers as far back as one thousand years ago. They not only pushed their adventurous voyages so far, but actually settled upon the eastern and western shores. Gradually, however, their colonies were neglected by the mother country, and were finally destroyed by the Eskimos. When, after centuries of oblivion, the English navigator, John Davis, came that way in 1585, he found no trace of the old European settlers. Only Eskimos were inhabiting the land in their heathen wilderness. After another long interval, a good man, the Lutheran clergyman, Hans Egede, came, in 1721, in order to try to Christianize them. In his heroic undertaking he had the support of his friend, the Danish king, but his efforts, continued through 14 years, seemed to be almost entirely in vain. A few children and youths were baptized, but without perceptible influence on their heathen surroundings. But, in 1731, the new Danish king announced that the unprofitable undertaking would be given up.

Count Zinzendorf was at that time visiting the king at Copenhagen. He heard the story of Egede’s labors and disappointments in that cheerless Arctic land, saw the two young Eskimos whom Egede had baptized, and grieved to think that in another year these distant heathen would be left in their lost condition. He communicated his feelings to the congregation at Herrnhut, and the hearts of two young Moravian exiles, Matthew Stach and Frederick Bohnish, were at once stirred to go to the rescue. They were engaged at the time as day-laborers on what is now the beautiful graveyard on the Hutberg. On comparing views they found that a similar impression had been separately wrought upon their minds concerning Greenland. To make sure of their duty they retired into a neighboring thicket and poured out their souls in prayer. Then there arose within them the joyous conviction that they were called of the Lord to preach the Gospel to the Greenlanders.

After some considerable delay the first missionary party for Greenland started from Herrnhut on January 19th, 1733. It consisted of Matthew Stach, his cousin, Christian Stach, and the Moravian pioneer, Christian David, who offered, for a little while, to assist the young men. Arriving at Copenhagen, they received no encouragement for their enterprise. It was argued that in an undertaking in which so learned a minister as Egede had failed, there was no hope of success for these unlearned Moravian laymen. The royal chamberlain, Von Piess, having invited them to a meal at his house, sought to dissuade them from their foolhardy ex-
and. "How will you live when you get to Greenland?" he asked. "We will build a house and cultivate the ground," was the answer. "But there is no wood to build with," the chamberlain responded. "Then we will dig a hole in the earth and live like the Greenlanders," the young men said. Such faith and courage could not fail to attract admiration: Von Pless gave them fifty dollars for the purchase of timber and needed supplies; other friends likewise assisted them, and on April 10th, 1733, they sailed. The Moravian text for the day was a very significant one: "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen."

On April 20th, 1733, they reached the scene of their coming toils and trials. It was the edge of a peninsula, surrounded with fords and islands, near the 64th parallel of latitude, where afterwards the village of New Herrnhut was built. Seldom has a Gospel enterprise been confronted with as many difficulties as frowned upon these young men. There was a likelihood that the small Danish colony would be abandoned, and that ships would cease to visit those inhospitable shores; there was an uncertainty about the supply of food; their own shelter needed to be provided without any one's help; the Eskimo language was a frightful task, especially for young men who had very little previous culture. The missionary, Egede, it is true, kindly offered to assist them in learning it, but they were hardly better acquainted with his Danish than they were with the heathen Eskimo tongue. And back of all was the utter unwillingness of the natives to hear the Gospel. They were cold and insensible as their own glacier walls.

By and by sorer trials set in. A small pox epidemic broke out among the natives in which some thousands around the missionaries perished. Their time was taken up in nursing the sick and the dying. Their own hut was turned into a hospital. Worn out by these labors they became victims for a while of the dreaded scurvy. Then the supply of food failed, and they were sometimes obliged to still the pangs of hunger with muscles and even sea-weed. The difficulty of the language at times utterly discouraged them. And most of all the heathen indifference of those whom they had come to help tried their faith. As they moved among the Eskimos they were constantly confronted with questions like these: "Are you not soon going away?" "What will you give us if we listen to you?" "Show us your God if you want us to believe in Him!" Again the Greenlanders would say that they needed no Saviour; they were not like Europeans; their souls were healthy as long as they had enough to eat. When, at last, some familiarity with their language had been gained, the brethren sought to speak with them on the subject of religion, and pray with them, the Eskimos made sport of them, mimicked their tones and gestures, interrupted their efforts with hideous yells, and, on one occasion, sought to attack them with knives.

Amid these trials, which continued from year to year, the missionaries clung to their faith. In 1734 Frederick Bohnisch and John Beck were added to their number. Amid cold and hunger and discouragement of every kind they resolved to endure unto the end. In 1735 the Lutheran minister, Hans Egede, giving up his fruitless labors, returned to Denmark. There had, at times, been theological disension between the Lutheran scholar and the Moravian laymen, but the end was peace. The Salem archives possess a very pleasing evidence of this final agreement in a volume of Hans Egede's curious account of Greenland, with his autograph accompanying the gift of it to Matthew Stach.

The same ship that took Egede away brought the widowed mother of Christian Stach, with her two daughters, who, in the course of time, both became missionaries' wives. A more comfortable home was now provided, and gradually the dawn of a better state of things began to appear. There were signs of softening, particularly in the case of a man named Mangek, who was, however, frightened away by his obdurate neighbors. Finally, the hour of God's mercy came, and, as is often the case with His reviving grace, it came suddenly. On the second day of June, 1738, John Beck was alone in the missionaries' cabin, engaged upon a translation of the Gospels' account of the Saviour's sufferings in Gethsemane. A number of Greenland visitors from the Southern coast came into the house and asked him what he was doing. He read them the story of the Saviour's sufferings, and, strongly moved by the Spirit, exhorted his visitors to be saved. While thus engaged the other brethren came in, and one of their visitors, Kajarnak by name, stepped up to the table and said: "Tell me that again: I too want to be saved." The good work had begun. Kajarnak set up his summer tent beside the mission house and zealously listened to the instruction. On Easter Sunday, 1739, he was baptized, receiving the name Samuel, and his wife and son were likewise baptized. The persecution awakened by his conversion made it necessary for him to flee away for a time, but wherever he went he carried the light of his testimony for Jesus, and was the means of bringing others under the missionary influence. The remainder of the life of this first convert was brief but earnest. On his death-bed in 1741, he said: "Do not grieve: I was the first among you whom the Saviour found: I am to be the first to go to him."

From the memorable hour on June 2d, 1737, when the story of the sufferings of Jesus touched the heart of Kajarnak, the good work spread. In 1747 the church at New Herrnhut was built, and at that time there were already 134 converts. The Danish government not only recognized the Brethren's efforts, but was thereby encouraged to renew its own missionary endeavors, by means of which the whole Eskimo nation has been gathered mainly into the National Danish Church.

It is our office, however, simply to follow the course of the Moravian work. In 1758, Matthew Stach founded a new station, eighty miles south. It is situated on a rocky island, three miles from the ocean, and was called, with cheerful hope for its future, Lichtenfels, which means "the rock of light." The light did, indeed, stream forth from the new station, and, amid powerful revivals, the congregation of Lichtenfels grew rapidly. In 1774, another station was commenced, called Lichtenau (the meadow of light). The missionary, Soerensen, was the first to labor there. He was the man to whom Count Zinzendorf said: "Will you go to Greenland to-morrow?" and he gave the answer: "Yes, if my shoes are ready!"

On this short notice the good man entered into a Greenland service of 49 years, dying in his 80th year. In 184 Fremdech, 40 miles south of Lichtenau, was added. This is the southernmost station and is near Cape Farewell. The landscape around Friederichshalt has some features which remind the missionary of
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The home-land. There is a clear trout brook which runs through a level meadow near the mission house: here and there low thickets of birch and alder spread their scanty foliage, and in the summer grass grows and wild flowers bloom on the steep, surrounding mountain-sides. Friederichthal stands on the site of an old Scandinavian settlement, as the dug-up relics frequently have shown. It is occasionally visited by parties of Eskimo heathen from the East Coast, a number of whom have been converted here. Since the founding of this fourth main station two more have been added: near New Herrnhut, some miles further inland, and Igdlorpaat, on an island not very far from Lichtenau. The chief stations, all situated in south-west Greenland, are therefore the following, when arranged geographically: On the north parallel of latitude the mother station, New Herrnhut, and not far from it in a nest of islands, Umanak; then 80 miles farther south, Lichtenau; 300 miles further south Lichtenau, and in its neighborhood Igdlorpaat, and 40 miles south of that, near the southern extremity of Greenland, Friederichthal. These stations have 155 communicants; a total of 195 members, and are served by eight missionaries and their wives.

At the present time Greenland is a Christianized country. Dr. Kane, in his celebrated Travels states that while in former times the shipwrecked sailor dreaded to fall into the hands of the murderous natives, he is now as safe as he would be on any coast of a Christian nation. The Danish government has gathered most of the people into its own National Church. As the Greenland trade is a royal monopoly, the Government can take what care it chooses of the native interests. It excludes intoxicating liquors, but takes almost too fraternal a charge of the people, so that ceasing often to shift for themselves and becoming accustomed to European luxuries, especially coffee, the Eskimos are less able to battle against the hardships of their climate and country. Their number has greatly lessened during the last century, and it is estimated that only about 1100 remain. As the Danish government believes that these remaining Greenlanders can best be cared for in small settlements, our missionaries have been obliged to scatter their larger congregations to some extent, and carry on their pastoral care in widely separated out-stations as best they can.

Still the Moravian work goes on with blessing. It has a population to deal with which is full in thought and feeling, and cannot rise to any high grade of Christian culture. The battle of life seems, also, to be going against the poor Greenlander more and more, as he finds that he can not gain enough to support himself in a somewhat more comfortable condition than that of his fathers, who had no windows in their houses, no coffee or other European luxuries. But the fruits of the spirit still appear, and perhaps the most encouraging indication is the active ministry of the two native helpers, Ludwig and Stephanus. Thus our brethren labor on. In front of them is an ocean choked with ice; back of them are the frozen masses of a glacial continent; around them are the rocks, with a scant herbage, emblematic of the scant returns of their own spiritual husbandry.

But still:

"The love of Christ constraining them,
They plant sweet Sharon's rose
Successfully on icy plains,
And in eternal snows."

THE MEMOIR OF BISHOP MARC THEOPHILE RICHARD.

In our last number we briefly referred to the death of this highly esteemed servant of the Brethren's Unity. We are now able to give some further account of him, derived from the printed Memoir which has reached us. Many of our readers will remember the addresses which the departed bishop made among us on the occasion of his visitation in 1853. The words which he spoke had to be interpreted, but the impression of his goodness and of the gift of the Spirit that was in him needed no interpreter. The extracts which we make from his memoir will clearly show the manner in which this beautiful Christian character was formed and ripened.

Marc Theophile Richard was born on July 11th, 1827, at Montmirail, a beautifully situated village in the Swiss canton of Neuchatel. His father, Henry Augustus Richard, was the chief principal of the well known Girl's School at that place. His early years were spent amid the lovely surroundings of this Swiss home. Near by is the shore of the broad lake of Neuchatel, while in the distance rises the snowy panorama of the highest Alps. It was a very happy childhood, the more so, as the boy had inherited the quiet but deep and tender feelings of his mother. In 1839 he was sent to boarding school in Germany, at Konigsfeld, on the edge of the Black Forest, and later, after some time spent in the gymnasia of the city of Neuchatel, to the Moravian College at Niesky, in Prussia. Here he was obliged to exchange his native French for the German language, and become accustomed to the ways of a different nationality. It was a hard discipline, but it prepared him for his future usefulness, which was largely exercised among German speaking brethren. As a scholar he found the deep linguistic research prescribed in the German schools a severe drudgery, as his own nature was a thoroughly realistic, practical one, interested in history, natural science, mathematics and research into living questions of philosophy and theology rather than in linguistic details.

In 1847, he entered the Theological Seminary at Gnadenfeld. It was a favorable time for the development of both the mental and the spiritual nature of the young student. The same reviving influence of the Holy Spirit which had prevailed so blissfully in the College of Niesky in 1841, was now being deeply felt in the Seminary. Thus our brother became rooted in the conviction that all sound theology must be based upon the Word of God and the certain facts of salvation, and that this Word and these facts must be transmitted into the inmost experience of heart and life.

One of his professors, a man of blessed memory, Professor Goetz, was, at that time, particularly helpful to his students. He himself had been absorbed in the scientific aspects of his studies, when, on the occasion of the preparation of an Easter discourse, his eyes were opened deeply to see his own sin, and, at the same time, his Saviour. Many students were led through the influence of this beloved brother into the same light of experience which he enjoyed, and among the number was Brother Richard also.

When his studies at Gnadenfeld were completed, Bro. Richard, in 1850, became a teacher in the Boys' School at Niesky, entering into that genial, scholastic and Christian life with the full warmth of his own now deeply converted soul. The young teachers studied and prayed together, forming life-long attachments among themselves, and pointing many a pupil to the Saviour. Hardly an evening passed upon which Bro. Richard was not on duty, when he did not take occasion to speak and to pray with some individual pupil. To the end of his life he regarded this sort of work to be the chief end of the educational activity of the Moravian Church.

In 1854 he was transferred to the school at Lausanne, where he remained until 1861. He was now on Swiss ground again, with his native French language upon his lips and happy in the enjoyment of his old
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In 1888, Bro. Richard was consecrated a bishop of the Unity and was enabled, though amid growing infirmities, to labor a few years longer. Finally, the convening of the German Moravian Synod of 1893 gave him the opportunity of laying down his official cares and rounding the well-spent life with a brief season of rest.

As the year 1893 closed and 1894 opened his infirmities greatly increased, and he was often in severest pain. On one occasion, when his mind was perfectly clear, he took leave of his family, both present and absent. He then gave that final testimony, according to which his life had been spent, since the time of the decisive change at Gnadenfeld: "O how I rejoice to have a Saviour! O how gloriously I am resting in his arms! No fear of death, no fear of anything! I am the Lord's, and the Lord is with me. Did the children live to the glory of God; then they can be and must be sure of the victory! I am not troubled about their future. It is all in the Lord's hands."

In the course of his last days he sent his special greetings to the American churches which he had learned to know and love in 1883. To his many pupils in Montmirail he likewise sent the last loving reminiscences, and to the large group he directed as his message "from their unworthy bishop," as he named himself, the sentence of Holy Scripture: "Neither is their salvation of any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved."

Thus this beloved servant of the Unity approached the hour of his departure. January 31st, 1893, the agonizing shortness of breath, which only allowed of the frequent brief prayer: "Lord help me!" finally yielded, and the tired head sank sweetly into rest. His age was 69 years, 6 months and 20 days. He was buried on the Herrnhut graveyard, after a funeral service which, at his request, was scrupulously simple, and accompanied by the plain old Moravian chorales.

THE CHURCH AT HOME.

The object of this department of The Wachovia Moravian is to place before its readers items of local interest in the life of our Moravian congregations in the South. Your active co-operation in the furtherance of this object is highly desirable. If the editor of "The Church at Home" has the assistance of his brethren everywhere, this department will become interesting and profitable to the churches. Every one should esteem it a pleasant duty to take note of local church items, and through their pastor, or the mail, to send the same to Rev. James E. Hall, Salem, N. C.

Bethabara.—The steps taken towards the organization of a Christian Endeavor Society, of which mention was made in the March Wachovia Moravian, have proved successful—a society has been formed. In this organization we have another evidence of the Christian activity in our oldest congregation. Bro. Crosland, the pastor of Bethabara, in the absence of the Bethabara pastor, conducted the Easter services on Easter Sunday afternoon.

Bethania.—All the services of Passion Week were held in the customary way. The Maundy Thursday communion was largely attended and the Spirit's presence was deeply felt. Owing to the inclement weather which prevailed on Easter Sunday morning, the early Easter service was conducted in the church. At 10:30 a.m., the pastor preached an earnest Easter sermon upon the text: "I know that my Redeemer liveth." Job 19:25.

A new Sunday School has been organized in connection with the Bethania home congregation, on the road leading to Rural Hall. Bro. F. H. Lash has this new work in charge, and is at present occupying a public school house.

Centreville.—The membership of this energetic congregation steadily increases. During the Easter season seven new members were added, to its growing list—two by baptism and five by reception.

Colored Church.—One new member was added in the last month. An Easter Service, entitled "Easter Bells," was successfully given on Easter Sunday afternoon. It was a very appropriate service. The preparation of it was under the direction of Miss C. Crist.

East Salem.—The Christian Endeavor Society, recently organized in this field, is forging ahead in an earnest manner. It is now presenting a systematic effort is being made to prepare a number of the members for useful spheres in Christian work.

Eden Chapel.—Easter services were held on Great Sabbath afternoon. Part of the Acts of Thursday and Friday were read, a lovefeast was served and the Lord's Supper was administered. After the services the Bro. John Hege and Theodore Knauss were elected to serve in the local church committee. Steps were also taken later towards the commencement of a Sunday School.

Elm Street.—The Christian Endeavor Society grows and flourishes in a remarkable manner. The active members have been increased to about 40. A large company of worshippers is regularly drawn out to the prayer meetings. Bro. Ernest Stockton accompanies the piano, in the singing, on the cornet.

Friedberg.—The long felt need of a chapel organ in the church at Friedberg was met in the beginning of the past month. A palace organ, manufactured by

home-life, although, in the mean time, his beloved mother had departed out of it.

In the last named year Bro. Richard entered upon a second period of his Church service in pursuance of a call to the assistant principship in Koningsfeld. He now learned to know the German congregational life better, and entered into an acquaintance with spiritually-minded friends of other Churches. Both these opportunities ministered greatly to the wider success of his later life, when he had become one of the superintendents of the Brethren's Unity.

On September 24th, 1863, he was married in Herrnhut, to Sr. Anna Ohrenberg. Their union was blessed with eight children, all of whom still survive. It was a very happy home-circle which our brother gradually drew around him. The writer of this account can bear his own testimony as eye-witness to the fact. One son is a missionary in Central Africa; another labors for Christ in a wide West Indian field, while a daughter, with her husband, is busy in still another far-off scene of missionary effort.

In 1864, Bro. Richard was called to Montmirail, his birthplace, to what became, perhaps, the chief work of his life, the direction of the Girls' Seminary there. He entered upon his office in a time of deep depression. The public seemed to lack confidence in the new management. But, with the Centennial of the Montmirail School, in 1866, the turn set in, the results of which continued to the end of Bro. Richard's administration. Pupils gathered numerously from Switzerland, South Germany and England. The congregation of Montmirail was organized, and thus a better opportunity opened for the spread of the Gospel to the many girls and young women who crowded the institution. What most distinguished Bro. Richard's official activity was his rare gift of pastoral care over the souls of his pupils, and thus his name became venerated in wide circles.

In 1861, Bro. Richard was elected into the Unity's Elders' Conference at Bethelsdorf. He found it very difficult to exchange his sphere of usefulness among young people for the routine-work of the council-chamber and of the correspondence desk. But, as always, he grappled earnestly with his task, conducted many visitations, including the extensive one to the American Churches in 1883, entering into large and helpful correspondence with his brethren, and acting, in later years, as the Vice President of the Board and as a member of the Unity's Conference, which has general oversight of the Moravian Churches throughout the world. Every where he sought to bring his leading thought to bear, that a congregation did not consist of any body of or external arrangements, however well devised, but of souls which had personally taken hold of and experienced the grace of God.
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Messrs. Loring and Blake, was purchased from Mr. W. P. Ormsby, of Winston, for the sum of $125. It is style 73 and contains 168 reeds. For Sunday School and prayer meeting purposes it is quite sufficient, but lacks the requisite amount of volume demanded in our congregational singing.

The Passion Week services were held according to custom. The Reading Meetings were well attended. A very devout spirit of Christian worship and fellowship prevailed on Good Friday. In the Holy Communion 175 sat down together at the Lord's Table, and in deep fervency of soul partook of the consecrated bread and wine. The collection for Foreign Missions which was gathered on this occasion was somewhat larger than last year, notwithstanding the complaint of hard times. On Easter Sunday the graveyard service was held at 10 o'clock, a little later than the usual hour. The attendance was small because of the unfavorable weather. In the eleven o'clock service the pastor discoursed upon the text: "Thus it behooved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day, that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations!" Luke 24: 46-47.

Friedland.—On Good Friday in Easter Week the services were conducted by Bro. Arthur Theiler. In the sacrament of the Lord's Supper 45 communed together in the happy enjoyment of the Saviour's pardoning grace and of brotherly love. After the services a Society of Christian Endeavor was organized. The list of four names enrolled on that occasion has since been increased to seven. The Easter Sunday services were held by the regular pastor, Bro. Woosley. Owing to the state of the weather, our Confession of Faith, as embodied in the Easter Morning Litany, was held in the church, and was followed by a sermon.

Pulp.—The work at Fulp has been going on in its regular course with a steady increase of members and interest in the Sunday School. The Easter exercise was a new and pleasing feature in the school, and drew out a large attendance—108 scholars—on Easter Sunday. Many interested parents and friends were present and completely filled the house.

Several days' work have been recently done on the church and graveyard lots by members and friends who gave their labor gratuitously.

Hope.—The Easter Reading Meetings and the Holy Communion services were held on Maundy Thursday. On Easter Sunday a large company gathered for the graveyard service at 3 p.m., and the preaching service which immediately followed.

Kernersville.—Bro. Arthur Theiler conducted the early Easter service and preached to a large and attentive congregation in the evening. A new Sunday School has been begun at Bluff's school house, near town, as a work of this congregation. Bro. Atkins who has charge of the new school, is encouraged with the bright prospect of a successful effort to do good in this community. Bro. Crosland, the pastor, preached at Bluff on the first Sunday in April.

Macedonia.—The attendance on the occasion of the regular appointment in March was small owing to the whooping cough which was epidemic in the community. Preparations were made for opening the Sunday School on the first Sunday in April. In the evening, the pastor, Bro. Woosley, buried the infant of Mr. and Mrs. William McBride. The Easter Sunday services were conducted by Bro. Charles Crouch, of Friedberg. The graveyard service was held about 11 a.m., and the preaching service in the church immediately after. There was a good attendance.

Mt. Bethel.—A large congregation was present to unite with Mr. McCuston in the solemn Easter services on Easter Sunday. In addition to the members many friends came from other communities both near and far.

New Philadelphia.—The Maundy Thursday services consisting of preaching, lovefeast and communion were conducted by the pastor. The blessings of the Lord's Supper were very sensibly experienced by the 48 brethren and sisters who were privileged to partake together on this solemn occasion. After the services preparations were made to paint the remodelled church in the course of a few weeks, and then, sometime in May, have it rededicated.

