



SATURDAY, JAN. 6, 1900.

THE RAMBLER.

Does not the law of God that applied to priests concerning their marrying...

The common conception of a priest is one who ministers and administers in holy things...

Neither shall they take for their wives a widow, nor her that is put away...

Thus you perceive that a priest, a minister is forbidden to take to himself as a wife...

Maid—a young unmarried woman, virgin, a woman who has had no carnal knowledge...

It is so plain that a way faring man through a fool need not err therein.

It is astonishing why some preachers in taking wives to themselves will not conform to the laws...

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FROM BEDFORD CITY.

Woods—Johnson.

Editor of The Planet:

Wednesday afternoon at 12:30 o'clock, Rev. W. D. Woods, pastor of the Washington St. Baptist Church and Miss Julia A. Johnson, instructor in the City Public School, were united in the bonds of holy matrimony at Big Island, Va., the home of the bride, by Rev. J. S. Brown.

The parlor was beautifully decorated with evergreens and choice flowers. The wedding march was played by Miss Minnie Horner of Bedford City. Mr. G. L. Brown and Miss Ella Terry led the way and hailed before a beautiful arch, then followed Mr. Charles Christian with Miss A. J. James of Roanoke city, followed by Mr. Preston Johnson and Miss Mary Sorrels, followed by the maid of honor, Miss Ella Tinsley with the groom. The bride came in leaning on the arm of Mr. Edmond Woods, the brother of the groom, and met under the arch where they were made one.

The bride was attired in white china silk and the groom in the conventional black. The maid of honor was dressed in the same costume of the bride. After an enjoyable repast, the bride and groom left for their future home in Bedford City, where they were royally entertained by the following parties: On Wednesday evening, Mr. and Mrs. Zachariah Thomas; Thursday evening, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Davis; Friday evening, Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Powell; Saturday at 3 P. M., a delicious dinner by Deacon W. H. Brown Sunday at 3 P. M., a sumptuous feast spread by Rev. and Mrs. Silas Smith.

The new couple received many costly and valuable presents from their many friends. We wish them a long and happy life.

ST. LUKE'S BREVITIES.

On Wednesday, December 20th, the funeral of Mrs. Angie Scott, wife of Isaac Alpheus Scott, and a member of the Fourth Baptist Church, by Rev. E. Payne. The deceased has been a faithful member of Magdalena Council for 8 years.

At the St. Luke Hall, Friday, December 29th, Miss Eliza Kiehl gave to her private school a beautiful Christmas tree. The tree was laden with presents for both pupils and teacher.

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Last Thursday night, the Theban Social Club celebrated its second anniversary at Price's hall with a magnificent supper.

The affair which was a full dress one, demanded nothing less than high born admiration and indeed the scene was one of rare beauty.

There are persons who talk and

WENT BEFORE.

PETERSBURG, VA., Jan. 1, 1900. Miss Mary K. Allen, the devoted little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. B. Wood, departed this life, Dec. 26th, 1899 at 1:30 P. M., at the residence of her parents in Dinwiddie County, where they have resided for ten years.

She was a devoted little daughter and much loved and treasured by her parents. She was born in Richmond in the year of 1876, where she spent 13 years of her life.

She bore her sufferings with patience and Christian fortitude during the time of the confinement to her bed which was one month and two weeks. Her funeral services took place at the Gillfield Baptist Church of Petersburg, Va., at 2 P. M., Dec. 28th.

Miss Mary died in the Christian faith, having been a member of the Fourth Baptist Church of Richmond, Va., for ten years and was very devoted to her church. She often spoke of it during the trying hours of her illness.

Her last words were "I am trusting the Lord." A large crowd of friends and relatives attended the funeral services at the church, many of whom followed her sacred remains to the place of interment in the Blandford Cemetery.

Her parents are now prostrated with grief on account of her death; but in the language of Job, they are able to say, "The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away, blessed be the name of the Lord."

