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To whom it may Coneern

Be it known that the General Con ference of the A. M. E. Zion Connection, at its session in Charlotte, N. C., June, 1872, took, into considtration the propriety of establishing schools for the education of our people in the South; and selected for said purpose Favetteville, N. C., as a proper place to locate a college for said purpose.

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Camp Meetings.

This reems to be the season for camp meetings all over the country. In the North, East and South many are being held, some lasting a few days, others continuing for weeks.

Thousands have been converted, and it is hoped that this is only the prelude to a great revival which is looked for in the Fall when Moody and Sankey begin their work.

Now, as of old, there is much dispute as to the value of these meet ings as a means of doing good. Some ned claim that a vast amount of good is done, while others contend that more harm than good is caused by them.

As usual in such disputes, there is some truth on both sides, but, we think, the history of these meetings clearly proves that the balance for good is largely in their favor. Thousands flock to these meetings who can not be induced to attend the regular services at church, and although the majority come for sport or wickedness yet many are brought to their knees when they hear the I believe we can make this effort Gospel preached and having their eyes opened to see their sinful state. and it is done. I will publish my aided by the powerful prayers of appointments and note my visitations hundreds of believers, scores are converted to God

This is the true work of the meet-Write short letters, and ings. It is true that much wicked ness is carried on at some of these meetings, but much of this could be prevented by proper regulations.

If Christians allow the Devil to take possession of the meetings it is their own fault; they should go with a determination to fight Satan in all his forms and by flithful and earnest prayer, united and powerful efforts turn many to rightenusness and faith. Some Christians do not let their

lights shine, as they should, at these places. By their light conversation and loose behavior they bring reproach on the good cause. Christians are the salt of the meetings, but if the salt has lost its savor; of course, the meeting is a failure. A long puli a strong pull, and a pull altogether is bound to make the walls of the citadel of sin and folly to totter and fall, and by the blessing of God the walls of Zion are strengthened and built up. God speed the work!

Some make complaint of the methods used to get up these large meetings, of the money spent on Sunday excursions, the Sabbath desecration &c. &c. But no great meetings can be had without great effort and in many directions, and where so many are concerned a large portion will find fault with something, or every-

In the olden time it was customary for families to move out to the Camp Ground, fit up cabins and spend days and weeks at thuch expense of time and money, and with very many inconveniences to put up with, carry on the meetings for the glory of God in the conversion of sinners and the strengthening of be-

People rode in all sorts of vehicles, and hundreds came on foot many miles, on Sundays as well as other days, and we heard no complaint of Sabbath breaking. Now-a-days, when steamboats and cars are used to bring the people cheaply and quickcating and christianizing our poor ly to the meetings there is a great outery about Sabbath desecration! As though the Sabbath is broken by the use of a car instead of a carriage, by the use of steam instead of horses! CATECHISMS. It is sin to ride to meeting, but no harm to walk!

It is wrong to drive the engine, but no harm to drive horses! Verily, some people will strain at a gnat, and yet can swallow a camel whole! To our mind, the advantages of the new ways over the old ways of getin time, money and trouble are large of the church reported.

Let us bear in mind that "The Sabbath was made for man not man for the Sabbath" and by using these

May God bless the Camp Meetings

Mr. Editor : loid

ing to appointment in Bethel church of his character, he gathered them at Manchester, Elder A. M. Barrett about him to speak the supreme Educator.

bounded with wholesome advice, and may be one, even as we are one." ence which was 2,758 miles on his of self-sacrifice that was in him.

The Elder proceeded to the ex-After which the Elder announced the following committees:

Williams, and Rev. R. C. Collins.

Collins

Collins, Henry Williams, W. T. ward which be looks with no higher a universal law; so uniform that the Jones, Joseph Jordan, A. Williams, hope than this: "We know that creatures may know it; and so wise, J. Cameron.

2, 1-2 o'clock p. m. 3d of nave

AFTERNOON SESSION! Conference met pursuant to ad- the soul into its own likeness. journment, Elder Barrett presiding. Deacon G. W. Williams opensed the of Christ's life until we enter into thage circuit.

(Concluded next week.)