Oak Grove.—The stated service was held on the third Sunday in March. On Good Friday the pastor held a preaching service and administered the Holy Communion. In the later service 54 sat down together at the Lord's Table in grateful remembrance of what their Saviour had suffered and procured for them. Bro. Arthur Theiler conducted the Easter Sunday services in the presence of a large congregation.

Olivet.—The reading services of Passion Week were conducted by several of the lay brethren, who are always ready to assist their pastor in any and every good work. The Sunday School and church services were well attended and the interest proceeds in an encouraging degree.

Providence.—In addition to the monthly preaching in March, this congregation enjoyed the presence and leadership of their beloved pastor on Great Sabbath, when special Easter services were held. This occasion was devoted to a preaching service and the celebration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Providence was the only congregation in Bro. Woosley's widely dispersed charge where no Easter Sunday services were held.

Salem Female Academy.—The routine work in the Academy has been progressing with its usual smoothness and dispatch. The Emma Moore Memorial steps were brought from the quarry at Mt. Airy and placed in position in the rear court of the Institution. The taste displayed in this memorial is exquisite and the workmanship beautiful. In this modest, appropriate and practical manner, Mr. James Garrity, of Forscyana, Tex., has perpetuated the memory of a former pupil, a devoted wife and a noble woman.

Union Cross.—Bro. Woosley preached at this point on the first Sunday afternoon in March. The work and the attendance in Sunday School and public service continues to be encouraging.

Salem.—The old saying that March coming in as a lamb goes out as a lion was amply fulfilled this year. The first days were very pleasant and rapidly melted away the great snow of February 25th, but the last days witnessed one of the most killing frosts ever known in this section, with the thermometer down to 16°.

Several old citizens of Winston-Salem, not directly connected with the Moravian Church, but long known and esteemed among us, departed this life during the past month. One was Mr. Henry Holder, descended from the earliest settlers, and the other was Mr. Christian Reed, Sr., whose childhood was spent in the Friedland neighborhood, whither his aged remains were returned to rest in the Friedland graveyard.

The "Instruction" sermons, in which the themes of the Confirmation Catechism have been reviewed, were completed just before the Passion Week. They have been very well attended, as were also the three Lenten services held on Friday evenings in March on the subject of "Voices from Gethsemane."

During the past month the Home Church Christian Endeavor Society was organized with 29 members. There are now within the Salem congregation 145 members of its various Endeavor Societies, a goodly number, destined deeply to influence the Christian life of the whole Church.

The collection taken up for Bohemian Missions on the first Sunday of March in the Home Church amounted to $43.97. The sum was a liberal one, and our Bohemian Mission very greatly needs it at the present time.
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On March 16th, Bro. and Sr. Point, of the Moskito Coast Mission reached us. Bro. Point has been sent hither by the Mission in view of his seriously impaired health. We earnestly hope that he may be entirely restored during his stay with us. We rejoice in the now frequent visits of Brethren and Sisters in the Moskito Coast service. It should be so, seeing that Salem is the nearest home-congregation to this interesting mission province.

The interest in the Holy Week services seemed even greater than usual, as the large congregations, in part, testified. 452 communicants attended the Communions. For the second time in seventeen years the inclement weather prevented the early service on Easter Sunday in the graveyard. The Easter sermon was attended by an great multitude of people.

The first anniversary of the Christ Chapel prayer-meeting was an inviting occasion. The Chapel and its annex were filled to such an extent that the aisles were during the service. In 1850 the present Museum building was completed, and has ever since remained the home of the Museum.

During the untrilling energy of the first members of the Society, assisted by missions in the West Indies, the Museum grew to be an honor to the community. The cases of stuffed birds from the West Indies and South America, the curiosities from Greenland and Labrador, as well as from the other Moravian mission stations, the fine collection of Indian relics, minerals, native woods and butterflies, made a valuable collection, and brought many a dime into the treasury of the Society.

Two wardens are elected annually to take care of the collection, and to open the door to the public on all suitable occasions. The Academy Commencement always proved to be a very profitable time, owing to the great number of visitors in town.

The Christmas tree and decorations were also successful.

During and directly after the war the Museum suffered greatly through lack of attention, and many of the animals and birds had to be thrown away, but now for several years the Museum has been gradually improving. At present it is being thoroughly re-arranged, and will soon be opened again to the public.

The Museum consists of two parts, the one in the Museum proper, the other in the Historical Room, which contains many relics connected with the history of Wachovia and Salem, as well as of the "olden time."

The Society will be very grateful for any suitable donations in the way of relics or curiosities, however simple they may seem, and respectfully asks the aid of all town and country friends. All the proceeds are devoted to the Missions of the Church.

The Wardens will be pleased to call on those persons who are willing to make donations if they will kindly let them know.

H. A. Pfohl,
Warden.

Marriages.

On the 4th of March, by Rev. Edward Crossland, Mr. Luther B. Wood, of Bethabara, to Sarah Conrad, of Bethania.

Deaths.

On the 20th of March, at his home near Mt. Tabor, Bro. William Alexander Kearney, at the age of 72 years. His funeral was held at Bethania, on Maunday Thursday morning.

On the 24th of March, in Statesville, N. C., Mr. Martin W. Crow. His age was 66 years, 9 months and 9 days. Mr. Walker was one of the first members of the Providence congregation.

Subscriptions.


Other dates: A. N. Reich, Salem, to Apr. 95; Rev. J. C. McCusinton, Salem, to July 95; Mrs. J. S. Griesand, Maryland, to Aug. 94; Mrs. W. R. Early, Woodlawn, Va., to April 95; Jesse Hardiman, Friedberg, Lindsey Ripple, Enterprise, Emory Knouse, Salem, and Daniel Miller, Winston, to Aug. 95; Thos. Sharp, Eugene, Boone, Winston, to April 95; J. J. Kerner, Kernersville, and Mrs. M. F. Pitzer, Red Shoals, to Mech 94; H. T. Milschach, A. D. and F. W. Hunt, Bethel, Pa., to April 95; W. A. Beeh, Winston, to February 95; Mrs. Henrietta Pettre, Winston, to March 95.

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From Y. M. M. Society, Salem.......

" Salem Female M. Society, 15 00

For Bohemian Mission:
From Salem Juvenile Miss. Society, 20 00

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Received for Alaska Mission:
From Salem Juvenile Miss. Society, 83 07

" a Friend, Washington, 73 00

" Salem, 1 00

" 14 82

Received for Kingston, Jamaica:

For Salem Female M. Society, 15 00

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From Bethania Congregation, 8 80

" Friedberg, 10 00

" Friedberg M. Society, 15 00

" Hope Congregation, 1 50

" Eden, 1 00

J. T. Lineback, Mission Agent, in Wachovia, N. C.
COMING EVENTS.

Saturday, May 26th, Rededication of New Philadelphia Church.
Saturday, May 26th, Kernersville Sunday School Picnic.
Friday, May 25th to Thursday, May 31st, Salem Female Academy Commencement.
Saturday, May 26th, Anniversary Celebration of Fulp Sunday School.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

This young giant organization within Christ’s Church has taken firm hold of our Southern District, and continues to grow steadily in favor and in point of numbers. There are now nine separate Societies in our Southern Province, as follows, in the order of their founding: Calvary, Friedberg, Oak Grove, Elm Street, East Salem, Home Church, Friedland, Centerville and Bethabara.

In view of the approaching International Convention at Cleveland, Ohio, July 11th to 15th, a number of societies are making preparations to send delegates to represent them there, and to bring all the possible pressure to bear upon bringing the Convention of 1896 to Washington, D. C., that of 1899 having been already invited to San Francisco.

The matter of a State C. E. Union is also engaging the attention of Christian Endeavorers in the Old North State, and this most desirable end may be attained at or before the Cleveland Convention. The Rev. John H. Boyd, of Charlotte, N. C., has been appointed State President, and communications addressed to him as soon as possible, by the various societies regarding the best methods of organization, etc., will be very opportune.

—The recent Annual Convention of the Southern District was one of marked spirituality from beginning to end. The large number of personal testimonies and the fervent spirit of prayer were evident tokens of the earnest zeal which had brought so large a number of delegates together.

—Five new Sunday Schools organized by as many different congregations during the year—was the encouraging report of the Sunday School Committee.

—A movement which must have a very marked effect upon our Sunday Schools was started at the May Conference, i.e.: The Teachers’ Normal Institutes.

The object of these institutes, it is hoped will be organized during the summer to present to Sunday School teachers throughout the Southern District the most approved methods of Sunday School work, and thus produce greater effectiveness in this important field of work.

THE DISTRICT CONFERENCE OF 1894. MAY 5TH AND 10TH.

It was a beautiful and bright day that greeted the District Conference of our Southern Moravian Church for 1894, assembled on the 4th at May at the Friedland church. The sessions lasted two days, and constituted the most successful conference yet held as far as can be judged independently of results. The attendance of both delegates from all parts of the District and also of members of the Friedland congregation was such that the church was constantly comfortably filled. On one of the two days, or during both, 77 brethren attended the sessions as delegates or ex officio members.

Conference was called to order by Bishop Rondhalter at 10 A. M., Wednesday, May 9th, and was greeted by him with the New Testament benediction. All joined in singing the L. M. doxology, after which Rev. J. H. Clewell read Rom. 12:1-16 and prayer was offered by Rev. James E. Hall. Hymn 611 was then sung, and Bishop Rondhalter read and briefly commented on the texts of our Church for the day. The Friedland choir next rendered the anthem, “Lift up your heads, O ye gates,” and, with the singing of Hymn 616, the opening session was brought to a close.

The organization of conference was effected by the election of Bishop Rondhalter chairman, and Rev. A. D. Thaler Secretary, on nomination of Rev. J. H. Clewell and Bro. G. A. Boozier respectively. The roll of delegates was next drawn up, upon the presentation of credentials, resulting as follows:

Ex officio—Bishop Rondhalter and Rev. James E. Hall.
Chairman S. S. Com.—Bro. James T. Lineback.
These—Revs. E. S. Crosland, J. F. McCuiston, A. D. Thaler and S. A. Wooley.

DELEGATES.

Macedonia—A. R. Sheek.
Kernersville—Brn. J. P. Adkins.
The following brethren came later on Wednesday, or on Thursday — N. S. Sievers, M. D., H. W. Foltz, H. E. Rondthaler, Ary Weisner, J. T. Glover, Thomas Siddall, L. A. Brietz, H. A. Pfohl, W. F. Shaffner and F. H. Fries, — all from Salem, and Thomas Teague, from Wachovia Arbor.

Bro. Emil Poist was also welcomed to take a seat in conference and the courtesies of the floor.

After the singing of Hymn 666 Bishop Rondthaler preached the sermon announced on the printed programme upon the relation of pastor and people in a congregation. After this the L. M. Doxology was sung and places assigned to the delegates remaining at Friedland over night.

On motion of Bro. A. E. Ebert, Conference adjourned at 12:30 p. m. for the noon recess.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

This opened with the singing of Hymn 666 and the rendition of the anthem, "The Lord is my light and my salvation," by the Friedland choir. Then followed a season of earnest prayer, participated in by many of the brethren. Hymn 563 was sung, and approved.

The subject next in order, "THE WACHOVIA MORAVIAN," was introduced by Rev. James E. Hall, and was further discussed by the Brn. J. F. McCuiston, H. A. Giersh, E. A. Ebert, J. H. Clewell, Robert McCuiston, J. H. Stockton and A. D. Thaler. Bro. Giersh moved that a committee of one or more be appointed in each congregation to look to the interests of the paper in the neighborhood. Amended by Bro. Ebert that the Board of editors be instructed to offer each agent a premium of the paper itself for a certain number of new subscriptions; and again by Bro. H. E. Fries, that for large lists of new names a Hymnbook or Bible be offered. The original motion and amendments were then carried.


Conference was then led in prayer by Rev. J. F. McCuiston. It was moved and carried that to-morrow's sessions begin at 10 a.m.

Hymn 238 was sung and the subject of "The Christian Endeavor Movement" was introduced by Rev. A. D. Thaler, followed by the Brn. Foltz, J. F. McCuiston, Tesh, Fetter, R. A. Sprague, Hall, H. E. Rondthaler, Swim, Disher, Robert McCuiston and Bishop Rondthaler, all members of this growing Society. Their testimonies were very earnest and effective.

Conference adjourned at 4:15 p. m., with the singing of the L. M. Doxology.

At 8 o'clock an evening service was held, Rev. S. A. Woolsey presiding. An anthem, "Coming home to-night," was rendered by the choir, and several prayers were offered by visiting brethren. Rev. J. F. McCuiston preached the sermon of the evening, taking as his text Hebrews 10:24-25, and as his subject, "Public Worship and Church Attendance."

THURSDAY MORNING.

At 10 o'clock a large congregation met with the delegates in prayer meeting. This was conducted by Rev. E. S. Crosland, but the Holy Spirit was the real leader, as was clearly evinced by the very many prompt testimonies and prayers. Two hours were spent in this way, but it was refreshing indeed to hear so encouragingly from representatives of every part of our Zion. Following this prayer-meeting was a sermon by Rev. James E. Hall, on "Missions," after the singing of Hymn 712. The text chosen was Mark 16:15.

After the reading of the minutes of Wednesday's second session, Conference adjourned for the noon recess, with the singing of the L. M. Doxology, at 12:30 p. m.

Re-opened at 1:30 with an anthem by the choir, "Hark, the song of Jubilee!" The minutes were read and approved.

Bro. M. L. Swaim then tendered Conference an invitation to convene in 1895 at Oak Grove. Upon motion of Bro. Robt. McCuiston this was gladly accepted. Rev. J. H. Clewell moved that P. E. C. arrange for a Missionary Mass Meeting this year during the late Summer or early Fall, it found practicable. Carried.

Bro. Clewell then introduced the next topic for discussion, "Contributions to Church causes and how to increase them.

He was followed by the Brn. Robert McCuiston, Thaler, Israel Kerner, Hall, F. H. Fries, J. F. McCuiston and Bishop Rondthaler. The interest in this topic seemed very great, and especial emphasis was laid upon systematic giving and the laying aside of the tenth.

Bishop Rondthaler announced that, owing to the lateness of the hour, the last subject on the printed programme, "How can our congregations be more thoroughly instructed in Moravian doctrine and usages?" would have to be postponed, and that the hour of closing was first approaching.

Bro. J. T. Lineback hereupon submitted the report of the Committee of Three on the Sunday School Institute. This strongly recommended that the suggestion made at the Conference of 1893, that the superintendents of individual Sunday Schools train young men for that office be adopted as a resolution by this Conference. Also that a Committee of Three be appointed to confer jointly with the P. E. C. at its next meeting, with regard to the immediate establishing of Sunday School Institutes throughout our Southern District.

Rev. J. H. Clewell moved a grateful recognition of the kindness and courtesies extended to Conference by the pastor and congregation of Friedland by a rising vote. Also a vote of thanks to the Chairman and Secretary of Conference.

Both these motions were unanimously carried.

The choir sang an anthem, "Bless the Lord, O my soul," and Bishop Rondthaler made a short, earnest closing address and led in prayer for God's blessing upon the work of this Conference.

Doxology 16 was sung, while the right hand of fellowship was extended, and after the benediction the Conference of 1894 adjourned sine die.
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Bethabara.—Two services were held in April, the fifth Sunday making it possible for the pastor to give the extra service. The large company of young people who gather within the walls of the old building gives inspiration to the services. The Christian Endeavor has doubled its membership. A Christian Endeavor enthusiasm meeting was held by Bro. Theiler and the pastor with a church full of young and old.

Bethania.—On a recent Sunday at the invitation of the Superintendent, Bro. Flavius Lash, five Sunday Schools met at the Forsyth Free School House No. 1., and engaged in a very enjoyable sing-songsociable. This is the place near Bethania where a new Moravian Sunday School was begun weeks past.

Calvary.—Last month's Wachovia Moravian had no news items from Calvary, although several events of interest transpired. First of all, on Palm Sunday afternoon, a beautiful reception service was held, conducted by Bishop Theohaler and the pastor, and eight new members were received into church fellowship, five by baptism and three by confirmation. The gradual steady growth of this congregation is a matter of great encouragement to all, and still more so is the earnest spirit of faithful service and loving fellowship that is becoming more and more noticeable. During March and April the grounds around the church have been greatly improved. Grass has been sown and is now beginning to come up, and a neat and strong fence of wire and wooden posts has been placed around the lot. This remains yet to be painted, and it is hoped that this can be done at an early date.

Christ Chapel.—A Sunday School tent is the newest thing at Christ Chapel. The steady growth of the Sunday School made it very difficult to hold the class exercises within the Chapel building. Bro.

Albert Brietz' stirring class of young men now meets under the tent which is pitched on the northern side of the Chapel. "Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations: spare not, lengthen thy cords and strengthen thy stakes."—Isaiah 54:2.

Central.—A Christian Endeavor Society was organized early in April, and now numbers 17—all being active members, and taking an active part in the prayer meetings and committee work. Bro. Theiler and H. E. Roudthaler now assist in the regular Sunday night preaching.

Colored Church.—The colored people in the church have organized a Christian Endeavor Society, and take hold of the work very zealously. The always large Sunday School reached the high water mark of 317, on a recent Sunday. The Sunday School Mission collection for April was good and shows a growing interest in Mission work.

Friedberg.—The Sunday School work of this congregation has been making very steady progress. The general interest has deepened and the attendance has been increasing. The central school on several Sundays registered more than 100. The affiliated schools at Hope, Eden and Pleasant Fork were all re-organized in April, and opened with fair prospects for a successful year's work. Bro. N. W. Shore, with Bro. Wm. Woosley as assistant, takes charge of Hope. At Eden, Bro. John Hege is Superintendent, and Bro. Wesley Fishel, assistant. At Pleasant Fork, Bro. E. B. Shore, superintends the work with the assistance of Bro. F. O. Fishel.

Friedland.—The pastor was encouraged by the good attendance upon the service on the 1st Sunday in April. The attention given to the preaching of the Word was also very gratifying. After the regular service the Christian Endeavor Society held their first meeting. It was a very interesting service. The regular membership of four has been increased to 10. The earnest work of this consecrated band of laborers will give double prove very beneficial to the Friedland congregation in more ways than one. With the blessing of God upon their efforts much good can be accomplished by a very few disciples. Bro. R. D. Mcguiston, who is also Superintendent of the Sunday School, stands at the head of this new society, and now gives to both his earnest attention. Owning to rain the pastor was detained at Friedland and did not reach Union Cross.

Kernersville.—The pastor was greatly encouraged by the attendance and good spirit prevailing in the congregation on the occasion of his visit in April. The Sunday School lately organized at Bluff by Bro. Atkins is making steady progress, and promises to be a very excellent field for just such work.

Macedonia.—On the 9th of April the church building had a narrow escape from fire. A forest fire broke out on an adjoining farm and soon spread in the direction of the church. An alarm was given and a large force of men was soon on the spot to check the spread of the flames. When stopped they were in 50 yards of the church. The pastor was unexpectedly summoned to hold the funeral service of Mrs. Ellen M. Cook on the 7th inst., who died on the 5th inst., at the age of 29 years. Mrs. Cook was the wife of a Macedonia member, and was arranging to move her own membership from the M. E. Church to Macedonia before long. She was interested in church work, and was dearly beloved by her Sunday School class. Bro. Cook, the bereaved husband, who is now left alone with the care of several small children, has the sympathy of the entire community. The funeral was attended by a large concourse of people. On Sunday, the 8th of April, the Holy Communion was celebrated after the regular service. About 52 members sat down together at the Lord's table. The Sunday School, which had been closed for the winter, has been re-organized with fine prospects.

New Philadelphia.—The work on the church, which has been in progress for some time, is being pushed to completion. It is the expectation of the brethren to be ready for rededication about the end of May. The New Philadelphia brethren are working in a very commendable way in the interest of their congregation and its upbuilding generally. The prospects for the future are bright and through the large Sunday School a great work may be done for the Lord by consecrated laborers. The pastor was invited to preach at the Hamburg Schoolhouse in the afternoon after his regular appointment at New Philadelphia. He met a large congregation and was much encouraged. The Sunday School recently begun here, under the
pleasing half-hour in the 5 o'clock prayer-meeting in Society Hall brought the visit to a close.

Principal Clewell visited Fayetteville in April and lectured before the students of Lafayette Military Academy. The lecture included a description of points of interest in Egypt, Palestine, Greece, &c., and was illustrated by means of stereopticon views.

The recitals by Miss Tracy's vocal pupils, by Miss Amy Van Vleck's piano pupils, and by the piano pupils of Miss Brown and Miss Siddall, gave evidence of careful training and studious application.

The Commencement Exercises are to be held from Friday evening, May 25th to Thursday, May 31st. The following is a programme of the week:

Friday evening, May 25th, Concert by the Vocal Department, Miss Tracy directing.
Saturday evening, May 26th, Entertainment by the Elocution Department, Miss Scriber directing.
Sunday morning, May 27th, Baccalaureate Sermon by Rev. T. H. Pritchard, D. D., of Charlotte;
Monday morning, May 28th, First Evening, Miss Lehman directing.
Tuesday afternoon, May 29th, Art Exhibit, Miss Siewers directing.
Tuesday evening, May 29th, Seniors' Second Evening, Miss Lehman directing.
Wednesday evening, May 30th, Grand Concert, Prof. Skilton directing.

About $75 has already been raised by faithful effort on the part of the members, and in a week or two it is proposed to begin operations on the building itself to double its seating capacity, to turn it so as to face the road and equip it more thoroughly as to lighting, &c.

Should any friends of this pushing and plucky little congregation be disposed to aid in prosecuting this most necessary work contributions will be very gratefully received.

**Marriages.**

On Wednesday evening, April 18th, at the bride's home, by the Rev. James E. Hall, Mr. Frank Raper to Miss Julia Crouse.

On April 18th, 1894, in the Moravian Church of Salem, Mr. Andrew J. Howells, Jr., of Wilmington, N. C., to Miss Gertrude Jenkins, of Salem.

On April 18th, 1894, in the Moravian Church of Salem, Mr. Hazel M. Saywers, of Sumter, S. C., to Miss Lollen Allen, of Winston.

**Deaths.**

On Tuesday, May 15th, 1894, Elizabeth Susan, infant daughter of Mr. Lawrence B. and Mrs. Gwennie R. Brickenstein, aged 10 months and 3 days.

