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BAPTIST ASSOCIATION HOLDS 84TH SESSION

84th Baptist Association. Tfathers? The Amherstburg Regular Baptist Association held her eighty fourth session in the Hill St. Baptist Church on Wednesday morning at ten o'clock. The Moderator, Rev. H. Talbot, pastor of Windsor Baptist Church was in the chair. Address of welcome by the Mod. Registering of delegates from various churches.

The address of welcome given by Mr. G. Fountain of London and responded to by Mr. James of Toronto. The sermon by Rev. Shaw of Sandwich was very stirring and impres-

They then retired for dinner.

The Women's Home Mission held their session with Mrs. Munroe, the pres. in the chair. The session was a very enjoyable one and many very interesting discussions. The evening programme was a very pleasing event many taking an active part. Some very splendid sols were rendered.

Friday was a splendid business day throughout. Letters were received and read. The Sunday School conention was held at 2.30. Mrs. Hunter made the address of welcome which was responded to by Mr. A. McDowell. Mr. Henderson is the President and Miss Smith the Secre-

The session was interesting. Rev. law opened a discussion as to "What is a Sunday School". It was a lively question which everyone enjoyed.

The evening programme was a won. derful success.

Saturday was the closing day for work. Much had been accomplished. At 1 p.m. the delegates went sight seeing, after which the Mayor welomed the delegation. At 8 p.m. the Rev. Penick preached a very powerful sermon. Among the visitors the delegation was blessed with the presence of Rev. S. R. Drake, Supt. of the B. M.E. Conference, Rev. Henderson, Supt. of the A.M.E. Conference; Rev. Stewart, pastor of the B. M.E. Church who gave some very encour-

One of the most vital points in Rev. Henderson's address was "Girls and Boys, fit yourselves for your position." Sunday was the banner day for the organization. 11.00 a.m. Rev. E. M. Wood preached the memorial sermon "Keep the Faith." It was very powerful as well as impressive.



REV. HENRY H. TALBOT, Moderator of the Amhersturg Baptist Association which has just closed its 84th Session in London, Ont.

The choir rendered special music with the assistance of Mrs. Shaw, Mrs. Hunter and Mrs. Berry rendered two very touching solos.

The church was beautifully decorated and the spirit of welcome was in the air. The committee did its work of entertaining wonderfully leaving nothing undone to make it pleasant The offering for the day was \$43.65.

for the delegates. All parted on Monday morning, re-joicing. Session next year will be Negro Heads The held in Toronto at the University Ave. Baptist Church.

Rev. H. L. Talbot, who was elected Moderator, officiated at the laying of the corner stone of the new Hill St.

Baptist Church. "I have built a house of habitation

for thee.' With the repetition of these words Rev. H. L. Talbot laid the corner stone of the new Hill Street Baptist Church which marked one of the closing services of the 84th annual session of the association. The ceremony was one of the most impressive ever held in the colored Baptist circles of London, and was most fitting in view of the presence of some 40 delegates to the association's session which joined in the services together with a congregation which filled the church lawn to capacity.

While our joys may not exceed our expectations, our expenses always do.

Cayuga Baptist Church Holds 76th Anniversary

The North Cayuga Baptist Church has just celebrated its 76th anniversary by conducting most impressive services. The pastor, Rev. R. J. Devine gave an historic sketch of the church from both spiritual and material standpoint. He asserted that ten run away slaves met and laid the foundation of the church. Among this number was Steven Street whose log cabin was first used as a place of worship. He afterwards donated the ground on which the church now stands. Many of the grand children and great grand children of the ten founders are members and supporters of the church which their foreparents established. The present edifice is a beautiful brick edifice which was built in 1882. The Rev. S. G. Harris opened the new church and he also preached the 50th Anniversary sermon 26 years ago

Rev. Devine spoke at the morning services. He spoke on the sure foundation on which Jesus builded the church. Rev. Trueblood delivered a most able sermon at the evening ser-

The choir rendered special music.

Largest Presbytery

Negro heads largest prebytery.

Pittsburg, Pa., Sept.—(By The Associated Negro Press)-At the final meeting of the semi-annual session of the Pittsburgh Presbytery, Tuesday, the Rev. Dr. C. H. Trusty, pastor of Grace Memorial Presbyterian body. The local presbytery representing 300 churches is the largest in America. Dr. Trusty is the first Negro Moderator to be elected to that in a mixed Presbytery.

During a recent trip of an Atlantic liner, while passengers at one end of the vessel were enjoying sunshine the passengers at the other end were experiencing a hailstorm.

