

MASON CITY ITEMS.

Mrs. W. L. Jones of Bracey street is on the sick list at this writing.

The entertainment given by the K. P. on Christmas evening was witnessed by a large crowd. Many presents were received off the tree. A large supper was served free by the men, and all departed at a late hour, declaring that Mr. Mayes, Mr. Reeler and Mr. Allen and Mr. Williams were the entertainers.

We are indeed sorry to report that Mrs. Ida Smith is very sick and has been for two weeks. Her friends wish her a speedy recovery.

Little Harold Davis, the infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Davis, Jr., is very sick at this writing.

The Union Memorial Literary society held election of officers last Friday evening, which were as follows: C. B. Smith, president; Mr. Walter Howard, vice president; Mr. J. A. Durrough, secretary; Miss Ruby Williams, assistant secretary; Mr. A. Alanzo Conell, treasurer; Mr. J. A. Durrough, chaplain; Mr. W. W. Woods, critic.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Reeler entertained Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Stratton of Manley for dinner Xmas day.

The little infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cabell is very ill at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Warren will visit relatives and friends in St. Louis and Mississippi during the holidays.

Mrs. Lacey Lewis and son left last week to visit relatives in Columbia, Mo.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Green left last St. Louis and Ottumwa through the St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Wright have moved to 123 East Seventh street and will be glad to meet their friends there.

Mrs. Anna Crawford is on the sick list at this writing, but is reported better.

Mr. Paul Scott of Mitchell, S. D., is visiting in the city at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Wright.

Rev. F. D. Woodford has just completed the basement of the new church and they expect to be able to move in about the first of the year.

Mrs. Martha Dixon of Des Moines arrived in the city Saturday to spend New Year's day with her niece, Mrs. M. Brewton.

The Union Memorial church will hold their third quarterly meeting the 12th of January and the meeting will be held by Rev. W. L. Lee of Des Moines.

Mrs. Elizabeth Williams is on the sick list at this writing.

Mr. Walter Davis was in Fort Dodge Tuesday visiting his daughter and brothers, Mr. Scott and Thomas Davis.

Mrs. Ethel Mays of Chicago is visiting her mother and friends during the holidays.

We are indeed glad to announce the marriage of Miss Bernice Davis and Mr. Arthur M. Eaton of Chicago, which took place December 16th. We all wish the couple a long and prosperous life.

Mrs. Thomas Allen entertained Mrs. Ethel Mays for dinner Monday evening, who is visiting in the city from Chicago.

Mrs. H. Della Marshall of Davenport, Iowa, was called to the bedside of her sister, Mrs. Ida Smith, who has been sick for several weeks.

Here is a remedy that will cure your cold. Why waste time and money experimenting when you can get a preparation that has won a worldwide reputation by its cures of this disease and can always be depended upon? It is known everywhere as Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and is a medicine of real merit. For sale by all dealers.

CLINTON, IOWA.

Wm. Luckey of Chicago spent Christmas in Clinton, the guest of relatives.

The Christmas tree of Bethel A. M. E. Sunday school was held on Christmas eve and was a very enjoyable affair. Preceding the distribution of the presents by a real live Santa Claus, impersonated by Mr. Scott Robinson, a very pleasing program was rendered by the children before a good sided audience.

Wm. Fine of Cedar Rapids spent Christmas in Clinton, the guest of relatives.

The bazaar which was held for three nights, commencing December 19th, by the trustee helpers, was a success, notwithstanding the several attractions elsewhere common to Christmas time. They were fortunate enough to raise over \$40, which will be devoted to the main debt on the church, for which the trustees are thankful.

Curtis C. Bush was the guest of Chicago relatives and friends Christmas week.

The concert given on Friday evening, December 27th, at Bethel A. M. E. church by Mr. Henry Robinson was a success. A large number were in attendance, who were highly pleased. Twenty-two dollars and twenty-five cents was cleared as a result of the effort, which will be given to the trustees, who are very thankful.

Mrs. C. V. Bush returned to Chicago on Sunday, after a pleasant visit through the holidays with A. A. Bush and family.

