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SUDDEN DEATH.

the Episcopal Litany should contain this prayer- in a masterly manner, and one calculated to de "From sudden death good Lord deliver us." To an impenitent man, nothing indeed is more dreadful than a departure from the world, preceded by no warning, and with no opportunity for preparation. It is a blighting of all his fondly cherished hopes. He has neglected seeking a personal interest in Christ all his life, in the expectation of heing able in the hour of death to accomplish this holds the best pro-slavery opinions extant, begreat work. But he has been disappointed. The summons to return was sudden and unexpected. and would consent to no delay. "At midnight the cry was heard, Behold, the Bridegroom cometh," and unprepared to meet it-the door of heaven is now finally and forever closed against* him. But is it so with the Christian? Has he any occasion to fear such a summons, or to prav to be delivered from it? A sudden and painless departure from earth, is it not, in some respects, more to be desired by a true believer, than a death preceded by lingering sickness, and with bodily and mental decay? A distinguished English Christian, expecting from the nature of his physical disease thus to depart, is said to have requested these words to be inscribed upon his gravestone----

"Suiden death, sudden glory."

And may not this be truthfully written on the graves of some who have recently departed from us-who to-day in the lower sanctuary, have, ere the next dawned, been translated to the higher? Death is always gain to the believer. The mode of his departure is with the Lord, and is unimportant.

RELIGIOUS PRESS.

SLAVERY AGITATION IN THE OLD SCHOOL. Dr. Rice seems to have made "a ripple" upon the surface of Old School quietude, and provoked every Old School paper, North or South, except the more prudent Presbylerian, of this city, to speak out on slavery, and deliver their respective opinions of Dr. Rice, slavery and agitation. We make extracts from each, to ex- begins to feel authorized to express itself, and has hibit the harmony, unity, and temper of this large and conservative body of Christians! The dissimilarity of views expressed in their respective organs is remarkable.

But, for a Northern man, we regard them as decidedly and eminently conservative. He stands where the great and good men of the North stood thirty years ago; and where, would to God, they all stood at this moment, repudiating the use of all force, ecclesiastical, legal, and physical, and depending, as a man of anti-slavery opinions, on 'moral suasion' alone-and this in a fraternal spirit. He has not progressed with the fools of the age in the 'march of mind.' He stands bravely as a wise man for humanity and the Christianization of the African race in our country, to which none but abolition philanthropists can raise an objection. He proposes all this, it is true, with a view to their emancipation, because he desires it, but not at the expense of any wrong to master or slave. For one in his position, and so circumstanced and We have sometimes wondered why it is that influenced, we think he has handled this subject good in his section. The more our slaves are treated with humanity, and Christianized, and

that great Union party which the Observer recommended a few weeks ago? In our issue of the 3d inst., we copied from the made happy, the more they increase. It is Observer an article, headed "New Gospel in New mainly because of their general good treatment England," which contained a letter from a ministhat they have increased so rapidly in times ter, exposing the corruptions in doctrine, which past. If we take Dr. Rice's advice, and obey prevail among the N. E. Churches, and which the dictates of our own conscience, we shall have were developed in the examination of a candidate ten millions in a score of years, and one hunfor ordination: but in the last number of our condred millions in a century. So that Dr. Rice temporary there are letters from three N. E. pastors, denying in toto the allegations of the letter cause he is a true philanthropist, while the most and the article. After the insertion of the oriof those in the North, who claim to be so, are ginal communication, the publication of this de-nial is due to the parties concerned, as well as to philanthropists only under the cloak, and would ruin that they may rule. our readers, and when the truth is at last, if ever, eliminated, the latter shall be duly apprised.

The North Carolina Presbyterian says :---Our North-Western friends must not hold Dr Rice responsible for our abstract opinions on the question of slavery, nor is he called upon to defend them in Chicago. On the other hand, O. S. Presbyterians at the South would not coincide in all the positions laid down in his sermon, but they cannot withhold their admiration and praise for the influence which he has always exerted in favor of Union and moderation.