Miss Mary leaves to mourn their loss a mother, step-father, grand-mother, eight aunts, four uncles, and a host of other relatives and friends.

Her step-father, Mr. Wm. B. Wood is well-known in Richmond where he has been a deacon and trustee of the Fourth Baptist Church of Richmond about 25 years.

Very important attaches to the Central State Hospital, where he has been employed for 24 years. Ever since his employment he has been the only instructor of religious services at the Hospital. He takes great interest in such work.

Miss Mary Allen was buried in a beautiful antique casket. There cannot be too much praise given to Mr. James M. Wilkerson, one of the most popular funeral directors in Petersburg for the most efficient way he superintended the funeral.

The following were the gracefully gentlemen who acted as pall-bearers: Messrs. Frank Smith, Aderson Smith, Charles Johnson, Johnny Johnson, William Wyche and George Taylor.

Gone! Gone! loved one, Gone to thy rest, God hath recalled thee, In thy youthful bloom, Death hath its finger, Rest upon thee now, Still beauty lingers, On thy pillow bow, Gone! Gone! loved one, Gone to thy rest, God hath recalled thee, In thy youthful bloom.

Y. M. C. A. Notes.

The Young Men's Christian Association wishes all "A happy new year."

Christmas was well spent by the young men of the Association and the room were frequented by them.

Our General Secretary, S. O. Burrell, visited the Penitentiary last week to see a young man from Norfolk. He was well pleased with the visit.

The boys under the committee-ship of Frank Beechus and Geo. Jackson, last Wednesday at 10 A. M., led a surprise to the Orphan Asylum.

It was enjoyed by all.

The Ladies' Auxiliary, represented by Mrs. Beechus and Mrs. Cosby, led a surprise on the inmates of the Alms House, last Wednesday 3 P. M. They were assisted by Mr. George W. Roane and Mr. Frank W. Quarles.

The explanation on the Sunday School lesson last Saturday by Prof. Gentung of the Va. Union University, was well attended.

The boys were out in large numbers last Sunday to hear the most timely and instructive address by President Clifton Cabel. Subject, "Sowing Seed."

The men last Sunday were well paid for coming out to hear the instructive and practical address by Rev. H. Bass Subject, "What is your record?" The address will be remembered by all who were present.

The boys Sunday, 4 P. M., will have a Bible Study. All boys are invited to take a part.

Doctor G. M. P. King, formerly of Wayland Seminary, Washington, D. C., but now of the Va. Union University, will deliver a special address to the men Sunday at 5:30 P. M. at our rooms. Special music. Free to all men.

FROM HARTFORD.

Rev. A. D. Chandler, pastor of the Union Baptist Church, Wooster St., preached an interesting sermon Sunday morning, Dec. 31st, text, "God's leading of His people." For his evening text, "The future for God's people."

Miss Frances Jackson of Savannah, Ga., is the guest of Mrs. D. Daniel Hill of 412 1/2 Garden St.

Police building Taylor, janitor of the police building is ill with pneumonia.

The Christmas exercises which were held Dec. 26th and 28th for the benefit of the Union Baptist Church Sunday School was a success.

Mr. George Boyd of 43 Wooster St., is suffering with a severe cold, but at this writing is much better.

by Miss Louise Thompson of the Congregational S. S. Mr. Theodore Lane of Wethersfield avenue, has been indisposed, and also his son, Arthur. They are improving.

FROM CHURCH HILL.

Services at all the churches on last Sunday were well attended, and the most of them kept the New Year Watch.

The Mount Olivet Baptist Church, 25th and 8 Sts., is about completed and the dedication will commence on Sunday, the 7th inst. On last Sunday Rev. J. Andrew Bowler filled the pulpit at 11:30 o'clock, A. M., and delivered an eloquent discourse on subject, 'The Answered Prayer.'

At 3 o'clock p. m., the Rev. Archer Ferguson, pastor of Mount Calvary Baptist Church, accompanied by deacon A. E. Daniel, put in his appearance according to promise and after congratulating the congregation upon their noble work in such a short time, proceeded to deliver one of the most able discourses we have ever listened to.