On Sunday, May 20th, Miriam Ellen, infant daughter of Mr. John A. and Mrs. Ellen L. Seaber, aged 1 year, 4 months and 24 days.

**Subscriptions.**

Salem, to March, 1895—Miss Lizzie Hyer, W. H. Hall, H. A. Shore, J. N. Hine, Mrs. Geo. Hege, C. S. Hauer, Chas Jones, Mrs. D. Kester, H. A. Lineback, F. C. Minung, J. A. Lineback, Miss Annie Pittman, F. E. Kechlin, Mrs. Sophia Atwood, Mrs. R. A. Ackerman, Miss Geo. Koozer, Albert Brieta, S. E. Butner, Mrs. Amelia Blum, Mrs. T. B. Douthit, Mrs. Antonine Fogle, Mrs. L. M. Friese, Miss Theresa Peterson, J. W. Fries, L. F. Owen, Mrs. G. A. Reisch, W. O. Senseman, Mrs. E. Starkus, Salem Female Academy 4th, Mrs. L. Springs, Mrs. J. A. Vance, Mrs. Timothy Vogler, Mrs. Amelia Winkel, Mrs. J. J. Winterscheke, Miss Mary Zevely, Rev. S. A. Woosley, J. W. Hege, Jos A. Reid, R. McCuiston, W. A. Weavil, Miss Annie McCuiston.

F. W. Foster, Wilmington; H. C. Thomas, Thomasville; J. J. Leflard, Joliet; George H. Hammonck, Daisy; G. W. Porter, Bethania.

To other dates: Edward Strups, Clemmons-ville, to April, '95; Roswell Welfare, Morgan- ton, to April, '95; Jos H. Stockton, T. J. Ferguson, Sarah J. Reid, Miss Annie McCuiston, Salem, Mrs. Pamela Spainhour, Denoha, to June, 1895.
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place the School Board has appointed Mr. Frederick Walter Grubb, A. B., of Bethania, a recent graduate of Guilford College.

Mass Convention of all Southern Moravian Christian Endeavor Societies.

As already announced to many of our readers in other ways, great preparations are being made for a Mass Convention of all our Southern Moravian Christian Endeavor Societies, to be held in the Home church, Salem, on Sunday, July 8th. This is the first time that such a convention or rally, as it may rather, in C. E. parlance, be termed, has been called, and the effort is being made to have every C. E. member in both our country and town societies present. Members of a reception committee will receive all visitors from out of the city and will provide accommodations for teams and carriages.

At 3 o'clock, p. m. sharp, the exercises will begin, and will be kept within a reasonable limit of time, so that all visitors may get home before dark. There will be several short addresses, interspersed by spirited songs. A choir of over 40 voices composed entirely of Christian Endeavorers will lead the singing and render several anthems. There will also be singing by a male quartette and by soloists. An interesting feature of the convention will be the comparison of notes, in the shape of written reports of the past work of each society, read by either the president or the secretary of each. The closing number on the programme will be a consecration service, each society taking part as if a single individual. It is therefore requested that every society be prepared to sing or recite one or more verses from some hymn of consecration or from the Bible. The hymns to be sung by the entire congregation will be announced by letter to each president.

As the convention's success depends in greatest measure upon the congregation gathered, it is earnestly hoped that every member of the nine Moravian Societies now existing in our District will be present, and bring along any and all friends. Seats will be reserved for Christian Endeavorers in the front of the church, but all the rest of the seating space must be filled. But, above all, we need the blessing of God, through the presence of Christ and his Spirit. We therefore urge upon all our readers that they bear this convention upon their hearts before the throne that the success of the undertaking may be complete.

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Bethabara.—With the end of May another year of earnest and faithful work on the part of the pastor, Bro. John McCusson, has come to its close. It is exceedingly gratifying to learn from the pastor, in this connection, that, notwithstanding the prevailing complaints of "hard times," etc., this energetic congregation has complied with its pledges. Only a few dollars of the amount subscribed towards the support of the pastor remains to be paid.

Calvary.—The morning service on Sunday, May 27th, was omitted in order to allow all the members to hear the Baccalaureate sermon preached before the graduating class of Salem Female Academy, by Rev. Dr. Pritchard, of Charlotte. On the evening of the 28th, all the members of the various Christian Endeavor committees met at the house of the pastor and spent two very pleasant hours in consultation over the best interests of that work, and the result has been a much better understanding of the workings of the C. E. machinery.

Colored Church.—Our Colored Moravian congregation in Salem is possibly an older congregation than many people are
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The pastor, who pronounced the benediction. Thus closed another happy, enjoyable and successful May festival.

The annual Congregation Council was held at the conclusion of the services. The new system of electing the committee was put in operation at this time. The result of the election was, Br. James Fishel, Chapel Steward; for three years, the Brns. Timothy Fishel, Frank Tesh, N. W. Shore and T. T. Spaugh; for two years, the Brns. David Tesh, J. J. Shore, Lewis Fishel and Lewis Spaugh; for one year, the Brns. Frank Knuss, Simon Fishel, Allen Folz and John Crouch.

The Holy Communion was celebrated on Whit Sunday. A large congregation was present. At the Lord's table 150 sat down together. Br. Charles Crouch visited Eden and conducted the 3 o'clock service in the pastor's absence.

Friedland.—Preparations for the Annual Conference were being made already on the 6th of May when pastor Woosley filled his regular monthly appointment. The services at Union Cross in the afternoon of this same date were not as numerous attended as on former occasions. A funeral at Abbotts Creek drew away several from this service.

The meeting of the Annual Conference and the sessions held on the 9th and 10th of May, in the church at Friedland, was an important occasion for the congregation. The members laid aside their customary work and gave themselves, heart and hand, to serve their guests and make their stay in the congregation as pleasant as possible. The congregation, as a whole, attended the sessions of the Conference and filled the spacious church at every meeting. The young people showed their interest in a commendable manner by preparing music, songs and flowers. The interest and cooperation of the congregation contributed in a large measure to the success of the Conference throughout.

Fulp.—The recent celebration on the occasion of the first anniversary of this flourishing Sunday School was an event of unusual interest. A large shelter, thatched over with oak branches, was erected in front of the school-house, with a seating capacity of about 150. The S. S. scholars occupied a temporary platform and presented an exceedingly pleasant appearance. The morning exercises were of a varied character, and were much enjoyed by the many friends present. In
the afternoon the exercises were opened by a dialogue in costume, representing the Christian clad in the Gospel armor.

The address was delivered by Mr. Howard Rondthaler, on John 10:10, to a very large and attentive congregation. Bro. J. T. Lineback, who has had the work in charge, was taken completely by surprise by the presentation of a large and comfortable rocking chair. To this brother and Mrs. Dr. Fulp, the very efficient superintendent, belongs the utmost credit for the faithful manner in which they have labored for the school and the Church.

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Mt. Bethel.—At the monthly service in May the Holy Communion was held and a former member reinstated. The committee made an apportionment of membership dues to be collected by the envelope system.

New Philadelphia.—A very delightful occasion was the rededication of the New Philadelphia church on the 26th of May. Two wings were recently added to this place of worship. The enlargement is a decided improvement and affords ample space for Sunday School and public service. The steady growth of this congregation has necessitated the enlargement of this church, now the second time in the lapse of a few years, and from all appearances it may not be long before a new and larger church may be needed. The services on this dedication day were attended by many visiting brethren and sisters from other congregations. At 11 a. m., the first service was held, Bishop Rondthaler presiding, and after the rededication he preached an earnest and thoughtful sermon. The visiting brethren: McCusston, Thaler and Hall took part in this service. The preaching service was followed by a public lovefeast preceded over by Bro. Woosley, the pastor. Rev. Emil Pioet being present, was introduced to the audience and for about 20 minutes spoke of the Mission work on the Mosquito Coast where he had labored recently for about one year. The address of Br. Pioet was very interesting and instructive.

At the opening of the regular service, on the day following the rededication, the pastor baptized the infant son of Mr. Charles and Mrs. Lillian Jones, m. n. Carter.

Oak Grove.—The neat and well kept appearance of the graveyard and church grove at this place attract frequent attention on the part of the travellers on the N. & W. R. R., and this care displayed in these external matters is a very fair index to the general activity of this congregation.

The Oak Grove Christian Endeavor Society hopes to be largely represented at the approaching District Convention, to which reference is made in another column.

Providence.—The young people in this congregation are preparing for the establishment of a Christian Endeavor Society in their midst.

Salem Female Academy.—The Academy Commencement exercises were given in the course of the week beginning May 25th and closing May 31st. The Concert by the Vocal department was the first of the series in the full programme. It was given on Friday evening, May 25th, under the direction of Miss Tracy, who is at the head of this department. The exercises of the evening gave ample evidence of the conscientious work done by teachers and scholars.

On Saturday evening, May 26th, a large audience assembled for the entertainment by the Elocution department. The program was under the direction of Miss Scriber. It was very enjoyable throughout. This department is becoming more and more popular under the able direction of Miss Scriber.

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The Senior Evenings, Monday and Tuesday, May 29th and 29th, under the direction of Miss Lehman, were fully up to the high standard of former years. The essays were meritorious in their subject matter and were delivered in an excellent and entertaining manner.

The Art Exhibit, Tuesday afternoon, May 29th, was decidedly above the average and indicated unmistakably that Miss Siewers, who directs this department, is intent upon bringing it up to a very high standard.

The Alumnae Meeting, Wednesday afternoon, May 30th, was a delightful gathering. Mrs. D. H. Starbuck, the President, presided with dignity and grace. Several well written papers were read by former pupils and listened to with close attention. The address by Rev. A. D. Thaler was thoughtful and treated upon the subjects of special interest to the association. The lovefeast was as usual a most pleasing feature. The Alumnae Scholarship Fund was increased considerably by the envelope collection. The Emma Moore Memorial steps were formally tendered by the Principal in the name of Mr. James Garry, of Texas, to the Board of Trustees, and were gracefully accepted by Bishop Rondthaler, the President of the Board, in a beautiful address.

The Grand Concert was given on Wednesday evening, May 30th. The admission feature was a departure from the free Concerts of former years. This was a decidedly important step in a proper direction. The proceeds were placed in the Alumnae Fund. The Concert was under the direction of Prof. Skilton and was of a high order of merit, showing clearly to what a high standard the musical department has attained.

The Commencement proper took place on Thursday morning, May 31st, at nine o'clock. A large and appreciative audience was assembled. The Graduating Class, numbering 37, in their becoming robes, made an imposing picture. The exercises were opened by the Salem Orchestra. The oration was delivered by Rev. Robert Strange, of Wilmington, N. C. It was a masterly effort on the subject of "Vision," and in close keeping with the spirit of the Commencement, being intensely appropriate. The diplomas were presented by Bishop Rondthaler, D. D., President of the Board of Trustees.

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**Mt. Bethel.** At the monthly service in May the Holy Communion was kept and a former member reinstated. The committee made an appointment of membership duties to be collected by the envelope system.

**New Philadelphia.** A very delightful occasion was the rededication of the New Philadelphia church on the 26th of May. Two wings were recently added to this place of worship. The enlargement is a decided improvement and affords ample space for Sunday School and public service. The steady growth of this congregation has necessitated the enlargement of this church, now the second time in the lapse of a few years, and from all appearances it may not be long before a new and larger church may be needed. The services on this rededication day were attended by many visiting brethren and sisters from other congregations. At 11 a.m., the first service was held, Bishop Rondthal presiding, and after the rededication he preached an earnest and thoughtful sermon. The visiting brethren: McCuiston, Thaler, and Hall took part in this service. The preaching service was followed by a public lovefeast sponsored by Bro. Woosley, the pastor. Rev. Emil Poit being present, was introduced to the audience and for about 20 minutes spoke of the Mission work on the Mosquito Coast where he had labored recently for about one year. The address of Br. Poit was very interesting and instructive.

At the opening of the regular service, on the day following the rededication, the pastor baptized the infant son of Mr. Chas. and Mrs. Lillie Jones, m.n. Carter.

**Oak Grove.** The neat and well kept appearance of the graveyard and church grove at this place attract frequent attention on the part of the travellers on the N. & W. R.R., and this care displayed in these external matters is a very fair index to the general activity of this congregation.

The Oak Grove Christian Endeavor Society hopes to be largely represented at the approaching District Convention, to which reference is made in another column.

**Providence.** The young people in this congregation are preparing for the establishment of a Christian Endeavor Society in their midst.

**Salem Female Academy.** The Academy Commencement exercises were given in the course of the week beginning May 25th and closing May 31st. The Concert by the Vocal department was the first of the series in the full programme. It was given on Friday evening, May 25th, under the direction of Miss Lehman, were fully up to the standard of this department. The exercises of the evening gave ample evidence of the conscientious work done by teachers and scholars.

On Saturday evening, May 26th, a large audience assembled for the entertainment by the Elocution department. The programme was under the direction of Miss Scriber. It was very enjoyable throughout. This department is becoming more and more popular under the able direction of Miss Scriber.

The Baccalaureate Sermon by Rev. T. H. Trinchard, D. D., of Charlotte, N. C., on Sunday morning, May 27th, was an able discourse, beautifully adapted to the occasion, and listened to by a large and appreciative audience.

The Senior Evenings, Monday and Tuesday, May 28th and 29th, under the direction of Miss Lehman, were fully up to the high standard of former years. The essays were meritorious in their subject matter and were delivered in an excellent and entertaining manner.

The Art Exhibit, Tuesday afternoon, May 29th, was decidedly above the average and indicated unmistakably that Miss Siewers, who directs this department, is intent upon bringing it up to a very high standard.

The Alumnae Meeting, Wednesday afternoon, May 30th, was a delightful gathering. Mrs. D. H. Starbuck, the President, presided with dignity and grace. Several well written papers were read by former pupils and listened to with close attention. The address by Rev. A. D. Thaler was thoughtful and treated upon the subjects of special interest to the association. The lovefeast was as usual a most pleasing feature. The Alumnae Scholarship Fund was increased considerably by the envelope collection. The Emma Moore Memorial steps were formally tendered by the Principal in the name of Mr. James Garrity, of Texas, to the Board of Trustees, and were gracefully accepted by Bishop Rondthal, the President of the Board, in a beautiful address.

The Grand Concert was given on Wednesday evening, May 30th. The admission fee feature was a departure from the free Concerts of former years. This was a decidedly important step in a proper direction. The proceeds were placed in the Alumnae Fund. The Concert was under the direction of Prof. Skilton and was of a high order of merit, showing clearly to what a high standard the musical department has attained.

The Commencement proper took place on Thursday morning, May 31st, at nine o'clock. A large and appreciative audience was assembled. The Graduating Class, numbering 37, in their becoming robes, made an imposing picture. The exercises were opened by the Salem Orchestra. The oration was delivered by Rev. Robert Strange, of Wilmington, N. C. It was a masterly effort on the subject of "Visions," and in close keeping with the spirit of the Commencement, being intensely appropriate. The diplomas were presented by Bishop Rondthal, D. D., President of the Board of Trustees.

The Commencement of 1894 was a decided success throughout. A most excellent Christian tone pervaded all the exercises.

**Sedge Garden.** This place sends in an earnest plea: "Come over and help us." The school-house has been offered for temporary accommodations. Surely the field is white unto the harvest.

**Shiloh.** On the first Sunday in May, Bro. James T. Lineback visited Shiloh, the
new field of Sunday School work. He found some thirty parents and children in attendance and manifesting a considerable interest in the new work.

Union Cross.—This place was also visited by the same brother on the 27th of May. This school gives encouraging promise and only needs careful organization and steady effort to make it a strong branch of our work.

Salem.—The Whitsuntide season was one of special interest. It was opened with a preparatory meeting on the Friday before Whitsuntide, which fell this year on May 13th. On the festal day the church band, for the first time, announced the great festival of the Holy Spirit by choruses from the church steeple. The sermon was preached on Acts iv. 4: “They were all filled with the Holy Ghost.” By the direction of the Board of Elders a communion lovefeast has been instituted for this day, and was happily held for the first time. There were two communions, which were very largely attended. At the evening communion three persons were received into the Church.

The month of May was marked by pleasant and edifying occasions, when ministers of other congregations ministered in the Home pulpit. On Sunday morning, May 29th, Bro Samuel Blum preached a very acceptable discourse. Bro. Blum is a child of the Salem congregation and a former superintendent of Elm Street Sunday School. His visits are always welcome with us, and we rejoice in the success which has been vouchsafed to him in his several Northern fields. He has been an enthusiastic traveler likewise, and his discourses are frequently enriched with instructive references to experiences in Europe and in the East.

On the evening of the same Sunday the pulpit was occupied by three Episcopal clergymen, the fraternal delegates of the Convention at that time in session in Winston. A very practical discourse was preached by the Rev. Mr. Weston, of Hickory, a fraternal greeting given by the Rev. Mr. Osborne, of Charlotte, and the closing prayer offered by the Rev. Mr. Quinn, of Wadesboro, who also afterwards pleasantly addressed the Pastor’s Class.

The Commencement sermon by Rev. Dr. Fritchard, of Charlotte, has already been referred to in these columns. It was a discourse of unusual power, well worthy of the repute of one of the first orators of the Baptist Church in the South. The fraternal spirit of the preacher toward the Moravians was especially appreciated. Last but not least was the Commencement address of the Rev. Robert Strange, the rector of St. James, Wilmington, N. C. His theme was “Visions.” With great eloquence he traced their influence on the careers of a Paul, a Zinzendorf, a Florence Nightingale, and showed the value of a high ideal in the shaping of every life.

Several times during the month wide circles in the congregation were deeply touched by the departure of little children.

The two brethren who have come to us from Lititz and who are greatly esteemed among us, Bro. Lawrence Brickenstein and Bro. John Seaber were thus bereaved. As we stood by the little flower-decked graves we were reminded of what the poet says:

“There is no flock, however watched and tended. But one dead lamb is there! for this day, and was happy ever after.”

The recent departure of Bro. Francis R. Holland at Hope, Ind., has been duly noted in our community. He was the pastor of Salem in the years immediately before and during the Civil War. As the founder of the Home Sunday School and as the builder of the Salem Colored Church he deserves a high place in the history of the Salem congregation.

We were sorry to bid good-bye to the Rev. Emil Poiet and his wife, who, having come to us from the Moskito Coast for the recovery of our brother’s impaired health, have now left us for their new field of service in South Africa. Bro. Poiet availed himself of his mission opportunities during this enforced vacation. He made a number of interesting addresses on the Moskito Mission, and has thus helped to deepen the interest in this important work. May the Lord conduct them safely to their distant field of labor and richly bless them there!

Infant Baptisms.

In the Salem Home Chapel, on May 25th, 1891, REBECCA AMELIA, infant daughter of Mr. James and Mrs. Mary Petree.

At the House church, in Salem, on Sunday, June 17th, 1894, ANNIE MAY, infant daughter of Mr. Charles and Mrs. Leocette Ebert.

At the House church, in Salem, on Sunday June 17th, 1894, JOHN JAMES, infant son of Mr. J. T. and Mrs. M. A. Glover.

At her own home in Salem, on Sunday, June 17th, 1894, LILIAN MABEL, infant daughter of Mr. Elmer A. and Mrs. Margaret L. Murchison.

At her own home, on Sunday, June 17th, 1894, ROSE ELSA, infant daughter of Mr. William C. and Mrs. Julia E. Sink.

Subscriptions.

Thomas Holder, Hulon; Mrs. Catherine Crater, Clemmons; A. A. Crater, Crater’s P O; Mrs. Laura Watkins, Clemmons; Polly Speck, Friedberg; Mrs. A. Hinkle, Welch; Rev. Mr. Weston, Winston; H. J. Lee, Farmington; J. L. Morris, D. S. B.; J. T. Holland at Hope, Ind., has been duly received into the Home Sunday School. His visits are always welcomed, and his discourses are frequently enriched with instructive references to experiences in Europe and in the East.

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COMING EVENTS.

S. S. Teachers’ Normal, Friedberg,
(including Hope, Macedonia, Eden and
Pleasant Fork) July 28 and 29.
July 31, 8 P. M., Entertainment, Centre-
ville Sunday School.

Special services beginning
1st Sunday in August, Mt. Bethel, Va.
2d ... Friedland.
3d ... Macedonia.
4th ... Providence.
5th ... Oak Grove.
6th ... Sept., Friedberg.
August 16th, County Sunday School Con-
vention, Home church, Salem.

CONVENTIONS and mass meetings breed
enthusiasm, and sanctified enthusiasm is a
mighty power for good. Hence it is that
the Sunday School and Christian Endeav-
or movements receive from time to time
such powerful forward impulses.

It is a cause for great thanksgiving
that while many parts of the North and
West are harrowed and torn by strikes
and riots, our portion of the Southland is
free from such unfortunate disturbances.
True it is that times are hard and work
scarce, but happily they are not rendered
more severe by the lawless acts of
mis-guided mobs.

The long summer months, with their
journeyings and outings, are upon us. It
is during this time that the week night
prayer-meetings often suffer, and, in view
of this fact, every church member should
look up his prayer-meeting record and
see whether it cannot be mended some-
what during midsummer. An especial
effort will be accompanied by an especial
blessing.

---According to instructions received
from the last Conference, the S. S.
Committee has prepared the programme and
completed the arrangements for the first
Sunday School Normal to be held in our
District. Experienced workers will pre-
sent the various phases of Sunday School
activity, each subject being followed by a
general discussion. No effort has been
spared to make these gatherings as help-
ful and practical as possible, and all teach-
ers and friends of this important branch of
Church activity will be cordially welcomed
at all of the sessions. The following is
the programme as mapped out for July
28th and 29th, the meetings being held at
Friedberg:

SATURDAY, 10 A. M.
Opening Exercises—Rev. Jas. E. Hall.
General Introduction—Bishop Rond-
thaler.
Intermediate Class, Lesson VI.—Taught
by Miss Rondthaler.
Qualifications of a Teacher—F. H. Fries.
Open Conference—Sunday School Fi-
nances—Leader, W. T. Spaugh.
AFTERNOON.
Primary Class, Lesson VII.—Taught by
Miss M. E. Vogler.
Open Conference—How to Build Up the
School—Leader, E. A. Elbert.
Blackboard—How to Use It—H. E. Rond-
thaler.
Open Conference—Sunday School Lit-
terature—Leader, J. T. Lineback.
SUNDAY MORNING.
Sermon—Rev. Jas. E. Hall.
AFTERNOON.
Bible Class, Lesson VIII.—Taught by C.
H. Fogle.
Records and Secretary’s Work—W. A.
Boyd.
Special Events in the Sunday School.
Question Box—J. T. Lineback.
Consecration and Prayer Service—H. E.
Rondthaler.