The Presbyter, Cincinnati, has always advo cated moderate anti-slavery views, and has been a thorn in the flesh of its more conservative neighbors. It rejoices over their new developments of courage to speak out on the subject of slavery. I

savs:--It has come to pass that all the Old Schoo Presbyterian papers of the North, except the Philadelphia Presbyterian, have opened their columns to the discussion of the slavery question. and their editors are taking a stand, in some sort on the anti-slavery side. To us, who took thi ground from the beginning of our editorial career and have suffered much reproach for our course this change is refreshing in the highest degree The Chicago Presbyterian Expositor, and the Pittsburgh Presbyterian Banner are in a transition state, and give some reason to hope that the transit will be completed. There are some views put forth in these prints that we cannot adopt, and yet there are others that cover the main ground of the truth, and make it necessary for these editors, in order to consistency of opinion, to adopt the

whole system of doctrine, which we have tried to maintain and defend. The Banner, in the light of the Expositor something to express. That journal has its prin-cipal circulation in the best part of our church. Western Pennsylvania and Eastern Ohio consti tute the backbone of Presbyterianism. We are glad to see the premonitory symptoms of backbone in its organ in regard to the vexed question, such as it has often shown on some other questions. The Pittsburgh Banner gives its opinions and views cautiously. We extract the following:-We feel ourselves entitled to the conclusion that the Scriptures do not sanction slaveryneither Roman slavery, nor slavery as now estab

INDIA. SIGNS OF PROGRESS.

"The last New York Observer has a long article under its "Secular Department," highly com-mendatory of Mr. Seward's late Abolition speech MESSRS. EDITORS, -In my last I mentioned a in the Senate, which contains his bold bid for the few items showing a gratifying change in the cha-Presidency; and, in close juxtaposition, an exracter of British rule in India. This change is tended and very flattering editorial notice of Bardesirable and hopeful, not so much because we num's Museum,(!) in which attention is called to desire government, influence in favor of Christithe recent addition of attractions in that stock of anity, as because the desire to see the legitimate humbugs and low comedy, of a "beautiful Leopard Seal," a "cargo of Kangaroos from Africa," "the influence of Christianity pervading all ranks of Seal, a "cargo of Rangaroos from Airrea, the famous Sea Lion, having its home among the tro-pical Isles," and a Grizzly Bear from California." Mention is also made of a remarkable "Nondemate triumphs of Christ's kingdom rests not on script," for a particular description of which the the favor of kings or governments, but on the There can be no reasonable objection to the last promises of God, and the inherent elements of the editorial, for it was probably inserted in considegospel itself. Hence, in regard to the evangeliration of a "season ticket," but the puff of Mr. zation of India, or any other part of the world, the Seward is certainly inconsistent with the avowed spirit and movements of the church give us better conservatism of the Observer. Moreover, if Mr. Seward is the favorite now, and is to be considered data for inferences, than the changing policy of a marvellously proper man, what is to become of

worldly-minded rulers. By persons of intelligence and worth, I have II. I remark, therefore, as a second sign of progress, there is a gratifying increase of missionary force in Indio. I know the American Board of this bad and miserable man. Other persons, s failing to maintain her ground there. My own mission is suspended, and most of the others are in our country, who know not what to be at, occasuffering for lack of reinforcements. But most sionally, to comfort their own reprobate character. other societies are reinforcing their missions in better, than by trying to whitewash that of Paine; India, and prosecuting their work with brighter thus in comparison enhancing possibly their own hopes and more resolute purpose than ever before. consequence in society. I doubt, if they could (a) The Irish Presbyterian Church is extend- have fished up from all biography, of those who ing her operations in Western India by occupying died in this century, a character more debauched, Ahmedabad; and one or two other stations in lying, filthy, impious, and every way detestable. Goorat. It is not a little gratifying to observe If old reprobates wish to conform their character this, and the increasing missionary spirit in that to his, and to unite destinies with such a wicked church in connexion with the Irish revival. It wretch in eternity, still, our youth, yet unsophiswas recently stated in a large meeting in Edin- | ticated and ingenuous, ought to be counselled; I burgh, as a fruit of this revival, that the Irish may say informed, as to some of the facts of his

A NOBLE OFFER. The Secretary of the Church Extension Com-

HELP FOR KANSAS.

reader is referred to the advertisement."

mittee has received, through the editors of the Evangelist, an offer from a gentleman residing schemes, "the congregations sent in double, treble, blance, as they expect any thing like respectability in the State of New York, who wishes his name four-fold, ay, in some instances, six-fold, as much and success in life; and as they hope for the favor concealed, to pay one-half the salary of a mis- to the treasury of the Lord as they had ever done of their Creator and the mercy of Jesus Christ, sionary for Kansas for a year. This gentleman has read the appeal of the exploring missionary tion in the year." Here is a fruit of revivals the world to come. which is a legitimate test of their value. of the Church Extension Committee in Kansas, Rev. J. C. Beach. and is willing to extend efficient help. We publish this in the hope that some one, who has been blessed with the means and marked success. The most prosperous mis- can debase the minds and the morals of our peoof doing so, will furnish the other one-half of sion in Bombay is in connexion with the Scotch ple, been only imported-foreign; not native, not the missionary's support. The wish of the Com- Free Church. A large portion of their converts vernacular. Abner Kneeland, the Atheist; Romittee will be to select a missionary of specially are well-educated young men, preparing to become bert Dale Owen, who inculcated the fatalism of valuable character, and locate him at the most commanding point in Kansas, where his influence will tell most effectually upon the future of this mission. Its ast report shows 1075 pupils stance" of his having to answer for his madness character of that interesting territory. We trust that the great Head of the church, who giate institution. has put this liberality into the heart of our New York brother, will in like manner touch the

heart of another to complete this work. If, however, any one should be inclined to assist this object who is not able to give so large a sum as one-half the support of a missionary, we hope they will send any sum that they can give,

as the Committee will thankfully receive donations for this object.