Miss Murda Beason is home for the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Richardson. She was accompanied home by her cousin, Miss Vivian Smith of Waterloo, Iowa.

At the conclusion of the sermon on Sunday evening at Bethel A. M. E. church, Iowa, gave a very pleasing violin solo.

The Christmas dinner that was served by the W. W. club at the Second Baptist church was a grand success.

Things are looking very bright for the further progress of the Second Baptist church, as it is making a record of its history. We are thankful, by the help of God, that when the morning dawn of the New Year

it will find the church clear of debt in every way. The pastor is paid up in full.

On Christmas eve old Santa Claus came and brought Rev. and Mrs. Sanders a fine baby girl, so her name is Christeaver. Baby and mother doing nicely.

Mr. Earl and Sanford Junkins are spending Christmas with relatives and friends at their old home place in Bloomfield, Iowa.

The program that was rendered on the 25th at the Second Baptist church was enjoyed by a large crowd.

ITEMS FROM QUINCY, ILL.

Mrs. Flora Redd and son, Elmer, of St. Louis, Mo., spent a few days during the holidays with her daughter, Miss Myrtle Osborn.

The game supper given Xmas night by the young ladies and men of Eighth and Elm Street Baptist church was well attended and a decided success financially.

Mrs. Janie Payne is indisposed at this writing.

On Friday night occurred the annual supper of the G. U. O. of O. F.'s and the H. of R.'s. It was attended by about sixty persons. Among the invited guests were Revs. T. Price and wife and T. L. Smith, there being timely remarks by the former and the latter. Music was furnished during the evening by Messrs. Green and Johnson.

Mr. Cecil Jackson is home from the George R. Smith college for the holidays.

Miss Lora Fleming and Mr. Earl Willis are home for the holidays from Western college.

Mr. W. A. Lillye was called to Monroe City on account of Mrs. M. E. Jordan, his mother, being ill Saturday, returning Sunday night.

Mrs. W. W. Fields while driving along Sixth avenue was run into by an automobile, which accident resulted in slight injury to herself and the horse, which had to be shot. We wish Mrs. Fields speedy recovery.

Mrs. Cora Harris is convalescing slowly.

On Tuesday night, December 31st, the Current Event club entertained their husbands and friends at the home of Madame M. H. Morgan. A very pleasant evening was spent and greatly enjoyed by all present.

Mrs. Minnie Robinson was in Monroe City on Sunday.

Mr. Eubanks of Kirksville, Mo., passed through the city Friday en route home from Fort Madison, Ia., whither he was called by the death of his brother.

Mrs. Grace Bates and daughter, Willetta, spent the holidays in Springfield, Ill.

Mrs. Mary Tate entertained a few friends on Friday evening in honor of Mrs. Ida Parnell of Chicago, Ill., who is visiting in the city with relatives, Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Bullett.

BUXTON BRIEFS.

Miss Mattie Striblen of Des Moines is in the city spending the holidays with relatives and friends.

Miss Lessie Terrell of Colfax was in the city a short while last week.

Mr. Scott Mardis left for St. Louis and Medley, Mo., and Sparta, Ill., to visit during the holidays.

Mr. G. W. Lucas, his daughter, Miss Helen, and Miss Theresa Boyd of Bedford, Iowa, are in the city visiting relatives and friends during the holidays.

Minta Johnson is home from school in Colfax visiting parents and friends.

Mr. Nelson Walker had his usual big Xmas dinner last Thursday and invited a number of his friends to come and dine with him. Mrs. Ada Brown of Omaha, who is in the city visiting her mother, Mrs. Sidney Williams, was the only out of town guest.

Mrs. Walker is one of Buxton's best cooks and she spared no pains to make it the best of all of her husband's big dinners. All present ate heartily of the big turkey, roast duck, pressed chicken, oyster dressing, several kinds of vegetables, fruit cake, marble cake, etc., and left wishing Mr. Walker and family a Merry Xmas and Happy New Year.

Miss Pearl Mardis and Mr. Lofnie Carter were quietly married at the home of the bride's parents Christmas day about 1:30 o'clock. No one was present but the home folks and Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Watkins, who are near friends. The couple will make their home at No. 14 East Fourth street. Rev. Wharton, past of the A. M. E. church, officiated.

