

TO ASK BISHOP COADJUTOR.

BISHOP CAPERS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, NEEDS ASSISTANT.

Owing to illness which has greatly interfered with his work recently, and possibility of being for some time unable to do all that is desirable in the diocese, official consent will be given for election of a Bishop Coadjutor.

From The News and Courier.
The Episcopalians of this city, who have heard that Bishop Ellison Capers has asked that a Bishop Coadjutor be elected at the approaching Council to be held in Trinity Church, Columbia, to assist him in his work, have given the matter much attention and have expressed the hope that the suggestion that the Rev. John Kershaw, D. D., of St. Michael's church be elected to fill the place, may be received with general favor. Although the idea of giving Bishop Capers an assistant has been discussed for some time, particularly at the time of the Diocesan Council, which met in Grace Church, of Anderson, last May, it was not until his recent illness that Bishop Capers decided such step would be necessary, his friends urging it on him in order to relieve him of any responsibility that would help him regain his strength.

However, Bishop Capers has at last realized that his health will not permit him to do the immense amount of work placed on the Bishop of this diocese because of its size and importance without an assistant, and several days ago he issued the following letter:

Bishop Capers issued the following pastoral a few days ago, which is self-explanatory:

To the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of South Carolina.

Dear Brethren: You will recall that in my annual address to the council at Camden, in May, 1905, I referred to the subject of the election of a Bishop Coadjutor for the diocese. The reference was made only because it had been suggested to me by several of my brethren, lay and clerical, and not from a desire on my part to propose such election. On the contrary, I gave you at the time my reasons for declining my consent to the proposal. I did not feel then that I was in any way disqualified for the full discharge of my Episcopal duties, "by reason of age or other permanent cause of infirmity," and I could not conscientiously ask you to give me a coadjutor.

I cannot say this now, dear brethren. My health has seriously suffered in the past year, and has become so uncertain as to interfere materially with my visitations.

Though I do not distrust the good Providence that has preserved me in the past I have reason to believe that my health will be very uncertain in the future, if it does not become permanently so. Under these conditions the interests of the diocese must suffer. In this judgment I am supported by the opinion and advice of my physician, whose certificate I will submit to council at the proper time as part of the record of my request.

For this reason, and with the best interests of the diocese in my mind and heart, I hereby give notice to the Church, that, Providence permitting, at the approaching council, to be held in Trinity Church, Columbia, in May, 1907, I will read my canonical consent to the election of a Bishop Coadjutor, and will expect his election by that council.

I have not taken this step without the most serious reflection, and not until I had sought the judgment and counsel of the standing committee. It is a matter of thankful satisfaction to me that I have the sympathy and approval of the committee in addressing this letter to you, and that, as far as I know and believe, it will meet the approval of my people.

Suffer me a few words of loving counsel before I conclude.

It has been characteristic of our Diocese of South Carolina that our Episcopal elections have been conducted without the excitement of nominating address and in humble reliance upon the guidance of God the Holy Ghost, who gives a right to judgment in all things. Let us abide faithfully by this rule. While we use our best judgment in considering the qualifications of such Presbyters as may commend themselves to us as suited to fill the office of a Bishop of the Church of God, let us determine upon nothing and decide upon no man without faithful prayer to God for His Divine direction. I have sincere confidence in your wisdom and discretion, and feel assured that you will elect to be your coadjutor a presbyter of the Church who will be worthy of the confidence and love of the Diocese. As far as my humble prayers may aid you, they will be given you, dear brethren, night and day. To this extent, and to this extent only, will I participate in the choice of my successor.

Commending you to God and the word of His Grace, especially as He has revealed to His Church through the first Epistle of St. Paul to Timothy, the qualifications of a Bishop.

I am, dear brethren, faithfully your Bishop,
Ellison Capers.

In the natural course of events the Bishop-Coadjutor will eventually become Bishop of the Diocese, and for this reason the selection of the suitable minister will be a matter of especial care to the council, who will have the choosing of the man in charge. The Episcopalians of the State have already begun to discuss the relative merits of many of the most prominent men who will be eligible to receive the charge, and among others the following have been mentioned: The Rev. John Kershaw, of St. Michael's Church; the Rev. James Wilmer Gresham, formerly of this city and at present studying at Oxford University; the Rev. Dr. Reese, of Christ Church, Nashville, Tenn.; the Rev. W. A. Guerry, formerly of this State, but now the successful chaplain of the University of the South; the Rev. A. R. Mitchell, of Christ Church, Greenville; the Rev. A. K. Winsolving, of St. Paul's, Baltimore; the Rev. W. P. Witsell, of Good Shepherd's, Columbia; the Rev. H. H. Covington, Church of the Holy Comforter, Sumter, and others.