in the work? Ought not the missionary spirit and enterprises of the little Moravian body of

Christians both rebuke and encourage the faith and zeal of the whole Christian church of this

They constitute the smallest division of the Protestant church. And yet they were the earliest to move in this work of missions: and now they have a band of 312 missionaries, who report 73,641 converts under their pastoral care. If the whole church of Christ would enlist in his work with willing, earnest hearts, and working hands, how soon would the barren and dark places of India and the world bud and blossom as the rose, and Christ see the travail of his soul and R. G. WILDER. be satisfied !

THOMAS PAINE .-- II.

been urged to give the public some correct views alas! of both sexes, are to be found, here and there. Presbyterian Church, having recently made a history; that they may see, who he is, that they special, extra appeal in behalf of her mission ought to avoid, detest, and shun, in all resem-

before, when only called upon to give one collec- our adorable Saviour, Redeemer, and Lord. in

Paine was an Englishman, not-an American (b) The missions of both branches of the Scotch | I say this with the more pleasure and emphasis. church are prosecuting their labors with energy because so often have the worst influences that preachers, helpers and teachers-the result, main- | "circumstances" as the only deity he worshipped ly, of God's blessing on the educational operations or knew, and forgot to weight aright the "circumin their schools, 27 cof whem are in their colle- | at the judgment seat of Christ, abiding his award

of eternal destiny; and that peripatetic pseudo of (c) The Church Missionary Society is sending a philosopher, of the feminine gender, first person, reinforcements and commencing new stations in singular number, that came here some third of a India. The missions of this society are ably pro- century ago, to teach and practise immorality in secuted and largely blessed. Their statistical re- all its best forms and most imposing impositions. turns for Southern India alone give 429 churches, resembling Ninon D'Lenclos in every thing but 588 Christian villages, 28 missionaries, 15 native her refinement. her reserve, her selectness, her ministers, 82 catechists, and some 26,000 bap- taste, her real personal beauty, her social respecta-

tized converts, with an average increase of 1000 | bility, her elevated circle of companions, and her each year. A recent visit to these churches by literary taste and eminence; denouncing marriage

MINNESOTA CORRESPONDENCE. MESSRS. EDITORS :--- I left you, with the im-

pression, at the close of my last communication, that I was rather driven, by what I regarded as an oppressive necessity, to this lovely new country.

own hands, to keep my family from coming to LITTLE SONGS FOR LITTLE PEOPLE. With Nuwant. Destitute of all foreign aid, it seemed as though I was hedged up to it. I might, it is true, have had money from rich friends, to speculate on, for a per centum, as others have done; but I promptly said no: I will not be entangled with claim quarrels nor land jobbing. These would ruin me, as a minister. Owing to unanticipated difficulties on the way hither, my outfitting and travelling expenses were more than double of my anticipations-amounting to about \$700. I exthe meantime, I anticipated, for a while, that the sive and valuable lesson. exorbitant prices of bread-stuffs-flour at from

\$11 to \$15 per barrel, and other things in proportion, and, what was worse still, the more exorbitant rates of interest on money, from 3 to 10 per cent. per month-would devour all my remaining means, notwithstanding my persevering

the Society that I had determined never to stand | ject. connected with again, in that relation; in order to movement, in another direction, calculated to undermine me. More than two years have now passed since this connexion was formed again, and what do you, or the public, know of Mankato or its surroundings, from my correspondence through that channel? But a brighter day is, perhaps, ahead. The dawning seems to appear. It may be, that through your personal influence, I may

AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF DAN YOUNG, A NEW ENG LAND PREACHER OF THE OLDEN TIME. By W. P. Strickland. New York: Carlton and Porter. For sale by Perkinpine & Higgins, Philadelphia.