Mr. Earl Watson, who has been attending school in Aurora, is home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Lawson and those of the families from whence they came had a reunion Xmas dinner last Wednesday. Mrs. John Hammonds of St. David, Ill., a sister of Mrs. Lawson, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Kalle, Mr. and Mrs. Nightengale of Hiteman, also sisters and brothers-in-law of Mrs. Lawson and Miss Betty Law of Hiteman were present. A number of Mr. Lawson's relatives living in the city were present and all told there was a very pleasant affair and a delicious dinner was served. Miss Anna Lawson, the caterer, deserves much credit for the delicacies that were served.

Perhaps the swellest affair during the holidays was the wedding of Rev. Wm. Taylor and Mrs. Viola Maree, both on Wednesday, December 25, of age, whom are more than 50 years of age. The ceremony was performed at the Tabernacle Baptist church by Rev. F. B. Woodard. The bride was robed in a white mohair dress of the latest in style and wore a long white veil. The groom wore conventional black. They were taken to the church in a carriage, where the ceremony was performed, and went immediately to their home on East Fifth street. A plain gold ring was used as a wedding ring, which the groom very tenderly placed on his beloved bride's finger. There was a large crowd present to witness the wedding.

The A. M. E. and Tabernacle churches had their Christmas exercises and trees last Tuesday evening. Mt. Zion church had an Xmas log cabin the same evening. All went well attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Coleman are spending the holidays with Fred's folks in Boore, Iowa.

Miss Ruth Southall is on the sick list and could not fill her place as organist at Mt. Zion church last Sunday.

Mrs. A. R. Jackson and daughter, Freda, left Monday for their home in Topeka, after spending the holidays with Mrs. Sally Jackson.

Misses Breckenridge and Johnson of Fort Dodge are spending the holidays here. They are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Guy.

Misses Bettie Berkley and Reola Buford returned to their school at Hiteman last Saturday.

Little Marie Dues is sick with the mumps this week.

Mrs. Bertha Long of Des Moines spent Xmas with her sister, Mrs. Nellie Cross. Mrs. Carr's little daughter, Helen, who is attending school in Des Moines, came also.

Mrs. Early Blackman, who has been sick about three months, departed this life Sunday afternoon about 6 o'clock, and was buried Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Atkinson are rejoicing over the arrival of a new girl that came to them Saturday morning. Mother and daughter doing nicely.

Wm. A. Brown, Jr., returned Monday morning from the Inter-State Literary that was held at Topeka, Kans. He reports a very pleasant meeting and an enjoyable trip. He seems to be filled with inspiration. The next meeting will be held in Atchison, Kans.

Services were held at the A. M. E. and Mt. Zion churches Xmas day. Misses Lulu Bryson and Jeanette Chapman and little Jennie Graves were baptized at Mt. Zion church by Rev. Woodard.

Mr. Arthur Eaves, attending Western college, spent the Christmas holidays here with his parents and a big reunion dinner was given by his parents in his honor. He returned to college on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Craddock of Des Moines and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Burns of Cedar Rapids spent the holidays in the city with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Green.

Mrs. Rose Brown left last Tuesday for Danville, Ill., and Indianapolis, Ind., to visit her daughters. She will spend about two weeks in each city. "What will poor Mary do without her Rose?"

A pound party was given last Thursday evening at Mt. Zion church for Rev. and Mrs. Woodard. While it was supposed to be a pound party, many of the members brought much larger presents. There were hams, bacon, sugar, home made fruit, one sack of flour and many other things too numerous to mention. Rev. and Mrs. Woodard thanked the members very kindly and said they might call again.

Dr. Willis, Miss D. Mae Lee and Mrs. Ella Lucas attended the Inter-State Literary at Topeka.

Tabernacle News.

The church work is still progressing nicely.

Mr. Thomas Raleigh of Des Moines was the guest of S. B. White and Miss Beatie Clay on Xmas.

Mrs. Bessie Williams is on the sick list.

Mr. William Starkey of Centerville, Iowa, spent Xmas with Miss Lillian Simmons.

