

THE WEEK'S DOINGS

In Town, City and Country,

Headed by Our Staff of Special Correspondents.

QUEEN CITY NOTES

[Special to the Afro-American.]

CUMBERLAND, Md., May 5, 1896.—The help at the Queen City Hotel, who have been on the "anxious seat" for some time, have been relieved of the strain and uncertainty. The management of the hotel has changed hands and several of the employees have resigned. Among those who remain at their posts are Fulton Har-

The Dancing Club of Cumberland gave a grand return hop in honor of the Lotus Club of Meyersdale, Pa., on April 29. Those present considered the affair grand in every particular.

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The people of Catonsville are putting forth every effort to make this a year of success for their new pastor.

Mr. Remus Adams, who has been suffering with a severe attack of paralysis, is much worse.

Mrs. Amelia Nelson of Washington is visiting her sister, Mrs. Burke.

Rev. Harvey Johnson's beautiful cottage is completed.

Mrs. Albert Parks of Baltimore was the guest of Mrs. Maria Griffin last Wednesday evening.

ATLANTIC CITY WATINGS.

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ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., May 12.—The grand concert and reception given by the Brighton Assembly May was the event of the season. The assembly is so well known that there is nothing to expect but a grand success.

The walk, which is made of coal, has made rapid progress in the last few days. It will be the finest and most expensive known in the United States when finished.

The water supply will be something great to our hotel in the near future, as pipes are laid all over.

Mayor Story got a sweeping majority in our last election, and is now having the same of the hot weather.

James D. Southwick, who presented with a new gavel, which he will use to keep order in the City Council.

Saturday and Sunday brought down great crowds, and as the hot wave continues in this section many more will arrive this week.

The amateur theatricals who played "East Lynne," will soon appear with something new.

Mr. Nathan White has renovated his summer cottage and is open for the season.

Mrs. J. Williams were the noted guests seen at the Brighton Assembly.

Thos. G. Hammond of Balto. is the manager of the reception of the Brighton Assembly.

Misses E. Carter of Philadelphia, who are taking their family here for the summer, will take up their abode on the 15th.

Compensation will be held at the city hall, five miles west of this place, on the 15th.

Hamilton, Marie Morris Johnson, all of Danville, Va., will be at Mrs. J. D. Melex's on the 15th.

All the churches are in good condition and making arrangements for many entertainments for there are many friends who are members of other churches and come under the watchful care of that denomination to which they belong. Nearly all the ministers have gone to conference and will not return for a week. There is still a fair going on at the Union Baptist Church, and all the literatures are interesting with their spicy selections.

MRS. GEORGE TYLOR has opened her Restaurant and Ice Cream saloon for the season. Ice cream parlor upstairs. No. 13 North Michigan av.

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Drs. Derrick, Embry and Armstrong Made Bishops.

An Exciting Session.

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The Fun Both Fast and Furious.

Win. B. Derrick of New York City, James H. Armstrong of Washington, D. C., and James C. Embry of Philadelphia were elected bishops at Wednesday's session of the General Conference. Bishop Henry M. Turner, the senior bishop of the church, presided during the election. The contest was close and interesting, over a dozen candidates being voted for. Rev. W. B. Derrick has served the church for the past seven years as Secretary of Missions. Dr. Armstrong was elected four years ago to the office of Financial Secretary, while Dr. Embry has served as manager of the Book Concern and Publication House for 12 years.

[By Our Special Staff Correspondent.]

WILMINGTON, N. C., May 12, '96. The past week has been given up to discussion and legislation. Discussion on every imaginable subject except that which would bring about much needed legislation for the benefit of the church. Points of order, privilege questions in which the various candidates take occasion to vindicate their purity of character and their lives, and, incidentally, to make a little political capital, about indulged in without stint, with the result that nothing has been done up to the present. Fivolous questions of every kind, and noise without stint has characterized this general conference.

Candidates for office buttonhole men at every step, and no political convention was ever graced with such persistent henchmen as this great ecclesiastical body of a great church. One day's session usually wears out the presiding officer, such is the strain upon him.