Dan Young was one of the early converts and pioneers of Methodism in New England. After a flying visit of exploration, on resolving to He had naturally a strong mind and determined cast anchor at this point, I determined to avoid purpose, self-reliant, self-confident and self-educated. He felt assured of the correctness of his the errors of my youth, in attempting to lift, above my strength, at the obstacles to progress; and, as own opinions, and of his ability to defend them; my youthful energies were gone, as I supposed, and never shrunk from encounter, and always I resolved to lean on others, and give them the appeared to himself to be victorious: and judging benefit of my experience, in an effort to found from his not altogether modest account of his churches and institutions of learning, in this new achievements, he was evidently one of nature's country. As I had determined not, again, to lay giants, well developed by the peculiar circummyself liable to oppressive interference, in relation stances of his times. He figured in the varied to the channel of aid in my operations; and as a capacities of a Methodist preacher, legislator, large circle of personal friends in Cincinnati, In- senator, and man of the world. He tells many dianapolis and Chicago, had aided pioneer efforts wonderful anecdotes of his own experience and on their own responsibilities, I applied to them, observation, and records no little good advice. in the order named, and found them all otherwise He was evidently an honest and good man, and engaged. Never before, have I had greater need had the peculiar characteristics that give a kind for youthful vigor; nor have I been so uniformly of success. The book will be read with the disappointed in my expectations from others, as greater interest by the Methodists, but there since embarking for this country. Not in my are many things in it that will commend it to early pioneer efforts at Crawfordsville, did I even, the attention of others.

> Philadelphia: Perkinpine & Higgins, 56 North 4th St. This is a new collection of old songs for children. It is neatly printed and bound, and beautifully illustrated. It is a pleasant book for the nurserv.

THE STORY OF A POCKET BIBLE. A Book for all classes of Readers. Ten Illustrations. New York: Carlton & Porter. Philadelphia: Perkinpine & Higgins.

This is an abridged edition of a very popular pected help here on my arrival, in the way of and interesting book. It is an imaginary debonded promises, as that was mainly all the means tail of the success and influence of one Bible, as of the country; which, owing to "conflicting it passed from hand to hand till it returned again titles," have proved an almost entire failure. In to its original owner. It contains an impres-

HIDDEN TREASURE; or, the Secret of Success in Life. By Miss Sarah A. Babcock. Four illustrations. New York: Carlton & Porter. Philadelphia: Perkinpine & Higgins, 56 North 4th Street.

This is an attractive narrative in which is practically illustrated the excellent virtue of beefforts. After applying in vain, also, to our own neficence, and the penalty of covetousness. It Church committee for aid, I was compelled to is interesting as a story, and its lessons will inyield, finally, to the earnest solicitations of my culcate systematic beneficence, more impressively people, and permit them to make application to and effectually than the best essay on the sub-

FOREIGN CATALOGUES .--- We are indebted to fore-stall, what some of them supposed to be a Mr. Fred. Leypoldt, 1323 Chestnut Street, for valuable catalogues of recent French and German publications, which are for sale at his store as above.

THE HOLY BIBLE. Containing the Old and the New Testaments. Translated out of the Original Tongues, and with the former Translations diligently Compared and Revised. In which all the Proper Names are Divided and Accented as they should be Pronounced and a Copious and Original Selection of References and Numerous Marginal Readings are given, together yet gain a hearing for this interesting out-post upon with an Introduction to each Book, and Numerous Tables and Maps. Imper York: Carlton & Porter. For sale by Perkinpine & Higgins, No. 56 North Fourth street. The distinguishing value of this new family Bible is that it gives the correct and authentic pronunciation of each proper name, dividing the syllables, and placing the accent upon the proper syllable. It is claimed also that the marginal references have been enlarged and corrected, and made to serve better the purposes of a concordance. Each book also is prefaced with a historical and synoptical introduction. It is neatly printed and firmly bound, and well adapted for common use as a family Bible.

The Central Presbyterian, Richmond, Va., after reviewing the subject, says:

"If we cannot tolerate a diversity of sentiment on this subject, there is no alternativethere must be a disruption. But if it were manifest that Dr. Rice had become a thoroughgoing abolitionist, Dr. Rice is not the church. He is only one of her 2,500 ministers, who call no man master. And there have been not a few practical demonstrations of this independence in the fact that men of seemingly amazing influence have often signally failed in finding support for some favorite crotchet of their own. Still there may be danger. The whole surface of society has been in a ferment, and wave has been dashing against wave with terrific force. And it is not unlikely that Dr. Rice, in his triple capacity of editor, professor, and pastor, and assailed as he has been by untiring adversaries, may have said some unadvised things." For he is not above the temptations which have their influence upon the very best of men. Ard from the fact that he has furnished the material over which all the anti-slavery editors of the land are holding a jubilee, there is some reason to suppose that he may have been borne on by the current of popular feeling and sentiment and sympathy in the North-west, farther than he had designed."