Mrs. Veda Butrom of Colfax is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Alice Poe.

The Will Do club gave a reception at the home of Rev. L. G. Garrett on Saturday night. The evening was spent in discussing history. A program was rendered in connection, after which the hostess served a three-course luncheon. At an early hour the guests departed to their homes, reporting a nice time.

Mrs. Alice Poe, who has been on the sick list for some time, is able to be out again. Her many friends are glad to see her out.

Mr. Silas Wade and Mrs. Mary Triggs were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. White on Xmas.

Mrs. Leola Wilson left Monday for Oskaloosa to visit her mother and friends.

Mrs. Elmira Freeman will leave Friday for Iowa City to the hospital, where she will have an operation performed. We pray God's blessings upon her.

Mrs. Ellen Russell of Des Moines, Iowa, came to visit the bedside of her sick daughter, Mrs. Elmira Freeman.

Mrs. Seletha Wheeler and Miss Clara McMillan spent Xmas with their mother in Des Moines.

Mrs. Eugene Carter is suffering with a severe cut in her hand, which she accidentally cut while washing windows.

NOTICE OF EXPIRATION OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION.

To John R. Stewart:

You are hereby notified that on the 7th day of December, 1909, the following described real estate, situated in Polk county, Iowa, to-wit: Lot seven (17), in block four (4), of Stafford's addition to Des Moines, now in and forming a part of the city of Des Moines, Iowa, was sold for the then delinquent and unpaid tax for the year 1908 to the undersigned, Geo. Harnagle; that the undersigned is still the owner and holder of the certificate of purchase issued in pursuance of the above mentioned sale, and that the right of redemption will expire and a deed for the land will be made unless redemption is made within ninety days from the completed service hereof.

Dated this 30th day of December, 1912.

Geo. Harnagle,
Owner and Holder of Said Certificate.

If your children are subject to attacks of croup, watch for the first

symptom, hoarseness. Give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as soon as the child becomes hoarse and the attack may be warded off. For sale by all dealers.

COUNCIL BLUFFS

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Rose gave a five course luncheon in honor of Rev. and Mrs. Garrison. Covers were laid for seventeen.

Mr. Chas. Davis has returned from Excelsior Springs. He reports feeling much better.

The entertainment given by the young people of Council Bluffs under direction of Mr. Albert Burk, a promising young man of our city, was a grand success. The Stewardess served chicken pie supper; Mrs. Robinson, chairman.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Richardson gave dinner for Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Garrison.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Brockman entertained at Xmas dinner Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Davis and Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Bose.

After a very pleasant Xmas Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Garrison wishes to thank members and friends for the tokens of remembrance. At least thirty-three people remembered him and wife. A Xmas never to be forgotten at large in Council Bluffs.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Henry Walker dined the Rev. H. Garrison and wife. The Rev. said he would not forget this December soon, as the hostess served them with watermelon. July would have been just right but December.

The willing workers of Tabernacle Baptist church gave a three nights bazaar beginning Xmas night. It was enjoyed by all and financially successful. Mrs. C. Hall was chairman.

Thursday at 2:30 the funeral of Daniel Rhodes was conducted by Rev. J. W. Morton. Interment at Walnut Hill.

No More Gold Lace for Afghans.

The Amer has published an edict which applies to all parts of Afghanistan, prohibiting the import into the country of all kinds of gold lace, including embroidered kullas lungis and embroidered shoes. The Amer is evidently actuated by a desire to prevent his subjects from spending their hard earned money on showy dress. It is the poorer classes who are notoriously addicted to this extravagance which his majesty has decided to check. The gold laced coat of the Afghan is decidedly handsome, and although the Amer has acted wisely in bringing into general use clothing less costly, his majesty's orders will doubtless be received by his subjects with rather mixed feelings.

Proper Bestowal of Charity.

Dickens: There are not a few among the disciples of charity who require in their vocation, scarcely less excitement than the votaries of pleasure in theirs; and hence it is that diseased sympathy and compassion are every day expended on out-of-the-way objects, when only too many demands upon the legitimate exercise of the same virtues in a healthy state are constantly within the sight and bearing of the most unobtrusive persons alive. In short, charity must have its romance, as the novelist or the play writer must have his.