One With Christ.

means and not abusing them we may, far from us. Getting a sense of the are to imagine that gentleness by lum. The children were seated in a glorify God and benefit our fellow divine beauty of his life, men bow which in the m dst of his vast work men down before it in adoration. By he would pause to take children At any fate, let us "agree to differ" that very worship they are in some caressingly in his arms, and bestow a platform before them. about these things, for it is impossi- degree drawn into likeness to what thought on the falling sparrow. ble for all to think alike; and those they so venerate. But, in setting up From all the wonderful touches of said her many who are not willing to attend and Christ as a divinity to worship, we description in the Gospel narratives, I suppose that many of you chilwork at these meetings may, at least, may fail to realize that he calls us to and by the sympathetic interpretation not oppose them, lest they hinder the enter into the very life that he led. of our own hearts, we are no frame work of God; but let the Gospel Yet this was his teaching. He does have free course to run and be glori- not represent himself, as standing he really lived. Then we are to see isolated by his supreme excellence. On the contrary, his highest word to his disciples was that they were for distant veneration only, but to be no father? Hold up your hands." MANCHESTER, Cumberland Co., N. C. to become one with him. When his reproduced in ourselves.—Christian A forest of hands were put up. August 28th 1875. earthly life drew to an end, and his familiar friends had, through their A particular Providence The District Conference of the intercourse with him, been filled A. M. E. Zion Church met accord. with the sense of the heavenly beauty presiding, who opened the Confer- words which are recorded in the latence by reading the 115th. division ter chapter of John's Gospel. And of the Psalms, and singing the hymn the burden of these is that there Brethren in Christ" and prayer by to be the closest union between by Elder D. Williams. After which them and himself. It was to be a happens in one case I am not at liberthe following were elected secre- union not through affection only, taries: Jas. D. McKay recording but through such absolute likeness of happen in all similar cases; that the secretary and W. B. Minter, assist character and inmost self that they Almight treats every ease by itself, King. prays that the same intimate union system of expedients-if this be your The Elder then proceeded to de in which he has lived with the notion of a particular providence,

hope, of attaining to the height of looking in turn to every point in the amination of characters of the local Christ's own life. "Walk in love," compass. Is this your idea of parpreachers and all passed, except one. he says, "as Christ also hath loved ticular providence? God forbid that us." Declaring in one passage that any of us should be so profane as to in him dwelt all the fullness of the entertain it. On Rules .- A. W. Marsh, Wm. Godhead, in another he prays for McLean, Wm. Thigpen, Rev. Henry the Ephesians that they may be filled at that it extends to every particular with all the fullness of God. He thing in the universe - to every crea-On Examination of Candidates to desires that they and he may togeth, ture, to every substance, every phe the Annual Conference:-Rev. Hen- er come "unto the measure of the nomenon, and every event; so that ry Williams, Rev. R. C. Collins, fullness of the stature of Christ." "a sparrow falleth not to the ground Rev. John Murchison, Rev. D. Wil- Nothing less than that highest ideal, without our Father," nor even a hair liams, W. T. Jones, and Islam Wil embodied in Christ himself, will from our heads, and that this eternal On Missions:-Wfn. B. McLean, T. to die with him, to rise with him; is hand or to the left; for it is ever ad-McNeill, A. Manners, Wm. Goldston his desire. He rejoices that in his vancing on its magnificent path of the next day a baker in and Elder D. Williams, and R C. sufferings for the church he "may wisdom and godness to its glorious the village said to me: 'Young man, fill up that which is behind of the goal. Its path is not a confounding On the State of the Church:-A. afflictions of Christ"-may take up zigzag of destroying lightning, but W. Marsh, Bolston Rieves, James and carry on Christ's own work of the straight; onward course of all the Waddell, E. M. Cole, Anthony suffering for others' sake. So, too, beneficent orbs of heaven. Wadworth, Thomas Lucus, R. C. John can fill the glorious future to- By a particular providence I mean H. McDonald, Peter Cameron, and when he shall appear we shall be so just, so good, that the creatures tike him,"-"for," he adds, "we shall are blessed by complying with it, house." I have always thanked that Conference adjourned to meet at see him as he is the immediate and in proportion as they comply baker for the best practical hint I sight and companionship of that di- with it.-Dr. R. Lee. vine presence having power to draw

repulsive-not as matter of duty, It is possible through our very but because he yearned over them Rev. Dr. John King once went to admiration for Christ to set him too as a mother over her sick child. We the thought of this Crist Jesus as that he beckons us to his side, saying, voices. "Be as I am." It is a life set up, not