The St. Louis Presbyterian, Dr. Rice's own tor adds these significant words:

"On questions of minor importance, difference of opinion ever must and always will exist. But | THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY :---the several documents adopted by the General Assembly, and confirmed by succeeding Assemblies, embrace all the great leading questions When it is remembered that this Seminary has concerning slavery. Such questions are as fully settled as they ever can be by any church on earth, and the policy of the church must be considered as unchangeably fixed. No one now has the right to disturb the church, destroy its peace, and impede its great and glorious work by a new agitation. Such as will not submit to the highest authority of the church on earth, and remain quiet and peaceable, should withdraw. If they will neither remain quiet and makes the following instructive and pertinent compeaceable, nor withdraw, they should be separated from the communion as disturbers of the church by a regular process of discipline. By steady perseverance in the right way, the church has attained a high degree of prosperity and power. To retain what has been gained she must never be found lacking in vigilance, firm-

The Presbyterian Herald, Louisville, Ky., says:

ness, and decision."

"We have read Dr. Rice's lectures with care, and can repeat the assurance that a counterblast from Kentucky need not be apprehended by our Chicago friend. On such a vast and complicated subject as that of slavery, and the ment for the past of the professors-the Seminary best methods of dealing with it in both Church having no past-we are not prepared to respond and State, scarcely any half-dozen thinking minds would agree in every particular. But Haven's Philosophy, and found it intensely antiwise and good men who have confidence in each slavery. It did not fuscinate and charm us as it other's general piety and purity of intentions, seems to have done the Presbyterion. It may be, can agree to disagree."

The True Witness, New Orleans, says:

"Dr. Rice is but a single minister in our church, and neither his views nor his practice will change the settled policy of our church-not to agitate this question. His pamphlet is before us. We do not endorse his views; he has no right to speak for the church. Our only law on the subject of slavery is the Bible; those that the 'Chicago Theological Seminary,' whose has no right to speak for the church. Our only who appeal to a higher standard in the Assembly are not of us.

Days at Rugby: By Thomas Hughes, Author of "School Days at Rugby," "Scouring of the White Horse," &c. Part IV. Price 12 cents. For sale by With these signs of progress, what is now The great argument of Northern fanatics is School, and that no doubt, the editors thought they mate purposes. agitation; and Dr. Rice has done neither him-were reading the catalogue of the Theological Sewanting for the specify evangelization of India, sented. Rev. Mr. Adams has a numerous, intelliour opinions or our plans; on the contrary, we but that the church of God, conscious of the van- gent, and attentive congregation to animate him in ascending from John Street Church. He said they self, the seminary, (in which he is a professor,) minary of the North-West, whose prestige they have met, among the people, with a favor and a tage ground, should arise, go up at once, and pos- bis labors, comprising not a few individuals of long THE CHRISTIAN LAWYER. Being a Portraiture of about it, and felt its influe had heard in China of this prayer meeting, and talked nor the church to which he belongs any credit may conscientiously pronounce healthy, and whose in his lectures; but he has, in our view, betrayed tot. 1 of students they would be charmed to write sess it in the name of the Lord? from which they have come, and who could only with gratitude, and a love that seems to us an earnest the faith of our church, and will ruin his own 'twenty-three.' As the case stands, however, the Does not the result of past efforts furnish an of success. At first questions of sect and of deinfinence if he continues this agitation, which is difficulty be spared from their former connexions. Presbyterian is sold." This volume is the memoir of a legal gentleample guarantee for the speedy conversion of India, against the settled views and policy of our church. It is true that Dr. M'Master opened nomination were rife -- now they are seldom heard. Mr. Adams' discourse in the morning was a lucid A CURIOUS. MEDLEY. f the energies of the church were fairly enlisted and earnest presentation of great Gospel principles, When, too, we consider the steadfast kindness, the discussion, and Dr. Rice in the palpit and Under the above head, the North Carolina based upon Christ's words in Luke xii. 50: "But I and thoughtful and watchful co-operation of a conthe press. Both may meet the same fate. Our * Since writing the above, later communications from Presbyterian makes the the following strictures have a baptism to be baptized with, and how am I siderable number of Christians, previously wholly India give the following: "During the last eight months the work of missions has been carried on with great church will not endorse agitation on this subon the conservatism of the New York Observer. It straitened till it be accomplished." unknown to us, our gratitude to God and to them There is a Sabbath school, with an Infant school seems that its "SECULAR DEPARTMENT" is not ject." earnestness. The Rev. Mr. Smith has baptized more is better felt than expressed. Let us stand firm; The Presbyterian Sentinel, of Memphis, quite to the taste of the South, and the Presbyterian attached, in connexion with the church, both of which converts within the last few months than generally falls we shall surely reap if we faint not. This "ground Tenn., taking an encouraging and hopeful view, begins to fear that its marvellous trophies of to the lot of a missionary during a lifetime of labor, are in a flourishing condition. We were pleased to of git," we repeat, not only soon will be, but it is Nearly the whole of the inhabitants of the surrounding see the "CHURCH PSALMIST" distributed upon the heresy-hunting in New England will prove spuremarks as follows: B. villages have evinced an anxiety to become Christians." benches. "The views of Dr. Rice, as here presented, rious. The Presbylerian says :-already studded with silver. anity !"