Rare Washington Portrait.

A rare and curious mezzotint portrait of George Washington in the library of the late Lafayette S. Richardson of Lowell, Mass., was auctioned off last year in Boston. It is entitled "George Washington, late president of the United States of America, etc.," and was published March 14, 1801, by J. Hinton London. It is a small folio and is colored by hand. It looks as much like George III. as it does the Father of His Country. Baker, who wrote the "Engraved Portraits of Washington," says that only one impression of this mezzotint has come under the notice of the writer. It was in the collection of the Clarksons on the Carson sale of Washington portraits.

List on Yellow Flour.

Charles Christadone, an expert on flour and grains, sounds the keynote of the new situation brought about by the bleached flour decision when he says in a communication to the editor commenting on the bleached flour decision: "The housewife will now insist on yellow tinted or creamy flour and will learn to realize that a natural flour very white can in no manner compare with the creamy or yellow flour in so far as gluten and muscle building values are concerned. "As from 85 to 90 per cent. of the large flour mills of the country were using this bleaching process, the decision is far-reaching."—National Food Magazine.

Ancient Uses of Bloodhounds.

Although the use of bloodhounds for tracking criminals still survives, another ancient use of these dogs seems to have died out. Bloodhounds were at one time often called upon to assist an army in the field, the forces with which the earl of Essex suppressed the Irish rebellion in the company of Elizabeth, for instance, being accompanied by 800 dogs. In the Scottish clan feuds and the wars between England and Scotland bloodhounds were regularly employed in tracking fugitive warriors, and both Wallace and Bruce were hunted in this manner. Wallace is said to have baffled his pursuers by killing a follower and leaving the corpse for the hound to find, while Bruce adopted the less cruel plan of wading some distance down a stream and ascending a tree which overhung the water.

NOTICE OF EXPIRATION OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION.

To S. K. Harlan:

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NOTABLE YEAR IN BUSINESS

Brief Review of Race Progress During 1912.

VICTORY IN THEATER CASE.

The Steady Advance of Afro-Americans in Many Laudable Undertakings For Racial Uplift Furnishes an Inspiring Example For Future Efforts. Mound Bayou Oil Mill in Operation.

By N. BARNETT DODSON.

The year 1912 witnessed many successful achievements among the colored people of the United States. More than ever before they have directed attention along the lines of genuine constructive work. Remarkable advances were made in business, education, civic movements and religious culture. At intervals from Jan. 1 to Feb. 22 patriotic exercises were held in various sections of the country in recognition of the forty-ninth anniversary of the issuance of the emancipation proclamation and in the celebration of Washington's birthday.

Early in the year legal steps were taken in a test case at the Lyric theater in New York, to force recognition of the civil rights act. The case was that of Louis F. Baldwin, a mail clerk and real estate dealer, against the assistant treasurer of the Lyric theater for refusing Baldwin the use of orchestra seats which Baldwin had bought. The case was handled by the vigilance committee of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. It resulted successfully.

International Conference at Tuskegee.

In April representatives from eighteen foreign countries or provinces attended an international conference at the Tuskegee (Ala.) Institute, which was called by Dr. Booker T. Washington. The object of the conference was to make an investigation into the methods and systems used at Tuskegee with a view of having the same used by these representatives at their schools and business places.

The months of May and June were notable for great religious gatherings of the various denominations. In Kansas City, Mo., the quadrennial conference of the A. M. E. church was held, at which four new bishops were elected. There were representatives from all foreign ports where the denomination carries on missionary work. The Methodist Episcopal conference was held in Minneapolis, Minn., and lasted nearly the whole of June. Prominent among colored men who received votes for bishop was Dr. Robert E. Jones of New Orleans, who polled the highest vote of any man who has ever been a candidate for the office.

The New England Baptist missionary convention held its annual meeting in Orange, N. J., the latter part of the second and first part of the third week in June. Representatives were present from all of the northern and New England states. The reports showed

organization of new chapters, correspondence and publishers generally. The future of the organization is bright. The plans mapped out by the general officers for the work of the year are being successfully followed by the members, all of whom are deeply interested in the association.

