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EDITORIAL.

The New Year begins with gracious revival in the Amity Church and in East Salem.
The Lord could not have given us a sweeter evidence of his presence with us than has been thus remarkably bestowed. He knows that our District is small and that our needs are great. Our laborers are few, and our means to support more in the field are scant. In the midst of our necessities it has pleased the great Head of the Church to smile upon us with his Spirit, and, in order that his aid might be the more effective, He has done it at the very centre of our work. As long as His Spirit is with us we need have no fear for the future. Having given us the highest token of his favor, He will not withhold the lesser helps that are so sorely needed. Since 1896 has thus commenced with a deep revival in our central congregation, we may hope and pray that the whole year will be one of gracious Pentecostal awakening through-out our District, and even into the regions beyond. We are living in times like those of the Jews after the Captivity, when their temple-building was difficult and often discouraging. Our own upbuilding is likewise going on with scant means and frequent drawbacks. But God is evidently saying to us, as to his returned people of old:


The statistics of the year 1895 are presented to our readers with this issue. The general impression which they make in looking over them is a very happy one. The new congregations of Alpha and Union Cross appear for the first time in the list. The Sunday Schools of Maryah (Wolf's), Bluff, Willow Hill, Hamburg, Fairview and Massey's take their well-earned place among the older ones. Congregations which were new in the previous lists are now reported with steadily growing membership. The old stand-by churches, like Friedberg and Bethania, send in a goodly roll of membership. Salem Home church has contributed more or less of its members to three branch congregations and yet is stronger than ever, with 841 communicants.

The net increase of communicants is very encouraging, being 277 in a total of 2567. The smallness of the non-communicant list shows how thoroughly the growing youth are being gathered into the communicant membership. It will be noticed, with interest, that the adult baptisms are nearly as many as the confirmations. This fact arises not from a lack of testimony among as to the value of infant baptism, but to the coming in of new people. Much of our new strength consists of men and women who have come to Christ out of the great un-baptized world. The Sunday School shows an increase of 485 in a total of 3389. When we note these figures, and also mark the number of Sunday Schools as compared with that of the congregations, we see that it is still the Lord's evident will that our work should advance largely by Sunday School effort. The children, with their teachers, are still the vanguard in the onward movement of the District, and it is right that it should be so. The salient figures of our statistics are, in round numbers, 2500 communicants, 3800 children, 4000 in our Sunday Schools. For this exhibit we give God the glory.

"The Greatest of these is Charity."--1 Cor. 13.

It was Paul who said this. Had the words come from the lips of John, it would have been just what we would have looked for. He was the apostle of love, as Paul was the apostle of faith, and Peter of hope. But it was, as we see from his earlier career, a hard thing for Paul to love. He was, as Saul of Tarsus, an energetic, pushing, zealous soul. He had clear ideas of what was right in form and duty, and felt that every one must toe exactly the same mark. So he persecuted the Church with a hearty good will, and, as the Scripture says: "breathed out threatenings and slaughters against the disciples of the Lord." When he came to be a disciple himself, he appreciated the quality of love the more, because it was so hard for him, and so much against his natural grain to get it. Therefore it was given to him by the Spirit of God to put love at the top of the list of virtues, to put it above his own zeal and energy and faith and everything else, and to say, "the greatest of these is charity.

It is a Christian quality. It is like the light which we cannot hide until the sun is risen. In the love which all sinners feel toward their family, in their affection toward their friends, and in the compassion which they often exercise toward the poor and suffering, we have prophetic intimations, so to say, of the love that is in Christ. These are the gray streaks of morning which precede the day. But when Jesus has risen upon the soul, that, in the clear sunbeams of his dying kindness, the forgiven man begins to see what love really is in the way of unaffected kindness, human, self-sacrifice, forbearing and forgiving charity. The cross of Calvary is the day-spring of real charity.

The world, therefore, looks to Christians for the distinctive exercise of love. Other qualities it can exhibit in its own behalf. It can be a zealous, outspoken, working, earnest world. It is not particularly touched by the display of these qualities. It says, with regard to these things, "We have them about as good as they have." But when love,—the gentle, kindly, self-sacrificing, forgiving, charity, the very virtue, the very charity that so often appears on the scene, the ungodly world says, in its heart, "This is something which we have not." It was with the impression, "see how these Christians love," that Christianity was brought into the great heathen world of ancient Roman times, and it is in the same way that it gains its choicest victories still.

If therefore, Christians are careful with regard to these qualities, if they care to express one virtue in any measure, they will watch over their growth in the sort of love that Paul describes in 1. Corinthians, 13th chapter. Their abiding influence depends upon it. Their characters have been marked by it. They will be best remembered by it. They will be best remembered by it when they are gone from the earthly scene. No one will stand reverently beside their grave because they were rich, or learned, or eloquent, or energetic. But even a child will tread softly on the green turf beside their gravestone, in memory of their loving words, and kindly, considerate ways.

There is a good deal of the old nature left in forgiven people still. It is the claw under the cat's soft fur. When sharp criticism arises on the part of God's children, when they insist that every one must say and do exactly what they say and do, when they grow rude and wilfully offend, every body recognizes in the scratch that it is that old devil-claw is there yet, even though the Christian far above it is soft and clean. Let every child of God strive, like Paul, to get more Charity, and strive all the harder if it does not come easily to them, any more than it did to the apostle. A high ideal helps us in our struggle, and God sets it in this one saying: "The greatest of these is Charity.

The decline in the health of Bro. Samuel Woosley has been for the whole past year a source of great solicitude among his many friends. The field of our brother has been so wide, and his labors in it so abundant that the Church has been the more grieved over his increasing infirmities. It was finally determined that an effort should be made to secure his retirement, to give some opportunity for his recovery, should it please the Lord to restore this valuable servant to health. Accordingly Brother Woosley preached his farewell sermons among his various congregations in the months of November and December. His parting interviews with the flockies among whom his words have been so greatly blessed were of a very affecting character. As Oak Grove correspondent very touchingly says: "The sad-
aggregation, and because his life extended over many years, he is known to all who knew him. He is remembered as one who displayed religious faith throughout his life.

Our dear departed brother, Timothy Vogler, was born in Salem, on August 2d, 1806. His family history carries us far back into the very beginnings of our Moravian life and work in North Carolina. His father was Christopher Vogler, the gunsmith of Salem a century ago. His mother was Anna Johanna Vogler, m.m. Staubler, also descended from the settlers in Wachovia. The grandfather of our brother, Philip Christopher Vogler, was one of the German emigrants who settled about 1720, near Broadbay in what was then province of Maine. Here they founded the town of "Waldboro," named from the Waldos, who held immense estates in Maine, and had induced these families to emigrate from Wurtemberg and the Palatinate. In the early days of New England they were visited by one of the Moravian ministers who, at that time, were itinerating over the greater part of the country. They desired to build a Moravian church in their new settlement and retain Bro. Soelle, their visitor, as their minister. It became plain, however, that they could not enjoy religious liberty in that part of New England, and, therefore, they resolved, at Bro. Soelle's suggestion, to emigrate to North Carolina. In the course of their journey by sea they were shipwrecked off the coast of Virginia, but were all saved from the wreck, and part of their goods were also rescued. Finally, in November, 1760, these exiles for conscience sake reached Bethabara. They were sick and weary, and came unexpectedly to the Bethabara people. But they were hospitably received, and spent the winter, some of the 28 in Bethabara, and others in the town of Salem, then consisting of only eight dwelling houses. Bro. Timothy Vogler's father, Christopher, was at that time only 4 years old. In the Spring of 1770, he moved with his parents to Friedland, where his father was one of the first members. In his youth, however, Christopher moved back to Salem and became the gunsmith of the town, which in the early days was of great importance in the backwoods country. Here he married, and his three sons, Gottlieb, Nathaniel and Timothy continued a business which lasted for over one hundred years.

Bro. Timothy Vogler was baptized on August 3d, 1806, the day after his birth, which was the ancient Christian custom prevailing in Europe. The brother who baptized him was the third Bishop of the Province, Bro. Charles Gottlieb Reiel, well known in the church for his educational work. Bro. Timothy Vogler was confirmed on Palm Sunday, April 8, 1829, and took of the Holy Communion for the first time on April 12th. All his life long he resided in Salem, of which community he lived to become its oldest citizen. As a young member of the gunsmith firm, he made extensive journeys in the Carolina mountains and beyond. To this day the old Vogler rifles are still to be found in the cottages of the mountainites. For a very short time he carried on his business in Macon, Georgia, but, as a good son, honored his mother's wish to have him again by her side. His reminiscences of this more stirring period of his early life, when traversing the mountains, with his team and wagon loaded with rifles, and visiting the Indian country of the Cherokee, were wonderfully vivid, and, after seventy years, even in his latest illness, he could recall the very accents in which friends had spoken to him, as if the three-score and ten years had been, indeed, only a night when it is passed. Our dear brother was, in truth, a valuable repository of the traditions of Salem for a hundred years, and we loved to listen to the quaint reminiscences as they rose in his intelligent and kindly memory.

On October 37th, 1831, our brother was married to Charlotte Hamilton. Two children, both daughters, were given to them. These daughters, with their mother, their children and their children's children all survive, our aged brother being the first of them all to be called home. Bro. and Sr. Vogler moved into the house which they have held ever since occupied, one year after their marriage. In the old house, with their venerable forms in it, has been a landmark in oldest Salem through all these years. Under their pleasant, comfortable roof, we celebrated the last of the old Vogler rifles are still to be found in the cottages of the mountainites. For a very short time he carried on his business in Macon, Georgia, but, as a good son, honored his mother's wish to have him again by her side. His reminiscences of this more stirring period of his early life, when traversing the mountains, with his team and wagon loaded with rifles, and visiting the Indian country of the Cherokee, were wonderfully vivid, and, after seventy years, even in his latest illness, he could recall the very accents in which friends had spoken to him, as if the three-score and ten years had been, indeed, only a night when it is passed. Our dear brother was, in truth, a valuable repository of the traditions of Salem for a hundred years, and we loved to listen to the quaint reminiscences as they rose in his intelligent and kindly memory.
There appears to have been an universal and special interest in the Christmas Exercises of our Schools this year. From all around comes the word, "We have had a good and very pleasant celebration." It is impossible, in the space allotted to this department, to tell the good things that we have seen, and of all that is reported. But so much may be said: the older Schools have given carefully arranged and delightfui programmes; the younger Schools are keeping well in line with the Moravian idea of a Christmas celebration. In some of the latter, specially to be mentioned, is the active and commendable part taken by the young men, especially in singing. However, not to enter into details any further, we would say, that from Mt. Bethel, in Virginia, on the North, to Friedberg, in Davidson county, on the South, and from Mrs. Rolah Kern's School, in Guilford, on the East, to Macedonia, beyond the Yadkin, on the West, comes the cheering intelligence that all has gone well. Of course, we all know that this has not been without much preparation, and not without a good deal of anxiety and weariness of the flesh and of the spirit; and often, too, we become quite discouraged, feeling our weakness and insufficiency,—so much so that we are almost persuaded to give up the work. How refreshing and gladdening, then, to hear expressions like the following, which come to us, and which we take the liberty of quoting, trusting the writers will pardon us for seeing there is so much in them to cheer the down-hearted. In speaking of the Christmas celebration, one Superintendent writes: "Each one seemed to take special interest, and hearts were made glad and happy, I know, who otherwise would have had nothing to brighten their Christmas, and I trust that new resolutions were made for good in the future. I have so much to be thankful for, that I feel more and more like praising the holy name of Him whose advent we celebrate." And another Superintendent, in a devoted and consecrated spirit, writes: "I feel more like trusting in my Saviour than ever. I go to God in prayer, asking for the guidance of the Holy Spirit. I give everything over for Him to direct and take charge of. Without Him I can do nothing. I cannot thank Him enough for his goodness to me, and I want Him to use me just as he wishes, and also to show me my duty." With sentiments like these it is any wonder that the blessing of the Lord is on the work, and that he puts joy into the hearts of those who are engaged in it. What if discouragements do arise? These are only meant to draw us nearer to Him, and to remind us that all our help comes from above. Casting all our care upon him, let us go forward, ventured freely whenever and wherever he shows the way.

—And now comes the work for the New Year. New plans, new methods if need be, and fresh endeavors. A love of righteousness for better things is always in order. Every Sunday School paper in the land is making strong appeals in this line. A thorough acquaintance with the Scriptures, in their true light, is urged. Systematic, daily study of the Bible is recommended, and plans for normal work can be had anywhere. How can we ever hope that the Lord for what he has done for us, would help us to do, than by fitting ourselves to do still more for him.

THE CHRISTIAN END EAVOR.

BY REV. A. E. THAYER, WINDSOR, N. H.

"For Christ and the Church."

This month again we must refer to the Foreign Mission Deficit. The sooner it is wiped out, the sooner we can drop it as a subject of remark. But it depends upon us, as members of the Moravian Church, to see to it that the next month shall mark the changing of the deficit into a surplus. A surplus! Has any one ever heard of such a thing in connection with Foreign Mission work? Thank God, no! The call for Gospel light is far too urgent for us to let any money lie idle in our Mission Treasury. But, in every case, the supply ought to come up to the demand. May it always be so in the future.

If the progress of Christ's kingdom be a matter resting upon our hearts, and the subject of our prayers, anything that hinders that progress will become a personal matter, as this case the present deficit should be to every one of us.

The response to the request of the writer of this column, in last month's issue, has not been very promising. Possibly the corresponding Secretaries have been too busy during the Christmas season to drop the desired line on a postal card, telling how their Societies would assist in wiping out the debt. There is still another chance this month. Dear Secretary, if your Society has hitherto done nothing that you can write about, will you not consider it your own personal business to see to it that it does do something? Keep the C. E. Society informed as to your doings, that your neighboring Societies may also be encouraged into "all good works."

However, a couple items of interest have been noted during the past month, with reference to our Societies' missionary efforts. The Home Church C. E., that most zealous and consecrated body, not content with its self-denial collection on Thanksgiving Day, arranged for a general collection of missions on Tuesday evening, December 10th, to which all the congregation, as well as any other Endeavor Society, was invited. A varied programme of music and other forms of entertainment was provided. The Service was, during the evening, served with sugar-cake and coffee, while the social features, the meeting of friends, the greeting of new members, the rubbing off of the rough corners of congregational distinctions, were the most prominent ones of the evening. As each attendant withdrew, he saw at the door a box standing ready to receive contributions for the mission cause. When, at the end, the Committee opened this box, and counted the freewill offerings, it was found that they amounted to $120.00. This announcement could have but one result,—those still present gathered in a brief meeting of thanksgiving and earnest prayer that the money so generously and freely given might have the fullest blessing of the Lord. Can we doubt that it will?

Another pleasing item was the gathering of a "self-denial" collection by the Calvary Society at the first meeting in the new year, that is, January 11st, at 7:30 p.m., at which the sum of $12.50 was given to the Foreign Mission Fund. It is most assuredly true, that "where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty;" liberty of faith, liberty of life and liberty of the pocket-book. Did you ever think of it, it needs but three more letters to make the message complete. The Spirit of the Lord, may we also soon find our liberty forming but the foundation for our liberty.
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THE CHURCH AT HOME.

BY REV. JAMES P. HALL, FRIEDBERG P. O., W., N. C.

BY MR. ADELAIDE FRIED, SALEM, N. C.

The recent discussion concerning the building of a new Court House has aroused a considerable interest in the history of Forsyth County, and the following outline, drawn from "The Colonial Records of the Counties of N. C. by Dr. Kemp P. Battle, and "Forbes County," by Mr. W. A. Blair, may prove of interest.

On October 30th, 1729, King Charles I, of England, gave to Sir Robert Heath, his Attorney General, that portion of the American continent, stretching from the Atlantic to the Pacific, between the degrees of latitude 36 and 31, or from a line that pasa through Durham, N. C., almost to the southern boundary of Georgia. This land was called Carolina in honor of King Charles, the portion of the continent to the south bearing the name of Florida, "Land of Flowers."

No active steps were taken towards establishing the colony until September 9th, 1732, when Charles II, gave Carolina to eight English Lords, deciding that Robert Heath’s title was forfeited by his neglect of the province. A little later it was disclosed that about thirty-one miles were left between the 36 and the Virginia line, and therefore on June 30th, 1662, a second Patent was given which provided for extensions their boundaries to 36 30 on the north, where it met Virginia, and to 29 on the south.

The first settlements were naturally along the sea coast, travel by land being slow and difficult, and the first County to be established was Clarendon, in the neighborhood of Cape Fear, Albemarle County on Albemarle sound following very shortly.

It was the intention to form another County—Craven—south of Cape Romain, (including the harbors of Charleston and Port Royal), but this was not carried out.

Clarendon promised well at first, but a settlement from New England, and two from the Barbadoes, failed in succession, and the County was practically abandoned for a number of years, Albemarle being the seat of government and the only one appearing in the records.

By the end of 1696, a settlement had sprung up on "Pamlico River" ("Pamlico Sound," as we think of it), and on December 9th, the County of Bath was created.

It gradually grew southwestward to the Neuse and Cape Fear Rivers, taking the place of the extinct County of Clarendon. Like Albemarle the Country of Bath was divided into "Precincts," practically settlements scattered in different parts of the county and each entitled to certain representation in the General Assembly. Of these Precincts, New Hanover, formed in 1729, was near the mouth of the Cape Fear River. Until comparatively modern times the boundaries of "Precincts" and Counties were not carefully surveyed lines, but the growth from one settlement would go on without restriction, and new settlements growing in a constant manner. It would desire in its own representation and rights; thus the growth of the Cape Fear River from New Hanover, in 1734, became Bladen Precinct, named for Martin Ridout, a member of the Board of Trade.

In 1738, the names of Albemarle and Bath were dropped, and the "Precincts" became Counties. The first census of 1740 spread from Bladen county, on the Cape Fear to the Pee Dee or lower Yadkin, and became a separate County in 1749, under the name of the County of Bath, which at one time lived in Carolina and was raised to the Peaee for his brilliant services in the Spanish war.

(To be continued.)
and songs. The singing was led by Professor Alex. Delapp, who had brought a melodion for the occasion. A Woodwind quartet, who are laboring hard as teachers in this new field.

We were glad to receive greetings from Miss Etta Shaffer's Sunday School class in Salem, which was used toward making Christmas happy for the children, mothers would be appreciated and wisely disposed of in this new and promising work.

**THE WACHOVIA MORAVIANS.**

The Sunday School gave its entertainment, consisting of songs and recitations, on the Sunday before Christmas. The pastor, Bro. McLeish, and Bro. C. E. Crist, from Salem, were present, and made addresses. The exercises were under the management of Bro. Spess, superintendent of the Mt. Bethel School, and Bro. Ut, superintendent of Willow Hill, these schools having been combined for the winter months. The services were closed with the distribution of lighted candles to the children, the church having been darkened for the purpose. A very large crowd was present, and the best order prevailed.

**MACEDONIA.**

The Macedonians brethren deserve the highest praise for their earnest efforts to make up their pastor’s salary. When Bro. Woolsey retired it was the opinion of the church that an arrear on his pay. Steps were immediately taken to liquidate the debt, and in a few weeks a wagon load of wheat, flour, etc. was delivered at his home by Mr. Albert R. Sheek, one of the Committee. The value of the load was $44.

**NEW PHILADELPHIA.**

Bishop Rondthaler conducted the Christ. Church in New Philadelphia. In addition to the services in the evening, lovefeast was served and candles distributed to the children. Then followed, after a short interval, the Sunday School programme of songs and recitations. The Bishop was very much pleased with what he saw and heard, and believes there is a bright future for the growing and progressive congregation.

**PLEASANT FORK.**

The Sunday School delighted a large and appreciative audience with its Christmas entertainment on Christmas Eve. The recitations and songs were rendered in an excellent manner and spirit. Mr. Charles Snider led the singing. The pastor delivered a short Christmas address. Gifts were distributed to the scholars from an immense ever-prevailed for the previous three years were, in cloth, made by the Women's Society. The church was decorated with dyed cotton. The service was conducted by Mr. James T. Lineback.

**THE VENEZUELAN BOUNDARY.**

The interest of the world has gathered around the boundary of the two countries which threaten the existence of the United States. All point to war as a possibility, and war between great nations. While war will probably be averted in 1869 (unless except one, as is now in progress), yet the interests at stake are so momentous that all men in all sections have been greatly agitated. We shall follow the progress of these events:

**NEWS OF THE WORLD.**

By Rev. J. H. Oldham, Salem, N. C.

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Georgia, Florida, West Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama and Mississippi. The population of Cuba. The conflict that was taking place in Cuba was under British rule, and there has been a dispute about the boundary line for many years, as the island is a strategic point. The United States was planning to send troops to the region to protect its interests.

The rebels have been making good progress in their fight against Spanish rule. The Moravians of Cuba have been determined to resist the claims of Spain, but the power of Spain has been too strong.

The island of Cuba is the center of a large colony of Moravians. The Moravians have been made to free themselves from Spanish rule, but the order either failed to reach them or was ignored. The Moravians appear to have been able to exterminate the Spaniards, killing many of them.

From Calvary Chapel Congregation:

* Provision Church: 18
* Kernersville: 26
* Macedonia: 16
* Oak Grove: 9
* "New Philadelphia": 2

For Wight’s Chapel:

* Salem Congregation: 60
* A Friend: 2

For Willow Hill Church, Pa:

* From Salem Female Miss. Soc'y: 30

For Salem Poor Fund Society:

* From Salem Congregation: $9 82
* Calvary Chapel: 14 25

Received January 16th.

For the Mission Deficiency of 1893:

* From C. S. Hauser, Treasurer of Salem Bible Class Committee: $95 58
* Salem Juvenile Miss. Society: 18 06

For Runoma Mission:

* From Salem Female Miss. Society: $12 00

For New Mission at Alberta, Canada:

* From Salem Female Miss. Society: $25 00

For Freight on B.S. mail and Mobile Church:

* From Salem Female Miss. Society: $30 00

For Orphans at New Fairfield, Canada:

* From Young Men’s Miss. Society, Salem: 35 85

California.

January 10, 1873.—Departure of the first missionaries to Greenland.

1874—The first unitarianist Christian Association, organized in New York City, by Bishop H. H. Beecher.

February 10, 1875.—Consecration of the second place of worship at Wachovia, N. C.—The site of Salem, N. C., selected.

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EDITORIAL.

The season through which we are now passing is, in the Moravian Church, wisely devoted to special instruction in the doctrines of the Christian religion. A sermon has, therefore, been inserted in this particular subject, with the hope that it may prove a timely contribution to a great spiritual interest both for the individual and for the whole Church. We are living in a period when, even among Protestant denominations, there is much partial and erroneous teaching upon the cardinal doctrines of salvation. There is likewise much dependence upon mere feeling, which, in due time, produces either indifference or despondency. An army is always better for careful drill; a Church is likewise stronger for every good work, when its members are carefully trained in the doctrines of Christ.

A LETTER from our special correspondent in Germany, Bishop Romig, brings the welcome news that the Mission Deficit for 1894–1895 ($27,000) has been paid. It is wonderful how quickly, in a Church as small as ours, this great undertaking has been accomplished. It shows distinctly that God is still with us in our Mission work, and that our people love it. From our own District a sum has been collected which very fairly represents the means and the willingness of our people. But, in addition to the special effort which has thus been made, we shall need to watch our contributions well, so that in view of our ever-widening field of missionary labor, there may not in the next year arise an equally large deficiency.

It is with great pleasure that we learn of the election of Bishop Benjamin Romig as the President of the Unity Department. This Board is the supreme authority of our Church, in the interval between General Synods. It is located at Bethelhord in Saxony, and consists of brethren from the German, English and American provinces. For the first time since the institution of the Unity Department, in 1879, the office of President is filled by an American. Bishop Romig, known to many of our people through his visit in the Spring of last year, has for many years been the admirable representative of our American churches in the supreme Board. He has endeared himself to us all by his unswerving interest in our affairs, his great devotion to the cause of Missions, and his staunch advocacy of the unity of the Church in a time when sectarian views have been gaining considerable ground. We heartily rejoice in the position which the esteem of his colleagues has given him, and say that the Lord may specially endow and strengthen him for his new office. The time is an important one, in view of the near approach of another General Synod, for which the preparations must now soon be made.

The reports of the studies of our Theological students have recently been laid before us. It is of a very satisfactory nature. The young men have all been doing excellent work, and are reflecting credit upon their District by their deportment and their class standing. It is well to remember that the success of these young brethren in the Seminary at present, and that, with the very considerable demands which are made upon them in the way of a steadily advancing course of study, we may expect good service from them in years to come. There was a time when the prospect for a well-prepared ministry in the Southern District was better than it is now.

While our ordained ministers are thus being prepared for the future needs of the Church, our lay brethren are likewise entering in larger numbers and with growing zeal into the spiritual work. In various directions they are holding successful meetings, and are filling places which our ministers cannot, with the great demands upon them, attend to themselves. There is no conflict between the work of the ministers and these consecrated laymen. The field is ever-growing, and the interest of saved and unsaved souls is resting with ever increasing burden on the heart of the Church.

The best news which comes to us from various congregations is the interest reported in the prayer-meetings. Where there is earnest united prayer, there will be presence of the Holy Spirit, and where the Spirit is at work, there must be congregational success in the best sense of the term. Now is the time of year, in which to prepare for the revival meetings which are coming later on. This is best done by getting the prayer-meetings in good working order. To do this be sure, dear reader, to go to them regularly yourself.

THE EXTENSION OF THE MORAVIAN CHURCH.

This is the vital question of the hour. It resolves itself into the problem: how shall the Moravian Church best and most quickly come to be so spread over the United States that not one, in any section of the country, North, South, East and West, can come into at least some degree of actual contact with its teaching, ritual and work?

There was a time between 1740 and 1770 when this very thing seemed about to be achieved. The Moravian missionizing among whites, colored people or Indians, all the way from Maine to Georgia. We have a note-worthy instance of the result of their widespread work in the founding of our Friedel and Montgomery, and in the valuable membership which has been derived from that source to this very day. These original members of Friedel were not gathered in Carolina, but in distant Maine, by the labors of one of our missionaries there. What would have been accomplished, 150 years ago if there had not come, with changed ideas and methods, a marked sub- mission of the work of the Holy Spirit, needs to be done in our time, under the renewed prospects of deep and wide spiritual outpouring amongst us.

It needs to be done in order to give our present young membership a wider field of consecrated testimony and influence. It needs to be done in order to enable members, moving away from their home congregations, to find, in more frequent instances, a new spiritual home among their own people. It needs to be done to gain a wider basis of support for our constantly growing Foreign Missions. Most of all, it needs to be done, in order that we, as Moravians, may do our share toward the salvation of the undeserved multitudes of our native land. And it needs to be done with methods based upon the word of God, which says: "The things which are impossible with man are possible with God!"

Where God writes Character.

When our Saviour delivered that wonderful, matchless Sermon on the Mount, he did not choose as his text a passage from the Testament scripture, but he took an idea, and wove it like a golden thread through every period and verse. That idea was character, the character of those that were his own. He wanted to turn the minds of his hearers from what they were getting to what they were being, from outward accomplishment to inward growth. And thus He goes on to say that not only does this character exist as a moving impulse, or a guiding hand within the heart, it must needs manifest itself outwardly in the life of him who is its possessor. And, strange though it may seem, it comes to light, not only in the words and in the actions, but it also carves itself into the features and lines of the face. What an awful truth that
God judges a man by his character and not by his appearance, and that his character bevelled on his face. Physiognomy is not yet a universal science, except as regards its more general and evident phenomena, but it is by no means unvarying of careful study. Truly did Jesus say that "he that believeth not is condemned already," yea, yea, and his sentence is recorded in his face.  

God always marks God's work. The human face might have been like the face of an angel, pure, holy, radiant with heavenly glory. But, under the blight of sin the light fades away from the eye, the lash of an avenging Nemesis cuts into the cheek, and the iron of remorse hakes out deep lines upon the brow and around the mouth. Watch the restless, hunted look in the eye of the murderer, it is the token of the burden of the sin committed. Marked men! 

Sculptor's features of the hidden soul, the inner life's deep lilies, the bard's life, are represented. In our modern title, "His excellency," it seems to point to some high official position. The word used for his instruction is the one from which our English terms "catechism," and "catechist," are derived. We are struck with the manner people upon this class of persons in the Church. Theophils, a man of high position, is their representative, and to him, the catechised, or instructed man, two important books of Scripture were first addressed, the Gospel of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles. Thus God showed that there could be no earnest attention paid to the subject of instruction in his Church. 

Indeed, when we come to think of it, the distinction between the Christian and heathen religions is commonly found along this line. The heathen religions do not instruct. They simply appeal to the senses, with robes and processions and attitudes of prayer and incense, and the like. But the true religion brings its people under instruction, recognising the fact that they have minds as well as bodies, and that, having been made in God's image, they are worthy of being intellectually and morally taught. 

Already under the Old Testament large provision was made for instruction. The pursuit of it is warm-throated. "Buy the truth and sell it not; also wisdom and instruction and understanding." "He is in the way of life that keepeth instruction." On the other hand it is solemnly declared: "He shall die without instruction; and in the greatness of his folly he shall go astray." And this we find by actual observation, to be the case. A great many people do as badly as they do because they do not know better. It is not their feelings which are to blame; their understanding is still more at fault than their feelings. It takes knowledge to keep God's law, and to observe his Gospel, and they have it not. They have picked up a little inforuduction to these things here and there, and have patched it up with their prejudices and their errors. But they have never learned the truth of God, line by line and precept by precept. In any way in which anything of value can be learned. If, under the old Jewish Covenant already instruction was carefully provided for, this was still more the case when Christianity arose in the world as the crown and the fulness of the old Jewish religion. The very structure of the Gospel religion calls for instruction. It is thoughtful and spiritual. It has little form in it; little that merely appeals to the eye. It is directed mainly to the mind. Those who will not learn to think about it cannot get on well with it, even as well the Jews did with their Old Testament religion, for there is no temple, there are no sacrifices, there are too few outward rites to engage the attention of the wilfully ignorant and thoughtless. They are quickly as people will not learn, and are not instructed, a pure kind of Gospel religion so longer suits them. 

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_Doctrinal Instruction in the Church of Christ._

_Morris_ BY REV. EDWARD RONDTHALIK.

**TEXT**: "That thou mightest know the certainty of those things wherein thou hast been instructed."—Luke 1: 4.

Each season of the year has its peculiar feature of Church work and of spiritual advantage connected therewith. For these particular weeks through which we are now passing, the instructions which are being given in the Christian doctrine is the leading feature, and deserves the careful attention of the whole Church.

The text which I have chosen in speaking of these instructions is one which was addressed to a person who was connected with them in the early days of the Apostolic Church. He was not a child but a grown man, and one of considerable rank and importance. His name was: Theophilos, and the title "most excellent," denoting our modern title, "His excellency," it seems to point to some high official position. The word used for his instruction is the one from which our English terms "catechism," and "catechist," are derived. We are struck with the manner people upon this class of persons in the Church. Theophils, a man of high position, is their representative, and to him, the catechised, or instructed man, two important books of Scripture were first addressed, the Gospel of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles. Thus God showed that there could be no earnest attention paid to the subject of instruction in his Church.

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in many of the Churches, where Christian knowledge is encouraged to shape itself into real experience of grace. His idea was that confirmation was a renewal of the baptismal covenant, the taking upon oneself of the promise made for the child at his baptism, and that there should be a special instruction to this end, so that in an earnest and believing spirit the vow should be renewed, under his instruction, in a form that one would now call a "revival" method.

While the whole German Church was impressed, and is, to this day, influenced by Spener's idea of instruction, and while, through the Methodist revival, the same ideas have been carried into all English speaking lands, the Moravians, to a peculiar degree, became the heirs of his views. Spener was Zinzendorf's sponsor. In the castle of Zinzendorf's grand-mother there was one of those little societies which Spener had recommended, and which were called "little Churches within the Church." Zinzendorf himself received into this Society, when four years of age, and all through life his way of spreading the Gospel and keeping it alive by little circles of pious, were, at one of which he had gathered from Spener in his early childhood.

So, it has come to pass, that Moravian instructions in Christian doctrine, rooted far back in the example of the Apostles and of the early martyr Church, beautifully illustrated among the old Bohemian brethren, have blossomed out into that system of warm and earnest teaching which surrounds the time of Confirmation, and which is sustained by the active and prayerful interest of the congregation, produces the fair fruits of Christian piety throughout life.

It is of great importance that young people in those years when childhood is changing into youth, when views of life are forming and habits are being moulded, when temptations are particularly great and often hidden in their nature— it is very important that these youth should be carefully trained in the duties of grace, so that they know what they are and where in the Bible they can find them, and how they may best make actual experience of them.

No other instruction can compare in value with this, if it is given and earnestly received. Parents who miss this opportunity for their children are losing what, perhaps, never can be made up afterwards. It may be that the minds of their children will never again be so open for the truth, and it may be that these children scattered here and there, in the struggle of life the same good occasion may never again present itself. It is true that a child might come to instruction too young to really take in what was taught. But the mistake is generally made in the other direction. The necessary influence is postponed until the boy or girl no longer does what the believing parent would direct, but rather what an unbelieving companion would suggest; and so these youth become men and women without solid instruction in Christ. Oh, dear friends, watch these children with eagle eye in the years between twelve and fifteen, and see that they do not lose this chief means of grace.

But not only for youth, but also for older people is the instruction of greatest value. For such persons they come in the form of a useful review of their Christian knowledge and beliefs. After ten or twenty years they have made wider observation of life and deeper exper-

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

The year 1805 has been one of great blessing in our Sunday School Work. Six new Schools appeal on our list, and nearly 500 more scholars have been given to us to teach and to train.

How are we going to do the very best for them? What more than we have done, can we do for them? Let us apply ourselves zealously to the work, and approve ourselves faithful servants, using all means and methods we can, to bring all our Schools to the front line. Ways of working are numerous and various. One of the best comes to us from the West. A paper published under the auspices of the Illinois State Sunday School Association, in the interest of better Sunday School Work, gives a plan which seems to have proven a great help in promoting efficiency in this line.

We extract freely from an article written by the Rev. J. A. Renwick, en titled, "Better Things" in Sunday School work.

The object is to secure faithfulness in attendance, in lesson study and in contributions. Any scholar can become a "loyal soldier" by being faithful in these three particulars; and any class can form a "Company," and any school a "Regiment" in this "Army." Faithfulness in duty to your own School is all that is required. No other obligation and no membership fees.

The plan commends itself, because it is so simple. The standard is: 1. Punctual attendance; 2. A well prepared lesson; 3. A money offering of some amount each Sunday.

Each teacher has a class book, in which a faithful record is kept of each scholar in these three particulars. The markings are very simple. Three perpendicular lines, showing that the scholar has fulfilled the three requirements. The three markings constitute three full credits on each Sunday, and therefore 39 during the quarter of 13 Sundays. But to allow for possible sickness or unavoidable absence, the standard is placed at 75 per cent. of perfect. In other words, every member of the School receiving thirty credits during the Quarter, is considered a loyal soldier. The "Loyal Army" plan recognizes merit, and rewards it, not by a system of prizes, but by Certificates of Merit.

Each scholar who has received thirty credits during the same Quarter, in the same School, receives a Certificate of Merit, which is signed by the Superintendent. And each scholar who has received Certificates of Merit for four consecutive Quarters, is awarded a Diploma of Merit at the end of the year. A Roll of Honor is also kept, by way of public recognition, on which each scholar who has received thirty credits during the Quarter is entitled to have his name enrolled.

The way to test this plan, is, to give it a fair trial, and we believe it will be found to be "old razzle." Of course, each teacher must have a Class Book. Very good ones can now be had at three cents a piece. Certificates of Merit cost fifty cents a hundred.
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CHIPS FROM HISTORIC TIMBER.

THE CHRISTIAN ENDOWER.

BY REV. A. B. THALER, WINSTON, N. C.

"For Christ and the Church."

THE CHURCH AT HOME.

BY REV. JAMES L. WALL, FREDERNOO, P. O. C.

"The Church at Home" has but little news to place before the readers of THE WACHOVIA MORAVIAN. The opening months of a new year are usually uneventful. The congregation of Salem has experienced a most delightful outpouring of the Holy Spirit, of which our January number gave a detailed account. Special efforts for souls are still being put forth in various parts of the towns. Our out-of-town congregations, which are at present without a pastor, have been regularly served with the preached word. The ministers in charge of other congregations have been taking part in supplying the vacancy by preaching and pastoral visitations. The brethren Clewell and Grabb's have been rendering very willing service in various pulpits. Their visits to the country have been spoken of to the editor of "The Church at Home" by members from different congregations, in very complimentary terms. The congregations which are served from month to month, as arrangements can be made, are manifesting a commendable spirit of patience and hopefulness.

BETHANIA.

We learn incidentally that everything is moving on well in this congregation. At a recent Congregation Council meeting were taken for the enlargement of the church, which is now proving too small for special occasions. It is intended to build an annex at the north-east corner which will furnish a suitable auditorium and meeting-rooms and Christian Endeavor services. When occasion requires, the folding-doors will be thrown open, and thus the chapel will form a convenient part of the main audience room. Every one seated in it will be able to see and hear the preacher. The plan is a very good one, and a considerable sum of money has already been subscribed for the purpose. Meanwhile the Sunday School chapel at Wolf's, now to be called Mizpah, has been completed, or nearly so, and, what is a still happier circumstance, it has been entirely paid for.

BETHABARA.

At the first preaching service in the present year a very satisfactory accession was made to the communicant membership. In this respect old Bethabara is slowly but steadily moving forward.

CALVARY.

The first day of the new year was marked by a very spiritual and blessed meeting of the Christian Endeavor Society, and during the course of the evening service a "self-denial" collection was taken up, amounting to $15.60. This was donated to the Foreign Mission deficit. On the 3d Sunday morning in January a church collection added $25.30 to the same cause—the largest church collection, by the way, that has ever been taken up here on any one occasion. The Junior C. E. Society has also given $11.00 to the deficit, a sum faithfully earned by selling the pictures of the 1833 evangelists who so recently visited our community, Sam Jones and Wm. P. Fife. The Juniors are increasing steadily in numbers and usefulness as little soldiers of the Lord Jesus. On the 4th Sunday morning, the Sunday School resolved itself into a Juvenile Missionary Society, with Mr. C. W. Thaeler, President, and Miss Mena Hege, Secretary, and, on this occasion, donated from the proceeds of their sale $5.00 to the New York Missionary Society.

FOYTH COUNTY CONTINUED.

With Anson County came the beginning of definite boundaries, and Anson extended from the South Carolina line to Virginia, the line dividing it from Bladen being about four miles from Salters Bridge and Great Pee Dee River and that it was enacted that "all the inhabitants to the westward of the aforesaid mentioned dividing line, shall belong and appertain to Anson County."

But by this time the Government of Carolina and churcn hands. Originally "North Carolina" was only the thirty mile strip next to Virginia given to the proprietors by their second Charter, all the rest being "Carolina"; then in course of time settlements in the far south of their possessions became "South Carolina," and the term "North Carolina" was widened until it covered the territory from South Carolina, and from the Atlantic to the Pacific, nominally, although in fact it never crossed the Mississippi. In 1766 Governors were appointed separately for North and South Carolina, and in 1719 South Carolina, tired of Proprietory government, threw it off, calling and receiving the protection of the Crown. North Carolina, on the other hand, moved on in a sturdy, independent fashion, her Assembly making much law, it being thought best, and obeying the Proprietors Governor until he became unneccesary, and then deposing him, and welcoming the next incumbent. But the original Proprietors of South Carolina found Carolina a poor investment and a troublesome charge; in 1728, therefore, the holders of seven of the eight qual unidivd shares proposed to sell all their interest in Carolina to the Crown, and the proposition was accepted. John, Lord Carteret, afterwards Earl Granville, decided to retain his own right, the property, but gave up all claim to the sovereignty. Although South Carolina had been entirely paid for in the purchase, the Crown paid £2,500 for each of the seven shares, and an additional £5,000 for the present of £15,600 or about $11,500. Lord Granville asked that his share be sold off for him wherever a committee, appointed half by himself and half by the Crown, should decide. This petition "his majesty was pleased to refer to the right honorable the lords of the committee of his majesty's most honourable the lords commissioners for trade and plantations; they urged it to the privy council, and they reported to his majesty" twelve years after the petition was off. But the report being unfavorable, a committee was appointed to select the location, and in 1744 Lord Granville received his grant to his share from George II then reigning. It was "in the province of North Carolina, next adjoining and contiguous to the province of Virginia," and was "bounded to the north by the line that divides Carolina from Virginia, to the east by the great western ocean, commonly so called, (Atlantic), and as far northward as shall take set upon the sea-side in the latitude of 35° 34' north latitude, " there is in the great west time "as far as the bounds of the charter granted to the lords proprietors of Carolina. This land was granted to "John Lord Carteret, his heirs and assigns forever," they "yielding and paying to his said majesty, his heirs and successors the annual rent of 10 L. 12s. 4d. of the value of All States for; and also one fourth part of all gold and silver one that shall be found."
the treasury $18.60 to the Delict. These various efforts made at Calvary to meet our share of the expenses have not made the church any richer, but have rather increased our devotion to the Mission cause, as our Saviour's departing commission.

During the Week of Prayer, and also during the very happy revival services that were continued during the following week, there were no week-day meetings at Calvary, all the forces being concentrated in the school, and this resulted in a deepening of the spiritual life in many of our own members. Since the close of these union-services, the Sunday morning attendances have been very good, better, in fact, than usual. The Sunday School was, several weeks ago, supplied with a number of hyacinth and narcissus bulbs. Each scholar received one bulb, and this was to be his especial charge and care until Easter, when all the flowers were to be brought to the church, and arranged in a appropriate design. This was, already given rise to a great deal of prospective interest, as all classes, fathers, mothers and children, took their bulbs home for planting. The flowers to be brought for the pulpit on Easter Sunday will also be an appropriate emblem of the resurrection.

FAIRVIEW.

On Monday night, February 3d, a series of revival meetings were commenced at Fairview, our Sunday School station in North Winston. Despite the exceedingly wet weather the interest was greater than the ground. It is souls coming out for Christ, while many back-lids were reclaim ed, family differences amicably settled, and Christ led up to greater zeal in the Master's cause. This work was carried on throughout the week and the faithful devoted teachers of the Sunday School, assisted by the Moravian ministers of the towns. Let this kind of good work go on.

FULP.

Considerable sickness prevailed in the congregation. There were three deaths and funerals, one of the interments being on the Hope graveyard. All three died of pneumonia, and were sick but a few days. Mrs. Caroline Cross, wife of Bro. Harrison Cross, met with a misfortune to her left arm, which was broken about four inches from the wrist.

The prospects of this congregation continue to improve. The Sunday School is having an excellent winter attendance. On the first Sunday in February 100 were present. The prayer-meetings are especially flourishing. They are conducted on Thursday nights by the members, and although the church is a very good sized building, a large part of it is filled. To judge from this indication another time of revival cannot be very far distant. The committee, consisting of the brethren Samuel Davis, William Smith and Sydney Reid, is now preparing to secure the church, and thus complete the present improvements of the church.

M. BETHEL.

Br. McCutcheon has again been at the mountain mission. He finds God's goodness hedging in this much labored for and much prayed for congregation. Murder and disorder have prevailed on the right hand and on the left, but our own Moravian diocese has been peaceful, and sick but a few days. Bro. James Davis, wife of Bro. Harrison Cross, met with a misfortune to her left arm, which was broken about four inches from the wrist.

OAK GROVE.

A brother of this congregation, who called at our office, reported everything in a satisfactory condition. Health continues good; the Sunday School holds on well; the preaching services being well attended. The congregation has re quested preaching service, at 11 a.m., on each third Sunday, and the arrangement will be made. Prof. Gratz will fill the pulpit on February 10th.

PROVIDENCE.

The appointment on the 3d Saturday was well attended. Owing to his state of health, Bishop Borthwick could not come and Prof. Gratz took his place. The Holy Communion therefore needed to be postponed. The health of the community has remained good during the winter. A prayer-meeting of young men has been instituted, which is an excellent feature of any congregational work. The Sunday School is now busily engaged in raising money for a very much needed organ. The indefatigable superintendent, Bro. James Pulp, has the matter in hand, and will, doubtless, make a success of it. Any one who will contribute to this cause will deeply appreciate the interest of the congregation which needs to be specially encouraged at the present time.

SALEM FEMALE ACADEMY.

—On the evening of January 1st, the custom ary New Year's reception was tendered the Faculty by the President and Mrs. Clewell. The large dining room was appropriately decorated for the occasion, and the long tables were well filled with appetizing viands. Chairs, lounges, games and music were provided for the comfort and entertainment of all. It was a very successful and enjoyable evening.

Several articles of interest were received some time ago from one of our Alaskan missionaries, for the Academy Museum. The most noteworthy was a kayak, or Eskimaux fishing boat, and a pair of snow-shoes, formerly worn by little Kate Killuck.

The School had a very narrow escape from fire recently. The floor under the stove in the Gymnasium became too hot, and a blaze started up. It was discovered directly, however, by one of the members before any damage was done. The stove is now arranged so as to prevent a repetition of the accident.

Owing to the difficulty in procuring a sufficient supply of wood, a number of coal stoves have been placed in some of the living rooms.

SALEM.

Since the revival services the work of the congregation has gone on in the usual way, but with quickened activities felt in every department of the Church life. The Home Sunday School has now reached a larger attendance than ever before, having passed the three hundred line. It is a notable sight to look on the faces of grown people as they take their places in the adult classes, eager for the study of God's Word.

The noon day prayer-meeting continues its hallowed influence. One of the results of this meeting has been the £nng in iper order of services to which a number of the brethren went every evening, as workers and helpers. A special account of these services appears in The Wachovia Moravian.

