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INTERESTING WAY-SIDE NOTES

BOSTON, MASS., APRIL 2, 1914.—I left Saturday March 28th, 1914. Stopped in New York and Philadelphia. Reached Cambridge Mass. April 1st. In Philadelphia I stopped with that great preacher, leader and prince in Israel, the Rev. A. R. Robinson, D. D. March 20th I preached in Jenkins Town Pa., for a dear old friend, the Rev. Mr. J. C. Jackson, D. D., the pastor of one of the greatest churches in America, a congregation devoted to their pastor. Rev. Mr. Jackson has accomplished great things in Jenkins Town. Here I found myself among old friends. Mrs. Jackson is very good and attentive to the South Carolina Boys, as is Mrs. Robinson. Both Doctors, Robinson and Jenkins are educating their children in the best schools.

I met some of my best friends in Philadelphia. John Scott, the sainted Irishman, Mr. W. S. Law, President of the First National Bank, Mr. W. S. Pope, the head of the Pope and Patton wholesale Cheese Company, and Mr. Wm. Thompson, who was glad to see me as usual. In New York I called on Dr. J. R. Hillory, and although he was very busy, he took the time to go and secure me a lodging place. It cost me more to sleep in New York than to eat. One dollar a night to sleep, and meals elsewhere, on the European plan. I called for a few hours on Mr. Wilberton, who has been so kind to my family for the last thirteen years, and assisted so largely in the educating of my children.

Now I am in Boston stopping at the home of Mrs. P. F. Brody, 27 Warwick St., and of S. J. Lee, 8 Worcester St., Cambridge Mass. I called on Dr. F. H. Rowley, President of the A. H. E. Society and also the Mass. Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. He was glad to see me as usual and invited me to go anywhere in the building.

It is a great society. Its President is one of the greatest and most humane men in the world. I was appointed some time ago as one of its Southern representatives. Mrs. George Angel, whose husband founded this society, heard that I was in town, and sent for me. She met me in Aiken S. C., some years ago. I am here to try to raise money to help pay off the debt of the Cambridge Baptist Church. The congregation is scattered but the few who remain are loyal, and although it poured rain on the night of April 1st, the church was crowded with an appreciative audience. The Rev. Mr. Spurgeon Cory is pastor, assisted largely by S. J. Lee. His wife is the daughter of Lewis Frasier of Blackville S. C.

Boston is a great city, the Athens of America. Here you can learn anything you want to know on earth. Here, the greatest Scientific Schools and Colleges are situated; here are the greatest seats of learning in the country. Cars run above the earth, on the ground, and under the earth. Those under the ground run at the rate of 40 to 50 miles an hour.

In New York, I noted many changes. New York is the largest city of America, and the third largest of the world. It now boasts of buildings fifty stories high. Here you stand on Broadway, and in a little while you can see a representative of every nation on the Globe. Men and women are running to and fro, all hurry and scurry, chasing the almighty dollar.

An Appreciative Letter.

Greenwood, April, 7, 1914.
Dear Editor:—
In my mind the Southern Indicator is one of the best papers ever circulated in South Carolina. Many of the pleasant moments I spend in my home reading the southern Indicator. It is inspiring from every point of view and has much information that mothers and fathers are proud to have their children obtain. I only wish I could get The Southern Indicator daily. Being an old Columbian, I am

eager daily to see and learn that the Negroes at the Capital City will never let the old flag trail the ground. May God smile on Prof. N. J. Frederick for striking this hall of information, and I am sure that under the leadership of the invincible Scott, that it will never touch the ground. Now I have only one regret to express, that is, we have no correspondent, and canvasser, in Greenwood for The Indicator. We are alive here and we want the world to know it. We have boys and girls here, I believe, who would do a hustling business for The Indicator, providing Manager Morgan would come up and arouse interest. Let The Indicator come. God grant that in a near future, we can have it daily. When our subscription has expired, notify us and we will gladly respond to this stream of information and inspiration to our people. Yours for lifting as we climb.

Rosa Long Gilliard,
Greenwood, S. C.
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We thank Mrs. Gilliard for this newsy and commendatory letter. We are preparing to take up the matter of Greenwood at the earliest possible opportunity, and in the meantime will appreciate all that Mrs. Gilliard can do in our behalf there.—Editor.

FREE PUBLIC SCHOOL CONDITIONS FOR COLORED PEOPLE IN COLUMBIA.

The agitation among the rank and file as well as the leaders of the colored people in Columbia to improve our school conditions, resulted some months ago in the appointment of a committee of representative men to prepare a memorial to present to the board of school commissioners. The memorial was prepared, submitted to a mass meeting held at Sidney Park church, and then adopted. A committee was then selected to present the memorial to this board. After weeks of effort they succeeded in getting an opportunity, and on Wednesday night of last week appeared before the board and presented the memorial. Those appearing before the board were: Reverends N. C. Cleaves, J. J. Durham, C. C. Scott, Messrs Joseph Pelot, Issac S. Levy, N. H. Collins, G. W. Pegues, N. S. Shelton. The memorial is a strong and convincing paper, and will doubtless have effect. The members of the school board who were present, some of them were absent, expressed themselves as being in sympathy with us, and is willing to do all that is possible for the colored people; but said they did not see their way clear to act just at present upon any of the requests made, but would consider them carefully and take action just as soon as possible. While there is a desire on the part of some persons to have the memorial published in The Southern Indicator, the memorial committee as well as The Indicator believes it is not expedient to do so; at any rate not expedient just now. The Indicator will keep its readers advised from time to time of what is being done in regards to the matter.