Officers were elected as follows: President, R. W. Thompson, Washington; vice president, Joseph L. Jones, Cincinnati; second vice president, Gurley Brewer, Indianapolis, Ind.; corresponding secretary, Henry Allen Boyd, Nashville, Tenn.; recording secretary, Charles Sumner Smith, Minneapolis, Minn.; treasurer, John L. Thompson, Des Moines, Ia.; N. Barnett Dodson, New York, chairman of the executive committee.

Principal Events in Early Fall.

In September the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows' meeting in Atlanta, Ga., was largely attended. At Hous-



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ton, Tex., the national Baptist convention held its session. It is the largest organization of colored Baptists in the world. It carries on an extensive home and foreign mission work and operates a publishing house in Nashville, Tenn., which supplies most of the literature used by the denomination.

Unusual interest was manifested in political affairs on account of the split in the Republican party which resulted in a third candidate for the presidency in the person of ex-President Theodore Roosevelt. The three cornered fight resulted in a national triumph for the Democratic party.

The completion and opening of the oil mill and manufacturing establishment at Mound Bayou, Miss., the 25th of November was the most noteworthy achievement of the race along business lines from the standpoint of capital invested and plan and scope as a purely commercial undertaking.

Some of the more important events in December were the complimentary dinner to Bishop Alexander Walters in New York city by leading citizens from in and out of the city in recognition of his leadership in national, state, church and community affairs in the interest of the race. Dr. Booker T. Washington made a speaking tour through Greater New York and vicinity, and the Rev. A. Clayton Powell, D. D., of New York delivered several lectures in various parts of New England.

In Washington the James fund board met at the White House, at which meeting appropriations were made for rural schools for 1913.

The James fund was one of \$1,000,000, bestowed by Miss Anna T. James, a Quaker of Philadelphia. The bequest grew out of the representation that the crying need of the colored children of the south was better schools in the back country districts; that the terms should be extended beyond the few weeks allowed by the local authorities and that properly equipped teachers should be provided.

Miss James responded to Dr. Booker T. Washington's recommendation by giving the \$1,000,000 for the relief of these poor children in the rural regions of the southland. The interest on the fund amounts to \$50,000 per annum, and very satisfactory progress is being made in the work. Industrial features are being introduced along with the academic training, and education of the most practical sort is being more and more generally diffused throughout the counties of the "black belt."

Samaritan Charity Club Organized.

The Samaritan Charity club, recently organized through the efforts of Mrs. C. J. Walker in Indianapolis, Ind., is finding a wide field for active charitable work of the most worthy kind. During the Christmas holidays the members distributed many Christmas gifts of the most useful kind among the less fortunate people of the community. The organization of the club is but another evidence of Mrs. Walker's great interest in the welfare of the race.

Alabama Penny Savings Institution.

As a mark of distinctive progress of the race along financial lines at the end of fifty years of freedom the Alabama Penny Savings bank, Birmingham, Ala., and its branches held a joint celebration on Wednesday, Jan. 1. The occasion also marked the formal opening of the bank's new six story steel reinforced building. Dr. W. R. Pettiford is president of the bank in Birmingham, which maintains branches in Montgomery, Selma and Anniston.

American Soldiers Ordered to Hawaii.

The war department has notified the Twenty-fifth United States Infantry to prepare to leave for Hawaii early in January. The artillery companies ordered to go at the same time are the Tenth, Sixty-eighth and Seventy-fifth.

Protective Device.

When a telephone line is electrostatically charged the telephone acts as a condenser. The winding serves as one plate of the condenser, the frame of the receiver as the dielectric and the person who is holding the receiver to his ear as the other plate of the condenser. In order to prevent this condenser from discharging through the person, a German inventor provided a grounded metallic cover to be received, the capacity of which is somewhat greater than that of the

PROGRESS OF THE CALHOUN SCHOOL

Work of Uplift Noted at Well Known Institution.

FOUNDED TWENTY YEARS AGO

Annual Report of the Principal, Miss Charlotte R. Thorne, Shows Growth in Buildings From One to Nineteen. Located on Tract Where Auction Block Once Stood.