BISHOP'S SILVER JUBILEE.

Right Rev. Henry P. Northrop, D. D., Celebrated Twenty-fifth Anniversary at Pro-Cathedral.

A very large crowd was present in the Pro-Cathedral, on Queen street, yesterday morning, to witness the special Mass celebrating Bishop Northrop's twenty-five years as a Bishop. Although more elaborate exercises will be held later as a jubilee in commemoration of this event in the history of Bishop Northrop's distinguished career, many of the Bishop's out-of-town friends, as well as prominent clergy were present at the Solemn Pontifical Mass of yesterday. It is an unusual occurrence that a Bishop celebrates his silver anniversary, for as a rule he is comparatively old when he is appointed Bishop.

Bishop Northrop was ordained a Bishop in Baltimore, at the Cathedral of Baltimore, twenty-five years ago, afterwards serving as Bishop Apostolic in North Carolina, from which State he came to the diocese of Charleston.

The order of the services of yesterday were as follows:

Bishop Northrop celebrated the Mass; Father P. L. Duffy was assisting priest; Fathers Gwyne and Kraft, deacons of honor; Father Hegarty, deacon of the Mass, and Father Wright, sub-deacon of the Mass. Father Wright held the same office at the consecration of Bishop Northrop twenty-five years ago. Fathers Mahoney, Hughes and Fleming were within the sanctuary and Father J. D. Budds was the master of ceremonies.

The service consisted simply of the Mass and no sermon was preached.

Haydn's Chorus Mass was sung, under the direction of Madame B. H. Barbot. Mr. Charles Litsugi sang a solo at the robing of the Bishop, and Miss Ruth Raynard rendered a violin solo at the offertory.

At the conclusion of the Mass many of the congregation repaired to the vestry and extended their congratulations and best wishes to Bishop Northrop.

Bishop Northrop entertained the priests at dinner yesterday afternoon at the Episcopal residence on Broad street, in honor of the celebration.

The decorations were of an elaborate nature. The altar and sanctuary were particularly beautiful in their decorations of flowers, plants and trailing vines, set off with the snowy white linen and many lighted candles. Over the throne of the Bishop were silver decorations showing the years "1882-1907."—News and Courier.

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Columbia, Jan. 4.—Solicitors and collectors for Collier's Weekly in the south have been instructed by circular to at once "cut out" all negro business. Contracts must not be accepted from negroes in any circumstances, not even if paid in advance. This is from the northern publication which has had so many spasms over the Atlanta riot.

The circular in part says: "From this on we will accept no contracts whatever secured from colored people, regardless of circumstances. This is absolutely final. If it is necessary for any agent to fill out contracts secured from negroes, let them mark 'colored' plainly on the face of the contract, so that same may be separated and returned, as unaccepted, to agent on receipt of orders."

The Price of Peace.

*The terrible smarting and itching incident to certain skin diseases, is almost instantly allayed by applying Chamberlain's Salve. Price, 25c. For sale by J. F. W. DeLorme.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

CONSIDERS MATTERS OF MORE OR LESS IMPORTANCE.

License Tax of \$600 a Year on Cotton Exchanges Remains on Books, But Sumter Cotton Exchange Classified as a Broker—License on Pool Tables Reduced.

City Council held a regular meeting at 8 o'clock p. m. Wednesday.

Present—Mayor W. B. Boyle, Aldermen H. D. Barnett, J. H. Chandler, P. P. Finn, R. F. Haynsworth, H. C. Haynsworth, E. H. Rhame and R. K. Wilder.

Absent—Alderman W. A. Bowman. The minutes of December 12th were read and approved.

Mr. A. S. Ledbetter presented a petition from merchants and cotton buyers asking that the Sumter Cotton Exchange be granted a brokers' license for this year, as has been done heretofore. They cited the value and advantage of quotations furnished by the exchange, the discontinuance of which would be a hardship on farmers and buyers. On Mr. Ledbetter's assurance that he is not a dealer in "futures," the petition was granted.

Petition of Mr. J. H. Archer for the privilege of paying quarterly, instead of annual, license on his business, lending money on personal property, was refused.

Messrs. J. L. Alnutt, G. F. Epperson and E. I. Reardon appeared on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce to suggest the appointment of a committee to visit Charleston at expense of the city, for the purpose of interesting capitalists who propose building electric railway lines between certain cities and towns, in the advantages offered by Sumter as one of the points for their system. The mayor was authorized to appoint at his discretion, a committee of three, as requested.

A letter was received from Mr. W. A. Bowman, tendering his resignation from the office of alderman, which was accepted with regret for losing so valuable a member of council.

