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REV. SAMUEL F. WARD.

On the twenty-second of April, 1907, the Rev. Samuel F. Ward departed this life in the full triumph of faith. He was the son of the Rev. Stephen Ward, a pioneer in Peninsula Methodism, and the maiden name of his mother was Sallie Sturgis. He was born in Pocomoke City, (then New Town), Md., in 1840. He was twice married. The maiden name of his first wife was Anne Gillett, and that of his second wife, who survives him, Lulu Lane. His wives were well selected; his married life was a happy one and in consequence thereof he always carried sunshine wherever he went and was a great source of consolation to all with whom he came in

The Rev. I. H. White, while presiding elder of the Salisbury District, having opportunity to be frequently associated with him, soon discovered that he possessed gifts and graces that made for Christian greatness, and opportunity presented itself in 1890, and Rev. White appointed him to supply the work at Oak Hall, Va. After years of successful labors, he was assigned to the Marion Circuit work and from there to the Princess Anne Circuit. He was an interesting and faithful worker during his entire pastorate, for humanity, Methodism and God.

CHARLES PULLETT.

The Rev. Charles Pullett was born at Salisbury, Md., February 16, 1817, and died in Salisbury, Md., January 13, 1908. Having married Sarah Ann Houston, he and his wife lived happily together for more than fifty years. Eight children were born to themfive girls and three boys. He joined the M. E. Church in slave days. He was licensed to preach by the white M. E. Church of his town, and for many years before the organization of the Delaware Conference, served as a preacher. When the Delaware Conference was organized in 1864 he presented himself for membership at John Wesley M. E. Church, Philadelphia. He was appointed by Bishop Edmund S. James to Salisbury Circuit and served this Circuit, extending from Laurel, Del., to Nanticoke, Md., for three years. In 1866 he was appointed to Washington Circuit by Bishop Matthew Simpson. This charge extended from Preston, Caroline county, to Bucktown, Dorchester county, Md., nine appointments. This charge he served three years. The second year he held two famous camps, one in Dorchester county and the other in Caroline county, two weeks. The result of the camps was 80 additions

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He is survived by one brother, three sons and two daughters, a number of grand children and one great-grandchild. One of the sons is the Rev. Chas. W. Pullett. The daughter with whom he spent his last years is Mrs. Mary E. Brom, of Salisbury, Md. The funeral services were conducted at John Wesley M. E. Church, Salisbury, Md., by the pastor, C. S. Sprigg. The eulogy was delivered by Rev. D. R. Dunn, with remarks by Dr. P. O'Connell, Revs. J. H. Harman, E. H. Nichols and C. S. Sprigg. The following brethren assisted in the services: Revs. T. N. Cooper, Frank Trigg, Dr. W. C. Jason, D. A. Ridout, J. T. Matthews, A. L. Henry,

J. F. Molock and S. Hammond.

Servant of God, well done!
Thy glorious warfare's past;
The battle's fought, the race is won,
And thou art crowned at last.

C. S. SPRIGG.