The reports of the general officers are nearly all in, and by the time this article is put in print the reports will be passed upon by the several special committees to whom they have been referred.

The conference decided to elect only three bishops, and at this writing groups of men are standing every where discussing the merits of the various candidates. After the election much business which has been held in abeyance will no doubt be pushed through with considerable haste.

There is much talk of entrenchment, but I am afraid it will amount to talk.

Rev. F. S. Peck, Jr., who left Baltimore for the West is the leader of his conference and one of the secretaries. Dr. P. F. Spratt, a layman, is also one of the secretaries. Prof. Kealing of Texas and Prof. Hawkins of Kentucky, N. C.; both laymen, are in the lead for editor of the A. M. E. Review and Secretary of Education respectively. It is, however, a question whether either will succeed, but the probabilities are that Prof. Kealing will be defeated and Prof. Hawkins elected.

It is surmised that Dr. Tyrce may take the place of Dr. Derrick and Dr. Coplin the place of Dr. Embry. There was considerable talk at one time during the conference of quite a number of ministers of the South withdrawing from the Church and forming a Southern A. M. E. Church, but I believe it has fallen through. Rev. Chappell of the N. E. South Carolina conference was the leader of the movement.

It is probable that Dr. C. M. Smith will be retired from the Union on pension and a new secretary elected. The question of consolidating the departments will come up in a few days, and it is quite likely that the offices will be concentrated in the Philadelphia building.

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BISHOP JAMES G. EMBRY.



BISHOP W. B. DERRICK.

Elder Ridgel of the Liberian conference, is attending this conference.

Mr. T. McCants Stewart of New York is one of the ablest laymen on the floor. He is chairman of the committee on rules.

Dr. John Hurst is the smallest man in the conference, while the distinction of largest man lies between Revs. Lowe of the South Arkansas conference and H. C. Gathoun of Alabama, each of whom will tip the scales at about 300 pounds.

Rev. J. M. Goodloe of Alabama is the biggest little man in conference, being nearly as large around as he is high.

The palm for the best looking man would probably be awarded to Rev. W. D. Cook of Pennsylvania, representing the Baptist conference in connection with Dr. Hurst.

If the conference acts upon a letter received by Bishop Grant from Africa there is no doubt but our church will be largely increased by several new churches and preachers now in the English Church at Sierra Leone. This will probably result in one of our bishops going to Africa after the conference adjourns.

WILMINGTON NOTES. Wilmington has two colored fire companies, one of which has the finest steam fire engine in the South.

Mr. J. A. Ashe, our popular host, is one of the deputy sheriffs and a terror to evil doers.

THE AFRO-AMERICAN contained the largest amount of general Conference news of any Negro journal that reached here last week.

Epworth League. News Chapter, Epworth League, of John Wesley M. E. Church was visited by Gouche's Chapter of Anea M. E. Church on Sunday, May 10th. Opened by reading the fraternal service in the Epworth League song book; prayer by the pastor of Anea Church, Rev. M. J. Naylor, after which Mr. Daniel Brown president of Gouche Chapter, was introduced and took charge of the meeting. A solo by Miss Kate Brewer, subject, "God bless my boy"; a paper of great merit was given by M. T. R. Parker, subject, "Progress of Civilization"; a solo by Miss Nettie Watts, subject, "A drunkard tonight"; an address by Rev. M. J. Naylor; a duet by Misses Ella and Mattie Stewart; a paper by Mrs. Charlotte Thompson; a solo by Miss Regenie Trigg, subject, "Go search in the desert."

Reduced Rates to Washington. The Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor will hold their Annual Meeting in Washington, D. C. July 7 to 13.

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More men are injured by having
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their supreme reliance needs to be on
their own personal stuff.

There is probably such a thing as
genius, although ninety-nine hun-
dreds of it is doubtless the name
which lazy people give to results
which others have earned by hard
work, in those hours when the lazy
people themselves were either sleeping
or wishing they could gain it without
toiling for it.