This Normal will be held especially for
the congregations of Friedberg, Hope,
Macedonia, Pleasant Fork and Eden.
Later in the season other portions of the
District will be visited.

DURING the past month a sister has de-
parted this life whose name is well known
throughout the District, and whose ser-
vice had been rendered in many of our
congregations. St. Elizabeth Balfour
Rights, m. m. Hughes, was born at Salis-
bury, N. C., on Nov. 11th, 1822. She
was united in marriage with the late Bro.
Christian Lewis Rights on Sept. 5th,
1842. She served with her beloved hus-
band for 9 years at Friedland, for 11 years
at Friedberg, for 9 years at Bethania, and
for 17 years at Kernersville. In this last
place of her abode she was specially use-
ful in the school which she held for young
children, whereby many were prepared
for a useful church membership, and the
whole congregation has been greatly
blessed.

In 1890 she accompanied her husband
to the Indian Territory, where, on Jan.
9th, 1891, he suddenly entered into his rest.
On her return our dear sister still con-
tinued to reside in Kernersville. Her spirit
was evidently ripening in patience, humili-
ity and kindness for its eternal home. Into
this she was received, after a brief illness,
on Friday, July 6th, 1894, at the age of
71 years, 7 months and 25 days. Her
funeral services were of a solemn and ten-
der character and very largely attended.
It was felt by all that a handmaiden of the
Lord had been called home who will long
be remembered among us. Her mortal
remains lie beside those of her husband on
the Kernersville graveyard.

WHEN it comes to describing an event
such as the recent Mass Convention of the
Christian Endeavor Societies of the South-
ern District, the editor must put in a new
pen and uncork a fresh bottle of ink. Our
five town and neighborhood Societies filled
the centre and north half of the church,
and the visiting Societies the south side.
A bright delegation from Oak Grove roll-
ed into town in a large farm wagon, ac-
accompanied by several outriders. The
Friedberg company was filled to overflow-
ing with song.

Which part of the Convention was the
best? That is hard to tell. Those ring-
ing songs, led by a choir of forty Endeavors, under the direction of Bro. Kenneth Pfohl, will linger long in our memory. Nor shall we soon forget those earnest, practical reports from the different societies.

Four short addresses, all to the point, and all stirringly enthusiastic, were a fitting introduction to the beautiful consecration service which so touchingly closed the convention. A solemn stillness pervaded the whole congregation as the members of one society after another rose and re-consecrated themselves to work for “Christ and the Church” in a stanza of song, or pledge, or verse of Scripture.

Slowly, and amidst the heartfelt greetings and warmest handshaking, the convention dispersed, nor could we help believing that it had marked a decided step forward for the C. E. movement in our District. Upon the last page of the programme were printed the following significant figures:

GROWTH IN OUR SOUTHERN DISTRICT.
September 8th, 1892. 1 Society, 13 members.
July 8th, 1894. 10 Societies, 252 members.

Our East Salem church looks like a new place since the recent alterations have been completed. Overhead the painter’s brush has been busy, while under foot a neat and tasty carpet has been laid.

It is always a pleasure to hear of the Christian activity of our non-resident members, and hence we are glad to receive a bright letter from Bro. Geo. Briez, so well known among us, stating that the Sunday School work in which he is engaged at Ilchester, Md., is being very greatly prospered. Children’s Day was happily celebrated on June 10th. During the past year the Sunday School contributed $94.00 to mission work.

The youngest Christian Endeavor Society in our District is that of the Bethania congregation. Although but ten days old at the time of the recent Mass Convention in the Home church, it was represented by two delegates, and more than that it was one of the four Southern Moravian Societies represented at the International Convention, Cleveland, Ohio. Bethania Society of Christian Endeavor starts out enthusiastically, and we shall doubtless hear of good things from their midst.

By the time this issue of The Wachovia Moravian reaches its readers the new Historical Society of the Southern District will, in all likelihood, be fully organized. This Society, similar to the Historical Society of the Northern District, proposes to gather and care for all the valuable historical matter connected with the work of the Moravian Church in the South. Its organization is very timely, as we have long felt the need of just such a society, and we feel sure that its work will prove alike interesting and valuable.

After many years of helpful service the interest in the Women’s Missionary Society of the Salem congregation not only continues but is steadily increasing. On the afternoon of July 22d the regular semi-annual meeting was held. Twenty-five dollars were donated to church and mission house repairs at Lebanon, Antigua, West Indies; and ten dollars for mission-work in the Blue Ridge mountains of South-west Virginia. A committee of three was appointed to represent this Society in the new Wachovia Historical Society.

By the time the next issue of the Wachovia Moravian is in print a number of our ministers will have begun their annual series of special services. These meetings which are often styled “protracted” meetings, generally last from a week to ten days. The experience of many years has shown that great spiritual refreshing follows this special form of service, which is so well adapted to the circumstances of country congregations. These days are spent on “mountain heights,” and from them are gained new spiritual impulses and a fresh awakening of zeal. Let the prayers of our people be very earnest in behalf of this Fall’s work; prayers for the blessing of the Holy Spirit. “For without me, ye cannot do nothing.”

August 16th.—Thursday—is the date appointed for the County Convention of Sunday Schools, and what makes this gathering one of especial interest to us is the fact that it convenes in the Moravian church of Salem. Sessions will be held morning and afternoon, to which every one is welcome. Brief reports will be presented, and various phases of Sunday School work discussed. The call and invitation issued by the Chairman of the Executive Committee, Rev. J. F. Mc-

CUSTON, opens with these suggestive words:

Greeting.—God is working mightily through the Sunday Schools to unite the Home church in the great work of evangelizing the world. Never before has He used the young people and children of His Church to this end as at present. The prayer of our Saviour is “that we may all be one.” In union there is strength. We desire to receive the co-operation of all the Sunday Schools in this county in the County Sunday School Convention, and through it in the State and National work.

Certainly the most interesting feature of the Thirteenth International Convention of Christian Endeavorers, held in Cleveland, Ohio, July 11 to 15, and which, notwithstanding hard times and railroad strikes, was attended by nineteen thousand delegates from all over the world,—interesting at least to every Moravian, was the rally of our members held in one of the city churches. Between sixty and seventy Moravian Endeavorers were present, and a more cordially enthusiastic meeting was not held during the great convention. Seven States were represented, and reports were heard from all the Districts, North and South. Rev. W. H. Vogler, of Hope, Ind., presided over the first rally. It was, indeed, a beautiful sight to see so many Moravian delegates gathered from all parts. We felt that ours was in very truth a Unity of the Brethren.

A three hours’ session could only be closed when we had arranged to meet again on the following day in a few precious minutes between the great convention gatherings, and after the second there followed still a third rally, at the close of which we reluctantly bid one another good-by and God-speed. The unvarying testimony of our Moravian brethren and sisters was, that the Christian Endeavor Society, so Moravian like in its ideas and methods, had everywhere exerted a wonderful influence in bringing out more activity in Church work.

Moravian Missions.

Note.—All contributions to the Moravian Missions sent to the “Editors of The Wachovia Moravian, Salem, N. C.” will be thankfully received and acknowledged in the next issue. The work committed by the Lord to the Moravian Church, to be His messenger among the most ignorant and degraded heathen, appeals earnestly to the assistance of those who, in every Church, love His name.

Our missionaries among the Delaware Indians at New Fairfield, Canada, are con-
On speaks very appreciatively of their labors. The missionaries are very desirous of getting pledges of support from societies and individuals. $50 will support one orphan for a year. Gifts of clothing and other articles will also be thankfully received.

In the month of January the East African missionaries were visited by the German Governor, Von Schoele. His report speaks very appreciatively of their labors.

The Mission in Central Asia is to be strengthened by another laborer, Bro. Kurt Fichtner, who will be stationed at Leh, in British Thibet.

The work which Br. Marc Richard is carrying on upon the island of Trinidad, West Indies, is steadily progressing. At the chief station, Port of Spain, 15 have been recently confirmed and 17 received by the right hand of fellowship. Meetings are also held at Chaguanaas and St. Madalene. An appeal comes from the town of Toco, where there are no Christian services whatever. An earnest appeal is made for contributions toward the paying off of the debt of $2000 which still remains on the Trinidad Mission.

Annual report of the Leper Hospital at Jerusalem shows 28 inmates. - 8 Christians, the remainder Moslems

Especial interest is being manifested among the young people of Bohemia in connection with our work in their midst.

Kingston congregation, Island of Jamaica, recently received twenty three new members.

News from the Northern District.

Linden Hall Seminary for Girls at Lititz, Penna., celebrated its Centennial on June 24th, 25th and 26th. The memorial sermon was preached by the Rev. E. T. Kluge, President of the Northern Province.

The degree of D. D. was conferred upon Rev. Charles B. Shultz by the Faculty and Trustees of Ursinus College.

Dr. Thompson, of Boston, author of "Twelve Lectures on Moravian Missions," has made a valuable donation of missionary literature to the library of the Theological Seminary.

Additions will be made to the Nazareth Hall buildings during the summer.

Fourth of July was celebrated by members of Easton, Pa., congregation in grading the church lot.

London, Wisconsin, has a new church building under way.

104 electric lights have been placed in the Nazareth, Pa., church.

The Church at Home.

The object of this department of The Wachovia Moravian is to place before its readers items of local interest in the life of our Moravian congregations in the South. Your active co-operation in the furtherance of this object is highly desirable. If the editor of "THE CHURCH AT HOME" has the assistance of his brethren everywhere, this department will become interesting and profitable to the churches. Every one should esteem it a pleasant duty to take note of local church items, and through their pastor, or the mail, to send the same to Rev. JAMES E. HALL, Salem, N. C.

Bethania.--The June Festival, held on the 2nd Sunday in June, the congregation's anniversary, was a most happy and blessed occasion. Bishop Rondthaler preached the sermon in the morning service to a large and appreciative audience. A lovefeast was held in the afternoon. In the Holy Communion, which followed the lovefeast, three members were received on certificate from the Methodist Episcopal Church. An unusually large congregation sat down together at the Lord's Table, and the Holy Spirit's presence was deeply felt.

A lawn party was held at Schoolhouse No. 1 on Saturday, July 7th, for the benefit of the new Sunday School recently located at that point. Refreshments were offered for sale, and the Bethania Orchestra enlivened the occasion with appropriate music. It was a very enjoyable lawn party, and was the means of placing $19.00 in the treasury of the Sunday School.

A Christian Endeavor Society was organized June 28th, at Bethania, with a membership of 18, and with bright prospects for the future.

Calvary.--The Christian Endeavor Society gave a very pleasant "Social" to its members and friends in the South Side Park, chartering the summer car for the trip both ways. A 32-candle power incandescent lamp has been placed by the Calvary Circle near the footbridge across the ravine south-east of the chapel; this is a great convenience on dark, wet nights.

Friedberg.--Instead of the usual sermon on the first Sunday in June the pastor lectured on Moravian Missions in the New World. The Rev. Samuel Burke, of the M. E. Church, was present on this occasion, and addressed the Sunday School in his usual earnest and practical manner.

Fourth of July is not ordinarily a very propitious prayer meeting date. The Endeavorers of Calvary, however, have no reason to regret the special efforts expended in preparing for their "Fourth of July" service. The church was handsomely decorated with flags of various nationalities, the stars and stripes being, of course, the most prominent. A large audience was present and enjoyed the varied programme. Papers were read and short addresses delivered by Messrs. Edgar Hege, R. A. Spaugh, H. E. Rondthaler, Misses Shelton and Query, and the pastor, Rev. A. D. Thielem. The songs were bright and stirring, and the whole service characteristic of the spirit of Calvary Chapel, earnest, hearty and cordial.

Colored Sunday School. -- After weeks of careful preparation and no end of hard work on the part of the leader, Miss Carrie Crist, the Colored Sunday School rendered, on July 22d, a special Children's Day Service. The principal part of the programme was the songs, which were rendered with unusual beauty and harmony. The singing in this school is at all times beautiful, but on this occasion the scholars, some three hundred in number, simply outdid themselves. Every one is looking forward with much pleasure to the annual picnic set for Saturday, 28th inst.

Friedland. -- On Saturday evening, June 2d, the pastor met with the Y. P. S. C. E., and took part in the prayer-meeting. After the monthly preaching service on the 1st Sunday a congregation council was held, at which a new Committee was elected, consisting of the following brethren: W. A. Weavil, James McCuiston, G. R. Reed, Ervin Weavil and M. M. Stewart. The pastor then partook of a dinner which members of the congregation had prepared and brought to the church, and at once proceeded to Union Cross, where a large company had assembled to hear him preach in the afternoon. Later in the day the pastor visited at Bro. Eli Weavil's. Sr. Weavil is an invalid, unable to work, and now almost entirely confined to her rocking-chair. On the
28th the pastor was summoned to Friedland to hold the funeral service over the remains of Pearl Estelle, the one year old daughter of Bro. W. A. Wavil.

**Fulp.**—Progress is being made at Fulp. The lumber is being gathered for a commodious and beautiful church. The graveyard plot has been cleared off, and will soon be in a suitable condition for interments. There is an earnest, business-like, working spirit among the Fulp members which insures the successful accomplishment of all the plans now on foot.

**Kernersville.**—The Sunday School picnic was held June 23d, at Kernersville Mill, near Kernersville. The pastor, Bro. Crossland, was present, and pronounces the occasion a very enjoyable one.

The funeral of Sr. Elizabeth Balfour Rights, widow of the late Rev. C. L. Rights, was conducted from the Kernersville church by Bishop Rondthaler and the pastor on the 7th of July. The interment was on the Kernersville graveyard.

**Macedonia.**—After the preaching service on the 2d Sunday in June, the Congregation Council met for the biennial election of the Committee. The election resulted in the choice of the brethren H. J. Lee, J. G. Sheek, A. R. Sheek, H. F. Sparks and W. L. Butner. The new Committee met immediately after the Council, and organized by the election of Bro. H. J. Lee as Chairman, and Bro. A. R. Sheeks, Treasurer. The Sunday School is prospering at this place, and good work is being done. The average attendance is larger than ever before.

**Mt. Bethel, Va.**—Some very practical missionary work has recently been done at this place by several members of the Women's Missionary Society of the Salem congregation. Mrs. Sarah Lineback, widow of the late Rev. Parmesio Lineback, who was such an earnest worker in this field, together with Misses Claudia Winkler and Cornelia Masten, spent some nine or ten days at the mission house, devoting their time to visiting throughout the neighborhood, gathering the Sunday School teachers for special conference, and above all to giving much needed instruction in singing. Almost every afternoon a considerable company was gathered in the church building, and generally several hours were given to the learning of new hymns. It is by thus coming into actual contact with the needs of the work that the best results are accomplished, and, after the encouraging experiences of this recent visitation, we feel sure that this important branch of the Home Mission work will be frequently revisited.

**New Philadelphia.**—In addition to the stated monthly preaching on the 4th Sunday in June, the pastor, Bro. Woodley, preached in the afternoon at Hamburg School House. He says the attendance, notwithstanding the hot weather, was good at both places.

**Oak Grove.**—A severe rain and hail storm prevented the pastor from making his monthly trip to Oak Grove. On the 29th of June he was called to Oak Grove to hold the funeral of Bro. and Sr. Robert Whicker's little son. A mothers' prayer-meeting is in operation at Oak Grove. Only mothers meet and take part in this meeting. It can readily be seen that a prayer-meeting of this character must exercise a wide influence for good in the congregation.

**Olivet.**—This filial of Bethania continues progressive. The attendance and interest at the services is remarkably good considering the very warm weather. The pastor is much encouraged with the results of his work here.

**Providence.**—The pastor was met by a large congregation on the 17th of June. He says: "The preaching service was well attended and things in general were of an encouraging nature." There is a very apparent increase of interest in the Sunday School work at this church. The pastor, after a substantial dinner at Bro. T. N. Marshall's, started on his way to Oak Grove, but, being overtaken by a severe storm, was obliged to take refuge at Bro. J. Walker's, and failed to reach his afternoon appointment.

**Salem Female Academy.**—Through the united efforts of Principal Clewell, the recent graduates and the "Twin-City Daily Sentinel," a memorial window is to be placed in the Academy Chapel in memory of the late Senator Zebulon B. Vance. A Summer School is in successful operation in the Institution this summer. About 25 pupils are availing themselves of this opportunity to pursue their studies.

An enormous edition of 50,000 copies of *The Academy* for June has been printed and mailed to all parts of the country.

**Wachovia Arbor.**—There were two preaching services during the month of June, on the 10th and 24th respectively. On the latter date the pastor remained and conducted the evening prayer-meeting. The Church Council has taken a long step forward towards the remodeling of the church in the contribution of ready cash for the undertaking.

**Infant Baptisms.**

At Salem Home Church, July 1st, 1894, Mary Louisa, infant daughter of Bro. Albert and Sr. Alice Breit, m.m. Butner.

In Salem Home Church, July 22, 1894, James Thompson, infant son of Bro. James M. and Sr. Dora House, m.m. Williams.

**Adult Baptisms.**

At Salem, on July 1st, 1894, Edward L. Meyers. Also Susan A. Spach.

**Confirmed.**

At Salem, July 1st, 1894, Jessie R. Dour.

**Healths.**

On May 24th, at Bethania, N. C., Sr. Philomena E. Butner, aged 74 years. Sr. Butner was one of the oldest members of the Bethania congregation.

Near Eden Chapel, N. C., on June 24th, Mr. Albert Bendeke, at an advanced age.

At Kernersville, N. C., on July 6th, Sr. Elizabeth B. Rights, widow of the late Rev. Christian Lewis Rights, aged 71 years, 7 months and 25 days.

Near Salem, N. C., on July 2nd, Raymond Eugene Nading, infant son of Br. Granville A. and Sr. Victoria Nading, m.m. Hicks, aged 6 months and 24 days.

At Salem, N. C., on July 19th, Carr A. Patterson, infant son of Br. Samuel P. and Mrs. Bessie A. Patterson, m.m. Alexander, aged 3 years, 1 month and 17 days.

**Subscriptions.**


Miss Emma Davis, Salem, N. C., to July, 1895.
COMING EVENTS.

Special services beginning:
3d Sunday in August, Providence.
4th " " " Oak Grove.
2d " " " Friedberg.
3d " " Bethabara.

Thursday, August 15th, County Sunday School Convention in Salem Home Church.

Sunday, August 19th, Children’s Festival.
Saturday, Sept. 1st, Joint Picnic, Bethania and Olivet Sunday Schools.
Sunday, Sept. 2d, Young Men’s Festival.
Monday, Sept. 3d, Opening Boys’ School.
Tuesday, Sept. 4th, Opening Salem Female Academy.
Sunday, Sept. 9th, Married People’s Festival.

Every new enterprise is attended with special difficulties, and calls forth particular effort; and hence it was that the promoters of the Sunday School Teachers’ Normal School movement felt a considerable degree of satisfaction at the measure of success which the opening session met with at Friedberg. The idea is a very simple one, i.e.: to introduce so far as possible throughout our Southern Province the best methods in Sunday School work.

To this end experienced laborers in this particular field of work give, from time to time, short practical talks, which are supplemented by open discussions, in which all may participate. One of the most helpful features has been the actual teaching of a subsequent lesson as it is done before classes of various grades. The second central point is Oak Grove, Aug. 11 and 12, to be followed by New Philadelphia a few weeks later.

Some very interesting discussions were brought out by the “Question Box” at the Sunday School Normal.

One slip contained this important question:

““How can we interest the older members of the Church in the Sunday School work?” Quite a good deal was said by various workers present, especially emphasis being laid upon what is coming to be one of the greatest forces of the Sunday School work, the Mothers’ and Fathers’ Classes. It was found that in a number of schools splendid classes of this kind were in existence, and we are glad thus editorially to refer to this matter. Nothing encourages the workers more, few things are a greater help to the children, and in no way can our older people come into more hearty sympathy with this important part of our Church work.

As our Church paper is being issued this month the special services are in progress at Macedonia. Friedland’s meeting closed last week. The evident presence of the Holy Spirit was felt during the meetings, and the Church was greatly refreshed and encouraged, both among its own members and also by the conversions which took place during the week.

A recent number of The Moravian, Bethlehem, Penna., announces the retirement of Rev. E. G. Klose, Sec’y of Publications and Manager of the Publication Concern. This brother has been for many years associated with our Church paper and only retires on account of protracted illness. He has done an admirable work in his important office. The Moravian Hymnal will be a beautiful and enduring memorial of his long and devoted service. He has been a warm friend of the Southern Church, and The Wachovia Moravian sends heartfelt sympathies and good wishes to his sick chamber.

We take occasion right here to draw the attention of members and friends in the South to the importance of subscribing to the Church paper (weekly, $2 a year), in order that they may keep fully informed about the larger work of our Church in North America.

The third and last Sunday School Normal gathering for this season will be held at New Philadelphia on the fourth Saturday and Sunday of August. This will be the rallying point for the schools of New Philadelphia, Hamburg, Wachovia Arbor, Old Town, Bethania, Schoolhouse No. 1, Olivet and Macedonia. The order of exercises will be similar to that of the two preceding Normals, and everything will be done to make the gathering interesting and practically helpful. Officers and teachers are all expected to be present, and, in addition, all scholars, members and friends will be heartily welcomed.

Our recent blessed celebration of the great memorial festival of the 13th of August brought the gracious experiences of 1727 very vividly to the minds of many of our members. It was on that day, 167 years ago, at the communion table of Berthelsdorf, that the Lord visited the remnant of the Church of the Bohemian and Moravian brethren with a powerful outpouring of the Holy Spirit. They were thus renewed into one closely united body of believers ready to proclaim to all the world the forgiving grace of the Saviour. It was the blessing of that communion hour, August 13th, 1727, which sent them to the very ends of the earth to preach the Gospel to the most distant heathen. The whole work and life of our Renewed Church began with this mighty outpouring of the Spirit of God, and can be only rightly continued by means of the same divine influence. We can extend no farther than the Spirit enables us to do so. When we have reached the utmost present limit of our resources we must pray the more earnestly that God will open new fields and give new powers beyond our present utmost endeavor.
From a very interesting letter recently received in Salem from Bro. Leo Reichel, now laboring in the Moravian Mission at Bluefields, Mosquito Coast, Central America, we quote a portion. After describing very vividly the exciting scenes in Bluefields which occurred upon the deposition of the Nicaraguan governor by an infuriated mob, which controlled affairs for a brief time, after which the Mosquito Prince Clarence was proclaimed ruler, the Nicaraguans having been repulsed, Bro. Reichel says: ‘The Dictator had left the town with the threat: ‘Yo vuelva! I return!’ and it was reported that not only in Ramah City, on the Bluefields River in the interior, but also at Greytown to the south, strong forces were being collected in order to put down the ‘Revolution at Bluefields.’ Our Bluefields people were quite determined to fight, and great preparations were made here; men were drilled, two cannons got in order, and all little details attended to. We foreigners were told that as soon as the fight would commence we should have to leave the town for the Courthouse, a building situated some distance from the town toward the bush; it is the quarters of the American marines. There the marines would protect us, as they themselves would be neutral specta
tors of the fight, ‘friends of all and enemies of none.’ You can easily imagine that the thought of having to remove Sr. Reichel and the baby (a few days old), very likely at night, to that distant house, troubled me greatly. It was only the shifting of a scene, there would be great danger both ways. After very earnest consideration I was quite sure that the right thing for us to do would be to stay in our house, protect us as well as we could against bullets, and trust God for the rest. When we had once made up our mind to adopt this course we felt quite at peace.