Mrs. Ben. Williams' 82nd Birthday.

On Wednesday night, April 1st, a select number of friends gathered by invitation at the residence of Mrs. Williams, widow of Mr. Ben Williams, to participate in the celebration of her 82nd birthday. They found her as active and vigorous and as conversational as ever. Her chief complaint was that little two months old Ben Williams Frederick could yell like a Comanche Indian and had the strength of Sampson and she couldn't manage him. Mrs. Williams in her declining years receive all possible attention from her adopted children, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Frederick, and appears happy and contented. The evening entertainment closed with music followed by a prayer offered by Rev. C. C. Scott.

UNDERTAKERS "APRIL FOOL"

The first day of April, April Fool's Day, from the custom of sending any message this day on a bootless errand, the day of days for folly and mischief, and mirth and merriment among people of near all nations. This strange custom exists throughout Europe and the United States. Away back in the Middle Ages, the history of Bible history were recorded without any thought of sacrilegiousness. The scene is the life of Jesus, where he was again from Herod to Pilate, one among the representatives at that time. Even the Hindus precisely similar practices were practiced on 31st of March. The custom of the land, Scotland, France and in the United States, the custom of April fools, is a great one. It is a custom that has its origin in the olden times, and is a custom that has its origin in the olden times, and is a custom that has its origin in the olden times.

Speaking of Aprils Fool's Day, reminds us of an incident that happened some years ago. Old man Sizer kept a hotel in a little country town in Western North Carolina. He had a ne'er do well son named Dennis, who loafed around the hotel and rendered but little service. Dennis had a habit of looking over the shoulders of the guests while they sat at the desk writing their letters. One young fellow recently arrived and of a poetic frame of mind, while writing to his best girl, happened to feel some one brushing up behind him. He had heard of Dennis' propensity, and without apparent stop or hesitancy continued his writing and penned these lines: "I've seen some men who were very wise, And then again some wiser; But the biggest fool I've ever seen His name is Dennis Sizer." Dennis moved away and annoyed him never again.

THE DEATH OF EDGAR MILLER

On Tuesday March 31, Mr. Nash Miller was summoned to Spartanburg by telegram to his cousin a life time friend and associate, Mr. Edgar Miller, to find that he was dead when he reached there. Edger Miller was a splendid fellow. Converted when not yet fully grown during the pastorate of Dr. Scott at Sumter S. C., he became a useful member of the church and Sunday school. He left Sumter to enter Claflin University where he arose to distinction, becoming one of the leading members of the band of singers sent out by Claflin University. Dr. Henry C. Hardy his friend and classmate being also a member. They both had exceptionally fine voices. After graduating at Claflin he completed a course in dentistry at Nashville, and while there became identified with church and the Y. M. C. A. work. His graduation he married a capable young lady and opened a dental parlor in Jackson, but subsequently returned to his native state, and at the time of his recent illness, was in Spartanburg. His illness was of short duration. He was attended by Dr. and Mrs. Hardy, who home he became sick, and him, every possible attention. His friend and cousin, Nash Miller also rendered possible assistance after his death. Dr. Miller's Tennessee friends showed marked attention to their departed friend and his funeral arrangements were perfect. He was buried in Spartanburg, the funeral services being conducted by G. W. Cooper, pastor of Siloam Hill church, assisted by the pastors of Spartanburg. Earth is rich and heaven made richer by the death of our estimable friend, Edgar Miller.

NEWS FROM GREENVILLE

Greenville, Mar. 8.—Prof. A. P. Johnson, has returned from Irmo, where he attended the Presbyterian conference. He is ready for Easter. Mrs. W. J. Butler, is able to be out after three weeks' illness. The entertainment given by the Union Graded School at John Wesley Church, Monday night, was quite a success, standing room was at a premium. Rev. L. F. Vance, of Clinton, was in the city last week on business. The writer has been very much indisposed for several weeks with a cold but managed to keep out of bed. Mrs. Sadie Chiles, has returned from a delightful trip to Due West. She came home sick but is better at this writing. The go to church week was well attended at John Wesley last week. Revs. Burke, Thomas and Dr. G. A. Goodwin, preached during the week, and all sermons were good. John Wesley Church is lighted by electricity now; hertofore, gas. Miss Hattie Glasco, the popular agent of the Mutual Relief and Ben. Association; has been very ill with Neuralgia, but is better at this writing. Little Nannie May Butler is on the sick list, suffering with Rheumatism. She is somewhat better at this writing. Mr. Henry Neal, of Chappel Hill, N. C. is in the city for a few days visiting his brothers, Robert and Harry. Mrs. Annie Davis, wife of Mr. Ed. Davis of Michales St., dropped dead Saturday, while standing at the ironing board. Heart failure was the cause of her death. She leaves a husband and two sons. Mr. Will Hodge, after a few days illness of Pneumonia, died Monday morning. He was one of Greenville's oldest citizens. He was employed for several years by the Southern Express Co. He leaves a wife and one brother. Mr. W. F. Gaylord, of Simpsonville, was in the city Monday, on business. Brown—Avery. Cards are out announcing the Marriage of Rev. W. H. Avery, to Miss E. Victoria Brown, April 15th, 1914, at Tabernacle Baptist Church.

