

THEIR REPORTS ARE GRATIFYING

Methodist Churches of Richmond in Flourishing Condition.

SOME FACTS AND FIGURES.

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Historic Richmond is to be the location of another monument. This will be erected to the memory of President Jefferson Davis, and will be in the form of an arch or gateway, extending across Broad and Twelfth Streets. This monument will cost about seventy-five thousand dollars, of which at this time forty thousand dollars has been raised. Prominent members of the Association have already contributed ten thousand dollars will easily be raised.

THE DESIGN. The monument will be unveiled on June 3, 1902. The architect will be appointed at an early date. A suggestion Friday, held in Wilmington, stands that each State in the domain of the United Daughters be asked to send to the committee a design for the arch by a competent artist before March from which to make a selection. Among the sculptors already named are Mr. A. Valentine, Mr. Moses Miller, Jacksonville; and Miss Montgomery of New Orleans.

In July, 1898, a corner-stone was laid in Monroe Park for a monument to the

memory of Jefferson Davis. In this action the people of the South were, and are, blending Jefferson Davis with the cause he stood for—the Southern Confederacy.

ORIGIN OF THE MOVEMENT. The idea of a monument first started in the individual States by an unorganized method, but at the Grand Camp meeting of Confederate Veterans many years ago in Richmond it was organized as a whole, and the movement was under full way.

Last year the United Daughters of the Confederacy took this movement up and offered assistance to the Grand Camp, which had in hand about \$16,000. Mr. J. Taylor Ellison was at that time head of the committee.

Many sites for this monument were under discussion then, among them being an arch across the Franklin and Laurel streets and a monument on the spot of the old corner-stone in Monroe Park. The site was finally decided on at the meeting of the Daughters of Confederacy in Wilmington, N. C., Friday and permanent arrangements were made.

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From the report of Dr. John Harmon, of Union Station Church, the following is taken: There have been 126 accessions; 27 lost in different ways. A net increase of 72. The school, under the management of its devoted superintendent, Mr. Chas. K. Brauer, has made a noble record. It has laid a choice offering of young life upon the altars of the church in the way of converted pupils. It has laid a choice offering of gold at the Master's feet in the shape of \$700 nearly upon the church debt and contributions in other directions. The Ladies' Aid, after a hard battle, are in sight of a great victory financially. While the "Wiltshire Circle" are enjoying the fruits of a great triumph after a year's battling, it thrilled the heart of pastor and people when this small, but noble, band brought us a "Ruth's gleanings" for the year of \$300. We have lost and have gained by death some choice spirits. Lewis are vacant here, but new ones are filled above.

The church debt has been reduced by \$1,800. There has been but one funeral which has given undivided delight. Old Mr. "Deficit" who has been growing weaker for some years, died on the 14th of October, after a sudden attack of "heart action" in the congregation. We buried him, and his epitaph reads: "Collections paid up in full."

The infant department, under the management of Mrs. W. H. Johnson, is a gem of rare worth. The leagues are like brothers at the fore front in all good work. The Hamon "Y." which was born this year in our church, is doing in its field, a great and inspiring work. The Rodeo Club, with the help of heaven still upon them, are meeting their "dues." The women's Missionary Society is trimming the lamps at home and abroad. The present pastor is striving to follow up the royal labors of his predecessors. The best of all is, God is with us.

CENTENARY. The following statistics are taken from the report of Rev. W. W. Lear, pastor of Centenary M. E. Church: Number of members, 68; Sunday-school roll, 40; money raised, in round numbers, for pastor and presiding elder, \$2,700; foreign missions (including woman's work), \$50; domestic missions, \$5,000; Virginia Conference Orphanage, \$5,000; city missions (including amount paid to the Royal Labors of his predecessors, \$300. To all purposes combined, \$15,121, an average of \$27.67 per member.

ST. JAMES. Rev. R. H. Bennett, pastor of St. James Church, had a most gratifying report to make. In his report he says: St. James Church makes the best report of its history since it was organized. Its beginning nine years ago has never failed to bring in a large amount of every obligation upon it. During the year just closed forty-nine new members have been received, \$1,000 has been paid on the church debt, and a total of over \$3,000 has been raised for all purposes. This is an average of over \$24 per member, and is one of the most liberal churches for its ability in the Virginia Conference.

CLAY STREET. Clay-Street Methodist Church, through the report of Rev. I. B. Safford, made a good showing. The following statistics are taken from his report: Members, 451; received during the year, 46; Sunday school, 456; money raised for all purposes, \$7,700.00; per member, \$8.88. Church has been reported in the past two years and paid \$1,000 on it.