Visits from the Northern District are always very acceptable. They do more good than Synodical resolutions. They have a warmth about them which cannot be put into language. The congregation had recently had the privilege of welcoming Bro. Howard W. E. Newton from the Second Church, Philadelphia, into their midst. He interested himself in all the aspects of our work. His attendance at the noon day prayer-meeting was very helpful to the brethren. He spoke in our Sunday School and Christian Endeavorers and King's Daughters, both in the congregation and in the Academy. His sermon on Christ, as the centre of Christian desire, was strong and forcible. Within a single week the sunshine of his presence was very distinctly felt, and we are glad to know that he has gone home greatly encouraged for his own city work.

With the first Sunday in February, Septuagint, the Instruction vesper services commenced. On that Sunday, as on the following Wednesday, the pastor preached special sermons on this important subject. Thus far four classes have been organized, one of men, meeting for the study of Bible questions in connection with the Confirmation Catechism; one of women, gathered for the same purpose, one of boys and one for girls. The commencement has been very encouraging. The classes are well attended, and are growing both in numbers and in interest. The object is not so much to add, at the present time, to the number of our members, as to deepen the faith and love in those of us who are already connected with the congregation. We bear in mind that, in the revival of Herrnhut, in 1727, only two persons were confirmed, but the whole congregation was called upon in their instruction that all were blessed together. So we desire to have it to be with us during the present season.

The winter bids fair to be a rather mild one. There has been scarcely any snow or sleet as yet, and very little cold. Still the health of this large congregation of more than fifteen hundred souls continues very good. Several have however been called away from this world in recent weeks. Sr. Louisa Gobins, after a long illness, entered into her rest. Bro. Erwin S. Miller, was very suddenly called away from the activities of earth, having attended all the services of the previous Sunday, and having looked after his business until Wednesday noon, and only two hours later he was gone. Bro. William Garbodyen was also called away, being called to the of fice of deacon of the San Francisco congregation, and the congregation is now in the hands of brothers who have been faithfully cared for.

On Monday, February 3d, a severe loss was occasioned by the burning of the tobacco factory formerly occupied by Messrs. Eber, Payne & Co. On the following day, the wall fell in and buried several persons, but, happily, no one was killed by the accident.

WACHOVIA ARMS.

On the second Sunday in January, Bro. Faeuler, the pastor, drove through to find the church completely filled with members and friends. The occasion was the annual lovefeast of the congregation. After an opening song and a few remarks by the pastor, the lovefeast was served, and while it was being partaken of, a number of young people, gathered as a choir, sang several selections. It was a very creditable effort indeed. After the lovefeast came the coffee and social hour, and the last of the present state of affairs in general, the Committee to serve for the present year, was elected, as follows: the Brethren Thomas Butner, James E. Cowan, and Bro. Newton A. P. Camp, who was then retired and appointed Bro. William Fallet, superintendent of the Sunday School for one year. In the near future, as soon as the weather becomes a little more settled, it is the intention to build a large reservoir to the benefit of the church debt. It is earnestly hoped that a few months will see this entirely wiped out, and when that burden is rolled off the shoulders of the congregation, it will be left free to engage in many other good works.
FOREIGN.

- China has again taken possession of the great stronghold, Port Arthur, but the Japanese have entirely demolished the great fort.
- Joseph Pulitzer has presented a beautiful gift to France, a group entitled "Washington and Lafayette."
- Joan of Arc has been made a saint by the Catholic Church.
- Italy is having serious trouble in Abyssinia.
- The large Mayodan Mills are nearing completion.
- The great church is nearing completion.
- The Liberty Bell was moved to Philadelphia, on its way from Atlantic to Philadelphia, and was viewed by thousands of people.
- Fifty-four men were killed in a mine explosion in Wales.
- The Liberty Bell was moved to Greensboro, on its way from Atlantic to Philadelphia.
- The Smithsonian Institution at Washington has paid $10,000,000 to the Englishmen for an essay on the "Argon in the Air."
- The cold in New York State has been unprecedented, having reached 90 below zero.
- Daily the Washington Water Power Company to Miss Christina Weavill.
- The dress of the bride's home, Mr. Joseph E. Con to Miss Laura V. Hoffman.
- From Bermuda, the mission given by Rev. J. E. Hall, Mr. R. H. Peckham has been appointed to the missionary mission in Bermuda.
- Egypt is sending eggs to the United States, in view of the short crop in Cuba.
- An avalanche is expected to strike 10 miles above Madrid, Spain, and great terror exists in the city, doing some damage to houses.
- It is doubted that General and Venezuela are nearing liberation.
- Dr. Nansen claims to have discovered a tract of land at the North Pole. His story is doubted by the public, though later information may verify it.

AMERICA.

- There is much activity in mining and mining mining.
- Mr. Vanderhill will spend large sums of money on agricultural experiments, also in horticulture and forestry, on his Biltmore estate.
- General Miles, head of the U. S. Army, visited North Carolina, to examine the coast defenses.
- The marble court house of Cherokee county was destroyed by fire.
- 20,000 soldiers were on a strike in New York, resting what is known as the "sweating system."
- Putnam and Armour, the great millionaires, have both received boxes containing infernal machines.
- Russian refugees from Moravian congregations have founded congregations in British America, northwest of Chicago some 2,000 miles.
- There was a dreadful mine disaster near Sanford, in this State, in which 43 men were killed and 25 injured.
- It has been discovered that wasps under certain circumstances will commit suicide.
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- The report of the Salem Water Supply Company showed the affairs of the company to be in a flourishing condition.
- The new large Cotton Mill on South Side will be ready to begin work in a few days.
- The old court house is now being torn down. This and an old and much abandoned land mark disappears.
- The new pipe organ for Salem Female Academy has arrived, and will soon be placed in position.
- The old building on Academy Street used many years as a blacksmith shop and also as an engine house, with a "lock up" attached has been removed.
- The handsome new Christ church, on the west side is nearing completion.
- The large Mayodan Mills are nearing completion.
- Rev. J. Max Hark, D. D., of Bethel., Penn., will deliver the address before the Salem Female Academy graduates.

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BAPTISMS.

At Friedberg, on February 3d, Emery Lee, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Peckham.

At Salem, January 8, 1896, Pauline Ellington, infant daughter of Mr. John R. and Mrs. Katherine F. Peckham.

At Salem, February 14, 1896, Berenice Armstead, infant son of Mr. G. A. and Mrs. V. L. Nading.

MARRIAGES.

At Salem, January 23d, 1896, at the bride's home, Rev. John P. Conklin, Mr. John L. B. Withe to Miss Effie P. Butterfield.

At Salem, February 6th, 1896, at the bride's home, by Rev. S. A. Wood, Mr. Joseph E. Cox to Miss Laura V. Hoffman.

In the Friedland Congregation, on December 24th, 1895, by Rev. S. A. Wood, Mr. Samuel V. Yockey to Miss Christina Weavill.

On January 21st, at the bride's home, by Rev. J. E. Hall, Mr. R. H. Peckham has been appointed to the missionary mission in Bermuda.

DEATHS.

On January 4th, 1896, Mr. Henry J. Holt, aged 24 years, 5 months and 23 days.

On January 10th, 1896, Mrs. Cynthia Dolchi, En 10, aged 30 years and 6 days.

On January 27th, 1896, Mr. John Johnson, aged 41 years, 11 months and 1 day.

At Salem, on January 6th, 1896, Mr. Timothy Vogt, aged 85 years, 3 months and 3 days, being the oldest member of the congregation.

At St. John, on January 20th, Joseph Albert, infant son of Mr. Cecero and Mrs. Julia Smith, m. p. H. C., aged 2 days.

At Salem, on January 27th, 1896, Mrs. Louisa Gibbons, wife of Mr. Joseph R. Gibbons, aged 32 years, 10 months and 16 days.

At Salem, on January 25th, 1896, Mr. Edwin S. May, aged 61 years and 2 days.

At Winston, on February 8th, 1896, Mr. William N. Gaebler, aged 37 years, 4 months and 22 days.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS.

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From Calvary Chapel Juvenile Miss Society 10.00
From Bethania Congregation 5.00
From Bethania Congregation 8.00

Previous acknowledged 745.50
Total ........................................ $834.35

For Building Mission:

From Bethania Congregation (1874) ... $ 4.50
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Previous acknowledged 161.91
Total ........................................ $1,084.41

For Foreign Missions:

From Bethania Congregation (1873) ... $ 4.50
Mr. H. V. Linback 5.00
Correction.—In the acknowledgments as given in the last issue, the amount of $23.32 credited t. the Orphanage at Ruthewar should have been credited to Mission Deficiency.

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The corner-stone of the new church in Guilford county, was laid by Rev. A. D. THEELER on Thursday, March 12th, 1896. The day was bright and clear, but the March wind was cold and piercing, in spite of which, however, quite a number of scholars and friends had gathered to witness the ceremony. The corner-stone, which is a gift from the Marble Yard of J. A. Bennett, Winston, bears the inscription, "Moravia," the name by which this church will be known, with the date, "1896." The copper-plate box, deposited in the wall, is the gift of Messrs. Sersen & Brickenstein. An account of the Sunday School work under the superintendence of Mrs. Jennie D. Kerner, which has led to the erection of this church, was read by Mr. Ozment, a young man, standing at Oak Ridge for the ministry. The Secretary of the School, Mr. Lee, also read from his minutes, the weekly reports of the school up to the present time, and the names of all persons connected with it. At the appointed time, during the course of the exercises, Bro. THAELER announced the articles as he handed them to Mrs. J. D. Kerner, who placed them in the box as follows:—A copy of the Holy Bible; copy of the Liturgy and Hymns of the Moravian Church; a Moravian Text Book; a copy of the Principles and Doctrine of the Moravian Church; a copy each of The Wachovia Moravian, of The Academy, of the Bethlehem Moravian, of the religious and secular papers published in Guilford County; the manuscript read by Mr. Ozment, and the List of the Officers and Scholars of the Sunday School. The interest of old and young was very apparent. And all participated heartily in the responsive readings of the occasion.

Bro. THAELER was assisted in the religious services by the Rev. Mr. Stafford, Mr. Ozment and the writer of this article. As the day was quite cold, the audience was invited to the school-house near by to hear the address. It was a pleasing thing to mark the deep interest with which every one listened to Bro. THAELER, as he preached from Haggai 1. 1—3. There is evidence here of faithful work done by Mrs. Kerner and her assistants, the fruits of which are appearing.

The foundation pillars of the church have been laid in brick, the framing timber is all on the ground, and Monday, March 15th, was set for all who have promised work to come in and help set up the house. Shall we not all take part in this good work? As we cannot "go to the mountain and bring wood and build the house," (Haggai 1. 8.) let us send our means to Bro. THAELER, and the Lord "will take pleasure in it and be glorified."

Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging; and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise. —Prov. 20. 1.
The Continuity of the Moravian Church.

TEXT: "As the days of a tree so are the days of my people, and mine elect shall long enjoy the work of their hands."—Is. 65. 22.

One of the most interesting things about certain trees is their long life. Their steady shade has spread over parents and children and grandchildren. They have seen the generations come and go; they have stood in the midst of beating storms, and under the rending power of the gale, have actually still stood, spreading their green foliage and bearing their appointed fruit. This is the promise which our text makes to the people of God, and this promise has been wonderfully realized in our Moravian Church, which stands fresh and vigorous to-day, after a continuance of 432 years.

In the course of this long period of time many a storm has passed upon this ancient stock, and many a change has passed over our eventful history. She has been rooted out of her ancestral seats in Bohemia and Moravia by bloody and relentless persecution,—she has been scattered in the performance of her appointed work into the most distant quarters of the earth, and yet, with all this woful disaster and utter removal, her continuity, under the blessing of God, remains unbroken to this day.

Wherein does this continuity exist? In answering this question we shall come more clearly to see in what particular ways God's blessing has lain upon this ancient stock planted 432 years ago, in the year 1457, in distant Bohemia.

I. It consists in the peoples themselves. When, after the Thirty Years' War, the Unitas Fratrum was on the verge of being utterly put out, there still remained what we love to call "a hidden seed." In the diocese of Bishop Comenius there were old fathers and mothers who, from hidden Bibles and hymn-books, drew faith and comfort. To these people Christian David, the carpenter, came and revived their faith and comfort. To these people Christian David, the carpenter, came and revived their faith and comfort. To these people Christian David, the carpenter, came and revived their faith and comfort. To these people Christian David, the carpenter, came and revived their faith and comfort. To these people Christian David, the carpenter, came and revived their faith and comfort. To these people Christian David, the carpenter, came and revived their faith and comfort. To these people Christian David, the carpenter, came and revived their faith and comfort. 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Civil War to a gunsmith, to be repaired. When the war was over, he wrote about the rifle with a very faint hope of ever recovering it. In due time it came to him in a box in which it had been carefully kept during the four years of war.

It had been faithfully repaired, at a moderate price, and is doing service in the military still. This is simply a single instance of the effect of drill of four hundred years in the matter of Christian life as distinguished from creed and profession. So fixed has this trait become, that there is no process of any sort by which you can make a man a real Moravian who will not adhere to the moralities of Christ in the small affairs of daily life. He may be in the Church for 50 years, and yet he is a stranger to its peculiarity at last. When doctrinal and ritual views are concerned Moravians may differ from each other so widely that it would seem as if the Church must fall to pieces in a few years. But the peculiar stress laid upon Christian practice is the hard cement which has survived the centuries.

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The last trait of continuity which I shall mention is the union spirit which has pervaded our Church for 450 years. In the old days before the Reformation, brethren travelled far and near, to find among Greeks and Roman Catholics a congruality of Christian spirit. Delegates on such a journey happened to be present at Florence when Savonarola was burned. It was in this spirit that they sought out the Waldensians, that they warmly greeted Luther, that they visited Strasburg and Geneva again and again with fraternal delegations, that they entered into friendly negotiations with the Episcopalian, that they formed the earliest Church home of the Methodists. The trait has continued through the years. Calvinists and Armenians unite under our preaching; Lutherans and Zwinglians sit together at our communion table. Our government combines the Episcopal, the Presbyterian and the Baptist, Congregational into a harmonious Unity. If ever the Lord of the Church desires to make the Churches outwardly one, he has here preserved a framework by which it can be literally and peacefully done.

Because it is from Him that this long continuity of people, episcopate, doctrine, life-discipline and union-spirit have come. Over and over again our persecutions, and still more our own mistakes would have destroyed it, but the Lord prevented the ruin. The tree of 430 years continuance is of his own planting and of his own preserving. We lay the long and checkered and yet glorious history of nearly a half millennium of years at his feet, and say on this anniversary day, "Not unto us, O Lord God, but unto Thee be the glory." Amen.

-A household without family prayer," beautifully says Rev. F. B. Meyer, "reminds me of those houses which one occasionally sees in a terrace, on the roofs of which the snow lies thick long after it has melted from the rest, because the earth has lain in true grates beneath." That this blessed custom of family prayer is no more commonly carried out is most often due to the hesitancy of the head of the household to inaugurate the permanent prayer.

"It is an honor for a man to cease from strife; but every fool will meddle."-Prov. 20. 5

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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

CONDUCTED BY DR. JAMES V. LINDSEY, SUELM, N. C.

The following comes to us from some of our Superintendents:

-Our Sunday Schools at Alpha and Mizpah Chapels have done very well during the two first months of the year. As a personal thing, January and February are not full months in country Sunday Schools, a reaction always comes after Christmas in consequence of cold weather and muddy roads. We are dredging the meausles in the communities where our schools are located, as many of the parents have never had them. However, there are no cases nearer than Bethania to either Chapel. Alpha, the older of the two sisters, and the smaller, is doing very well. There is a bond of affection growing stronger each Sabbath between teacher and scholar, which will bear its fruit in after years. Fathers, mothers and children attend together, all taking places in classes. Mrs. E. E. Strape is our organist, and with her little daughter, May, to help the children sing, is doing a blessed work for the children at this place. Mizpah, although younger in age is old in interest. This school has a bright future from present indications. Pleasantly situated in an appreciative community, with a good attendance every Sabbath, it certainly should be a cause for praise and encouragement. As at Alpha families attend, each in their respective classes. On the 3d Sunday in February both schools united as one at Mizpah, and it was indeed a happy day to teachers, scholars and visitors, of the latter there being many. At night quite a number were present at prayer-meeting, with good interest, thus showing that the erection of Mizpah Chapel was not a mistake.

-From Stony Point we hear that the school is doing well, with 83 scholars and 6 teachers. The superintendent of this new school is Mr. Lindsay Walker, of Providence. The place is a Free School house, on the east side of the Norfolk & Western Railroad, about 2½ miles beyond Walkertown, quite near to the Waggoge Steam Saw Mill. Mr. Walker had been invited to open a Sunday School at that place, and he writes that it is now in a flourishing condition. Everybody seems interested, visitors are frequent, and the house is usually well-filled. The school has been in operation some six or eight months.

-It is very gratifying to note that of the 31 Schools in our District, there are only three that have suspended during the winter months. One, in the Virginia mountains, has, as yet, no house to meet in; a second is laboring under the disadvantage of having no home of its own; and at the third it was thought best to adjourn the School until Spring weather should set in.

In and about Salem the Schools have never been in better working condition than at present. The attendance is good, and teachers are encouraged. Especially to be mentioned is the increased interest, every where, at the Men's Bible Classes, more particularly in the Home School, where Bro. Thayer's class now numbers eighty men.

COME unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

BY REV. A. D. THAYER, MONSENG, N. C.

"For Christ and the Church."

Another issue of the WACHOVIA MORAVIAN will hardly have come into the hands of its readers, before the State Convention of Christian Endeavor will have been called to order. There is therefore not too much time on hand for us all to prepare ourselves for it, and lay our plans for attending its sessions. At Greensboro, April 17th, the Endeavorers will assemble, from near and far, and if a six-weeks' call in 1895 could gather 120 out-of-town delegates, what ought to be the attendance of 1896, with a whole year of pleasant anticipation? Let no Society say, when the delegates of other circles all around are returning to their work brim-full of renewed consecration and wise zeal: "We didn't know that there was anything going on!" But let every Society take the coming Convention under consideration at once, and have its delegates appointed some weeks in advance, in order that the proper preparation may be made for the glorious outpouring of the Holy Spirit which we look forward to. We are only too apt to get into the way of thinking that the Holy Spirit comes only into meetings when salvation through Jesus Christ is presented by God's messengers. Just as much is it the work of the Holy Spirit to throw into the hearts of the saved, for instance at a Convention such as we are looking toward with flame, and thus consecrate them in a baptism of fire to the work to which God has called them. If therefore we need to concentrate upon his coming into them when salvation is presented to us, how much more need we to make ourselves ready for his descent upon us for service, in order that there may be no obstacle in the way. Sometimes we find those who go to a Convention of Christian Endeavor much as they would go to a frolic,—thoughtlessly,—but they pay the penalty, they come back as empy as they went. In order to come back full—of God's Holy Spirit and burning devotion to the Master's cause,—we must go full,—of desire and prayerfulness. May the quiet meditations of Lent and the Passion Week, and the exultant joy of Easter, make us fully prepared to receive at Greensboro all that the Convention can bring to us.

The matter of expense may be an obstacle in the way of some Endeavorers who would otherwise be too only too anxious to attend. Now this need not be the great difficulty it seems. The railroads are all giving greatly reduced rates of fare, the round trip ticket from Winston to Greensboro costing only about $1.20. And then the local Committee is already at work procuring accommodations for all that may come, at a merely nominal charge, as ordered by the last Convention. Fifty or seventy-five cents a day will entirely meet this item of expense. So that even the slenderest purses, if carefully nourished during the weeks that yet intervene, ought to be able to supply the demand. Remember that the Convention is not a charity on your part to some one else. It is an investment for your own benefit and that of your Society, which will pay you interest at a thousand per cent.

May the Moravian Rally on that Saturday afternoon be the best we have ever held.
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Chips from Historic Timber.

By Mrs. Adelaide Fride, Salem, N. C.

The Church at Home.

By Rev. James F. Hall, Friedensfels, Pa., N. C.

Alpha Chapel.

Regardless of the inclement weather, a large audience greeted the pastor on the evening of the second Sunday in February, the occasion being the regular monthly preaching, and the deepest interest was manifested by all present.

The following brethren have been chosen to serve as the committee of the congregation for the current year: Sidney Storey, Tillett Curley and Burke Flyat. These are earnest, go-ahead men, and we believe the work of the Lord will prosper in their hands.

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Fairview.

The work at this point is very hopeful and encouraging. The Brn. McCutcheon and C. E. Cram are making preparations for a regularly organized congregation. Bro. Clewell was there on a recent Sunday, and delivered an excellent sermon, both edifying and awakening. He was deeply impressed with the favorable outlook of this new work in the extreme north end of Winston.
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The church prayer-meeting is now regularly being held on Tuesday evenings, and to a number participate in it. The neighborhood is new, and the faithful workers need all the encouragement which the Church can give them. The people of Moravians living in that extreme northern end of Winston and neighborhood make the building of a chapel very desirable at the earliest date as is at all practicable. When Fairview shall have received its needed Chapel, we may then regard the Home Church as fairly circled with fruitful branches in every direction.

FRIEDBERG.

The special collection for the Mission Deficit was gathered on the second Sunday in connection with the special communion services on that day. Several hundred envelopes had been distributed, but only $5 were returned. The total sum of their contents was $23.44, and to this amount the Missionary Society added $5. Several Sundays later a few envelopes were handed to the pastor at Eden Chapel, containing $2.89, making the total for Friedberg congregation, $51.83.

On the 3d Sunday, the pastor being absent, services were conducted by two young men who came from Salem for that purpose.

FRIENDLY—NEW PHILADELPHIA.

The monthly appointments were filled by Bro. Clewell in February. He was encouraged with the good congregations gathered to hear him preach, and felt greatly cheered with the cordial reception met with at both places.

FULP.

Since our last issue considerable work has been done on the graveyard. It has been carefully ploughed over once more and seeded, and cedar trees have been planted at the ends of all the paths as well as in the middle. It therefore resembles the Salem graveyard in its general arrangement. The timber has been hauled for the fencing. It is all to be ready by Easter Monday, when the Easter service for the Fulp congregation is to be held. The Sunday School is preparing a programme for the occasion, which will, no doubt, as was the case last year, be a very happy one. The attendance on Sunday School, preaching and prayer-meeting continue to be very good. One new member was received on the prayer-day.

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LETTER FROM THE ALBERTA MISSION.


My dear Brother and Classmate:

In our class letter, which has just come to Alberta for the first time, you suggest that I write an occasional article for THE WACHOVIA MORAVIAN, telling about the progress of the new Moravian mission in this Territory. I notice that an active interest is being taken by the Southern Province in this enterprise, and that several considerable gifts for its support have already been contributed. I shall be glad to do what little I can to foster and keep alive that interest.

It is very clear to me that this is God's work in a very peculiar sense. From the earliest beginnings until now, His wonderful leading has been apparent. And if we have strong faith in His promises, and work only for His glory, He will be able to accomplish great things through the Moravian church in Alberta. This is my firm belief.

At present there are only two congregations or colonies, Bruderfeld and Bruderheim, about eight miles apart. But we hope to have more in the not very distant future. The whole enterprise hinges on the further growth and increase in membership and church organizations. Without this we could never hope to become self-sustaining, and would be a drag on the Church for many years. As it is, we hope that if the brethren at home give us a good start now, we will be able to shift for ourselves very soon.

The prospects are such that we have in this respect will be realized. The two congregations already established will be augmented considerably this year by immigration from Volhynia. We are in correspondence with those still in Europe. They have been told that the Moravian Church in the United States has taken hold of the work and has promised its support for a year or two. Many who have been waiting to see whether something of this kind would be done, are now ready to pull up stakes and to join their brethren, who are here enjoying freedom to worship God, according to the dictates of their conscience.

Some of these people are expected to bring over considerable means. This would render a more probable the early financial independence of our congregations, and would preclude the likelihood of our ever becoming a burden to the Church.

Nor do we expect to grow only by immigration. Additions in other ways are sure to take place. In some of the more desirable sections the Moravian Church has the field entirely to herself. Already a number of German families, especially at Bruderfeld, are about to unite with us.

Doors are opening in new localities. Eight miles southwest from Bruderfeld live several families that were somewhat acquainted with the Moravian Church in Europe, through our Dispora workers. They invited me to visit them. I have been there twice. Yesterday, Sunday, I preached there in the afternoon. Over 50 persons attended, eagerly drinking in the Word. I arranged to come again on Thursday evening of this week, to conduct a prayer meeting, and on Sunday, the 22nd of this month, God willing. I hope to preach in the forenoon, serving the Communion, at their request, afterwards. It is not at all improbable that a third Moravian congregation can soon be organized here. The place goes by the name of Rabbit Hill, but the Germans regularly call it Heathland.

Another possible opening for us may present itself in Stony Plain, 24 miles west from here, still another in the Beaver Hills country, not far from Bruderheim. And the other day I learned that in Calgary, the most important city between Winnipeg and the Pacific Ocean, a number of German families, to whom the Moravian Church is not strange, had no one to preach to them in their language.

Surely there are grand opportunities for the Moravian Church in Alberta, and, if the necessary means are now forthcoming, we will be able to lay the foundations for a great work in this Territory. I do not want to seem too sanguine, but I believe God will give unto us according to our faith.

At all events, the Alberta Mission is worthy of the prayerful interest of all our members and friends at home. Disbursements may come in the further progress of our work, but they are only sent to strengthen our faith and make firm our trust.

If God has set before us these open doors, we are in duty bound to enter them. If we do our part, God will do His. If we do the planting and the watering, God will give the increase.

I do not know if I have presented the claims of this enterprise as well as I might have, but if you can use any parts of this letter for publication in THE WACHOVIA MORAVIAN, you are at perfect liberty to do so.

Wishing you many blessings in your work in the South. I remain, as ever, your loving brother and classmate.

CLEMENT HOYLE.

BAPTISMS.

At Calvary Chapel, Winston, Feb. 26th, Carl DeWitt, infant son of Mr. Anderson and Mrs. Carrie Degener, Mrs. T. Shenstone.

At East Salem, on February 23d, Henry Woyke, son of Mr. Anderson and Mrs. Martha Sipke, Mrs. J. Gosen.

At East Salem, on February 26th, Floria Lee, daughter of Mr. Davidson and Mrs. Cora Proctor.


M. ERIAGES.

At Salem, February 12th, at the bride's home, by Rev. John F. McCuiston, Mr. Charles F. Davis to Miss Laura Edtridge.

At Salem, March 5th, at the bride's home, by Rev. John F. McCuiston, Mr. John Henry Daily to Miss Carrie Madison.

DEATHS.

At Salem, on February 24th, Miss Eliza R. Butner, aged 7 months and 9 days.

At Salem, on March 12th, Joseph Clayton Borneman, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. William P. Borneman, aged 1 year and 8 months.
Acknowledgements.

For Albert Mining District, Henderson and Breathitt:
From Calvary Chapel, C. E. --- $50 00

For Missionary Missions:
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For Church at Chestnutridge, N. C.:
From Salem M. E., Salem --- $25 00

For Church at Greensboro, N. C.:
From W. A. Stoltz, Bethania, N. C. --- $10 00

For Hospital Missions:
From Salem, Congr. --- $25 00

For Missionary Missions:
From P. Kern, Nazareth, Pa; Mrs Caroline Grubbs, J. L. --- $10 00

For Provisional Chapels:
From Friedberg, Cong. --- $25 00

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SMITHIES.

From Y. M. M. S., Salem: For Special Missions.

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EDITORIAL.

We draw especial attention of friends at a distance to the editorial article "The Present Status of the Southern District." It will, perhaps, give them a clearer understanding of a portion of the Moravian field which is comparatively little known. It may also incline their hearts to prayer for the supply of our evident needs. What the Southern Moravian Church now needs is not more ministers, but more means to support just such ministers as this new pioneer time of our work demands.

There is a cause for thankfulness that the Easter services could be held throughout the District with an unusual completeness. This was due not only to the zeal of the ministers, but to the fact that a number of very competent laymen were heartily enlisted in the service.

Owing to special reasons it will not be possible to give the announcements with regard to the District Conference in this number of The Wachovia Moravian. We hope that the next issue will appear in time to give full information about what we are all interested in. The District Conference of 1896 ought to give a great onward impulse to our work.

THE PRESENT STATUS OF THE SOUTHERN MORAVIAN CHURCH.

It seems generally to be conceded that the Southern Moravian Church has been making a very fair degree of progress during the past ten or fifteen years. A number of churches and chapels have been built; the communicant membership has nearly doubled; there have been frequent revivals; and the laity has become as active in as any portions of our Unity. At the same time, it must be admitted that there are remarkably few ministers engaged in the District. It is true that the number is being steadily increased, but the progress in this respect is so slow that the District must naturally impress the friends at a distance somewhat strangely,—much growth and few ministers to guide it. The explanation must be found not in the temper and inclination of the people, but in the lack of financial means. The Moravians who came to Carolina were taught to till for the Church, but not to give toward it. They did the work in many respects, but the Church authorities, in the main, did the giving. It has only been during comparatively late years that systematic and larger giving has been introduced among us. The fruits of this new conviction are beginning to show themselves on every side. Church collections are being doubled and trebled; special efforts are being made for Missions; and other causes are receiving contributions unheard of in former years; chapels are being built with larger liberality of the people than was formerly the case; one congregation after another is becoming self-supporting; and yet, there is, especially in some quarters, great backwardness in giving. It is hard, and even impossible, to change the views of a hundred years in a single day, and, instead of requiring over the small gifts of members who could give very much more, we should rather thank God that there has been as much progress as we actually perceive in the matter of Southern giving. It is still a day of small things, but it has in it the hope of a far more liberal future.

Another point needs to be made. Our systematic Church extension is only 12 years old, having commenced with the District Conference at Friedberg, in May, 1884. It began with the Sunday Schools, and is, to this day, largely carried on among children and quite young people. The revivals have mainly affected those who, as yet, have scanted, if any, means of their own, being, in many cases, young people still living under the parental roof. When a fair examination is made into the communicant lists, it will be found that there are not very many property holders among these. Young members will be able to do a great deal by and by, but the time is not yet.

Still another fact needs to be remembered. A good deal of our work has been done and is now being wrought in places where not much financial return can ever be expected. It is simply being done because there is need of it, and God has called us to labor for him in these sadly destitute fields. The preaching and teaching are given for his name's sake, in exactly the same spirit in which our Church has gone to Alaskans and Greenlanders, and even to the helpless lepers who can never give much in return for the labors expended upon them. In fact, when it comes to be examined closely, our work in the Blue Ridge, among the colored people, and at other places, is as purely missionary work as if it were being conducted in Asia, Africa, or in the isles of the sea. To do it as it ought to be done, to do it as other churches are doing, and yet, there needs to be a growing number of ministers in the field. Every effort must be made toward this result. Otherwise we shall doubt-
Easter.

Shrewsbury By REV. Edward Knothaler, D.D.

TEXT:—"Thy brother shall rise again."—John 11.25.

Easter, like Christmas, is a great home festival. The latter draws around it the happiness of the home that now is, where parents and children live lovingly together, though for a brief and uncertain season. But Easter is the festival of the home which is yet to be, when the Christian family circle, broken on earth, shall be linked together again in a heavenly reunion which shall never end. It is, therefore, quite proper that I should take a home-text for my Easter discourse, and I have selected for this purpose the tender assurance which Jesus once gave to a sorrowing sister: "Thy brother shall rise again."

I. We are thus led, in the first place, to speak of the longing for the bodily survival of dear ones. This longing is found under the regular department heading of the South ern Church where they are to come from; but, looking forward in faith, we see the time when we shall have ministers enough, standing as guides and workers amid an active and consecrated laity.

Now, if ever in Moravian history, the South ern Church needs the spiritual energy which breathes through our hymn:

"Gracious Lord, may we believe;
Venture all on thy free grace;
Bodily things not seen achieve.
"Tending in thy promises;
Faith they people's stronghold is;
They ever vardır and lead.
"To proceed on paths unknown
Leaning on thy arm alone."

Our Sunday Schools.

We are always glad to receive communications from superintendents, and hope they will send in reports from their schools as frequently as possible. Other reports than these will be found under the regular department heading.

Colored Church.

As is usually the case, Easter Sunday was observed in the Colored Church with special services. A large company assembled, and listened attentively to a number of recitations bearing on the Resurrection, by boys and girls, who often solicit the privilege of speaking on these occasions. All joined in the singing, and no one who hears them at their best can forget the full volume of sound, or the very apparent pleasure the negroes take in singing.

One who hears them at their best can forget the large assemblage then proceeded in order to the graveyard, where Bro. Clewell read the Easter Morning Litany. The outdoor singing was very beautiful; the full, heavy voices of the men bearing up the lighter ones of the women and children like a great organ making the richest harmonies. The admirable order observed, both without and within the church encourages us to believe that the work here is benefitting the colored people, and also to hope that much more may be done for their welfare, both here and hereafter, in the months to come.

Please remember this work in your prayers.

Centralville.

The Home Department of our Centerville Sunday School was organized in January, 1896, with fifteen members; one more was added last fall, making sixteen, three having become regular members of the Sunday School. Of the remaining thirteen, four have missed study-day, and every one speaks encouragingly of this Home work. This department, of which Bro. E. E. Knowse is Superintendent, is in a flourishing condition.

From the Secretary and Treasurer of the Sunday School we have the following report for the first quarter of 1886:

**Home Department.**

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Average contribution each Sunday, $24.91.

We call special attention, this month, to the "Christian Endeavor Department," and would suggest the following additional points: It would be worth while for every Society to form clubs of subscribers to these papers. Or. Godfrey says: "If funds are low, let a united effort be made to raise the money needed—a small amount, after all—and then let the Society as such subscribe for them all and have them circulated carefully among its members.

At all events, let the coming months witness an increase of diligence with which our Endeavorers read Church and C. E. news, and they will witness also a wonderful increase in the efficiency of each Society.

We would also add the following papers to the list already submitted:

- The Golden Rule, the official organ of the whole-world-wide C. E. movement, published weekly, and skimming, fifty-two times in the year, the cream from the surface of the thought and labors of more than two and a half millions Endevours the world over.

The Endeavorer, published in Chicago, Ills., and devoted to the four great forward movements of C. E.

**Remedy for Trouble.**

If you are down with the blues, read the twenty-third Psalm.

If there is a chilly sensation about the heart, read the third chapter of Revelations.

If you don't know where to look for a month's rent, read the twenty-seventh Psalm.

If you are lonesome and unprotected, read the ninety-first Psalm.

If the stovepipe has fallen down, and the cook gone off in a pet, put up the pipe and wash your hands, and read the third chapter of James.

If you find yourself losing confidence in men, read the thirteenth chapter of first Corinthians.

If people pelt you with hard words, read the fifteenth chapter of John, and fifty-first Psalm.

If you are getting discouraged about your work, read Psalm cxvii., and Colossians vi. 7-9.

If you are all out of sorts, read the twelfth chapter of Hebrews.—Sel.

-Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging; and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise.

—Prov. 20. 1.

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*Preached in the Salem Home Church, April 5th, A.M., 1896.*
Paul, stand cold and bare, with their dead leaves face of such gloom and denial, the Saviour says. great summer-time of redemption, when the

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The wheat seed dies, yet out of its decay grows the golden harvest; the flower bulb lies inert and dry, and yet out of its lifelessness springs the radiant flower cluster; the forest trees stand cold and bare, with their dead leaves amid in dense packed graveyards, and yet, in God’s spring time, they are anew clothed with verdure and blossom. The chrysalis has woven its close shroud all about its withered frame; and when its burial wrapper rises the winged moth gleaming through the sunshine. The God who has wrought all these types of bodily survivals, should He not be able to do the thing itself toward which they point? Everywhere the human heart longs for a survi-

of the body. Should the Maker of our minds, who has created this longing, fail at last to satisfy the essential instincts of our nature. Paul might ask in his own experience, why did the pure natural standpoint: “Why should it be thought a thing incredible with you, that God should raise the dead?” And yet, with the analogies of Nature, and the invisible workings of the hu-

man heart, is it not better for you in the hope, such an event is near. On a solemn occasion, 65 years before Christ, the Roman Senate was gathered, in discussion of a question of life and death. In this most august assemblage which common of his nation, the man who, in his native gift, has been aptly called “the foremost man in all this world,” and he said to the listening Senate, touching the Hereafter : “Death is the release from all suffering, not suffering itself; death dissolves all the ills of mortality; beyond it is no place either for pain or pleasure.” No one dissentent from his opinion, not even Cicero, who, sometimes, for philosophic argument’s sake, set up the opposing view that there might be a survival beyond death. The ancient world, like the Roman Senate, like Cicero himself, had well nigh settled down to utter hopelessness on the subject. Even among the Jews the hope of a survival after death had come to be seriously questioned. The whole sect of the Sadducees denied it. You remember the contentious story with which they came to Jesus, hoping to make him confess thereby that a restoration of the body, and thereby a survival of the soul was an absurd thing to believe.

To this very day, notwithstanding the long-
ings of the human soul to the contrary, the hope of a resurrection-luture fades away wherever the light of Christianity has not shone. It seems nothing in recent literature that is sadder than one of the last interviews of the anti-Christi-
an scholar, Strauss, with his beloved daugh-
ter. He spoke to this effect: “My daughter, I am about to leave you, and you know that there is no conscious life beyond the grave. And yet I shall survive and be near you, my being resolved into the sunshine, and the grass, and the friends, it has been a comfort to me that they have perished, more under the weight of their own absurdity than by force of argument, and thus have added a mighty proof to the glad testimony “He is risen.”

When Jesus rose again from the dead, it was in his character of representative man. He fills the same place toward the new humanity which Adam fills toward the old. “For, as in Adam all die, so in Christ all shall be made alive. But every man in his own order: Christ, the first; afterward they that are Christ’s at his coming.”

In a certain sense, Christ’s people have al-

ready risen. The new resurrection-life is in them. It is hidden, but it is there. The spirit of the risen Christ is the connecting link between the resurrection of Jesus and that of his saved ones. If you, the people, are the body of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, that he raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.”

Just as the yellow crocuses which, a few weeks ago, lifted its head above the frosty ground, or in the trailing arbutus which you found amid the bed of winter leaves, you dis-

covered the coming of all the flowers and blossoms, so in the rising of Christ from the dead, we see the plain sign of the incoming of that great summer-time of redemption, when the creation dead shall rise with bodies “fashioned like unto Christ’s glorious body.”

III. “Thy brother shall rise again.” We now come, in the third place, to speak of the third great fact of the resurrection of Jesus: “Thy brother shall rise again.”

This will then have a body which will no longer

...
THE WACHOVIA MORAVIAN.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

CONDUCTED BY REV. JAS. T. LINEBARGER, S. C.

MAKESPE.

An impressive and appropriate Easter sermon was preached on Saturday, April 4th, at 3 o’clock, p. m., by Rev. A. D. Thrauler at the above mentioned place. In the midst of the cold, which usually characterizes Easter, a number assembled to hear this consecrated man of God. And as evidence of its good results, the next day, while the Easter lesson was being taught, several allusions were made to different remarks as having been made in “our sermon of yesterday.”

The preacher’s followers are greatly attached to him, and his vineyard is right well-filled, but whether the rain and sunshine of the gospel that is being so well preached to them will ever penetrate their hearts and bear fruitage, remains to be seen. The Spirit was so strong it was not done away with on Sunday, and all were unusually interested in it. The spectacle class was especially fortunate in having Prof. Browning, from Oak Ridge Institute, take the charge, who was the first time a visitor that day to the School.

As the clashing drew near, the children were kindly requested to be very quiet for a few moments, as a Lecture upon Easter was then to take place, after which some pretty eggs which “Old Rabbit” had left there for them would be distributed. All were pleased with the lecture, and the children were delighted with their eggs. Not only those present were presented with some, but the absent little ones, kept away by measles, were remembered as well.

Surely it is God’s wish and will that these bright little souls here, numbering 40, be properly taught and brought into the care and protection of his Church, in spite of the otherwise awfully demoralizing influence now floating around them.

The work on the church (Moravia) moves slowly on. The heart of the writer grows sick and the opposite is just as true: “Refusing to read maketh an empty man.”

The Easter service at Fulp took place, as last year, on Easter Monday. A large audience assembled in the morning to hear the special exercise in song and recitation given by the Sunday School. A pleasing part of the programme was the gift of a handsome pulpit Bible to the congregation. Two of the younger girls of the School had gathered the means for purchasing the Bible, and Bishop Rondthaler made the presentation. After an interval for dinner, the audience again filled the church to overflowing to listen to the Bishop’s sermon, delivered with great earnestness, although he was suffering under severe indisposition.

After the sermon the congregation proceeded to the recently enclosed graveyard, where part of the Easter service was read.

During the singing of hymns the two graves were decorated with flowers. Thus, the second Easter Service at the church at Fulp was held, with deep interest.

The Church at Home.

BETHABARA.

Since the renovation of the interior of this venerable church, the sisters of the congregation have had their hearts set upon a carpet. With their usual zeal they persevered, and, on Good Friday, when the pastor arrived for the service he found the aisles and pulpit platform covered with a neat and durable article, the kind they had in mind. It adds greatly to the appearance and comfort of the audience room.

CULLY.

The Calvary Chapel Sunday School gave a very entertaining and edifying exercise on Easter Sunday night. Readings from the Acts of the Apostles that day showed the Graecias, illustrious pictures, and interspersed with songs, solos, etc., made up a tender and beautiful close to the joyous Eastertide.

CENTREVILLE.

A good attendance at the Carmel School always a source of inspiration to the faithful minister. In this respect the pastor has been very greatly encouraged by the people of this growing town. He says the night services are well attended. The Passion Week services were held every night during that week, with the assistance of lay brethren.

COLORED CHURCH.

The communions in this church are seasons of real spiritual refreshing. It seems the members realize the great love of Christ for us, especially when near to Him in the celebration of the Holy Sacrament. Their hearts are open to receive the refreshing from the presence of the Lord.

EAST SALEM.

A feature of special interest in this congregation is the use of the Church Litany. The responses are so hearty that one feels as though he was in a congregation of much larger numbers. On a recent occasion an excellent and entertaining exercise was given by the Christian Endeavor Society.

THE CHRISTIAN ENDENEOR.

As a certain public speaker, well known in certain parts, would express it, there are Endeavorers of all sizes and shapes. In some towns, people wear the same badge, and have signed the same pledge, and are in the same Society and on the same committee, it does not necessarily follow that they are the same. If we are to “for Christ and the Church.” The “and” above italicized shows the distance between them, as regards efficiency, zeal and faithfulness. Suppose even that each of these two Endeavorers be filled alike with the Holy Spirit and the same ardor in the Great Cause, there is a difference between them; that made by the wisdom of the one and the foolishness of the other. It does not depend, either, upon the educational advantages that one may have enjoyed over the other, but the wisdom of which we speak has altogether to do with the way in which present opportunities of improvement are grasped or neglected.

This thought we want to speak about the wise Endeavorer, the one who is not satisfied with what he is now, and can now do, but is constantly striving to make himself worth more for his Master, whose he is; and we call this wise Endeavorer the reading Endeavorer. The young man or young woman who never looks away from home, or away from his own methods, or away from his own prejudices, through the spectacles of the newspaper and church-paper, is not going to become, as sure as the dictionary contains such a word as degeneration, an ignorant, selfish, antiquated and worthless individual. The world is on the move. Every twenty-four hours finds it a day older in invention, science, and knowledge of successful methods of which it had not dreamed yesterday. I think it was Bacon who said: “Reading maketh a full man,” and the opposite is just as true: “Refusing to read maketh an empty man.”

“Now, I wonder how many of us Southern Moravian Endeavorers, in city, town, and country are ‘reading’ Endeavorers, reading not only for amusement, but realizing, reading to discover defects in our methods and aims, and the remedies that we may apply? Let us briefly mention some of the publications that would most help us in our work.

First of all, The Wachovia Moravian, at 50 cents a year, coming monthly, and filled with news from all over our Province, a sermon by Bishop Rondthaler, and columns especially devoted to the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor, as well as historical and general notes.

Second, The Moravian, the church paper, which comes weekly, and is devoted to the interests of our whole American Church. This, too, has a C. E. column, and, in its general scope, gives us a view into the work of the Brethren’s Unity all over the world.

Third, Hail, Endeavorers! edited by Bro. Vogler, in Indianapolis, a little monthly, which carries spicer reports of Mission Societies and their efforts, from New York to North Dakota, and from Wisconsin to North Carolina.

The North State Colored, whose first number has just been issued, and which, at the present price of 15 cents a year, wishes to visit monthly the home of the Christian Endeavorer in the Old North State.
CHIPS FROM HISTORIC TIMBER.

BY MISS ADALINE FRIED, SALEM, N.C.

The line between Surry and Stokes counties seems originally to have run south by survey until it touched the Yadkin River, and then, according to custom, to have followed the river to Watauga. In this instance the line was extended to the west and back again, forming a large circle. In 1776 "all that part of the county of Stokes lying south of the Yadkin river" was added to Surry and, when, later, the southern part of Surry was erected into Yadkin county, this segment, cut off by the river from the county to which it belonged, became popularly known as "Little Yadkin." The Act of 1799 gave a straight and definite line from the bend of the Yadkin south, but to go north directly from the bend, according to the Act of 1789, gave to Stokes a narrow, ragged strip of land on the west of the river; in 1811, therefore, the line was changed, and it was enacted: "That after the county line intersects the southern boundary of the lands formerly belonging to Samuel Kirby, senior, now Joseph Wilson, it shall run thence along the southern and western boundaries of said land to the Yadkin river; thence up the river until it intersects the present line between the two counties." During the session of Assembly in the winter of 1848-1849, Stokes County was divided by an Act that read as follows: Whereas, the boundary and peculiar situation of the county of Stokes render it desirable, with a large majority of its inhabitants, to have the same divided; Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of North Carolina, and that it is hereby enacted, that this Act shall be the law of the State of North Carolina and County of Stokes, theAlien and the county court of county in which such land is situated, and his successors." The Act dividing Stokes was ratified on Jan. 16, 1849, which might be called the birthday of Forsyth County.