Do you believe in particular providence? I shall answer by asking what you mean by a particular providence. If you mean by it that there is no principle in the government of the world; that the universe of mind and matter is not regulated by unvarying laws; that from what ty to infer with certainty what is to these two reasons: 1st. Because the being delivered in an interesting At an earlier time he intimated whole universe, so far as we are acmanner, was listened to with the the same truth in a very striking quainted with it, flatly contradicts sed the joy he felt in being permit through their mother for the highest ment a system of laws; and, 2d. esting field. He said that his joy reply a question too deep for them ment or administration which has is for your good." was inexpressible when he saw so to fathom. "Are ye able to drink any pretension to wisdom labors to many of the brothren present after of the cup that I shail drink of, and proceed upon a principle and to be ng absent for one year. He spoke to be baptized with the baptism regulate its action by some rule or of the first erection of the A. M. E. that I am baptized with?" In igno- law, whereas a government of shifts Zion church in the city of New York rant confidence they answer, "We and expedients is another name for a about 78 years ago, he urged on the are able." And he tells them, "Ye short sighted, blundering governmembers of the conference the im- shall drink indeed of my cup; and be ment-a government which; aiming portance of doing their business baptized with the baptism that I am at no certain end or by day certain in peace and harmony. The Elder baptized with." In the very moment means, is driven bither and thither a Bible-class, where all should join, also stated the number of miles he of their selfish ambition he foresees upon the ocean of tittle like a ship had traveled since the annual coffer for them an entrance into the height without a rudder, as the gales of circumstances chance to blow-now Paul was filled with this great going forward, now backwards; and

I believe in a providence so genersatisfy Paul. To suffer with Christ; providence turns not to the right

ADVICE TO YOUNG MINISTERS.

Dr. Thomas Guthrie; in his autobiog-We do not get the full inspiration raphy gives the following advice: 10 hibit. The local option counties are exercises by reading and singing and this thought: that we are called to entirely through, or alter any passage law has been in operation but about prayer. The roll was dispened with that very life. We are to fill our which you find it very difficult to five months. Taibott County has and the minutes of the morning ses hearts with a sense of the perfect commit to memory. A thing is discharged its last jail inmate, and sion were read; corrected and ap- beauty that was in Jesus. We are easily remembered which is striking, the jailer has gone back to work on proved. The statistical report was to get a sense of him as living in such and retained which is sticking and his farm. Caroline County has not resumed and letters read from the consciousness of God's presence as what does not impress your own a prisoner in its jail. The bill of different circuits; all the reports were filled him with serenity, with power, given except the report from Carwith God's own spirit. We are to committed with difficulty, you may County for the five months previous understand that submission to the be sure won't tell on the minds of to the taking effect of the law was The Conference being through Perfect Will by which he said "Thy your hearers. Mind the three P's.' \$800, and for the five months after with the statistical report, all retired will be done" when even his Father's In every discourse the preacher it was but \$50. The good effect of for ten minutes for refrehments. Af- face was hidden. We are to com- should aim at proving, painting and the law was felt by the entire comting to these meetings, the saving ter which the committee on the state prehend something of that depth of persuading; in other words address munity, and it is expected that its

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"So this is an orphan asylum,"

dren would tell that you have no father or mother, were I to ask you." Yes, sir; yes, sir;" said some little

"How many of you say you have

"So you say you have no father?" "Yes, sir; yes sir."

"Now," said Dr. King, "do you ever say the Lord's Prayer? Let me hear you?

The children began: "Our Father; who art in heaven-' "Stop, children," said Dr. King;

"did you begin right?"

The children began again: "Our Father, who art in heaven-"

"Stop, again, children," said Dr. King. "What did you say? Our Faant, A. W. Marsh, reporter to the were to be one with him. And he so that his acting is irregular and a ther? Then you have a Father; a good rich Father. I want to tell you about Him. He owns all the liver hi opening address, which a Father may also be theirs; "that they then I entirely disblieve it, and for gold in California; He owiis all the world: He can give you as much of anything as He sees is best for you. Now, children, nver forget that you most earnest attention. He expres- manner. Zebedee's sons petitioned that notion, being in every depart have a Father. Go to Him for all you want, as if you could see Him. ted to visit and to labor in this inter- place in his kingdom. He asked in Because among men every govern. He is able and willing to do all that

> A Maine mother seconds the Bible Service plan with all her heart. "What a grand scheme it would be," she writes to the Christian Mirror; "to have but one sermon, and that in the morning; and merge the afternoon service into a Sunday-school or old and young; in some pleasent way, with the Bible for a text-book, and a pastor for a leader, and with varied exercises, such as any good minister with ordinary talent would know how to suggest, if his heart was in the work. Let the afternoon be given up to the children, but let us all be children together. If the children are interested the parents will be." We can assure this mother that a few of the pastoral fathers are moving in this matter, and that those churches which have given the Bible-service plan a fair trial would not now go back to the old-way.

Dr. T. L. Cuyler says: "The day after my licensure, I preached at day I pitied you when you began, for you did not know what a critical audience you had to address. But I have noticed that if a minister can only convince his congregation during the first five minutes that he cares for nothing but to save their souls; he will kill all the critics in the ever got."

In Maryland, prohibition does pro-"Observe either to draw your pen reaping its benefits, although the