‘You will know from the papers that no evil approached our town. God has most visibly protected us against the invasion of many hundreds of those wild and brutal fellows who made up the Nicaraguan army, by ordering things so that Costa Rica, just at the critical moment, invaded Nicaragua and took a fort. Troops which were in readiness for Bluefields had to be thrown there, and since that time we have enjoyed a kind of truce.’

Since Bro. Reichel wrote, July 28th, news has been received that the Nicaraguans have again invaded the Mosquito Coast and were preparing for battle in the town of Bluefields.

In writing of the Mission Work the brother says: ‘While we are suffering and our work seems to be on the downward track here in the centre of the Reserve, the work in Nicaragua has had a most promising beginning. Easter-tide at Dakura must have been splendid. More than thirty adults were baptized and over forty children; many couples were married, and, if I remember rightly, about twenty-five partook of the Lord’s Supper. The people assured Bro. Gebhardt, that ‘since the creation of the world Dakura had not seen such a day.’ Bro. Gebhardt is anxious to begin with the building of a church, as the school room is far too small. But our Superintendent and Warden prefer to wait until matters will become somewhat more quiet.’

**Hernians the World Over.**


The Annual Conference of the Island of Jamaica was held during the last days of June. Thirty-two delegates were in attendance. Great interest is being manifested in the new work in the city of Kingston, Jamaica, under the direction of Bishop Hanna.

At Brockweir, England, church repairs have been made to the amount of £750. The Fairfield, England, congregation had a pleasant occasion recently in laying the foundation bricks for a new Sunday School building entirely for the use of the primary department. Over 30 little children each took a turn in laying a brick bearing the initials of the little builder. Wee dots, who could scarcely walk, came up, and, with the mallet, gave the last knock. The London congregation had a bright children’s festival on July 8th.

News from the Greenland Missions up to the end of May report a favorable winter. In Surinam, South America, six young men who have been under training have started out into the wild interior bush country to do evangelistic work. Two new stations have been established in German East Africa. Several of the Wisconsin congregations held a stirring Sunday School Conference at Lake Mills, Wis., on July 9th. Our brother, Weinland, working in the Ramona Indian Mission, California, reports large Sunday congregations.

**The Church at Home.**

The object of this department of THE WACHOVIA MORAVIAN is to place before its readers items of local interest in the life of our Moravian congregations in the South. Your active co-operation in the furtherance of this object is highly desirable. If the editor of "THE CHURCH AT HOME" has the assistance of his brethren everywhere, this department will become interesting and profitable to the church. Every one should esteem it a pleasant duty to take note of local church items, and through their pastor, or the mail, to send the same to Rev. James E. Hall, Salem, N. C.

Bethabara.—An additional service was held at Old Town, on the fifth Sunday in July. The members are anxious to repair the floors in the church, and in order to help toward the work of collecting funds have arranged for a supper to be given on Saturday, Sept. 8th.

Bethania.—A room in the Lash hotel has been neatly furnished for the use of the Christian Endeavor Society. The C. E. colors, white and gold, have been tastily arranged here and there, so that the room presents a very appropriate appearance. The Society, so far, has 30 zealous members, with bright prospects for more.

Some of the lay brethren are doing a good work by holding prayer-meeting every Sunday evening, as a kind of auxiliary to the Christian Endeavor prayer-meeting.

We are looking forward to Sept. 1st, when a congregational and Sunday School picnic will be held, midway between Bethania and Olivet, on Mr. Peter Marshall’s land. This picnic is for the Sunday Schools and members of Bethania congregation, and all friends. We expect a good time. Come and enjoy the day with us.

In the absence of the pastor, Bro. David Wooley occupied Bethania and Olivet pulpits on the 3d Sunday in July.

Calvary Chapel.—During July, the hottest month of the year, came a severe test of the staying quality in our little congregation, and much of the success of the result is due to the Christian Endeavor Society.

On the 9th the pastor, Bro. A. D. Theeler, left home for Cleveland, Ohio, as a delegate from the Calvary and Elm Street Societies, conjointly, to the great convention, held there from the 11th to the 15th. The preaching services had therefore to be omitted on each Sunday morning, but the Sunday School and the mid-week prayer-meetings were held as usual. Three brethren in turn conducted
the Sunday School sessions, and the con-duct of the prayer-meetings was entirely in charge of the C. E. Society. Despite the hot weather, the attendances were always good, and, when the pastor returned, on August 2d, he heard on every hand special mention of the presence of the Spirit in the last prayer-meeting. On several other occasions has the Society been led to its own resources, and it has never flinched in its duty. Many of our people are away from the city, seeking rest among the mountains, etc., but when all are gathered once more the work of the Fall and winter will be undertaken with greater energy and spirit than ever.

Centreville.—A delightful evening with a scintilcon and song was spent amongst the Sunday School scholars and friends recently. The Christian Endeavor Society conducted its prayer-meeting last week in the absence of the pastor, which is a very decided step forward. The members say they had a "fine" meeting.

Christ Chapel.—The work here is going on steadily. A new Sunday School class has been organized by Miss Ella Siddall.

The Saturday night prayer-meetings are brightened by the 15 minute song service held at the close.

Friends of the work will have an opportunity to give substantial evidence of their interest on the occasion of the supper in the grove, Saturday evening, August 18.

Colored Sunday School.—Every month brings something new in this stirring work. This time it is a supper, served on the afternoon and evening of August 9th. Everything passed off pleasantly, and thirty dollars were realized, to be applied to the winter’s expenses. Plans are now on foot for a scintillation entertainment on the evening of the 24th.

East Salem.—The attendance upon preaching services shows a steady increase, and it is a great pleasure to meet in the beautifully renovated church. The Christian Endeavor Society of this congregation gave a very pleasant evening to invited friends recently. After a programme of recitations and songs, refreshments were served in the Sunday School room, and a cheerful hour of social intercourse was enjoyed by all. The new C. E. officers are: President, Agnes Crouse; Secretary, Emma Kiger.

Eden.—At the close of Sunday School, August 19th, a special service of song will be conducted by Rev. A. D. Thaler, of Calvary Chapel, Winston.

Elm Street.—This month marks the beginning of the second half-year in the life of our C. E. Society, and we enter upon it with a roll of fifty active members. Bro. Thaler was away from town for several weeks as a delegate from this and the Calvary Society. The meetings were therefore conducted by Bishop Rondthaler. The singing in these meetings has always been a special feature, Elm St. having a first-class reputation in this respect. The eagerness with which part is taken in the open meeting, and the faithfulness of the committee work, proves what great good is being done by organized effort.

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Friedland.—The regular appointment was filled by the pastor on July 1st, who was very much encouraged by the marked attention to the preached word and earnest desire to hear seemed to be in every one’s heart. While the preacher was in the midst of his discourse a shower of rain came and many persons found it necessary to go out and attend to their horses and carriages which necessitated a pause and a hymn was sung; but after resuming the service the attention was the same.

The Christian Endeavorers are in earnest here, and held a prayer-meeting at the close of the preaching service. On the same day, after dinner at the church, the pastor went to Union Cross, accompanied by his son, Bro. David Woosley, who preached here. Notwithstanding the rain, a good crowd had assembled.

Friedberg.—Raised seats were constructed on the west side of the church in the beginning of the month. A long felt need has, in this way, been provided for, and the comfortable seating of a larger number of people made possible.

On Sunday, the 15th ult., the Southfork Township Sunday School Convention was held at Friedberg. The convention was held in the hands of Rev. Samuel Burk, of the M. E. Church, who is President of the Township. Two sessions were held. The Sunday Schools, eight in all, were well represented. Reports were heard from all the schools. Especially instructive were the earnest and thoughtful addresses by the brethren Eugene Ebert, Dr. Watkins, Dr. Montague, R. R. Crawford and W. T. Spaugh.

The first of the series of Moravian Normal Conferences was held at Friedberg on the 27th and 29th of July. This Normal work is under the direction of Bro. Jas. T. Lineback and Howard Rondthaler. These sessions were held, two on Saturday and two on Sunday. The attendance was good; the lectures were instructive; the sessions were enthusiastic; an earnest spirit of consecration prevailed, and great good was accomplished.

Fulp.—The cornerstone of the new Moravian church at Fulp Station, in Stokes County, was laid on Thursday, August 19th, 1894, with the services always attended, and the service was opened by Rev. A. D. Thaler. The singing in these meetings has always been a special feature, Elm St. having a first-class reputation in this respect. The eagerness with which part is taken in the open meeting, and the faithfulness of the committee work, proves what great good is being done by organized effort.

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Sunday, and continued six days. Two services were held every day, attended by large congregations, and much interest was manifested. There were thirteen conversions and a great strengthening of the church membership. The singing, which is such an important factor in a revival service, was very heartily done by the congregation. The pastor was assisted in an able and happy way by Bro. H. E. Rondthaler.

Macedonia.—Nothing of any note has occurred here, further than the regular routine of service in the morning and evening of the 2d Sunday in July. The pastor’s presence here he visited several families: among them was that of Mr. Wm. Hodge, where he found the mother and daughter sick with typhoid fever.

New Philadelphia. —The regular monthly appointment was kept here the 4th Sunday in July, in the morning, with a good attendance. In the afternoon of the same day, after dinner at Bro. Gideon Livengood’s, the pastor preached at Hamburg Free S. House to a small company, but though the audience was small the pastor was very much encouraged by hearing of the good some of the brethren were getting out of the Sunday School work here. The 4th Sunday in September has been set apart for special service at New Philadelphia.

Oak Grove.—On the 14th the pastor spent a part of the day visiting among some of the brethren, and, on the 15th, preached at the church to a fair congregation. Afterward a Church Council was held, and a new committee elected, consisting of the following brethren: R. J. Whicker, M. L. Swaim and G. L. Morris. After dinner at Bro. Peter Westmoreland’s, Allan Crews took the pastor in his buggy to Providence, where he met with and preached to this congregation in the evening.

The second Sunday School Normal, held at Oak Grove on August 11th and 12th, proved a very successful and helpful occasion. The delegates were in attendance from all the schools included within this District: Kernelsville, Bluff, Friedland, Union Cross, Providence, Oak Grove and Fulp. The programme was, in the main, identical with the one arranged for Friedberg. A large number of the delegates who were present on Saturday remained over to the next day, enjoying the unbounded hospitality of the Oak Grove congregation.

We believe that very practical work is being done in these Normal gatherings, and feel confident that the effects of this instruction will be evident in the increased activity of our Sunday School workers.

Wachovia Arbor.—The two preaching services of this month were conducted by Bro. David Woosley, in the absence of Bro. Theler, who was away from town during most of the month. Little had yet been done in the matter of church building in his absence, except collection of money pledged. This, together with the labor promised, will insure the speedy erection of the new house. This must be finished before the annual protracted meeting can be held, since even last year the seating capacity proved entirely inadequate. It is hoped that operations may be commenced by the 3d week in August.

Salem.—July was a very happy church month in the Salem congregation. The weather was warm and many members were absent, but health was good and there was an unusual degree of interest in the services. The month commenced with the July communions, which were attended by 342 persons. The season was specially solemnized by the baptism of two adults and the confirmation of two others.

On July 3d, Christ Chapel had a picnic at Pleasant Fork. It was only necessary to move among young and old for a little while, on these delightful grounds, to see what a zealous, happy, united band of workers the Christ Chapel people are.

On the same evening the Congregation Council decided to build a larger Christ Chapel in the near future, and also to erect a new Boys’ School House on the old site on which the venerable Boys’ School building has now stood for a full hundred years.

The Christian Endeavor Convention of the District, which met in the Home Church on Sunday, July 8th, has already been referred to in these columns. Every one present seemed to be deeply impressed with the proceedings, which were full of life and of the power of the Spirit. God has, in this new agency, opened a new door of blessing for His people. The local Endeavor Societies are all doing good work. Elm Street Endeavor is particularly distinguished for its beautiful singing. The bouquets of flowers found near many a sick bed testify, in another way, to the loving activity of the Endeavor circles. The influence of the Societies is likewise felt in the enlarged attendance upon church services, especially during the week.

Wednesday evenings are, at present, devoted to the explanation of the Psalms. The 6th was reached on the evening of August 8th. After this Bible service comes the meeting of the Christian Endeavor. On Wednesday, July 25th, Bro. Howard Rondthaler gave a very interesting description of the Cleveland Convention.

The Committee, charged with forming a plan for the Wachovia Historical Society, met on Thursday, July 26th, and made some degree of progress in their laudable object.

It would have done every reader of The Wachovia Moravian good to have seen the happiness of the large picnic of the Colored Moravian Sunday School in the church woods, near Centerville, on Saturday, July 8th. It was the second occasion of the sort, and was a very great improvement on the first. The well-dressed children, the merry games, the ringing hymns, the big circle of eager watermelon eaters gathered around our dear Bro. Allen Spach, who, with beaming face, conducted this lovefeast, were all things to be remembered. The labors of Bro. McCuston and his teachers, in this interesting work, are worthy of all praise.

Several heavy shadows fell on bereaved households during the month, when our charming little Raymond Nading and dear "Baby Patterson," as everyone called this lovely child, were, amid many tears, laid to their rest.

If our Moravians who live abroad had looked into the dear old home during July, and had seen how large the attendance upon Sunday and week-day services was continuing to be, even during the hottest season of the year, they would have taken new courage for the mother church of the Southern District.

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J. G. Reid, R. C. Lineback, C. A. Hall.

Infant Baptisms.

On the 22d of July, 1894, at New Philadelphia, the infant daughter of Bro. and Sis. Calvin Ryan.
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ture of two well known and highly-
useful brethren reaches us. The one was
the learned and zealous EDWIN E. REINKE,
ordained at Salem, by Bishop Herman, in
1870, and for many years the Superinten-
dent of the Jamaica Missions. He de-
parted this life at the age of 73 years, at
Fairfield, Jamaica.
The other was the gifted and laborious
Secretary of Moravian Publications and
author of the new Church Hymnal, Rev.
EDWIN G. KLOSE, who died at Bethle-
hem, on Sept. 15th, in his 50th year.

In a number of our churches special
meetings have been held during the past
weeks, and in every case with evident
spiritual refreshing of the congregation.
This is the first consideration in the hold-
ing of continuous services. If the Chris-
tian people have been encouraged and
strengthened the meeting has been a suc-
cess. The number of accessious, which
again this year bids fair to be large, is an
important but still a secondary matter,
which depends upon the amount of mate-
rial which has been gathered by Church and
Sunday School in the course of the twelve-
month. If very many are gathered in
one year it is hardly to be expected that
the number will be great the next year.

**Moravian Missionary Gathering.**

* Those who were present at the District
  Conference of '93, held at New Philadel-
  phia, will remember the earnest desire ex-
  pressed on every side for more advance
  in missionary work than the Southern
  Province has lately been making. The
  plan was there suggested of an annual
  gathering to awaken interest and spread
  information concerning the great foreign
  work in which all Christian Churches are
  engaged. The last Synod, held in No-
  vember, endorsed this suggestion, and
  also recommended the formation of a
  Missionary Society similar to the Society
  for the Propagation of the Gospel, now
  existing in our Northern Province. The
  matter has been fully discussed of late in
  the monthly conferences, and the call is
  now issued for such a Missionary Picnic,
  to be held in the grove at Centreville on
  October 4th of this year. Plans for this
  gathering have not yet been fully for-
  mulated, but the following programme has
  been drawn up for the morning and after-
  noon meetings:

  **Opening Address**—"What Missions cost.”
  By Bishop RONDTHALER.
  "Mission Geography,” illustrated by
  maps—by Bro. B. J. Pföhl.
  "The Southern Moravian Missionary
  Society”—by Rev. JAS. E. HALL.

  **Intermission.**

  **Afternoon Session.**
  "Monumental Missions”—by Rev. J. H.
  Clewell.
  "Inner View of a Missionary’s Life” —by
  Rev. J. F. McCuston.
  "Christian Endeavor and Missions” —by
  Rev. E. S. CROS LAND.

  **Something Special for Christian En-
  deavorers.**

  The Christian Endeavor Society in each
  congregation will constitute itself a com-
  mittee to work up interest in and attend-
  ance upon this missionary gathering.

  Dear members, endeavor to bring all
  your society and all your church, and a
  contribution for Foreign Missions.

  **The Music.**

  This important feature will be in charge
  of Rev. A.D. THÉLER. He will be assisted
  by a Christian Endeavor Choir and a brass
  band; besides a number of missionary
  hymns will be arranged for the entire con-
  gregation. We may expect some hearty
  singing forthe glory of God.

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The Dinner.
All are expected to bring their own
baskets with dinner. Coffee will be on
the grounds for sale, so that those who
wish it may be supplied.

The Grounds.
Near the Centreville Chapel, in the
grove, which is already a favorite picnic
place. There is a spring of water near by
and plenty of room for horses and convey-
ances.

The Time.
Thursday, October 4th, 1894, at 11
o'clock, A. M.

Sunday School Normal.
With the New Philadelphia session, on
the fourth Sunday in August, the Sunday
School Normal work for the summer was
closed. This last session had many en-
couraging and helpful features.

Delegates were present from Olivet, Old
Town, Wachovia Arbor and Shiloh.

Saturday morning's exercises were
opened with a cheerful address of welcome
and explanation on the part of our beloved
worker, Bro. James T. Lineback.

An object lesson in practical Sunday
School class work was presented by Miss
Claude Winkler, of Centerville Sunday
School, Rev. A. D. Théler, of Calvary
Chapel, Winston, spoke earnestly on the
Opportunities of Superintendents and
Teachers.

The afternoon session was devoted to
an exhibition of Primary Class Instruction
by one who has been so successful in this
work, Miss M. E. Vogler, of Elm Street,
Salem.

Bishop RONDTHALER spoke on the
progress and opportunities of our Church
in Sunday School work.

A "Chalk Talk" followed, under Bro.
Howard Rondthaler, and this session was
closed by Rev. F. Grunert, of Edgewater,
Staten Island.

Sunday gave us a chance to see the
New Philadelphia Sunday School at work,
under the leadership of Bro. Butner.

The preliminary prayer-meeting held
just at the opening of school proves a
great help in starting off the Sunday's work. The morning service was very largely attended, the ample church being filled. Bro. Howard Rondthaler preached the sermon to an attentive congregation.

The afternoon was opened by an object lesson in Bible Class work, splendidly presented by Bro. C. H. Fogle, of the Home School.


Bro. B. J. Plohl explained the best methods of Secretarial work, and session closed with an open conference on "The Question Box".

The summer work has been very helpful and full of encouragement. Next year it is hoped that fuller plans may be carried out, and thus our Sunday School work, which has such an important relation to our work, rendered still more effective.

**The Church at Home.**

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At 1 o'clock a very enthusiastic congregation council was held, at which a brotherly agreement, with rules and regulations for the government of the congregation, were adopted.

The Lovefeast and Communion were held in the afternoon: many were present, and the presence of the Holy Spirit was deeply felt.

On the evening of August 18th, the Bethania Sunday School and Orchestra gave a Lawn Party on the beautiful lawn of Bro. Tobias Stauber. The decorations were very elaborate. Good music was furnished by the orchestra. Refreshments were sold to the amount of $47.00.

We must also mention in this month's issue something in regard to the Congregational and Sunday School Picnic, held on Saturday, September 1st. This was a great day in our congregation. Mr. Peter Marshall, who lives about half-way between Bethania and Olivet, kindly furnished the use of his yard and adjoining woodland. Here, under a cluster of beautiful shade trees, a platform was built and decorated with cedar and ferns; around this a large number of seats were arranged. Swings, a see-saw, and a flying-pole were prepared for the young people. No stone was left unturned to make the grounds as pleasant as possible for both old and young.

The day set apart for the picnic dawned with bright prospects for a beautiful day, which it was throughout.

The marshals of the day assembled on the grounds early, and, wearing their badges of authority, saw that order was kept from the very beginning. By 9 o'clock large numbers had arrived from all points of the compass, and, by noon, between seven and eight hundred people had assembled. When the horn was blown for dinner, and the people began to unload their well-filled baskets, it seemed as if the hard times were certainly over.

Those who came unprepared for dinner were invited by friends to share with them, so that all had the opportunity of having a picnic dinner of the first order, and few neglected it.

The lovefeast was the most enjoyable feature of the day. At 3 o'clock, at the sound of the horn, all assembled around the platform, while the orchestra furnished appropriate music. "Shall we gather at the river" and "Work for the night is coming" were then sung by the Bethania Sunday School. Bro. Howard Rondthaler led in prayer, followed by the singing of the lovefeast, while songs were being sung by Olivet and Pleasant Ridge Sunday Schools. After the lovefeast had been partaken of Bishop Rondthaler addressed the gathering in a happy manner. Then, after several songs from the different Sunday Schools, the service was brought to a close. About 6 o'clock the service was brought to a close. About 6 o'clock came the start for home, and, as we separated to go in different directions, the company saying was: "This has been a happy day."

Calvary.—During August all the regular Sunday morning services were held, and the attendance at these, as well as at the mid-week meetings, have been very good. Two new members have been added to the roll of Christian Endeavorers. The necessary first steps are being taken toward the commencement of a successful Junior work among the little people of the vicinity, and a hearty endorsement from the parents is everywhere being received. During the very warm weather of the summer months the Sunday School attendance has been very encouraging, and now that the cooler days are approaching, the "Sunday School thermometer" will soon rise higher and higher.

