

The Rev. P. C. Neal, D. D., is one of Maryland's representative men. The son of the late Spicer C. and Emma P. Neal, he attended the public schools of the city and grammar school on East Saratoga Street; a graduate of the Normal and Theological Departments of Wayland Seminary, Washington, D. C.; an alumnus of the College Department of Lincoln University, Pa.; studied Theology in the Theological Department of Hamilton Theological Seminary, Hamilton, N. Y. Rev. Dr. Neal married his classmate, Miss Harriet Wimbish, who has proven an invaluable assistant and is ever at his side to encourage him in whatever work he is engaged. Dr. Neal is the organizer and First President of the Colored Y. M. C. A.; pastor of the First Baptist Church; a member of the National Baptist Convention; trustee of Clayton Williams Academy; trustee of the Colored Baptist Orphanage; president of the Cooperative Baptist State Convention; vice-president of East Baltimore Improvement Association, and is connected with a number of the benevolent civic organizations of the city and state. Dr. Neal lends his voice, pen and means to every good work for the amelioration of the people. Dr. Neal is an eloquent speaker and is often in demend for addresses on public occasions.

The First Baptist Church under his administration is in a prosperous condition. It has recently been remodeled and renovated, and is one of the most attractive churches in the city, with a membership of over one thousand, and is without financial encumbrances. Dr. Neal is the organizer and president of the First Baptist Relief Association, an institution for the relief of the sick, which paid out thousands of dollars for death claims, with a bank account of nearly \$2,000.