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THE CHURCH AT HOME.

BY REV. JAMES P. HALL, FRIEDLAND P. O., N.C.

EDEN CHAPEL.

The Easter season was appropriately observed. In the afternoon of Good Sabbath, an Easter reading meeting was held, at 2 o'clock. In the course of the meeting lovefeast was served. After a short intermission the exercises closed with the Holy Communion. On Easter Sunday morning, at 10 o'clock, Bro. Ernest Stockton, of Salem, read the Easter morning service, on the graveyard, and, afterwards, conducted a prayer and praise service in the chapel. This was the first occasion of the kind held at Eden Chapel.

FRIEDBERG.

It is refreshing to the pastor and his members to be brought into contact, now and then, with Christian brethren and sisters of other denominations and fields of labour in the great world. Whenever opportunity offers, our brethren in Friedberg, as was the case recently at Friedberg. The Rev. Mr. Moxley and wife, of Los Angeles, Cal., spent a few days in the community preparatory to their departure for Liberia via London. During the visit they were called by the M. E. Church as missionaries. Mr. Moxley occupied the Friedberg pulpit on the 3d Sunday in March, and spoke upon the subject of his future field of missionary labors. Mr. Moxley's wife was formerly Miss Ada Snyder, of Friedberg.

The Easter season was happily celebrated throughout, from Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday. Three members were added to the church on Palm Sunday. The reading meetings were well attended. Good Friday was a day of special blessings. The weather was favorable, which counts much for much in the country, the congregation was large, a feeling of deep solemnity prevailed, and the presence of the Saviour was very manifest. The collection for Foreign Missions amounted to $8.00. This amount, added to the sum contributed by the congregation towards the Deficiency Fund, and the total amount contributed by the Friedberg congregation for Mission purposes this year $42.00. Easter Sunday was a splendid day. One hundred singers composed the choir, and two children in addition proceeded with the minister to the graveyard. An immense throng of people followed. In the preaching service the ushers packed the church to its utmost capacity, and even then a considerable number of the people could not be accommodated with seats. The floral decoration of palms, snowflakes and geraniums was very appropriate and attractive.

FRIEDLAND.

This congregation was served during the Easter season by Bros. Thaliers and McCuston. The former conducted the Good Friday services, the latter those of Easter Sunday. On Good Friday the Holy Communion was celebrated, with blessing to all who partook, and on Easter Sunday a large congregation was gathered on the graveyard to confess their faith in the doctrines of Holy Writ as set forth by the Brethren's Church in the Easter Morning service.

HOPE.

The cornerstone of the new church at Hope was laid, with appropriate ceremonies, by Bishop Ronthaler, assisted by the Revs. Patter- son and Robertson, and the pastor, on the 28th of March, the 116th anniversary of the consecration of the old church building. The documents placed in the stone by the pastor were: The Holy Bible, Moravian Hymn Book, Moravian Text Book, Rules and Regulations of the Friedberg Congregation, an Historical Paper, Leadership helps used in the Holy Ground and Church, The Wachovian, Moravian Moravian, Little Missionary, The Academy, Hall, Endeavorers, Herrnhut, The Communion and the Moravian Messenger, the last named eight periodicals representing the publications of the Brethren's Unity. The corner-stone was the gift of Bennett Bros., Winston, and the copper box of Sensesman & Brickleman, of Salem. Among those attending the exercises were Mr. Augustus Fogle, Mrs. R. P. Linback and Miss Addie Lineback, of Salem. Perhaps there are some friends of Hope who would be glad to assist in the building of this new church? All contributions will be gladly received by the pastor, as, for instance, $1.00 to pay for a window, $1.50 a carpenter's wages for one day, $1.00 for sawing 500 feet of lumber, 50 cents for dressing 200 feet of pine. We shall also need pulpit chairs, hanging lamps, and a carpet for aisles and pulpit. These are some suggestions to our friends. The Easter services on Maundy Thursday and Easter Sunday were conducted in the usual manner.

MACKONIA.

An especially happy Easter celebration took place at Macedonia. It has but rarely happened that this distant congregation could be served on this auspicious day. The Rev. Mr. Moxley, brethren of Salem kindly consented to give their Easter Sunday for this purpose. At 11 o'clock the procession was formed and proceeded to the graveyard, nestled among the tall pines. The Brn. Frank C. Meinung and Walter Crouse led the way with their cornets, playing Moravian tunes. These brethren led the singing with their instruments throughout. The services of the Easter morning service was read by Bro. Harvey A. Giersch, and the exercises in the church were conducted by Bro. Walter T. Spaugh. Many of the local brethren took part in the service. The brethren returned to the depot the conversation was gradually brought to the waiting-room, where a prayer-meeting was held. Perhaps the power of the Spirit was visibly present, and the brethren rejoiced over the opportunity thus given them to work for Christ. The remainder of the time was pleasantly spent in visiting friends and acquaintance in Walnut Cove.
At 4:30 p. m. the journey was renewed, and Mr. Airy was reached in a couple of hours. Mr. Sam. Pace had a good team in waiting, and at 9 o'clock Mr. Bethel was reached. As a prayer-meeting had been announced for Saturday evening, a considerable number of the people had come out, and the brethren were very sorry when they met some of them returning home.

After supper, a season of prayer was said with the brethren Boyd and Haynes, and then feeling certain that the Lord was with them, the travellers retired.

Next morning early a trip was made to the top of that great knoll behind the parsonage, from which extends that magnificent view of the easterly front of the Blue Ridge, which, once seen, can never be forgotten. Returning to the parsonage another season of prayer was had, and then the brethren went up to the church, where they found some 400 or 500 persons present. At 10:30 the procession was formed, and, in excellent order, proceeded to the graveyard, where Bro. Crist read the Easter morning Litany, Bro. Vogler having previously very advantageously placed the congregation so that all could hear. Perfect order and quiet marked the whole. A song service was first held, which by the close of the service many were feeling certain that the Lord was with them. The meeting was adjourned.

The brethren then went over to Mr. Clark's house to rest.

On Palm Sunday a very edifying service was held in the Home church. There were nineteen new members received at this season. The number was not as large as in some other years owing to the very large accession which had recently occurred in connection with the revivals. The interest in the Holy Week services was unusually great. Special prayer meetings were held on every evening, and the blessing of God on the united intercessions of his people was very distinctly felt.

The Easter sunrise service was very beautiful. The sun rose without a cloud, and shed its Easter beams upon a great multitude of orderly people who thronged the graveyard.

On the evening of April 8th, a very delightful Concert was given by the little folks of the Salem Home Sunday School.

The WACHOVIA MORAVIAN.

The three items of greatest interest to the world during the month just closed are the following:

The Cuban Rebellion.—This war is still being waged with great energy. Spain, the mother country, is putting forth every effort to check the insurgents, and is spending millions of dollars and sacrificing many lives to do so.

The insurgents seems to be gaining ground, rather than otherwise. General Weyler is putting many prisoners to death, and the general condition of affairs is pitiful in the extreme. The Senate and Congress are still urging the recognition of the insurgents as belligerents, and this keeps Spain in a state of excitement. War between Spain and the United States does not seem as near now as it did a month ago, both countries having taken a sober second thought.

Egypt.—The English authorities in Egypt have decided that a campaign against the Mahdi, in the Sudan, was necessary, and have taken steps accordingly. The other powers seemed to feel that this might interfere with their interests, and entered a protest. The expedition was started, however, and is now on its way. The Mahdi has promised to retire, and in view of the terrible Italian defeat lower down in Africa, the world naturally looks with sorrow on the death and suffering that must follow these wars.

X Rays.—In the scientific world a great discovery has been made. It is the so-called X Rays. By means of these rays photographs of an object may be made through an inch-thick plank, or a metal case. The rays make to penetrate an object like wood, stone, flesh, etc., just as奥林匹 light passes through a pane of glass. The first result gained by this discovery was to enable the medical world to locate foreign objects in the body, like a bullet, a broken bone, or a bit of splinter, without the old and difficult method of probing. This was a great object gained. But within the last few days still greater results have been attained. It is now positively asserted, on the highest authority, that the germs of diphtheria and typhoid fever will die when exposed to these rays. Hence, it is possible that within this present generation the power of these two dread diseases will have disappeared. It is claimed by some enthusiasts that these X Rays will revolutionize the common things of life, such as heating, lighting, cooking, &c.
In the afternoon he visited the Stock-Salem. In the morning he visited, according to appearances, it will be a drawn battle, in which both will remain and do a good business.

About $1,000 were secured for the Vance Monument Fund by Polk Miller, at his recent entertainment in Winston.

Col. A. K. McClure, editor of the Philadelphia Times, visited Winston-Salem. In the morning he visited the Winston Graded School (colored) and the Slater Normal School. In the afternoon he visited the Academy, where a complimentary recital was given him. While here he was requested to deliver the address before the Graduating Class in 1894, and he consented to do so. Col. McClure made a splendid address at night in the Colored Graded School Hall, Winston.

Rev. D. Creasy, of Winston, will preach the sermon before the Graduating Class of S. F. A. in May.

The infant class of the Home Sunday School gave a very pleasing entertainment on Thursday, April 16.

The Elocution Department of S. F. A. gave a Delicate entertainment complimentary to the Young Men's Christian Association and the Salem Literary Society, Friday, April 17th, which was greatly enjoyed by all.

A company of pupils, forming the walking club, intend to make a pedestrian tour to the Pilot Mountain.

The heat during April was phenomenal, probably the greatest ever known in this section in this month.

All town and country friends of the "Home," in Salem, are invited to visit it on the anniversary, Thursday, April 30th, and to stay a week in the Colored Graded School Hall, Winston.

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This is a good opportunity to go over the Institution, speak to the family gathered there, partake of Moravian sugar cake and coffee, leave a good-will offering in the shape of something to eat or wear.

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EDITORIAL.

The next District Conference is likely to be a meeting of great importance. It is true that there are no special measures to be reported or resolutions to be adopted. In fact, the Conferences have but little legislative business to perform, as this part of the Church's work is trusted to the Synods. But there is the still greater duty of stirring up the District to its varied duties, especially in the Sunday School and among young people. A good spiritual conference will be felt as a power throughout the whole year. Congregations will feel its influence in their enlarged peace and prosperity, and more souls will be saved. Various parts of our District stand in need of special encouragement at the time,—while no portion of our Zion is above the need of getting more life, strength, fervor, unanimity into its appointed work. We earnestly ask our members to make the Conference of 1896, in Christ Church, Salem, the subject of special intercession from this time on. The Lord is waiting to be gracious to his people in answer to their prayers, and, under this condition, we may look for a very great blessing.

After careful consultation with the Committee of the Providence congregation, it was agreed that it would be better to hold the District Conference there next year, rather than in 1896. The Providence people are prepared to welcome their brethren at any time, and always treat them with a hearty cordiality, but the congregation has several improvements in hand which will make the next year more convenient for all concerned than the present one.

Owing to the change which was thought desirable in this year’s Conference arrangements, it has been necessary to postpone the time of meeting. The date which has been selected is the fourth and fifth days of August. The Conference will meet, if God will, in Christ church, Salem. This new and beautiful church is situated in the grove on the west side of Salem. It will in every way be suitable for a Conference gathering. The brethren will have the pleasure of visiting a new church edifice of our District, just finished, and rejoicing in the completion of so important an enterprise.

The vacancy in the General Mission Board, caused by the lamented departure of Bro. James, has been most worthily filled by the election of Bro. Benjamin Latrobe, of London, England. Bro. Latrobe is the son of the oldest living Bishop of the Unity, and comes from a family long distinguished in the service of the Moravian Church. He was, at the time of his election, the Secretary of Missions in England. In connection with this office, he made a voyage, some years ago in the "Harmony," to Labrador, to acquaint himself more fully with that remote mission field which is peculiarly difficult of access. He is a man filled with zeal for the work among the heathens. To our American brethren, visiting in England on their way to Synods, he has been full of kindness. They all remember him with special affection. No better selection could have been made for filling the Mission Board vacancy, and the Southern District extends to Bro. Latrobe the heartiest good wishes for his new difficult but blessed office.

Two new missionaries for Alaska were recently ordained by Bishop Levering, at Bethlehem. The one is Dr. Joseph H. Romig, a medical missionary, and the other is Rev. Samuel Rock, of the Seminary Class of 1896.

We heartily welcome Bro. William H. Vogler, pastor of the Moravian Church, Indianapolis, Ind., into our contributory. His work in the first large Western city entered upon by our Church, has interested us from the outset. It is a brave movement, and its success will be a far-reaching stimulus to all Moravian Extension in the United States. May the Lord bless him and his enterprise so richly, that not a few of our brethren may be encouraged to go into other large cities and do likewise.

The resignation of our venerable and beloved Bishop Heinrich Mueller, President of the Unity's Elders' Conference, in Germany, is announced to take place this autumn. We deeply regret this intelligence. Bro. Mueller is a man of great learning and full consecration to the service, a man of conservative temper, and yet willing to make those advances which the times require. He has served long and faithfully, in various offices of the Unity, up to the highest, which he now occupies. We trust that he will be permitted to enjoy an old age, filled with the sunshine of God's favor, and replete with the foretastes of the final heavenly rest.

The meeting of Superintendents of Sunday Schools, on May 7th, was a noteworthy event for our District. The statistics of the Province show that this is distinctly a Sunday School District, and that the Sunday School is the pioneer in nearly all of our onward movements. The brethren who came very freely represent this phase of our work.

The ladies present were: Mrs. Robah Ker­ner, Superintendent of Moravia Sunday School, Guilford County; Miss Maria Vogler, Superintendent of the Infant Department of Elm Street Sunday School, Salem, and Mrs. Rondthaler, of the Salem Home School. The ministers were: the Bishop, Rev. J. H. Clewell, Rev. A. D. Thaefer, Rev. James E. Hall, Rev. John F. McCuiston and Rev. Samuel Wonesky. Bro. James T. Lineback represented the Executive Committee of the District, being its efficient and unwearied chairman. The Superintendents present were: Bro. Eugene A. Ebert, of Elm Street; Bro. Albert Brierley, of Christ Chapel; Bro. Daniel Hine, of Union Cross; Bro. V. M. Sievers, of Oak Grove; Bro. Robert McCuiston, of Friedland; Bro. Plavins Lash, of Bethlehem Missions, Mipah and Alpha; Bro. L. Rights Sheek, of Macedonia; Bro. E. A. Con­rad, of Olivet; Bro. J. D. Slater, of Hamburg; Bro. Lindsay, of Stony Ridge, and Bro. James Foltz, of Providence. Bro. F. H. Fries, Superintendent of the Home School, was able to be with us a short time before the exercises were concluded, and Bro. Henry E. Fries, of East Salem, was unavoidably detained, as doubting other brethren likewise were. It is also to be noted that three of the ministers superintended schools, viz.: Bro. James E. Hall, that of Fried­berg; Bro. A. D. Thaefer, Calvin, and Bro. F. H. Fries, Superintendent of the Colored School, Salem. The representation was, therefore, a thoroughly satisfactory one.

The occasion was not merely pleasant as a fraternal lovefeast of Christian workers always is, but the informal discussions touched the most vital questions connected with the work. The attendance and consecration of teachers; the visiting of Schools; the evils of Sunday School visit; the training of auxiliary teachers; the need of a general knowledge of the Bible; the recognition of the Sunday School by the pastor; the advantage of a short talk to the children at the beginning of a sermon, and the encouragement of the children's presence in preaching services; the getting away from the Quarterly into the Bible, using the former as a scaffolding in preparing the lesson, but not in the class itself—and other questions were informally but satisfactorily discussed.

It was evident that the brethren felt a strong confidence in each other, and, therefore, spoke freely. There was no speech-making, but a simple desire to get at the best things for Christ and for His Church. This became still plainer in the closing half
hour of the delightful session which was entirely given to prayer. Special requests were united in, and one after the other of the company poured out his heart before the Lord in behalf of the great Sunday School in this our beloved Southern State. It was felt that the asked blessing would be coming on many a day yet before us, and amid all the difficulties which surround every consecrated form of Christian service.

This is, doubtless, only the first meeting of the sort. It is probable that the plan will be extended to cover the teachers of the District as well as the superintendents. The informal manner of the meeting seemed to be as element of special power. If properly followed up, the movement is full of blessing for the whole Church.

Condensed History of the Salem Boys School.

By James T. Lineback.

The following sketch was placed in the copper box of the cornerstone of the new building at the recent ceremony, an account of which will be found under the department of Church at Home in this number. It would be very pleasant, as well as appropriate, if the dedicatory exercises, when the new house is finished this fall, could be modelled upon the lines followed by our brethren on the former occasion.

"The first Boys’ School House of the Moravian Church, in Salem, was erected in 1794, and stands yet, a solid and venerable relic, on the S. W. corner of the same block, on which the new building of 1896 occupies the N. E. corner.

The cornerstone of the old house was laid on May 18th, 1794, that of the new, May 2d, 1896. The diary of 1794 gives the exercises of the first occasion in detail. The officiating brethren were: F. W. Marshall, Senior Civilis, John Daniel Koehler, Bishop, and Christian Lewis Benzen. At 7½ o’clock in the morning the congregation assembled in the “Gemein Saal.” This was the meeting place of the congregation before the church was built, in a house that stood on the site of the present Salem Female Academy. Bishop Koehler read the text for the day, Ps. 106: 4. After his address, the papers to be placed in the cornerstone were read. Proceeding to the “building place,” the congregation was arranged in the following order: The Elders’ Conference, around the stone on the outside,—the boys, in a semi-circle, on the inside. Immediately behind them the little girls, and then the wives of the members of the Conference and the other sisters of the congregation, with the brethren all on the outside, surrounding the Elders’ Conference. The three ministers took part in the ceremonies in the prescribed manner, and Bishop Koehler, stepping on the cornerstone, offered the dedicatory prayer.

"On the 8th of December, of the same year, the formal, festive opening of the school took place. This occasion is also very minutely described. From the house where the school had hitherto been held (the place is not named) the 28 boys of the school escorted the members of the Elders’ Conference to the new building. From the windows of the new house the trombones felt that the singing as the procession came. Proceeding to the dormitory, where a company had already gathered, the consecration services were conducted by Bishop Koehler, after which lovefeast was served. The boys are spoken of as having sung with cheerful voices. It was a matter of great satisfaction that, of the 28 boys, 5 of the larger and 5 of the smaller, could now take up their abode in the house, each company occupying a room, but all sleeping in a common dormitory. This arrangement made, no doubt, to carry out more carefully the then existing Church regulations, was continued for some time, but was abandoned in later years.

"An attempt was made, in the years 1826 to 1828, to convert the institution into a Boarding School, in order to meet the frequent requests of patrons of Salem Female Academy, who desired to send their sons with their daughters to Salem. The experiment, however, did not prove satisfactory. During the past century the Boys’ School has been under the immediate supervision of the successive pastors of Salem congregation, with the exception of 5 years, 1872 to 1877, during which time it was conducted as a school by the Province. It is impossible to give the names, or even the number of the scholars who have been in attendance up to this date, but, it may be said, that nearly all the male members of the Salem congregation have, at one time or another, and very many their entire education at this school. The blessing and care of the Lord, so earnestly asked for at the opening of the school in 1794, has, without doubt, through all the vicissitudes of one hundred years, been granted to the institution."

On Sunday, May 10th, two young men from Salem, the Bro. W. O. Senseman and Parmenio Tesh, had a prayer-meeting in a Free School house, called Oak Ridge, about 3½ miles S. W. of Salem. This meeting had been announced, and about fifty persons, young and old, had assembled, so that the house was well filled. There seemed to be an interest in the meeting, and the leader was prompted to ask what the young people signifying their desire for a school, or even the safety, therefore, lies, above all other things, in being right with God, and on terms of peace with Him, the Almighty, the All-holy.
It has been so arranged that our earthly time should only be a little piece of our immortal being. It is like the school years, or the apprenticeship, compared with the long life-work that lies beyond. Indeed, the proportion is infinitely less. After a million of years in eternity, the whole earthly life will seem about as big as a speck of dust to be if it lay within the compass of this large church. A man might be doing very well socially and from a business point of view, and yet if he were in such a condition as to fall in any moment into a lost eternity, he could not be considered safe. Our safety lies, therefore, in being right with the great God, and having a happy eternity before us.

Next, we ask, what is that which hinders this safety and causes the question to become so anxious a one. "Are they safe?"

There is great a trio of forces enlisted against every man's safety, and as the young men stand in the forefront of every generation, the onslaught comes on them like a great cavalry charge on the front line of an army. One of these forces is the flesh, the carnal appetite, which is always a young, fresh, and vigorous frame. When to the Syrian prince it was shown prophetically what he would hereafter do, he exclaimed: "I am thy servant a dog to do such a thing?"

Yet, in due time, he did that very thing in all its foulness. Many a youth would shrink back in horror from the picture of himself, befouled with strong drink, with sexual lust, indulgence with other fierce passions, his frame, his soul:

"I shall sin deep down as deep as the conscience. It is the faith which moves a man to quit sinning on purpose. If he does sin inadvertently, this conscientious faith stirs him up to quick repentance and spurs him on to try again.

In the castle of Edinburg, Scotland, I looked with great interest, on a velvet, gold-encrusted crown. It was once Robert Bruce's crown. It was once Robert Bruce's crown. It belonged to the man who won his kingdom by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God:

Aside of this faith Paul sets another thing; not as if he were adding something to the one condition of salvation, but in order to explain that one condition and to guard us against the mistake of thinking that we have faith when we have not. He bids us to hold "faith and a good conscience," and says that when the good conscience is gone, then the faith also makes shipwreck.

There are some who have a faith that has penetrated as deep as the knowledge of their minds. It is not a faith, but does not keep them from a single favorite sin. There are others whose faith has sunk as deeply as their feelings. For a while it keeps them from freely sinning, until they have grown, as they say, cold, and then they live very much as they did before. The real faith is that which sinks as deep down as the conscience. It is the faith which moves a man to quit sinning on purpose.

In the castle of Edinburg, Scotland, I looked with great interest, on a velvet, gold-encrusted crown. It was once Robert Bruce's crown. It belonged to the man who won his kingdom after many a failure. So are we to win the light of the faith against flesh, world and devil, and trying again after each failure, wear the crown of righteousness at last, eternally safe!

After a voyage across the Atlantic, on which I had been storm-tossed for many a day, I sat in the steamster-office on the other side, and sent home the cable dispatch consisting of three words: "Safe and well!" God grant that when your voyage is over, however stormy it may have been, there may be cabled into the hearts of those who stood nearest to you on earth: "He is safe and well!" Amen.

Marvelous will be the revelations of that day when God's work shall have its accomplishment, its completion in his everlasting kingdom, and shall be made an object of more of sorrow, sighing, pain or death; but the perfect glory of the immortal state shall end all shadows, clouds and gloom, and bring in the reign of everlasting righteousness and peace and joy in the presence of the Lord Most High."—Sel.

"-In the light of Christ's love and sacrifice our lives are free and little.
THE WACHOVIA MORAVIAN.

THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.
BY REV. A. D. THARKER, WINSTON, N. C.

"For Christ and the Church."

THE State Union and the Moravian Union.

At the State Convention, held in Greensboro, a large map of North Carolina was prominently hung before the various sessions, having marked upon it the location of every Society in the State, and some one of a member of the State Indorsesimun Union. Up to the present time there are some 106 that have come into this practical and blessed fellowship, while there are still about 75 that have not responded to the invitation. Some of these may be dead, others "sleeping," others prevented by want of information regarding the true facts of the case. As the result of this first year's work we can, however, thank God for the 2,000 young people, of all churches, who are hand in hand for the advance of the cause of Christ and his Church. It might here be helpful to give briefly the aims of the State and District Unions, and to see in what particular his own Society may be in danger of impeding united progress.

The State Union.

A bureau of information with regard to the formation of C. E. Societies and the improvement of those already existing.

1. It provides for an annual State Convention (next year to be held in Charlotte), and secures, by District and Union Unions and smaller conventions and rallies, to widen the Christian fellowship of all Endeavorers, and deepen their knowledge of the trustiest and grandest principles.

2. It suggests to the various Societies enrolled means by which common lines of action can be followed out to their mutual advantage and benefit.

3. It steadiés the entire State-wide movement by means of a board of executive officers, who plan for the best interests of all, and, at the same time, anything that has tendency to become detrimental, at any time or in any way, to the cause.

The Local and District Unions are meant to do the same things in their respective localities and to a smaller degree. It is impossible to describe all the possibilities of Christian Endeavor Unions. According to the faithfulness of the members will be the results attainable. The three great limits along which, in short, the Union strives to move are, suggestions, inspiration, and fellowship.

According to the faithfulness we just said. Sometimes it is in the Corresponding Secretary that the fault is to be found. That officer grows careless, or allows other concerns to hinder the full performance of his duty to the Society and to the Union. We must remember that the only way of reaching most of the widely scattered societies is through the Corresponding Secretary, and, therefore, even the slightest carelessness on his part may isolate, for the time being, the Society which he represents. If you have not lately been brought into touch with the other parts of the movement, jog the members of your own Society, and see whether they are not sending letters lying around in dusty corners, which ought to have been communicated long ago.

Sometimes it is the Society itself that is unfaithful. It has pledged sympathy with the aims of the Union, but does not respond to any suggestions or appeals, for reason of laziness, timidity, or other inexusable cause. But, if Union men are sure that the Corresponding Secretary and District Secretary are working together, great will be the success that will crown every part of the compact, because from acquaintance comes knowledge; from knowledge, power; from power, success.

FORSYTH COUNTY. (Continued.)

Some ninety-seven years before the erection of Forsyth County, a traveller from beyond the sea came to Carolina. Nathaniel Rice was, at that time, the Chief Executive of the Province, having been President of the Council on July 17, 1712, when he became Governor, and, in the fall of that year he died, and being buried in his turn succeeded, January 29, 1753, by Matthew Rowan, already referred to in connection with the naming of Rowan county. The Visitor, Bishop Joseph Spangenberg, came as the representative of the Unitas Fratrum, or Moravian Church, which had its headquarters at Herrnhut, Saxony, and was considering the purchase of a tract of land from Lord Granville, in order to establish a settlement in Carolina. His mission was to find somewhere, in Lord Granville's land, a place, well watered and fertile, where some 100,000 acres could be secured in a compact body, and towards that end he surveyed and got possession, according to Moravian ideas. After searching all the northern part of the State, from the ocean to the mountains, and into Tennessee, he found such a place as he desired; it was surveyed under his direction, and, on August 7th, 1753, Lord Granville conveyed the "Wachovia Tract" by 39 deeds to James Hutton, of London, who had been selected to hold the title to the land. According to the agreement of the same date between 'the Right Honorable John Earl Granville Viscount Carteret and Baron Carteret of Hawnes,' and "James Hutton, Gentleman, Secretary to the Unitas Fratrum," with the approval of the Lord Advocate (then Count Zinzendorf), the Chancellor and the Agent of the Unitas Fratrum, Granville, "in consideration of the sum of Fifty Hounds Sterlings* conveyed to the said James Hutton, his heirs and assigns (in Trust and for the Use, Benefit and Behoof of the said Unitas Fratrum) * the full quantity of Ninety-Eight Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Five Acres of land lying in the county of Anson, the yearly Rent or Sum of 148£, 92. 25£d. (3 shillings per hundred Acres)." If any gold or silver mines were found 2£ was reserved for the King, and 3£ of the remaining 3£ for Lord Granville. The rent was to be paid semi-annually, or, if annually, if they preferred, and if it became six months overdue, the title was to be forfeited. Four years were allowed for the payment of the 500£, the 4 per cent. interest being paid with the rent. The 98,985 acres in 19 tracts were surveyed by Wm. Carter, and the deeds "Sealed and delivered in the presence of Arthur Dobbs (afterwards Governor of N. C.) and Ben Wheatley.

The Unitas Fratrum had no available funds to support so large an enterprise, but individual members, and outside friends, subscribed an amount sufficient * for locating and surveying the Land, for the payment of the Purchase Money * and the yearly Rent of £148 25£d Sterlings * * and still larger sums for the transportation of Settlers from Europe, most of them Germans, over Sea to Pennsylvania and thence by Land to North Carolina, as well as to settle and stock Tracts." These drafts were gradually reimbursed by the proceeds of the sales of land not needed for the Moravian towns.

The name "Wachovia" was first used in print for the first time in 1755, when the Tract became a separate Parish under the name of "Dobb's Parish."

Chips from Historic Timber.
BY MUR ADELAIDE FRIED, SALEM, M. C.

THE CHURCH AT HOME.
BY REV. JAMES R. BALL, FRIENDBERG, P. O., G. C.

CALVARY.

The delegates returning from the State Convention at Greensboro put, if possible, even more life into the C. E. Society here. On the evening of the 29th, Bro. Clarence W. Thaler gave the Society a very good account of the prospect of the work in the coming year, and the results of the three days' feast of good things.

On Thursday evening, the 30th of April, a council of the Calvary members was called. It was just 3 years ago, on April 22d, that the circle of members was first formed, with thirty members, coming voluntarily from Home Church connection. There are now on the roll 88 members, an increase of 38 names. There have been two deaths in these years, Sr. Petree's and Bro. Climard's.

A very happy feature of the Council was the determination shown by the congregation to wipe off, just as soon as possible, the little debt of $300 that is still on us, contracted to begin work on improving the church grounds. Over $56 was subscribed in the Council, and it will not be long before all the rest is raised.

CENTREVILLE.

There is much to be thankful for at Centerville. The Sunday night services are very well attended, and the congregation is stronger than ever before in spiritual things. A strong movement is being made towards fencing in the lot surrounding the church.

The Endeavor Society gave a sociable on Friday, May 8th, which was a very pleasant occasion. The grounds were illuminated with Chinese lanterns, and the invited guests and members promenaded around the church, or sat, in social happy conversation, under the shade of the trees. The refreshments were, elegant cake, furnished by the ladies, and iced-cold lemonade, by the men. The Social Committee deserves great credit for the manner in which the programme was planned and carried out.

About one hundred persons were present.

COLORED CHURCH.

This work is going on with, perhaps, more vigor than usual. The preached word is earnestly given to the congregation by Bro. McFiston, and believably received by the members. The C. E. Society is increasing its attendance, and the prayer circle has many voices in it. The Sunday School is flourishing, the attendance being between 225 and 240 each Sunday. The teachers now meet in the infant class room before the opening of school, and have a short season of prayer, asking for special blessing for their pupils and for themselves.

Mrs. George Boozer has taken charge of the Infant Class, to the great joy of all the teachers.

EAST SALEM.

Efforts are being made to enclose the Church lot at this point. The posts are being put in at this writing. The C. E. Society first began this movement, which since received the sanction and cooperation of the Church Society.

The Endeavor Society has a large proportion of young people among its membership, and they are very faithful in attendance and response. The Committee work promises well for the coming year, and will be of a broader character than hitherto.
EDEN CHAPEL.

The work at Eden is manifesting marked signs of improvement. A prayer-meeting is regularly held on Sunday evenings with good results. The attendance on Sunday afternoon has been for some time past. The singing is hearty, and the attention paid to the reading of scripture and the service is encouraging to the pastor. On the fourth Sunday in April two new members were received by adult baptism. Both of them, John Long and Cornelius Spaugh, are well known and industrious heads of families, who give promise of efficient aid in the future building up of our church in this community. The name of Seymour Bredle has also been received, and several other citizens have this step in contemplation.

ELM STREET.

A very pleasant social was held by the Endeavor Society on Tuesday evening, May 5th. At this, light refreshments were served, and the delegates to the State Convention at Greensboro, made talks before the Society, in order to transmit some of the added zeal and practical information which they gained there. All present report a most social and pleasant evening.

FREDERICK.

The 24th of April was the 15th anniversary of the present pastorate. On the Sunday following special reference was made to this fact by the pastor and the following statistics communicated: Adults baptised, 35; confirmations, 185; received in other ways, 32; total, 232. The losses during this period amounted to 116, making the net gain, 117 communicants. Infant baptisms, 270; marriages, 60; funerals, 155. Pastoral visits 4,500, and number of miles traveled in making pastoral visits and meeting preaching appointments, 30,000. Exclusions and readmissions were not taken into account since they virtually balanced each other.

HOPE.

Several friends have responded to the hint thrown out in the April number of The Wachovia Moravian: "Do what she has done." The building is progressing rapidly. A large company of Hope, Friedberg and New Philadelphia brethren and friends met on the 3rd Sunday in April, Bro. Hall, of M. Ch. Asst., and Mr. Henry E. Fries, who has, for years, taken part in the giant's work. The visiting brother spent several days in the Lignum, deeply interested himself in the education of the children. We must say something about our work in the future.

MACEDONIA.

On the 3d Sunday in April, Bro. Hall, of Friedberg, conducted preaching and communion services and held a Congregation Council for the election of delegates to the next annual conference. The delegates chosen are: Luther M. Smith, Harrison F. Sparks, Albert R. Sheek and Augustus B. Butner. Alternates, Walter L. Butner and Henry J. Lee.

The visiting brother spent several days in the congregation, and visited a number of the members. The committee have in contemplation the enlargement of the graveyard and repair on the church, with an addition to be built for lovefeast purposes.

The Sunday School was organized on the above mentioned occasion, with Bro. Albert R. Sheets as superintendent.

SALEM.

A very large delegation from our congregation attended the State C. E. Convention at Greensboro, between April 17th and 19th, and came back greatly pleased and edified by their visit.

During the month there have been several painful bereavements. Prospect of Bro. James Peete's family, a darling little daughter was suddenly removed, and Bro. and Sr. Linville were called to mourn the departure of a very young son, who, although only eleven years old, was an earnest Christian.

The interest in the Woman's Meeting, held weekly at the Parsonage, was of such a nature as to lead to its continuance after Easter. The Bible is conversationally studied in these meetings, according to some selected line of topics. At present the subject is: "The Comforts of Christ's Resurrection."

The last Sunday in April and the first in May were covenant days, the former for widows, the latter for the Single Sisters. With each year the "class" arrangement seems to be gaining strength and blessing among us. The Widow's Day is, naturally, one of sorrowful reminiscence, but it is also one of grateful thankfulness. Therefore, the more deeply felt by the members of the class. The festal day of the Older Girls and the Single Sisters, coming as it does in the very prime of the spring weather, is a yearly delight. The attendance, the singing, and the general interest were, this year, at their very best. Owing to the large increase which the Church has recently received in communicants, many names were added on the present occasion, 24 to the Single Sisters, and 27 to the Older Girls.

On Wednesday, April 29th, Bishop Rondthaler delivered the annual address before the Livingstone College at Salisbury. The representative colored people of this part of the South were largely present, and the occasion was a very impressive one, evidencing, in the strongest manner, the upward trend of the colored race. On Thursday, April 30th, the ladies in charge of the Salem Home received the friends of the institution in the course of the afternoon at a social hour, and brought some special gift for the benefit of the Home. It was a delightful occasion, touched with the blessing of Him who said: "It is more blessed to give than to receive." There are now sixteen persons, mostly among the very young or among the aged, who are sheltered under the roof of this sweet charity.

On Saturday, May 2d, a very interesting service took place in connection with the cornerstone laying of the new Boys School, which is now rising rapidly at the corner of Church and Bank streets, almost facing the old Administration house, or the DeSchweinitz home as we love to call it from our beloved former bishop. Addresses were made by Bishop Rondthaler and Mr. Henry E. Fries, who has, for years, deeply interested himself in the education of the boys of Salem. The articles in the box, including a history of the School by Bro. James T. Lineback, were deposited by Bro. Clarence E. Crist, Chairman of the Building Committee. The Brethren Clewell and Thaeler and the headmaster, E. W. Hall, also took part in the service. The corner-stone was laid by the Bishop, and the ministers and members of the Boards, as well as the Mayor, Bro. C. A. Hauser, assistant in the ceremony. A string of hymns were sung, in which the church band, the choir and the young people gave their special assistance, and the occasion will long be remembered. On the corner-stone are the dates "1896" and "1914," the latter being the year in which the venerable, red-tiled, present Boys' School on the Square was erected.

The Home Mission Collection on May 3d was very good, amounting to $86.47. The attendances at the services were large and encouraging.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Editor Wachovia Moravian:

Your inspiring chronicle of work has often prompted some suitable acknowledgment, which has, as often, been deferred. When God blesses any part of his vineyard, there go out ever widening circles of gracious influence. We thank God for what he is doing for and through his people in the Southern District, and thank you for telling it as you do. By dotting your victory with churches a strong center for further extension is created. This will surely tell upon the work in the future.

One of the disadvantages of our Third District is the wide separation of our Churches. This makes contact and mutual support difficult. If not impossible, for some congregations which most need the stimulus of fellowship. Under such conditions one is the more impressed with what one has felt through years of service; that, in contrast with other denominations, the Moravian Church is a pigny, attempting a giant's work. Only the power that "raised Jesus from the dead," working in and through her has enabled her to do what she has done. Only on attempting the impossible in faith can she honor him "who is able to do exceeding abundantly above all we ask or think." He, in turn, honors such faith.

Let me say something about the Indianapolis work:

On Sunday, April 26, several young persons, one a member still of one of your churches, the other the daughter of a former member (at Bethania, I think) were present at our service. This mother, Mrs. Null, was as happy a woman as one could well find on the morning that she attended the Moravian Church in Indianapolis, which she intended to make her church home. Two weeks later she was called to the church triumphant.

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Fairview Sunday School meets at 4 o'clock, p. m. Through the open field, under the glaring sun, teachers, scholars, and, sometimes, whole families, the baby in the father's arms, they come to the church. Under discomforts and inconvenient arrangements, it is really an inspiration to mark the interest manifested throughout the schools. In the classes, some of them scarcely able to avoid the direct rays of the sun, pouring in through the open windows, the teaching goes on. In the basement, where every pane has been ruthlessly knocked out, already before the school was organized, the Primary Class teacher, Mrs. Dan. Kester, finds a cool retreat, where, with much patience and perseverance she strives to impress the tender hearts of the little children. The faithfulness of the teachers in their work, the earnestness of the weekly prayer-meetings, have already secured and will secure more and more the blessings from on High. Let none of us grow weary or faint in our efforts to do good.

NEWS OF THE WORLD.

By REV. J. H. CHILDEW, SALM, N. C.

-Cuba and the war in progress on that island have called for a large amount of interest during the past weeks. The interest has centered around the capture of a vessel which was sailing from Florida, and which it is claimed, was a filibustering expedition. The men captured deny the charge, claiming that their intentions were peaceful, and that they had been forced into the position they occupied, against their will. They were tried and sentenced to death. Immediately a protest was entered by the United States Government, and the entire position became complicated in the extreme. It is difficult to sift facts from mere reports, but as nearly as can be ascertained the position seems to be as follows:---General Weyler insists on the execution of the men, even to the extent of a threat to resign. The United States insists on its demands, or the men will be shot or let go. As we write, the United States War vessel, the steamer Wyanoke, of the Old Dominion line, was wrecked at Norfolk by a collision with a United States War vessel. A terrible cyclone in Colorado caused death and destruction in its path.

-Many lives are supposed to have been lost.

-At the Methodist Quadrennial Convention met in Cleveland, Ohio. The admission of women to the ordination service is now a fait accompli. In the near future.

-Foreign.

- Baron Hirsch, the great philanthropist and millionaire, died in Hungary. -The population of India is nearly three hundred million.

-Five of the leaders of the Transvaal trouble were tried and sentenced to death. A protest was entered by the several powers, and President Kruger reduced the sentence to imprisonment ranging from one to five years.

- The Sultan of Turkey is said to be in a state of terror since the news of the assassination of the Shah of Persia reached him.

- Puerto Virgo, in Ecuador, a place of 10,000 inhabitants, has been destroyed by an earthquake. Many lives are supposed to have been lost.

- United States.

-Severe storms in Pennsylvania and Virginia caused much damage and a number of lives were lost.

- The St. Paul, of the American line, has rescued her record by two and a half hours in crossing the ocean.

- The miners in Alaska are suffering very much from the severe winter and the lack of work.

- Electricity was transmitted from Niagara to New York City on May 5th.

- The steamer Wyankoee, of the Old Dominion line, was wrecked at Norfolk by a collision with a United States War vessel.

- The battle-ships Massachusetts has beaten all records for speed and earned $100,000 bonus for her builders.

- A strike in Philadelphia, Pa., on the car lines threw thousands of men out of employment.

- The Methodist Quadrennial Convention met in Cleveland, Ohio. The admission of women was a point of great interest.

- The bay train robbers were sentenced to life imprisonment in New York.

- Eleven lives were lost in the explosion of a Mississippi steamer.

- The Twin-City.

- The South Side Mills are to be enlarged in the near future.

- Wachovia Mills have made marked improvements added to their facilities.

This is an example of what is continually happening. Moravians, ex-Moravians and friends are being found continually who, have, for years, been separated from the Church, by the force of circumstances.

In August, 1854, a vacation afforded an opportunity for me to visit the Moravians in this city who were still members of Hope congregation. I was welcomed, and held for them. The enthusiastic endorsement of the church at Hope made it possible for me to visit them once or twice a month. The progressive spirit and energetic co-operation of the Provisional Board of Church Extension brought about first the appointment of an assistant, Bro. C. N. Sperling, and, later, my own appointment to the work in this city: and also enabled us to purchase building lots in a beautiful and growing part of the city. Thirty persons signed the Brotherly Agreement and organized the congregation. The chapel, a building planned for a two-story dwelling, was opened for service on January 12, 1856. The following Sunday a Sunday School was organized, which soon enrolled 60 scholars. Though some adults dropped out, new scholars, boys and girls, come in every Sunday. Senior and Junior E. Societies were organized for, and in February, The services, morning and evening, are well attended, nearly always showing new faces. Good will on the part of the ministers of the town, the C. E. Local Union, and the people of the immediate vicinity, has been abundantly manifested. Here is an instance: A lady, having the largest lily bed in the State, living near by, through a member of a large church in the city, passing by on her way to service last Sunday, sent in a vase of beautiful flowers, and promises us lilies for next Sunday.

Our first communion was celebrated on February 23rd, when two persons were received into fellowship. On Easter Sunday, forty-six persons were received into the fold, and three new members were added. We thank God and take courage every day, but need the prayers of all God's people, that the Moravian Church may win and deserve the confidence of the people, by doing the Lord's work in saving men through a gospel preached "with the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven."
The Medical Society of North Carolina, met in Winston, in May. The sessions were interesting and the Convention a success. A Recital was given complimentary to the Society by pupils of Salem Female Academy.

A troublous time was tendered with gaily illuminated cars; an excursion to the Pilot Mountain, and many other excursions extended.

The elections in Winston and Salem called forth much interest. In Winston, Mr. Paul Clutchfield was elected Mayor, and in Salem, Mr. Charles Hunter.

The following is the programme of Commencement at Salem Female Academy:

Saturday, May 23.—Opening Concert.

Sunday, May 24.—Baccalaureate Sermon, by Rev. W. S. Creasy, D.D.

Monday, May 25.—First Senior Evening.

Tuesday, May 26.—Art Exhibit and Second Senior Evening.

Wednesday, May 27.—Alumni Day and Grand Concert.

Thursday, May 28.—Commencement. Oration by Rev. J. Max Hark, D. D.

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BAPTISMS.

At Friedberg, April 3d, GLENNER MARY BELL, infant daughter of Bro. and Sr. Amos and Julia Myers, m. n. Fishel.

April 3d, HENRY FRANKLIN, infant son of Bro. and Sr. Joshua and Emma Floyd, m. n. Fishel.

April 3d, HOWARD GILBERT, infant son of Bro. and Sr. Allen and Amanda Foltz, m. n. Knauss.

On April 4th, Friedberg, AWA RUTH, infant daughter of Bro. and Sr. Eugene and Sarah Shore.

DEATHS.

At Union Cross, March 31, MRS. ELIZA JOHNSON, m. n. Laidoff, wife of Dr. Johnson, aged 73 years, 9 months and 22 days.

In the Bethabara congregation, April 8th, Mrs. LUCINDA STANLEY, aged 42 years, 20 months and 7 days.
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EDITORIAL.

Owing to the illness of one of our printers, Bro. C. E. Cryst. and several other unavoidable reasons, the issue of The Wachovia Mo-

ravian has been greatly delayed. We hope, however, in the next months to keep it out annually early, and thus more than compensate for the present patience on the part of our subscribers.

The District Conference, to be convened in Christ Chapel, West Salem, is the next impor-
tent event in which our Southern Churches are jointly interested. The meeting is to take place on Tuesday and Wednesday, August 4th and 5th. It will be a pleasant experience to have the delegates of the District come together in this new church, which is just being finished, and which is soon to be consecrated. The build-

ing itself will be an encouragement to the Con-

ference, to think and plan and pray for the progress and extension of the District. It is the spiritual life in a church which enables it to spread itself abroad; and then, on the other hand, it is the outward progress which keeps the Church warm and spiritual within.

We are pleased to learn that our young brother, Rev. David Woosley, recently a student in the Theological Seminary, has re-

ceived and accepted a call to the California In-
dian Mission. It is an important work, and one in which our young brother will doubtless give a good account of himself. We are glad to hear that Bro. Woosley proposes to visit his old Southern home, with his bride, on their way to their far distant Pacific station. His friends in the South will be glad to give him a God-speed for his journey and his work.

