

THE A. M. E. CONFERENCE

Closes its Annual Session with a Bousing Meeting.

THE APPOINTMENTS LAST NIGHT

And the Bishop's Closing Address. An Eloquent Sermon by Rev. Dr. Derrick—Services at Various Churches Yesterday Conducted by Leading Members of the Conference.

The annual session of the Pittsburgh Conference of the A. M. E. church closed late last night. All the Sunday sessions were held in the Grand Opera House, which was well filled morning, afternoon and evening, and the last thing was the most interesting, practically considered, of all. This was the appointment of ministers for the next year. Bishop Arnett preceded the announcement by an eloquent and earnest address, urging all to renewed effort on behalf of religion, education and temperance, and congratulating the members on their good work in the past year.

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SATURDAY'S SESSIONS.

A Great Deal of Business Finished at Three Meetings. Saturday the conference got through with a great deal of routine business, Bishop Arnett utilizing every moment. In the morning a new parchment was granted to L. A. Baker after a short discussion. The committee on circuits and stations then filed a lengthy report. It created much discussion and nearly an hour was spent on it.

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The officers are: J. B. Till, president; Charles H. Brown, secretary, and Benjamin Wheeler, treasurer. At this moment Dr. Roberts, of the Wesley M. E. church; Elder Taney, of the Union Baptist church, and Prof. J. J. Joiner, principal of the Monduville school; Rev. Coleman, of the Baptist church of Bridgeport, and Rev. John T. Hamilton, of the Northern Ohio conference, were arrivals.

After the transaction of some unimportant business the prize essay contest was held. There were three entries, Rev. H. J. Grant, Rev. Richard Brown and Rev. Caliman. The subject was, "Why is it at the present time, when there are 250,000,000 natives in Africa, European forces take their country?" Rev. H. J. Grant was the first to read. His essay gave evidence of being thoroughly prepared, and was of much interest. The address was received with much applause. The next contestant was Rev. Mr. Brown, who also received hearty applause. Rev. Dr. Caliman's essay also held the conference's attention very closely.

The judges, Rev. Till, Rev. S. P. West and Prof. Scott then, after a lengthy examination of the papers, made the awards as follows: Rev. Caliman 95.2, Rev. Grant 93.8, Rev. Brown 90.3. The first prize was accordingly awarded to Rev. Caliman and the second prize to Rev. Grant.

The bishop then resolved the society into the conference and proceeded with the business. Nine applicants for admittance into the conference with a traveling connection were examined by the bishop. The applicants were as follows: Jesse Wallace, T. J. Ackew, J. W. Brown, Julius Paige, Eli McKnight, Israel Holmes, T. J. Simmons, George W. Webster and Charles Garner. After examination by the bishop, the gentlemen were admitted.

AT THE CHURCHES.

Members of the Conference Fill Several Pulpits. At the Fourth Street M. E. church yesterday morning the eloquent Rev. Dr. Derrick preached a sermon to a large congregation, and it made a deep impression. He took for his text part of the first verse of the 108th Psalm: "O, God, my heart is fixed. I will sing and give praise, even with my glory." He preached a sermon which fully sustained his fame as a polished and powerful pulpit orator.

Last evening in the same church Rev. Dr. Mitchell, president of Wilberforce university, preached an able discourse from John xiv, 12: "Greater works than these shall He do." A feature of the service at this church was the music. At the morning service the strengthened choir made its first appearance this season, and the verdict was that finer church music has never been rendered. The Fourth Street trustees have increased the appropriation for music considerably and the increased size of the choir was one of the results. Mr. E. R. Ballard is choir master and James A. Perry organist. The voices are as follows: Soprano, Miss Meda Dungan, Mrs. Lizzie Woodworth, Mrs. Frank Stanton, Miss Zoe Hastings, Mrs. Frank Luby, Miss Loretta McGrahanan; tenor, C. H. Dowler, O. P. McKee, D. W. Fyfe, W. M. Doulin; alto, Miss Kato Land, Miss

Kate Wincher, Mrs. Frank Cartwright, Miss Lottie Jefferson, Miss Alice Walters; bass, H. C. Sweeney, H. Reuter, J. H. Davora, H. E. Bown, F. R. Huseman, F. H. Frasier.

At Thomson M. E. church, on the Island, Rev. Dr. Cornelius Asbury, formerly pastor of Wayman church here, and now presiding elder of the Allegheny district, preached an eloquent and polished sermon to a congregation which packed the church, and all who heard it were pleased and benefited.