successful.

at this station.*

lished by law. It is service which they recog-We have in the New Testament no approval of the buying and selling of servants, no intimation that it was or could be a legitimate traffic, nor have we any indication of hereditary servitude. We are then entitled to the inference that these things are wrong. They are contrary to the recognised equality of men, and to good will, love.

and brotherhood. Servants are men, and have a right to all that

belongs properly to humanity. Every law forbidding marriage or practically annulling marriage, or breaking up familieslaw authorizing the sale of a husband from a wife, or a child from a parent, is wrong. Also every law preventing a servant from appearing before a magistrate to claim his dues, to testify against a personal wrong, or to testify on behalf of his fellowman, is an injury.

ENDORSED BY MISTAKE.

Western Theology, as well as other matters, ap-Barnes, and Brainerd officiated. A fuller notice pear to our neighbor, the Presbyterian, indistinctly. paper, occupies four or five columns in the dis. Distance seems to add confusion to the view. The cussion. This paper substantially agrees with editor has, by mistake, put his hands upon the Dr. Rice, and holds that these are the true doc- wrong school, and endorsed men and doctrines he trines of the church fully established. 'The edi- little dreamed of. With Dr. Rice, and M'Cormick's reapers in view, the Presbyterian made the following complimentary notice of the CHICAGO

"The catalogue of the Chicago Theological Seminary shows a total of twenty-three students. just gone into operation, this success is very encouraging. It is well officered, of healthy prestige, and although some may be disposed to decry it, we have little doubt that it will go on to prosper. To this, the editor of the Presbyler, of Cincinnati, who is better posted, and is jealous of the reputation of a Seminary that has grown up under his fostering care till it has got beyond his control, ment:---

"We find the above in the last Philadelphia Presbyterian. It is true that this School of the Prophets 'has just gone into operation,' and that 'this is encouraging success." How 'well officered' it is, we know not. Its officers are: Rev. Joseph Haven, D. D., Carpenter Professor of systematic Theology, Rev. Samuel C. Bartlett, Professor of Biblical Literature, Rev. Franklin W. Fisk, Professor of Sacred Rhetoric and Homiletics. The Keyes Professorship of Ecclesiastical History has

no officer at present. As to the 'healthy prestige,' we will take the word of the Presbyterian for that. Prestige means illusion, fuscination, charm. If this is a complihowever, that it is the theology and church polity of the professors that has secured such praise from

the Presbyterian. We don't know who are 'disposed to decry it. Other Presbyterian papers will not do so, now that it is endorsed by the mother of us all. Perhaps, before we drop our pen, lest the Presbyterian be thought to have gone over to anticatalogue, the editors say, 'shows a total of twenty-

three students,' is a Congregational Theological

of prominent commercial importance. We be- 138. lieve that it is with pleasure that our church not meet with a snitable response.

DEATH OF MRS. CHAMBERS.

On Friday evening last, at 5 o'clock, this estimable Christian lady, the wife of Rev. John of infirmity and suffering. Her death is lamented by an unusually wide circle of acquaintances, and thousands of hearts sympathize with our bereaved Christian brother in this deep affliction.

The funeral services were performed in the church on Broad and George Streets on Monday morning. Rev. Messrs. Patton, Taylor,

of these services will appear in our next. "ANNALS OF THE POOR." THE MISSION.

This mission was commenced after a careful an laborious examination and comparison of various sections of the city. It was selected because of the general poverty of the people, and their destitution of religious privileges. It was found, too, that here, as elsewhere, there existed strong secterian prejudices; and this among those who had not been within a church for years, and who made no pretensions to personal piety; nor did many of them attempt to conceal their feelings of bitterness toward Christians as such. This was especially the case with not a few of the Roman Catholics, of whom, as we have heretofore said, the number is very large. Under these circumstances, it seemed to us useless to appear among them as the avowed advocate and representative of some particular church or sect. We thought that to do this would be to array against us a large proportion of the very people we wished to call to repentance, to say nothing of the adverse influences that would in all probability be brought to bear upon us from without. We thought as the field was unoccupied, or at least mainly so, and had been for almost a generation, and seemed likely to continue thus unoccupied, that Christians, at other plan we could embark in it with any reasonable prospect of success. It is true, we hope, if it please the Lord, to establish among them a Presbyterian church, but we also hope so to gain the hearts of the people by Christian kindness and faithful instruction, as to extinguish in advance the prejudices referred to. Our method of proceeding, and forms of worship, are, of course, ings Catholics and Protestants, with many, if not

most of their "isms," and their children are in the Sunday School. Our S. School teachers are of various denominations, and while working hard, do so with a full knowledge of our views and ulti-