As we write, the quiet Salem Square has just been enlivened by an enthusiastic political meet-

ing. The friends and admirers of our esteemed fellow-citizen, Mr. Watson, hurried him down to the Academy portico, upon his nomination to Governor by one of our great political par-
ties, in order to extend their congratulations. There were fervid appeals to fellow voters to do their duty and stand up for their principles in the time between now and the election. One cannot watch such opening political enthusiasm without wishing for an equal zeal for our great candidate, the Lord Jesus Christ. His election is assured, and if we are at work for Him heart-

ily, we shall enter into office with Him glo-

riously.

With the first of July Bro. Howard E. Rondthaler will become pastor of Christ Chapel, Salem, to which other important mis-

sionary duties will be added. We heartily wel-

tome him to a work in which he has already, in previous years, been successfully engaged. With one of our young brethren recently graduated busy in a foreign missionary field, and another in the home field, we rejoice in the zeal and consecration which the Lord is calling forth, out of the young manhood of the Province.

letters, just received from our brother, L. Schubert, stationed at Bluefields, Central America, give a lively description of a mis-

sionary's varied employment, in garden and pasture-grounds and store, as well as in preaching and in the care of souls. Moravian mis-

sionaries are accustomed to lend a hand at all kinds of work that comes in their way, even the hum-

blest. Like the apostle Paul, they are in the habit, often, of supporting themselves, in part, by the labor of their own hands. People sometime love to give to Moravian Mis-

sionaries because they know that a dollar will be made to go just as far as it can possibly be stretched. Bro. and Sr. Schubert are about to take charge of the Indian station at Karata.

ARRANGEMENTS are now being made by which Bro. Walter Grabs can take a theological course while serving several of our con-

gregations as the temporary pastor. Bro. Grabs has, during the last winter, won a great deal of esteem by the manner in which he has filled several of our vacant pulpits. We wish him much success and blessing in the career which is opening before him.

The recent visit of the brethren Hall and Rondthaler to Bethlehem, Penna., in order to attend the sessions of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary, gave them an opportun-

ity of meeting with the Northern Pro-

vincial Elders' Conference. These interviews with the sister-board were of the most satisfac-

tory nature, and evidenced the mutual de-

sire to bring the Districts into as close and frater-

nal relations as are permitted by the inde-

pendent standing and duties of both. The American Church is one in doctrine and in principles of government, and it divided into two Provincial Districts, it is only that the work of the Lord may be done with a closer and more local oversight.

A good many of our readers, and especially our younger ones, are, at present, enjoying their vacations. Some are at the seaside, some in the mountains; some in visits to their friends in many of their homes. As trees and plants have their vacation time in winter, men and women get their needed rest in summer. They are better teachers and scholars and better workers in every other field, even after a short vacation. If there is any time when the pres-

ence of the Saviour is an especial blessing, it is during a vacation period. He can best save such a time from follies, cares and worries.

Those who rest with Him, doing only what He approves have the happiest time and are most thoroughly refreshed.

Our dear Bro. Rights, in pleasantly illus-

trating his varied labors, used to say that he was like the farm boy, who, after he had ploughed all morning, was kindly called in to rest while chopping at the wood pile! Some of us may have vacations of that sort. Still, there is a certain degree of rest in variety and change of employment. It is well for those who are busiest at this season, to study how to put in a little recreation here and there, and, perhaps, get as much good out of it as if it were a long vacation trip.

A well-known and esteemed member of the Kernersville congregation sends us a com-

munication, which we are the more pleased to print as we seldom hear, with any degree of detail, from this congregation. We are glad to notice that friends, in all the congrega-

tions, are closely watching the news from the fields of labor in which they themselves are, naturally, most interested. It is an encourage-

ment to our ministers and to others to furnish just as much material as possible to The Wa-

chovia Moravian, otherwise there may be a very good work and no one outside know anything about it.

We are glad that one of our ministers, Bro. Howard E. Rondthaler, is present at the National Sunday-School Convention at Boones-

fork as delegate from the State of North Carolina. Many a new suggestion is gathered at such a time for the bettering and brightening of our Sunday Schools. The best schools are those which are constantly trying to improve their work, making Paul's utterance their motto: "Not as though I had, either were already per-

fect: but I follow after."

Providience is not a large congregation, but the manner in which the people attend Saturday afternoon preaching is an encouragement to the Bishop every time he goes. The attendance of young people on these occasions is es-

pecially noticeable. The Sunday School is building up finely under the superintendent of Bro. James E. Fuip, and the conscientious ef-

forts of his teachers.
LETTER FROM KERNERSVILLE.

In perusing the very interesting columns of The Wachovia Moravians, we are made to feel more or less disappointed if there fail to appear some few encouraging words regarding our own Kernersville congregation and work, which has been the case in the two or three last issues. And, too, a great sense of feeling steals over us, in observing an absence of a notice, that, perhaps, we are not acting our part as Christians, and as zealously working for the cause of our Master's kingdom as we should, and, too, reaches that extent which saddens our hearts in discouragement, that we, perhaps, are not advancing in the Cause, but retrograding instead. God grant us an upward and onward movement.

Entertaining this state of mind, I am prompt ed to write a few words that our Church may, at least, be mentioned among the many in the next issue of The Wachovia Moravians, not knowing whose duty it is, if any one's special, to report the progress and condition of the Kernersville congregation.

While we have been greatly blessed, much encouragement to think that the work is going on smoothly and successfully, it is true, just at this time, we have cause to be discouraged and view a darker picture for the near future. Bro. James P. Kerne, who has been our Sunday School Superintendent for a number of years, and has proven faithful, and Bro. James P. Adkins, who is an earnest, active worker for the Master, and assisted Bro. Kerne so much in the prayer-meetings and other work, have both quite recently, with their families, withdrawn from our circles, and cast their lots in Salem, your own good town and community. Their places we hope to fill with young and energetic Christian workers. Kerr Pepper, just from Guilford College, took the place of Bro. Kerne in the Sunday School last Sunday, and an interesting session was had, all working off nicely and in systematic order and decorum. The teachers seem to be enthused in the work, and since several young ladies are now home from school for the summer, who will give us the advantage of their musical talent, and otherwise assist us in our work, we are cherishing the hope new life and greater interest in the Sunday School work at our church.

We are hopeful, too, that interest may not be lost in our prayer-meetings, since we have young men of talent who can, by prayer and faith in Christ, successfully conduct these meetings, we verily believe, when made to realize that this duty and responsibility devolves upon them as followers of Christ. We would beg the prayers of the readers of the Wachovia Moravians to this end, that our prayer-meetings may be full of interest, much good accomplished, and the God of Heaven glorified thereby.

Our much beloved pastor, E. S. Crossland, who visits us each fourth Sunday in the month, was with us on the fourth Sunday in May, and preached a most excellent sermon at 11 a. m. in the afternoon, at 3 o'clock, he preached to the Bluff congregation. There was no service in our church at night, owing to the previous hard work and fatigue of travel of the pastor.

And I therefore, think that the Lord will very soon commence to make some needed improvements on the grounds of the graveyard, which has been neglected for so long a time.

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Baccalaureate Sermon.

By REV. J. E. B. REID, D. D.

TEXT:—"Lord, to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life." John 6:68.

You remember in "Tom Brown's School Days" how the old captain of the foot-ball eleven came back to Rugby, walked the campus, looked up at the buildings, threw himself down on the turf, the scene of the intended game, trod the quiet spaces of the chapel with its great illuminated windows. It was all dreary and empty and dead, because the good man who had been the soul of the whole place, Dr. Arnold, was gone.

Even so it is with religion, with its gracious forms and most holy doctrines and with its wise regulations and with its distinctive offices. It is dreary and empty and dead, when, for some reason, the living, personal Christ is gone out of it. Religion is, in fact, not a thing, it is a person—real, living, present. It is no bundle of rules, no finely drawn system, so theme of government. It is a living Shepherd, the loving Saviour, the blessed son of God actually present in the lives of those whom He came to save. Of him let us speak according to the text:

"Lord to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life." John 6:68.

1. For the sake of the peace of our consciences we go to Him. You will sometimes come across a fellow-student who is bright, agreeable, plausible, but in whom something is decidedly wanting. He would, as you gradually find out, as soon steal an essay as write it; cheat in a paper as make it out in honest competition; tangle up half a dozen good men with differing reports of the same thing, simply because it is easier to tell a varied lie than stick to the honest truth. The longer you know him the less you want of him, whether in your fraternity or out of it. The fact is the fellow has no conscience, and all his gifts and graces go for naught in the face of that great lack.

There is another fellow who has decided faults. He has fallen more than once, perhaps deeply. But there is about this fellow. His own conscience witnesses against him. Nothing that friend or even enemy can say about his sins cuts as deeply as does this inward testimony against himself. In putting such a case, we are after all putting our own. The faults may be more grievous or less so, they may be sins which society counts as such, or to which it is blind, but men that have consciences feel the sting of them. People see our faults, but perhaps they do not know, the soul alone knows the secret of our bitter remorse. And it is for such souls that Jesus came. He was not picking out a low class of people as compared with a higher one. He was selecting you and me when He said, "I came not to call the righteous but sinners to repentance." Many a man is hindered, by the remembrance of a guilty past from reaching toward a happy future. His idols have been scorched and blackened by the frosts of former sins. He utterly sharrets himself and goes about with the weight of sin on his heart. "I have made my bed and must lie in it." It is for just these men, repentant and willing to be inwardly helped, that Jesus Christ has a word of hope. It is the same word which rested the conscience of an adulterous David, of a blaspheming Saul of Tarsus. It is a word which has gained its value from the atoning blood of the Cross. It is a word which gives a man a lift up above those circling demons while he fights the battle that lies in front of him. "Son, be of good cheer; thy sins are forgiven thee."

For the sake of a vigorous body, with all its powers balanced and strengthened, six months or the destined years, we come to Christ. It has been supposed that Christianity has nothing to do with an athletic body. It has been thought that a starved, shrivelled, mortified body was the fittest mouldering altar on which to make the sacrifice of an immortal soul to God. It is a mistake. It has not come from the Bible—save out of misconceptions and mistranslations, as where Paul is made, Phil. 3:21, to speak of a "vile" body, which is a thing he never said about the glorious God-made human frame. He said that it had been humbled; that is, under the death sentence. He never said that it was "vile." The Bible was not written by ascetics, flagellants and anchorites. Their error comes in through Oriental dreams about matter being essentially evil, while the spirit was supposed to be not these, but good. According to the Bible the body is wonderfully fashioned. It is intended to become the very temple of the Holy Ghost. It has been glorified as the dwelling place of the incarnate son of God. Every nerve and muscle and sinew has its value with the Creator and the Redeemer, who means to raise it up again, even from the dead. We of an older generation still feel the athletic thrill. Our hands stillingle with its touch, it may be of the bat or of the car. It has been worth a great deal to us in our long life struggle to remember, it may the two-mile stretch and the rush of the swift boat behind us and the stern resolve that we had better die than let the fellow get ahead.

In this sympathy of spirit we greet the young and better trained athletes of the present time. I stood on your baseball field, a year or two ago, and I watched a man coming into his home base. He did not come on a run, he shot himself in horizontally. How much such quickness and vigor of resource is going to be worth to a man, in the hard places of life, who has reached forty or fifty years that has not seen fine athletic comrades, his equals or superiors on the varied fields of youthful struggle, broken early by disease and swept away into the black stream of premature death by vicious habit, by drink and lust and intemperate exposure of every sort. Just here, Jesus Christ has a word of life for those who come to him leaving their confused faults behind, and hearing, "Go sin no more, lest a worse thing come upon thee," and by his grace, in purity and temperance and honor they keep their bodily vigor intact to the end.

For the sake of the comfort of our minds we go to Jesus Christ. The tone of our Southern colleges and universities is not unbelieving. The seclusion of our young men is leavened with respect to the claims of Christianity. It is a state of mind which has not come of itself—as if we Southern people were naturally better, or, as some might put it, more credulous than many of our Northwestern contemporaries. The strong prevailing inclination toward evangelical truth, if not born was at least, fostered into the present life, by the stern
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experience of battle, of camp, of hospital, of prison, during the years of civil strife. Men needed a positive faith to lean on when every other faith seemed broken. And yet, before the growing material prosperity, unbelieving tendencies will undoubtedly set in. Even before this takes place, in a wide and general way, every educated young man’s mind is a vessel for a great and persistent faith, a vessel for something better, with honest convictions of the truth. It is a sore state of mind to look on nature and on human life, without fixed convictions about God and heaven.

Prof. Romans, the recently deceased evolutionist leader at Oxford University, said that his unbeliev had destroyed all “the worth of life” to him, “that with the virtual negation of God, the universe to me has lost its soul of loveliness.” I once saw this statement illustrated before my own eyes in the case of a young man of sceptical views. He was a fellow passenger with me on the Mediterranean, not far from the coast of Africa. I had noticed his fine, but sad face, as he paced the deck one lovely afternoon. Half an hour later, suddenly, he struck out at the people and loudly blamed them for their wickedness. He was a clerk in Alexandria, his health had failed, he was fearful of losing his place, he had no hope in God, he could do no work with him, and in the agonies of his disappointment he became himself overboard. It is all very well when life’s sky is clear and its waters are smooth to hoist some little aegonic sail, but when the storms break fiercely, and are driving our vessel toward the black rocks, we want to be aboard some craft that has engines of faith strong enough to be able to keep us off the angry cliffs. The greatest poet of our age, Robert Browning, looked into the heart of the tossed and anxious problems of our age, Robert Browning, looked into the heart of the tossed and anxious problems of our age, Robert Browning, looked into the heart of the tossed and anxious problems of our age. For the sake of the satisfaction of our feelings, we go to Jesus Christ. What has a young man to do with feelings? He does not sit and think about them if our religion; he alone see whether that would I be? A mere atom of humanity, sinking hopelessly into un- fathomed waves. In Christ you are safe and destined for heaven. Outside of him you are nothing. On his shoulders you will find yourself to be absolutely nothing as you sink into the bottomless depth of perdition. There is but one safety, one joy, one success, one glory, and that is Jesus Christ. “Lord, to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life.” Amen.

—An Australian Christian Endeavor Society recently gathered together fifty Christian Endeavor workers from the neighboring churches, and held a conference on the young man question. Such conferences as these, on helpful and live topics, should be held more frequently than they are by our Christian Endeavor Societies. The conference in question came to several conclusions on the important topic before them. Not in the first centuries of our era, or in the first three centuries of our age, was the growth as rapid as it is now.

CHRIST is our life! In heaven He ever lives to pray. His life is in us in every praying life, if we will but trust Him for it. Christ teaches us to pray, not only by example, by instruction, by command, by promises, but by showing us Himself, the ever-living Intercessor, as our life. It is as we believe this and go and abide in Him for our prayer-life, too, that our fear of not being taken can vanish, and we shall joyfully and triumphantly trust our Lord to teach us to pray, to be Himself the life and the power of our prayer.

Andrew Murray.

—the one thing which makes the name of Jesus unprejudiced is the fact that though perfectly divine He was yet perfectly human; that He really did stoop to take upon Himself our nature; that He took it with all its limitations, and that having once accepted these limitations, He was subject unto them to death, refusing to make use of His divine power to lessen his sorrows or sufferings, or even to save His life. Such a life is not an ideal to be admired so much as it is a practical model to live by. This is the key to the Gospels as well as Christ Himself is the key to the Old Testament.

—Exchange.

—The Gospel Story is now spoken and read in about 300 languages. All the great languages of the world are now vehicles for the message of God’s redeeming love. Everywhere the number of converts is increasing. Christianity in some of its forms is represented in all quarters of the globe. Of the entire population of the world, about 1,450,000,000 are about 500,000,000 are nominal Christians. Not in the first century, or in the first three centuries of our era, was the growth as rapid as it is now.

I am the way and the truth and the life. No man cometh unto the Father but by me. Having him we have the key to the Here and to the Hereafter as far as their mysteries need to be unlocked for the present uses of our lives. Through his pierced hands pass the solutions of our vexed problems, as far as they need to be solved in this first stage of our immortal existence.

For the sake of the satisfaction of our feelings we go to Jesus Christ. What has a young man to do with feelings? He does not sit and weep when the minister tells about sainted children and relates the stories of heaven bursting on the view of aged Christians. Thank God for that! Drawn up as young men are on the front line of life’s battle field who, of sound mind, wants them to stand with pocket handkerchiefs to their eyes? But touch them in the right place and see if they have no feelings. Take the bronze athlete among them if you will, or the man who, after stern triumphant tug with his examination paper, feels that he is mathematics to the very bone, and touch him on the subject of his mother. Tell him that she is very sick, or very sorrowful, bring him the dispatch which says that she is dying, and see whether that would I be? A mere atom of humanity, sinking hopelessly into un-fathomed waves. In Christ you are safe and destined for heaven. Outside of him you are nothing. On his shoulders you will find yourself to be absolutely nothing as you sink into the bottomless depth of perdition. There is but one safety, one joy, one success, one glory, and that is Jesus Christ. “Lord, to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life.” Amen.
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THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

BY REV. A. D. THEAUSER, WINSTON, N. C.

"For Christ and the Church."

How many of our Southern Endeavorers are intending to meet our Northern brethren and sisters at the great International Convention? This is going to meet in the city of Washington, D. C., on July 8th, and will adjourn on July 13th. Besides being a source of inspiration and a powerful moral impulse in general aspects, this Convention will have special significance for us Moravians; for there will be two denominational Rallies, on Thursday and Sunday afternoons, the second being of a missionary character. The National Moravian Union will have the programs in charge, and this meeting of Moravians from all parts of the country promises to be a powerful factor in increasing the usefulness of our Church wherever it has been or will be planted. By all means let our Southern Province be well represented. The Winston-Salem delegation is already forming, and it would be a splendid thing if we could carry a solid car load of Endeavorers from this center. A sleeplessness car will, in all probability, be started from Winston-Salem to connect with another from Charlotte and a third from Greensboro, joining the regular 10 p.m. train at Greensboro. But the North State Endeavorers will give the details of the excursion, and can be had by applying to the editor of this column, or to Mr. H. A. Pohl, Salem, the excursion manager.

The general plan of entertaining delegates used in Boston will be followed this year. Those who do not secure hotel quarters before coming to the city will, immediately upon their arrival, be assigned quarters in private homes and boarding houses located as near as possible to the church headquarters. The rates of board will be about $1.50 a day, that is for lodging, and as private houses are opened to us we may rest assured that every courtesy will be extended to us.

The railroads have all granted the rate of one half for the round trip, tickets good until July 13th, or until the 31st if deposited with the Joint Agent in Greensboro. The sleeping car rates are $2 for each berth, but, if so desired, two persons can occupy each berth, and share the expenses. As little baggage as possible should be taken, for the traffic upon the roads leading into the city, and upon the train lines will be enormous, and large trunks are apt to be delayed, thus causing much uneasiness and discomfort to the owners.

It is a pity that we have no space to give more than the merest outlines of the programs, so rich in all those qualities that make a convention a success. The opening meeting will be on Wednesday night, with the subject, "Deepening the Spiritual Life." On Thursday morning the formal opening of the convention will take place, with addresses of welcome and response by the chairman of the first denominational Rally. At night, "Christian Citizenship," same thing as last year, will be given in all the meeting places. On Friday, "Saved to Serve" will be the general topic, with Committee Conferences in the afternoon. Saturday morning of the services will be held out of doors, the central theme being "North America for Christ." that evening will be Staged Rally of our North American Rallies at all the headquarters. Sunday is left open, with the exception of the afternoon, the regular meetings in all the cities, except where the service was performed in the churches. Monday, the closing day of the Convention, will stand for "World-Wide Endeavors."
SCHUYLER.

Whitsunday was a day of blessing for the Bethabara brethren and sisters. In addition to the regular preaching service the Lord’s Supper was celebrated. The hearts of all God’s people in this little circle were greatly cheered and encouraged to continue faithfully in the love and service of the Saviour.

Sr. John Miller, of this congregation, was called upon, during the last month, to mourn the loss of her near relative, Mr. Edwin Simmons, an aged resident, long engaged in various business, in the city of Indianapolis, Ind. He was aged seventy-seven years and had been an invalid for the past ten years. His wife, formerly a Miss Shore, from this part of North Carolina, is now a member of Bro. William Vogler’s congregation in Indianapolis. Bro. Vogler assisted in the funeral service. Mr. Beck leaves one son, Mr. Lawrence Beck, one daughter, Mrs. Wm. McClain, both of Indianapolis; also six grandchildren and one great-grandchild. He had often expressed his wish “to go home,” and now,

“Our golden gates were opened,
A gentle voice said, ‘Come,
And, with farewell unspoken, Our loved one entered home.”

BETHANIA.

In Bethania the work of the Lord, committed to the hands of faithful and consecrated men and women, continues to prosper and progress with steady pace. The pastor is devoted to his work and to his people. The members love their pastor and heartily second him in every good forward movement. The ladies are full of enthusiasm, as is very manifest in the energy and push displayed in Sunday School and Christian Endeavor work. Now that the chapels of Alpha and Mizpah are completed the brethren have turned their attention to some improvements in connection with their home church.

CALVARY.

Since our last communication but little worthy of special notice has occurred in our congregation. The services have all been well attended and Bro. Grabe has twice filled the pulpit in Bro. Thaeler’s absence to fill other appointments. Bro. McCuiston has also preached for us on one occasion.

On Thursday, June 17th, the Sunday School picnicked at Ogburn’s Springs. The efficient manner in which the committee made all arrangements, the perfect weather, the universal kindness of the large numbers of scholars and friends present, all these combined to make this outing an event long and pleasantly to be remembered.

On the following Tuesday the Junior C. E. Society held its annual picnic in the Centreville grove, the special feature of the day being the buggy-ride which nine juniors took, all at one time, with Bro. Thaeler.

Another pleasant social event was the C. E. Social on Sunday, June 17th, on the lawn, on the 9th of June. Chinese lanterns, mirrors and every thing made the scene a very gay and beautiful one. A little before 11 o’clock the party dispersed, after singing a number of hymns and joining in several prayers. Thanks are due the Social Committee, also, for the delicious refreshments served. Young members and old were brought together, and the whole occasion was in accord with the motto of the committee, “Social to Save.”

COLORFUL CHURCH.

On the 24th of May the 73rd anniversary of this congregation was appropriately observed with a congregation lovefeast. The festival address was made by the Bishop. It was throughout a very delightful and happy occasion.

In connection with his work among the colored people, Bro. McCuiston has recently inaugurated a new movement for the benefit of the Happy Hill neighborhood. Week night meetings are held in the open air. Torches are used to light up the place of meetings, and the whole scene is called together, Salvation Army fashion, by the roll of the kettle-drum.

EAST SALEM.

It has been found necessary to enclose the premises, on which the East Salem Chapel stands with a wire fence. A part of the work has been accomplished, and all will be completed soon.

FRIEDBERG.

The congregation festival on Saturday, May 9th was, of course, the chief event of the month in the South Fork congregation. The day was a perfect May-day. The attendance from the country, far and wide, was large and many friends from town were heartily welcomed. Bishop Rondthaler was at Providence on this occasion, and all the members of the committee, with the exception of one member, were present. The address was made by Rev. Mr. Coman, a Methodist Episcopal brother living near by. The sermon was an able discourse throughout, and made an encouraging spirit abroad in the congregation. It was a thoughtful and sympathetic discourse, based on the brave and prayerful course of Queen Esther, and delighted everyone. The same can be said of the philosophical address on Commencement Day, by Dr. J. Max Hark, of Bethlehem College for Women. The latter part of May was given to the Commencement exercises, so it was a splendid opportunity for an all-round education of girls and young men, not leaving out the moral and religious training in one-sided quest after purely intellectual culture. When the eloquent preacher, in the close of his discourse took up one of Dr. Bahnson’s splendid water-ilies and showing its radiant colors to the audience, spoke of God’s sunlight of grace developing a girl’s whole nature, as Nature’s sun had wrought out this perfect flower, the charm of Dr. Hark’s oration was complete.

Wednesday of Commencement Week was Alumnas Day, and, this year, more thoroughly deserved the name of that ever important event when you merely looked over the assembly that Salem Academy had spread its roots deep and wide among the women of the community, and, in so doing, had, through the home training of children by their graduate mothers, levelled up the life of the whole town. Indeed, no one can, with any frequency, address the congregations in Salem church without feeling that his best efforts must needs be evoked by the fact that he preaches in a college town to an audience largely affected, even though often in indirect ways, by the well-nigh hundred years’ work of S. F. A.

After Commencement and its bustle and farewells, the rolling of trunk-wagons and the flighting of happy girls, a great calm settles down on the neighborhood of the old church. But it is fine then that the Square lies in its most perfect beauty—its closely shaven lawns resting in the shadow of the over-arching trees and the sun-beams tracing their way over the verdant bed of green as if they were the visible representatives of the blessing of God on the old church institutions which placidly surround this central spot of rural loneliness. It is one of those scenes in Salem which explain why her daughters, when far from home, are invariably long to be in the old home once more.

On the last Sunday in May, while the Pastor was preaching the Baccalaureate Sermon at Chapel Hill, the assistant pastor, Bro. Thaeler, filled the pulpit, morning and evening—as he always does most acceptably.

On Sunday, June 7th, the postponed love-feast and the communions ordinarily falling on Whitsunday were celebrated. There was a very encouraging spirit abroad in the congregation upon this occasion, and all were made glad by the profession of faith on the part of a greatly esteemed young man, Mr. G. Rogers, one of the boys of the winter class.

The month of June was not without its sor-
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President Cleveland vetoed the River and Harbor bill, which had as its object the expenditure of $14,000,000 at once, and the ultimate expenditure of $50,000,000. It was later passed over the President's veto.

A cloud burst in Missouri resulted in the death of 27 persons.

Prof. Langly, of the Smithsonian Institution, is said to have invented a successful flying machine.

The Bicycle is said to be taking the trade from jewellers, theaters, tobacco dealers, and even from saloon keepers.

Winston-Salem.

The Commencement at Salem Female Academy, took place the end of May, and was a very pleasant and successful occasion. Dr. Creasy preached the Baccalaureate Sermon and Dr. Hark delivered the Oration. There were forty-three graduates in the regular College course.

Extensive additions are to be built to the Arista Cotton Mills in Salem, and also to the South Side Cotton Mills.

Robert Jenkins, Jr., of Salem, has been appointed United States Consul to Patras, Greece, and will enter upon his duties during the present month.

The Cleansing Power.

There is a touching and true story told by one of our missionaries in India. In a track of a caravan a missionary found a poor man who had been cast off by his friends, and left to die by the roadside like any dog. There the poor man lay in the agony of death.

The missionary came up, and spoke to him in his own tongue about his soul, asking him concerning his hope for heaven and whereon that hope was built: and to the joy of the missionary the poor outcast and dying man replied that he had no hope in anything but the blood of Christ.

"Where," inquired the missionary did you learn this truth?"

And the poor man had just strength enough to hand to the missionary a single leaf of a New Testament, which he had kept firmly in his grasp, and which contained this verse from the first chapter of John's first epistle.

"The blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth from all sin."

The Eighth International Sunday School Convention is at hand. It will be held at Boston, 23d to 26th of June. Entertainment will be provided for all delegates, and the rate on the railroads has been reduced to one fare and one third. It will be a convention of great importance and enthusiasm.

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God is always ready to bless his people, if they are ready to receive his blessings. The long spiritual drought which afflicts many churches, while its members live in indifferent ease and sinners all around are perishing—this state of things is not due to God’s unwillingness to revisit with the Spirit, but to the delay of his people in asking him. “I will yet for this be enquired of by the house of Israel to do it for them; I will increase them with men like a flock.” In the light of such a promise we can see very plainly what the prospect is of special blessing for our District in the last half of 1896. Our District Conference is coming, which is intended largely to bring our membership together for consultation and prayer, and if we do the thing with one mind and heart, we may be sure that God will not fail in his part of the arrangement. The year will be given to us as a year of grace, when it closes, it will be found to have been crowned with his goodness.

The Conference will meet on Tuesday and Wednesday, August 4th and 5th, in the beautiful new Christ Church, Standing in its elevated and lovely grove on the west side of Salem, the newly consecrated church will, itself, be an inspiration to the congregation. Now it has become the home of an enthusiastic Sunday School, and the centre of worship around which the hearts of many members and friends are earnestly gathered. Thus God chooses “the things that are not,” and the Conference will draw the glad conclusion that if the Lord has done this in West Salem, and before their very eyes. He will do it in a many great other places to the spread of the Church and to the glory of His name.

The Conference programme has been so arranged as to give the fullest opportunity of consultation on themes of Christian work, especially for free speech and unfettered profit out of God’s word, with praise and with prayer. No congregation which wants to move forward this year can afford to forget or neglect the District Conference. No elected delegate can feel satisfied in the sight of God, who has failed to do his reasonable best to be present. When “they were all and one accord in one place,” then, “the day of Pentecost had fully come,” and so it will be again for the Churches of the Southern District.

With the month of July, Bro. WALTER GRABS has entered upon the pastoral charge of Friedland, Oak Grove, Macedonia and New Philadelphia. Bro. GRABS is not a stranger in our churches. His service to the District during the past year, has been of great value. The congregations have learned to esteem his preaching and appreciate his presence among them. His home, for the present, will be in Bethania, from which point he will make his regular visits to the above named churches. The sacraments will be administered to these charges by one of theordained brethren until Bro. GRABS has completed his studies previous to ordination. May the Lord graciously endow our brother with a still larger measure of his Spirit in answer to the many prayers in his behalf.

The recent appointment of Bro. GRABS and ordination of Bro. HOWARD E. RONDTHALER, have reminded us sensibly of the changes which a few years have effected in the Southern Moravian ministry. Not one of those who were bearing the heat and burden of the day, twenty years ago, is still engaged in the pastoral or in the educational work among us. The few oldest in the service were then young men, and the field is mainly occupied by those who have grown to manhood during this brief period of time. The Southern District is now under the care of young men, as it formerly was largely attended to by old men. The memories of these dear servants of God, who have entered into their rest are fresh and precious among us. The fact that God has replaced them with young men is a sign of his continued care over us. We are reminded by this silent, imperceptible change, how needful it is for us all to be faithful and energetic. The time of our service is brief, but if we have pleased God, the season of our precious reward will be sweet and long.

Sermon meetings are supposed to characterize various religious assemblies, but our brother Albert Brietz, superintends an overflow Sunday School, in Christ Chapel, each Lord’s day. Mr. Thomas Siddall’s class spills over in Mr. Robinson’s near by porch, and fills it too. The Superintendent’s class studies God’s word on the shady side of the building, while Mr. Frank Stockton, leaning against a tree, teaches his boys grouped around, sitting flat on the ground, bay like, beneath the green leaves of the Christ Chapel grove.

At Boston With Sunday School Workers.

“There are three notable conventions in America fast passing into history. The first already has held its session in St. Louis; the third will meet in a little while in Chicago, the second—and in my judgment the grandest of the three—holds its meeting, and begins its sessions this day in the good city of Boston. (Applause.) In St. Louis and Chicago they have been obliged to discuss the question of nominees to regulate, in a sense, or to administer the affairs of this country. We have to this preoccupying issue before us for we are here to proclaim, once and for all, the headship of our blessed Lord and Saviour forever, JESUS CHRIST.”

With these stirring words of welcome the Eighth International Convention of Sunday School Workers was opened in the city of Boston, on the 23rd of June.

For four days, superintendents, officers and teachers conferred and prayed together over the Sunday School interests of North America. From Canada, all the way down to Mexico, delegates gathered, who represented ten million Sunday School scholars, and one and a half million teachers, numbers so large that they fail to convey any definite idea, but which give a firm basis to the remarkable fact that the Sunday School is the largest of all divisions in the world’s religious army.

It was an inspiration to gather with workers from all over the continent. To the North Carolina delegation one of us, on the main floor just in front of the platform, was assigned.

Ten representatives of the Old North State were present, all, with one exception, coming from the eastern half of the State.

Just to our right, so that we lowered another one another when coming in or leaving the hall, was the large delegation from Ontario, in front of us.
Ordination Sermon.

SERMON BY REV. EDWARD RONDTHALER, D. D.

TEXT: — "Make full proof of thy ministry." II Tim. 4:5.

In the course of this service a brother is to be ordained to the ministry of the Moravian Church,

HOWARD EDWARD RONDTHALER is the son of Bro. Edward and Sr. MARY E. RONDTHALER, of Richmond, Ind. He was born in Richmond, Ind., on June 17th, 1851. He was a member of the Salem Boys' School from 1875 to 1886. In 1889, he accompanied his father on an extended tour in Europe and the East, during which time they journeyed through Palestine together. In 1893, he was graduated at the University of North Carolina. During the next year, he taught in the Salem Boys' School, and at the same time was charged with the Christ Chapel work in West Salem, and with the Fairview Sunday School in North Winton. Having completed the Theological Course in the Moravian Theological Seminary, at Bethlehem, Pa., he graduated on June 14th, 1897. At the request of the elders of the Salem congregation, he was called by the Provincial Elders' Conference to become one of the assistant pastors of Salem, with special charge of Christ Chapel, with which the Fairview work has likewise been connected.

In ordaining this brother to the ministry, we have an occasion furnished on which we may profit for the gathered congregation, consider the subject of the ordained service in the Church of Christ. Our text is taken from II Tim. 4:5: "Make full proof of thy ministry." The Christian minister is not, according to the New Testament, the member of a separate class of men, but one along with the state-hierarchy. This very name by which we love to call him, is, in the New Testament, applied to many others besides himself, who without special ordination, are busy in the Church of Christ, and who, as ministers of the word, are exorcised along with the ordained ministers "to wait on their ministering." It has been a sore evil and bitter perversion of the truth, which has, in some parts of Christendom, made the minister try to arrogate order of the church to himself, to dwarf their character, narrow their sympathies, and put the people a long distance away from ministers and even from God—so as if the minister belonged to an order of beings who came between a man and his Maker. Instead of encouraging in any way such error, the minister should rejoice that he is only one of the many workers who in each congregation is serving the Church of the Saviour.

As a minister he is ever bringing forth things old and new. His doctrine is not true, unless it is the old teaching of the Cross. He does not new mine his model, he does not apply to the new circumstances of the time in which he lives and to the men to whom he brings his message. Everything that he can learn from books and social converse, from current literature, from observation, from journeys, from nature, is of value, if it enables him to present the old Gospel word, with a new interest and with a new power of application. In his hands the old Bible is to become a fresh book— as if printed for the first time and written for the very people to whom he preaches.

The Saviour taught, setting forth the Old Testament truth in the light of what he saw around him, guiding the flowers, teaching the angels, even the plays of children, so as to make the truth vivid to the minds and hearts of his hearers.

The minister is likewise, in Holy Writ, said to be engaged "in the ministry of reconciliation," the word which he preaches, which he teaches, in public and in private, is simply the tool with which he does the work of the Holy Spirit. The minister is no mere sermon-maker. His thoughts must go beyond the sermon. He must ask himself: "What is this sermon to do? Why should I preach this one, rather than another?" If he is a true minister of the word, he has an object beyond the sermon. Paul puts the great, first object of our preaching, when he says: "Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God." It does not satisfy the true minister that people should come to his preaching, but that they should seem interested in it. He has an object in speaking to them. He wants them to win them. He wants to do this in a deeper sense than the lawyer does it with a jury. He wants them to give a verdict, not for others, but for their own souls and for Christ as their Saviour.

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to his prayer, that God loves those people, that He, as their Father, is reconciled with them through the death of His Son, and that He beseeches them to be reconciled with God, so as to become his happy, pardoned, Spirit-blessed, heaven destined children. The minister's thought with regard to each heir is this: "Is he reconciled to God? if so how can I help him in remaining and growing as a child of God—if not, what can I do in this service to gain him over for salvation and heaven?" Even when the minister preaches his strongest warnings, even when he proclaims the wrath of God, and after the frequent example of the Saviour, points to the very tires of hell, his object must, as he is a true minister be still the same. He is a minister of reconciliation. "Knowing the tenderness of the Lord, he persuades men." By his preaching he seeks to win them; by his pastorate he wishes to gain them; as he kneels by their dying beds, he still pours out his soul in prayer, that they may be reconciled to God and thus be saved.

The ministry, is moreover as Paul says, "a ministry of righteousness." It not only aims at this, but also at their sanctification. It works for nobler living in those committed to its charge. The minister is, by the power and blessing of God, a sculptor. The rough block of marble lies before him, and he is to shape it into righteous conduct and greater action. The best testimony to his sermons does not lie in the numbers that attend them or in the admiring comments that are made upon them. It is given in the better lives which his hearers lead; in the growth they go forth from the sanctuary, resolved to be honest in business, ready to make up quarrels, prepared to give a Christian example at home, determined to resist the world with its seductive pleasures, when they go away from the sermons; and this he can do without murmur, to be sympathetic, among the poor, the sick, and the children; then the sermon is showing its power, and he is honoring his servants.

This kind of ministry cannot be summed up in statistics. The number of its converts cannot be counted. Its fruits are largely hidden from the eyes of men. Its words are like bread cast upon the waters. And yet, when he returns, he can expect, at his return, after many days; often, when the minister himself lies under the green sod. As his ministry is one of righteousness, he must even turn his back some times on what is counted as success among men. He must be content to preach to less people in order that he may the more deeply influence those to whom he speaks. The records of a true ministry—a ministry of righteousness will not be made up until the Great Judge takes his seat of final account, and then it will be seen, how far the words and work of the preacher have tended to make men righteous, that is both forgiven and sanctified in the sight of God.

It might seem as if we were forming too high an ideal of the ministry, in thus describing its work. But we have simply been repeating what the Scriptures say with regard to the effect of this ministry in its various departments, acting under the indispensable condition of God's blessing through the Spirit. The Apostle thus describes the outcome of it all: "He gave some apostles; and some prophets; and some evangelists; and some pastors and teachers for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the min-

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THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., July 9, 1869.

Dear Endeavorers:

This month our column shall appear in the form of a letter from the seat of the Convention itself. I am sitting at a reportorial desk in Tent Washington now, while the waves of melody during the opening praise service are charging one another through this monster tent, seating ten thousand people. It is like sitting at the top of the cliff against which the surge of Old Ocean is thundering. But, though one could go into ecstasy over the evening's musical feature, I think you would rather hear something about the Moravian Rally, held this afternoon at the Union M. E. Church, 20th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue. To start in with, it was inspiring to find, upon arriving, that our dear Church is waking up to its convention possibilities. Think of it! There were 79 Moravian delegates there, answering to the roll-call! Besides these there were at least 75 Moravians resident in Washington, who eagerly came to greet and meet their brethren and sisters. The President of our National Union was chairman of the Rally, of course, but besides him there were a number of enthusiastic speakers present; Revs. deSchweinitz, Greider, Spurling, Gapp, Wolle, McCusston, Thaler, and others. The members of the church whose hospitality we were enjoying, also attended. The attendance of the Rally's time was concerned with the business which came before it, including the annual report of the Secretary, Rev. E. S. Wolle, of Philadelphia, which was most encouraging, as far as he had been able to gather the statistics and other data. I regret that our space forbids giving at this time even a review of this carefully tabulated statement. But, dear Endeavorers, let us be sure of it that all of our Societies are always properly reported. It was moved and carried that the Secretary's report be printed in The Moravian, so that we can all read it there. Then, during a short intermission of conversation and fellowship between the representatives of the four sections of the country, the Nominating Committee retired, and, later, nominated all the old officers for the coming year. The Southern Vice President continues to be our beloved brother, W. T. Spaugh.

Next followed the consideration of the theme of the Rally, "C. E. Work along Evangelistic Lines," introduced in a speech by the writer. He briefly referred to the statistics of the increase of our church membership, and pleaded earnestly for more progressive and faithful endeavor, to win the perishing souls all around us and in our very midst, for the Master. The blessed experiences that came to us in our great revival in Salem this Winter were described, and, at the same time, the manifest evidences of God's Spirit. It was also suggested that a memorial be addressed by our National C. E. Union to our Provincial Elders' Conferences, asking their consideration and, if they see fit, appointment of a God-called, well-fitted brother as a Moravian evangelist, who can be called upon for serv-
vice whenever the Spirit leads a congregation into a time of refreshing. This matter was later, referred to the new Executive Committee, with power to act. May God direct and bless their action on it. The spirit of the newer—and yet the oldest Moravianian—was shown in the earnest expressions of approval, and deep desire for a wide-spread spiritual awakening throughout our American Church, which followed in the thoughts of our needs most assuredly of this, that, under the spirit of God, we are going to hear much of this before our Church is a year older. And may all the glory be to God.

Another Moravian Rally will be held on Sunday afternoon, which will be of a missionary character. At this there will be addresses by Rev. W. H. Vogler, Rev. Paul Greider, and Rev. J. F. McCulloch. Of this more at another time. May the echoes of this mighty Convention of '96 be wafted into every Endeavorer’s home, and bring a permanent and a deep blessing with it.

Very heartily,
A. D. Thaeler.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.
CONDUCTED BY MR. JAMES T. LINDBACK, SALM, N. C.

Very much is said, in these days, about the use of Quarterlies and Lesson Helps, in the class, by teacher and scholars, to the exclusion of the Bible. Whilst circumstances must always dictate in how far Quarterlies may be dispensed with, it certainly is to be expected that teachers are sufficiently well prepared to teach the lesson, so that nothing is required in class but the Bible.

A few years ago, the members of Friedberg congregation, instead of using the usual gifts of cayuse, oranges, etc., for scholars, at Christmas time, presented to every member of the school, a copy of the Holy Scriptures. And now the Superintendent of the school, Bro. Jas. E. Penn, has brought it so far, that only the authorizing him to take charge of the affairs of the congregation, instead of providing the usual rested with the German Board. As the American Convention of '96 be wafted into every Endeavorer’s home, and bring a permanent and a deep blessing with it.

THE WACHOVIA MORAVIAN.

THE CHURCH AT HOME.
CONDUCTED BY REV. JAMES H. HALL, FREDERICK T. D. R., N. C.

For The Wachovia Moravian.

The church band is again in active service, after a rest of many years. The members are good musicians, and does good service. New instruments are in anticipate.

During the last week’s pastor has given a number of scipciatic entertainments at different points in the neighborhood, all of which have been very happy occasions.

The C. E. Society is doing well. An unfamiliar Moravian tune is learned at each meeting, and used the following Sunday in the church service. At each meeting a subject is given for prayer during the following week, which is proving a means of blessing.

The Junior Society is, at present, under the direction of Sr. Sides and Sr. Lehman, who are doing all in their power to make the Society proving very helpful to the little ones.

The pastor recently organized a C. E. Society among the colored people, with 17 members.

Sunday School Normal is now conducted each week in the Bethania church, by Prof. A. I. Butner, for the benefit of the teachers of the different schools of the congregation.

The congregation festival was celebrated on the 2d Sunday in June. It was a day long to be remembered. An unusually large and happy gathering of members and friends participated in the enjoyments afforded by the several services of the occasion. The pastor, Bro. Cross, was very happy in his ministrations to his people. In the communion service the largest number of Christian brethren and sisters ever served with the Sacrament on a single occasion, sat down together at the table of the Lord.

Bro. Flavius Lash is devoting his Sunday evenings to prayer-meeting work at Alpha and Mirzap chappels, alternating between them.

The members, as a whole, are at present engaged in digging a well in the church and parsonage yard, to take the place of the old and inconvenient well, that has stood on the pavement near the street.
res" were faithfully set forth, with lantern pictures and songs. The electric stereopticon was used, and extracts were read from the story, so as to make a connected narrative. An immense congregation was present, every seat being filled; and we feel sure that the Holy Spirit used this opportunity, in answer to our prayers, to encourage the hearts of his people and serve them still more for their life journey.

BETHABARA

The Christian Endeavor Society, of this place, enjoyed a visit on Sunday, June 21st, from the brethren, Clarence Crist and W. T. Spaugh. Fellowship is a characteristic of the C. E. movement; and such fraternal visits are sure to be mutually helpful.

CHRIST CHAPEL

A very bright service was held on Saturday night, July 11th, on the topic, "What we owe our country." With the assistance of several of the older folks and a company of most energetic children, the Chapel had been decorated with stars and stripes intermingled with flowers. Of course, the little Chapel was filled and the Endeavorers took an active part throughout. Interest was added through the recitation of a patriotic selection by Robert Grunert, and the rendition of "Home, Sweet Home," by a male quartetto, consisting of Mr. Thomas Siddall and the Pfaff brothers.

ELM STREET

On June 30th, the Elm Street C. E. Committee met, by invitation, at the home of the pastor, Bro. Thaler, where the evening was spent in pleasant social conversation and the study of the best methods for each newly-appointed committee.

FRIEDBERG

The pastor being absent on the 2d Sunday in June the Sunday School was conducted by the Assistant Superintendent, Bro. N. W. Shore. The Rev. S. A. Burk, Superintendent of the South Fork Township Sunday School Organization of Forsyth County, was present, and made one of his characteristic and stirring addresses. The preaching service was conducted by Bro. S. A. Spaugh who called in to his assistance the Bra. William Spaugh and Charles Crouch, who were just returned from their studies in the Moravian College at Bethlehem, Pa.

The quarterly meeting of the Juvenile Missionary Society on the 4th Sunday in June, was unusually interesting. In addition to the regular exercises Bro. Charles Crouch made an address on the subject, "Missions in India," and Bro. William Spaugh on the subject, "Moravian Missions in Alaska." The officers elected for the ensuing year are as follows: John J. Fishel, President; Rowan Woosley, Vice President; Fannie Spaugh, Secretary, and Carrie Fishel, Treasurer.

FRIEDLAND

Bro. Walter Grabs preached his introductory sermon on the 1st Sunday in June. A large congregation was present, and Bro. Grabs was wonderfully successful as the popular pastor of the congregation in a most cordial manner by the members. In the afternoon he was at Union Cross where he was also heartily received.