On motion of Alderman H. C. Haynsworth a special election was ordered held on the 22d instant for the purpose of filling the vacancy caused by Mr. Bowman's resignation; and the mayor and clerk were authorized to appoint managers, publish notice and do all things necessary to be done in reference to the election.

Request of the Sumter Coffin and Casinet Manufacturing company for five years tax exemption on enlargement of their business and erection of a new plant was referred to Messrs. Finn, H. C. Haynsworth and Chandler.

The petition of pool and billiard room proprietors for reduction of license n their business was granted in conformity with concessions made to hotels on Dec. 17th, 1906. The clerk was directed to prepare an ordinance requiring the removal of screens from pool and billiard rooms, and to prevent minors from frequenting such places. Also to prepare an anti-lottery and raffle ordinance.

Petition of citizens for a terra cotta drain in Harby avenue was referred to the committee of public works.

Returns from the sewerage bond election of December 18th, 1906, certified by Mr. W. A. Brown, W. S. Dinkins and J. S. Richardson, showed 218 votes in favor of the issue and 12 against it. Whereupon an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to Declare the Result of an Election on the Question of Issuing Bonds for Construction of a Sewerage System" was read, adopted and ordered published under a resolution (unanimously carried) dispensing with the second reading. Mr. H. C. Haynsworth stated that no commissioners of public works had been voted for at the election of Dec. 18th, because the city already had such a board, and that certain legislation on the subject was thought necessary. He offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

"Resolved, that the members of the legislature from Sumter county are requested to have enacted such legislation as may be necessary to validate the sewerage bond election of Dec. 18th, 1906, and to authorize the present board of commissioners of public works to sell the said bonds; and to do all things necessary to be done in connection with such sale and with the construction of a sewerage system in the city."

The clerk was directed to advertise for bids for the rent of the Opera House, possession to be given Sept. 1. Superintendent of Streets White reported a bridge in bad condition on the road between Liberty street and the cemetery, beyond city limits, and same was referred to Messrs. Barnett, Chandler and R. F. Haynsworth, with power to act.

Report of commissioners of public works for December was read and received as information.

Mr. Barnett, for the committee on finance, reported that the clerk and treasurer's accounts for December had been examined and found correct and that bills referred to them had been approved. The committee recommended that the clerk be author-

ized to collect taxes during January without penalty, on account of the universal scarcity of money. The report was adopted.

Mr. Chandler, for the committee of public works, reported work on Kendrick, Calhoun and Church streets as ordered by council.

On motion of Mr. H. C. Haynsworth the committee of public works were authorized to accept and open streets in the northeastern section of the city, and to have Turkey Creek canal cleaned out, as they may find necessary.

Mr. R. F. Haynsworth, for the police committee, made report of the business of his department for the past year, showing the number of arrests, convictions, acquittals and fines.

Mr. Finn, for the Opera House committee, reported repairs completed as authorized, and that one of the doors has recently been broken. The committee was requested to have the lessor repair the door under his contract.

Superintendent of Streets White stated that Mr. E. C. Haynsworth has found it necessary to enclose the flowing well on his premises, but is willing that the city shall lay a pipe from the well to the street for the public use, and his offer was accepted.

The following claims were referred to the finance committee:

Durant Hardware Co.....	\$11.23
Epperson Feed & Coal Co.....	84.00
T. B. Jenkins.....	17.20
Sumter Hospital.....	12.00
China's Drug Store.....	5.60
Booth Live Stock Co.....	3.25
Bultman Bros.....	20.55

For rushing on a railway track to save his daughter from being crushed beneath a freight train, a man at Dantzig, Germany was prosecuted for trespass by the railroad authorities and fined.

A Cambridge man writes to the London Daily News, suggesting the formation of a museum for the exhibition of articles found in jam. He says he can contribute a used lucifer match, pink in color, recently acquired.

Cured of Lung Trouble.

*"It is now 11 years since I had a narrow escape from consumption," writes C. O. Floyd, a leading business man of Kershaw, S. C. "I had run down in weight to 135 pounds, and coughing was constant, both by day and by night. Finally I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery, and continued this for about six months, when my cough and lung trouble were entirely gone and I was restored to my normal weight, 170 pounds." Thousands of persons are healed every year. Guaranteed at Sibert's drug store. 50c. and \$1. Trial bottle free.

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Southern passenger train No. 15 was derailed at Hodges Friday night. No one was killed.

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Rev. McNeely DuBose has resigned the rectory of St. Mary's School at Raleigh, N. C., which is under the joint control of the Episcopal Churches of North and South Carolina.

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French dairymen have discovered that the use of wine dregs as a food for cows improves the quality of the milk and increases the output at least 20 per cent.

When a man regrets that he didn't get much schooling in his youth, somehow his sons who have had to go to school don't sympathize with him as much as he expected.—Atchison Globe.



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