Those attending the services at Wesley M. E. church yesterday were permitted to enjoy a rare treat. Rev. J. W. Jeffries, of St. Paul's A. M. E. church, of Meadville, Pa., preached in the morning from the text, "We know Thou art a teacher come from God." Mr. Jeffries is a native orator, and the large audience was held spell bound throughout.

Christ came as a prophet, priest and king. Many earthly schools are closed to many on account of race or other hindrance, but Christ's great school is open to all, and all may learn in it. The Christian life is a paradox. The Christian is rich when poor, though friendless he is the child of a king, and is full though hungry. It is through Christ's teaching that we seek the Lord, for if left to ourselves we would never seek Him. The greatest he ever taught was: "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart and thy neighbor as thyself."

At night Rev. W. S. Lowry, of the St. James A. M. E. church, of Pittsburgh, filled the pulpit, and those present enjoyed another treat. He preached from the words: "My God why hast Thou forsaken me." In an eloquent way he portrayed the agony of Christ when he uttered these words. It was just before he gave up the ghost when the weight of the sins of mankind hung heavy upon him, in the very darkest hour, the Father withdrew His presence and He was forced to tread the wine press alone. He eloquently portrayed the crucifixion and drew from it such lessons as would do all good. Among other things he said, "be it ever said to the credit of the race, that an Ethiopian was permitted to bear the cross; it was a high honor." The entire sermon was well prepared, logical and most eloquently delivered. All went away feeling that it had been a great privilege to hear the sermons of the day.

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THOSE WAGES REDUCTIONS.

A Register Booming—Democratic Mine Owners, Including Senator Camden, Make a Cut in the Wages of Their Employees, But of Course It Was Not For Political Effect.

The Davis Coal and Coke Company and the lumber concerns along the West Virginia Central Railroad, in William L. Wilson's district, have just cut the wages of their employes 20 per cent.

That this is wholly and solely for political effect there is not the slightest room for doubt, for there is no occasion whatever for such reduction in either the demand or price of coal or lumber.

These interests are opposing Mr. Wilson in the Second district as certain concerns in this city and vicinity are working against Democratic success here by closing down and reducing wages.—Wheeling Register.

"For political effect," is it? Well, what will the Register say about the cut in wages in this region? All our mines—those of Senator Camden and the Watsons included—made a cut in the wages of their employes last Monday. Was this done "for political effect"? Are we to understand that "these interests" are opposing Mr. Wilson in the Second district? If so, Mr. Wilson is defeated now, and he might as well stay on the other side of the pond among his British admirers.

CAMDEN'S MINERS

In Wilson's District Also Obligated to Suffer a Wage Reduction Owing to the Democratic Tariff Bill—Was It For Political Effect, Mr. Register?

The passage of the Wilson bill has not improved the condition of the people in the Second district, and there are frequent instances of the wages of labor still further declining. Only the other day a 20 per cent cut was made on the wages of the laborers employed by the Davis Coal and Coke Company and in the lumber mills along the line of the West Virginia Central road.

Another striking instance of the practical operation of the Democratic tariff law has just developed in the great Fairmont coal region. Taking effect October 1, a general reduction of ten per cent has been made in the wages of all the miners employed in the mines about Fairmont and along the Monongahela railroad. The cut will affect about 1,500 miners. All the mines are operated by Democrats, Senator Camden, the Watsons and ex-Governor Fleming being the largest holders. The operators were forced to make this reduction owing to the necessities of the situation from a business standpoint, and is the direct result of the new Democratic tariff law. As the mines affected are operated by prominent Democrats, it cannot be charged that the cut was made for political effect to help the Republican cause. There is fear expressed that the miners will strike. At any rate, the cut will strike Mr. Wilson a heavy blow.

ATTEMPT AT ARSON.

A Steubenville Man Charged With a Serious Offense.

STREUVILLE, O., Oct. 7.—An explosion followed by a fire occurred at three o'clock this morning in the basement of Charles Ehrisman's saloon in this city. Ehrisman, his family and several boarders had a narrow escape from smothering. An examination of the basement by the fire marshal and police led to Ehrisman's arrest for firing the building. On top of the whisky barrels were found barrels of excelsior, while around the barrels was kindling and paper stuffed in and saturated with oil.

TO RECEIVE THE CZAR.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 7.—Count Beckendorff, Grand Marshal of the Czar's household, has started for Corfu to prepare for the Czar's receipt at that place. The queen of Greece, a cousin of the czar, will accompany the Russian imperial family to Corfu.

TREASURY CASH.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 7.—The cash balance in the treasury Saturday was \$120,316,104; gold reserve, \$59,749,514.

NOTES ON NAVIGATION.

To-day's departures include the Eliza H. for Clarington at 3:30 p. m., and the John L. Lowry for Matamoras at 10:30 a. m.