The Committee have now organized missions the bishop of Madras reports items of much inte- with unutterable impiety; lecturing against it; in Kansas, Nebraska, and the Pike's Peak re- rest. At nearly all the different stations he found hooting at it; until-she found it peculiarly congion, by sending one pioneer into each. But large numbers of native converts desiring confir- venient, in her circumstances, as an accidental what are they among so many? They now wish mation. At Fusmuculum, he confirmed 24; at mother, when she invoked its protection, and beto send an efficient man to take his permanent Fichoor, 36; at Cochin, 44; at Aleppry, 33; at came madame ---- no matter who; and just bestation in Kansas, in the capital, or some point Pallam, 57; at Mauelikara, 263; at Firuwalla, fore this event, at the public theatre in Arch St., fortifying her infidelity by that of Jefferson-Of this last station the bishop writes :-- "Here | which the audience had to endure, as they knew sees that the Committee are laying out their again a deeply interesting sight awaited us. Many it was a fact; advancing, she quoted also the work on a large and comprehensive scale, and of the native converts were slaves! practically great name of Franklin; and then, though roused that in proportion as the church see this they -though not legally-slaves. It appears that and angered at the calumny, her hearers bore it, will come to their relief. The present is a most until the last few years slavery was permitted though it was an ugly bore to their sensations and interesting offer. We cannot believe that it will throughout Frarancore, and though the present their best convictions too, till she came, with

Rajah, a short time ago, abolished it throughout characteristic effrontery, this lovely piece of quasi his kingdom, still the vast majority of those to maidenhood and purity-to complete her debased whom it applied were either so degraded, or the triumvirate, by exclaiming-"And Washington, master's power and influence so great, that prac- you all know, was an infidel !" As they all knew

tically it still exists. At the present time, there- better-this was quite too much! the outburst fore, numbers of the rich natives have their slaves, was stentorian and uproarious, contradicting her Chambers, breathed her last, after a long period work in the fields, and are looked upon as little falsehood. "Washington was a Christian, we all know that." resounded from gallery, pit, box, and better than mere animals. Thanks, however, to the missionaries, a change lobbies, even, till she was confounded, and hissed, is beginning to dawn upon these poor creatures, and groaned, from the proscenium, where, if I reand wherever the gospel is preached among them, member, the papers of the day declared, it was they display an eagerness and aptitude for instruc- "her last appearance before such a superstitious

tion in its blessed truths, which give promise of and priest-ridden set," as she called them. I have named KNEELAND, OWEN, and FANNY WRIGHT. better things." The statement goes on to mention 3000 of these to make, with PAINE added to them, a proper slaves under Christian instruction, and draws a QUADRUMVIRATE of impiety and blasphemy; as hopeful picture, which is fitly closed by the remark, | four specimens of imported abomination; not one of "This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in them a native citizen of our country; yet, coming

here like the frogs of the Apocalypse, xvi. 13, 14, our eyes. (d) The Basle Evangelical Missionary Society from the mouths respectively of the dragon, the is operating with increasing effect and success in beast, the false prophet, all of Pio Nono's estab-South-western India. Four of their missionaries lishment, to teach the natives, and to make us all

died during the past year, but already a reinforce- as wise, as good, and as happy as themselves! It ment of twelve has more than supplied their places. is a fact, I think, generally true, that the leaders They now number forty-six brethren, and twenty- of such impiety and profligate foolery in our natwo sisters. They are a band of earnest, self-de- tion, have been mainly foreigners; who venture to nying and effective laborers, and God is blessing do us all the damage they can, after having, in a their efforts. They have 1,099 communicants in hurry, sometimes, all left their country for their their churches, of whom 150 were added the last country's good.

