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CHURCH FLOOR

OVER FIVE HUNDRED PEOPLE IN THE BUILDING ATTENU-ING WATCH MEETING.

Fortnmately No One Was Serious ly Huit. - Congregation Was Just About To Kucel In Silent Head Waiter At Carvel Hall, An Prayer When Joists Cracked .-Some Of The People Fanic ant Christmas Present From -Stricken Jumped Out Cf The Windows. - Dedicatory Exercises Of The Carnegie Library Building .-- An Elaborate Pro. gram Rendered.

Atlantic City, N. J., Junuary 2 - Just as the congregation of St. James A. M. sonic Fraternity in this and other cities. E. Church. New York and Arctic ave as the hour approached midnight, on his speech referred to the co. dialty ex- On arriving at Cumberland it became New Year's eve night, the cracking, isting between Mr. Harvey and his men, necessary for her to take the "Jim Crow" which preceded the snapping of the and felicitated both on their very pleas- car, which she did cheerfully, and was main girder of the floor upon which ant relations. they were about to kneed, almost pro duced a panic. Had not the floor sunk ed the men for the cordial support they crowded, and the conductor informed slowly, a large number of the more than had given him in his work in catering her that she would have company, and would have been precipitated to the basement fully twelve feet. As it was present on invitation of the waiters and the crowd near the door heard the cries expressed themselves as being much of those in the centre of the room and pleased with the affair and the manne they at once made for the exits. Oth rs near the windows made their escape by jumping through them. This releived SUPPOSED TO HAVE the pressure on the main girder and saved the congregation. Strange to say the congregation moved in a manner that saved a total colupse. The regular services of the church were held on Sanday in Fitzgerala's Auditorium, where services wil, be need autil the bunding cau b repaned. R-v. A. L. Murray. D. D, who recently came here from Chicago, is the pastor of the church. Over 2000 people attended the dedica tory services of the Cirgegie library building, on Morday attertoon, Jan 2 A most elab rate program, consisting of addresses, singing and instrumental music was given. After the exercises refreshments were served in the trusters room on the first floor.

DRAMATIC CLUB

clement Weather.

(Special to the Afro-American Ledger.) au operetto in 7 scenes, at Court House at all, and it is quite likely the colored Hali on Tuesday, 20th ult., before a fair man had nothing to do with this killing! sized audience, all of whom were much Stewart was well liked and a hard pleasad and are loud in their praise of working man, and there is regret that the play. One of the novel features of such ac ion was taken. the play was Cinderella's coach, drawn

by dogs. The children of the M E. and F. B. churches, gave their cantatas on Monday evening to crowded houses, in spite of the inclemency of the weather. The children of ooth schools were well train. Negroes Make Trouble In Plainfield ed which was demonstrated by the performances. The title of the cantatas was Santa Claus Elected, in which Santa Claus and Mother Goose were elected president and vice president of the Uni sed States. At the F. B church Mr. people of this city seem to like the Afro-Claus and Miss Mary Washington was many more days quite a number will be Motuer Goose; at John Mann Mr. Chas. reading the Ledger. Hall and Miss Thompson enacted the Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Vandeford enrespective roles Mr. Hall made the tertained quite a number of their friends

Mrs. Maria Williams one of our old and respected ladies, died at her home Presbyterian church will give a full tion of the law, which ought to be looked place on Thursday.

The following persons visited friends street, J. H. Scotland, president. and relatives in this city: Messrs. Isaiah We were sorry that four young col. the specific provisions is that the col-Jackson, Clarence and Fred. Triplett, ored men got into such a disagreeable ored compartment shall be provided Chapel a treat was given by the Sunday All of our churches were well attended. Dawalt B. Evans, Misses Fannie Les- affair as that which happened ou Christ with all necessary conveniences. Now kius, Nellie Grant, Rebecca Ramsey and mas eve in Plaissield, and as they are then, if cooperations are allowed to ig Sarah Lywis.

PASTOR BECEIVES GOOD THINGS

Congregation Remembers Pastor Al- Dec. 29th was quite a success though at Home Sick-Watch Sight Services.

might being Watch-meeting night, quite who attended.

a large crowd turned out to attend the Mark's M. E. church. The pastor, Rev. L. J. Valentine being judisposed, services were conducted on Sonday by Brc. Wm. H. Matthews. The good people of the church tendered the pastor quite a surprise on last Friday when Brother Gatewood drove in with his wagon laden with good things including chickens, hams, canned goods. potatoes and money. The pastor was made happy and returns thanks to those who so generously donated.

