

RELIGIOUS.

Appointments.

Presbyterian. VILLAGE—REV. A. F. DICKSON, every Sabbath at 11 A. M. and 4 P. M. Lecture every Thursday at 7 1/2 P. M. Episcopal. VILLAGE—REV. STYLES MELLICHAMP, every other Sabbath morning and afternoon. Lutheran. Rev. W. A. Hoveck—At Trinity 1st and 3d Sundays. Rev. P. DERRICK—At St. Matthews 1st and 3d Sundays. At Lebanon 2d and 4th Sundays. Baptist. VILLAGE—REV. DR. I. D. DURHAM, 1st Sunday of each month at 7 P. M. and 3d Sunday of each month, at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Rev. Dr. I. D. DURHAM—At Four Holes, 1st Sunday of each month. Rev. R. J. EDWARDS—At Poke Swamp School House, 1st Sunday of each month. Branchville, 2d Sunday in each month. Santee, 4th Sunday of each month. Rev. W. F. CHAPLIN—At Ebenezer, 1st Sunday of each month. Canaan, 3d Sunday of each month. Bull Swamp, 4th Sunday of each month. Rev. D. F. SPRIGER—At Antioch, 2d and 4th Sundays (morning.) Corinth, 2d and 4th Sundays (afternoon.) Rev. W. J. SNIDER—At Glengary School House, 1st and 3d Sundays. Santee, (colored Sunday School), 2d and 4th Sundays. Methodist—Appointments for Orangeburg District, S. C. Conference, 1st Quarter. Branchville Circuit, at Sardis, March 16th and 17th. St. Matthews' Circuit at Shady Grove, March 23d and 24th. Eastern Orange, at Shiloh, March 30th and 31st. A. M. CHRIETZBERG, P. E. VILLAGE—REV. W. G. CONNER, every Sabbath at 11 A. M. Rev. W. G. CONNER—At Prospect, 1st and 3d Sundays (afternoon.) Zion, 2d and 4th Sundays (afternoon.) Rev. JOHN LADNER—At Calvary, 1st Sunday in each month. Trinity, 2d Sunday in each month. We will be glad to complete this list, and respectfully invite the Clergymen of various denominations to send in their appointments, and they will be inserted with pleasure among the above.

Lent.

The Right Rev. Bishop LYNN has issued the following regulations: REGULATIONS FOR LENT IN THE DIOCESE OF CHARLESTON.

- Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent falls on the 6th of March. 1. All the faithful, who have completed their twenty first year, are, unless legitimately dispensed, bound to observe the Fast of Lent. 2. They are to make only one meal a day, excepting Sundays. 3. The meal taken on fast days is not to be taken until about noon. 4. At that meal, if on any day permission should be granted for eating flesh, both flesh and fish are not to be used at the same time, even by way of seasoning. 5. A small refreshment, commonly called collation, is allowed in the evening; no general rule as to the quantity of food permitted at this time is or can be made. But the practice of the most regular Christian is never to let it exceed the fourth part of an ordinary meal. 6. The quality of food allowed at a collation is, in this diocese, bread, butter, cheese, all kinds of fruits, salads, vegetables and fish. Milk and eggs are prohibited. 7. General usage has made it lawful to drink in the morning some warm liquid, as tea, coffee, or thin chocolate, made with water. 8. Necessity and custom have authorized the use of hog's lard instead of butter in preparing fish, vegetables, &c. 9. The following persons are exempted from the obligations of fasting: Young persons under twenty one years of age, the sick, nursing women, those who are obliged to do hard labor, all who through weakness cannot fast without great prejudice to their health. 10. By dispensation the use of flesh meat will be allowed at any time on Sundays, and once a day on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, with the exception of Holy Thursday, and the second and last Saturdays of Lent. 11. Persons dispensed from the obligation of fasting, on account of tender or advanced age, or hard labor, are not bound by the restriction of using meat only at one meal on days on which its use is granted by dispensation. Others dispensed from the fast for other causes, as well as those who are obliged to fast, are permitted to use meat only at one meal.

