

**NINETY SIX NEWS.**

Ninety-Six, Feb. 16.—Rev. A. J. Spearman accompanied Rev. D. M. Spearman the first Saturday and preached at Bethlehem the first Sunday. The death of Mr. Marshall Carter was indeed a shock to his many friends. He was sick only a few days. The many friends of Deacon P. S. Goodwin will be sorry to know that he is not doing so well. He has been sick for a week. We hope for him a speedy recovery. Mr. Fad Goodwin of Columbia is here to see his brother, P. S. Goodwin. The Graded School children rendered a program at Bethlehem Baptist Church last Tuesday night. Everybody present enjoyed the entire exercise. Everybody enjoyed the show given in the Graded School building Monday night. Mr. Perry Dean left for Philadelphia, Pa., Tuesday. The stork presented a fine little son to Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Williams. Mother and baby are doing fine. Rev. B. F. Stewart reports a fine time at Ellore Sunday. Mrs. White spent a few days with her husband, Rev. White. Mrs. White is teaching in Bennettsville. Mr. Smart Sample formerly of this place was in town Friday on business. Mrs. Minnie L. Bowens went to Anderson last week. She is a patient in the Anderson hospital where she underwent an operation last Wednesday. At this writing she is doing fine. George A. Parker.

**ESTHER CHAPTER 1, O. E. S. OF F. A. M.**

Monday afternoon, Feb. 6th, was regular meeting day for Queen Esther Chapter No. 1, O. E. S. of F. A. M. A good attendance of the ladies made the meeting one of inspiration. A devoted ex-member of the chapter was favorably considered by the members. Officers for the ensuing year are: Elected—Mrs. N. H. Collins, R. M.; Dr. E. A. Huggins, R. P.; Mrs. P. R. Reese, H. A. M.; Mrs. D. H. Means, H. C.; Mrs. Docas Thompson, H. A. C.; Mrs. E. E. Sightler, H. Treas.; Miss Helen E. Reddick, H. Sec.; Rev. J. H. Johnson, Hon. Chaplain. Appointive Officers: Mrs. E. C. Nelson, H. L. T.; Mrs. L. Lawrence, H. L. F.; Mrs. Fannie Hipp, H. L. W.; Mrs. J. H. Johnson, H. L. C.; Mrs. Walter Brown, H. H.; Mrs. J. B. Lewie, H. W.; Mrs. A. J. Collins, Pianist. The R. M. was granted a temporary relief of service for six months, during which time the A. M. will serve.

**LAURENS NEWS.**

Rev. McDowell of Greenville preached an inspiring sermon Sunday afternoon at Mt. Pisgah Presbyterian Church. Miss Laura Sullivan, who has been visiting friends and relatives here for a few weeks, has returned to her home in Philadelphia. Mr. N. S. Torrence made a trip to Chester on business Monday. Mr. and Mrs. S. Allen, Miss Louise Davis, Mr. Avery Allen and Mrs. Allen, Sr., of Greenville were pleasant visitors in the City Saturday. Mrs. Ella Mangum of Newberry has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Eva Mason for several days. Mrs. Eva Mason has been ill but is much better. Mrs. S. W. Sullivan is on the sick list. Rev. A. C. L. Arbouin submitted his resignation as pastor of St. Paul Baptist Church last Sunday night to take effect April 1st. Mrs. Lettie Dial has been on the sick list but is much better. Master Alonzo Whitener is home again after having been a patient in the St. Luke Hospital, Greenville, following a minor operation. The Invincibles will appear here next Tuesday night. Mrs. N. S. Torrence has been very ill but is now able to be up.

**PICKENS PLEADS FOR PLACE FOR NEGRO IN HISTORY.**

**NEGRO SHOT PITCAIRN.**

Testifies before the Commissioner of Accounts of N. Y.

New York, Feb. 15.—William Pickens of the N. A. A. C. P. appeared at an investigation in New York City recently on the rewriting of history books. The following account of Mr. Pickens' testimony before the commissioner of Accounts of New York is taken from the New York World. William Pickens of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People made a plea that the part played by Negroes be included in American history. "I went through public school," he said, "and graduated from Yale and was a grown man before I ever learned that it was a black man who shot Major Pitcairn at Bunker Hill, or that one man out of every ten at the Battle of Erie was black, or that in the War of 1812 there were many black men behind the American parapet of cotton bales, or that George Washington had hundreds of Colored soldiers, or that Abraham Lincoln said that without 200,000 black troops on the Northern side they never would have won. "For the sake of good feeling that is essential, I want our histories to show the part that Colored soldiers played in the great war."

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