The growth of the Calhoun Industrial school in Lowndes county, Ala., as shown by the recent annual report of the principal, Miss Charlotte R. Thorne, is highly gratifying to the trustees and friends of the school, who have aided the institution in a financial way. No feature of work by which the colored people in that section of the state might advance themselves in education or other lines of industry is neglected.

Twenty years ago when the school was started there were only three teachers. They served in the capacity of officers as well as instructors. The force now consists of twenty-nine officers, teachers and other assistants. In 1892 there were only one school building and one frame cottage for the accommodation of students and teachers. Nineteen buildings now form the group of school property now used for various purposes.

An interesting fact in connection with the Calhoun school is that it is located upon a tract of land upon which an auction block once stood, where slaves were sold as so much merchandise to the highest bidder. The first building erected was painted white and soon afterward took the name of "Morning Star," so named by the people of the surrounding country, as they saw in the efforts of the founders of the school hope and encouragement for the colored people.

Twenty years ago, says the principal, four classroom teachers spent most of their time trying to accustom the young people in school to the "strange talk of the teachers," for our language was as strange to them as theirs was unintelligible to us. This past twentieth year the teachers have been carrying class work for the kindergarten through nine grades to academic work.

In the day school the enrollment this year totals 265, of which 140 are girls and 125 boys. In the community class there are thirteen women and fourteen men. Four boys and four girls were graduated this year from this department.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT.

Hampton (Va.) Institute Students Render Charming Musical Festival.

Hampton, Va.—The annual Christmas carol concert, given by the great chorus of Hampton Institute students, included the following numbers: "Adeste Fideles" (J. Reading, 1692); "Holy Night" (Franz Gruber, 1818); Victor Victrola duet, "Song of the Ages" (L. H. Meredith); violin obligato, Mr. W. M. O. Tossman, bandmaster Hampton Institute; "Night of Nights" (Vandewater), baritone solo, Mr. Tressler Scott, singing teacher Hampton Institute.

"Ye Shepherds Awake" (German folk melody); "Hail to Messiah" (Charles Boehm); "Hallelujah Chorus" (Handel's "Messiah"); "Christmas Hymn" (old carol melody); "O Holy Night" (soprano solo), Miss Adelaide L. Hutchins, singing teacher, Hampton Institute.

"The Babe of Bethlehem" (traditional); "Venite Adoremus Dominum" (G. W. Warren); "Glory to God in the Highest" (C. Simper); "He is King of Kings" (plantation melody). The pianists were Miss Frances H. Rogers and Mr. Allen H. Gates of Hampton Institute.

Franklin on Lack of Business System.

The need of good business management in the conduct of household affairs of churches and lodges and of the business enterprises of the race is not given the recognition it should have, says Editor C. A. Franklin in the Denver Statesman. The earning power of the race is too little to admit of leakage, yet poor managers go along blindly trusting to luck and guessing on the business instead of knowing the facts from carefully kept books.

Foreign Mission Board's Great Work.

The foreign mission board of the national Baptist convention, which has been recently located in Philadelphia, covers mission stations in five foreign countries. These mission headquarters are looked after by 135 missionaries and native workers and have a membership of more than 40,000. The Rev. L. G. Jordan is the corresponding secretary of the board in Philadelphia, which was formerly located in Louisville, Ky.

Ambition of the Rev. Dr. J. W. Rankin.

If the plans mapped out by the Rev. Dr. J. W. Rankin, missionary secretary of the A. M. E. church, with headquarters in New York, do not miscarry he will raise \$50,000 during 1913 for missions as a special fund in commemoration of the fiftieth anniversary of the freedom of the race in the United States. Dr. Rankin has recently removed his family from Texas to Brooklyn, where he has established his residence.

French Dressing.

One-half level teaspoon of salt, 1 dash of paprika with three table-spoons of olive oil, one-half table-spoon each of vinegar and lemon juice.

Lemon Sauce.

Three-quarters cup sugar, one-quarter cup water, two teaspoons butter, one tablespoon lemon juice. Make a syrup by boiling sugar and water eight minutes, remove from fire; add butter and lemon juice.

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