THE CONTEST IS RAGING

The following is the standing of the contestants in the Grafonola Contest for the week ending Wednesday, April 8th, 1914:

No. 4	13,355
" 6	5,570
" 7	5,690
" 8	24,745
" 16	26,745
" 17	19,040
" 19	12,220
" 30	14,270
" 33	4,010
" 35	10,560
" 36	8,675
" 38	24,225
" 43	20,945
" 49	4,185
" 51	17,480
" 60	16,910
" 109	20,195
" 112	10,470
" 115	10,525
" 137	27,700
" 138	5,400
" 145	12,045
" 146	9,245

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EASTER SERVICES IN COLUMBIA

Program of St. Luke and Sidney Park Churches, to be Rendered Sunday.

ST. LUKE EPISCOPAL CHURCH. There will be both morning and evening services Easter, at St. Luke P. E. Church. The Rev. S. W. Grice, Warden of Payne Divinity school, Petersburg Va., will preach at both services and will be the celebrant of the Holy Communion at 11:15 A. M. Special music will be rendered by the choir under the direction of the choir master and lay leader, H. J. Wallace. Mrs. R. A. Benjamin, Organist, and Miss Thomasina Pinckney, Violinist. The Program of the morning service is as follows: Prelude (Organ) Potpourri of Easter Themes. Processional, "Welcome Happy Morning" Canticle, Christ our Passover, (Danks.) Jackson's Grand Te Deum in F. Jubilate, (Alzamora.) Introit Anthem, "At the Lambs High Feast" (Ambraser.) Hymn, "Christ the Lord is Risen To-day." Offertory, Soprano Solo, "Breaks the Morn," (Tours) Communion Service, Kyrie, (Sanctus, Gloria in Excelsis) will be sung in a Gregorian setting. Recessional, "The Strife is Over"

MUSIC PROGRAM EASTER SUNDAY MORNING AT SIDNEY PARK CHURCH. Prelude, "Adoration" (Ather-ton.) Processional, "Crown Him" (Regent Square.) Rialto, "The Lord is Risen Indeed" Solo, "Hail, Glorious Moon" (Adam Zeibel) Anthem, "Tell Us O Tell Us" (Lowden) Anthem, "O The Golden Morning" (Le Jeun.) Postlude, Alla Marcia M. D. (Hackett)

SPECIAL SERVICES at the Sunday school at night. Mrs. S. A. Walker, Organist and Director. Mr. A. S. Allen, Assistant.

Local News.

Mrs. Ella Rions is at home after spending 3 weeks with her husband in Augusta, Ga.

Mrs; Annabel Colbert of Washington, D. C., is in the city visiting her sister, Mrs. Pearl Barber 2322 Lady street.

Mr. Julius L. Coards, of New York, is in the city spending six weeks the guest of his sister Mrs. Sarah Nesbitt, 1821 Oak St.

Rev. R. M. Myers, has opened a neat little grocery store at 2214 Elmwood Avenue. Thus far he is encouraged as the outlook is promising.

Mrs. Alice Wilkins of 2221 Lady street made a trip to Chester Monday in company with her mother who has been visiting her for a month.

Rev. T. M. Boykin, of Batesburg, preached an exceptionally good sermon for the congregation of Zion Eaptist church Thursday night of last week.

The Indicator is now prepared to do Job Printing. Before carrying your work elsewhere bring it to us and get our estimate. We will do our best to please you.

Rev. J. C. Hare, of Newberry, was in Columbia last week. He was on his way to New Brookland where he is the acceptable pastor of the flourishing A. M. E. church.

Col. L. C. Scott, of Eastover, was a welcome visitor in Columbia this week. Col. Scott would make a rattling good state chairman of the Republican party. He is honest, true to his race and a gentleman.

The progressive and enterprising undertakers, Hardy, Pinckney and Biggs, deserve much credit and must be congratulated on that handsome brougham of theirs recently purchased. It is quite a swell affair.

The South Carolina May Festival, a new spring attraction for colored people in Columbia, the State, has been organized and arrangements are already under way for holding the Festival within the next 30 or 40 days. Dates and programs will be announced later.

Our friend J. C. Jackson, on Pine St., is acquiring quite a menagerie. Besides his ducks and chickens and pigeons he has gone into the possum raising business. We had the unique experience of seeing some of the embryo possums he is now undertaking to have Mrs. Possum show to the public in a short while.

Miss Bertha Bouknight, of Gladden street, this city, who has been for two months near Clinton, lost her purse which contained every cent she possessed. She lost it on board the train last Sunday between Chapin and Columbia. She was coming home, her school having closed Friday.

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