KERNEVILLE

Everything is moving along nicely here. The following brethren have been chosen to serve as committee for a term of two years: H. E. Shore, E. Kerner, D. A. Harmon, D. F. Ker-

Macedonia

One of the original members of this congregation, Bro. Richmond G. Sheek, departed this life on Sunday, June 19th. The funeral took place the day following, and was conducted by the Friedberg pastor, assisted by Bro. S. A. Woosley, who, for a long period, was Bro. Sheek's pastor. The funeral was conducted according to Moravian usage throughout, and not with Masonic honors as has been generally published. The attendance at the funeral was very large. The Macedonia church was packed to its utmost capacity, and many others were compelled to remain out of doors.

Mayo.

Many of our readers will remember the picnic visit which the Home Sunday School made to Mayo, not many years ago. It was then a very beautiful, but very retired neighborhood, where one might wander through the bush, and cross the old bay of the Mayo river, all day long, without perhaps seeing a single soul. Now the whole rise of land on the west side of the river, is dotted with houses; a street of stores has been laid out and built not very far from the spring to which we toiled in little parties, during all that summer day. Below the site of the lovefeast stands the great mill, with its noble water power and its great plant of machinery, of the newest and finest sorts. Brethren who were still boys, when the Sunday School went to Mayo Falls, are now men engaged in responsible duties in this very mill, of which the Superintendent of the Home Sunday School, Bro. F. H. Fries, is the President. The lot of land kindly given to the Moravian Church, by the Mayo Land Company, stands on the highest ground of the gentle ridge, in full face of that grand forest clad mountain, on the east side of Mayo river, which all admired so much. A handsome subscription is being raised for the projected church building. The people are anxiously waiting for a sanctuary in which to worship. Nor will their expectations be long delayed, as the corner-stone of the Mayo church is to be laid, if God will, on the 26th of July. Bro. Howard E. Rondthaler is in charge of the enterprise.

Mt. Bethel.

Bro. McCusston, the pastor, reports from this field that the Mt. Bethel Sunday School, under faithful superintendence is doing well; the present enrollment is 100.

On the occasion of his last visit, on Sunday, the 5th of July, preaching service was held in the new church built on the hill. This newest of our church buildings is now floored and under roof, and by the time Winter sets in, will afford a comfortable church home for that neighborhood.

On the same first Sunday in July, Bro. McCusston also visited Gwyn's Factory, and preached at this place in response to an invitation from Mr. Bernard Wurrescheke.

New Philadelphia.

An encouraging evidence of the interest felt at New Philadelphia, is evidenced by the newly organized Sunday night prayer meeting held every two weeks. The attendance upon these services held by Bro. Grabs, on the fourth Sunday in June, was very favorable.

Salem.

Some one asked with regard to Glasgow, Scotland, on a certain occasion: "Does it always rain here?" and got the answer, "No, it sometimes snows!" A month since the rain could have been asked in Salem during the past month. It rained on the Home Sunday School picnic, as they fled into the hospital shelter of the Centreville church; it rained on the rear wagon of the happy Elm Street picnic; it rained on the pleasant Stereopticon occasion in the Home church; it rained torrents during the ordination service; the showers fell during the recent Communion; the rain was falling heavily when we were laying the mortal remains of our dear brother, Edward Piolhi, in their last resting place, and so it has been doing, Sundays and week-days, in gentle droppings or in heavy down pours for the past three or four weeks. As a result, our Avenue never looked greener and more beautiful in mid Summer, than it does in the present year, and all nature is as lovely around as it can be.

But Saturday night, June 27th, happened to be an exception to the general rule, and our Fairview people used the evening to the best advantage for this outdoor ice cream Supper in front of Conrad's front yard. The great crowd, especially of young people, gathered under the light of the Chinese lanterns, and the busy sisters slicing their great layer cakes, and moving quickly among their good natured guests, made a pleasing impression. When one noted the good order, and greeted the younger and older Christian people and then remembered how disorderly this neighborhood had once been, as far as it was, at that time, all built up, the heart was moved to thank God for the wonders of his grace.

On July 1st, Bro. Howard E. Rondthaler entered upon his work as one of the Assistant Pastors of Salem congregation. On the evening of the 4th inst., he was ordained a Deacon of the Moravian Church. It was a very rainy night, but a goodly number of people braved the storm to enjoy this solemn and touching occasion.

Elm Street Sunday School was out at Reed's old place, on the 2nd of July, in a rousing picnic. There seemed no end of wagons, but they were scarce enough for the numbers of little folks and bigger ones who crowded them. The lemonade lovefeast was very bright and happy, with its long lines of boys and girls stretched on the green sward, under Bro. Eugene Ebert's kindly direction.

On the same evening, a Stereopticon Concert was given in the Home church. The pictures, covering the last quarter of Sunday School lessons were kindly donated by Col. F. H. Fries. The music was under the direction of Miss Alice Rondthaler. The occasion gave great pleasure to young and old.

On Tuesday, July 7th, a large number of Christian Endeavor delegates left for the Washington Convention. It was done, like everything else, during the month, more or less in the rain, but it would have taken a deluge to have dampened their happy enthusiasm. Two of the pastors, the brethren, McCusston and Thaler, swelled the contingent. Salem was exceedingly well

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represented at Washington and much good for the Church as well as for Societies will, doubtless result from this visit to the great Convention. On the same day, one of our most faithful brethren, Bro. Edward A. Pfohl, was buried. He will be greatly missed out of our services. The various prayer meetings are continuing in their blessed work. Never since Salem has stood has there been more prayer than now and the happy results are showing themselves in many a changed life. The pastor is giving two Saturdays in the month to preaching, one at Providence, and the other at Fulp. The attendance at both places is remarkably good for a week day.

SALEM FEMALE ACADEMY.

Now that it is vacation time things are very quiet about the Academy. Miss Query has charge of the pupils, 5 in number, who are remaining over Summer. Of these two are from Brazil, two from California, one from Florida, and one from North Carolina. Bro. Clewell and family have been spending some weeks at the seashore. Bro. Charles Pfohl, in the meantime, has been superintending affairs and, with Bro. Clarence Thaler, has been very busy mailing the 5th year edition of The Academy. By way of recreation and change a day was spent at Friedberg by the summer class, Bishop Rondthalner, Rev. H. E. Rondthalner and Mr. Pfohl being also members of the party.

NEWS OF THE WORLD.

BY REV. J. H. CASWELL, SALEM, N. C.

In the United States, the interest has centered about the political convention. The first convention was that of the Republican party, and was held in St. Louis, Mo. At this convention, McKinley, of Ohio, was nominated for President of the United States, and Hobart, of New Jersey, for Vice President. The most important "plank" in the platform is, what is known as the "gold plank," which makes gold the money standard, and rejects silver. McKinley is known to the country in connection with his tariff laws, some years since.

The second convention was that of the Democratic party, held at Chicago, Ill., which nominated Bryan, of Nebraska, for President, and Sargent, of Maine, for Vice President. The important "plank" in the platform laid down at this convention, is what is termed the "silver plank," that is, the party proposes to make both gold and silver the money standard. This places the two parties before the country directly opposed to each other on the topic which for several years has been one of great interest to the people generally. Each party accuses the other of being the cause of the hard times,—each party has both gold and silver men in its ranks, and the campaign promises to be a very warm one, and at the same time somewhat confused because of the conflicting opinions on the subject of the single and the double money standard.

In North Carolina politics, the Republican party is very much divided. Of Wilmington, on the ticket for Governor, and the Democratic party, has nominated Watson, of Winston, as its candidate. The Populist party which has gained great power in a number of States, has not held its nominating convention in North Carolina, nor has the National convention been held.

FOREIGN.

The Dowager Empress of China, died June 15th. She was actual ruler during the minority of the present Emperor (who ascended the throne at a very early age), and even at the present time, prior to her death, exerted a great influence over the affairs of state.

—A terrible earthquake occurred in Japan, followed by a tidal wave, which resulted in a great loss of life. A number of towns were destroyed, and the suffering was very great. It is difficult to secure accurate information, but the estimates range from 15,000 to 27,000 as the number that perished.

—Li Hung Chang, the famous Chinese statesman, is on a visit to Europe. He was present at the coronation of the Tsar, and then went to Germany. While with the Emperor William, the great Chinese statesman had his head examined to ascertain where the ball was located, which was fired at him while in Japan during the late war. The location of the ball was plainly shown by the examination.

—There is no marked change in the Cuban war.

UNITED STATES.

The Christian Endeavor Convention at Washington, was a great occasion, and a marked success, notwithstanding the large amount of rain during the first portion of the gathering. Many thousand delegates were present from our own and other lands.

—The Cincinnati Southern Railway has been sold, the Southern Railway being one of the purchasers. The sum bid was $19,000,000. According to statements in the papers the Norfolk & Western Railway is to be sold in the near future. The Baltimore & Ohio Railway is in the hands of receivers because of failure to pay interest.

—Very heavy rains have occurred this month, throughout the South, many streams have risen above high water marks, lives have been lost, and damage done to crops.

—A very sad and terrible mine accident occurred at Pittstown, Penn., by which 90 or 100 men lost their lives. One of the sad features of the case, is that the majority of the victims were married men with families depending upon them for support.

—Dr. Winston, President of the University of North Carolina, has resigned, and has accepted the Presidency of the Texas State University, at a salary of $5,000 per year. Dr. Winston is an active worker, and his departure from our State is regretted by many.

—The Confederate Reunion, at Richmond, was an occasion of great interest, and a marked success. Many persons from the Twin City attended, and all passed off in an enthusiastic and pleasant manner.

—The hotel at Carolina Beach, N. C., was recently struck by lightning, while a number of Winston-Salem people were in the building, and near to the place struck, but fortunately no one was injured.

—A large sum of money will be spent in coast defenses, both on the Atlantic and the Pacific Ocean. Fort Caswell, near Wilmington, will receive $500,000.

—The Amphithiere, a United States Monitor, took the Wilmington Naval Reserve on the ocean for a drill. The reserve have in charge the old Monitor, Nantucket, which served in the late war, about Fort Sumter.

Winston-Salem.

—The Aldermen of Winston, decided at a recent meeting, not to grant license to sell liquor or beer. This was a great surprise to the people, and met with the approval of the better class of people. At a later meeting they decided to allow the bar keepers, sixty days in which to close out their stock, and at the end of that time it is supposed that the town will be "dry." Salem has refused to allow bar rooms within its limits for any years, and if Winston joins in this matter crime will be greatly checked, many homes will be made happy, and many young men will grow up sober and prosperous, who would otherwise fall victims to the temptations of the saloon.

—When the Hon. C. B. Watson returned from Raleigh, after his nomination for Governor of North Carolina, he was accorded a royal welcome by the people of the Twin City. It was considered an honor to our town to have a citizen nominated to this position, and many joined in the demonstration as a matter of local patriotism, who belong to the other household of political faith.

The very heavy rains caused the Salem Creek, to rise to an unusual height.

—Many fine residences are being erected in Winston.

PRAYER.—O God of unchangeable power and light, look favorably on Thy whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; and by the tranquil operation of Thy perpetual providence, carry out the work of man's salvation; and let the world feel and see that the things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and all things are returning to perfection through Him, from whom they took their origin, even through our Lord Jesus Christ.—Gelasian.

CALENDAR.

JULY.

13, 1170.—Spangenberg born.
28, 1827.—Dr. Spangenberg, Treasurer of the Christian Endeavor Convention, Friedberg, N. C., consecrated.
31, 1752.—Arrival of first missionaries in Labrador.

AUGUST.

2, 1851.—Corner-stone laid of the main building of the new College and Theological Seminary, Bethlehem, Pa.
13, 1860.—Baptist Church of the first convert in Australia.
13, 1727.—Special visitation of grace in the congregations at Herrnhut, at the Holy Communion.

COMING EVENTS.

Sunday, July 19th.—Consecration of Christ Church, West Salem.
Saturday, July 18th.—C. L. Lawn Party, Friedberg, beginning 4 p. m.
Sunday, July 26.—Corner-stone new church, Mayodan, N. C.

South Fork Township S. S. Convention, New Philadelphia.

Christian Endeavor Rally, Salem Home Church.

Tuesday and Wednesday, August 4th and 5th.—Annual Conference of Southern District of the Moravian Church in Christ Church, West Salem.

Sunday, August 16th.—Commencement of Mt. Bethel Protracted Meeting.
Friday, July 30th.—Washington Echo Meeting, Bethlehem.
Monday, August 10.—Protracted Meeting begins at Macedonia.
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BAPTISMS.

In Salem, July 12, WALTER LEVERING KERN, son of Bro. Richard G. and Sr. R. Jennie Kern, also Virginia Leonora Kern, and HAROLD LEVY KERN.

At Friedberg, July 4th, 1896, WILLIAM VOGEL, infant son of Bro. and Sr. Benjamin and Sarah Tesh, m. n. Hege.

At Salem, June 30th, EDWARD JAMES, infant son of Bro. John T. and Sr. Mary Ann Glover, of Lexington, N. C.

At Salem, June 29th, RUPERT EUGENE, infant son of Bro. Hilary and the late Mrs. Martha L. Church, m. n. Moore.

MARRIAGES.

Salem Home Church, Bro. HERBERT A. PROOF to Sr. AGNES A. POOLE, June 28th, 1896.

Salem Home Church, Mr. CHARLES M. CADE to Sr. ELENA H. FISHER, June 23rd, 1896.

DEATHS.

At Macedonias, N. C., Bro. RICHARD S. SHEEHY, June 21st, in his 71st year.

At Salem, N. C., Sr. ROSEMA Lila WINKLER, m. n. Keeth, June 12th, aged 84 years, 8 months and 16 days.

At Centerville, N. C., CLAUDIA EUGENE, infant son of Bro. Raymond and Sr. Ethel Snyder, m. n. Daniel, June 21st, aged 8 months and 16 days.

At Salem, N. C., Sr. MARY ELIZABETH LANCEY, m. n. Plibby, June 13th, aged 53 years and 11 months.

At Salem, N. C., Bro. EDWARD ARTHUR POOLE, July 6th, aged 61 years, 9 months and 28 days.

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EDITORIAL.

Our Bohemian Mission work has, of late, been burdened with a growing debt, which has seriously interfered with its extension, to say nothing of the maintenance of the churches and orphanages already begun. It is a matter of great thankfulness, therefore, that the Lord has moved a number of friends to come to the assistance of the debt-burdened treasury. A brother in England has given five hundred dollars in memory of his mother; a business firm in Herrnhut has contributed two hundred and fifty dollars for the same purpose, and friends in Berlin have, by means of a fair, added four hundred dollars more. The question naturally rises whether we, by means of church collections, gifts of societies and of individuals, could not do more this year in the same direction? The Mission in our old spiritual home should be dear to every Moravian. Make up your mind, dear reader, to do something yourself, and that it may be surely done, send your contribution at once to Bro. James T. Lineback, Salem, N. C., stating that it is for the Bohemian Mission.

Our District Conference has come and gone, and will remain in our history as one of the most blessed assemblies which the Southern Moravian Church has ever had. The weather was very hot. It was hot enough to wilt away any ordinary enthusiasm. And yet, the intense heat did not seem to make any difference, either with delegates or visitors. A larger number than the former were present than on any other similar occasion, and of the latter there were always a goodly, and sometimes a very large number, as interested listeners. There were nearly one hundred delegates, which, for so small a body as the Southern Moravian Church, was, in itself, a noteworthy circumstance.

A great many brethren, in one way or in another, took an active part in the proceedings. More, in fact, did so than on any previous occasion, and yet, during the two days of Conference, there was not a discordant note, there was not an unkindly remark. It might be truly said of these hundred delegates that they were of one mind and of one soul.

Practical subjects, such as the work of evangelism, the Sunday School work, the Christian Endeavor, occupied the time that was devoted to discussion. It was a Conference in the truest sense of the term. Brethren gave their experience in the various forms of Christian work, asked each other questions, stated their difficulties, suggested helps and encouragements, requested each other's prayers.

This latter point was the real heart-centre of the two memorable days. Prayer was the real subject of the Conference throughout. A stranger would likely have said: "Why, these people are doing nothing but praying." It was deeply felt that without the Lord Jesus, His people could do nothing, but with Him, they could do all things. It was realized that they were not simply laborers, but, emphatically, co-laborers with Him.

The great topic of the Conference, morning, afternoon and evening was, therefore, communion with Him, the Head and the Saviour. Prayer flowed on like a deep, fresh stream through all the proceedings.

The result was what might be expected. The Lord, having poured out the spirit of intercession upon His people, next revealed Himself to them in answer to their united prayers. The Conference closed with a blessed sense of His presence. The last impression was not with regard to either the smallness or the growth of our Province; it was with regard to Him who, by His Spirit, is the fullness of His people, supplying their every need, until the times of grace shall be exchanged for the eternal ages of glory.

ANOTHER two weeks, and our Schools will resume work after the long Summer vacation. The Salem Academy for Girls and Young Women will carry on its work in the thoroughly systematic and conscientious manner which has won so many staunch friends in past years. In reading the Academy advertisements, we notice a slight change of wording which marks the progressive character of this institution. "Salem Academy and College:" is the way it now stands.

Our Boys' School takes on a new lease of life in this, which is, if we mistake not, its royd year. All Summer long the carpenters have been busy at work in the new building, corner of Bank and Church Streets. Here every convenience has been carefully studied out, so that our boys have, in every respect, a thoroughly modern school-home. High ceilings and abundant light produce very different atmosphere than that of the "old school-house on the corner." Our hope now is to see the boys all over our District drawn to this School, which offers first-class instruction, and a safe, moral environment at an exceptionally low figure. Friends and members visiting the town during the next weeks will do well to inspect the admirable arrangements of the new Boys' School.

Do you ever look over the table of "Coming Events" on Page 6? A progressive man is always looking ahead, and a progressive Church must know but one order: "Forward, march!" That group of "Coming Events" always keeps our eyes turned in the right direction—forward.

That, you know, is the way Paul lived: "But one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the very high calling of God in Christ Jesus." Now, if it is a good thing to press forward, would it not be, likewise, a good thing to pray forward.

In other words, will you not take this month's "Praying Bees," with you when you kneel on your knees, and ask the Lord's blessing upon each of them.

DURING these days, when such an earnest spirit of prayer is pervading many portions of our Southern District, the following extract from Andrew Murray's helpful book, "With Christ in the School of Prayer," will be read with especial interest:

"We have become so accustomed to limit the wonderful love and the large promises of our God, that we cannot read the clearest and simplest statements of our Lord, without the qualifying clauses with which we guard and ex- pound them. If there is one thing I think the Church needs to learn, it is that God means prayer to have an answer, and that it hath not entered into the heart of man to conceive what God will do for his child who gives himself to believe that his prayer will be heard. God hears prayer; this is a truth universally ad- mitted, but of which very few understand the meaning or experience the power."

FAMILY RELIGION.

The celebration of the Children's Festival, so dear to many Moravian hearts, prompts us to refer to a subject which is always in place. There is no month in the year in which we may not profitably enliven it. Revival meetings have their particular time in the calendar, but "Family Religion" every time belongs from January to December. It is the sweet, heaven-born dew, which keeps the plants of Christian life fresh, even when there is a spiritual drought prevailing in the Church. It is the lovely, moral sunlight, which prevents religion in times of spiritual revival rain, from becoming, as it were, damp, muddy, unwholesome. Family Religion is what makes piety steady, growing, progressive. With it the preaching of the Gospel keeps its mild, attractive power, all the year round. Without it, the most stirring preachers, even though they be perfect Elijahs and John the Baptists, can do very little to deeply bless and
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really to elevate the rneighborhood in which the sermon ring forth so m mightly.

If there is to be family religion, there must be good government. Disobedience permitted the parents, every time that it occurs, like a new hole punched into the bottom of a bucket. It causes the religious blessing to drip hopelessly. Good government is not difficult and severe. It is just as genteel as it is firm, and its strength lies, not in sharp words or bitter complaints against the children’s conduct, but in the prayerfulness with which the father and mother kindly rule their households.

Family religion requires a good example on the part of the parents. If the father is only a sign-post, pointing out the right road of conduct, without travelling it himself, it is not likely that the boy will travel it, so little harm much he is advised. He will follow not so much as by his parents talk, but the way they live.

Family religion needs to have a family altar around which to pray, just as much as a household needs to have a dinner table around which to eat. Unless they are willing, parents and children will not sit together and pray with one another; it is not likely that they will, in other respects, lead a Christian life together. It is as hard to keep up religion at home, by oneself, as it is hard to keep coals alive on a fireplace if they be half-a-foot apart. Let every reader look well to his Family Religion, and the Lord can fully bless the religion of the whole Church.

Our Recent Conference.

Long looked forward to, carefully planned for, and earnestly prayed over, our District Conference for 1836 is now an event of the past. In many respects it was a remarkable gathering, and as the result of the two days thus spent we may expect still greater things for our Southern Zion. The large attendance has been noted elsewhere, and is, in itself, of significance. Every congregation was represented, and, in the case of nearly every one, a full delegation was present. This means much more, too, than it once did, now that we have reached out to the North, West and South. Throughout the Conference, there was a very beautiful spirit of Brotherly Love, and not one jarring or unkind word was spoken from beginning to end. The foremost object seemed to be to get as much good, and give as much help as possible.

Five sessions were arranged for, and this year, instead of endeavoring to combine a large number of topics, the plan was tried of having one topic only for each session, and this plan so commended itself that it will doubtless be permanently adopted.

Most of all, however, was this Conference a Conference of Prayer, united and very frequent. We spent much time on our knees. On several occasions there must have been continuous prayer for an hour. Not only was each session opened with prayer, but it was expressly stated that prayer was in order at any time. For this reason it was a Conference of great power, and its influence is sure to be a constantly growing one.

Physically, there was some discomfort arising from the extraordinary heat, but it was a real inspiration to see how delegates and friends seemed to forget the temperature in their earnest attention and hearty participation.

The organization of the Conference was effected on Tuesday morning, August 4, by the election of Bishop Rondthaler as Chairman, and Rev. Thaeler and Mr. Charles Crouch, Secretaries. In the opening hour of Prayer, the leader, Rev. Hall, struck the keynote of the Conference in the one word, "Pray!" His remarks were all directed along that line, and, with that opening service, the stream of prayer began to flow which only deepened as the days passed by. Stated addresses throughout the Conference were rather than to the leaders hardness of doing more than to introduce the subject and thus open the way for the general discussion, which was invariably prompt and to the point.

Bishop Rondthaler spoke, on Tuesday morning, upon the topic, "Review of Work in our District." He dwelt in his remarks especially upon the extension of our work in the direction of church building, the gathering of new circles of membership, and the arrangements for larger pastoral work.

At noon the Conference adjourned its morning session, and members in all portions of Salem, especially in the neighborhood of Christ Church, opened their homes most cordially for the entertainment of the delegates. Very many, on both days, availed themselves of the rich spiritual opportunities of the Noon-day Prayer Meeting at Crist & Keelie's Printing Office.

Tuesday afternoon's session was opened with a Praise Service, under the stirring leadership of Rev. Croald. It was an inspiring occasion, as one after another the delegates arose and took turns in the chorus and blessings of extemporaneous song. Again and again came the testimony, "Brethren, God has blessed me in so many ways that I hardly know what to thank him for first." Thus followed one of the most important discussions of the Conference, "Our Sunday Schools," opened by Mr. James T. Lineback, who, of all men in the District, is best acquainted with the past history, present status and future needs of our Sunday School work. The second portion of his report appears in this issue, under "The Sunday School." The way was now opened for general conference on this subject. Various delegates were heard from in rapid succession, each one's remarks giving some point of view. For Croald, Rev. Thaeier; Centerville, Mr. Clarence Crist; Enterprise, Mr. David Tesh; Providence, Mr. J. W. Fulp; Stony Point, Mr. Lindsay Walker; New Philadelphia, Mr. A. B. Mack; Hamburg, Mr. Julius Slater; Mr. Bethel and Willow Hill, Rev. McCluskin; Macedonia, Mr. A. R. Sheek; East Salem, Mr. J. B. Plohl; Oak Grove, Mr. V. M. Sievers; Elm Street, Mr. E. A. Eberet; Colored School, Mr. Clarence Crist; Friedland and Union Cross, Mr. G. R. Reed and Mr. Jacob G. Sell; Wachovia Arbor, Mr. Thomas Bumner; Bethania, Mr. E. T. Strupe. At this point it was decided, upon motion, to hear from the remainder of the Sunday Schools on Wednesday morning.

Conference adjourned at 3.15.

Tuesday night's session was devoted to the Christian Endeavor movement. Mr. F. W. Grabb conducted the opening Prayer Service, in which a large number participated. The attendance at this session included many friends, who comfortably filled both wings of the church. The delegates occupied both rows of pews in the centre.

Rev. Thaeier, who led the Christian Endeavor conference, has his hand on the endeavor work all over the State, and is well up on the needs of each field. Christian Endeavorism in the country churches was the theme discussed, and the leader carried on a running fire of questions and comments with the delegates from various country congregations. Weak points in the work were carefully dwelt upon, and ways of remedying these fully discussed. Altogether it was an earnest, spirited and profitable session, lasting until nearly ten o'clock.

Wednesday.

If the weather was warm on Tuesday, it was warmer still on Wednesday, but the delegates seemed undismayed by the great heat, their attendance was prompt, interested and continuous. Best of all, as the thermometer climbed steadily upwards, the spiritual fervor and warmth of the Conference rose; each meeting seemed a step upward, and each one brought a deeper sense of the blessed presence of the Spirit.

Rev. J. McCluskin conducted the opening Prayer Service, making it a "quiet" hour in which we waited before the Lord.

The Sunday School subject was then resumed and very quickly the delegates were again in the midst of earnest discussion and consideration of this topic: For Bluff and Kernerville, Mr. J. M. Greenfield reported; Alpha and Mizpah, Mr. Flavius Lash; Olivet, Mr. E. E. Conrad; Oak Ridge, Mr. W. O. Seeseman; Fulp, Mr. Samuel Davis; Fairview, Mr. F. E. Keelie; Christ Church, Rev. H. Rondthaler and Mr. A. Britez; Hope, Messrs. Lewis Fishel and William Woolsey; Bethabara, Mr. D. T. Hise; Friedland, Rev. D. D. McCluskin; Moravia, Rev. Thaeier; Academy, Principal Clewell. Much light was thrown upon the Sunday School field, and many good points gathered by the remarks of these various representatives of our widening Sunday School work.

Before the morning session closed Mr. H. W. Foltz made an earnest plea for Union Cross Sunday School, and Mr. Henry E. Fries spoke briefly, and with great fervor, upon the need of having a daily Scripture verse and constantly praying: "God help me!" Finally, Mr. Clarence Crist made a strong plea that our Boys' School, in its new and commodious quarters, might receive a larger patronage from the country congregations.

The closing session of Conference was opened at 2 o'clock, on Wednesday afternoon. The first service, led by Rev. H. Rondthaler, was a rich season of prayer, in which very many participated.

Every one had looked forward to the discussion of the topic, "Evangelistic Work," with much interest, knowing the vital relationship of this topic to the forward movement of our Church. Rev. Hall, in his brief address, pointed out some of the essentials of evangelistic service, and, following him, other practical points were gained from the experiences of Revs. McCluskin and Croald.

At 3 p.m., Bishop Rondthaler resumed the Chair, and opened the closing exercises. The ministers and theological students were grouped upon the platform, twelve in all, while the delegates were closely gathered in the central pews. Some of the exercises were of a more impressive and touching character. A deep realization of the Spirit's presence was manifested, and when the
right hand of fellowship was exchanged during the closing hymn, every one felt more closely drawn to his brother, and newly inspired for the service of the Moravian Church in the South.

Who Was Present.

As noted elsewhere, the attendance of delegates was unusually large, notwithstanding the great heat. The entire roll totaled up the goodly number of 97, who were present, at least, at one session, as follows:

New Philadelphia
A. B. Mock
James Bruce
Samuel Davis
Parker Welsh
Friedberg
James Fieb"el
David Ten
Nathan W. Shore
Eugene B. Shore
John G. Crook
John J. Shore
Lehnert
C. Donelson
J. Timothy Fieb"el
William F. Lehnert
Lewis Fieb"el
J. Frantze
David Rose
Charles Crouch
William C. Lehnert
John Reish
W. T. Brew
Bethania
with Oliver, Minniss and Alpha.
E. T. Stevens
George W. Porter
Edgar Lehnert
E. A. Cordner
Burke Frye
R. F. Masters
J. M. Keshler
M. Yarborough
William Crook
Flavia Leeba
A. E. Boeber
Bethania
Jacob Sell
C. G. Reed
Lemuel Rollins
J. M. Greenfield
Charles Kerner
Watchtower Arbor
Thomas A. Butler
New Horizons
Oak Grove
Thomas Disher
A. L. German
M. W. Smith
J. B. Cooper
Macedonia
A. R. Seibel
Augustus Buehr
Bethabara
D. T. Hine
John LeJohn, Jr.

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"Why, old folks, young folks, and all sorts of folks, belong to our C. E. Society," said A. A. Magee, of Oak Grove, in response to Rev. Thaler's question regarding the ages of their Endeavorers.

One text comes into my mind over and over again during this Conference; 'God call-eth those things which be not, as though they were.' Certainly, this is true in a remarkable degree concerning our beloved Southern District."—Bishop Rondthaler.

"When we can kill 'old self' then God will use us to the fullest."—Rev. Crookland.

"Let us never forget in evangelistic work that it's through the WORD that men are to be brought to Christ."—Rev. Hall, in Evangelistic Conference.

"I move that this Conference return a vote of thanks, sincere and profound, to the brethren and sisters of this congregation for their cordial entertainment."

"We cannot meet thus in Conference all the year round, but we can meet in Conference in THE WACHOVIA MORAVIAN all the year round if you will do your full duty by the paper."—Bishop Rondthaler.

"Where can we find a better collection of hymns than in our own hymn-book? The more I study these hymns the more I find that they meet the needs of the people."—Rev. Hall, in Evangelistic Conference.

"Macedonia Committee returns thanks to the Salem Home Congregation for kindness shown during their visit and wishes to extend most cordial invitation to any of them to visit us at any time."—Augustus Bunter.

"Perishing, absolutely perishing, for want of teachers," so spake Bro. Fultz, in his earnest plea for Union Cross Sunday School. May this call for help go ringing up and down our District until Union Cross stands strongly and securely in its important work.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

CONDUCTED BY MR. J. E. LIEBACH, BALTIMORE, M. D.

Twelve Years' Sunday School Work.

"Enlarges the place of thy tent, yea not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes," Isa. 54: 2.

As we enter upon this short review, we feel that we are touching a subject that lies very near to our hearts, and that also lies very near to the heart of our loving Saviour: a subject intimately connected with all the best interests of our Church, lying at the very foundation of her spiritual vigor.

Our hearts overflow with joy and gratitude to our Heavenly Father for His gracious leading, and for the evident blessing which He has been pleased to bestow upon this important department of our Church work, notwithstanding our many imperfections and human weaknesses. We praise Him for His holy name, and implore His divine guidance and strengthening grace for the future, thankful to be used as instruments in His hands for the spread of His kingdom in the hearts of men.

At the first District Conference held in the South, twelve years ago, we felt that we were standing at the opening of a new era in the history of our Church. We felt, that it, our Moravian Church here was to exist at all, it could only do so through special and united prayer-ful effort on the part of all its members. We sought for the directing influence of God's Holy Spirit; we asked to be enabled to give the prayer for the needed grace and wisdom to enter into upon any course of activity that should present itself. From the beginning, our efforts were thrown into the Sunday School cause, and you know, dear brethren, how this work has, year by year, gone forward; how one school after another has been organized; how churches and chapels have been built, until, to-day we stand here, in a last completed and most commodious of all our edifices yet erected and consecrated to the worship of our Lord and Saviour.

In yonder little chapel, a Sunday School was organized by Mr. E. A. Elbert, superintendent in turn by Rev. H. E. Rondthaler and Mr. Albert Brzits. It remained for a time within the narrow walls, but, growing in numbers, in strength and in power, it burst its limited confines a few Sundays ago, and is now prepared, from this place, to diffuse its spiritual influence on all the little world around it. And what we have said of this place can be said of all the newer schools in the District, as far as there has been time for full development.

We have thirty-three Sunday Schools within the limits of our District. These may be divided into three groups: those belonging to the older congregations in existence before the year 1884; those established since that time with churches, or chapels erected, and having a church membership; and those having as yet no buildings of their own and no separate church membership.

The following are the groups, the schools in alphabetical order, with the names of the superintendents:

Established before 1884.

1. Bethabara, Mr. John Miller.
2. Bethania, Mr. James Kapp.
3. East Salem, Mr. H. E. Fries.
4. Elm Street, Mr. E. A. Elbert.
5. Friedberg, Rev. James E. Hall.
6. Friedland, Mr. Robt. McNaughton.
7. Kansenville, Mr. E. M. Butner.
8. Macedonia, Mr. A. R. Shackle.
11. Oak Grove, Mr. C. D. portraits.
12. Providence, Mr. James Fultz.
14. Salem, Home, Mr. F. H. Fries.

Established since 1884.

1. Bethabara, Mr. Flavius Lach.
2. Calvary Chapel, Rev. A. D. Thaler.
3. Centerville, Mr. Rufus Spaulding.
4. Centerville, Mr. H. E. Fries.
5. Christ Church, Mr. L. A. Brzits.
6. Fultz, Mrs. Mrs. M. Fultz.
7. Harmony, Mr. Lewis Fieb"el.
8. Mayodan, Church being erected.
9. Mayodan, Mr. Lewis Fieb"el.
10. Macedonia, Mr. J. A. C. Kerner.
11. Oak Grove, Mr. V. M. Seivers.
12. Union Cross, Mr. Daniel Hine.
13. Willow Hill, Mr. Franklin B. Hמסעד.

Established since 1884.

Having no Building and no Church Membership.

2. Enterprise, Mr. David Tsch."
THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

BY REV. A. D. BRADLEY, WINSTON, N.C.

"For Christ and the Church."

The Washington echoes, in delegates' reports and Rallies, have all, by this time, been heard, and now the question comes, "what next?" We do not think of looking eleven months ahead to another Convention, for the attendance of whose enthusiastic mass meetings is not the one assurance of the Christian Endeavor. "What next?" The answer of a young man, coming out from an enthusiastic Rally, will fit well here. The congregation was just dispersing, and as the people poured out of the door, a woman who had come to the meeting, but got there too late, said, "Is it all over?" "No, ma'am," came the quick reply, "we are just going to begin working." God grant that it may be with this spirit that we look forward over the days to come, we have heard the talking, now we are going to get to work.

Along this same line let us note another important point. The prayer meeting is the heart of Christian Endeavor, but it is not the whole body. A heart that pumps out the life-blood is necessary; arteries and capillaries, blood, feet and brain, to pump it into. And it is in this that the Christian Endeavor Society differs from other prayer meeting circles. There are plenty of people who are willing to meet to pray, but who are not willing to work for the Master outside of the prayer-meeting. It does not take such a great amount of pluck to sit in a prayer-meeting, or even to conduct it, if speech comes easily,—and there are many in our congregations who say, and correctly, too, that they can keep better meetings than the Endeavorers, but Christian Endeavor is striving to utilize some of the force generated in the prayer-circle, applying it to the performance of the many duties that are about us, daily devotions, Bible reading, church attendance, church support, etc. See the difference? You can find lots of electricity in the atmosphere, but it is not dangerous, until it becomes concentrated in the thunderbolt of earnest, consecrated action, does he tremble for his stronghold. Oh, that during these coming months we may thus surround the prayer meeting with efforts, in committee work, and in individual labors, blessed with the love of an apprehended Saviour, who looks down upon his brethren to know whether or not they be faithful.

—On Sunday evening, August 9th, several brethren went out to Oak Grove, and united in a warm-hearted and earnest prayer meeting with the Endeavorers there. This Society had been organized just three years ago. The third service was therefore anniversary in its character, bringing out some glowing testimonies from the C. E. members. A beautiful feature was the short prayer service held in the grove, before going into the church.

—It is well to remember that we are to give our bodies a living sacrifice—not a half-dead sacrifice, as some persons seem to imagine. —Drummond.

CHIPS FROM HISTORIC TIMBER.

BY MISS ADELAIDE PARRISH, SAVINGS, N.C.

FORSYTH COUNTY (Continued).

During the summer of '74, the Wachovia Tract had been half in Surry and half in Rowan Counties. This the inhabitants found very inconvenient, since their interests were all one, and a special Act had made them one Parish, Dobbs, although the Parish lines usually coincided with the State lines. The Legislature, therefore, meeting in March of that year therefore passed an Act moving the Surry line six miles south, so as to begin at a point in the line dividing Rowan and Guilford Counties, thirty-six miles from the southeastern corner of Rowan, thence running a due west course, to the ridge dividing the waters of the Yadkin and Catawba rivers, which line is to be parallel to Earl Granville's south boundary line (excepting where the bounds of the Parish are hereby altered and declared to be included in the said county). As the eastern part of Surry afterwards became Forsyth County, this Act explaining the noted southern line of that County.

In 1775, Marshall went to Europe, to attend a General Synod of the Church, held at Barby, Scopey, and was detained abroad for four years, on account of the Revolutionary War which broke out in 1776.

The following years were very trying for the Brethren, who, bereft of the counsels of their able leader, were at a loss how to conduct themselves in the changing conditions of the time. Before his departure, already, the trouble had begun, for as they refused to espouse the cause of either the Governor or royal Governor, both parties regarded them with suspicion, and they were several times called to account for rendering secret aid to the Tories. But each investigation proved them innocent of any departure from their claimed neutrality, and throughout the war they refrained, for conscience sake, from bearing arms.

In November, 1777, the Synod met, in session at Newbern, Ollin, the so-called "Consecration Act," which decreed that "All the lands * * and movable property within this State * * to which any person had title on the fourth day of July in the year 1756, and who on said day was absent from the State, shall be part of United States, and who is still absent from the same, * * shall, and are hereby declared to be consecrated to the use of this State; unless such person shall, at the next general assembly which shall be held after the first day of October in the year 1756, appear and be, by the said assembly, admitted to the privilege of a citizen of this State," etc. With these conditions the Brethren were unable to comply, for, although James Hutchen had, on November 8th, 1756, transferred a title to Frederick Marshall (who was a citizen of North Carolina), and had appointed Rev. John Michael Grubb, Esq., and Transient Bagge his attorneys to attend to making the transfer secure in America, yet Marshall was still abroad. The older and more influential members were, moreover, unwilling to take the oath of allegiance to the new government, and abjure King George, although many of the younger members did so. One of the Brethren was sent to Bethlehem, Pa., to consult with the church there, but they were in the same dilemma, and could not do it. Many people believed that the Moravians would surely be driven out, and entered various parcels of their land, including the town of Salem and Bannockburn elder, selling these more valuable portions at 50 shillings, Continental money, for 100 acres.

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THE CHURCH AT HOME.

BY REV. JAMES F. BALL, PARRISH, N.C.

RETHANIA.

The annual celebration of the 31st of August took place on the 1st Sunday in the month. Bishop Rondthaler and Principal Clewell were present and took part in the exercises, the sermon for the occasion being delivered by the former. The services were animated by the presence of the Spirit, and were of a very blessed nature. Two new members were added to the congregation, one by baptism and one by letter.

The C. E. Washington Echo Rally, on Monday evening, August 3d, at 8 o'clock, was a delightful and successful occasion. A printed programme was prepared for the evening. It was made up of 12 five and ten minutes addresses, interspersed with devotional exercises and songs. Many greetings were given by the Moravian societies of Winston-Salem, whose names appear upon the programme. The church was appropriately decorated with flags and bunting. The neighboring C. E. Societies were present in full. At the close of the meeting the visiting friends of the church were taken to the lawn of Bro. Egbert Lehman, near by, where they were served with ice cream and cake by the members of the local C. E. Society.

CALVARY.

On the evening of July 3d, the ladies of the Calvary Sewing Society had a very pleasant and successful sale of the articles they had made for the vacation at the seashore. This was held at the parsonage, as the rain, which had fallen in the afternoon, made it impossible to use the church lawn. Mrs. Mary Frasher is President of the Sewing Society. During the last three weeks of the month the pastor was away, attending the Washington Convention and enjoying a vacation at the seashore. The Sunday School and C. E. services were, however, faithfully and well conducted by the lay brethren; and most encouraging reports have come with regard to their efforts, particularly in the C. E. work. On the first Sunday in July the Calvary Juvenile Missionary Society, in the Sunday School, gave 80¢ to the work in Antigua, West Indies.

CHRIST CHURCH.

One of the brightest events in our District's life, during July, was the consecration of Christ Church, which took place Sunday afternoon, July 18th. This occasion had been looked forward to for many months by the friends and members in the Christ Church neighborhood. The day proved to be quite a pleasant one from the weather standpoint. It was an occasion very dear to the comfort of the many who climbed the steep hill leading to the church grove.

Shortly before 4 o'clock, the Sunday School scholars, who had gathered for the last time in the old chapel, passed in procession over to the new structure, the south wing of which is completely filled. Every portion of the spacious building was occupied, some five hundred persons being comfortably seated.

The new church, with its interior finish of light pine, presented a very bright appearance. The twelve windows which open into the main hall, prevent any gloominess; Christ Church has a "dim, mysterious light." The pulpit and platform were further brightened by the decorations of geraniums, roses and hydrangeas.
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from Mrs. Henry Reich and Mrs. William Gru- ner. The consecration service itself was accord- ing to the regular form of the Moravian Church, and was entered into by the large con- gregation assembled. Bishop Rondthaler preach- ed the consecration sermon, 1 Kings, 8:29: ’That thine eyes may be open toward this house night and day, even toward the place of which thou hast said, My name shall be there’. The Bishop’s current words received a very at- tentive hearing, and were followed by the act of consecration. A portion of the music was fur- nished by the Home Church Choir; the Christ Church Sunday School likewise took part, sing- ing very heartily C. G. Allen’s hymn, “Praise Him.”

At the conclusion of the exercises the ushers, Messrs. Journey, Franz Kinzel, E. Brewer and Stewart, gathered the offerings of the company, which amounted to the comfortable sum of $47.50. Many friends, before leaving, inspected the arrangements of this newest of our town churches and all were delighted with its convenient equip- ment for both church and Sunday School pur- poses.

ELM STREET.
The C. E. Society held, on the evening of July 31st, a very pleasing social. Regular printed programmes were distributed, and ev- ery number was well executed. These occa- sions are not in the least noisy, but are full of good cheer and profit to all. Light refresh- ments were afterward served. At the first meeting in August the Holy Spirit was most evidently present. As one and the other joined in the words of reconstitution, it was plain that there was a spirit of greater earnestness among our members than ever be- fore, and a deeper longing to be kept close to the Master. There were many requests for prayer that temptations might be overcome, and purity and beauty of life maintained.

FRIEDBERG.
A successful lawn party was conducted by the members of the C. E. Society on Saturday even- ing, July 29th, on the grounds of the Fried- berg church. The object of the view was to realize funds for the purchase of pulpits chairs, etc., for use in the church. The attendance was very gratifying. Icecream, cake, lemonade and flowers were on sale, and found ready pur- chasers. The net proceeds amounted to $38.50.

KERNERSVILLE.
On Tuesday evening, July 21st, Bro. Hall, of Friedberg, delivered a lecture on the special customs of the Moravian Church to an attentive and very appreciative audience. The Holy Communion was celebrated on the 4th Sunday by a large attendance of devout members.

MAYODAN.
The last Sunday in July was the appointed date for the laying of the cornerstone of the new Mayodan, Rockingham Co., church. This day fell in the midst of a very heated period, but fortunately the extreme heat was mitigated by the fact that the sky was overcast during the greater part of the day. Some twelve or fifteen Salem members were in interested attendance. The arrival of the north-bound train shortly after noon, and the departure of the south-bound at four o’clock, necessitated the holding of ser- vice between those hours. Plank seats were arranged in the shaded yard in front of the ho- tel, both yard and porch having been placed at our disposal by the kindness of the proprietoress, Mrs. Higgins. This proved to be a very suitable place for the holding of the preliminary services. The hotel stands upon the same ridge as the church, a few hundred feet to the north, and from the porch and yard a beautiful and wide view is had off to the right, down the val- ley of the Mayodan and beyond, the rolling hills beyond, while immediately in front, and just across the river, at the distance of a quarter of a mile, rise the steep bluffs, green with forest from base to summit.

In the midst of such surroundings, the first Moravian service was held in the new town of Mayodan. The hotel porch was entirely filled, most of the seats being reserved for the ladies. All the plank seats in the yard were occupied. Groups gathered about each tree, and, circling the entire company was a fringe of hacks and carriages filled with friends from the neighbor- hood. Some four or five familiar hymns were sung at the outset, in which the entire company joined with delightful heartiness. Valuable aid was rendered by Mr. Lehman, of Mayodan, who accompanied the singing with his cornet. Then followed the usual responsive exercises, printed forms having been distributed through the company. Here, again, the hearty res- ponse was a real encouragement, inasmuch as we were nearly all strangers to each other. Rev. John Cowell read the Scripture, and led in earnest prayer. Then followed the sermon, preached by Rev. Howard Rondthaler, on the text: “Jesus Christ Himself being the chief corner-stone.”—Ephesians 2:20. Very close attention was paid throughout the entire dis- course, after which the company passed across to the site of the new church.

Here the cornerstone of what will be the May- odan Moravian church was laid. By the thought- ful foresight of Mr. Fogle, a temporary shelter, which screened many from the direct rays of the sun, had been erected by Mr. Dean, builder in charge. Assistance in the matter of sound- ing the box, etc., was cheerfully rendered by Messrs. Brickenstein, Agee and Swaim.

Certainly, this enterprise is a decided step for- ward in our Church’s work and life. The build- ing now being erected, a beautiful frame struc- ture, of considerable size, will be paid for by private subscription. Mr. Frank Fries, who has pushed the subscription list, has met with much encouragement, although a strong and liberal effort is yet needed to complete the work.