MASONIC EMBLEM

PRESENTED

napolis Receives A Very Pleas-His Men.

(Special to. The Afro-American Letzer.) Annapolis, Md, January 2.—One of the very pleasant happenings of the holiday season was the presentation of a handsome Masonic jewel to Mr. J Harvey, head waiter at Carvel Hall, the noted hostelry of the capital city of the State. Mr. Harvey is a member of King David Longe, No. 18, of Baltimore, and is held in high esteem by his men, sev eral of whom are members of the Mamue, was about to kneel in silent prayer Mr. S. T. Harris, a past master of Mt of Pittsburg, Pa., came to this city to Ohve Lodge, Baltimore. Mr Harris, in spend the holidays with her parents

speech in accepting the jewel, and thank car. This time the other cars were

in which it had been managed.

BEEN LYNCHED

Taken From His Home At Midnight And Is Supposed To Have Been Lynched By A' White Mob-No Excuse For it.

Montgomery, Ala., Dec. 39 - Word

has been received of the supposed lynch. ing of Buck Steward, a colored man, near Kingston, in Augusta county. Af. ter midnight of December 14, acrowd, f men went to the house of Stewart and PRESENTS CINDERELLA took him away, making little noise and having no talk. Half hour later the Couch brawn by Dogs Presents A colored people in the neighborhood say, shots were neard in the woods and then Novel Spectacle - Large Crowd all was still. They became panic stricken and left the community. Some who Present . Notwithstanding In- live in the house with Stewart got on tirely away. It is reported here that! the supposed offense of Stewart was the killing of a white man, fo nd dead Winchester, Va., Jan. 2.—The Oceola | some time ago in the woods. The dead Dramatic Club, presented "Cinderella" man was not regarded as a peaceful man

WILL GET THE EXTREME

PENALTY OF THE LAW.

N. J.-Madam Abbie Wright Gives A Sacred Concert.

.Special to The Afro-American Ledger.) Newark, N. J., December 80 -The

most jolly Santa Claus seen around these at their home on New Years's day, Sun-

The People's Forum of Plane-Street on Tuesday evening. The flueral took dress reception on the evening, January into. When the law went into effect, it 4, at the New Anditorum, on Orangé was found that the C. & P., Railroad

Negroes, we know that they will get the pore the law with impunity, why prose extreme penalty of the law. The rose bud tea given by the Lidies herd to ride in the white compartment

Aid Society of Bethany Baptist church, concert at St. Johns M. E. Church in but that was the last of it. Academy street, Sunday evening. Dec.

WHITE FOLKS DO AS THEY PLEASE AND COLORED FOLKS MUST SUBMIT.

And Smoke In The Presence

Strict Accountability ! - A re have arrived.

Question Asked. (Special to The Afro-American Ledger.) Frostburg, Md., January 4 -On Sat-The presentation speech was made by urday, December 24, Mrs. Bessie Gipson not molested. On last Saturday when Mr. Harvey made a very pleasant starting for her home, she took the same

Many of them who could be of service to their people fear a white man more than the double devil. They fear to than they do the devil. They fear to speak out. They fear their bread and batter will be cut short. If a while man cries "scat" they will get out of sight by the shortest route. There is no ground or reason for this, for in the main, the people of this courty like a TAKESARETROSPECTIVE VIEW man of intelligence and courage, and as we have said before; the man who has the grit to speak out for his rights, us i

the one who will get a hearing. The general superintendent of this railroad, Mr. C. L. Bretz, is a stalwart Repablican and a man who is too fair Has Something To Say About A White Men Permitted To Occupy to allow the Negro to be imposed upon by violations of law. If we are forced Colored Apartment Of Coach to ride on this car, we ought not to be imposed upon by the conductor

Mrs. Gipson is a lady of intelligence and character who did not hesitate to Of Colored Lady Passengers .. - obev the law. The railroads ought to do likewise.