Happiness is found in homes more often than in residences.

JOHN BROWN RAID TOOK PLACE IN 1859

(By Fred. Landon)

Sixty-five years ago this month John Brown and his men made their famous raid on Harper's Ferry, Va., the most dramatic incident in the slavery struggle before the Civil War. Though the plan to free the slaves was doomed to failure from the start, there persists the feeling expressed by Gov. ernor John Al Andrew at that time that "John Brown himself was right." Emerson and Thoreau in America and Victor Hugo in Europe, vied in their tributes to his life but time has paid the greatest tribute of all in the fact that "his soul goes marching on." The old song that northern boys of 1861 sang as they mached to battle was sung again half a century later by the youth of Britain. Canada and America once again going out in what seems to be the age-long struggle for

liberty, democracy and righteousness. John Brown, Puritan, fanatic, call him what you will, lived with the one idea that slavery was a great evil. His duty was to strike at it whenever he could. To that end he gave his life, enlisted the ardent support of his own family and others and finally made the complete sacrifice upon the scaffold at Charleston. Yet Brown himself rose to more dignity of purpose and moral grandeur during the weeks in prison awaiting dath than ever before in his life. Like Paul he had fought a good fight, finished his course, kept the faith, and was now eady to be offered.

The Harper's Ferry Raid of October 1859 has special interest for Canadians because it was in the little Western Ontario town of Chatham, in May 1858, that the plans were laid which came to fruition in Virginia more than a year later. Brown had long medi-Church, was elected Moderator of that tated a bold stroke against slavery, convinced that the "milk and water principles" of the abolitionists, as he called their moral sussion ideas, would never accomplish the great end of freeing the Negroes from their bonds. Direct action, a phrase that has significant meaning today, was Brown's idea of the way to rid the country of the evil and in the early part of 1858 he laid before some New England friends a plan by which he felt that the power of slavery could be broken.

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Editorial

AN INDISCRETION.

At the Canadian National Exhibition, which was recently held in Toronto, one of the most attractive features was community singing. All who cared to do so gathered in an enclosure where comfortable seats had been previously arranged. There was a leader, a piano accompanist and a big canvas, on which the verses were screened. The community singing was a big success since it was a departure from the regular routine of things and since it gave an opportunity for the rich, the poor, the high and the lowly to ub elbows and to feel the common bond of unity and sympathy that runs from breast to breast through all humanity. The Toronto Exhibition should be congratulated upon the addition of the community singing to its programme.

However, we are of the opinion that a great indiscretion was made when some one allowed the following verse to be screened. First came the instruction: "Sing loud for your singing is being broadcasted all over." Then came the verse:

"I went down South to see my Sal, Sing polly wally doodle all the day, I Jumped upon a nigger for I thought he was a horse,

Sing polly wally doodle all the day." Or some such crazy lines as that. Of course our objection is to the word "nigger" as may be expected. It is reported that there were more than one thousand colored people visiting the fair from out of town. Many were rom the States and there were several from so far as the Southern States. These colored visitors claim to have thoroughly enjoyed the Exhibition up to the time they were asked into the company of the community singers where they were requested to sing of the "nigger" who served as the faithful beast of burdon. And during the singing of this special stanza it is claimed that all the colored folks were singled out as objects the city visiting relatives and renewto be peered and laughed at. A very ing old acquaintances. prominent Southern gentleman expressed himself in the following manner: "I am from the South where it ther of Mrs. Waters took place from is a common thing for the poorer St. Paul's AME Church on Wed. at class of whites to refer to us as nig- 2 p.m., Services were conducted by gers," but nowhere in the South would Rev. M. Hewitt. a fair board openly insult the colored people by allowing its community songs to include a stanza which con- Mrs. Minnie Moxley of Brantford and tained the word "nigger" and then daughters were the guests of Mrs. refer to him as a beast of burden. Morton, Charlton Ave. over the week Remember too, you Torontonians told end..

us to sing loud for our voices were being broadcasted."

We must admit that the incident was an insult not only to the colored visitors but to all of our ggoup, still we trust it was not intentional on the 664 Hamilton Road, part of the board of directors of the Exhibition. We are hoping however, that the indiscretion will not occur again at any time in the future.