Footsteps.

I was out alone, one time, amongst the mountains; and the evening was drawing near, and the clouds were darkening. By and by the storm came on; and the wind, becoming more angry every moment, blew the pelting hail into my face as if indignant at my attempts to disregard its voice. I could hardly see my way, and the path led me only to higher and exposed situations, where the storm was more binding than before. And after I had been groping for some time, and calling for help, the clouds grew for a few minutes less dark, and, looking down, I fancied I saw footsteps. Small foot-prints they were, which led aside from the beaten track; and it occurred to me to follow them, in the hope that they might lead to some shepherd's hut, or secure shelter. So making them out as well as I could, I left the path, and following them along the soft ground, I found myself led finally to a rock which stood firm and strong on

the hill-side. And there, fast asleep in a large and sheltered cave in the rock, unmoved by the wind, unburied by the tempest, and securely waiting for the calm after the storm, lay a young boy, his arms lovingly entwined round one of the lambs of his father's flock. I did not awaken him from his sleep, but I entered also into the cleft, and in a moment found tranquillity and calm. And then I watched the fierce storm as it raged up the mountain side, and saw the clouds gathering like the black banners of an invading army, and heard the trumpet blast of the windsounding defiance through the valleys, as the rain and the hail beat down with angry fury upon all the country round; until, after a long time, the winds seemed weary of their strife, and the clouds dispersed in large black masses, as if only waiting for a summons to rally again for a summons to rally again for war; and clear sunset rays found their way to comfort the tear-strained earth; and I left the shelter of the rock on the hill-side to pursue my homeward path, and reached the end of my way safely ere the night finally set in.

I have ten thought of that cleft in the rock since. I will tell you, dear children who read this little book, when I have been most reminded of it. "Ah, sir," said a weeping mother once, as her child lay dangerously ill upstairs, "it would indeed be a sore and bitter grief if she were taken. Why, sir, my Mary showed me the way to heaven. She it was, who would come from school with a text or a hymn on her lips, and who would speak of Him, who is willing to save to the uttermost—those were her words, sir—to the uttermost, all who come to Him. I remember, sir, one day when everything seemed wrong, when father was down with the fever, and I had not got no work, and the cupboard was empty, and I fairly gave up, and sat down behind the door, and threw my apron over my face and cried just like a baby; and then I heard our Mary outside in the little bit of garden, just singing—" "There is rest for the weary, Rest for the weary, And rest for you."

And then in she comes, and she says, 'Mother,' she says, 'that's all true.' And she looks up right in my face, and there was smiles and tears both together on hers, and she says, 'Mother, He calls out, 'Come unto me all ye that are weary and heavy laden, and I will give you rest;' and then she comes to 'my arms, and talks of Him, and I never felt anything like it before, sir; but somehow I couldn't help believing about it all then, and things have always been better since, and trouble lighter."

Then I thought of the child whose footsteps had led me to the shelter in the rock; and I knew why little Mary looked at the storm and feared nothing. I was in a barracks-town once, and it was Sunday evening. There was drunkenness in the streets, and profanity and swearing. A lad in the uniform of his regiment made his way quietly along the road towards the church. His companions mocked and laughed at him. "Not had enough preaching in regulation hours!" they said; "he's turning saint: by-and-by he'll turn parson." "The boy—for he was but a boy—did not notice their taunts, but I heard him say to one or two young companions who stood near, "Come in along with me, it's better than being outside. It'll do you good, as it does me." Two refused; but one, after some hesitation, went in with him.

And I thought of the footsteps which had led me to the cleft in the rock, and I knew why the young soldier of Christ feared neither ridicule nor reproach; for he was safe in a pavilion of refuge from the strife of tongues.