SOUTH PHILADELPHIA.
From the 3d Sunday in July to the Thursday following a very blessed series of meetings was held at this new point of Bro. Croailand’s work. The pastor was largely assisted by the brethren C. E. Graf and F. H. Vogler, of Salem. As a result of the meeting a congregation of more than 20 members, substantial and well- to-do farmers, will be immediately organized. The Old Richmond Township Sunday School Convention was held at Mifflin on the 1st Sun- day in August.

NEW PHILADELPHIA.
The South Fork Township Sunday School Convention, under the direction of Rev. S. A. Burk, convened at New Philadelphia, on the 4th Sunday in July. Profitable sessions were held in the forenoon and afternoon. There was a full programme of subjects, all of which were carefully discussed.

WACHOVIA ABBEY.
On the evening of August 1st, a very pleasant gathering might have been found at Mr. Sham- elis, near to the church. Our sisters, Mrs. Wm. Pankler and Mrs. Mary Lashmit, had icecream and cake for sale, for the benefit of the church-debt. There was a good attendance of friends from the country all around, and over $43.00 was realized, which they brought in on Monday to hand to the pastor. Notice must also be taken of the faithful efforts of Dora Lashmit, who sold little bouquets of flowers, and the Lord will not forget her contribution to the success of the occasion.

On the first Sunday the Sunday School, un- der the efficient leadership of Bro. William Pankler, observed Children’s Day. The exer- cises are reported to have been very helpful and encouraging.

SALEM.
It was not necessary, during these past few weeks, to express the wish for “warm” meet- ings. If spirits were not as high as bodies were during the past two weeks the result must have been exceedingly beneficial. Still it has been a time of excellent interest in the meetings of the congregation. The heat has made little difference in the attendance, often, none at all. This has especially been the case with the Wednesday evening meetings. During the past month the exposition of the one hundred and nineteenth Psalm came to a close, and the “Songs of Degrees,” with their condensed pre- ciousnesses of exposition are not being consid- ered. It is pleasant to see so many people in- terested in the explanation of the Word of God. The Christian Endeavor, which meets on the same evening, immediately after the first service, is a great help in securing a steady attendance on both meetings. It is just their little pledge not to neglect the week-night service of their church which makes the difference between an encouraged and a discouraged pastor all the year round. A great many church members do not come to neglect the meetings, but, for the lack of the Christian Endeavor resolution on this subject, they seldom carry out their good resolutions.

We were reminded of our wide-spread Sun- day School work by the picnic of another of our Schools. East Salem enjoyed itself heartily in the Centerville woods on July 18th. It showed its up-to-date character in the fact that bicycle riding was one of the pleasures of the day. To see a patient teacher, walking up and down the woods beside the bicycle of an awkward learner, was, perhaps, as good an illustration as you could get of the affectionate interest in pupils which animates the East Salem School through- out.

The Home congregation showed its hearty interest in the Christ Church consecration on Sunday, July 18th. and with the Mayodan corner-stone laying on the following Sunday. Very many of the Home members were present on the first occasion, while quite a little body of them travelled the forty miles to be present at the second.

On the 24th of July the congregation had a singular evidence of the wide limits within which God makes the final solemn call from this world to the next. There were two funerals on the
same afternoon, the one immediately succeeding the other. The first funeral was that of our dear, aged sister, Lavinia Church, who was taken ill on her 80th birthday; the other was that of the infant son of Bro. and Sr. H. A. Siddall, aged 5 days.

Joy and sorrows lie very near to each other in the congregational as well as in the individual life. We pass at once from a notice of departure to one of social pleasures. Every reader would have been delighted with the Home Christian Endeavor Social, on July 28th. Sr. Antoinette Pogue kindly gave her ample lawn for the purpose. It was brilliantly lighted with Chinese lanterns and the company was a very happy one. Elm Street Endeavor has quite recently given a similarly pleasant evening.

Almost at the close of the month, there came another delightful occasion, a "Picture Concert," in the Home church. The beautiful pictures, thrown on the canvas by the powerful electric light, were enhanced in their interest by delightful music. Between 300 and 400 people were present to enjoy the evening.

The old Saumon Home church looked very gay and bright on the afternoon of Sunday, August 2d. Flags, bunting, banners and tri-colored shields, brought from the Washington Christian Endeavor, had been effectively used by the Endeavorers, who had brightly decorated the church in preparation for the Washington Echo Meeting. Even the staid old archéd roof, above the main entrance, was bright with gaily floating stars and stripes.

And the meeting! Certainly, it was a very healthy "echo," of the great Washington Convention. Mr. Ebert led the opening song-service, supported by a fine choir of Endeavorers; then came a brief service, by Rev. Thaele, of prayer and Scripture, followed by the address of welcome from one of the stay-at-homes, Rev. H. Rodndhaler. Mr. W. T. Spaugh presided over the meeting, and, in true Endeavor spirit, called down two of the speakers, whose zeal had caused them to exceed time limits.

Of course, as it was an Endeavor meeting, many took part. Amongst the ladies, Mrs. H. A. Giehr and Miss Addie Linkobe. Reports and addresses were also given by Messrs. W. T. Spaugh, Edward Mickey, Herbert Pfob, and Revs. Thaele andMcCulleen.

The two-hour service was full of inspiration, and served to put our home Endeavorers into touch with that mighty gathering of young Christians—Washington, '95.

NEWS OF THE WORLD.

BY REV. J. M. CINNER, B.A., D.D.

THE GREAT TIDAL WAVES.

When a catastrophe occurs in a distant part of the world, it seldom impresses us with the force that is carried with a similar horror nearer home. Still, the entire world was thrilled by the story of the great tidal waves which wrought death and destruction, first in Japan, and some weeks later, in Colombia. These great waves, which rose in lands like mountains of water, are connected with earthquakes or volcanic eruptions. It is well known that the islands of Japan are constantly disturbed by earthquake shocks, and it is only natural that tidal waves should appear in this part of the world. Since our last issue, one of these great waves rushed upon the island, scores of feet high, and carrying death and destruction with it. More than thirty thousand persons perished, and the section of country affected was virtually depopulated. In many portions there were not enough persons left to bury the dead; and now pestilence threatens adjoining sections, because of the large number of dead bodies decaying in the summer heat.

Before the horror of this disaster has passed from the mind, the news reaches us that another great tidal wave has swept over a section on the northern coast of China, and more than 4,000 persons perished. Here the destruction was as complete as in Japan. The people dwelling in the neighborhood were very poor before the catastrophe, and now that cattle and homes, crops and families have been swept away, their condition is pitiful in the extreme. These two countries had much to bear between war and catastrophe.

FOREIGN.

The disorders which have so recently been rife in Armenia have broken out in Crete, an island in the Mediterranean Sea, of Bible fame. The same old trouble at the bottom end of the universe: the Turks trying to exterminate the Christians. In this section the acts are more open to the world, and hence the work is more difficult. Greece is taking a deep interest in the fate of the Christians, and seems to exert more influence over the oppressed island than all Europe could do in the case of Armenia. Many towns have been burned, and many Christians put to death.

-In Cuba, matters are pitiful and distressing, and, as far as can be judged by the outside world, a settlement of the difficulties is as far off as ever. The Spanish soldiers, by the hundreds, are falling victims to yellow fever and cholera, and are perishing in great numbers, without having as much attention as is usually bestowed upon cattle. Several generals on both sides have been captured or slain, and the end of this barbarous struggle is apparently not in sight.

-Two men, Samuelson and Herbo, crossed the ocean in a boat 18 feet long, and without sail or shelter of any kind. The success of the venture was a great surprise.

-Dis has again been elected President of the Republic of Mexico.

-The "Three Friends" landed a filibustering party on the coast of Cuba.

-Li Hong Chang, the famous Chinese Prince, who recently visited Russia and Germany, and is now in England, will sail for America in a few days. He has some 70 persons in his party, and will be the guest of the nation while he is here. One of the peculiarities of this man, who is one of the wealthiest persons in the world, is that he carries his coffin with him, to be used in case of death. Two men in the party have charge of this costly, jeweled-encrusted piece of Chinese workmanship.

-The German gunboat, "Ibiza," was sunk by a typhoon in Chinese waters. Seventy-five men perished and the vessel was a total loss.

-The Rothschilds have floated a $200,000 loan for Japan. When the bids were opened it was found that the amount had been covered twenty times over.

-It is rumored in England that, on account of her falling health, Queen Victoria will resign in favor of the Prince of Wales.

-Hohenlohe, Imperial Chancellor of Germany, is said to be resigned, though the rumor was not confirmed.

-A dastardly attempt was made to assassinate President Faure, of France, in July. Two shots were fired, but neither took effect. The would-be murderer was arrested.

-Princess Maud, daughter of the Prince of Wales, was married to Charles, grandson of the King of Denmark.

-UNITED STATES.

-Harriet Beecher Stowe, author of "Uncle Tom's Cabin," died some years since.

-President Cleveland issued a proclamation, forbidding filibustering expeditions to be fitted out to aid Cuba.

-A terrible cloudburst in Western Pennsylvania resulted in the death of at least 15 persons and the loss of a million dollars' worth of property.

-SEPTEMBER.

-The Populist Convention, held in St. Louis, nominated Bryan and Waukon for President and Vice President.

-The bankers have put $46,000,000 in gold into the Treasury, raising the reserve to $106,000,000.

-Two very large failures occurred in Ohio during this month. The famous Columbus Boggy Company was one of these, and the amount involved is $1,500,000.

-Prof. E. A. Alderheim has been elected President of the North Carolina State University at Chapel Hill.

-A terrible railway disaster occurred near Atlantic City, N. J., by which fifty lives were lost and as many more were wounded.

-Ex-Gov. Russell, of Massachusetts, died very suddenly while in camp.

-WINSTON-SALEM.

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CALENDAR.

AUGUST.

17, 1787.—Great Revival amongst children at Hornet bum commences.
31, 1782.—First Moravian Mission to the Heathen St. Thomas, West Indies.
27, 1787.—Beginning of the Hourly Intercession.

SEPTEMBER.

10, 1888.—First eight converts from amongst the Alaskina Eskmaux baptized.
16, 1747.—Memorial Day for the Ministers of the Moravian Church.
17, 1792.—Moravian Mission in Canada begun, 18, 1867.—First English Bible printed.

COMING EVENTS.

AUGUST.

Sunday, 16th.—Mt. Bethel, Va., Protracted Meeting.
Thursday, 20th.—Fairview Sunday School Picnic, Ogmars Springs.
Sunday, 23d.—Passion Fork, Protracted Meeting.
Saturday, 29th.—Huge Corner-stone Laying, 11 A.M.
Sunday 30th.—Hope Protracted Meeting.
Monday, 31.—Re-opening Boys School.

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Thursday, 3d.—Re-opening Salem Female Academy.
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EDITORIAL.

The autumn series of meetings, held in many of our congregations, began exceedingly well. In each instance, as our "Church at Home" columns will show, there has been a manifest blessing of the Spirit, and a great many persons have already been converted. We study these evidences of the divine favor with especial attention. They are worth more to us in our Southern District work than any other feature of success. They enable us to say, as did a great leader of the Church in former times: "The best of all is that God is with us."

Every one of the meetings which have recently been so greatly blessed, had laid its foundation in united prayer. Brethren have earnestly prayed together, and have then borne simple testimony to the Lord Jesus before the gathered people. God is ever prepared to honor his own Word, but it is a word which must be spoken from prayerful lips, and be upheld by a prayerful spirit among the believing people in whose midst it is spoken. Then only does the Lord receive the glory due to him and, thus honored, He is able to do wonderful things for His people.

The congregation of Kerersville gave the District a good example last winter by arranging a course of Lectures on the history and usages and distinctive life of the Moravian Church. They have again come to the front in organizing a parochial school. A room in the rear of the Church has been appropriated for this purpose. Desks have been loaned by the Provincial Board of School Supply; a teacher has been engaged by the local Committee, which consists of an energetic body of brethren and sisters; a canvas has been made and a sufficient number of scholars gathered for a beginning, and now the school is under way. Most of our Moravian neighborhoods could do the same thing, to the very great advantage of their Church and of their children. Let us see which is the next congregation that starts a Church-school. Though the beginning be ever so small the effort will, in the end, richly repay those who labor in it.

The Moravian Lepers Hospital at Jerusalem.

Through the kindness of Rev. Wm. Vogler, of Indianapolis, we print this month an electrotype of our Lepers Hospital in Jerusalem. Although the cut is but a small one, it faithfully represents the splendid hospital building in which we all take such a pride, and concerning which we feel so deep an interest.

The little picture is worth careful study. The building stands some distance from the road leading from Jerusalem to Bethlehem, facing to the east. You can gain an excellent idea of the stony, rugged nature of the neighborhood; the land, however, though so rugged is fertile, and, hence, capable of cultivation. Trees are very, very scarce. A few have been planted in the vicinity of the hospital, but as yet they are too young to afford any shade. The building is three stories high in front. In the white space above the main entrance are the two words, "Jesus Healed"—Jesus help. The structure is of stone, with tile roof, wood being a very precious article in Palestine. The Hospital, something more than a mile from the city, is beautifully situated, and overlooks the broad plain of Rehob, dotted with heath-hills, and brilliant with flowers. On several occasions I conducted a service with these lepers, and they always listened gladly to the story of Christ. If to Christians, who are in health and prosperity, who are blessed with pleasant homes and kind friends, heaven seems attractive, how much is it seen to these children of God whose bodies are cursed with an incurable and loathsome disease! When they awake in the likeness of Him who died for them, their joy will be unseparable.

The Moravian Church is an institutional Church. It believes in arrangements which train the people, as far as possible, from childhood up. It is a Church as it is an army. It may consist of good people, loosely drawn together, who run away at the first shot of danger, or it may consist of a drilled force of good people, who hold together for the Lord's work even under temporary discouragement and defeat. One of our great institutions is the "Classes," most of which have recently celebrated their annual covenant days. It is a pleasure to see the "class covenanting" idea growing ground. The Children and the Young Men celebrated their days, and held their special meetings in August, the Married People and Widowers in September. The Widows and the Young Women had already observed their days in an earlier part of the year. There was life and interest in every one of these divisions. Many workers for the Saviour are found among them. The recent revivals in the Church can be heard in the very singing as it rings through the sanctuary. The essential idea of the classes is to spread the word of God and the storing up of the lessons of Jesus to each Class of the congregation, consisting as it does of people in the same general situation of life, having similar duties and similar temptations, and able, to a peculiar degree, to help and comfort each other. Thus a type of piety is presented suitable to the children of the congregation; another for the young men; another for the young women and thus through the entire Church.

The Saviour gave it as the last and most noteworthy sign of his doing Messianic work "that the poor have the Gospel preached to them." No Church loses anything by going down among the poor and toiling with them and with an intense sense of the equal value of their immortal souls. By a beautiful providence it will ever be noticed that God gives his Church a few earnest rich people, in order to supply the material needs; a few earnest learned people to meet the intellectual wants of the case. But the main current of progress runs along through the poorer section of society. A church is to this day, recognized by the same old sign which prevailed in the days when Jesus, was among men: "The poor have the Gospel preached to them." These converted poor, instead of being instances of the church's shame, are the
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The Sunday School.

Conducted by Mrs. James T. Longeneck, Salem, N. C.

How to conduct a successful teacher's meeting, is a question that has puzzled many a one, and now it is asked: "How shall we conduct a teacher's meeting for the study of the Sunday School Lesson?" Here is what one teacher has to say on this subject. "We have sweet teachers' meetings, and all take part in the exercises. Each teacher reads a verse, and it is then called upon to explain it, and so all round until the whole lesson has been thus considered. The leader then asks for points of the lesson that may be noted. Any one answers, and generally a free interchange of thought follows, during which the practical teachings are brought out. Having thus made sure that the lesson, as well as the relation of the Golden Text to it, is well understood, the leader asks each teacher separately: "What are you going to tell your class about this lesson? How will you begin,—and how end it?" This brings into notice methods which can be added, and proves very helpful to the teacher." We will be glad to hear from others on this subject.

The picnic dinner was over; the banquet repeat of fried chicken, pie, cake, pies, &c., &c., had been enjoyed to the utmost, and the meager remnants had been packed into the baskets; the children, the young people and the older people were scattered about in the grove pleasantly engaged in pastimes suited to their ages. The smaller children in the boxes swings, now more carefully attended to, as one of the little ones had fallen out, earlier in the day,—a teacher had also enjoyed a similar surprise; the boys, some rushing wildly along the water's slippery edge, for a bull frog had been seen; others, with careful stroke, steering a boat of doubtful safety, loaded with venturous girls, over the surface of an unmanned body of water, in which fish were very scarce, and ice quite out of the question; the young men and maidens, in companies or in pairs, engaged in games or chat; the mothers enjoying a quiet talk as they watched the unsteady steps of the little tots; and the fathers, seated on logs and chairs, in a group, whisking sticks and discussing politics. This was the dithyrambic scene: that presented itself to the eyes of one of the late comers. But where is the Superintendent of the School? And where are the teachers? One yonder, on the slope of the hill, a little removed from the noise of the children, seated on the ground in a circle under the trees, they are engaged in the study of the lesson for the coming Sunday. Let us approach, and silently join this band of Bible students. They have already finished the main part of the lesson, and are now considering the relation to it of the Golden Text, "Honour thy father and thy mother," &c., &c. Close and earnest attention as questions and answers are freely given, until the subject has been fully considered.

When this lesson shall be taught in that school, on the coming Sandhyi, it is but to be expected that the Father in Heaven will honor, own and bless the workers and the work.

He who seeks to serve two masters misses the benediction of both.—Drummond.

The Christian Endeavor.

Conducted by Rev. A. D. Thayer, Winston, N. C.

"For Christ and the Church."

The Inner Circle of Discipleship.

In studying the make-up of our Lord's company of disciples, it requires but a momentary glance to detect the existence of a difference between the attitude of some of the Twelve to the Master and the attitude of the rest. Peter, James and John are frequently mentioned together, and these alone, as having been admitted to witness some of the greatest miracles, and to be near the Lord at the most critical moments of His earthly life. These three therefore, constituted an inner circle of discipleship, and to these Jesus revealed to a greater degree the mystery of His being and the greatness of His power. Not that He was partial, nor did He do the other men an injustice,—that would have been entirely foreign to Him; but Peter and James and John had doubtless exhibited signs of a deeper nature than their companions, and the case with so many, the need of something more for wider development of the mind and for grander truths. The Master would not have chosen them arbitrarily, nor without an eager response on their part. They must have been the most anxious of the whole band to learn the mystery of His most earnest.

Something like this let us pray that the Christian Endeavor Society may be—an inner circle of discipleship. There have been in the long centuries of the history of the church a large number of attempts to get into this circle. There have been hermits, who fled from the companionship of their fellow-men and hid themselves away in desert fastnesses. There have been flagellants, who beat themselves with scourges, endeavoring to crush out the lower physical nature, which they wrongly associated with the sinful nature. There have been mystics who wandered off in the shadowy realms of sentimental vagaries in their effort to grasp the meaning of spiritual things. But somehow or other we are not satisfied with this kind of discipleship. It is not an attainment of what was sought. We are now, as Endeavorers, trying to become the closest friends of the Master, but in a new way. We simply promise to try to do whatever He would have us do. And how does He regard this? "Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you." There it is, in his own words. And the more faithful our strivings to do the things that He would like, the closer and the more intimate friends of His do we become, the further into that inner circle of discipleship does He call us.

There is sometimes a spirit of slight antagonism between the Christian Endeavor Society and the rest of the congregation. There could not be a more insidious poison injected by the devil into the veins of disciples than this. The Endeavorer is so much more than any other member of the church, only he is trying to be so faithful to the ideal of his membership that he shall indeed the mark of his union with Christ. He proclaims as a church member to renounce the world, the flesh and the devil, and serve Christ. As an Endeavorer he simply tries more deliberately to specify what that service is, and to faithfully perform all that belongs to it.

To a certain extent, it is true, this taking of the Endeavor pledge does, therefore, lift him on a new level of the average church member, and subject him to the likelihood of severer criticism, but of this matter we will treat in our next month's Christian Endeavor column.
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THE CHURCH AT HOME.

BY REV. JAMES E. HALL, FRIEDBERG P. O. S. C.

ALPHIA CHAPEL.

The Sunday School at Alphia always seems to be busy. This time it is an Autumn Musical Entertainment, under the leadership of Miss Minnie Strupe. The church property has been improved recently, a number of the brethren having met together for the purpose of clearing off the lot. Every Friday night a cottage prayer-meeting is held at the home of Mr. Tilley Kerley.

BETHABARA.

The 13th of August Festival was celebrated at this place on the preceding Sunday; the attendance on this occasion was very good, and the pastor and people encouraged in their work.

BETHANIA.

A helpful movement in connection with this congregation has been the establishing of a noon-day prayer-meeting, which is held daily in the church. These meetings are a source of great power and encouragement.

Bethania lawn parties have become famous in recent years, so that the pastor was not surprised to hear that the last one, held on the 29th of August, was a very successful affair. The lawn of Mr. T. J. Stauber was used, and an elaborate decoration successfully arranged. Amongst its many new features was a very happy social evening was enjoyed, and $435 was realized for the benefit of the Sunday School.

BLUFF.

Building preparations are being pushed at this point, and we can safely predict that, before a very great while, Bluff church will be added to our growing list of new church structures.

CROSSTOWN.

Crosland reports that the summer preaching services were periods of unusual encouragement.

CHRIST CHURCH.

This summer’s Sunday School picnic was an experiment, and, happily, a successful one. For the first time in the history of the school we have had many who came all the way, including those who have not been members of the church. The weather was perfect, and the prayer-meetings on Tuesday evening turned out splendidly, and the opening service was in every way encouraging. The pastor had the joy of seeing every pew in the body of the church filled even to the very front seat. Services will be held hereafter each Sunday night.

The high water mark of Sunday School attendance for 1896, was reached on Sunday morning, Sept. 14th.

EKEN CHAPEL.

The regular service was held here on Saturday, August 8th;—it was the occasion of the semi-annual lovefeast, which was followed by the Holy Communion. One member was received by the right hand of fellowship.

ELM STREET.

A good opening for the month was made in the deeply spiritual consecration meeting of the Endeavor Society. An important work is being carried on in the Weekly Cottage Prayer-meetings. At present an effort is being made to purchase a portable organ to be used in these gatherings.

FULP.

On the 4th Sunday in August there was a very large attendance at Fulp church. A service was held in memory of Mrs. Susan A. E. Matthews. She was a young sister who was deeply beloved. Her Sunday School Class was greatly devoted to her, and every one, in church and neighborhood, esteemed her. Mrs. Dr. Fulp continues her good work in the Sunday School. The Fulp delegates at the District Conference came back filled with zeal, and the weekly prayer-meeting, at once, felt the influence.

FAIRVIEW.

Sunday School work at this important point has continued steadily during the very hot weather; while the prayer-meetings on Tuesday nights have grown in an encouraging manner.

On August 20th a very successful Sunday School picnic was held at Ogburn’s Springs; where there were between 150 and 175 in attendance.

As it happened that the picnic fell on the day for Teachers’ Meeting, and as the teachers were unwilling to drop their weekly gathering, the lesson for the next Sunday was studied in the grove, the teachers gathering in a circle shortly after dinner. This novel feature of a Sunday School picnic proved inspiring and helpful.

Mrs. Irvin Blum has been added to the teaching force, having in charge the important mothers’ class.

Regular preaching has been appointed at Fairview on the second Sunday of each month, immediately after Sunday School.

FRIEDBERG.

The 13th of August Festival was celebrated in this congregation on the second Sunday. In connection with the afternoon lovefeast, Rev. David Woosley, of Friedberg, spoke on his prospective mission work among the Indians of Southern California. About 150 persons partook of the Holy Communion.

HOPE.

The closing days of August were bright days for the Hope congregation. On Saturday, the 29th, a very large congregation was gathered to attend the dedication of the new Hope church. Bishop Rondthaler conducted the services, preaching the dedicatory sermon. Rev. Hall, pastor, was assisted by Revs. McLain, Patterson, Sam’l Woosley, and Seminary Students Spaul and Crouch. The occasion was one of much joy and marks a decided step forward in the Hope church.

At the close of the service Pastor Hall addressed the congregation, and received two members by confirmation, an adult baptism having occurred on the same day. The collection towards the building amounted to $25. At night student Crouch preached, and on Sunday the protracted meeting was commenced. The services continued until Friday night, and accomplished marked results, both among professing Christians and the unsaved. On Monday, Holy Communion was celebrated, 40 persons partaking.

After this service a local organization was formed, the following Brethren being chosen as the Committee: Wesley Bonar, Henry Johnson, Alex. Patterson, Frank Jones, Eugene
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Spaugh. The pastor was assisted by Rev. McCuiston and students Spaugh and Crouch.

KERNERSVILLE.

The most important movement of the month in this congregation was the establishment of a Moravian Parochial School. The committee chosen as School Board is as follows: Mrs. H. E. Shore, Miss Tilla Harmon, J. Gilmer Ker-ner, J. M. Greenfield and David Kerher. This committee elected as teacher Miss Cora Gallow- way. The church vestry has been suitably fitted up with the necessary appliances, and the new parochial school is now under way.

MACEDONIA.

Like Mt. Bethel, Macedonia has been greatly blessed during the past month. Special services were commenced on Sunday, August 9th, by the pastor, Mr. F. W. Grabb. Three services daily were held during the next five days, Bishop Rondthaler and Rev. McCuiston assisting. During the month of August, twenty-five two hundred, while the adjoining lecture room had taken a stand for Christ Jesus, and had confessed Him before men.

MAYODA.

Work on the new church building is steadily progressing, and, now that the walls are up and roof completed, its goodly proportions are ap- parent.

The main church hall will probably seat over two hundred, while the adjoining lecture room will afford seating for one hundred and fifty more. These rooms will communicate by roll- ing doors, so that when necessary the two can be made.

Several very encouraging prayer-meetings have been held, and we may hope for an awak­ening of spiritual interest when the new church home is opened.

MIZPAH.

The last Sunday in August was a notable oc­casion in connection with the Mizpa church. At eleven o'clock the pastor, Rev. E. S. Crosland, preached an earnest sermon to an attentive au­dience, which was followed by the reception of three into membership, to form the nucleus of the Mizpa branch of Bethania congregation.

A Salemite, recently present at the Young Men's Prayer Meeting, reports a stirring and earnest service, carried on by the young men themselves.

MORAVIA.

This is a new name to our readers, except in connection with Sunday School advance, but we hope shortly to be able to enroll it regularly in the list of organized congregations under duly appointed pastoral charge. For a long time a little Sunday School had been superin­ tended by Mrs. R. B. Kerher, about three miles below Oak Ridge, in Guilford county. When this earnest Christian woman first went out and taught in the children of families that had strange to say, been for many years without Christian influence, the only place in which the Sunday School could be held was a little log school house. Such evident blessing was there poured out, however, that it was resolved to build a church; an acre of land was donated by Mr. Roberta, a neighbor, and funds were solicited. As the result of the pluck and per­severance of Mrs. Kerher and her few co-labor­ers, a very neat and comfortable church now occupies a prominent site on the public road between Oak Ridge and Summfield; and in this church, beginning on Sunday, August 9th, a series of meetings were begun by Rev. A. D. Thaler. On Monday, Mr. J. T. Lineback, who is always so intensely interested in Sunday School work, came down, and assisted mate­rially in the visiting of every house in the neigh­borhood; and on Wednesday evening Mr. H. C. Rondthaler was present and delivered an earnest and plain sermon. The series of meet­ings closed on Friday evening with a testimony meeting, overflowing with gratitude to our good Lord, for 20 persons had made profession of their faith in Jesus as their Saviour; of these 7 were fathers of families. Verily, we have much to thank God for. A circle of Moravian mem­bership will be very shortly gathered at this point, to be known as a congrega­tion. There yet remains some plastering to be done in the church, besides the painting of the whole structure, to protect it against the weather. Besides this there are about $10 to be paid on what has been done. Will not some kind friends feel disposed to assist this cause by a contribution to the building fund, in order that this new field may be entered entirely un­hampered by indebtedness? God has led us into this new county, and we believe that it is thus he is beginning to widen the influence of the Church we all love so well.

M. BETHEL.

The month of August has witnessed a great outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the important work of our Church among the Blue Ridge mountains. The special services were com­menced on Sunday the 16th of August. During the preceding week, Mr. Chas. Crouch, or Friedberg, one of our Seminary students, had been engaged in preaching and house to house visitation throughout the neighborhood. The meetings continued from Sunday until Friday Rev. McCuiston, the pastor, was assisted by Rev. Crosland, of Bethania. Twenty-two per­sons confessed Christ as their Lord and Saviour.

NEW PHILADELPHIA.

On Saturday, 8th uniform, the August festival was held, the pastor, Rev. McCuiston, being assisted by Rev. Crosland. In these services, especially in the Holy Communion, the presence of the Holy Spirit was deeply felt. Ten days later Rev. Sam'l Woosely conducted the burial ser­vices of Mrs. Caroline Pope.

OAK GROVE.

The first event at this point for the month of August was the anniversary of the Endeavor Society on August 9th. Rev. Thaler presided over a brief and cheerful meeting. Dur­ing the past three years the Endeavor move­ment has had a strong footing in the Oak Grove congregation and much good has resulted there­from. As this society starts into its fourth year of work in the Master's cause, it has the warm sympathy and best wishes of all our Southern Endeavorers.

On Sunday, the 16th, Mr. Grabb, the pastor, preached at an unusually large con­gregation. During the afternoon he visited the neighboring Sunday School at Craig's School­house, Monday and Tuesday following were given to the important work of congregational visitation.

OAK RIDGE.

On Sunday, August 30th, there began at this Sunday School a wonderful series of meetings under the leadership of the Superintendent, Bro. W. O. Sesseman, who was assisted by several brethren from Salem, including Bishop Rond­thaler and Rev. McCuiston. Bro. Ernest Stock­ton was Bro. Sesseman's principal assistant. The manifestations of the Holy Spirit were due mainly, to the great amount of prayer and per­sonal work. The Lord accepted the week's labors by the conversion of thirty souls, some so of which will soon be added to the New Philadel­phia congregation.

PLEASANT FORK.

“The series of meetings has done more for Pleasant Fork than any meetings I have known;” says Walker, of the Providence congregation, who is always so intensely interested in Sunday School work, came down, and assisted by Rev. McCuiston preached in the church, besides the painting of the whole structure, to protect it against the weather. Besides this there are about $10 to be paid on what has been done. Will not some kind friends feel disposed to assist this cause by a contribution to the building fund, in order that this new field may be entered entirely un­hampered by indebtedness? God has led us into this new county, and we believe that it is thus he is beginning to widen the influence of the Church we all love so well.

STONEY POINT.

On Sunday, Sept. 6th, the Sunday School at this place completed its first year of work. Perhaps Stony Point is a new name to you. About two and one-half miles to the north of Walker­town, just to the right of the N. & W. R. track, stands a new school-house known as Stony Point. Here, one year ago, Mr. J. D. Walker, of the Providence congregation, organized a Moravian Sunday School, which has been well attended, and has appeared to be an encouraging work. On the Sunday above mentioned Rev. McCuiston preached in the school house to a large number of people. In fact, the building was so crowded that the boys gathered on the platform around the speaker's feet, reminding of the way Paul was taught.

SALEM.

The month of August, is the festal month of our Salem congregational year. It has been a very happy month this year. Much interest has been shown in the services, notwithstanding the very great and protracted heat. It required some degree of enthusiasm to enjoy a lovefeast, with the thermometer standing at 102° in the shade, but the thing was done.

The first of the Festal occasions was the cele­bration of the blessing of Aug. 1727, on Sunday, Aug. 9th. In the first meeting of the day, the story of the gracious outpouring of the Spirit on the fathers was told. Then followed the festal sermon on the words: “Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, to-day and forever.” Heb. 13:8. The Communion Lovefeast was largely attended, as were the communions. The Lord was evidently present among his people. In the afternoon, Bro. and Sr. William Church were received into the communion.

The Children's Day was celebrated on the 15th, and that of the Single Brethren and Older Boys' on the 30th, after the usual happy man-
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NEWS OF THE WORLD.
BY EVA, J. B. CLEWELL, SALEM, N. C.

The month has been filled with a number of events of special interest, some dark, some bright in their nature. Among the former, we note the following:

-Massacres in Constantinople.—About the end of August it became apparent that trouble was afoot, and on the following days there was a struggle between the Turks and Armenians, which resulted in the death of thousands of persons. It is stated that at one point more than 100 cars passed, each loaded with the bodies of people, and a deep and tearful interest in the cause was manifested.

-Woosley's Visit.—It was pleasant to see the friendly greetings of the people, and a deep interest in the welfare of this great religious evangelist. The singer of the day was Mr. David Woosley, on their long way to their Missionary Society.

-The First Brick.—On August 18th, the first brick for the foundation had been laid, under the auspices of speeding our bro. and sister David Woosley. May the Lord bless them in all their labors.

-Our Church.—A very large audience was present at the services of the church. A very large audience was present at the service of the church.

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-The Lord's Visit.—It will be remembered that this famous Chinaman was before the world during the Japanese-Chinese war, because of the disaster he suffered at the hands of his master, the Emperor. He lost his Yellow Jacket and his Peacock Feather, but all were later restored to him, as well as all his power.

-On His Visit.—It was pleasant to see the singular gift of the congregation, who lighted a fire of petal and exercised their faith in the benefit of the rest, and especially of the little children. These take a great interest in the concerts. Their own songs and the rendering of the white couple, and a deep interest in the welfare of this great religious evangelist.

-The Plan of the Day.—On the last Friday of each month, our church, the church in the town of New York, New York, Philadelphia, and Washington, is very much interested in the great, but kindly old man. Our space forbids details, but we cannot refrain from calling to attention the oddities of this visitor from the other side of the world. When he met ladies, as a mark of respect he asked their age, and with distinguished men he always inquired what was their salary. He traveled with nearly 1,000 attendants, and two of these attendants he assigned to the task of caring for his coffin, which he carried with him. This man is very aggressive, and what progress is made in China in the near future will be due to him.

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-Politics.—Nothing approaches the interest shown by the papers in the various places of the political field. There are now four or more candidates for President, as follows: McKinley, the Republican candidate, in favor of Gold Standard. Bryan, the Silver Democrat and Silver Populist nominee. Palmer, the Gold Democrat and Levering, the Prohibition. There are many points which cross and re-cross in the various fields, and an element of uncertainty exists in every direction. The struggle has called forth much bitterness, and promises to become still more so as the election approaches. In our own community all good people rejoice that by the action of the Winston Aldermen, that town has a house and a number of brief and appropriate addresses were made.

-Steamboat.—On August 1st, the new boat School was opened, under the happiest circumstances. The builder, Bro. Christian Fogle, had completed the large and beautiful building to the very day. The celebration for the foundation had been laid on April 15th, and, according to the promise, everything was ready for the opening day of the fall session, August 31st. The members of the School Board, the Teachers, Prof. Brower, Coder, Lange, Stahl, Mr. St. E. Stevens, Rev. J. H. Clewell of the Academy, Rev. J. F. McCallum, Rev. Dr. Brown of the First Baptist Church, Bro. Williams, Mr. W. E. Stahl, and other friends, were present, with over 60 persons. The first hymn sung in the new house was: "Jesus makes my heart leap for joy," and a number of brief and appropriate addresses were made.

-Foreign.—Nansen, the Arctic explorer has returned, having reached a point 200 miles nearer the North Pole than any other man.

-Baron Zedwitz was killed in a yacht race in English waters.

-The Turkish ambassadors are in Crete and are endeavoring to restore peace to this much afflicted island.

-Both China and Japan have again suffered great loss of life and property from earthquake and tornado.

-Prof. Palmiere, of Veuvius meteorological fame, is dead.

-A brief but very severe storm visited Paris. Fortunately there was not a great loss of life, but the damage to property was very great.

-The name of "Three Friends" was landed on a cargo of arms and men in Cuba, for the insurgents.

-England has increased the discount rates, to check the flow of gold to America. Twenty-three million dollars have been sent over in the past few weeks.

-United States.—The heat during the first half of August was unusually severe. In Greater New York City, from August 5th to the 12th, there were 621 deaths from heat, and 1,555 admissions in the hospitals.

-A New York fire on the 27th, there were 335 deaths in New York proper, from all causes, 123 from heat. This is the largest number of deaths the city has ever had in its history.

-The New York Heart's ice fund for the poor, reached $12,500 by the middle of August.

-President Cleveland met Li Hung Chang in New York.

-Bryan, the Democratic and Populist silver carpet, spoke in Greenboro the 17th of September to a large company.

-Railroad freight rates are being cut in a rate war between the Southern roads.

-The famous business house founded by A. T. Stewart failed, with heavy liabilities.

-The new warship Brooklyn is the swiftest war vessel afloat.

-Prof. Fowler, the famous philologist, is dead.

-There have been a number of bank failures in New Orleans.

-Winston-Salem.

The various schools in the "Twin-City" have resumed work, all being well attended. The Boy's School now occupies its new quarters, and the Academy has added many improvements during the year.

-The new court house continues to be pushed forward toward completion, and will be a fine structure when finished.

-The sudden death of Capt. J. W. Goslin was not only a great loss to our church and community, but also to the entire State.

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SOME MORAVIAN GEOGRAPHY.

We are glad, at length, to be able to present to our readers an outline map of our stations in the Southern District, which is well worthy of study.

The dotted lines indicate the boundary of Forsyth County, the railroads being marked as usual.

A little south of the center of the county, at the junction of the railroads, lies Salem, with its group of congregations: Bethania, Nos. 1 to 8.

Between Salem and Greensboro is located Kerner'sville, 13, with its encouraging branch Bluff, 11. Some 8 miles N. E., in Guilford County, is one of the newest congregations, Moravia, 13.

Northward from Salem, along the N. & W. are Oak Grove, 14, and Stony Point, 13, in Forsyth County, Fulp, 29, in Stokes County, and Mayodan, 30, in Rockingham.

Away up in the N. W. corner are our two Virginia stations, venerable Mt. Bethel, 32, and youthful Willow Hill, 33—both lying upon the South-eastern slope of the Blue Ridge Mts.

The North-western portion of Forsyth contains four congregations in the Bethania group, i. e., Bethania, 25, Olivet, 24, Miraph, 27, and Alpha, 26.

Bethabara, 23, (Old Town), the first Moravian settlement in North Carolina, lies S. E. from Bethania, and Wachovia Arbor, 17, of very recent years, will be found between Bethabara and Salem.

Across the Yadkin River is Macedonia, 21, at present our only point in Davie County. Old Hope, 18, which has recently taken on a new lease of life, brings us near to New Philadelphia, 22, with its neighboring points, Oak Ridge, 31, and Hamburg, 16.

Just on the Southern county line, Friedberg, 19, is located, with Enterprise, 20, near by in Davidson County, as well as two associated points, N. E., not numbered, since at present without Sunday Schools, i. e., Eden and Pleasant Fork.

Finally, to the S. E., in Forsyth, Nos. 9 and 10 indicate the locations of Friedland and Union Cross.

Altogether our outline map presents an interesting study, indicating as it does the increasing number of centres of work, as well as demonstrating the steady growth and widening influences of our Church in this particular field of labor.

—Likewise I say unto you, There is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth.—Luke xv. 10.

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KEY TO MAP.

1 Salem. 18 Hope.
2 Salem. 19 Friedberg.
3 Elm Street. 20 Enterprise.
4 Christ Ch. 21 Macedonia.
5 New Salem. 22 New Philadelphia.
6 East Salem. 23 Bethabara.
7 Stony Point. 24 Olivet.
8 Fairview. 25 Bethania.
9 Friedland. 26 Alpha.
10 Union Cross. 27 Mizpah.
11 Bluff. 28 Providence.
12 Kernersville. 29 Fulp.
13 Moravia. 30 Mayodan.
14 Oak Grove. 31 Oak Ridge.
15 Stony Point. 32 Mt. Bethel, Va.
16 Hamburg. 33 Willow Hill, Va.
17 Wachovia Arbor.

To this list should be added Eden, having at present no Sunday School, S. W. of Centerville 1½ miles, and Pleasant Fork, being organized, 2 miles west of Eden.

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On September 28th, Dr. H. A. Brown, of the First Baptist Church, Winston, celebrated his jubilee, amid the congratulations of very many friends of all denominations throughout our community. In the nineteen years of his pastorate in Winston, Dr. Brown has built up a strong church, and has become well known
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Throughout the State as a devoted minister of Christ. During all these years he has been a warm friend of the Salem Moravians. When a danger ministering to the wants of the missionaries and natives. Our brother presided at the consecration of the Southern bishop, on April 27th, 1891. His official intercourse with the South was all ways of the most fraternal character, and he will be remembered as a sincere and helpful friend of this District. The Wachovia Moravian expresses its deep and sincere sympathies with his afflicted wife and family.

On Tuesday, November 17th, the Triennial Synod of the Southern District will convene at Salem. It will be an important gathering, and business will be transacted which will probably influence the Southern Moravian Church for many years to come.

The last Provincial Synod was a delightful occasion that very many people do experience and even unjust in one man's treatment Among these favored persons there was one woman who was afterwards presented to the Queen of England as the sole female survivor of the ill-fated steamer Elbe. So great an event was it for the people of England in the Scriptures, it is the grace which availeth for life, for death and for eternity.

But we do not have it until we have received the gift of God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be a propitiation for our sins.”

The Greatness of Salvation.

Text: “By grace are ye saved, through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God: not works, lest any man should boast.”—Ephesians 2, 8, 9.

On a cold and dark morning last year a great steamer was struck amidships by another vessel, and within twenty minutes the most of her passengers had perished. A few persons, mostly sailors, were able to reach the boats. Among these favored persons there was one woman who was afterwards presented to the Queen of England as the sole female survivor of the ill-fated steamer Elbe. So great an event was it for her rescue her recovery to have been that even the Queen of England noted the fact that she had been saved from an awful shipwreck.

But it will be a far greater thing to be presented before the King of Heaven as one saved from the everlasting wreck of sin and death and hell. Angels, with delight, will point out these rescued ones on every heavenly street: “There go those who have been saved out of the terrors of judgment and from the lake of fire.”

I admit of that very many people and cheerful cooperation in plans for the development of our work. We have been very greatly blessed in the interval, and our Church has been permitted to go forward beyond our expectations. The coming Synod should be an humble and grateful acknowledgement to God for the manner in which he has owned the work of his servants in this District. Let us prepare to lengthen our cords and strengthen our stakes, and, in the name of God, set up our banners for a further advance.

The greatness of this salvation. Perhaps none of us have as vivid a view of the value of being spiritually saved as we ought to have. It is well, therefore, to look at this salvation very often in the light in which the Holy Scriptures present it. The threatened loss is there stated to be tremendous: “What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul.” On the other hand the promised gain is overwhelming: “They shall not be hurt with the second death.” All heaven will be filled with delight over the presence of those who have obtained so great a salvation out of so terrible a danger.

It is by grace that we are saved. It is the pure grace of God that does it. The Father felt this grace in his heart, and, therefore, formed the plan of salvation. Through the grace of his life and death. The Holy Spirit presents the grace in the Gospel. The Bible thus describes the joint grace of the Holy Trinity: God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life.”

This is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be a propitiation for our sins.”

This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief.”

But do not we have it until we have received it? It is nothing for us until we have actually taken it. In the Southern Transvaal there is a famous gold range of fifty miles, containing untold wealth of ore. We will not, however, grow rich by thinking about it, or even reading about it. We must have an actual share in the mines before our circumstances will at all be improved. And so it is with the grace of God. Perfect though it be it is worth nothing to us until it is accepted: “For by grace are ye saved through faith.”

God has given us his word for it, that he wants us to be saved. Faith believes that word just as we would believe the word of a parent, or friend, or employer, or any one else with regard to whom we thought that he was entitled to our belief. The Bible says very pointedly, “If ye receive the witness of men, the witness of God is greater.” An employer gained his foreman for Christ by using this very point, the fear of being fired. He wrote the man a note, asking him to come to his house. The man came, and when the employer expressed his surprise at seeing him, the astonished foreman said: “Why, sir, here it is written in the note that you wanted me to come!” “And you believed what I wrote? James, why don’t you believe what God has written here in his book inviting you to be saved?”

The man’s eyes, long clouded with unbelief, were opened, and he accepted the Gospel.

Believing in the Word, we trust ourselves to the Person concerning whom it has been written: “We commit ourselves to Jesus as the storm-threatened traveler commits himself to the refuge of the inn.” Believing in the Word, we trust ourselves to the Person concerning whom it has been written: “We commit ourselves to Jesus as the storm-threatened traveler commits himself to the refuge of the inn.” Believing in the Word, we trust ourselves to the Person concerning whom it has been written: “We commit ourselves to Jesus as the storm-threatened traveler commits himself to the refuge of the inn.”

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simple. The youngest child can exercise it as well as the man of the most matured mind; the most ignorant savage can believe the word concerning the Lamb of God as well as the most cultured person in Christendom. Grace is God's hand extended, faith in our hand clasp ing his hand. Thus, earnestly, but simply, the great agreement is made, and salvation is ours. "By grace are ye saved through faith." There is nothing of our own in the salvation which Christ's grace has procured for us and which we have received by faith. The text says: "It is not of yourselves; it is the gift of God: not of works lest any man should boast!"

We are not forgiven because we have done something to help on the salvation of our souls. The Bible says, expressly: "A man is justified by faith without the deeds of the law." And again it says: "Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us." It is not by our obedience to any particular form that we are saved. Baptism is of no value, unless it leads to faith in the case of the child, or is accompanied with faith in the adult, for the Scripture says: "He that believeth liveth and is baptized shall be saved." The same is true of the Lord's Supper. There must be faith in the Lord's body; otherwise the sacrament is unblessed. What is true of moral works and church forms is equally true of feelings. We are not saved because we have felt something; nor are we to wait for good feelings before we are saved. We are to accept Christ just as we are, and just as he is, on the ground of simple faith in his word and promise: "Just as I am, without one plea, But that thou wast holy, pure, and pleasing. O Lamb of God, I come, I come."