Christ Chapel.—A most delightful evening was spent in the beautiful grove of Christ Chapel on the evening of the 6th inst. The grove was illuminated and seats were arranged for the Sunday School. After several hearty songs by the school and brief addresses by Bro. Théler and J. T. Lineback, ample refreshments were served by the teachers, and the Superintendent, Bro. Howard E. Rondthaler, had an opportunity of bidding the members good-by, while they wished him a hearty God-speed. The evening was closed by songs and a talk from Bishop Rondthaler.

During the winter Bro. Albert Brietz will be Acting Superintendent of this important school.

Centreville.—The Protracted Meeting is the event of special interest for September.

The supper, which was served in the grove on the 21st of August, was a success, about $44 being netted.

Some improvements in the Chapel building are contemplated.

Colored Church.—Every seat down stairs and many in the gallery were filled on the occasion of last month's sciopticon entertainment. The principal portion of the Children's Day service, "The Lilies," was repeated, perhaps, with even better effect than at its first rendition, if such a thing be possible. Later a number of views were exhibited, the evening being one of great pleasure to the many present.

The Holy Communion was kept with this congregation the fourth Sunday in August, and was a season of spiritual refreshing.
East Salem.—The encouraging feature in this branch of the home work is the marked increase in attendance and the improvement in congregational singing.

Elm Street.—The Y. P. S. C. E. at this place was, on the evening of August 23d, tendered a “Watermelon Social” by Bro. and Sr. Romulus Tesh, of the Social Committee. A most pleasant evening was spent in playing games and in quiet conversation, and when the 18 big melons were cut the success of the social was assured. A unanimous vote of thanks was given for Bro. and Sr. Tesh’s treat.

Friedberg.—The Friedberg Sunday School enjoyed a very delightful picnic at Ellis’, Davie Co., on the second day of August. About 50 conveyances crossed the river. The Mendenhall String Band furnished appropriate music. Lemonade was bountifully served to all present free of cost.

The festival of the 13th of August was celebrated on the 2d Sunday. The occasion was full of spiritual refreshing to the 135 brethren and sisters who sat down together at the Lord’s table. Sr. Tina Floyd was received by the right hand of fellowship. The infant daughter of Bro. and Sr. Joshua and Emma Floyd was baptized in the first service.

More than the usual interest was manifested in the Children’s Festival on the 3d Sunday. Many of the parents were present with their little ones.

Bro. William Spaugh held the afternoon service at Hope, in the absence of the pastor.

The Committee met in the evening of the 3d Sunday, and spent a happy hour in special prayer for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

On Saturday, August 25th, the usual semi-annual Lovefeast and Communion was held at Eden Chapel. The attendance and interest was good.

On the 4th Sunday, the pastor held a home-service at Bro. Timothy Spaugh’s, in the course of which Sr. Sarah Spaugh was received into the Church by the sacrament of Adult Baptism.

Bro. Wm. Spaugh filled the pastor’s appointment at Pleasant Fork, at 4:30 P.M.

Friedland.—The first Sunday in May was the beginning of a month of special services. The congregation of Friedland met on this occasion and commenced a series of meetings, which was a season of very much blessing. The people came out to church fairly well, and all who attended enjoyed this season of grace. The church was much revived and a spirit of love prevailed all through. There were five conversions and three names were received for membership. The pastor was assisted in the meeting by the Brn. Bishop Rondthal, David J. Woosley, Chas. D. Crouch and Wm. E. Spaugh.

Kernersville.—The pastor’s visit to Kernersville on the 4th Sunday was both pleasant and encouraging to himself. The church was well filled, morning and evening, and all seemed interested in the services.

A Committee meeting was held on Monday morning, at which important business was transacted.

The parsonage is now undergoing repairs.

Macedonia.—On the 2d Sunday in August a season of special services opened at this place. The attendance was very large on Sunday, and those who could get into the house were very attentive to the preaching of the Word. The next day the attendance was smaller, but began to increase on the following day as the interest in the meeting grew. The house was packed in the night services, even the aisles being filled with eager listeners. Wagons and buggies were also drawn to the windows, and filled with those who desired to hear the preaching. All the standing room about the doors was occupied and a great many were in the yard unable to find accommodation. Some people came a distance of 7 or 8 miles to the meetings. This was the most interesting special meeting this congregation has had for several years. A brother remarked that one could not see the Holy Spirit but could see his effects very plainly. The meeting continued throughout the week, closing on Saturday night. The young brethren, Woosley and Crouch, assisted the pastor. Sixteen names were received for membership with a prospect of more. The pastor was called away on Friday to New Philadelphia to attend the funeral of Mrs. Jones. The meeting was closed on Saturday, August 25th, found Bro. Woosley, the pastor, somewhat weary from the last week’s work at Macedonia, but, nevertheless, after a drive of 17 to 18 miles, he began a series of special meetings at Providence.

Bro. David Woosley went to Oak Grove to fill the regular appointment, and then came to assist in the regular meeting at Providence. The services were continued until Monday night. The church was greatly benefitted, but there was only one convert. The attendance was good, and it is hoped that the services will yet bring forth much precious fruit. Concluding from the attendance and attention, the earnest prayers of the pastor and congregation will be answered in the near future.

Salem, N. C.—As the years go by the class festivals of the congregation far from dying out, are becoming more widely and
more deeply appreciated. The series concludes with that of the Widows at the end of April. Next follows the covenant day of the Single Sisters and Older Girls on the first Sunday in May. The children celebrate their Sunday in August, and the season of Class Festivals is closed with that of the Married People and Widowers at the beginning of September. Thus each class of the congregation is separately addressed with regard to its duties and knit together in closer fellowship around the Lord’s table. The festival of the Married People was celebrated with unusual fervor. The children’s hymns of congratulation to their parents were beautifully rendered in the early service under the direction of Bro. Lawrence Brickenstein. The sight of the many young people grouped around the pastor’s desk on this occasion is one which those who have seen it can never forget. The afternoon love-feast was participated in by the whole congregation. The solemn and happy close was closed with the chorales of the church-band finely rendered from the electrically-lighted church steeple.

Rev. Francis Griswold, of Staten Island, N. Y., spent his vacation with us. He preached twice very acceptably in the Home church. He was a welcome guest, both for his own and for his father’s sake, the beloved Principal of the Salem Female Academy, and a member of the Provincial Elders’ Conference.

An evident blessing is resting on the Moravian Schools. The Boys’ School was reopened with larger numbers than usual on the 4th of August. Prof. Walter Grabs has taken the place of Prof. Howard E. Rondthaler in the Junior Department, the latter having entered the Theological Seminary at Bethlehem. The Female Academy was re-opened on September 4th with very large numbers and under most encouraging circumstances.

The old and beautiful Salem Square was re-opened on Aug. 30th, by the competently organized fire-engines from various parts of the State. While the Salem company does not possess apparatus equal to that employed in several of our cities, its firesmen added to their previous record by the promptness and efficiency of their work.

Several very pleasant gatherings took place during the past few weeks, such as the Home Christian Endeavor Supper in the Centreville woods, and the Christ Chapel entertainment on the grounds outside its Chapel.

The farewell banquet given in the Y. M. C. A. building to its retiring President, Bro. Howard E. Rondthaler, was a notable occasion, which showed the good feeling between the Christian people of Winston and Salem.

Wachovia Arbor.—Operations have been begun on the new building, and the response to the call for financial assistance has been most gratifying. Especially must we gratefully acknowledge the generous gift of $50 from the Provincial Board, and of $20 from Calvary Sunday School. The total expense in connection with the enlargement will be over $150, but the renewed dedication will not take place until the last cent of debt shall have been wiped out. The building is already enclosed, and, when finished, will measure 25’X36’ feet, besides a vestry-room, and, newly painted, will be a decided improvement upon the old church of 1825 feet.

The Mission-Ship “Harmony.”

A few weeks ago our London, England, members and friends witnessed the thirty-fourth annual sailing of our Mission-ship, “The Harmony.”

This staunch little schooner makes a yearly trip from London to the Labrador Coast for the purpose of visiting our mission stations, carrying missionaries to these distant ports and bringing the annual mail.

The voyage is a dangerous one; especially upon account of the floating ice encountered off the bleak and rocky shores of Labrador. God’s hand has, indeed, been over this little mission-ship, for, in all her voyages, she has never yet met with serious accident.

Each year, just before the “Harmony” sails, a special service is held on board as the ship lies in the docks of the Thames river. The last service of this kind was one of unusual interest, and the visitors and friends filled the schooner from cabin to deck. Bro. and Sr. Atce and three children, after a year’s stay in England, returned to their distant and beloved home. Even now the “Harmony,” with her precious freight, is amidst the northern seas. May our Heavenly Father care for her.

Mean What You Say, and Say What You Mean.

There is a bit of advice which has been so often quoted for the benefit of other people that its inherent brightness has become sadly dimmed and its suggestions are little noted by the hearer. Out in the busy world, with its myriad temptations to exaggeration and underestimation, flatry and harsh criticism, it is not strange that “Mean what you say, and say what you mean” should be often overlooked; but, when the holy Sabbath draws hearts within the sanctuary, when its encircling walls shut out the week-day cares, and the grand old organ bears up the voices in some such noble hymn of prayer as “Abide with Me,” then, surely, the warning is not needed! Let us see:

“Not a brief glance I beg, a passing word, But as thou dwellest with thy disciples, Lord, Familiar, condescending, patient, free, Come not to sojourn, but abide with me.”

Printed or read, what sweeter petition could there be for the continual presence of the divine Friend who walked with the two disciples on their way to Emmaus? The soul of the worshipper is poured out in the melody which we love to associate with these words,—but what are we singing in very truth?

Not a brief glance,—I beg a passing word and by that one pause the sentiment of the first line is detached from the others, and instead of a loving disciple’s prayer for an abiding presence, we have a request for a chance word that might satisfy a stranger. Not with any thought of improving the hymn, which is one of the most beautiful in our hymn-book, and far beyond our reach, but merely as an attempt to so arrange the words that pauses in the music do not pervert the meaning we add a few more stanzas slightly altered from the original:

Abide with me, fast falls the eventide; The darkness deepens, Lord with me abide! Help of the helpless, oh, abide with me!

Give not I beg, a glance, a passing word, But what thou gavest thy disciples, Lord, Converse familiar, condescending free; Come, not to sojourn, but abide with me!

Not as the dread, the mighty king of kings, But gently bringing healing on thy wings, Tears for all woes, a heart for every plea, O friend of sinners, thus abide with me!

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We have recently received an important document, entitled "The Discipline of the Evangelical Unity of the Brethren in Germany." The book is the outcome of the earnest discussions which have taken place at two Provincial Synods of the German Church, one held in the autumn of 1893, and the other in the spring of 1894. As the very title shows, the German Church now feels its distinct character and mission in Germany more deeply than ever before. This is as it should be. Each Provincial section of our Brethren's Unity should be thoroughly conscious of its own situation and duty in the sight of the Lord, and should faithfully, under his blessing, work out its own destiny. Thus the union of the whole Brethren's Church in its essentials of doctrine, ritual and mission activity will become more energetic, enthusiastic, and heartfelt. May the Lord bless our brethren richly in their new lines of special development and help them in unity with us and keep us in fellowship with them.

COMING EVENTS.

On Sunday, Oct. 14th, Bro. Theler begins a series of meetings at Wachovia Arbor.

On Saturday evening, Oct. 20th, Bishop Rondthaler gives an illustrated lecture on Palestine in the Friedland church.

On the evening of the same day Bro. Samuel Woosley will begin a series of special services in the newly consecrated church.

On Sunday, Nov. 4th, the special services at Hope Church will begin.

On Sunday, Nov. 11th, the anniversary of the Home congregation will be celebrated.

On Thursday, Nov. 8th, a lecture on Palestine, at Macedonia church, by Bishop Rondthaler.

A Provincial Christian Endeavor Lookout Committee is being gathered from the town Endeavor Societies, in order that the requests for assistance and strengthening that come from newly started Societies may be fully answered during the coming months.

The Wachovia Moravian gives heartfelf greeting to the new editor of The Moravian, at Bethlehem, Rev. Albert L. Orter. His service as a minister in the South is affectionately remembered. His special literary gifts are well known to his former parishioners and friends in this part of the country, and we congratulate The Moravian in securing so accomplished an editor and so graceful a writer.

We, as a committee of the brethren, J. T. Lineback, McCuiston and Theler was appointed to take charge of all arrangements, and at an early meeting of that committee it was decided to have the gathering in the Centreville grove, near to the chapel. The preliminary arrangements were greatly facilitated by the ready response of the town and country Christian Endeavor Societies, to the request that they act as subcommittees in their various congregations.

The work of preparation was well and faithfully done, but the Divine Master had other plans in view, for the morning of Thursday, October 4th, dawned threatening and gloomy, and rain began to fall about nine o'clock. Still the workers from the towns disregarded the inclemency of the weather and began to gather in the Centreville Chapel instead of the grove adjoining, and when about ten o'clock the heavy clouds showed signs of breaking, a considerable number of friends came out to cheer the little knots of anxious waiters with their presence. To the surprise, it must be confessed, of very many, a considerable number of carriages and wagons drove up also from the country congregations, the plucky occupants having left their homes in Kernersville, Bethania, Bethabara, Friedland and other nearer points even in spite of the threatening aspect of the clouds. Nor were they disappointed in the special efforts they made to be present. About eleven o'clock the people nearly filled the Chapel, and an informal but most happy preparatory service of prayer and song opened the day's exercises. A few brief remarks from a number of the brethren speedily showed that bad weather could not keep down the zeal that was in them. By noon the clouds had rolled by and the welcome sunshine streamed down.

A recess for dinner was taken, and a happy scene it was that lay spread out beneath the shade of the trees. A platform and plank seats had been erected in the grove, and these latter were supplemented by the benches from the chapel, in order to accommodate those who now rapidly came in, until there were between three and four hundred persons present.

With Bishop Rondthaler in the chair and all the speakers on the platform the
second session began about two o'clock. The programme had, of course, to be radically changed, the speakers assigned to the morning being now introduced in the afternoon session. The choir, composed mainly of Christian Endeavorers, rendered a number of anthems at various parts of the programme, accompanied by the church band. A male quartette also sang a selection. Hymns by the entire congregation were frequently sung between the exercises. Out in the open air the voices blended beautifully, and with the backing of the instrumental music made a very pleasing effect. The first of the speakers was Bro. Bernard J. Poehl, with an address on "The Geography of Missisons." This was illustrated by a large map, drawn with the utmost care and patience by the Bro. J. T. Lineback and Wm. Poehl. The speaker carried his hearers from continent to continent and from island to island, marking our various Mission Provinces and outposts stations, with their 122 little dots of light in the great dark area of the unconverted world, also giving a brief account, historical and statistical, of the most important missions.

Rev. Jas. E. Hall came next with a brief but enthusiastic plea for a Southern Moravian Missionary Society, in order that the present scattered efforts in this direction among us may be gathered together in a strong pull, a long pull, and a pull altogether. He described the organization of the Northern Society for Propagating the Gospel among the Heathen, and drew encouragement from the steady growth of that Society from very humble beginnings.

Rev. J. F. McCuistion and Rev. C. S. Smyth, a visiting brother and a missionary in Jamaica, W. I., followed Bro. Hall with a joint description of the "Inner Life of a Missionary." The trials and the temptations of a missionary's life were shown to be very many, requiring the deepest and truest consecration; but, on the other hand, there were many bright little episodes that cheered his heart, showing him that his labor is appreciated and is not in vain.

Rev. E. S. Crossland was last introduced, and he was very pointedly and forcibly on the relation of "Christian Endeavor and Missisons." Much of the organized effort that is to bear the greatest and most abiding fruit will be looked for in that organization, and "Whatsoever He would have me do" points emphatically to missions. The speaker closed with a plea for a spread of Christian Endeavor and its noble principles.

Bishop Rondthaler next addressed a few words to the assembly, but postponed the discussion of his topic, "What Missions Cost," to some future occasion, simply stating the annual cost of our Moravian Missions alone to be, in round numbers, $400,000. Part of this is provided for by established funds, but the remaining expense apportioned out among the Moravian communicant membership would require 75 cents from every individual, or $30 from every 50 members. The Bishop also spoke briefly on the divine direction of the programme of the day, and urged all present to be on the alert for the next call to a similar gathering, perhaps soon, for the purpose of closer organization in the cause of Missions.

The programme closed with the singing of the grand old missionary hymn, "From Greenland's icy mountains," by all present. Before the benediction was pronounced by Bro. S. A. Woosley, the Bishop announced that the collection would be taken in a new way, by every one coming forward and handing his own pastor his own contribution. This was done, and the amount thus raised was between $75 and $80.

Thus closed a most happy Festival, and every one present went home with more knowledge, more zeal and more desire to serve the Master and obey his last command, "Go and preach the Gospel to all nations."

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Asheville, N. C.—A very encouraging Moravian service was held at Asheville on Tuesday, Sept. 25th. The hospitable parlor of Maj. W. W. Rollins was thrown open for the purpose, and was crowded to its utmost capacity. A number of young people who had interested themselves specially

in the singing, so that the tunes of our Church Litany and of the Communion Liturgy were beautifully rendered, under the skilful direction of Miss Virginia Smith at the piano. Many friends joined with us in celebrating the Holy Communion.

On the following evening a baptismal service was held at the house of the late Capt. M. Fagg, in which his grandchild, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore E. Malloy was baptised.

Bethabara.—The Christian Endeavor Society is doing a great work in our congregation. The responses on the part of the membership, in the Sunday morning Litany, has hitherto been very poor, but now the Christian Endeavorers have taken the matter in hand, and the result is most gratifying. The Society is now looking forward to the purchase of a magic lantern at an early day, with which we hope to give many pleasant and profitable entertainments.

In addition to his usual work, the pastor preached in Mt. Tabor Methodist Episcopal church on the evening of the 3d Sunday in September, and in the Methodist Protestant church at Crooked River, Stokes county, on the 5th Sunday.

Bethabara.—The series of meetings was well attended; while there were no converts we can say that the meeting was not in vain. There were evidences that the members of the church were drawn nearer to Christ in their experience, and the unsaved were faithfully prayed for.

Centreville.—The series of meetings were a season of spiritual refreshing and a means of winning 16 souls for Christ. The Sunday School workers took an active part in the services, and Bro. Thiller assisted the pastor in preaching.

Some improvements are being made in the interior of the Chapel, and an additional room is being built especially for the Primary Department of the Sunday School.

The reception of new members will take place as soon as the improvements are completed.

Colored.—The series of meetings which was begun the 4th Sunday in September came in the rainy week, consequently the attendance was small. There was refreshing for Christians and some interest among the unsaved. The Sunday School continues to prosper.

Calvary Chapel. — During this last month the near approach of winter and
the occasional cold days have been hastening the operations going on in the cellar, in the re-modeling of the furnace and heating arrangements. The furnace has been moved under the center of the building and four additional registers have been placed at various parts of the auditorium, with the intention of more evenly distributing the heat.

Plans have been made for the holding of an oyster supper in the Belo House for the benefit of the Grounds Improvement Fund, and by the time this goes into print the result of the venture will be known.

The attendance on the Sunday services has been highly encouraging during the month, as also the average attendance and interest in the Sunday School and C. E. meetings. The church choir has been reorganized, after the summer vacation, as a quartette, and is doing excellent work.

East Salem.—The Sunday School has changed the time of opening from morning to afternoon, at half past one o'clock.

Elm Street.—Never before have the prayer-meetings been so well attended as during the past month. The Christian Endeavor Society is still on the alert for every opportunity for service, and the efforts of its members have, particularly of late, been directed toward the invitation of strangers and friends. The earnestness pervading the work is evidenced by the frequent question as to how soon evangelistic services may be held there. All are looking forward to a great refreshing during the coming months.

Two new large lamps have been placed in the main auditorium, by the Society, which brilliantly light up every part of the room.

Friedberg.—The protracted meeting was held during the week beginning with the 2d Sunday in September. Owing to the tobacco curing, which came on just at this time, the attendance on the part of the male members, was not as large as it otherwise would have been. The pastor was assisted by the brethren David Spaugh, Charles Crouch and William Spaugh throughout the entire week. On Monday it was very gratifying to the pastor and the congregation to have with us Bishop Rondthaler, of Salem, and Rev. F. E. Grunert, of Staten Island, N. Y. The Bishop preached in the morning and Bro. Grunert in the afternoon. The services throughout were of a deeply spiritual nature, the best of order prevailed and good results were manifest. Five persons made a profession of faith in Christ.

The Hope Sunday School Picnic, on Saturday, September 15, held on the grounds of the Hope Public School House, was a decided success. The new and commodious building was used for the purpose of speech-making in the forenoon and afternoon. The Brn. Woosley, Hall, Rondthaler, Crouch, Griffith, Spaugh and Burke addressed the large number present in one or another of the indoor meetings in the order named. The dinner was spread upon the large tables improvised for the occasion by the energetic committee on arrangements. Ice-cold lemonade was provided free of cost. After the giving of thanks by the Bishop the gathered company drew up to the tables and partook of the plentiful supply of provisions with which it was loaded.

Three of our Friedberg brethren took the train in Winston, on Monday evening, September 17, for Bethlehem, Pa., where they will be prepared for future ministerial service in our Brethren's Church. The prayers and good wishes of the congregation, Christian Endeavor Society, and pastor accompany them, and they may be certain of frequent remembrance at the Throne of Grace.

A few days of special services were begun at Eden, on the 4th Sunday in September. The Rev. Mr. Modlin, of the M. P. denomination, preached on Sunday evening, and the Rev. John McCusson, of Salem on Monday morning. Considerable interest was manifested in this meeting from the beginning, but, unfortunately, looking at it from a human standpoint, the severe equinoctial storm of that week brought the services to an unexpected close. One person professed faith in Christ.

New Philadelphia.—The annual protracted meeting was held at this church during the week beginning with the 4th Sunday. The meeting was of great value to the membership of the congregation. There were six professions made. Bro. Thaler was present on Tuesday, and assisted the pastor by preaching at 11 a. m. Bro. A. T. Thomas, the organist, being indisposed, the singing was conducted by Miss Alpha Woosley, the pastor's daughter. The infant son of Mr. Theophilus and Sr. Mary Lashmit was baptized in the course of one of the services. Sickness interfered with the attendance of several of the brethren and sisters. Sr. Letitia Reich, who sometime past met with an accident in which her left shoulder blade was fractured, was so far recovered as to be able to be present. The aged sister Crater was also privileged to attend the divine services. The meetings were largely interfered with by the equinoctial storm which blew during the mid-
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dle of the week. The pastor received 4 names for church membership.