Of course I know, as you will say, that we colored folk are sensitive souls. But when one has to meet similar slurs day after day, when you must "work like a nigger," when you must be the nigger in the wood pile, when work is fit only for "niggers and mules," you dear friend, even your calm soul would become a little sen-

It will be remembered that some years ago the colored people of New York State rose in their might against the practice of "hit the nigger on the head and get a cigar." Their protest caused a law to be enacted against the practice. We trust that we colored Canadians will not be forced to do a similar act.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

We have no apology to make for the portrait of the Mayor which was painted by an artist of our group. Keep your eyes to the ggound, pray, watch and wait.

HAMILTON NOTES

A very pleasant event took place at the home of Mrs. Mary Rhodes, when a reception was given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Rhodes. Mrs. Rhodes was formerly Miss Vera Alligood. Mr. and Mrs. Rhodes were quietly married on Sept. 4th by Dr. . Emery Allen, then pastor of St. Paul's AME Church. The reception was given by Mrs. Rhodes and Mrs. Alligood, mothers of the bride and groom. About forty guests sat down to a delicious wedding supper, the rooms and tables being decorated with pink and white asters and gladiolii. Toasts were proposed by all to the bride and groom. The many gifts showed the esteem the young couple held among their many friends. The groom's gift to the bride was a handsome player piano.

Rev. Thomas Jackson passed thro' the city enroute from Brantford to Toronto and had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Jess Brown.

Mrs. Catharine Saunders of Buffalo passed through the city enroute to Chicago to attend the Hair Dressers Convention. Mrs. Saunders called and had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Hammond.

Mr. Johnny Preston spent the week end in Buffalo the guest of his sister, Mrs. Catherine Saunders.

Mr. Will Berry of Toronto was in

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Mrs. Charles Duncan of Cayuga,

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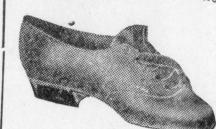
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CHATHAM NOTES

The annual Harvest Home service will be held in B.M. Church on the Second Sunday in October.

Mr. Gordon Currie from Elmer is visiting his mother Mrs. Ceorge Cur-

Mr. Clifford and Mr. and Mrs. E. Currie of Pontiac, Mich., are visiting their mother, Mrs George Currie

Miss Leota Lynn is able to resume her duty as organist of the B.M.E. Church after her recent illness.

The Ladies of the Stewardess Board of the B.M. Church are preparing for their Anniversary Services and Annual Thanksgiving Dinner.

The Pollyanna Club will hold a Home Made Cooking Sale on Satur. day, Oct. 4th from 3 to 7 p.m. in the Woodstock Industrial School.

Quarterly Meeting Services were well attended in B.M. Church on Sun. Sept. 21st. Rev. H. Wright of North Buxton preached at 3 p.m. while the pastor preached at 11 and 7 o'clock.

MONTREAL NOTES

Review Service of the Union Sunday School will be held on Sunday the

Sisters Jones and Evans (Evangelists) from Philadelphia, are conducting a religious campaign at Bethel 14th.

There passed away in the 19th of this month Viola Lucielle, dearly beloved daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. warad Paris, formerly of Barbadoes,

Mrs. George Jones is entertainig the Ladies Art Club at her residence on Wednesday

The Hon. W. L. Sherrill, Assistant President of the UNIA will deliver an address in the Union Church on Oct. 1st, and at Liberty Hall on the 2nd. Public reception on the 3rd.

Mrs. Charles Ashby leaves on Monday to visit her parents, Rev. and Mrs. H. D. Wright, North Buxton, Ont.

ST. CATHARINES NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dorsay, of Francis Street are leaving this week for Chicago.

Rev. and Mrs. H. F. Logan attended the Toronto Exhibition and were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sharpe They report a delightful time.

Mr. Paul Beckley, Mr. Alfred Beckley, Dr. L. Green of Washington D.C. motored to St. Catharines over the holiday and were the guests of the Misses Edna, Gertrude and Bessie

Misses Louisa and Clara Bell entertained Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dorsay before their departure for the west.

Rev. H. F. Logan paid a flying visit to Toronto last week.

Miss Greta Nicholson is in the General Marine Hospital.

An old fashioned Barbecue on the follow later.

lawn of the BME Church, Sept. 25. Young pig and chicken.

The Church Aid Social on Friday was a success, even in the rain.

Mrs. Jas Dorsay passed through the city en route for Niagara Falls, N.Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Oakley, Mrs. Williams, Miss Olive Smith paid a visit to Rev. and Mrs. Logan.

Mr. T. Sykes is in Buffalo, N.Y.