I met a little girl many years ago whom I only noticed as being of a mere timid and retiring disposition than any of her companions. One day I unexpectedly discovered her with two or three younger children around her. She was talking to them in soft and reverent tones, and her story was of One who has said, "Suffer the little children to come unto me." I heard the young teacher say, "Wouldn't you like to come to Jesus, too? Shall I tell you how to find Him?" And as I turned away, fearful of disturbing that little company, I thought of the footsteps which had led me to the shelter in the cleft of the rock.

Dear children, who read these pages, yours may be very little foot-prints, but they are not too small to be showing the path to the Rock in a weary land—even to the Lord Jesus Christ. Have you ever read that text, "A man shall be as a hiding-place from the wind, and a covert from the tempest; . . . as the shadow of a great rock in a weary land?" That describes what Jesus Christ is to every one who finds Him. Storms of trial may blow, but when we are safe in the love of Jesus, He covers us under the shadow of His wings, and calls Himself "a place of refuge, a covert from storm and from rain."

Doubts and temptations may come, but if you have laid your sins on Jesus, you may say—"Rock of Ages, cleft for me, I can hide myself in thee!" and you will understand what those verses mean which call Him "a refuge from the storm." "a tabernacle whereunto we may always resort." There may be angry storms of quarrelling and strife around you, but the child who loves Jesus is hidden privily in His tabernacle, in the pavilion of His presence from the strife of tongues.

I love to trace the foot-prints of children who have given their hearts to Jesus, and when they have grown up to be men and women they will find Him a better Friend every day. And if they should be early taken to the home above, they will sleep like the boy in the rock, quite fearless of the storm and tempest, because His love and the shelter of His cross shall compass them on every side.

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COMMISSIONER'S SALES.

ORANGEBURG DISTRICT—IN EQUITY. V. D. V. JAMISON, Com'r. vs. C. M. McMichael. Bill for Foreclosure of Mortgage. By virtue of a Decretal Order in this case, I will sell at Orangeburg Court House, on Monday the first day of April next, within the legal hours, the following Real Estate to wit: All that Plantation or Tract of Land situated in this District, in the fork of the Edisto River, and bounded according to a re-survey Plat made by M. L. Baldwin, Oct. 11, 1867, viz: (Containing 370 acres, more or less,) on the Northeast by lands of said C. M. McMichael, and estate lands of John Moody deceased, on the Northwest and Southeast by lands of John Easterlin, and Southeast by lands of Joseph G. Glover.

TERMS OF SALE. One-fourth cash—the balance on a credit of twelve months, with interest from day of sale, payable annually, the purchaser to give bond and mortgage of the premises to secure the payment of said balance. Commissioner's Office, V. D. V. JAMISON, March 5, 1867. Commissioner. mar 9

ALSO Harriet C. Lee, Adm'r. vs. John P. Baxter, et ux et al. For Partition and Account. By virtue of a Decretal Order made in this cause, I will sell at Columbia, S. C., on the 1st Monday in April next, All that Lot of Land lying and being in the City of Columbia; with a Dwelling House and other buildings thereon, containing one acre more or less, and bounded North by Divine-Street, East by lot of P. F. France, West by Richardson-Street and South by lot of Henry McMillan. Said lot will be sold either in whole or parcels.

CONDITIONS. Cash sufficient to defray the expenses of proceedings—the balance on a credit of twelve months, purchaser giving bond with approved sureties, bearing interest from day of sale, and a mortgage of the premises to secure the purchase money; also to pay cash for papers and revenue stamps. Commissioner's Office, V. D. V. JAMISON, Orangeburg C. H., S. C., March 5, 1867. Commissioner. mar 9

ALSO Absalom Snell, vs. M. J. D. Rast. Pursuant to an order in this case, will be sold at Orangeburg on the first Monday in April next, between the legal hours— All that Tract of Land in Orangeburg District, containing 158 acres, more or less, bounded North by lands of Absalom M. Snell, East by lands of Lewis P. Collier, South by lands of S. E. Moorcer and West by lands of S. G. Fair.