The Sam the Scaramonch was successfully launched yesterday afternoon after receiving extensive repairs. Reports from head water points are as follows:

Greensboro—River 6 feet 6 inches and stationary; weather fair and cool.

Warren—River three-tenths of a foot above zero; weather fair and cold.

A GOOD APPETITE

Always accompanies good health, and an absence of appetite is an indication of something wrong. The universal testimony given by those who have used Hood's Sarsaparilla, as to its merits in restoring the appetite, and as a purifier of the blood, constitutes the strongest recommendation that can be urged for any medicine.

Hood's Pills cure all liver ills, biliousness, jaundice, indigestion, sick headache. 25c.

The Pan-Handle Dyeing establishment, owned by John Heilmeyer, at No. 1431 Market street, is the best equipped house of its kind in Wheeling. In addition to the dyeing and cleaning departments a corps of first-class tailors are employed, who can do repairing as neat as it is possible. Clothes and ladies' garments, cleaned or dyed, can be made to look like new. Satisfaction guaranteed.

Much Run Down

Was my condition, says Mr. Wm. Weatherford, tax collector at Key West, Florida. My appo-



Mr. Wm. Weatherford

the was poor and I was quite miserable. Friends advised me to take Hood's Sarsaparilla. I have

taken 5 bottles, and am much better, have gained in weight, and enjoy a good appetite.

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PRICE LIST: Mason Jars, per dozen.....45c Choice Large Lemons, per doz.....10c Jelly Glasses, per doz.....20c Clothes Pins, per doz.....1c Carpet Tacks, 8 ounce, per box.....1c Choice Salmon, per can.....10c Baking Powder, per pound.....10c Carolina Rice, per pound.....5c Fresh Ginger Snaps, 4 pounds.....25c Fresh Butter Crackers, 5 pounds.....25c Pain's Root Beer, 4 bottles for.....25c Sugars at refiners prices.

Atlantic Tea Co.

WANTED—HONEST, ENERGETIC men to solicit orders for fruit and ornamental nursery stock; permanent employment; liberal terms; no experience necessary. Address: CHASE & CO., 1430 South Penn Square, Philadelphia, Pa.

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FOR SALE. A FEW CHOICE LOTS AT EDGINGTON. Cheap and on Easy Terms. W. V. HOGE, 1001 City Bank Building 1300 Market Street.

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BONDS. Royal Clay Manufacturing Company. Postoria Glass Company. Wheeling Street Railway Company. Pa. Keating, Sutton & Glenville Railroad Co. Wheeling Pottery Company. Wheeling Steel and Iron Company. Piedmont Water Works.

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FOR RENT. Store room in Peabody Building. Office rooms in Peabody Building. Steam heat, elevator and all modern conveniences. Terms reasonable. PEABODY INSURANCE CO., 1126 and 1128 Market Street.

FOR RENT. New Basement Barber Shop! Corner Main and Tenth Streets. JAMES L. HAWLEY, 1420 Main Street.

Hub Building. FOR RENT—One elegant office room, also one large elegant hall, first floor entrance. Until permanently rented, will rent hall for entertainments, etc. Most centrally located and best advertised building in the city. For terms, etc., apply at THE HUB CLOTHIERS, Fourteenth and Market streets.

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In the New and Thriving Town of HUNDRED, W. VA.

Tuesday and Wednesday, Oct. 16 & 17.

Besides numerous vacant lots, there will also be offered one new Flaming Mill Plant, recently completed, with full outfit of new machinery. Also a good Livestable, Dwelling Houses and two good Farms within one mile of the corporate limits of the town of Hundred, containing 122 and 51 acres respectively. Also a half interest in the HUNDRED NATURAL GAS WELL. Reasonable terms to purchasers. Bidding assemblies, good music, etc., to entertain all who wish to visit the town on that day. W. O. Beckenbaugh, of Baltimore, Md., auctioneer.

For further information call on or address T. B. HAMILTON, Hundred, W. Va., or W. T. SIDELL, Agent, 1001 Second Martintville, W. Va.

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BARGAIN BULLETIN—E. B. POTTS.

E. B. POTTS' Bargain Bulletin!

MAIN AND TENTH STS., Wheeling, W. Va.

We have just purchased at Assignee's sale the entire stock of the ROCHESTER CLOTHING CO., and place the same on the market for a few days at prices that will move the goods. Bargain hunters will do well to call early. The following extract from their opening announcement speaks for itself, and we propose to close the balance of the stock at still lower prices.

Great Rochester Fire Sale!

\$123,000 Worth of Fine Clothing Saved from the Big Fire at Rochester, N. Y.