Unless we are willing to trust ourselves to Christ in the dark without one good work or one good feeling, we do not trust ourselves to him at all.

"Not what I feel or do, Can give me pardon with God; Not all my prayers and sighs and tears, Can bear the awful load."

When we are saved it is by pure grace, unaccompanied by the slightest fragment of merit on our part. A thousand years of attempted obedience to any value in his heart, which is possessed by a single drop of the blood which Jesus shed for us.

On a certain occasion I sat by the bed of a young man who had formerly admired the strength and vigor of his healthful frame, but even the greatest youthfulness is but a thread held against the fires of death. He lay beside me, weak and wasted away, and sorely afraid of the imminent end. I took his emaciated hand and said to him: "Just as you close this hand over a gift of money that I put into it, so does your faith simply close its hand over the gift of salvation which Jesus gives you. That is all." He accepted the message, and died in the simple faith of Jesus. So do you, dear friend, close your hand of faith over Jesus' gift,—be saved without anything of which you might ever make boast.

God has so ordered our salvation to be "by grace through faith," that we might never, in the course our earthly pilgrimage, glory in it as the result of own thinking, or feeling, or work. He wishes us to glory ever to it as his own full, free gift, and thus, of necessity, be kept close to him, who alone can save us. Those who allow some self-righteous consideration to mingle with their view of salvation will never walk close enough to Jesus to be sanctified by him. Like Simon, the Pharisee, they will love Jesus very little, in all probability less and less the older they grow. Our only safeguard against this, as well as for pardon, is to remember,

"Nothing in my hand I bring, Simply to thy cross I cling.
In heaven the ransomed have not a single boast to make with regard to their own salvation; it was pure grace, received by faith. Therefore they say with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb, for he was slain, and hath redeemed us from all nations of the earth by his blood."

These ranks of the blessed ones are now being filled. When there is some earthly achievement being sought after, many who earnestly desire it may fail in the application which they make for it. The favor goes to others, who, for some special reason, are preferred. But,

in the supreme matter of the soul's salvation, those who, with all their heart, want it, are the ones that, in every case, are called and chosen. God wishes them to be saved even more than they wish it for themselves.

The time has now come, dear friend, which is to decide whether you are to be one of the saved ones. Jesus is expressly passing before you for this very purpose. He looks you in the face, yea, into the heart, to see whether you are willing to receive God's mercy through Him, his appointed agent of a greater Son. Do not let him pass without accepting his offering. When He is gone, salvation itself is likewise gone. The act is simple; it is as immediate as it is simple, for it is by grace ye are saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest any man should boast. Amen.

From Church at Home Department.

CHRIST CHURCH.

Beginning with the opening days of October the members and friends here inaugurated a campaign of improvements. Seven days' work has been put up by the children, which now became a target for the Sunday School, of inducing to show some advantage the fine location of this church. Grading, scraping, shovelling and ploughing were the order of the day, and many lent willing help. Something was got into the work and pledges was subscribed on the last Sunday in September, and upon this basis the work of improvement has been carried on. Several members, "in the dark hours of the night," constructed a capacious coal bin in the basement, and, in addition, the ladies have inaugurated a carpet movement. As is usually the case, when they lay hold, they push energetically; just eight days after they had decided to move, more than enough money was in hand to purchase carpeting for aisles, front and platform. The Christ Church branch of the Salem convention will be organized at 4 o'clock, Sunday afternoon, October 25th.

EAST SALEM.

During the winter season the hour for holding the Sunday School has been changed to 11:30 p.m. Holy Communion was celebrated on Sunday, October 10th.

CENTERVILLE.

Revival services are in progress here at this time. The Holy Communion on Sunday, Oct. 11th, was a deeply spiritual occasion.
The Endeavor Criticized.

Last month, dear Endeavorers, we spoke of the "inner circle of discipleship," and that letter lead up to the present one by saying that the faithfulness of these inner disciples constituted a peculiar mark of nearness to the Lord. And for that reason they lifted them above the dead level of the average church member, who is, too often, ready to consider his ways lightly.

Jealousy is one of the saddest traits of the human nature, whether it be considered with regard to better financial situation, or higher intellectual development, or broader and deeper moral conceptions. As soon as a man has earned a considerable amount of money and becomes comfortably settled for life, he is assailed on every hand by the poisoned darts of class hatred and jealousy, hurled at him by those who have wasted their energies and have continued poor. So, also, friendly sympathy and lazy scholars at school try to render miserable the life of that one who is really making good use of his time. And, in just the same way, do the careless, "shoddy" rank and file of worldly Christians mock and deride those few earnest disciples who keep continually before your eyes the blood of Jesus, and who say that this should be so, and who should we rejoice that there are John's in our midst, "who can lie in Jesus' bosom and ask him secrets for us," as Ian Maclaren puts it. But, as soon as the church-member falls, the world outside laughs and taunts the Church. And as soon as the Endeavorer slips his moorings and gets into stormy and perilous waters, the non-endeavoring church-member holds up his hands with exaggerated horror. True, this ought not so to be, but accepting the case as it is, what can we do about it?

1st. Learn this lesson, that merely to belong to a Society, or to sign a pledge, or to wear a little silver monogram, does not relieve us from temptation. No, not by any means. The more danger there is of his victim escaping him, the more violently will the devil try to hold him, and the more cunning will be the snares he spreads about his feet. So that the Endeavorer is thrust at once into the very hottest part of the fight, and needs the prayers and encouragement of all others, and not their taunts.

2d. Being thus misunderstood and criticized we can learn gradually to become indifferent to public opinion, and to look upward oftener for the approval of Him for whose sake alone we became Endeavorers.

3d. When, perhaps, our Society feels the heavy blow of the unfaithfulness of one or more of our members, that we remain can get closer together, and have a stronger sympathy with one another, and redouble our watchfulness, for our sore experiences have shown us that the enemy is very near.

4th. Lastly, the criticized Society, or Endeavor, is thus driven closer to the Saviour. The more bitter the mockery, the more passionate is the prayer, and the greater the love. Thus do "the sweeter communion with Him."

May we ever be our experience, and may we thank God for the honor he has shown us in calling us to bear reproach for Christ's sake.

The Wachovia Moravian.

THE CHURCH AT HOME.

By Rev. James E. Ball, Friedberg, P. O., R. C.

Special services were conducted at Eden during the week beginning with the 4th Sunday in September. The services were held only in the evening. The pastor was assisted by several lay brethren from Salem.

Friedberg.

Our students, William Spang and Charles Cruick, each preached a sermon at Friedberg, in the month of September, thus affording the pastor much needed opportunities to attend to work elsewhere.

By Juvenile. Missionary Society held a very interesting meeting on the 4th Sunday in September. An interesting address was made by Bro. Clarence Thaeler, of Salem, and a warm interest was shown for the society.

NEW PHILADELPHIA.

Mostly as a result of the good meetings at Oak Ridge and Hamburg twenty members were added to the New Philadelphia congregation on September 26th. Bishop Rondthaler preached an earnest sermon in the afternoon before receiving the new members. The Holy Communion was also held. An earnest spirit was felt that it was decided to continue the meeting. Services were held until Friday night following. During the services seven persons professed Christ and Christians were greatly refreshed.

THE CHURCH AT HOME.

By Rev. James E. Hall, Friedberg, P. O., R. C.

Saturday, September 12th, was a happy day for Macedonia. Bishop Rondthaler preached in the morning to an attentive congregation, and in the afternoon received twenty-four persons into the Church. The Spirit's presence, which was so graciously bestowed during the recent work of grace, was again felt by the Macedonia people. Services were held at night, and on the following Sunday in morning and afternoon, with good congregations.

OAK GROVE.

A children's meeting was held by the pastor on Saturday afternoon before the third Sunday in September. It was very encouraging to hear the hearty singing of the little folks, and to see the interest manifested, not only by them, but by the goodly number of people present.

On Sunday the pastor preached at the usual hour, and, in the afternoon, at Crews' School House. After this latter service such a deep spirit was felt that it was decided to continue the meeting. Services were held until Friday night following. During the services seven persons professed Christ and Christians were greatly refreshed.

THE WACHOVIA.

By Rev. James E. Ball, Friedberg, P. O., R. C.

The Act, vesting the title to the lands of the Unitas Fratrum (in N. C.) in Fred. Wm. Marshall, read as follows:

1st. Whereas, Frederick William Marshall, esquire, of Salem in Surry county, hath made it appear to this General Assembly that all the tracts of land in this state belonging to the advocate, the chancellor and the agent of the Unitas Fratrum, or united brethren, have been transferred from them to one person or persons, in trust for the Unitas Fratrum, or united brethren; and whereas doubts have arisen whether the said tracts not come within the description of the confiscation act; and to quiet the minds of those to whom conveyances have been, or are to be made, of any part or parts thereof;

2d. Be it therefore enacted, by the General Assembly of the colony of North Carolina, and it is hereby enacted by authority of the same, that a certain deed of release and release, dated the twenty-seventh and twenty-eighth of October, one thousand seven hundred and seventy-eight, as from James Hutton, conveying the tract of water, land, and timber, in Surry county, to said Frederick William Marshall, be hereby declared valid in law, and to be admitted to probate in the county of Surry, and registered in the registry office thereof, agreeable to the testimonial thereunto appertaining; and all such tracts and lands which by deed of bargain and sale of the twentieth of April, one thousand seven hundred and sixty-four, between William Churton and Charles Metcalf, registered in the county of Orange in book number one, page one hundred and six, and in Rowan county, in book E, number five, page four hundred and fifty-two, &c., were then conveyed to said Charles Metcalf, be hereby vested in the said Frederick William Marshall in trust as aforesaid; and all conveyances of the above mentioned lands, or any of them, made, or which shall be made by the said Frederick William Marshall, shall be as good and valid to all intents and purposes as if the confiscation act had never passed.

3d. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the power of Attorney of Christian Frederick Comartt, dated the third of November, one thousand seven hundred and seventy-two, empowering said Frederick William Marshall to sell his lands, be admitted to probate in the county of Wilkes, and be as good and valid in law as it could or might have been, had the act of confiscation never passed.

The "Wachovia Tract" referred to in this Act was, of course, that purchased from Lord Granville at the beginning of the Moravian settlement in Carolina.

The "Metcalf Lands" consisted of between eleven and twelve thousand acres, granted by Earl Granville to Wm. Churton, his surveyor-general on Jan. 3th, 1762, and surveyed in twenty-two tracts by Churton himself, Jacob Laah of Wachovia, and others.

On April 20th, 1762, Wm. Churton sold these tracts to Charles Metcalf, the deed mentioning $2,000 consideration. Charles Metcalf, in turn, sold lots 18, 19 and 20 to his sister Mary. Feb. 6th, 1772, Chas. Metcalf sent a power of Attorney to F. W. Marshall, to sell his land, and on Jan. 14th, 1773, "Mary Metcalf of Chelsea in the County of Middlesex," gave similar authority to F. W. Marshall concerning the same. Marshall decided to buy the lands for the Unitas Fratrum, and therefore, on October 31st, 1778, Power of Attorney was sent by Metcalf and his sister to Rev. Michael Graff, of Bonn and Traunsp River, to sell the 17 tracts for 200£, and the 3 tracts for 50£.

By Rev. James E. Ball, Friedberg, P. O., R. C.

CHIPS FROM HISTORIC TIMBER.

By Rev. James E. Ball, Friedberg, P. O., R. C.

Forist County (Continued).
our forward movement in the community known as Pleasant Fork. On the former an adult baptis-
mal and confirmation service was held in the old
union church, the only exercises of the kind
ever held there. The service was a long one,
The pastor preached on the subject of baptism,
and during the sermon seven adults were bap-

tized and re-admitted two, making a total of twelve,
to which two more have been added by baptism
since. On the second occasion the pastor
preached on the subject of Holy Commu-
nion, and the sacrament was celebrated by fifty
communicants, composed of brethren and sis-
ters of various church connections. On this
day the first definite steps were taken towards
the organization of a Moravian circle in this
neighborhood. For this purpose thirty names
were given. Steps were also taken towards the
erection of a church on what is known as "the
Evans lot," in the forks of the Salisbury and
Waughtown roads. A building committee,
composed of the brethren Evander Fishel, chair-
man, Alexander Brewer, John H. Zevely, John
Henry Hoag, and N. W. Shore, was elected. It
has since been decided to erect a building 32' x
86 feet, with an addition in the rear of
12' x 24' for Sunday School and lovefeast purpo-
ses.

SALEM.

With the month of September came the re-
opening of the Schools. The Boys' School
had already commenced in their new building
on August 31st, the Academy opened on Sep-
tember 4th, and the other schools, Miss Stein-
er's, Miss Wellard's, Miss Vogler's, likewise
began their autumn work. Very much of this
busy school life centres around the Salem Square,
and makes that shaded, grassy place, with its
central fountain, all the more pleasant because
of the boys and girls who are so often passing
over and around it, lightly laden with school
books and merrily enjoying each other's com-
pany. All the schools are doing well. The
Boys' School, by the end of September, has
reached the number of 85 pupils, the largest it
has ever attained in its long labors of more than
one hundred years.
The Young People's Meetings are a feature of
the school-year. For day pupils they come on
Friday, and for boarders pupils on Wednes-
day, at 1 o'clock. In the former the story of
David, and in the latter the story of Christ, is
being told. But this is only one part of the
meetings. The hymns which are recited, and
the circles of prayer which are gathered around
these services make them to be a still more pre-
cious means of grace to our own youth, and
the many others who are confided to our educa-
tional care.
The last of the Class Festivals for 1896 was
that of the Married People and Widowers, which
was very happily celebrated on September
6th. The children never sang better than in
their parents' festal service at the opening of the
Class-day. More and more deeply the con-
gregation is appreciating the wisdom of the
fathers in marking the year with various
bright and helpful festivals. Thus love for the
Church is increased from childhood up, and
many a lesson of Christian duty is applied to
members of the same older or younger class,
unmarried, or married, or widowed, which
would not otherwise find soapt an opportunity.
Thus, we look forward with gladness, instead of
sweating away, to have only strengthened the old
foundations of the congregational life.

During the month bands of brethren have
been busy in revival effort outside of Salem.
The meetings at Pleasant Fork, and Hambone
school houses have been very blessed, and have
produced rich fruit of souls for the Master.
Several brethren are going weekly to Fulp,
where the spiritual interest is now deepening.
On Sunday, Sept. 20th, the pastor preached
to the firemen of Salem and Winston, who were
present in large numbers, and, with their neat
uniforms, were the welcome centre of the large
congregation gathered with them in the Home
church. In the evening, Bro. Howard E. Rond-
thaler preached a thrilling discourse on the suf-
erings of the Armenians. A collection of $65.37
was taken up in their behalf.

A brisk fire on Saturday, September 27th,
disturbed the ordinary quiet of our community.
Through the mischief of a child, a barn near
Main street was totally consumed, and the clone
built neighborhood was seriously endangered.

On Sunday night, September 27th, our good
friend, Dr. Brown, of the 1st Baptist Church,
preached an acceptable sermon for the Academy
pupils in their own chapel. On the following
day the whole community rejoiced with his
congregation in their pastor's jubilee.

At the end of the month our hearts were sad-
den by the departure of our esteemed Mayor
and beloved brother, Charles S. Hauser. His
dying testimony was, "Lord, take me that I
may see you face to face, and praise you for-
ever and ever." A very large congregation
attended his funeral in the Home church on
October 1st, showing the deep and wide esteem
in which he was held.

CALVARY.

During the winter it has been decided to have
one sermon a month especially for the children.
The third Sunday morning of each month is
the time chosen. At the September service
almost the whole Sunday School remained
and, besides, a large number of the parents and
friends of the scholars came. The text: "Thy
Word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto
my path," was illustrated by means of a plaster
cast from an ancient Pompeiian figure, confinn-
ing the text and illustrating it. Two adult
visitors in this month, Bro. Henry Bates, a
former deacon of the Society, and Bro. Wm.
Pratt, now living in the city, were present, and
were much interested in the service.

ELM STREET.

On the evening of the last Saturday in the
month, a pleasant variation from the usual
prayer-meeting was the missionary service, in
charge of the Missionary Committee. The Thib-
etau field was studied, by means of three well-
written papers, read by the Misses Rights,
Crouch and Kimel. Then about 20 magic lan-
ter picture views of the people in Thibet
were shown on the screen, and were explained by
the pastor, Bro. Thaeler. Besides the con-
gregational singing, there were two selections
by a male quartette. A collection was taken up
for the Armenians' Relief Fund, and was presti-
giously forwarded. It is the intention of the Society
to have these lantern picture evenings as often
as possible.

MORAVIA.

On the afternoon of Sunday, October 25th,
Bishop Rondthaler and Bro. A. Thaeler paid a
visit to this place, and, after a discourse by the
Bishop, two more members were received by
the rite of adult baptism. The congregation
was then formally organized by Bishop Rond-
thaler, in the name of the Provincial Elders'
Conference. Nine communicant members com-
prise the present circle, but it is confidently ex-
pected that before long many other accensions
may be looked for.

WACHOVIA ARBOR.

On the 12th of last month the Sunday School
picnicked at Mr. Dave Brown's woods. The
attendance was not as large as it should have
been, but all present seemed to enjoy the occa-
sion. On the next day the regular preaching
service was held, the congregation being one of
the largest ever seen here on an ordinary occa-
sion. On Sunday, the 27th of September, Bro.
Thaeler preached at funeral of Bro. Frank Bosee,
Mr. Tabor M. E. Church, to a large company of sympathizing
friends. Our protracted meeting here will begin
on the 3d Sunday in this month (October). We
shall be glad for the assistance of any of our
friends who can help us in the work of winning
souls for the Master.

M. BETHEL.
Rev. Mcucziston, pastor, reports the regular
monthly appointment on Sunday, October 4th.
The morning service was of a memorial charac-
ter, and was followed by the reception of mem-
bers from the August meeting. Twelve adults
were baptized and two confirmed; the commu-
ion was the largest for two years.
Mr. Bethel Sunday School is in a wide-awake condition, under
the superintendence of Mr. J. O. Skees.
Preparations for special Christmas services are now under way.

WILLOW HILL.

-The new church at this point is now being
used for Sunday School purposes, although
not quite finished. The bell, for which a subscrip-
tion was recently circulated, is now on its way,

BETHABARA.

In the pastor's absence, the September service
at this point was conducted by Mr. C. E. Crist.
The protracted meeting at Bethabara will proba-

COLORED CHURCH.

The Sunday School picnic season was closed
by the day spent in the Centreville woods by
the Sunday School of this church. From dif-
f'erent sources we learn that this picnic occasion
was one of mutual pleasure.

FAIRVIEW.

The October preaching appointment was held
on Sunday, 11th inst. A very attentive audi-
ence nearly filled the rented chapel which is
temporarily being used at this point.

FULP.

A good deal of attention has recently been paid
to this congregation. Several Brethren from
Salem have, for some weeks past, been
attending the Thursday evening prayer-meet-
ings, resulting in the awakening of a good deal of
spiritual interest. Bishop Rondthaler has
recently made a pastoral visitation throughout
the congregation. The preaching on the 16th
Saturday was well attended. The new grave-
yard has been cleaned off, and another effort
will be made to seed it in grass at as early a date as
possible.
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PROVIDENCE.

The attendance of young people on the monthly meetings is very encouraging. The new cabinet chair is now in place and contributes much to the hearty singing for which Providence is noted. Recently Bro. Augustus Fogle has kindly donated a pulpit to the congregation, many will not mistake not, the forty-third which he has made with his own hands and donated to having an interest in its welfare. Therefore all should feel and show an interest of the service was nominational, therefore all should feel and show an interest in and about the attention of the newspapers during the month that Weyler, the Spanish ruler, would inaugurate an active campaign to crush out the Cuban cause, but instead of success crowning his efforts we read of more Cuban victories.

England is again stirring up considerable comment on a question of special demands which is claimed will be made of Turkey, and it was thought would bring on a European war. However, as a result, no war has appeared, no power has been brought to bear on Turkey, and the latter goes on killing the Christian subjects in its domains.

Queen Victoria has now had a longer reign than any English sovereign. George III. was next in length of reign, but the latter portion of the time he was of no force in state affairs. Queen Victoria has not only had the longest but probably the best reign of any monarch.

The Spaniards are having a serious time following a revolt in the Philippine Islands. It is claimed that 20,000 troops will be needed to quell the disturbance.

The saloons are now closed in Winston, and although it is claimed that the law is evaded, still the evil is diminished, and all Christians pray that the curse of drink may be driven from country as well as city, and from State and land as well as county.

The changes from heat to cold in September were very great. There were also great storm disturbances, and the health of some has suffered. However, the sickness is not of a serious form, and not widespread.

The goods belonging to the L. V. & E. T. Blum estate were sold at auction. The closing of this place of business was the end of an historic spot in Salem.

A considerable number of bicycles have been received at the Academy, and the club of gay riders may be seen in the streets and in the neighboring country.

The Salem Orchestra gave their first concert of the season, October 15. It was a success in every way.

A number of the citizens of Winston-Salem have organized a lecture course for the winter, and will have some of the best lecture and concert talent to visit our town.

The Business Course of the Salem Boys School is attracting much attention, and is being taken advantage of by many of our young men.

In the death of Mayor C. S. Hauser our community suffered a great loss. Both as a citizen and a Christian, as well as an official holding a high trust, he had the respect and esteem of all.

Mr. S. E. Butler was elected Mayor of Salem to fill the unexpired term.

The corporation of Salem has passed strict laws regulating the riding of bicycles within the corporate limits.

The heavy storm, end of September, washed the streets and drains, and thus did a good service to the community.

—Mr. D. Blair and Tomlinson, Superintendents of the North and West Winston Schools, gave addresses on the merits of the gold and silver question before the members of the Euterpean Society. The Hesperian Society attended by invitation.

Winston sold 15,000 pounds of tobacco last year.

The Teachers' Assembly building at Morehead City was sold to the town in which it is located.

So,000 persons are said to have visited McInnis, Rev. H. C. McIlanen, on one day, recently.

Rev. John Watson (Ian McIanen) has arrived in America for a three months' lecture tour.

President Winston has commenced his duties in the University of Texas.

WHAT OTHER MORAVIANS ARE DOING.

INDIANA.—Money is being raised for the new Indianapolis church, a brick and stone structure, to cost about $10,000, and seat 700 people. A pushing Southerner, Rev. Wm. H. Vogler, is at the head of the movement.

PENNSYLVANIA.—The Litch Endevor Society has the largest number of active members, eighty-nine.

NEW JERSEY.—Endevorers of the Elizabeth congregation pack a box for the Alaska Mission each year.

CANADA.—Two pastors are now located in the new Alberta field, Rev. Wm. Schwarz, a recent graduate of the Betham Seminary, having been added to the working force.

INDIAN TERRITORY.—For many years our Church has worked among the Cherokee Indians. Rev. T. W. Shultz, on one day, recently, Ills., has just been appointed missionary at Spring Place, Ind. Ter.

WISCONSIN.—At an outdoor Mission Festival, recently held at Lake Mills, $186 was gathered for Foreign Missions.

CALIFORNIA.—Rev. Wolesley and wife have reached their field of work among the Indians. Five acres of land have been set aside for the mission property, and a house is being erected thereupon.

STATEN ISLAND.—The congregation of New Dorp, S. I., celebrated its 153d anniversary on Wednesday, October 7th.

PENNSYLVANIA.—During an absence of a month on the part of the pastor of the Second Church, Philadelphia, earnest Endeavorers conducted the Sunday night service.

MINNESOTA.—Eight pastors attended the Minnesota Moravian Ministers' Conference at Northfield, last month.

ALASKA.—School was continued without interruption from August until the middle of March; the boys displayed great interest in the reading of the New Testament.

CANADA.—Rev. T. M. Rights, son of our late beloved brother, Rev. C. L. Rights, takes charge of the Indian Mission at W. Fairfield, Canada. Rev. Rights has been a missionary of our Church in the Indian Territory for 20 years.

NEW JERSEY.—Endevorers of the Riverside congregation gather home and Foreign Mission collections during the year.

PENNSYLVANIA.—Nazareth Hall, a Moravian military school, opened its one hundred and eleventh year under very encouraging circumstances.

Eighteen students entered the Freshman Class in the Theological Seminary, Bethlehem.
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NOTICE TO CONTRIBUTORS.

The missionary communications contained in this number, together with the Synod Report, which was ordered to be printed at once, have crowded out a number of the usual features, i.e. the Endeavor column, Chips from Historic Timber and Salem church news. An interesting communication from Bethania was likewise unable to find room, but will appear, together with the omitted columns, in the December number. While we regret extremely to defer the publication of any contributed matter, the exigencies of the situation made it necessary this month.

THE SYNOD.

Prayerful, fraternal, progressive—these three words describe the Synod of 1895, which was in session November 17, 18, and 19.

Fifty-six voting members constituted this body, the basis of representation being one delegate for every 50 communicant members, no church with less than this number of communicants being entitled to representation.

After the opening devotional exercises, Synod was organized by the election of Bishop Rondthal, President. The Report of the Provincial Elders' Conference opened with these words: "We have so often, during the past years, seen God's goodness to our District, not only exhibited in a general way, but suited remarkably to the particular emergency. Time and again there was no light for us until we came to the actual place of need, and then the way was made plain, and the help was given."

Under Section III, The Ministry, "There has not been very much change in our ordained ministry during the past three years. Owing to the failure of his health Bro. Samuel Woolsey was obliged to retire from his congregations shortly before the close of 1895. Meanwhile, he has measurably recovered the use of his voice, and is beginning again to render acceptable services at various places."

"One of the most noteworthy features of our provincial life at the present time is the work of consecrated men amongst us, who, while they support themselves entirely by their own secular business, are ready for every duty, and have been abundantly blessed by the salvation of many souls in connection with their unremunerated ministry."

IV. Sunday Schools. "The Sunday School has, in the Southern District, been the ordinary forerunner of a new congregation. On December 31st, 1895, we had 3999 members in our Sunday Schools."

V. Church and Chapel Building. "It may be truly said that the triennial period just finished has been distinctly that of church and chapel building. New Philadelphia church has been enlarged, chapel at Fulp erected, Salem Home church thoroughly renovated, Alpha Chapel erected, also Union Cross, Christ church, Mirpah, Hope and Willow Hill, Va., Wachovia Arbor rebuilt, Mayodan completed, while Bluff, Pleasant Fork and Enterprise are under way."

X. Fraternal relations. "The connection of this small District with the General Unity, as well as with the rest of the American Church, is of very great importance. We are happy to say that our fraternal relations have, in both directions, been entirely satisfactory."

Principal Clewell reported for Salem Female Academy. Notwithstanding the great depression the Academy has fully held her own. One portion of the report which will particularly interest our readers is Section 4, Religious Work. "Too much cannot be said of this part of the history. Not only has the religious work progressed in general, but in a steady and satisfactory manner, but at various times, special revival seasons swept over the school, and many souls were brought into the fold of God's law."

VII. Difficulties. "The School will never be safe until it has an income from at least $200,000. This matter was presented at the last Synod, and some action taken. While the beginning is not large, something has been done thus far, and the Academy has directly and indirectly about $60,000 as a start in this direction."

Greetings from Germany, the Northern Province, and from Bishop Romig were communicated.

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The reports of committees were first taken up. These will be considered later in our report.

Congregational reports followed. Fulp organized three years ago; handsome church building; membership numbers about 50. Mrs. Fulp has done faithful work in the Sunday School. Kershersville: Much interest in the filial, Bluff, where building is under way; parochial school organized by this congregation. Salem: Has labored busily and with progress in the home work, and in branch congregations; an assistant pastor has been called; numerically is more than 50 stronger than before a single branch church had been formed; during past twelve months an especially blessed work has been wrought by the Holy Spirit; there are 2000 souls under the care of the Salem pastors.

Maconia: For 2 years past a Sunday School has been carried on at this point in Guilford County. Church has now been built, and congregation organized last September. Wachovia Arbor: This filial congregation organized 3 years ago; new building erected and now paid for; dedication Thanksgiving Day. Fairview: An important field on Northern edge of Winston; using a rented chapel; weekly prayer-meeting; teachers' meeting and Sunday School; monthly preaching. Mayodan: The nearest of our fields; a mill town on the N. & W. Railway, eight months old; beautiful new church; earnest revival season just closed.

At this point in the reports a brief recess was taken, during which Synod inspected the new Boys' School.

Friedberg: Marked spirit of Christian unity manifested during recent revivals; older people aiding in Sunday School work. Union Cross, branch of Friedberg work: Encouraging meetings during October; a peculiarly difficult field, but opposing causes seem to be giving way. Macedonia: Membership largely increased during past few months; Sunday School is well conducted; outlook for the future is good. Oak Grove: Church loyalty marked; good attendance at services; strong Endeavor Society.

New Philadelphia: The Oak Ridge and Harmony meetings have greatly added this work;
the spiritual life has been fostered in the Sunday night prayer meetings.

Afternoon.

Reports continued. Colored Church: The Sunday School continues its good work and sends its blessing to all parts of the country through its members. Mt. Bethel, Va.: Membership more than doubled during the last three years. Willow Hill, Va.: The new building about completed; large attendances. Providence: At present under the care of President of P. E. C.; the Sunday School is building up, and interest is being taken in the work at Stony Point, on the Norfolk & Western Railroad.

These reports were supplemented by remarks on the part of various delegates. Action was next taken on the various committee reports. As the result of the recommendation of the Missionary and an Aid Committee, Missions for the Southern District will be appointed, to visit the various congregations. A new step was ordered in the matter of Publications. Synod authorizing the issue of "The Shorter Moravian Hymn Book," "The Church Book of Moravians in the Southern District," and "A Manual for Young Christians."

Upon motion, Synod unanimously and heartily endorsed the Christian Endeavor movement in the Southern District.

Thursday Morning.

The principal business of this the closing session was the election of the Provincial Elders' Conference and Financial Board for the next three years. The entire P. E. C. was re-elected.

Rev. James E. Hall, and Dr. Siewers. The Finance board chosen was C. T. Phoebus, J. W. Fries and Dr. Strickland. Upon motion, Synod extended its congratulations to the Moravian Church in America and abroad. A special voice of appreciation for the services of Rev. J. H. Clewell as Principal of Salem Female Academy was tendered. Finally, in a very beautiful closing service, the right hand of fellowship having been exchanged. Synod adjourned.

The Second Commandment.

Seren by Rev. Edward Rondhaler, D.D.

Text: "The second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself."


In giving this great utterance our Lord is not pre dwelling a new commandment. He is not saying anything which solely bears on the life and duty of those who have become Christians. He is repeating a law which is as old as the creation of Man, and which finds its distinct place in mention in the code of Moses. If fact, society, even in a heathen state, could not subsist without, at least, some regard for this law of neighborliness. If a man, even in his natural state, must needs always prefer himself to his neighbor, there can be no home, no community, no nation. The ancient saying is then realized: "Man is a wolf to his fellow-man." In the old heathen world, we find many an instance of reference to the great law of neighborliness, as stated in our text. Men loved their families, clung to their friends, died for their country. Doubtless, there was vast selfishness; doubtless, it showed itself in form. But it was not all selfishness; there was, at least, some regard for the law: "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself;" otherwise society would have ceased to exist. Whether a man is a Christian or not, the law of love for the neighbor holds good; it is part of his natural duty.

But while our Lord did not originate the commandment, He put it into a new and original light, in so new a connection as practically to make a new thing of it. The lawyer who asked Jesus what was the great commandment of the law, could not have been much surprised when our Lord said: "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind." This is the first and the great commandment. For, in religion, he rather had led him to expect something of the sort. But when Jesus quickly took up the next point, and from another Bible connection, brought out a second commandment, set it aside of the first, as it had been, and marred the one to the other, saying: "The second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself," he did a surprising thing. He put benevolence on the same footing with Godliness; he made theology to bloom forth with flowers and fruits of humanity. His apostle, John, was simply giving a Holy Ghost comment on his Master's view. Upon motion, Synod unanimously and heartily endorsed the Christian Endeavor movement in the Southern District.


This commandment is the acid which detects much counterfeit coin in religion. Here is a man who loves God; he has professed as much by joining the Church, by coming to the communion, by singing time and again; "Jesus, Lover of my soul," "Jesus makes my heart rejoice," "Nearer my God to thee." Surely he means thereby to say that he loves God. But, at the same time, he borrows money and does not pay it back, or, in some other way, he takes undue advantage of his neighbor's disposition.

"How dwelltest thou the love of God in him?" —Isaiah 58:9.

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When we ask the one another these questions, we are asking the one another in the light of the commandment which is like unto it: "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself!" Here is a man who loves God, says so by becoming a Christian, by professing Christ in his confession and in his church membership. He has a neighbor who is unsaved. He never says anything to him; never prays for him; never takes part in any measure for the rescue of the fall, or for the saving of the lost. His neighbor is sinking into hell, and he lets him go. If he allowed that man to die of starvation on the street he might have some qualm of conscience. But that is not the case. He is not so much the man who lives next door to us as the man who needs our help.

In this sense, employers and employed are neighbors of each other. An employer's capital is worth but little if no body will work for him. He needs his workman's skill and strength and faithfulness. On the other hand an employee's labor is of very little value unless there is capital which can keep it employed. The workman needs his employer in order to get some profit out of the toil of his hand. If there were no capital in the world, we should all have to take to digging under most unfavorable circumstances, with scarce a roof over our heads. Rich men who desipe their workmen are fools; and so are the poor men who hate the capital that enables them to earn their daily bread. They are both neighbors to each other, in the sense that they need each other. The law prevails between them: "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." For the sake of showing that one loves God it is in the right treatment of workmen by their employers, and in the right treatment of employers by their workmen. It is not only a question of wages and of honest work, but, it is the question of a great deal more than that. It is the duty of friendship and mutual faithfulness. The workman is more than a mere "hand;" he is a human being, a child in the same divine Father's family. And the employer is more than a money-bag, out of which as much wages as possible shall be handed. He is a man, with the same heart, the same temptations, the same weaknesses as the fellow-man, in all the stage experiences in life, and as such he is to be kindly and faithfully regarded by those who work for him. Oh, in this day, when labor and capital are so far apart, and the working man is coming to be such hateful talk about the masses;
and such wicked talk about the classes, as if masses and classes were not fellow-men at all. There is need to go back simply and strongly and constantly to the commandment: "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." Well may we say, as they did in Joshua's great outdoor meeting between Gerizim and Ebal: "Blessed is the man that keepeth this law, and causeth in the man that keepeth it not."

Whether it be between employer and em- ployed, or creditor and debtor, or teacher and scholar, or fortunate person and sufferer,—the Saviour's idea of the neighbor is "the person that needs us," and with regard to that person, whether he is in Salem or Armenia, the commandment the Gospel of God is this: "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself."

Jesus has made neighbor's love effective by his sacrifice on the cross. He has shown us by his tears, his agony, his shed blood, his bitter death, that he loves us. In that love we have our free access to the Father, our inner joy and peace, and our hope of heaven. The more we look at the cross of Jesus by faith, the more we love him. There comes to be a fire kindled on the hearth-stone of our hearts, and the Holy Spirit adds all to the flame, for the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Spirit which is given unto us. This love of the Saviour, wakened and nourished by a believing view of the cross enables us to have a heart of love for our brother-man. He may be a very uninteresting person, or even a very unpleasant one, but for all that he is a fellow-man for whom the Saviour likewise died.

A converted heathen, by his earnest view of the cross, was able to partake of the communion with his fellow-member, who, in the old wicked days had helped to kill and eat his fellow-men. If Jesus Christ could do as much as that for a South Sea Islander, it ought to be able to give you a warm and willing heart for the commandment which proves your love to Christ, when it bids you "love your neighbor as yourself." Amen.

TWO CALIFORNIA LETTERS.

The Ramona Mission, in Southern California, dates from the year 1850, when Missionary Weiland, one of our pioneers in the Alaska work commenced 5 years earlier, was placed in charge of this mission among the California Indians. The Southern District feels an especial interest in this mission field in view of the fact that one of our Southern young men, Rev. David Wooley, has joined the working force in this field. The Mission is near the southern boundary of the State, and about 65 miles from the Pacific Ocean.

BANNING, CAL. Oct. 20, 1856.

DEAR WACHOVIA MORAVIAN:

Leaving Winston-Salem on the last day of August, we had quite a pleasant journey, with the exception of the dust. We had hoped to be able to spend a day or two stopping over at different points on the journey; unfortunately, however, circumstances prevented any such pleasure, except at New Orleans. We arrived in this city late in the evening, and went to a hotel, with the expectation of spending the next day sight-seeing. Next morning a heavy shower was descending, which disappointed our expectations of a pleasant day, so that the only thing remaining was for us to take an earlier train to the West.

The journey through North-western Texas was enlivened by an occasional sight of a herd of cattle, or, still more rarely, a deer or coyote might be seen dashing away, frightened by the approach of the train.

As we were passing through a dry, almost desert place in New Mexico, the mirage appeared. It seemed as though there was a lake, upon the surface of which you could see the reflection of the moonlight standing on its bank. Gradually, as we approached, it disappeared, and, finally, nothing was left but the arid plain as it was before.

On the morning of September 3rd we awoke in California, on the desert where the new mission is about to be commenced. It was a dreary aspect, but became more and more enlivened by vegetation the nearer we approached Wall- ter, the station nearest Ramona. In the course of a couple of hours we reached our destination and were welcomed by Bro. Weiland to his home in Potrero.

On September 8th we met with the Indians in a friendly and interesting council, at which time we selected the ground to be occupied by the Mission. Since that time we have been living with Bro. Weiland awaiting the execution of the mission buildings, which are now nearing completion. In the course of two or three weeks we hope to be in our new home, and at work is earnest. In the meantime we are becoming acclimated, which means for new comers a period of not altogether perfect health.

In closing I wish to thank the Salem Juvenile Missionary Society for their prompt and generous donation. The sum of $10, towards the building of the homes of the Missionaries and at work in earnest. I n the meantime we are becoming acclimated, which means for new comers a period of not altogether perfect health.

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Yours, fraternally.

DAVID J. WOOLEY.

BANNING, CAL.: Feb. 6th, 1856.

MISS ADELAIDE L. FRIES,
Corr. Sec. Salem F. M. Society:

DEAR SISTER:

Returning last Saturday evening from a week's journey amongst distant Indian reservations, I found your kind letter of January 22nd awaiting me, announcing that your Society had come to the conclusion "to do all that which was in your power to aid us in the support of the Mission," and the money sent to me at this time was accordingly received with open arms. All attended our services, and the outlook was most encouraging. There was no opposition from the Government, and the future of this Mission. We are putting forth our best efforts to win them for Christ, while we are yet children, and while they remain under our influence. Indian children are usually taken from their homes and sent to boarding schools for children at the age of 12 years.

We are, at present, putting forth our best efforts towards raising sufficient money in order to build a school for the Mission, our entire Sunday School, adults and children, formed but one class. This was very unsatisfactory, and, as soon as Sr. Hesse arrived, we organized a separate class for the younger children. But, it has been necessary for Sr. Hesse to take her class over to the parsonage during the time for teaching, there being no other room available, as the cause of the great need of this year in the Mission accounts, Bishop Romig thought it best that we solicit the help of the churches in the East. But the need of an additional room was so pressing, that we determined to do our very best ourselves towards raising the $500 necessary for the building, and we had asked the Lord to send us help towards the same end. The Indians are poor, so far as money is concerned, but they have contributed what was in their power, and they will contribute still more when they have more work.

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and your kind help. Please pray for us and for the Indians, that the work of grace may be deepened in many hearts.

Sincerely, your brother in Christ.

WM. H. WEINLAND.

Mrs. Killbuck’s Letter.

The following letter from Mrs. Killbuck will be read with the deepest interest by the many friends who take a personal interest in the Alaska work since Mrs. Killbuck’s memorable visit to the South.

BETHLEHEM, ALASKA, June 15, 1896.

To the Female Missionary Society, Salem, N. C.

My dear sisters in Christ,—The letter that you desired, and that I have promised you, has well nigh been crowded out by other duties and cares. I have wished to send you a few lines and thank you for the love and interest that prompt­ed the request. In following closely the ac­counts of The Moravian we are well aware of the substantial support you give us, and we feel that in Salem we have many warm friends. My heart is with you often, never being far away since Katie is in your midst. I have only to look around the dear child and see her friends and mine. I believe I promised two letters last Fall, one of our blessings, and one of our trials, but I cannot write the one. I don’t see how I could be so ungrateful to God as to think of para­dizing our little hardships, when all along our path His blessings shine out so clear and bright. The year has been splendidly rich in trouble and care, but there never came a night without a morning, a pain without relief, a sorrow without­out the Comforter’s presence, or a burden too heavy to be borne. O, thank God with me for his mighty love toward us, his grace that never fails, and I will never promise to write a letter of trials again.

Beginning with the year, which with us is June, there are many subjects of interest which I might touch on, but first in date and import­ance would be the Conference, which convened in August.

Opening on August 10th, the twelfth anniver­sary of the death of Bro. Torgerson, it contin­ued until the 14th. The Conference consisted of forty-one native helpers and delegates, and was held at Bethel. Nine villages were represented. It is gratifying to know that the work is advanced enough to call for such a gathering. During these days we met from 8:30 a.m. until 7 p.m., with short intermis­sions. Our report will give in detail the work which was done, but no one can know how truly a success it has proved to be but who see its fruits daily.

The beginnings and workings of our Church were given first, then its doctrines and the rules by which we are governed. Special subjects were taken up and discussed which particularly pertain to these people and this work. Heaten­ter practices and superstitions were brought up and con­demned by the native helpers, as well as our­selves, while some system for the work in the future was laid out, and rules made for the na­tive helpers to observe.

The report you will find interesting, no doubt, especially the remarks made by the native brethren, although even the report is limited. One subject which I am interested in is the proposition that each family have a home of its own within the next three years, and not live

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huddled together, three, four and even five fam­i­lies in one little room. Some are already put­ting this into practice.

The 12th of August was celebrated by suita­ble services, lovefeast and holy communion. Sixty-four natives partook with us at the table of the Lord.

On the closing day of the Conference eight adults and two children were baptized into the death of Jesus, and on the morrow the people began to leave for their homes.

After this came a busy season, when fish were gathered in and stored away for winter’s use, wood was collected and rafted together for fuel, and lumber was sawed from the better trees. With a boarding school to supply with these two necessities, and three teams of dogs to feed, the task was by no means a small one. Near thirty happy, jolly boys attended school. A few were almost young men. They think they are men, and one of them married this Spring. Most of the boys, however, are small, and, al­though they are good, and no more trouble than any other boys, they require much attention. Miss Mack has been a good and kind teacher for them, and, in return love and respect her. Miss King has had charge of the house keeping for the school. She loves the boys, and has been more than good to them. They learn to love the Mission, and, during their ab­sence in vacation, they get homesick to come back, and even cry to see us all.

In the Autumn Bro. Killbuck opened a Bible class for any who wished to become familiar with the scriptures. Especially was it meant for those who were willing to do missionary work in the future among the people of their own villages. Five of our older boys joined this class, and every night in the week but Sat­urday, they met in Bro. Killbuck’s study, where one, two and even three hours would be spent in studying and reciting their lessons. The Life of Christ was first taken up, and, later, the story of the Creation was reviewed, and other lessons added from the Old Testament, still keep­ing on with the New. It was wonderful how very interested they became, and how they were delighted to rehearse their lessons to their rela­tives and friends. These boys, and all others in the class, are professing Christians. They, at times, would offer voluntary prayer, and love to be instructed in the laws of God. Like children they believe it all, and, from their relating their experiences in the Christian warfare, we believe they have grasped the correct ideas, and under­stand what is required of them. They begin to see and recognize sin, which, for them, is a great step toward the Better Life. The helpers come to Bethel often to be instructed, and when the members of any of any of the different con­gregations come to do trading at the trading station, they spend as much time as possible with us, and are glad if religion be the subject of conversation.

We have had some very touching experiences. Hooping-cough and La Grippe have made sad ravages amongst the children. During last Summer five, and this year eight, have died, and rest in the graveyard. Some single villages lost as many as ten children.

One young widow woman, with her only child, came to us for help. It was raining, and, with her dying hand, she sat on the river­bank, too timid to come direct to the house, for she was a comparative stranger. One of our native sisters saw her, and took her into a hut near by. Can I ever forget that young moth­er and the pitiful face of her little one! When called, I took Miss King, and we did what we could for them both, it was too late. I prayed at her side. Soon after that the little girl died, and we could only help prepare her for burial. She had come home, and, bringing it in a boat, over the cold water, and in the rain, with little to protect it from damp and chill, was more than it could stand. If she had wept I could have believed that in it she found a little relief, but her silent grief and her calmness were heartrending, and, being an un­believer, there was little to say or do; but I spoke at some length of the blessed hope we cherish of seeing our loved ones again, pressing her to seek the way to God and her child. Dur­ing the summer months she worked for me, and, on Sundays, attended our services, especi­ally enjoying the women’s prayer-meetings and private talks. Later, she asked to be bap­tized, attended the instructions regularly, and, in the Autumn, was taken into the Church by immersion.