The less a young man talks about
luck and untowardness of circum-
stances, and the competitiveness of
popular favor, and the like, the bet-
ter for him and for the world to
which he owes himself. Every man
will have all the power he earns, and
the power that he has will tell, not
because people like it or like him, but
because it is power.

A Congregation of Hulin.
The town of Leicester, in England,
boasts its possession of the ruin of an
ancient temple dedicated to Janus.
The ruin is situated by the vicar and
churchwardens of St. Nicholas parish.
This remarkable relic is in danger of
being destroyed, that a new railway
station may be put up in its place.
Leicester is famous for its possessions
of this sort, but it has already lost
many historic relics. The vicar and
churchwardens are making strenuous
efforts to preserve this one, their ob-
ject being to keep it intact and to
maintain their ownership. An action
in the matter is pending.

From old accounts it appears that
King Lear founded the town of Leicester
884 years before the birth of
Christ. He also built a temple, dedi-
cated to Janus, placing therein a dam-
en (pagan priest). Cordelia, King
Lear's daughter, buried her father in
the temple. Another king, Arobigalla
by name, was also buried there.

Not far away from this ruin stood
the inn where Richard III slept on his
way to Bosworth, and the Bow Bridge,
over which the King and his army
passed. Gopsall Hall, where Handel
composed "The Messiah," remains in-
tact. The old Town Hall, where
Shakespeare read his plays, yet stands,
but the theatre where Grimaldi per-
formed has disappeared.—New York
Herald.

Cold Water in Rooms.
A singular property of ice-cold
water is that it attracts to itself a large
quantity of the poisonous gases which
are exhaled through our lungs and
nostrils. The colder the water the great-
er its capacity for holding impurities,
and water which has stood during the
night in a close bedroom is highly
injurious to drink. At a normal tem-
perature a pitcher of water will, under
these circumstances, probably contain
(in the morning) from a pint to a pint
and a half of carbonic gas and a larger
proportion of ammonia, when nearly
at freezing point its capacity for im-
bibing poisons is doubled.

As a means of purifying the at-
mosphere cold water is very useful,
especially so in the case of a newly
painted room, where basins of water
should be set (emptying them every
few hours) to collect the poisons given
out by fresh paint. But water so used
becomes a deadly poison, and should
be carefully thrown away where no
children or domestic animals are like-
ly to taste it.—New York Mercury.

A Fine Fruity Name.
Orange Vander Lomon Harbour
is the fruity name of the pastor of the
Methodist Church at Russville, Ind.
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of a Scotch-Irish clergyman of that
name, who was well known in Indiana
in 1837 when Mr. Harbour was born,
and his second name, Vander, is the
name of a fine variety of apples which
grew in the orchard of Mr. Harbour's
father.—New York Sun.

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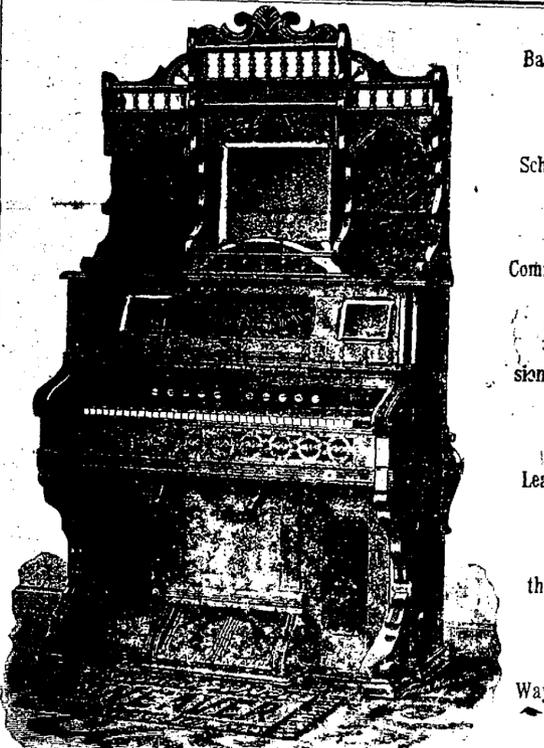
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