CONDITIONS cash and purchaser to pay for papers. ALSO R. C. Salley, Ex'r, vs. Ursula Corbett et al. Will be sold, the Hall Tract, containing 333 acres, more or less, situate on Dean Swamp, waters of N. Edisto river, in Orangeburg District, and bounded North and East by lands of Allen Porter and J. C. Fannin, and West on Dean Swamp.

TERMS One-third cash, and the balance on a credit until 1st Feb, 1868, secured by bond, bearing interest from date, with a mortgage of the property and personal security. Purchasers to pay for papers and Revenue Stamps. ALSO Wm. W. Jones et al vs. Fraena Jones et al Will be sold, lands of the Estate of Isaac Jones, on Gibson's Bay in Orangeburg District, containing 205 acres, more or less, and bounded by lands of Isaac Jones, advanced to Benjamin Jones and Francis Glaze and the share of the Widow Fraena Jones, and by lands of Hamilton Shuler.

ALSO William J. Faivy vs. Andrew J. Grimes. Will be sold, a Tract of Land containing 150 acres more or less, near Branchville, and bounded by lands of the Estate of A. H. Sphrett, Abram Ott, and D. D. Faivy, and Appleby. Conditions cash, and purchaser to pay for papers and Revenue Stamps.

ALSO Watson A. O'Caun, Adm'r vs. Andrew J. Smokey et ux et al Will be sold, a Tract of Land in the fork of the Edisto, containing 280 acres, more or less, and bounded by lands of John McMichael, estate lands of D. A. F. Summers, Lewis Wisenbunt and the estate lands of Samuel Bair.

TERMS So much cash as will defray the costs of these proceedings, and the balance on a credit of six months, the purchaser giving bond bearing interest from the day of sale, with good sureties and a mortgage of the premises to secure the payment of the purchase money, and to pay for papers and Revenue Stamps. ALSO Henry L. Rickenbaker vs. Jesse N. Haigler Adm'r, et al Will be sold, all the Real Estate of the late Joshua Haigler, to be more particularly described on the day of sale.

TERMS One-half cash, and the balance on a credit of one year. The purchasers to give bond bearing interest from the day of sale, and a mortgage of the premises to secure the payment of the purchase money, and to pay for papers and Revenue Stamps. Commissioner's office, V. D. V. JAMISON, Orangeburg C. H., March 4, 1867. Commissioner. mar 9

JNO. T. INABINET Adm'r of A. D. INABINET, et al vs. ANN C. INABINET et al Orangeburg District In Equity. The Creditors of Archibald D. Inabinet are hereby notified to produce and prove their claims against his Estate, on or before the first day of April next, before the Commissioner of this Court, Commissioner's Office, V. D. V. JAMISON, Feb 23, 1867. Commissioner. mar 2

PUBLIC NOTICE In the matter of February Sittings, 1867, Guardians and Trustees,) at Orangeburg. The Commissioner having reported that all the Records of his office were destroyed during the recent war, and that he is unable to report even the names of all the Guardians and Trustees: It is ordered, that he do publish a notice to all persons who were appointed Guardians or Trustees, or were in any way liable to account as such in this Court prior to the 15th May, 1865, to appear before him and enter into new bonds on or before the first day of June next, and in every case in which he can obtain evidence to satisfy himself that any person so liable to account has failed to comply with this notice, he shall issue a rule against such persons to comply. It is also ordered, that in addition to their giving new bonds, that they be required to file in the Commissioner's Office, within the time aforesaid, their returns, showing all their receipts and expenditures for the wards, and also a full schedule of all the property of every description which they may hold for their respective wards. Signed, WM. D. JOHNSON, Chancellor. A true copy of the original order on record in this Office. Commissioner's Office, V. D. V. JAMISON, March 2, 1867. Commissioner. mar 9