The largest fire that has visited Rochester, N. Y., in years occurred in the wholesale clothing district on St. Paul street. Hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of Clothing were destroyed. But \$123,000 worth of Fine Clothing was saved; and to settle the insurance, the entire stock has been removed to Wheeling, W. Va., and will be sold for half price or 50 cents on the dollar.

AMONG THE GOODS ARE

Men's \$4 50 Suits go at this sale at..... \$ 2.95 Men's 5 00 and \$5 50 Suits at..... 3.87 Men's 6 00, \$6 50 and \$7 00 Suits at..... 4.50 Men's 8 00 and \$8 50 Suits at..... 5.75 Men's 9 00 and \$10 00 Suits at..... 6.90 Men's 11 00 and \$11 50 Suits at..... 7.95 Men's 12 00 and \$14 00 Suits at..... 9.85 Men's 15 00 and \$16 00 Suits at..... 10.75 Men's 17 00 and \$18 00 Suits at..... 12.62 Men's 19 00 and \$20 00 Suits at..... 13.75

If you can match these goods for less than double our price anywhere, you will much oblige us by returning the same and we will cheerfully refund your money. This is as plain and fair as we can make it, and we mean exactly what we say.

Men's \$1 00 Good Working Pants at..... 68 Men's 1 25 Pants, splendid value, at..... 97 Men's 1 50, \$1 75 and \$2 00 Pants at..... \$1.18 Men's 3 00 Pants, our great leader, at..... 1.37 Men's Five Pants, extra value, at..... 1.62 Men's \$3 50 and \$4 00 Pants at..... 1.95 Men's 4 50 and \$4 75 Pants at..... 2.62 Men's 5 00 and \$5 50 Pants at..... 2.95 Men's 6 00 Pants at..... 3.37 Men's 6 50 Pants at..... 3.95

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Boys' 30c Pants go at..... 19 Boys' 40c Pants, a great bargain at..... 29 Boys' 50c Pants, big sellers at..... 35 Boys' 55c Pants, extra value at..... 48 Boys' \$1 40 Suits, a special drive at..... 87 Boys' 1 50 Suits at..... 98 Boys' 1 75 and \$2 00 Dress Suits at..... \$1.18 Boys' 2 50 Fine Dress Suits at..... 1.62 Boys' 3 00 and \$3 50 Fine Dress Suits at..... 1.95 Boys' 4 00 and \$5 50 Suits at..... 2.95

These Spot Cash thunderbolts are the cause of our WONDERFUL SUCCESS, and the public looking for full value for every dollar, is catching on to our business, and business hunters at a rate that big profits are out of the question. Besides many other bargains that you will see when visiting this great sale, which will continue until balance of stock is sold.

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Main and Tenth Streets, Wheeling, W. Va.

REAL ESTATE. FOR RENT. A MONTH. Store room, No. 1149 Market street..... \$25 00 Four rooms, both gas and bath, No. 35 South Eleventh street..... 11 00 Saloon and dwelling, Martin's Ferry, adjoining C. & P. depot..... 20 00 No. 14, Twenty-fifth street, two rooms..... 5 00 No. 1047 Chapline street, five rooms..... 13 00 Eight rooms, both gas, hot water and bath, No. 1016 Main street..... \$25 00 No. 37 Seventeenth street, eight rooms, both gas, hot water and bath..... 22 00 No. 2235 Market street, three rooms..... 7 00 No. 39 Twentieth street..... 10 00 No. 131 Twenty-ninth street..... 8 00 Store rooms Main and Twenty-first streets, \$8 00, \$16 00 and \$20 00..... 16 00 No. 2341 Main street..... 9 00 No. 174 Eighteenth street, three rooms, first floor..... 7 50 Four-roomed houses, Warron Place, south of gas works..... 6 00 No. 2062 Main street, three rooms..... 6 00 No. 31 Sixteenth street..... 6 00 No. 2155 Market street, four rooms..... 10 00 No. 178 Seventeenth street..... 9 00 No. 1612 McCulloch street..... 10 00 Building corner Twenty-fourth and market streets, lately used as a carriage factory..... 5 00 No. 3527 Chapline street, two rooms..... 5 00 No. 2817 Chapline street, three rooms..... 8 00 No. 2530 Market street, both gas..... 13 00 No. 2623 Alley D..... 8 00 No. 2624 Chapline street, store room and dwelling..... 7 00 No. 120 Seventeenth street, second floor..... 13 00 No. 2508 Jacob street..... 13 00 No. 2510 Jacob street..... 13 00 No. 1627 Chapline street, office room..... 9 00 No. 183 Twenty-ninth street..... 6 00