Mr. Frank Richardson visited Tor-

H. F. Logan says "Three cheers for Harry Coursey and Harry Wills.

STRATFORD NOTES

Mr. J. D. Hall has returned after an absence of about two years. He has been in Tillsonburg and Essex where he was employed as chef. Mr. Hall has resumed his old business in the

Mrs. Jackson and her two grandchildren have returned after a ten days visit to relatives in Detroit.

Mrs. Grace Groat is ill at her home with tonsilitis.

Mrs. J. D. Halle and daughter, Mrs. George Wesley and her two daughters motored to Woodstock on the

Mr. Frank Westley was recently in

Miss Marguerite Harrison has returned after a lenggthy vacation at the Leburtis cottage, Owen Sound.

BRANTFORD NOTES

Rev. S. A. Lucas had charge of the services on Sunday and gave us two very inspiring sermons.

Rev. W. W. Adams spent Sunday in St. Catharines assisting Rev. H. F. Logan with his Quarterly Meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. James Palmer of Princeton and their guest, Mr. Bail, of Chicago motored to Brantford on Sunday and visited friends.

We are sorry to report that Mr. James Murray is ill.

Mr. R. Campbell of Detroit is the guest of Mrs. Maggie Jones.

Mrs. Chas. Walker and Miss Gladys entertained at lunch after Church on Sunday evening. Covers were laid

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Gibson of Chatham were visitors in the city over Sunday visiting Rev. and Mrs. Luucas and Mr. and Mrs. J. Wilson.

Miss Olive Smith motored to Ashtabula with Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Okley for a month's visit.

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LONDON NOTES

B.M.E. Church Notes

The services on Sunday, Sept. 21st were highly inspirational in every sense of the word. Rev. B. A. Shaw, of Sandwich, Ont. was the speaker at 11 a.m. and Rev. W. L. Brasoe at 7 p.m. Many visitors were present

Mr John Moule of the police court pdeartment gave the address to our Brotherhood at 10 a.m.

Quarterly Meeting services Sunday, September 28th, Rev. W. W. Adams of Brantford will be with us. Har- There are myriads that heaven still vest Home services will be held on the 5th and 6th of October.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Washington, Mrs. Geo. Kersey Sr., and daughter Verna with Messrs Melbourne of Windsor, were Sunday visitors at the parsonage while attending the asy sociation.

Mrs. C. Charles was hostess to a number of friends that remained over from the Association. A dinner was served for twelve on Sept. 22nd.

Mr. C. H. Brown is confined to his home this week owing to a sudden indisposition. We pray for his early recovery.

On last Monday evening Mrs. Pearl Brown of Grey Street entertained in honor of Miss Vera Smith of Windsor, the Misses Rachel Vandyke and Marine Roper of Dresden. More than forty guests were present and the time was so pleasantly spent that the evening merged into the early hours of morning before they departed.

Last Thursday evening Mrs. May Louis entertained many of her friends in honor of her birthday. Many of her fiends were present to help make the occasion a most pleasant one.

Mr. Robert Harris of Maitland Street wishes to thank his many friends the two churches and their affiliated societies for their kindness toward him during his recent illness. He desires especially to express his gratitude to the B.M.E. Brotherhood of which organization he is the vice-President.

WOODSTOCK NOTES

Mrs. Levi of Dresden and Miss Robtheir sister, the Misses Anderson on Wellington St. N.

Mrs. Bobbin and Mrs. Budd were visitors in the city Wednesday even-

tea on Sunday evening. The guests with prompt service which will not were: Miss Bessie Edgecombe, Mr. cost any more than it would in your and Mrs. Marshall Jr., Mrs. Harris, own home town. So if you should be Miss S. Smith; Messers Walter Smith unfortunate enough to need our service and Bobbie Blair.

FORT ERIE NOTES

The Messrs E. Groves, G. Lee and J. Good were visitors of Mrs. M. Tay-

The first Quarterly Meeting was held on Sunday, Sept. 21st. Woodcock occupied the pulpit.

Mr. Shepherd of Toronto is guest of Mrs T. Parker

Mrs. H. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Dels. worth, Mr. and Mrs. J. Taylor and Mrs. Lathom, were visitors of Mrs. L. Chandler on Sunday.

Mr. H. Jones spent the week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs Taylor

Miss Amy Wilson of Welland is visiting Mrs. Geo Taylor.

FRIENDS

(By S. E. G. Allen)

There were myriads of Angels, before this world was,

on messages sends. Sometime I will join this great army

because Jesus and I are friends.

Yes, the friendships of earth may be noble and true,

Even glorified where Divine Presence extends. But when He is the Master and gov-

ernor too. Then Jesus and I are friends.