Why Are White Individuals Rev. Carter is conducting a revival at John Wesley M E.Church. It has been Allowed To Break Law While so long since a genuine revival of religion took place in this city that the very Colored People Are Held To A mention of it seems strange. It is toped that the time and the occasion

On Sunday last the following officers Colored Men Cowards! Is The and teachers of Dickerson A. M. E Sun lay school were installed. Supt. J. W. Jackson; Aust. Supt. Harry R. Carter; Secretary, M. E. C. Hammond, Li

came in, took seats and proceeded to sabstantial progress.

OF THE PAST YEAR AND IS

Number Of Persons He Has Recently Met. - Attends The Hall were numbered among the visitors Meeting Of Educators And Thinks Well Of Them .-- Thinks EMANCIPATION Prof. N. B Young Is Another World Will Hear More Of Him In The Future—Tells Who R.

Memphis. Tenn.-Here we are in brarian, John Webster; Organist, Mrs. another year, and this day is the day Nellie Bell; teachers, Ephram Hall, Mrs. the people turn over new resolutions, Georgia M. Dorsey, Eugenc Bush, Mrs. make new plans and new ideas and in M. J. Carter and Mrs. Fanny Dougherty. fact they try to get to be new people. No school in the county is better equip. As I sit down in the home of Mr. and ped for effective work than is this one. Mrs. Jesse Taylor on Iows avenue in city he delivered an address at the Y It has a splendid library of about four this city, I take a look back over the M.C. A. Auburn avenue. A large hundred volumes. A full set of maps of past year and see what has been audience was there to greet him the latest design which was purchased wrought. So many things I have seen The Negro Literary and Historical by the school at the cost of \$16. It uses to encourage me, and still there are Society of Atlanta, celebrated its fortylesson helps of the A. M. E. Chn-ch other things to claim my attention, second anniversity on vesterday after-The leaf cluster and black board are Fires, accidents, and there has been noon in the People's Tabernacle on many railroad accidents. I have observ. Young street. five hundred perions in the church to the pleasures and comforts of the permitted several white men to enter the The Sunday school of John Wesley'ed many of them, and have had my at. The exercises began at 1 o'clock in the compartment. She protested, but her Church, under the efficient superinten- tention called to people who have been afternoon and the program was as fcl. Quite a number of the guests were protest was ignored. The gentlemen(?) dency of Mr. E. B. Gales is making snatched into eternity. They are no lows: more. but I am still here to talk to you.

I have much to thank God for, besause I look over my book and find that during the past year I have traveled 49,718 miles and all without a single scratch. Now you know I should thank mation by Rev. W F P nn. God. I have had good health during the year, and have observed much progress made by my people, until I am real nap-

encourage me. It is out of the question for me to talk about the lynchings. I am not prepared to tell you just now how many men nave been muraered in this unlawful manner. They had planned for this very day, but the assassin's bullet cut them off, or a crowd of hoodlums have gotten together and robbed them of lite.

I tell you it is tough. Seleral important conventions were heid last year among our people. would mention first the one held in Nashville last summer, It brought together many of the leading teachers of the country. They met in Nashville, and Prof J. R E. Lee, was the president and succeeding in doing much for the race. These people met in one place and had many things to say about prog. ress and other things. To see this crowd of able men and women come together was a source of inspiration and pleasure. I shall never forget the meeting. Prof. Lee, is now at Benedict college, Columbia, S. C. He is a good teacher The next one was held last week in this city. It is now out of place to say last year. I have never seen so many of our leading educated men and women together, those who are presidents of Shall All Flee Away confeges. The president of this association is Major R R. Wright, of Georgia, who is in every respect an able man. and who is president of the Georgia! The oration of Rev. Dr. Weaver was State Industrial ocliege, also. I am sure especially interesting, and his words you will remember him because he is were well timed. He spoke of the nethe little boy who in response to a query cessity of the Negro helping himself, inmade by Gen. Howard to a school of our stead of sitting down and waiting for children just after the war "What shall his white friends to help him. He I tell the people up North about you?" advised his hearers to educate them-"Tell 'm We's risin' ' was the reply selves for future emergencies. made by young Wright, and this has Continued on Page 5.



PROF. W. H. COUNCILL.