He was very pointed in his remarks, and everybody seemed to have been well pleased.

At 8 o'clock p. m., there was a well filled house. Nearly every seat being occupied, to hear the Rev. A. S. Thomas of the Sharon Baptist Church, one of Richmond's greatest pulpit orators. He held his audience spell-bound (young and old alike) at times giving vent to their feelings as he reared upon them out of the word of the Lord. At the conclusion of his discourse the Reverend left for his own church to conduct the New Year watch there.

Immediately after the services, Revs. J. Andrew Bowler, J. H. Faunleroy and R. J. Bass led off in the New Year watch and from that time till 12 o'clock, the brethren and sisters took an active part in the singing, singing, praying and exhorting. At times, many were bathed in tears as the spirit of the Lord ran through the house.

The music by the choir during the day was on a fine order, and was highly complimented.

M. F. D. Brightwell of Bridgeport, Conn., called on us.

Mr. O. A. Payne of West Virginia called on us.

Mrs. H. M. Burk of Washington, D. O., is in the city and the guest of her mother-in-law, Mrs. Maria Burke on Baker Street.

Mrs. James Custalo in North 5th St., who was so seriously burnt some time ago, has recovered.

Miss Lottie Mitchell, the great "water glass" dancer will appear with the comedy company at the True Reformer's Hall, Monday night in "Five Shillings."

DOG ADOPTED KITENS.

Flossie is a remarkable canine and can reason things out almost like a woman.

The Philadelphia Times tells some interesting stories of Flossie, a dog once owned by a Mr. Kramer of that city. That Flossie is a remarkable dog no one will doubt who has seen or heard of her wonderful traits.

The most striking will alone be necessary to prove the assertion.

It so happened when she was a member of the Kramer household that the family was disturbed by a black tabby cat that repeatedly trespassed upon the premises and annoyed the occupants by her loud crying. Flossie stood

THE HAPPY FAMILY.

It is as long as any patient, long-suffering Christian dog could, then she determined to take the law in her own hands. This she did as soon as the opportunity presented.

One day Tabby appeared within the sacred precincts of the Kramer garden. Flossie was lying in wait for her and proceeded to violently protest against the intrusion. She inserted her teeth into Tabby's neck and made so deep an impression that the cat bade farewell forever to the garden and the world. Then to her horror Flossie discovered a circumstance of which she was totally unaware.

Tabby had recently given birth to kittens. There were two of these and both were still nursing. Sure death confronted them, in view of the demise of their mother, and Flossie was directly responsible for their deaths. Though she knew of their condition before this did not excuse her. She could not bring the cat back to life, so she decided to supply her place as best she could.

Seeking out the little ones, she brought them home to the shelter of the Kramer house and nursed them as diligently as the fondest mother could. In a brief while the kittens became accustomed to their foster mother and grew under her care to soon take care of themselves. They are now big cats and mourned the loss of Flossie sincerely when she disappeared. Their joy on her recovery knew no bounds.

Circumstances Alter Cases.

"I notice," says Uncle Gabe, "dat de man dat sings 'I would not live away de loudes' on Sunday am gin'ally de one dat gets to de platform fast when de train runs off de track."—N. Y. World

A Prolonged Address.

"Does your wife talk until she gets the last word?"

"Yes, and she talks after that, too."—Chicago Record.

Doing Missionary Work.

Silmon—Willie, where did you get that black eye?

"It's all right, pop. I've only been stizzling the boy next door."—Tit-Bits, 12, 23-31

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Richmond, Va., Jan. 1, 1900. All Master Masons, their mothers, wives, sisters and daughters are respectfully invited to a mass meeting at Masonic Hall, 511 E. Clay St., on Thursday, Jan. 26, 1900, at 8 o'clock P. M. for the purpose of re-organizing the order of the Eastern Star at which time plans for re-organization will be presented.

PERFORMANCE BEGINS AT 8:30.