And to answer the old question, "lovest thou me"

While on he this all-conquering love so descends,

I must give in return what I can full and free,

Then Jesus and I are friends.

How can I this love prove? How can I this love show?

For on Him all true happiness ever depnds.

If I labor and live for Him, I'll surely know,

That Jesus and I are friends.

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B.M.E. Church Notes

Mr. Chas. N. Sharpe has been appointed Superintendent of the Sunday School.

On Sunday the 28th, we are holding our Annual Rally at 3 p.m. and we trust it will be a grand success. We are asking for the cooperation of the parents to see that all children connected with the school are there at 3 o'clock sharp.

On the second Sunday in October the Missionary Society will have charge of the evening service. A good programme of sacred music will be provided.

Miss C. Lucas of Chatham is in the city, the guest of her sister, Mrs. E. Dolman.

Mr. W. Frizzell Clarke left last week for Big Rapids, Mich., where he is a tsudent at Ferris College

We are sorry to hear that Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Guy are about to take their departure for their new home in Pontiac, Mich. Rev. Guy has been transferred to that conference in the AME connexion. Rev. Guy has been in charge of the AME Church here for the past three years and has done splendid work in the city; while Mrs. Guy in her amiable manner has endeared herself to us all.

Miss P. Miller is spending her holidays with her father in Owen Sound. Mrs. Allen and son of Winnipeg are guests of Rev and Mrs. Ball.

Notice to Our Patrons

Society news and news of general interest may be sent to Mrs. R. L. Lynch, 6 Redwood Ave., or telephoned her at Ger. 4034 m. Mr. Richard G. Carter at the Old Union Station will also forward any news items to The Dawn.

Mrs. Horace Clark of New York City is visiting her aunt, Mrs. A. Mustain of Walton St. Mrs. Clark is the great granddaughter of the late Mrs. F. Thomas, who died eight years ago at her home in Manning, S.C. She was said to be, just before her death, the oldest woman in the United States She was 137 years old at her death

Dr. and Mrs. L. Walton of Washington, D.C. spent some few days in the city. Dr. Walton was attending the Dental Clinic.

Rev. and Mrs. McWilliams of the First Baptist Church are attending the National Baptist Conference at Nashville, Tenn.

NIAGARA FALLS NOTES

Mrs. Earl Brown, Mrs. N. Johnson, Mrs. J. Plato Mr. J. Little motored to Hamilton on Sunday.

Mr. Roy Thomson of Hamilton motored and spent the week end at the home of his sister, Mrs. Hullet.

Mrs. J. A. Smith and Mrs. B. Milligan, Mrs. A. Smith spent Thursday in Buffalo.

The Young Ladies Guild is busy fixing the window in the church for the Harvest Home.



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Don't forget the social Tuesday, the 30th, under the auspices of the Stewardess Board. Lunch served with the admission 10 cents.

Hear Prof. Greenlaw, Bass soloist and his able wife, Mme. Mae Wood Greenlaw, elocutionist at the BME church on October 1st.

Mr. C. Parker, accompanied by the

Misses Madeline Esther and Mr. A. Parker motored to London to attend the Association.

Miss Grace Dungey is visiting her brother, Mr. J. Freeman in Lima, O.

The W.S.S. meets at the home of Mr. W. Brooks, Sandwich on Friday

Mesdmes Munroe, Levi, Howard, S. A. Talbot and Mr. S. A. Brown enjoyed a wonderful motor trip through Sarnia and Port Huron on their return from London.

Mrs. A. Dungey of Chatham is visiting her grandchildren.

Miss W. Dobbins left this week for Oshawa where she will attend school, taking a nurse's course.

Miss R. Smith of Windsor Ave. left on Saturday for Nashville, Tenn where she will attend school.

Miss Corinne Providence reports a delightful visit to the London Associa-

Mrs. McDowell and Mrs. John Wells remain quite ill. Mr. John Seldom is much improved after his painful ac cident last week.

Mrs. (Rev) Jones is quit ill in bed at this writing.

Miss Lucey Stanfield, formerly of Toronto, is prospecting in Windsor where we trust she will become a permanent resident.

(by Gertrude Sarah Stacey) Who rubs our aching head Or cools our fevered brow, And watches o'er our bed When paid has laid us low? Mother.

Who never knows fatigue And herself things denies. And works, and works, and works, And pretties for us buys? Mother.

And when we're far from home, And having care and strife And everything looks dark With trouble in this life Whose voice is it we hear Giving us sound advice, Bidding us good cheer. And smile this darkest life. Mother.

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