Mr Edward Washington was Santa American Ledger, and I think before make themselves comfortable by smok ing ect., etc. This compartment has no conveniences

> all know, committeed a flagrant viola- at its next session in Cumberland. had not complied therewith. for one of Some time ago this matter was

their lack of courage and backbone. 26th of December.

Christmas morning sermon at Dick.

Rev Wortham has brother John in such as water and toilet. all of which training for the ministry, and he will is contrary to law. This conductor, as doubtless be admitted to the conference

GARFIELD NOTES

School, a large number was present also Gray, and Mrs. Lucas. The pastor, at Mount Zion church. cute an individual who take it into his Rev. R. T. Queen was presented with a beautiful umbrella from the school.

MUSINGS.

QUITE THANKFUL

R. Wright Is.

py these days and have many things to

SUNDAY WAS A REGULAR MAY DAY

Churches Were Well Attended .sionary Meeting.

(Special to the Afro-Americar Cedger.) Pocumoke City, Md., January 3.—The first day of 1905 was like a May day.

Harmans, Md., Jan. 3 -Saturday 25, which was bighly appreciated by all Afro-Americans of Allegany county is took place from the church on the assisted Rev. Hubbard in administering Waring, of Mary and, chairman of the the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

The memb-rs and friends of Mt. Zion and St. Marys churches will tander the Presiding Elder, J. R. Waters, D. D., and family a grand reception, Monday evening, January 9th.

Mr. Loudon Quinn has returned home from a visit to Washington, D. C. Mrs. Marie Owens, of Pulladelphla, ie visiting relatives in town

Rev. S. W. Waters. of Hopewell. spent part of the holidays in Pecomoke, Mr. Matthews Hall of Onancick, Va., and a student of Pincess Anne Academy was among the visitors during the holidays, also Mr. Floyd Taylor, of New

Mr. David Quinn, of Philadelphia, spent a few hours with his friends, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Quinn, during the holi-

CFLEBRATION.

Booker T. Washington — The Booker T. Washington Addresses Young Men's Christian Association.—Pev. Dr. W. H. Wea ver Delivers Emancipation Day

Special to The Afro-American Ledger.) Atlanta, Ga., January 3. - Dr. Booker T. Washington, president of Tuskegee Itstitute, was in the city Sunday enroute to Augusta, Ga. While in the

Singing, America by choir and; nn-Prayer by Rev. Dr. W. A. Fountain. Music, Atlanta University Glee Club. Reading President Lincoln's Procla-

Music, Atlanta Baptist Quartet. Oration by Rev. W. H. Weaver, D D., paster of the Pre-byterian church, Music. "Ricks and the Mountains



REV. W. H. WEAVER, D. D.

Annonnoements.

Reports of Committees. Benediction, Rev. A. D. Williams.

The new Storer street public school for colored people was opened yesterday morning with more applicants than the school was able to receive, or that can be accommodated at present. The school can accommodate 300 pupils. The school has six recitation rooms but only five are ready for occupancy at present, the other one will by in readiness in a few days. It is intended to have the sixth room fitted up for manual training purposes. This will be the Noted Visitors In Town.—Mis- only school for manual training among colored people in the city. This is the sixth school to by used for educating colored children supported by the city.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

Memphis, Tenn.. December 31 .- The annual session of the National Associa-Rev. J. H B Hubbard delivered a of Colored Agricultural and Mechanical several visitors, Mrs. Barnes, Mrs. fine missionary sermon in the morning Colleges, which has been in session in LeMoyne Hall, for the past few days Mr. Stepney Long cenducted the mis- closed its sustions here yesterday when sionary program in theafternoon Sev. it elected the following officers: Prof. Mrs. Eliza MacGoins one of the oldest eral of our young ladies took part in the R. R. Wright, of Georgia, president; brought to the attention of the State's members of Emmanuel Baptist church, program. We were proud to have with Prot. J. S. Hathaway, of Kentucky, Madam Abeie W Lyon gave a sacred A torney, who promised to look into it, died at her residence on Dec. 24, at us in the evening Rev. E. D. Hovens of vice precident; Prof. Isaac Fisher, of Bowen Road. She is survived by three Unionville, who preached a beautiful Arkansus, secretary; Prof. N. B. Young One of the greatest drawbacks to the sons and two daughters. Her funeral sermon on the life of Christ and also of Florida, treasurer; Prof. J. H. N. executive board.