**Providence.**—After an excellent dinner, provided by Sr. Sallie Whicker, the pastor made the journey from Oak Grove to Providence, where he was greeted by a large congregation. In the course of the afternoon service 5 members, all by adult baptism, were added to the Church. Quite recently several members of the Calvary C. E. Society were at Providence and organized a flourishing young society here with 14 charter members.

**Oak Grove.**—The 3d Sunday in September was a red-letter day for this congregation. The service at 11 a.m. was opened with the baptism of the infant son of Mr. Samuel and Sr. Eliza Whicker, m. n. Steward. Before the close of the service 19 new members, 15 by baptism, 3 by confirmation and 1 by reception, were added to the rapidly increasing membership of this flourishing congregation.

**Olivet.**—The pastor's visits to Olivet are always encouraging. His last visit was particularly so, because of the large audience which greeted him.

Mrs. Reuben Lineback, one of our most influential and energetic members, has been seriously ill with an acute attack of rheumatism, but is now somewhat better. We wish for Bro. Lineback a speedy recovery.

**Salem.**—The reopening of the Young People's Meetings on Friday, Sept. 21st, filled the Home Chapel with a very attentive audience of children and older youth. The hymns learned in connection with this service are a treasure for a lifetime. The one with which this season of instruction very properly commenced was "Jesus makes my heart rejoice." The Bible story is told in course, the point at present reached being the story of the Exodus from Egypt. The meeting seems to have won its way deeply into the affections of the young people of our various Moravian day schools.

The first days of October were beautiful without and encouraging within. The attendances upon the services and upon the Holy Communion were large, and there was much liberal giving for Foreign Missions, especially in view of last year's deficit in the general account.

On Friday, Oct. 4th, important preliminary steps were taken toward the forming of a very useful association,—a Wachovia Historical Society.

The brief visit of Bro. and Sr. Callender Smith, of the Jamaica Mission, was greatly enjoyed. Sr. Smyth was Louisa Grunert in the Academy circles of former days. Bro. Smith made an excellent address at the Woman's Missionary Lovefeast.

It would be well worth a long walk on a Saturday evening to hear the singing which resounds in Christ Chapel. The meetings are very fervent, and bid fair to accomplish much good this winter.

The Woman's Missionary Lovefeast on the evening of Thursday, October 9th, was a very inspiring occasion. The following brief report of the Secretary will be welcome to our readers:

The Woman's Missionary Society is pleased to welcome so many kind friends assembled, to unite with them in celebrating their Annual Lovefeast.

The past year was a prosperous one. The meetings in January and July, as also the called-meeting in September were well attended, and great interest in the work shown by the members. Twelve new members were made welcome during the past year, a fact, we take pleasure in stating. Our Society lost three members by death this year, one of them a sister who had been a collector for forty years. Our donations have been sent to the Foreign as well as to the Home Mission. Interesting letters were received from Bishop Hanna, of Kingston, Jamaica, and from Mr. Moore, of Demarara, where gills had been sent. Our Home Mission at Mt. Bethel, Va., in the Blue Ridge mountains, was visited again this summer at the request of the Home Missionary. Mrs. Sallie Lineback, in company with Miss Masten and Miss Claudia Winkler, spent a week at the Mission House, and gave valuable assistance to the Sunday School, both in class work and in singing. The Home Missionary, Bro. McCuson, returned thanks for a gift of money for his work there, and for the great interest shown by the Society. A few donations were made to Sunday Schools at home. It may seem that we have given little, not from lack of interest but from limited means. We wish all the Sisters would join us, and we now extend a cordial invitation to you to do so, and assist us in carrying on the good work. We thank all these kind friends who either by their presence and offerings, or by their assistance in the services, have contributed to make our Lovefeast a pleasant occasion.

**Wachovia Arbor.**—The remodelled church is now an accomplished fact, for the painters are already at work on the inside and outside, finishing and beautifying. The undertaking of doubling the original capacity has turned out a greater task than was at first anticipated, for it necessitated practically the tearing down of the entire former structure. However, there has been prompt response on the part of members and friends to the call for labor, and although the cost has not yet all been paid off, it is hoped that it will not be long before the dedication can take place, marking the payment of the last cent due.

A series of meetings has been announced to be begun in the new church on the afternoon of the second Sunday in October, prayer-meetings to be held on the three previous evenings. May God bless the preaching of His Word then to the conversion of many to Him.

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**Baptisms.**

At Salem, on August 29th, 1894, Edward Roscoe Adams, son of Mr. Joseph H. and Mrs. Augusta M. Adams, m. n. Dillon.

At Salem, on September 16th, 1894, William Orson Senseman, son of Mr. William O. and Mrs. Jessie C. Senseman, m. n. Winkler.

At Asheville, on September 26th, 1894, Frederick Fagg Mallow, son of Mr. Theodore F. and Mrs. Minnie M. Malloy, m. n. Fagg.

At Salem, on October 3rd, 1894, William Edward Prud'homme, son of Mr. Alexander and Mrs. Mary Peddy cord, m. n. Wise.

At Salem, on October 12th, 1894, Shoemaker Edward Crosland, son of Rev. Edward S. and Mrs. Caroline Crosland, m. n. Mickey.

At Salem, on October 14th, 1894, Raymond Thomas Shore, son of Mr. Samuel J. and Mrs. Emma J. Shore, m. n. Myers.

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**Marriages.**

At Salem, on September 5th, 1894, by Bishop Rondhalier, Mr. John W. Taylor, of Atlanta, Ga., to Miss Mary E. Butner, daughter of Dr. James A. Butner, of Salem.

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**Healths.**

At Salem, on September 30th, 1894, Mr. W. Wesley Petree, in the 69th year of his age.
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The Wachovia Moravian goes to press on the eve of another national Thanksgiving Day. The year has, in many respects, been a hard one. The fruit in our section of the country entirely failed, owing to the severe Easter frost. The wheat crop was unusually scant. Prices were low for farm produce and business was poor. And yet there has been remarkably little suffering from want of daily bread. Everywhere throughout our immediate section there has been enough to eat and to spare. The goodness of God has been more evident in this scant year than in many more plenteous ones. The abundant corn crop, which was harvested after a prevailingly dry season, is an especial cause for gratitude. We may well say with the prophet, who wrote in an evil time far worse than any which we have experienced: “It is of the Lord’s mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not; they are new every morning; great is thy faithfulness.”

The special services of the year have now been nearly if not quite all held. It is a cheering sign that congregations should earnestly desire them. The uniform testimony of the pastors has been that the membership of the Church was manifestly blessed by them, and that faithful hearts have been greatly refreshed. This benefit would, in itself, be a sufficient reward for the pastoral toil which was required in order to hold meetings day after day in so many congregations.

But beyond the blessing upon the membership a further result has been earnestly striven for, in the conversion of the un-

saved. With regard to this part of the work it has been found that the spiritual condition of the Sunday Schools and of the Christian Endeavor Societies has been an important element of success. Where they were fully alive to their duty many souls have been, in several fields, gathered for the Saviour. In some cases there has been much sowing with but little reaping. But even in such fields the word will hold good hereafter, in some other season, “that those who have sowed in tears shall reap in joy.”

We are glad to insert the following acknowledgement and request from the ladies in charge of that useful charity, the Salem Home:

“All interested in the Salem Home will be pleased to hear how kindly friends at Oak Grove have remembered this institution. Seven came in person, bringing several wagon loads of provisions in great variety, even to pop-corn and nuts for the children.

“The ladies in charge of the Home take this opportunity of thanking their good friends at Oak Grove both for their generous donations and the sympathy for the cause which prompted them. They would remind all friends that Thanksgiving Day approaches, and that there is a moral to this story.”

The Recent Anniversaries at Bethabara and at Salem.

Two notable anniversaries have been celebrated within the last few weeks. The first was the 142d anniversary of the founding of our first settlement in North Carolina, at Bethabara. This year Bethabara’s celebration came on the very day. It was on Saturday, November 17th, 1753, at about 3 P. M., that, after a toilsome journey of six weeks, the fifteen brethren arrived at the deserted cabin, the site of which is still pointed out, under a tree, to the left side of the road which leads from Bethabara to Bethania. Here they rested, and in the evening, while the wolves were howling around them in the

wilderness, held their love-feast of faith and brotherly union in the work of the Lord. The cabin has long since disappeared. Indeed, all the older buildings of Bethabara are gone, down to the foundation stones, so that we must look for the oldest houses in Salem and for the oldest church at Hope. But the gravestones still bear the names of those earnest Christians of the earliest times of Moravian settlement, and their spirit still survives in faithful members of to-day.

The other anniversary was that of Salem, celebrated on November 11th. It is commonly reckoned from 1766, the date of the first settlement, although the congregation, as a separate organization, with minister and chapel, commenced with 1777. The beginnings at Salem were very small, and the progress was painfully slow. In the second year of the settlement only four dwelling houses were finished at the time of Gov. Tryon’s visit, and, with one exception, they were small log cabins. At the end of the fourth year there were only 23 persons living in the place. Even at the close of the century, when the new church was nearly ready to be dedicated, there were only enough people, old and young, if all were present, to fill about one-third of the ground floor of the new church.

It is a cause for great thankfulness to know, in connection with the 128th anniversary, that this congregation now has, beside the Home church, no less than 7 chapels under its direct charge, and 4 other churches under its exclusive pastoral care, with a total communicant membership of about eleven hundred souls. Truly the Lord has blessed “the day of small things.” May He still more widen and deepen his blessing in the years to come.

THE DEDICATION OF THE CHURCH AT FULP, N. C.

The new Moravian church at Fulp Station was finished during the week preceding the 4th Sunday in October, under the careful and energetic superintendence of Dr. E. Fulp, and presents now, although
not yet painted, a neat and attractive appearance. The building is 30x30 feet, with a rear addition of 16x30 feet, which is to be used for Primary and Mother's Class work, and will also be convenient for prayer-meetings. The audience room is finished off, all round, in native pine, with a vaulted ceiling, being thus well adapted for speaking and hearing. The Sunday School, hitherto held in a small free school house, with an attendance of about 90, will now have comfortable and convenient quarters, and the members of the congregation rejoice in having a church home.

A large number of people gathered on Sunday, October 28th, 1894, from far and near, to be present at the Consecration. On the evening before a service of song and prayer had been held by Bro. Woolsey in the School House, as close to the work which, as a Sunday School and as a church membership, had been carried on there upwards of 18 months. A similar service was held in the new church on this morning, previous to the consecration service. An intermission was given for basket dinners in the grove around the church, and about 1 o'clock p.m., the audience again assembled. The teachers and older scholars, on the pulpit platform, sang the hymn, "Open the door for the children." During this singing the younger scholars and children marched in from the room in the rear, and took places on either side of the pulpit, following with a happy song of praise.

Seats had been reserved for the school, but so great was the throng that many of the children had to sit on the edge of the platform. Chairs were crowded into the aisles, and yet a large number of persons were not able to find room and had to remain outside.

The Consecration Service proper was opened by the older members of the Sunday School singing the anthem, "Lift up your heads, O ye gates," &c., composed many years ago for the church choir at Salem by the Rev. F. F. Hagen. Bishop Rondthaler led the responsive service and Bro. S. Woolsey read the Scripture portion assigned for such occasions. The Bishop also performed the act of consecration and delivered the sermon to a deeply attentive and interested audience. Another anthem by the older scholars and some songs by the whole Sunday School closed this very impressive occasion.

At night the church was again well filled when Bro. Woolsey preached the first sermon of a series of meetings which continued, by day and night, until Thursday night following. A special song service, with prayers, conducted by Bro. James Hall, from Friedberg, who came to spend a day at the meetings, proved a happy means of engaging the large audience in active worship. That the members of the little congregation gathered here have, through the entire course of these services, been the very first since their organization, been strengthened and edified in their love and devotion to the Lord and to his work there is no doubt. We are also assured that souls have been born again.

We confidently believe that much good will yet develop from the preaching of the Word and from the labors of the faithful teachers in the Sunday School.

The following letter will be of interest to our readers. It comes from an old friend of Friedberg. We thank him for his kind words with regard to THE WACHOVIA MORAVIAN and cordially reciprocate his Christian greetings:

"As I looked in the August number of THE WACHOVIA MORAVIAN my eyes fell upon the notice of a Sunday School Teachers' Normal movement at Friedberg. This name brought up memories of the past which I delight to dwell upon. It was during the late disastrous war between the North and the South, and while Bro. Lineback was pastor of the Friedberg congregation that I, at his request, assisted in a revival meeting at that place. It was a season of refreshing from the presence of the Lord, and is still a bright spot in my memory. Bro. Lineback was one of the most companionable men I ever met, and a very devoted and consecrated Christian minister. I shall never forget the sweet religious influences he brought to bear upon the family circle. And the meeting was attended with power from on high. Peace was restored between alienated brethren who had been at variance, cold-hearted, back-slidden church members were reclaimed and wonderfully revived. Sinners were awakened and powerfully converted, and the whole church seemed to put on new life. I never see the name of Friedberg in print, or hear it repeated, but these things come rushing into my mind, and I am wont to breathe a prayer in their behalf. There is no doubt but that some, perhaps many, who were at that meeting are gone to the better land above where some of us shall meet again and talk over the scenes of other years. It will give me much happiness if I may be allowed to worship with them again during my pilgrimage on earth. May God bless them and with them the entire brotherhood of the Moravian Church.

C. M. ANDERSON.

Morganton, August, 1894.

P. S.—I am much pleased with the five pages of THE WACHOVIA MORAVIAN. May it prove a great blessing wherever it goes.

C. M. A.

The Church at Home.

The object of this department of THE WACHOVIA MORAVIAN is to place before its readers items of local interest in the life of our Moravian congregations in the South. Your active co-operation in the furtherance of this object is highly desirable. If the editor of "THE CHURCH AT HOME" has the assistance of his brethren everywhere, this department will become interesting and profitable to the churches. Every one should esteem it a pleasant duty to take note of local church items, and through their pastor, or the mail, to send the same to Rev. James E. Hall, Salem, N.C.

Bethabara.—The event of interest in this congregation for November occurred on the 17th inst., it being the anniversary of the Moravian settlement in North Carolina. This is the 141st year since the 12 brethren set out from Bethlehem, Pa., to form a settlement in the distant forest wilds of the South. The present church building is 106 years old, and the walls are substantial enough for another century. The day proved a delightful one, without as well as within, the weather was beautiful and spring-like, and the meetings were fervent and interesting. A further account will be given in the next issue of THE WACHOVIA MORAVIAN.

Bethania.—Our congregation is deeply interested in the erection of a Chapel between Bethania and Rural Hall. This is the outcome of Sunday School work under the superintendence of Bro. Flavius Lash, ably assisted by several sisters of the congregation. The Sunday School was conducted in a public school building till within a few weeks ago, since then, being unable to obtain further use of the
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building, it has been carried on out of doors with great success. The weather has not interfered at all, and the school has been steadily increasing in numbers and in interest. By the middle of December it is hoped to have a nice Chapel completed for the use of the Sunday School. The building will be 20x30 feet in the clear, and will be neatly finished in every particular. The work is now under way.

Calvary Chapel.—This month marks once more the progress of a new improvement in connection with our Calvary Chapel work, the erection by the church of a very commodious lovefeast kitchen, built on to the west side of the church building, of brick, and finished in exactly the same style as the rest of the structure. The completed parsonage has also now been taken possession of by Bro. and Sr. Thieker. Their reception by the Calvary circle, and, in fact, by every part of the congregation, has been exceedingly cordial and warm. Space forbids a longer description of the welcome, but our next month’s letter will tell more of this pleasant subject.

Centerville.—The steady growth of our Centreville congregation is encouraging. On Sunday night, 11th inst., eight new members were received at the Communion, and two children baptized.

A Sunday School review, illustrated with scipticon views, was held early in the month, to the delight of the little folks and the profitable entertainment of all present.

Colored.—The preparations for the Christmas entertainment have begun. It is especially gratifying to see the large attendance of men and women in the Bible classes.

East Salem.—The series of meetings, to which the congregation had been looking forward with prayer and interest, was held during the third week of November. The attendance was good and the congregation seemed greatly revived.

Friedberg.—For local reasons the Married People’s Festival is held on the 1st Sunday in October. On the recent anniversary the usual services were held with about the average attendance.

The Missionary Society meeting was also held on this occasion.

On the 2d Sunday the pastor lectured on the Mosquito Coast Mission, with special reference to the recent unsettled condition of affairs in that land.

On the 4th Sunday, the pastor being absent, the service was conducted by Bro. Simon A. Fisheal and the Sunday School by Bro. N. W. Shore.

Fulp.—The church at this place has been very rapidly built under the superintendence of Dr. Elias Fulp. It is a commodious and beautiful edifice. It has cost thus far not much less than one thousand dollars. Of this amount about $425 were contributed in land, material, work and money by members and friends in the Fulp neighborhood. The rest was given by the Church Boards and friends of the cause in Salem and Winston. The Building Committee consisted of the following: Wm. Reid, J. W. Marshall, Church Committee; B. G. Powell, S. M. Davis, John Johnson; E. Fulp, Secretary and Treasurer.

As Bishop Rondthalter was prevented from holding his November appointment Bro. McCutson took his place. Several members are to be received at the next preaching service.

The prospects of this our newest congregation are very favorable. It is our first church in Stokes county, and we hope that it indicates the spread of our Southern Moravianism beyond its present narrow bounds.

The new church building is, as yet, unpainted, and contributions for that purpose will be thankfully received. The church occupies a very prominent place on the left hand of the Norfolk & Western R. R., two miles south of Walnut Cove. When painted the sight of it will be a pleasure to all Moravians traveling over that road.

Kernersville.—The pastor spent a very happy day here on the 4th Sunday.

The people are very anxious to have a pastor living among them, and are working toward this end.

Bro. Isaac Kerners has been ill for some time, by reason of a fall sustained while going up steps; he is now somewhat improved.

Macedonia.—The Holy Communion was celebrated after the preaching service on the 2d Sunday in October. The attendance was very large, there being 64 at the Lord’s table.

Mt. Bethel, Va.—At the regular service, the first Sunday in November, one new member was received, and a Christian Endeavor Society of nine members was organized. The congregation, which was formerly so remote, is now visited monthly throughout the year, and is thus being brought into closer connection with our whole Christian life. We hope that in the Spring of next year another Chapel will be added to our mountain work.

Salem.—On Sunday, October 21st, Br. Rondthaler entered upon the 18th year of his pastorate at Salem. Many who were in the congregation on October 21st, 1877, when he was earnestly and affectionately introduced by the late Bishop Emil de Schweinitz, have, in these years, passed away. Many more have been added to the congregation, which is now twice as large as it was then. Children have been baptized and confirmed under the same pastorate, which is the longest uninterrupted ministry that Salem has ever had in the century and a quarter of its separate congregational life. Long pastors are exceptions in the American Church of all denominations. When, in the Providence of God, they occur here and there, there is reason for special thankfulness in view of the grace vouchsafed to people and pastor whereby they have been enabled to remain united so long, and there is a call for special prayer that such a protracted ministry may not grow withered and old, but may be constantly renewed in interest, power and fruitfulness.

On Wednesday, October 24th, a new feature was introduced into the mid-week meetings. Professor Skilton, of the Salem Female Academy, now precedes the meeting with a quartet of an hour of admirable choral practice.

On Saturday, October 27th, a pleasing ceremony took place in the neat, new school house in East Salem. The Junior Order of United American Mechanics presented a national flag to the school, which was accepted in a brief and very appropriate speech by Mr. H. E. Fries. They also gave a Bible, which was presented for them, with some remarks, by Bro. Rondthaler.

On Sunday, October 28th, Bro. James E. Hall very kindly preached for the pastor in the Home church, in the morning, so that the latter could go and consecrate the new church at Fulp.

On Sunday, November 11th, the anniversary of the Salem congregation was held, the 129th since the organization of the congregation and the consecration of
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the first chapel. The pulpit and platform were beautifully decorated with autumnal flowers by the committee of the Home Christian Endeavor. This service is, by the way, rendered by these busy workers every Sunday, and, in the evening, the flowers are distributed among the sick and invalids. The music, from the chorals played in the early morning, was admirable throughout. In the festal service the blessing of November 13th, 1741, was discoursed upon. The headship of Christ over the Church is in reality the American idea as compared with continental State-arrangements, and came to our Brethren in London as a remarkable anticipatory experience, which was to bear its best fruits only in more recent times. The festal Sermon was preached upon Ephes. 3: 20, 21. The theme was: "The power of God in the Church, exercised through the Spirit of Christ, to the end that all its members may be as busy as they can in every good work and especially in the saving of souls." The very large love-feast was pervaded by an evident spiritual interest. Four hundred and fifty communicants partook of the Lord's Supper in the several communions, which were happily crowned with the reception of eight new members in the Centreville branch, which is specially under Bro. McCus- ton's charge. Upon the whole it was truly a day which the Lord hath blessed.

On the evening of Sunday, November 18th, a very largely attended anniversary of the Young Men's Christian Association was held in the Home church. The addresses were made by Mr. L. A. Coulter, the efficient State Secretary, and Mr. C. E. Towson, of Roanoke, Va. The First Baptist church united with the Moravians on this occasion, which proved a very interesting and inspiring service.

On Thursday, November 22d, Bro. Rondthaler gave a Scriptoric Lecture in Elm Street Chapel. His subject was: "Palestine, its Places, People and Bible Stories." The audience was very large and deeply attentive. Elm Street Chapel may be said to be sacred ground in Salem. It was here that the services were held in the great revival of 1886, which has done so much for the congregation and for the future Southern ministry. The Sunday School, under Bro. E. A. Ebert's super-intendence, is still prospering as of old. The Christian Endeavor, led on Saturday nights by Bro. A. D. Thãler, is constantly growing in power and interest. It is well worth a visit to Elm Street Chapel merely to see Miss Maria Vogler's model infant class.

Christ Chapel, which together with Elm Street Chapel, occupies the western part of our Salem Territory, is also prospering greatly under the superintendence of Bro. L. A. Brietz.

Salem Female Academy.—The new term opened with a full and prompt attendance of both pupils and day-scholars is very gratifying to Principal and teachers.

Subscriptions towards the Vance Memorial Window are still being solicited. The proposed Memorial is a commendable undertaking, and the hearty support of interested friends will hasten its accomplishment. Sums, large or small, will be gladly received and acknowledged by the Principal.

The "Historical Sketch of Salem Female Academy," so carefully prepared by Miss Adelaide L. Fries, and published in The Academy, was recently finished.