TRINITY. Rev. George H. Spooner, pastor of Trinity Church, reported one of the best years in the history of the church for its record. The financial report shows a report shows a clear sheet, and the large sum total raised of \$7,250—an average of nearly \$5 per member. Attendance upon the Sabbath services has not only increased from the ranks of the membership, but a large number of strangers have been attracted to the church. The roll shows 506 members, as compared with 450 last year. The Sunday-school, Foreign and Home Mission Societies and other organizations have done excellent work, and with a prosperous year passed. This report will hold meetings at the Friends Meeting House, on Clay Street, near First, for public worship to-morrow (Sunday) at 8 P. M. The public is cordially invited.

FAIRMOUNT. Concerning the work at Fairmount, the pastor, Rev. J. O. Babcock, says in his report: "I have just closed up my first year's work as pastor of Fairmount-Avenue Methodist Church. It has been a most pleasant and successful year. When I took charge of the work I found a debt of \$1,800. In fact, the church has never been out of debt since its organization. Some ten or twelve years ago, the debt had been reduced from time to time to \$1,800, and there it hung. I at once grappled with the debt, the church standing nobly by me, and succeeded in paying \$1,200 in cash, and nearly \$300 more subscribed. The church owns a well-ventilated parsonage, No. 1315 North Twelfth Street, free of all debt. We have a roll of 25 members, having gained a net increase of sixty-three this conference year. We have raised and paid for all purposes during the year \$3,811—an average of \$8.62 per member. The church never sent up a better report than the one I carry."

Both of our Epworth Leagues, senior and junior, are said to be the best in the city. They never attract a grand work among the young people. The ladies of the church have been particularly active, having raised \$50 on the church debt, besides furnishing many things at the parsonage.

The church pays the pastor \$1,000 salary annually. They never are deficient in that should the appointing power see proper, as doubtless they will, to return me another year it will give me much pleasure. Our Women's Foreign Missionary Society reports nearly \$100 and are said to be in a healthy condition financially and spiritually. No church or pastor ever had a better body of stewards. J. Samuel Brauer is chairman of the Board.

THE DIFFERENCE. When first he came to see her, He showed a timid heart, And when the lights were low, They sat this far apart. But as their love grew warmer, And they learned the joy of kisses, They knuckled out all the spaces, Andstuckupclosekisses.

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WEDNESDAY, NOV. 20, 1901, that being the date of the deed, one certain tract of land in Clarke County, about five miles from Hanover Court-House, and containing 415 acres, being now occupied by Robert Hughes, with a good dwelling and all necessary out-buildings thereon, well watered, about 10 acres of which are in good crop, the balance well timbered with first-class original growth. This property will be sold subject to a deed of trust for \$25,000, with also one No. 1 R. H. Wood Farm 20-foot Lane's Patent Lever Self Circulating Saw-mill; 100 feet of feed-log, 100 feet by 15-inch and Drive Pulley; Saw-Mill being as good as new. Don't fail to attend. A chance for a bargain.

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By virtue of a decree of the Chancery Court of the city of Richmond, entered July 1, 1900, in the case of A. W. Fair, & Co. vs. Louis Keppeler, Jr., & Co., I, as special commissioner thereby appointed, proceed to sell the above real estate by public auction, under the order of the court, on

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 1901, at 4 o'clock P. M., in order mentioned below. First, That Brick Store and Dwelling at the southeast corner of Cary and Cheery Streets, fronting 22 feet 2 inches on Cary Street, and extending back within the line along Cheery Street 10 1/2 feet to an alley 12 feet wide.

Second, That lot of land, with a small Brick Dwelling thereon, fronting 10 feet on the south side of Cary Street by a depth of 10 1/2 feet to an alley 12 feet wide, and adjoining the store on the east, with a depth of 12 feet, and a privilege of using the aforesaid 12-foot alley.

TERMS—One-fourth cash; balance at six, twelve and eighteen months, for negotiable notes, interest added, and retained until all the purchase money is paid and a conveyance ordered by the court; or all cash, at the option of the purchaser.

SOL CUTCHINS, Special Commissioner.

The bond required of the special commissioner by the above decree has been duly given. CHAS. O. SAVILLE, Clerk.

By A. J. Chevington Company, Real Estate Auctioneers.

AUCTION SALE OF No 1014 North 22d Street Lot 3x