But, sad as it was, there was this in their favor: they were Christians, and gave back to the Giver their child, believing it to be safe with Jesus, and not lost. Another couple gave up their only child with the sweetest resignation I ever beheld anywhere. Childless until middle-aged, they pray­ed for God’s favor, and were more than joyful when little Lizzie was born, but the father held her clammy fingers, and, smiling, said: ‘Don’t be afraid, you are going up to heaven, to a pretty, pretty place, and there you will not cough any more or be sick. Your pain will all be gone. You will wait for us, and we will come by and by. You are going to God.’ Every muscle of his face was working with emo­tion, but he calmly looked at her, and when I prayed he bent over her. One more coughing spell, and the little life had fled, and then only did they show any signs of grief. Until she was laid to rest, they sat and talked to her of the lovely home she had gone to, telling her to watch and wait for them. TOUCHED as we were at their great loss, we loved them for their faith and trust. Two other little girls were buried, and each time we ministered to the bereaved in such measure as lay in our power.

The desire for Christian burial is becoming quite general, and they come from distances to have the missionary hold a burial service, or, if that be impossible, the corpse is hung in a tree, or put up on a high rack, until he can go to them. The children of the different villages en­joyed the Christmas celebrations held in each village, delighted as much over the few cakes, picture cards and a candle, as children at home are over much. Easter services were well att­ended. We were able to be at the graveyard Easter morning. It was so good enough that no one had to wear snow shoes. While there the sun rose (which was about 4 a.m.), and we thought of our friends at home, who observed the same sunrise service, but were surrounded by weeds and weeds and weeds and weeds and weeds. For our ice and snow they had grass and flowers. Next year when you go to the
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4th. Realizing the fact that visitation is a very great factor in producing effective results, we would recommend that both superintendents and teachers arrange for a more general social visitation among their scholars.

5th. Finally, we recommend that mass conventions of all our Schools in the Province be held as frequently as practicable, and that all the arrangements therefor be left in the hands of a central committee, consisting of the Provincial Elders' Conference and the Superintendents of the several schools connected with the Salem congregation.

THE CHURCH AT HOME.

By REV. JAMES E. HALL, FREEDMEN'S F. O. R. C.

MIPAHI.

The most striking feature of the Mipaah work is the young men's prayer meeting, which is accomplishing much amongst the young and older men of this neighborhood.

OLIVET.

Olivet is never stationary; just now these active people are arranging repairs in their church building.

ALPHA.

Pastor Crosland is rejoicing over a series of cottage prayer meetings, held through this neighborhood during the month, which have resulted in several conversions and a general awakening.

BUFF.

The new church building! Half the needed amount, we are told, has already been raised, and the building committee is pushing the matter as rapidly as possible with the hearty cooperation of pastor and entire neighborhood. The new Buff church will be 34 x 24 feet, 14 feet ceiling, square pitch and rafter finish.

FAIRVIEW.

Services have continued regularly during the month, although exceptional obstacles have been encountered. The Sunday School has grown in attendance and interest. We regret the loss, by removal to Salisbury, of one of our faithful families, i.e., that of Mr. Jacob Swaim. Mrs. Swaim has been connected with our church as a teacher, and was seldom absent from her class.

BETHANIA.

The visit of Rev. Paul Greider, of Sharon, O., was the source of much encouragement and blessing. He was very cordially received by the congregation in which he had his spiritual birth, as was shown by the large audiences which greeted him at Bethania and Olivet, by the many kind words spoken, and, finally, by the complimentary lovefeast tendered him in the Bethania church, on the evening of Oct. 22d.

CHRIST CHURCH.

The month of October was the most notable month thus far in the history of Christ Church. The interior work of finishing and the exterior work of grading, etc., have already been noted. The marked event of the past month was the gracious outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the services which were held from the 18th to the 25th. So deep an interest was manifested in connection with the Sunday night preaching on the former date, that persons requesting prayer that services were held each night during the

work. Thirteen persons confessed Christ during these meetings, and, as the closing testimony meeting abundantly proved, the Christian people were greatly built up and encouraged.

On the afternoon of Sunday, 25th, the Christ church branch of the Salem Home church was organized with some thirty members. The Holy Communion, which followed the organization services, was an occasion of particular blessing. One hundred and seven persons participated.

FRIEDLAND.

On the first Sunday in October an unusually large number of people were present at the opening services of the protracted meeting. The attendance during the following days was also good. The presence of Bishop Rondthaler, on Monday night, made a warm impression on the congregation. The hearts of the members were also cheered by the arrival of their former pastor, Bro. Woosley, who preached the afternoon sermon on Monday. Further assistance was given during the meetings by Bro. McCluskey, and lay brethren from Salem, among them Bro. Clarence Crist, who preached on Monday night. Christians were much revived during the meetings, and seven persons professed Christ. On the first Sunday in November the congregation enjoyed another blessing. Bishop Rondthaler first preached, and then received four members into the church. The Holy Communion followed, in which believers were drawn closely together in Christian love.

UNION CROSS.

Special services commenced on the third Sunday in October. Bro. Woosley, the former pastor, preached, morning and afternoon, to a crowded house. On Monday Bishop Rondthaler spoke earnestly in the meeting to the congregation, and in the afternoon especially to the young people and children. Services continued till Friday night, and were a source of much blessing to believers. Seven persons made profession of Christ during the meeting.

MACEDONIA.

The congregation on the regular preaching days in October were much built up and encouraged; the church was also cheered by the arrival of their former pastor Bro. Woosley, who was present for the first time after a long absence.

In the afternoon of Oct. 22d, and 25th, the Holy Communion was administered by Rev. Paul Greider, of Sharon, O., with much interest and effect.

OAK GROVE.

This congregation enjoyed a season of refreshing during the week following the Sunday night preaching services. Members of this church and of the other congregations were brought in close bonds of Christian feeling. Bishop Rondthaler brought a warm word of Christian greeting on Tuesday. Bro. McCluskey labored earnestly on Wednesday and Wednesday night. Bro. Swain, of a sister denomination, also joined in the work, and preached twice. A willing spirit for work was manifested by the people. Fourteen persons were converted to Christ.

NEW PHILADELPHIA.

While the presence of the Spirit continues to be deeply felt in the Sunday night prayer-meetings, the material wants are likewise receiving attention. During the summer part of the church was furnished with new benches, which prove much more satisfactory than the old ones. Arrangements have also been made for lighting the house better.
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CARY. On the 19th of October, the pastor, Bro. Thader, solemnized the marriage of Mr. John W. Harmon and Sr. M. J. Parker. An interesting missionary meeting on the subject of Tithe was held on the 28th. The pastor illustrated his subject by means of lantern slides, and was thereby enabled not only to address the ear but likewise the eye of his congregation. The subject treated was not only entertaining but instructive and profitable as well.

FRIEDBERG. The Married People's Festival is observed in this congregation on the 1st Sunday in October. Very marked interest was manifested by the heads of families in their special day of prayer and covenanting this year. In the evening a prayer service concluded the exercises of the Festival. The Friedberg protracted meeting began on the 4th Sunday of October, and continued until Monday evening, Nov. 2. It was a season of great revival, the number of conversions was 22. The pastor was assisted by a numerous circle of local brethren and sisters versions was 22. The pastor was assisted by a

WACHOVIA ABBEY. The autumnal special meetings were begun on the 34th Sunday in October, and continued until Friday evening following. The meetings were productive of great good. A good feeling pervaded the congregation and the manifestation of the Holy Spirit's power through the preached Word was evident in the conversion of some 7 souls to Christ. On the 27th of October the pastor was at the home of Bro. and Sr. Frank House, and baptized two children.

A baptismal and confirmation service was held at 11 a.m. on the third Sunday in October. Two persons were baptized, three confirmed, and two received by letter. Thus far 10 new members have been added to the Hope circle of the Friedberg congregation since the completion of the new church in August. The prospect for still others is very encouraging. In the afternoon of the above-mentioned date a missionary service was held. Two large maps were used to convey to the eye the location of our Mission fields. Several letters were read from our Missionaries in Southern California.

MORAVIA. Bishop Rondthaler accompanied Rev. Thader to this congregation on the 34th of October, and preached in sermon. Two persons were then added to this enthusiastic body of Gulfuld Moravians by the sacrament of baptism, and the new congregation was regularly organized. There were some further additions to the congregation in prospect, and the work, upon the whole, is full of encouragement.

NEWS OF THE WORLD.

BY REV. J. B. CLARK, SALEM, N. C.

Presidential Election. The interest of our country, and of other countries in all parts of the world, has been centered on the election held beginning of this month. Feeling ran high, and some uneasiness was felt that one or the other party might not accept the result. It appears now that the interest was so great earlier in the campaign that the material seemed to have been consumed in the first portion of the season. The interest continued to the close, but not in that fierce and furious manner that characterized the opening of the campaign. Probably the same cause contributed to a quiet and orderly election. It appeared during the night following election day that Major McKinley, Republicans, the gold standard advocate, was elected, and within a very short time the country settled down to its regular quiet. The world, outside of America, looks with wonder upon the election revolution which occurs each four years in the United States. Some foreign writers claim that it is a "frolic," which as a safety-valve for the country, and prevents serious and bloody revolutions. That as that may be, the Presidential campaign and election year is unique in many respects, when historically considered.

Cuba. This ever present and vexed question still has no solution in sight. The Spanish general, Weyler, has pushed the war forward with greater zeal, the mother country has sent more troops to Cuba, and the insurgents are seeking to regain ground. Hence the war in Cuba is really more intense, and all parties appear to await a material change in affairs at any time. A South American republic suggeststhe recognition of the insurgents. This would be a great gain for Cuba. This country and Spain both wonder what our newly-elected President, McKinley, will do when he enters upon his office. Spain still fumes against the United States, and talks war. As we stated before, all parties expect material changes at any time in the near future.

FOREIGN.

The Venezuela question is about to be honorably and satisfactorily settled.

The Archbishop of Canterbury died in the early part of October.

Macco's dynamite gun was used in a recent battle with deadly results. This is the first time the dynamite gun was employed in war.

The Competitor's crew have been granted a new trial in Cuba, before a civil court.

The Rt. Rev. Frederick Temple has been appointed Primate of England and Dean of Canterbury.

George DaMartrier, the English caricaturist and novelist, died in London, October 9.

Titbet, one of the more distant Chinese provinces, is in a state of rebellion.

The wheat crop in India is a failure, and there will be much suffering. Great quantities of grain are being sent to the afflicted sections.

United States.

Bishop Keane has been deposed from the Presidency of Washington University. This act on the part of the Pope has made a great stir in the Catholic world.

Princeton University celebrated its 150th year. $1,500,000 have been contributed as a memorial fund.

$1,500,000 will be brought to this country in exchange for the wheat now being sent to Europe.

The large A. T. Stewart store in New York has been bought by John Wanamaker.

Mrs. Wm. H. Vanderbilt, the grandmother of the Vanderbilt family, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Sheppard.

John Inman, the great Southern financier, and Speaker Crisp, the famous Georgia statesman, died during the past month.

Gen. Fitzhugh Lee, our Consul to Cuba, is on a visit to the United States.

It is claimed that the recent rise in wheat will pay $40,000,000 to the farmers.

WASHINGTON.

The jewelry store of Messrs. W. T. Vogler & Son has been enlarged and improved, and is now probably one of the finest in the State.

The extension of the South Side Cotton Mill, at the southern terminus of the Street Car Line, is being rapidly pushed to completion. If you have not visited these new mills, a ride to the end of the line and an inspection of the new mills and village will be of interest to you.

Our new Court House, which is a very beautiful structure, is rapidly nearing completion. The main portion of the picture is now virtually finished and roofed, the tower is going rapidly upward, and the concrete walks around the buildings are being laid.

A granite block pavement has been laid over a portion of Denet Street.

Messrs. A. C. Vogler & Son have added a large building to their furniture and undertaking establishment. They have had a large business already, but they are now "city-like" in every way.

An interesting flag-raising took place at the Salem B.y's School, October 17th. The flag and a Bible were presented by the Junior Order American Mechanics. The parade, addresses and ceremonies were of a highly interesting nature, and were greatly enjoyed by all.

The Twin-City Hospital received about $3000 from all sources during the past year.

Mr. C. A. Hege is on a visit to Mexico, specially to push the interests of his new invention, the Coffee Huller, manufactured by the Salem Iron Works.

Rev. Stephen Morgan Smith made a short visit to our section recently. He is at present at York, Pa., manufacturing, on a large scale, his Turbine Water Wheels. The great Mayodon Mills placed these wheels as their motive power.

The Winston Alderman reversed their decision of some time since, and the barrooms are now again open and in full blast.

A neat and commodious Baptist church has been erected on the South Side, near the street car line.

CALENDAR.

November.

17, 1868.—David Zeinberger, the Moravian Apostle to the Indians, died at Goshen, O., after a seizure of 63 years.


26, 1758.—Church at Bethabara, N. C., consecrated.

December.

6, 1735.—First Synod Renewed Brethren's Church.

31, 1782.—Matthew Stach died.

COMING EVENTS.

Sunday, December 15.—Friedberg Congregational Festival, 11 a.m.
BAPTISMS.

Salem, N. C., October 18th, 1865. He­nry Washington, infant son of Mr. He­nry and Mrs. J. A. Sm. Shore, of Washing­ton, D. C.

Salem, N. C., Oct. 18th, 1865. Berne Bloom, infant daughter of Mr. Joshua and Mrs. Mary Lybaas (Bloom).

Friedland, Oct. 19th, 1865. May Hine, infant daughter of Mr. Noah and Mrs. Mattie Hine (Stewart).

Friedland, Oct. 5th, 1866. Perkie Max, infant daughter of Mr. Daniel and Mrs. Nancy Hine (Reed).

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The Wachovia Moravian Church at Mayodan, Rockingham County, N.C.

Winding around the foot of the mountain the river tumbles picturesquely over a series of paralled rapids. On the western bank the mills are located, then comes the railroad, next the town on the sweeping knolls which overlook the river, and on the ridge of the highest of these, a block from the principal street, and in full view from all parts of the town, stands our new church.

THE BUILDING
is of frame, on a brick foundation. From the accompanying plan it will be seen that the structure is divided into three rooms. The main church room is 32 x 45 feet and seats 225 persons. Sliding doors connect this with the ample lecture room, 25 feet square, which, when furnished with chairs, will seat 150, and which, in turn, opens with sliding doors into the cozy class room, 12 x 16 feet.

Within the building no paint has been used, the natural wood finish giving a bright appearance to the interior. The walls are a light brown shade, and the windows stained glass.

Externally, the building is painted pure white, trimmed with olive. The tower, which rises 68 feet, shows finely against the dark background of the pine-clad mountains.

The heating is accomplished by a cellar furnace, installed by Senseman & Brickenstein.

Mr. Frank Fries, of Salem, has energetically pushed the subscriptions for this church, and it has been through his efforts that it has been possible for us to build so speedily and likewise to build so substantially.

FIRST SERVICE.

Sunday, the 8th of November, was the day when the first service was held in the new church. The building was well filled, and thus the start was happily made. In the afternoon a Sunday School of 86 met in the church, Mr. Clarence A. Shore being Superintendent, and Mr. Edgar Hege assistant. On that night the church was crowded, and thus it continued night after night. The presence of the Holy Spirit was most powerfully manifested, and the pastor labored with great joy. A large number of backsliders were reclaimed, the Christians greatly encouraged, and twenty persons confessed Christ Jesus as their Saviour. In all ten services were held, two being during the day-time, the remainder at night. In connection with several of these services about $25 were raised for church purposes.

ORGANIZATION.

The worst day in November, raw, rainy and windy, was that set apart for the organization, Sunday, the 29th.

Mayodan mud is peculiarly tenacious, and, as some one remarked, every body became a possessor of real estate on that day.

A good congregation was gathered, notwithstanding the exceptionally inclement weather. At the morning service Bishop Rondthaler preached on the text: "The Church—which is his body."—Eph. 1: 22, 23. After the sermon fourteen members were received, one by confirmation, seven by adult baptism, and six by transfer of membership.

Immediately after this impressive service the first Holy Communion was celebrated, 44 persons communing.

The afternoon service was given over to the children. The Bishop talked in his happy and sympathetic way to the many young folks who had gathered.

The latest report from this congregation brings us up to Sunday, December 13th.

On the preceding Friday night an encouraging prayer-meeting was held by the pastor. For this service the new bell was rung for the first time.

Sunday morning saw the church completely filled with a most attentive congregation. Five members were added; three by adult baptism, and two by transfer of membership. The Sunday School, on this afternoon, reached high water mark, with 95.

At night an inspiring service was held, which was preceded by a half-hour song service.
The text begins with a quote: "Take thee Joshua, the son of Nun, a man in whom is the Spirit, and lay thine hands upon him." — Numbers 27:18.

The page then discusses the life of Moses and the preparation of Joshua for leadership. It notes that God appointed Moses as a leader early on, and by the time of Joshua's preparation, Moses was over eighty years old. The text also mentions that Joshua was carefully trained for the leadership role he would later assume.

The page then shifts to the story of Joshua, who lived forty years before the Israelites escaped from the land of slavery. The passage highlights the importance of preparation and training for leadership roles, drawing parallels to the experiences of Moses and Joshua.

The text ends by summarizing the essence of the preparation that Joshua underwent, emphasizing the critical role of mentorship and the importance of being ready for one's responsibilities.

The page concludes with a reflection on the role of Joshua as a leader, noting his readiness and the lessons he provided for future generations.

The text is rich with biblical references and historical context, providing a comprehensive view of the preparation process for leadership roles in ancient Israel.
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The good results of Joshua's early struggles, of his faithful service under Moses, of his careful testing, of his long preparation, is set forth in the one sentence: "the Spirit was in him," or, as it is stated in another place, "he was full of the Spirit." That is what we all need, if the business of our life is to be really blessed; if, in our daily work and every effort for this world and the next, we need to have the Spirit of God. It is a good thing to be moral, but more than that is required for the full joy and strength of life—the Spirit of God must dwell in the soul ere we can be at your best. It is good to be a church member; but that is only a step toward the real blessing when Jesus baptizes you with the Holy Ghost. Many of the brightest men and women are only faint shadows of what they might have been, because they have never received the power from on high. It could never, after all their training, be said: "the Spirit is in them." When God had Joshua ready, his great officer was likewise ready, and it was quick work to lay upon him the hand of outward appointment for it. And so, dear friend, if you are only ready for your daily work, specially ready in spirit, God will have the work ready for you which is best in his sight, and for which he sees you to be fit. Amen.

Our New Work in Alberta.

[Hardly a year has passed since this important and encouraging work was commenced. Much of it is amongst brave men and women who have emigrated to America in order to worship God without let or hindrance. Alberta lies in the extreme north of Canada, north of Washington and Montana, and is crossed by the Rocky Mountains. Alberta is distant from us in a direct line 2000 miles. Below we gather some interesting information from this promising field.]

"I am glad," writes Missionary Hoyler, "to note that the Alberta Mission is also regarded by the Southern Province as a work in which they are interested, and I shall do what I can to foster and keep alive that interest, as long as we may need the special support now required to place the work on a solid footing. I trust that if the members and friends at home stand by us faithfully for about a year or two, we will be sufficiently able to carry on the work by ourselves, unless so many new doors should open for us that we could not cope with the work alone. We do not wish to be a burden to the Church at large, when every dollar given to the Lord's cause, nowadays, is so much needed, but, from present appearances, it may be confidently asserted that, in the not very distant future, the Alberta Moravians will more than repay whatever may now be expended on their account, and so, every dollar now contributed to this cause will be well applied. Nor is this the main incentive why the Moravian Church should carry on this work. The eagerness and longing with which these simple, but true-hearted, people yearn for the Gospel, and the delight which they manifest now that the Moravian Church of the United States has supplied them with a pastor of their own, and has promised to furnish the necessary money for two churches and a parsonage,—this, I say, makes it almost obligatory on our Church to continue fostering, building up and extending this work.

"The prospects for expansion are good, especially among the Germans. Many of these are earnest Christian people, who have made practical experiences of saving grace, and who are naturally supplied with church privileges. Not a few of these Germans, I mean those not yet connected with our two congregations, come from various parts in Europe, particularly Poland and Russia, where they came in contact with, and, to some extent, were served by Moravian Diaspora workers. They are acquainted with our Text Book, and have expressed an intention to procure copies. Yesterday (Sunday) afternoon I conducted preaching services in one of these German settlements, where it is quite likely a third Moravian church may, in course of time, be organized. I had been there once before, during the week, having heard that several quasi-Moravian families lived in the neighborhood. The place goes by the name of Rabbit Hills, but among the Germans it is regularly called Heimtal. It is 8 miles S. W. from Bruderfeld, my home. Upwards of 50 persons were present yesterday afternoon. At the close of the services I was asked to baptize a child, while another told me he had a daughter in Edmonton who wished to be confirmed this morning. The people also arranged to have me come again, and, if nothing intervenes, I shall conduct a meeting in one of their homes next Thursday evening, and as the church is too small to hold the crowd, I shall preach there in the forenoon, and, at their request, will serve the communion afterward.

"At Stony Plain, 24 miles west of Bruderfeld, a certain Mr. Menzel lived who, with his wife, originally came from Herrnhut, and who, after living some time in Wisconsin, came to this colder climate four years ago, on account of his health. His uncle, now a servant of one of the Centrals, was formerly, during my father's pastorate, a member of Watertown. Consequently, it was quite a pleasure to me, two weeks ago, accidentally to meet this Mr. Menzel at Edmonton. He told me that in his neighborhood there were several families who would eagerly welcome a pastor. I promised to come as soon as possible, perhaps there may also be an opening for us in Stony Plain. Indeed, I have heard of several other localities where Moravian services might be very acceptable, and I have arrived at a point to visit these people as often as I can.

"As for the two congregations already organized, they, too, are progressing in every way, and the prospects are they will be greatly augmented this year by the arrival of new immigrants from Russia. I am sorry the two colonies are so far apart, as it makes it so inconvenient to serve them both, especially if other preaching places should have to be established. From Bruderfeld to Bruderheim is 30 miles N., to Stony Plain 24 miles W., to Edmonton 8 miles S. W. My hope is that the progress of the work may be so rapid that the appointment of another pastor to take charge of the Bruderheim district.

"As far as the character of the work is concerned, there is, of course, much that is new to me. There is also ample opportunity, here and there, to introduce features and methods of work that have proved advantageous in the United States. In many respects the people require to be educated before we shall have congregations like those in the home provinces. But they are very ready in picking up American ideas, and when once we have our churches, it will be an easy matter to carry on the work in true Moravian fashion.

"Sunday Schools have thus far been entirely unknown to our people, but they have been organized at both places, and, if the Lord be pleased to give us a little time, they will probably go rather lame, they will soon become strong, and will be a valuable adjunct to the Church here as elsewhere.

"My work as pastor of these people, of course, is not confined to the spiritual side. I have many secular things to attend to. Just at present the establishment of a P. O. for Bruderfeld is under way; school districts will have to be organized at both places; in the neighborhood with the Government and Canadian Pacific will be carried on in connection with the further immigration and settling of incoming families, and all this makes our work very different from what it was in Elizabeth, N. J. It also makes me realize what great responsibilities are resting upon me, and how much wisdom from above is required to lay the proper foundations. Do not forget me in your prayers. You have shown your interest in our work by your contributions, and I wish to continue to remember this enterprise before God's throne. It is His work, and if it prosper His name shall be glorified.'

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other place in the neighborhood where the school can be kept, the brethren are obliged to suspend for a short time. We shall try to build a church at this place at once. The school has been a good one, and the brethren are deeply interested in the work. Let us all help to build a church at Enterprise. It is to be hoped that no other school, occupying a Free School House, will need to suspend for the winter, and, of course, where we have a church building of our own, there will be no necessity for doing so.

At the most distant and very latest of our schools established, Mayodan, the coming season is to be celebrated with appropriate exercises. An undenominational Sunday School had been held at this place for some time, but under many disadvantages. About the beginning of November this school was removed into the new church, and organized as a Moravian School, with Bro. Howard Rondthaler as pastor, Bro. Clarence Shore as Superintendent, and Bro. E. Hegg, Assistant. It is maintained with much interest, and numbers about 80 members. A subscription paper is being circulated for the building of a new church, on a lot secured by Rev. James Hall, in the neighborhood of Pleasant Fork. When this building may be furnished another fine location for a Sunday School.

THE CHRISTIAN ENDORSE."  

For the following paper was read at the celebration of North Carolina Day, Nov. roth, at Calvary Church, Winton.

Christ, the Endeavorer's Example.

Christ, our example! The subject is as broad, as infinite, as God Himself. But, to-night, we will lay aside the divine attributes of Christ, and turn our attention to the lovely human nature of the man of Galilee. Every phase of His perfect character is the highest ideal of any Christian Endeavorer whose name is signed to the pledge which enrolls us under the banner of the great worldwide movement. Yet, in this pledge we emphasize some special duties and virtues for Endeavorers, which they love to find reflected in the earthly life of their ideal, their Greatest Example.

"Trust Him" — ah! that unmeaning, never doubting trust. We cannot let our eyes fall upon one page of the precious Gospels without seeing Christ's perfect trust shine out through such utterances as: "Thou art not alone, for the Father is with me." We find it easy to trust when all runs smoothly, but we need more of the perfect confidence in that Heavenly Father's love when clouds seem to shut out all but our own sorrow. And I think that while we trust, God means us to pray for just what we want, that health may be given, that success may come, that our benevolent sin may be taken away. But the answer to the prayer may be, not the removal of the anxiety or the temptation, but an increasing insight into its meaning and value.

Whatsoever He would have me to do?" There is the unquestioning obedience of the lad of 12, who must be about his Father's business, on the sad hour in Gethsemane when He prayed, "Nevertheless, not my will, but Thine." As God, He knew all lay before Him; but there in the garden it was the human heart which wrong from the human lips that cry of anguish: "Let this cup pass from me." So, "God pity those who cannot say, 'Not mine, but thine.' Who only pray, 'Let this cup pass from me,' cannot see the purpose in Gethsemane.

I like the enthusiasm in that word "whatever." It means such perfect consecration, no self-seeking, no self love, all, all for Him, every fibre of whose nature was aglow with the burning desire to save the suffering world for God and the right. Not scorning the little, unnoticed kindnesses, the ready sympathy, the pleasant smile, the gentle words, but whatever He would have me do, if we would be found capable of doing great acts of love, we must be constantly practicing the small ones.

To pray and read my Bible every day. How many, many times we find recorded: "He went apart to pray." We may have many duties: our time may belong to others; and we may not dare to steal a quiet half hour to spend upon our knees, but that is not the only way to pray. Where we have learned to offer up every circumstance in our experience as a sacrifice to God, then life itself becomes just one long 'sweet hour of prayer.'

To live a Christian life—as I know how. "Ah, friends, as I know how! Can one of us excuse our short-comings under that keen justice? Which of us dare claim the right, with that picture in our minds of Christ toiling up the steep, rugged pathway to Calvary. He knew the way, and took it without a moment's hesitation,—is ours more steep and rugged, more difficult than His that we dare say, 'I do not know.'

'In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He will make thy paths straight.' How often did Christ say, 'I must be about my Father's business,' 'I have other sheep, I must also bring.'" Christ saw His duties and did them, despite the reproaches of the Pharisees and the murmurs of the uncomprehending crowd; whether it was healing on the Sabbath day or rating in the home of Zachaeus the publican. I think that one mistake we are all apt to make is, that we measure what we shall do with what others have done or left undone. Let us forget Christ, the Endeavorer's Example. We have no pattern but Him.

Do you say, "I cannot always tell just what is my duty." There is a safe rule for that—the first glance we get at a duty is generally the right one. It is only when we begin to consult our desires or inclinations that our minds become clouded as to the right path,—"God's guidance is plain if we are true." And if we are bewildered and hiddenly do not know what is right, can't we not be guided by His hand, and wait gladly in the gloom until He lights it with His sunshine? I have repeatedly heard people say: "Oh, yes, I understand your position as regards a questionable amusement: ministers' families have to be particular on account of the example." Did Christ gather the priests together and instruct them, and then set them up as the example for the rest of the world to follow? No, He chose humble men from the lowest walks in life, men who were obliged to resort to their daily work for their support, and right where they were to save souls for Him. Christ never meant the ministers to do all His work and the congregations to pay them for doing it, and every one of us is responsible for every opportunity which our life affords us to bring souls into His kingdom. We may forsake our duties, but they remain our duties still.

'To take some part in every meeting.' Sometimes it was in the synagogue, sometimes by the sea, or in the corn-fields, or on the highway, wherever the disciples were gathered together, we always hear the Master's voice. Think what those gatherings would have been without His gentle accents. Often He was weary from sleepless nights or over-crowded days, but never once do we read of His keeping silence. Perhaps some word of yours may be just what some one else is hungering for; your experience may be being repeated in some other life, and the help you gained may be just the help that another needs. Will you withhold it because you are too tired to speak, or because you don't feel like taking to-night? Dear fellow Endeavorers, have any of us ever been quite so tired as He. Shall we keep silent with that excuse?

If obliged to be absent, I will send a verse or scripture. After the light of the world had gone out that dark Friday on Calvary's mountain, when He had gone back to His Father to the Heavenly glory, even then He did not forget the often-failing but always loving friends He had left here on earth, and when they were in distress the dear voice came to them, 'Be not afraid;' 'Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations;' and, 'lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.'

Ah, is there any task too hard with Him to help us do it? Is any pledge too strict with Him to help us keep it? Is any sacrifice of time, or money, or life itself, too great to make for Him who gave Himself on Calvary's cross that we might know the joy of everlasting happiness with Christ, which is far better.'

CHIPS FROM HISTORIC TIMBER.

For the benefit of those who may desire the aforementioned copies, I have now a few more copies—For Forsyth County. (Continued.)

The 20 Metcalf tracts were not together like the Wachovia tract, but scattered along the water-courses in what were then Rowan and Orange Counties. Several formed the Blanket Bottom tract, on the creek of that name; others were on the branches of Abbott's Creek, Muddy Creek, etc., and still others in what are now Person and Caswell Counties.

During all these years the Unity had been steadily paying an annual quit-claim to the heir of Lord Granville and those to whom he afterward sold it. In 1788 the Rev. Wm. Hornc, "late of "Dublin but now of Baldonny in the County of "Antrim in the Kingdom of Ireland," was "Lord of the Fee," and from him, on May 5th, E. W. Marshall bought for $5 shillings, "all and "every of 19 several and distinct annual Rents "stipulated provided reserved and mentioned "and by 19 several Indentures or Grants ** "made between John Earl Granville of the one "and James Hutson of the other hand, and "making in the whole the Annual Sum of "£1485:5 2½ Sterling Money of Great Britain." This was only a legal preliminary to the transac-
tation of the following day, May 6th, when Mar-
shall, as agent for the Unita Fratrum, received the fee
simple title to the Wachovia Tract, pay-
ing £1000 for it. Rev. Daniel Koehler, Rev.
Christian Benzien, and Traugott Bagge were ap-
pointed by Home as his attorneys to have the
deed registered in North Carolina.

The actual purchase price of Wachovia may,
therefore, be estimated thus:

- Purchase money: £200
- 4 per cent. interest: 4 19 2 60
- Quit-Rent, 35 years: 5 192 2 3
- Purchase of Title: £200

Total: £672 13. 3 £177. 02

On Feb. 11th, 1802, F. W. Marshall died, and
by his will Christian Lewis Benzien became
"Proprietor," holding the title to the lands of
the Unita Fratrum in N. C. Sometimes the
"Proprietor" also held the position of "Admin-
istrator," or agent of the Unity in the manage-
ment of its local business affairs, at other times
the offices were separate. The Proprietors of the
Wachovia Tract, etc., were:

2. John Goddard, of Salem, N. C., Oct. 8th, 1778.
3. Christian Lewis Benzien, of Salem, 1802.
5. Lewis David von Schweinitz, of Salem, N. C.,
1811-February 8th, 1834; Transfer by will to
6. John Gebhard Cunow, of Bethlehem, Pa.,
1811-March 28, 1822; Transfer by deed to
7. Lewis David von Schweinitz, of Bethlehem,
Pa., 1822—February 8th, 1834.
10. The Board of Provincial Elders of the South-
ern Province of the Moravian Church.

The Administrators of the Southern Province
during the same years were:

1. Frederick William Marshall, 1750-1802.
3. Lewis David von Schweinitz, 1811-1821.

The transfer of title to the Board of Provincial
Elders was accompanied by an actual purchase of
the property involved, and by it both the Pro-
prietary and the Administration came to an
end.

Appreciation.

The following lines from Mrs. S. S. Flynn,
Rural Hall, N. C., to the Rev. J. H. Clewell,
Business Manager of our Church paper, embody
the sentiments of a great majority of our read-
ers: "I certainly enjoy reading our little
Church paper, and think it is doing a great
work in better acquainting us with the growth
of our Church all over the land. By reading
our paper we can keep up with all the churches
in the Southern Province and their work."

THE WACHOVIA MORAVIAN.

THE CHURCH AT HOME.

BY REV. JAMES H. N. HALL, FREMDINGO P. O. N.

BETHANIA.

BETHANIA, N. C., NOV. 10, 1896.

Dear Brother,—To meet with an old friend
or acquaintance, after years of separation, is an
event in the experience of every one which
nothing can be more delightful, and if, in addi-
tion to the pleasure of meeting again, is added
the circumstance that the parties are both pros-
perous and happy, the cup of pleasure seems to
be filled to overflowing: Well, just such an
occasion offered itself to our Bethania congre-
gation a couple of weeks since, when our broth-
er, Rev. Paul Greider, once again more in
our midst; and so much was his visit to us
enjoyed that none will be willing to forget it.
It happened in this way:

The son of a former pastor of this congrega-
tion, Rev. F. E. Greider, after an absence of
a number of years, revisited the scenes of his boy-
hood, where he had left behind many friends when
he went away to complete his theological course at
Bethlehem, Pa. Now, after so many years, the
Rev. Paul M. Greider, as a valued minister in
our Church, and pastor of the congregation at
Sharon, Ohio, paid us a visit to renew the
friendships of his earlier years.

He found old friends on every hand. The pastor of Bethania, Bro. Crosland, invited him
to occupy his pulpit the Sunday, and thus gave
our young friend an opportunity of seeing and
speaking face to face to all his former acquaint-
ances and friends. This he did in a most pleas-
ing manner, calling to mind many of the scenes
of his early years so touchingly and pleasantly,
that his old friends held him, if possible, in still
more affectionate regard.

In short, it was determined to invite him and
his amiable family to a lovefeast, as a testimo-
nial of brotherly kindness of feeling toward
them. So, one Thursday evening, appointed
for the purpose, a numerous congregation assem-
bled in our church. Bro. Crosland, in most
happy and brotherly style, welcomed our guest
among this large assemblage of old friends and
acquaintances, insured him of our warmest re-
gard; bid him welcome among the scenes of his
boyhood; and then, in truly cordial and
affectionate manner, turning to Bro. Greider,
asked him to believe that, while he esteemed him
personally, with the right hand of welcome and
Christian fellowship, the congregation of Beth-
ania, through him, now shook hands with their
brothers of his congregation in Sharon, Ohio.

It was, in truth, a most delightful occasion.
Each member of the congregation felt happy to
attend at Willow Hill. The first Christmas
feast there is gratifying to note that the spirit of
revelry did not cease in this congregation at the
close of the protracted meetings. On the con-
trary, the work of grace seems to have been
deepening ever since that time. This is notice-
able especially in the increased interest in the
Sunday School and prayer-meeting.

In the absence of the pastor, Bro. Clarence
Crisp filled the regular preaching appointment
in November.

NEW PHILADELPHI.

This congregation has recently received a
shower of blessings in a revival meeting. Ser-
"ices began on the second Sunday in Novem-
ber. Bishop Roadthaler preached on the Mon-
day night following. Bro. Hall also gave worthy
assistance during the week. On Saturday fol-
lowing, the Lovefeast and Holy Communion were
held amidst a large congregation, the Bro. Hall
and Woosley conducting the services. During
the day eighteen members were added to the
church. Bro. Woosley preached at night, and
continued the meetings over Sunday following,
after which Bro. Clarence Crisp held night ser-
vies till Thursday. The meetings throughout
were well attended and deep interest was mani-
fested. About twenty-seven new members
for the present year.

OAK GROVE.

On the fourth Sunday in November Bishop
Roadthaler preached a great congregation in
the morning, and, in the afternoon, served the
Communion, in the opening of which eleven
members were received into the Church.

MACEDONIA.

The Thanksgiving service, on November 28,
was a very pleasant occasion. The new church
looked unusually bright with its tasty decor-
ations of flowers and farm produce.

MT. BETHEL.

The November preaching service filled the
building to overflowing. A memorial sermon
was delivered by the pastor, Rev. Mr. McCul-
son. About the same Sunday there was a good
attendance at Willow Hill. The first Christmas
entertainment will be given this year. The new
bell has arrived, and will be used in connection
with the Christmas services.

COLORED CHURCH.

The recent departure of Sr. Edith Ellis is a
great loss to the membership of this congrega-
tion. Sr. Ellis lived in Waughtown. She was
a faithful Christian, and very much devoted
to her Church.

CHRIST CHURCH.

Everybody helped in the Thanksgiving deco-
rating, and, as a result, everybody was inter-
ested in the special service on Saturday night,
November 24th. During the week following
six wheelbarrow loads of provisions were dis-
tributed among the poor. The closing cottage prayer-meeting for the year was held in the pastor’s room, which is coming to be quite a cozy meeting place. Mr. Ernest Stockton had the meeting in charge, and many of the twenty-five persons present took part.

PROVIDENCE.

As a partial result of the very blessed series of services held by Bro. Grabb, assisted by Bro. Fl. Lash and others, fourteen new members were received on Saturday, Nov. 21st.

SALEM.

The Home Church pulpit was occupied on Sunday morning, Nov. 22d, by Rev. James E. Hall, of Friedberg. The text for the morning was: “God is love.” A large congregation listened with much interest and profit to the earnest discourse.

Thanksgiving weather was somewhat threatening, but no rain fell until evening, when there was a light shower. The attendance in the Home Church was very large, and the pulpit and platform were tastily decorated by members of the Endeavor Society. The collection gathered for the Twin-City Hospital amounted to $40.60. A series of sermons on the life of Joshua was commenced on the last Sunday in November. Although the night was an exceptionally in­ clement one quite a considerable congregation was present.

In the midst of the first snow storm of the winter, the funeral services of our aged Sister Rempton were held.

Home Church Endeavorers gave an enjoyable member’s reception to Rev. and Mrs. McGuiston, at the parsonage, on the evening of December 8th.

With the second mid-week prayer-meeting the series of “Expositions of the Epistles” was commenced; the service was largely attended.

ELM STREET.

Busy Endeavorers arranged the Thanksgiving celebration here. A feature of the decoration was a miniature haystack, surrounded by agricultural implements. Bishop Kondihaler spoke to the Society on “Some blessings often forgotten.”

NEWS OF THE WORLD.

ST. J. B. CLAYVELL, SALEM, N. C.

CUBA.—Public interest is still centered in Cuba, as was the case last month. Perhaps we would be more nearly correct if we said that Cuba, Spain and the United States are the triangle of interest just now. In Cuba we note that General Weyler went in person to the front, but soon returned to Havana. Again he went to the front, but his “staying” qualities do not seem to be very marked. By far the most important and startling event of the month was the death of the Cuban leader, Maceo. According to some accounts he was entrapped and shot in a skirmish; according to other reports he was invited to a conference, under the protection of a flag of truce, but when he arrived at the spot, instead of meeting the company expected, he was met by a volley of bullets, which killed him and young Gomez, together with others of their party. At date of writing it is impossible to tell which report is correct. In Spain there was great rejoicing over the death of Maceo; but in other portions of the world, and especially in the United States, there arose a deep feeling of indignation against Spanish cruelty, as shown once more in what is claimed to have been the treacherous and cold-blooded murder of this brave general, fighting for the freedom of his country. All over the United States public meetings are being held to encourage the Cubans, and, in many cases, violent language is used. Congress has just assembled, and the speeches there were as strongly and aggressive as was the case last Summer. Spain, of course, resists this, and while President Cleveland and the chief Spanish officials seem to keep cool, the war sentiment is very strong in both countries, and it is unfortunate that such is the case. Thus the position may be summed up in a few words: Weyler has gone to the front; Maceo has been killed; the United States is aroused over that which is the destruction of much property; and Spain seems to be more inclined to war with us than ever in the past. All peace-loving citizens deplore the deeper complications that seem to be gathering around this unfortunate war.

—A steamer has wrecked off the coast of Spain, with about 300 persons on board, all of whom perished.

—There are 40,000 orphan children in Turkey at the present time, many without food or shelter. A strong effort is being made to aid them during the winter.

—Uruguay, South America, is in a state of revolution.

—A great strike is in progress in Hamburg, among the workmen on the docks. 15,000 men are concerned, and, if we consider that the average man has four others depending on him, it will be seen that 75,000 persons are indirectly affected.

—Diaz, President of Mexico, was installed in the presidential office, for the fifth term, with much ceremony.

—Campanini, the great Italian tenor, is dead, having departed this life in his native land. The musical world will greatly miss this highly esteemed singer.

UNITED STATES.

—The X-rays are effecting wonderful cures, and promise great things for the future, according to the latest reports.

—Washington Duke, the Durham millionaire, has given an additional $500,000 to Trinity College, with the express condition that girls be admitted on the same footing as boys.

—A wreck on the Pennsylvania Railroad, near New York, November 26, resulted in the loss of two lives and the destruction of much property.

—A severe snow-storm passed over the country on Wednesday, December 29, the center of the storm being in North Carolina, where the snow fell to a depth of 10 inches at a number of places. The thermometer dropped to 7 degrees above zero.

—The division of the present Congress is about as follows: Republicans, 204; Democrats, 124; Fusionists, 13; Populists, 12; Silverites. Congress met this month.

—An electric railway, to connect the cities of Baltimore and Washington, will soon be built.

—The battleship, Texas, is said to be unea­seworthy and defective, though the statement is denied at naval headquarters.

—The Roanoke & Southern Railway, from Winston-Salem to Roanoke, was recently sold. According to the newspaper statements the price paid was $500,000.

—The government has made a deficit of seven million dollars for November, and forty millions for the year.

—The total fire loss for 1886 will amount to $1,500,000, less than was the case in 1885.

—An earthquake shock was recently felt in the State of Minnesota.

—A successful air-ship is said to have been constructed in California. It is still a secret, making trips by night; but as soon as the patents are arranged it will be given to the world.

—Mr. Moody has been working in New York for some time. He will later go to Philadelphia, where a series of union revival services have been in progress for some weeks past.

—A severe storm destroyed a number of cottages on the North Carolina coast. The Ocean View beach was injured to the greatest extent.

Winston-Salem.

—Brown Bros large factory was burned on the morning of Dec. 9th. The loss was $2,000,000, with only a partial insurance. More than 600 persons were thrown out of employment.

—Rev. W. W. Albee, the oldest minister in the North Carolina M. E. Conference, died Dec. 13, aged 86 years. He was one of the pioneers of the Winston Methodist Church.

—The Winston Aldermen have decided to permit the explosion of fire-crackers and the burning of fire-works at Christmas.

—The very cold weather and the heavy snow early in December, started the Christmas trade, which has since been very heavy.

—The mistletoe that is being brought to town for Christmas is in great demand, but the holly is not as full of red berries as usual.

The “Home” Again.

The ladies having the “Home” in charge, as well as the family there gathered, wish to thank all who so kindly and generously remembered them in connection with Thanksgiving Day. Oak Grove and Wachovia Arbor members sent very acceptable vegetables and other provisions. Country friends, as well as many in town, helped to make it a very happy day at the Home.

May God bless them all, and reward them out of His own bounty with “the blessing that maketh rich, and addeth no sorrow thereunto.”

COMING EVENTS.

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENTS.

Saturday, December 26th.—Willow Hill, Va.
Sunday, 20th.—Centreville, afternoon.
24th.—New Philadelphia, 11 a.m.
25th.—Union Cross, 1 p. m.
26th.—Friedland, 11 a.m.
27th.—Oak Grove, 10 a.m.
28th.—Franklin, 2:30 p. m.
29th.—Home Church, 7:30 p.m.
30th.—East Salem, 3 p. m.
31st.—Wachovia Arbor, 7:30 p. m.
31st.—Elm Street, 7:30 p. m.
31st.—Colored Church, 7:30 p. m.
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BAPTISMS.

At Oak Grove, Nov 22d, 1896, NOAH LESTER, infant son of Robert and Sarah Whicker, m. n. Frazier.

At Oak Grove, Nov 22d, 1896, CLAYE BURTON, infant son of Robert and Natzie Linnell, m. n. Westmoreland.

At Salem, Dec. 10th, 1896, LOUISE MORRISON, infant daughter of Frank H. and Laura Vogler, m. n. Morson.

At Salem, Dec. 10th, 1896, ANNE GRIFFIN, infant daughter of Joseph H. and Augusta Adams, m. n. Dillon.

At Salem, Dec. 10th, 1896, ROBERT ALLIEN, infant son of James A. and Vinie L. Kimball, m. n. Brewer.

At New Philadelphia, Sept. 26th, 1896, FRANK WILSON, infant son of Albert and Laura Burke, m. n. Ebert.


At New Philadelphia, Nov. 14th, 1896, FLORA ANNA ABBATI, infant daughter of Emanuvil and Rachel Bedesham.

MARRIAGES.

At Landowne, Pa, December 20, 1896, Rev. J. F. McCARRON to MRS. MARGARET LONN.

At Salem, N. C., November 17th, 1896, Mr. LAWRENCE McCREARY to MRS. CAROLINE STOCKTON.

DEATHS.

On Dec. 1st, 1896, at Salem, N. C., MRS. MARY ROOKS, aged 86 years, 7 months and 26 days.

On Dec. 3d, 1896, at Salem, N. C., ELIZABETH SWANN, m. n. Lachenaur, aged 50 years, 1 month and 29 days.

On Nov. 20th, 1896, at Centreville, MRS. ELIZABETH KINNAN, aged about 49 years.

On November 20th, 1896, LEWIS PHILIP BERG, aged 49 years, 1 month and 23 days.

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