Principal and Mrs. Clewlow spent a few weeks in October in the States of Ohio and Pennsylvania. Mr. Clewlow preached the twentieth anniversary sermon of the Moravian Church at Urichsville, Ohio, where he served as pastor years ago.

Union Cross.—Steps have been taken towards the erection of a church building at this place. A building committee, consisting of Joseph Reid, Sr., Joseph Reed, Jr., Eli M. Reid, Ervin Weavil, Absalom Hege, Jacob Sell and Miss Mary Johnson was elected on the 7th of October. This committee organized by the election of Mr. Ervin Weavil as Chairman and Miss Mary Johnson as Secretary and Treasurer.

Baptisms.

HEDRICK.—On October 22d, at Salem, JACOB PAUL HEDRICK, born September 9th, 1894, infant son of Mr. J. L. and Mrs. Emma Hedrick, m. t. Thorpe.

ROBBINS.—On November 13th, at Salem, SADIE WESTBROOK ROBBINS, born August 1st, 1882, and William Holleman Robbins, born November 13th, 1897, the children of Mr. James A. and Mrs. Minnie E. Robbins, m. t. Edwards.

FULTON.—At Centreville, November 11th, ESSIE PEARL FULTON and JAMES IRVIN FULTON, the children of Mr. Nathaniel Francis and Mrs. Martha Ann Fulton.

SHORE.—At Kearsnerville, on October 28th, HELEN GAZZLE SHORE, infant daughter of Mr. Henry and Mrs. Ellen Shore, m. t. Kerner.

Marriages.

YARBRO—FTY.—On October 11th, near Pleasant Ridge, Forsyth Co., by the Rev. Edward S. Crossland, Mr. Wm. H. YARBRO to Miss NETTIE L. FLYNT.


ZIMMERMAN—TSH.—In the parsonage at Friedberg, by the pastor, Mr. FRAK E. ZIMMERMAN to Miss Ada V. TSH. Both of Enterprise, N. C.

SHEFEI—SPATH.—At the bride's home in Southfork Township, Forsyth Co., N. C., on the 31st of October, Mr. Austin Scheffel to Miss ELLA SPATH. Rev. Oooh and James E. Hall officiating.

BRICKLEY—SHORE.—At the bride's home in Southfork Township, Forsyth Co., N. C., on the 31st of October, by the Rev. James E. Hall, Mr. LEE BRICKLEY to MISS ADDIE SHORE.

Deaths.

CRATER.—At New Philadelphia, Oct. 28th, LUTHER FRANKLIN CRATER, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Crater, aged 2 years and 17 days.

FISHER.—At Salem, N. C., October 24th, Mr. THOMAS JEFFERSON BISHER, aged 87 years, 7 months and 5 days.

SHORE.—At Salem, on November 1st, ETTEL MAY SHORE, infant daughter of Mr. Lewis T. and Mrs. Amanda M. Shore, m. n. Peoples, aged 1 year and 5 months.

BETT.—At Salem, on November 3d, Mr. LAURA CAROLINE BECK, m. n. Vogler, aged 65 years and 10 days.

ACKERMAN.—At Salem, on November 12th, MRS. SERENA REBECCA ACKERMAN, wife of Mr. R. A. Ackerman, aged 68 years, 9 months and 25 days.

BAHNS.—At Salem, on November 23d, Miss EMMA CAROLINE BASHNESS, daughter of Mr. Henry T. and Mrs. Emma B. Bashness, m. n. Fries, aged 13 years, 5 months and 10 days.

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Home School, Salem, Christmas Day, 7½ o'clock, P. M.

East Salem, Second Christmas Day, 3 o'clock, P. M.

Cedarville, Sunday before Christmas Day, 3 o'clock, P. M.

Calvary Chapel, Friday before Christmas, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Christ Chapel, Saturday before Christmas, 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Mt. Bethel, Va., Sunday after Christmas.

New Philadelphia, on Monday before Christmas.

Friedberg, all on Christmas Day.

Another Christmas is at the doors, and we may well bid welcome to this festal guest, because he brings what has been in many respects, a hard year to a happy close. It is a common saying in our part of the South: "The Moravians know how to keep Christmas." Let us maintain our reputation for a holy and therefore a happy observance of this festival. No one can keep Christmas truly unless he keeps it religiously. The world's effort to celebrate the season is only a hollow and noisy mockery. We need to worship the Christ-child in his manger; otherwise there will be no blessing upon our social festivities. Jesus is the light of the Christmas-time as he is of every other time of the year. Let our prayer be at this season:

"Light divine! Come and shine!
In this darksome heart of mine."

The manner in which the Son of God entered our human nature has sanctified the estate of childhood. He came as a babe laid in the manger in order that the little children might be loved and prized as they never had been before. If, therefore, in homes and Sunday Schools we make the children happy, we are doing what Jesus did in his birth at Bethlehem. When the Saviour came from his throne in glory to be housed in a poor cave-stable he showed himself to be, in a particular degree, the friend of the poor and needy. If, therefore, we have gifts and help for our poorer neighbors at this season, we are doing as Jesus did, and if we give with an humble, believing spirit we are laying up for ourselves the blessing: "What ye have done unto the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

The last communions of the year have been marked with accessions to our Church membership in several of our congregations. Friedberg had a happy December communion on the 19th inst., when twelve persons were added to the Church, and the congregation was greatly encouraged. On the same day the first communion was held in the new church at Fulp. Three persons were here received into the communicant membership. Thus the good work of ingathering has gone on from the beginning of the year to the end.

It is with sorrow that we announce the illness of our valued brother, Samuel Woosley. He is suffering from an attack of bronchitis. An entire rest for a month will be necessary to secure his complete recovery. Our heartfelt sympathies are extended to our brother in view of his enforced vacation. Meanwhile his congregations will be served by other brethren.

A Visit to Guilford County.

On the 12th of this last month a visit was paid by Bro. ThieIer to a work being carried on in circumstances that at once touch our sympathies and enlist our interest. Immediately after the morning service at Calvary Chapel, Winston, Bro. and Sr. ThieIer took the carriage that was waiting, and, wrapped up warmly in the robes, started for Oak Ridge.

It was a bitterly cold day, and, on the way, a little flurry of snow made the ride still more wintry. A basket-dinner, eaten on the way, however, added even a spice of picnic to the cool drive. In three hours Oak Ridge was passed, 15 miles from Winston, and Mr. Donald's hospitable home had been reached. Here was found Mrs. R. B. Kernor, his widowed daughter, and her sister, Cora, whose pressing invitation it was that had occasioned the visit. A stop of 15 minutes to warm by the open fireside, and then another ride of a little less than two miles to a little log school house right among the trees of a beautiful old wood.

Here, in this school house, less than 15 by 20 feet in size, has been begun a Sunday School work that has many points in common with the early noble pioneer work that has, at last, grown into such a wide-spread reaching out of Sunday School activity. Mrs. Kernor has been, together with her late husband, always impressed by the thought that so close to her own home there was a broad field for Christian work, and, last June, having returned home after her sad bereavement, she determined at once to engage in what her husband had so often spoken of. A round of visits among the people of the section brought together only 9 scholars the first Sunday afternoon, but the next week these were accompanied by others, and so the endeavor has spread, slowly but surely, until there are now between 60 and 70 scholars on the roll, with as fair an average attendance as can be found in any similar school in the country. Bro. ThieIer's visit being hurried, had not been generally announced, therefore, the view that he had of the work was of it as it really is, and the prospect for an active and flourishing school, as headily hybich faithful and consecrated home-missionaries as Mrs. Kernor, and the other workers that she has gathered around her, to assist in teaching, seems very bright indeed.
A plain, simple sermon was preached that afternoon to the gathered company, some 30 or more being present, and the close attention given, although there had not been preaching in that section for more than a year, showed what possibilities lie close to the surface. The little log school house was as neat as a new pin, and, with a good log fire blazing in the large fire-place, the children and grown people sitting in rows upon the benches, the scene might have been taken as the model of a picture of 18th century pioneer work.

The Sunday School work carried on by Mrs. Kernor and her assistants is entirely undenominational. The Word of God is taught plainly and earnestly, and with the blessing of God we may hope to see very much good fruit springing up from the seed thus sown. There was a most earnest plea for frequent preaching appointments, and, if possible, these will be made, although the distance from the city is rather great.

This new work, however, is one of the signs of the times. Our Moravian Church has been too much, perhaps, confined within the boundaries of one or two counties. We believe that the Master has designed greater things for us, let us not then, if this be his way of guiding us forth, be slow in following where he leads. May God bless the effort in Guilford.

**The Church at Home.**

The object of this department of THE WACHOVIA MORAVIAN is to place before its readers items of local interest in the life of our Moravian congregations in the South. Your active cooperation in the furtherance of this object is highly desirable. If the editor of "The Church at Home" has the assistance of his brethren everywhere, this department will become interesting and profitable to the churches. Every one should esteem it a pleasant duty to take note of local church items, and through their pastor, or the mail, to send the same to REV. JAMES E. HALL, Salem, N.C.

**Bethabara.**—Our oldest congregation enjoyed a happy Thanksgiving service. The decoration consisted of substantial farm and garden products, and was tastefully arranged in front of the pulpit. At the close of the service the pastor was agreeably surprised when one of the brethren announced that the entire decoration was a donation for himself and family.

A new stove has been placed in the church, which gives us a comfortable room in which to worship God.

The Christian Endeavor Society has gathered in all the church members except two or three.

**Bethania.**—On Wednesday evening, November 7th, Bishop RONDTHALER gave a very interesting and instructive lecture on Palestine for the benefit of the Christian Endeavor Society. The views were interspersed with singing, accompanied by the Bethania Orchestra. Adults were charged 10 cents admission, and children 5 cents, bringing in the neat sum of $18.35.

The attendance at the Thanksgiving service was larger than usual. The church was neatly decorated with fruits, vegetables, &c., which added much to the impressiveness of the service.

The new Chapel, between Bethania and Rural Hall, is now under roof; we hope to have it completed by Christmas. The question is now being asked: what will the new Chapel be called? We will answer this question in the next issue of this paper.

**Calvary.**—This month the Sunday morning and Wednesday night attendances have been particularly good. On Thanksgiving evening a large and attentive congregation gathered at half past 7 for the Thanksgiving service. The pastor was assisted by Bishop RONDTHALER. The decorations of corn, garden produce and flowers were very tasty and beautiful. The pastor preached the sermon. On account of this service the mid-week prayer-meeting of the night before was omitted.

The practices and preparations for Christmas have begun, with all the usual delightful anticipations, and all desire to make this the happiest Christmas we have ever had as a congregation and as a Sunday School.

A class for Bible study, in view of personal work, has lately been formed, and is held before the Wednesday evening service.

**Camer.**—The work on our church building here is now finished. The new window and the door throw the main entrance toward the street as was designed. A convenient infant class-room has likewise been added. Everything is now ready for a happy Christmas.

**Elm Street.**—Some few persons have expressed the fear that the Christian Endeavor would soon burn itself out, but certainly at Elm Street the experience has proved the contrary, for never before have the prayer-meetings been so helpful and well attended.

Preparations are being made for a series of meetings after the Week of Prayer in the new year.

A "personal worker's" class, for Bible study, has been formed here, and meets after the Saturday night meetings. It is designed thus to acquire some of the equipment needed by the soldier of Jesus Christ.

On the 1st of December a delightful Thanksgiving service was held. The chapel was beautifully decorated with garden vegetables and flowers, and many expressions of gratitude were made to the Father of all for his bounties.

**Friedberg.**—In the course of the week, beginning with the first Sunday in November, a series of meetings was held in the Hope section of the Friedberg congregation. The services were well attended and the interest was encouraging to the pastor.

Special services were also held in the Pleasant Fork community on Sunday and Monday, November 11th and 12th.

Active preparation for the Friedberg Sunday School Christmas exercise was begun about the middle of November.

At Pleasant Fork work in this direction has also been begun.

The visit of many members of the Winston-Salem C. E. Societies to the Friedberg Society, on the 3d Sunday in November, was a source of great encouragement to the latter. A delightful sense of Christian fellowship prevailed. The noon-day prayer-meeting was of a very spirited and edifying nature. Many members of the congregation availed themselves of the opportunity to be present.

Thanksgiving Day was duly observed, with an increased attendance. The gifts for the "Home" in Salem were delivered on the following day.

**Friedland.**—After closing the interesting series of meetings at Fulp, in the course of which there were two conversions and several additional applications for membership, Bro. Woosley hastened to Friedland, where, on Saturday, November 3d, he held an important meeting with his committee.

In connection with the preaching service on the first Sunday in November, at Friedland, the Lord's Supper was celebrated. It was a season of spiritual refreshing and the Holy Spirit's presence was sensibly felt.
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Fulp.—On December 4th, a solemn service took place in the new congregation at this place. The first one of the little flock, Sr. Melissa E. Powell, had been called away from an earthly membership into a heavenly one, as we humbly trust. She was a good woman, highly respected in her neighborhood, and devoted to the congregation which she had recently joined. The church was filled entirely by the friends who had gathered in her memory, and the first funeral sermon in the recently consecrated building was preached by Br. Rondthaler on the text: "He that evercometh shall not be hurt by the second death." Rev. 2:11.

After the sermon the congregation formed a procession to the recently laid out graveyard. The mortal remains of our dear sister were placed temporarily in the middle of the ground, where the two main paths intersect each other. The graveyard was then, after a short address, and prayer, solemnly consecrated for Christian burial, in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost. It lies a little to the north-west of the church, on a slightly rising ground, and will, in the course of time, be a beautiful place. The whole service was one which touched the hearts of the large gathered company.

The monthly preaching appointment at Fulp has been changed from the 2d Sunday of each month. Bro. Rondthaler preached the first service, under the new arrangement, on December 9th. He found a large and well ordered Sunday School, conveniently distributed over the church and the room to the rear of it. Sr. Elias Fulp is the superintendent and Bro. F. W. Marshall the Secretary. Upon the Sunday School followed the sermon, for which an audience had gathered that entirely filled the church. After the preaching came the reception of one of our Providence members, Mrs. Nannie Reid, and the baptism of Mr. John William Smith and of Mr. Sidney Howard Reid, both fruits of Bro. Woosley's recent meetings. The Lord's Supper was partaken of by 44 communicants. It is pleasant to see how the interest in the Moravian work is growing in this new neighborhood, and particularly to note the increase of good feeling on the part of the other adjoining denominations.

The Fulp Sunday School is busy with its Christmas preparations. The Christmas exercises are to be given Thursday, December 27th, at 2 p. m.

Kernersville.—Our people are anxious to be thoroughly Moravian, and are fast adopting many of the Moravian customs which have hitherto been unnoticed here.

The parsonage is now vacant, Sr. Harleman and family, who occupied it for several years, having removed to Mt. Airy.

Macedonia.—Thursday, November 8th, was an enjoyable occasion for the brethren and sisters of the Macedonia congregation. The pastor, Bro. Woosley, conducted a special preaching service in the afternoon at which a large congregation was present. Supper was served in the grove, according to the usual Macedonian custom when the congregation expects to remain for service in the evening.

In the meantime, Bishop Rondthaler arrived with his scooter, which and slides and large white screen. A large company soon gathered in the church to hear the Bishop tell of Palestine and to see the pictures of the Holy land. The audience was large, almost filling the church, and the best of behavior and attention was manifest. A small admittance fee was charged.

At the conclusion of the evening one-third is devoted to the Theological Seminary. The pastor rested among his people during the rest of the week, and on the following Lord's day conducted the regular preaching service.

New Philadelphia. — On Saturday, November 24th, there were preaching, lovefeast and Holy Communion services at New Philadelphia. In the first service the funeral of Mrs. Shutt and her daughter was preached by the Rev. Mr. Williams, of the Campbellite Church. The pastor, Bro. Woosley, conducted the lovefeast and Holy Communion services. The attendance, the pastor thinks, is on the increase. On the Sunday following, in the regular preaching service, a new member was received by the sacrament of adult baptism.

Oak Grove. — In addition to the preaching service on the Oak Grove Sunday in November, the Holy Communion was celebrated, with large attendance and blessed presence of the Holy Spirit.

Olivet.—New pulpit furniture is the latest improvement in connection with the church building.

The series of meetings which began on the 3rd Sunday and closed on the following Thursday evening, resulted in much good. There were several outright professions, some backsliders were reclaimed, while about seventy-five, church members and non-church members together, gave the pastor their hands as a sign of their intention to live nearer Christ.

Bishop Rondthaler preached on Monday morning, and Bro. McCutson assisted the pastor in a number of the meetings.

Providence.—Owing to a severe cold from which the pastor was suffering this congregation was not served with the preached Word in the last month. The brethren of the congregation, however, and the Christian Endeavorers, who are very active, wisely and profitably utilized the occasion by holding a prayer-meeting with the large company which had gathered.

The Christian Endeavor is doing a good work in this neighborhood, which, it is believed, will continue to bear much fruit.

Salem.—Our recollections of the Thanksgivings in the Salem church have ever been bright and cheerful, but those of the present year were, perhaps, the happiest we have known. The Home Christian Endeavorers had been busy with the decoration, which is always a special feature. The lower desk had changed into a stand of vegetables and fruits, with clustering grapes at the top. A great pyramid of garden and field produce flanked the desk on either side. The foundations were laid good and strong in pumpkins; watermelons gazed forth from the pyramids with a look of wonder that they had survived so long. Every sort of vegetable was deftly worked into the pile to give variety, color and form. The pulpit decorations were mainly drawn from the grainfields. Graceful sheaves bent their heads on either side, and the whole pulpit front was curiously tapestried with cornshocks. Golden beds of chrysanthemums on the right and left hand chandeliers enriched and completed the decoration with their gorgeous colors. It was a striking emblem of the goodness of God shown forth in the fruits and flowers of another year. As it is Thanksgiving custom here for the people to come forward and shake hands with the pastors, the beautiful decorations could be more nearly observed by the gathered throng after the service.

The music was, as usual, warm and enthusiastic, being rendered by the combined choir and orchestra. The sermon was preached by Bro. Rondthaler, who assisted in the service by Bro. Thaler. The text was: "He is our God." Joshua 24:18, the truth being drawn from the history of the community, and of our individual lives.

Thanksgiving, as the very large congregation, gathered from all denominations showed, is coming, from year to year, to be more decidedly celebrated in our community. Nor is it merely a church-service affair, as the gifts to the Salem Home in the course of the day especially showed.
Salem Female Academy.—On his recent trip North Principal Clewell was busy in Philadelphia and New York looking after the interests of the Academy. Among the good results of his work was the engagement made with the distinguished orator, Mr. James Beck, of Philadelphia, to be present at the next June Commencement as the speaker.

Founder’s Day, October 31, was, as usual, observed as a holiday. The pupils were left to devise their own amusements.

In the evening, the gifts which Mr. and Mrs. Clewell had purchased, as souvenirs of their trip, were distributed.

A Glee Club has been organized by Prof. Skilton. The number of members is 25. Guitars and mandolins accompany the voices.

A large number of volumes were recently added to the Library, among them a valuable history of England, and another of France.

Union Cross.—The work here has its difficulties, probably more pronounced and distinctive than other places, but not without every incentive to its continuance. The school is held with a varying attendance, both as to individuals and as to numbers. It is situated in a neighborhood where Sunday Schools are not held in favorablc reports, and where, until Bro. Woolsey commenced, there had been no preaching for 30 or 40 years, excepting perhaps one funeral service. There is, at present, no other Sunday School, and only two other places where divine worship is occasionally held in the whole township. The importance of the work, therefore, cannot be overestimated. The prayers of the Church and the practical interest and assistance of friends is earnestly asked for.

The place in which the school is kept, kindly donated by Dr. J. L. Johnson, is a room formerly used as a store. The counters have been removed, but the shelves remain. A small adjoining room is also available for classes, and ordinarily the seating is sufficient for the school, although inconvenient. For preaching service, however, the place is quite unsuitable, so that for the continuance of the work it has been thought needful to undertake the building of a little chapel. Dr. Johnson gives the lot for this purpose, and a committee of Friedland brethren, with Miss Mary Johnson as Secretary and Treasurer, have, in a kindly and brotherly spirit, taken the superintendence of the building. The trees have been cut by them, the logs saved, and all the framing brought to the spot where the house is to be built. In a week or two, if the weather is favorable, the frame work will be raised, and then assistance will be needed to put on the roof, the weather boarding, &c. May we not look for means, liberally and cheerfully given, for the progress of this work, where as yet there is no church membership at all, but where the work is of a decided missionary character.

Wachovia Arbor.—The regular preaching day here is the second Sunday in each month. The pastor was this time unable to fill his appointment, having been engaged to go to Oak Ridge that afternoon, but Bro. Walter Grub kindly went out from Salem and preached in Bro. Threlk’s place. He reports a good congregation. Preparations are here too already being made for Christmas, the first in the remodelled church.

**Marriages.**

JOHNSON-SPAGH.—At the bride’s home, on the 14th of November, by Rev. James E. Hall, Mr. CHARLES JOHNSON to Miss MARY C. SPAGH.

MARSHALL-HEPP.—At the bride’s home, November 18, by Rev. A. A. Woolsey, Mr. JOHN F. MARSHALL, of Providence, to Miss CARRIE M. HEPP, youngest daughter of Bro. Jordan Huff, of Oak Grove. Many good wishes attend the happy pair.

PENNY-ROMINGER.—At the home of the bride, November 20th, by Rev. Judah E. Hall, Mr. ROBERT PENNY to Miss OLLIE ROMINGER.

HIGE-SPAGH.—On the 4th of December, by Rev. James E. Hall, Mr. SAMUEL HIGE to Miss MARY STEAM. Both of Friedland congregation.

**Deaths.**

POWELL.—Near Walnut Grove, N. C., on November 24th, 1894, Mrs. MELISSA ELLEN POWELL, wife of Mr. Gordon Powell, aged 45 years, 1 month and 24 days.

MELLER.—At Salem, N. C., on December 3d, 1894, Mrs. HENRIETTA CAROLINE MELLER, widow of the late Mr. Francis W. Meller, aged 71 years, 1 month and 24 days.

SPACH.—Near Pleasant Fork, N. C., on December 3d, 1894, Mrs. CATHARINE ANN SPACH, widow of the late Mr. William Spach, aged 65 years, 11 months and 2 days.

DILLON.—At Salem, N. C., on December 10th, 1894, Mrs. ELIZA JANE DILLON, wife of Mr. William Edward Dillon, aged 49 years, 1 month and 12 days.

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