year. The home society at Basle is much pros-Paine was born at Thetford, Norfolk, England pered. They have built a new mission home to 1737, or 123 years ago. He died here, June 8th, accommodate a large number of missionary stu- 1809, in his seventy-third year, 51 years ago. dents, and hope henceforth to send out fifteen or almost. He returned to England after our revolution; and after awhile, to escape a prosecution, fled twenty new missionaries every year. (e) A new mission is just being attempted in to France, then flaming with all the volcanic the North-Western part of India. There is a eructations of the Reign of Terror. These congelarge unbroken region of Hindooism, with a po- nial horrors so engaged him, that, just before pulation of fifteen or twenty millions, which has Robespierre and twenty-two others went to their never been occupied. Two missionaries of the deserts, via the guillotine, with Couthon and St. United Presbyterian church have just penetrated Just, July 28th, 1794, he was with them all-or, that region. They are resolved to commence a possibly, with another gang of demons, just prepermanent mission, and two other brethren are viously sentenced to the same death. How he esalready under appointment to go out and join | caped, I have never read in history. But, his own them. One individual in Scotland has offered account of it, as I received it, from a source most \$25,000 for this new methoprise. Thus the Lord credible and perfectly well informed by Paine is raising up men and means to carry forward this himself, I reserve for my next paper. The emienterprise. Indeed, we could not see upon what work in India, and rendering their efforts greatly nent, and truly excellent citizen of New York, known and well remembered there by thousands. We might speak of the influence becoming the late John Pintard, LL. D., my own personal

manifest on great masses of the natives, loosening friend, was my informer; and I mainly regret their attachment to their idols and their supersti- that, when so impressed and interested by his tions rites, and preparing them to receive Chris- narrative, I did not immediately note it down in tian instruction. Doubtless the convulsions and my journal-I have often regretted it; still, I can terrible scenes of the past three years have con- recollect it so as virtually to reproduce it to my tributed much to this result, and the wrath of readers, if the Lord will! SAMUEL HANSON COX. man is the living mode to work out God's praise

Brooklyn, New York, March 14, 1860.

gedies of the mutiny, is that "the conversion of North Broad Street Church .- We had the plea Hindoo youths to Christianity is in rapid progress sure of participating in the public services of this new church on last Sabbath, and were gratified at the

very hopeful appearance which the enterprise pre-

one of the high places of the field, and for the incipient efforts, in this wide North-west, to establish the institutions of learning and religion.

Five years ago, there was almost nothing done in this region, to break the monotony of the ever recurring native grandeur of our forests and widerolling prairies. Neither roads, bridges nor houses. The entire white population, in the country, did not probably exceed 200; whilst there were, probably, from five to ten times that number of Sioux wandering about on their own hunting grounds. And to add to our vexation, the Government located upon the southern part of the country; another tribe-the Winnebagoes-after having once extinguished the Indian title, and having thrown LIFE'S EVENING; or, Thoughts for the Aged. By the country open to settlement, and white settlers were actually upon those lands. In the meantime, I had been a year at this post, literally, "in advance of all others." There were six or eight families in the village when I arrived, with about as many tenements-most of them of a rude cha

racter. A little school had been taught by a young lady-a daughter of one of these families-in an unfinished room, 14 by 18 feet; a small Sabbathschool gathered, and a singing-class or choir formed : so that this place has never been, since its first settlement, without these valuable appliances. My first sermon was preached in this same little room above spoken of, on the last Sabbath in February 1854-just six years ago-to a congregation of

about 20 persons. And on inquiry, I found amongst them, five or six who had been members of the Presbyterian Church, which included all the professors of religion that I could, at that time, find in the community.

Yours Respectfully, JAS. THOMSON. Mankato, March 1st, 1860.

EDITOR'S TABLE.

THE INTUITIONS OF THE MIND INDUCTIVELY INVESTIGATED. By the Rev. James M'Cosh, LL.D. Professor of Logic and Metaphysics in Queens College, Belfast, Ireland; author of "Method of the Divine Government," &c. New York, 1860: Robert Carter & Brothers. Philadelphia : W. S. & A. Martien. 8vo. pp. 504.

This is a valuable treatise on metaphysics. Dr M'Cosh takes position between the sensuous and transcendental systems of philosophy. He places himself equidistant from the empiricism of Locke. and the idealism of Kant. He applies the Ba conian method of induction to the known laws and principles of mind, as we do to material science. There is in his theory an inner sense to which our emotional and mental activities become objective. In our varied mental phenomena are to be found the material out of which the internal sense will construct a science as real as that discovered by the natural senses from the material and physical facts of the world without. His views of conscience and free will are very much the same as taught and defended by Coleridge, Dr. James Marsh and other theologians and metaphysicians of that class. They are philosophical and Scriptural, and conform to the rational principles of man's nature as well as to the teachings of revelation. Metaphysics is the mother of all science and rational knowledge; and real progress in philosophical inquiry has an important bearing upon all forms of knowledge, and serves to exhibit the

real harmony that must exist between true science. philosophy and true religion. TOM BROWN AT OXFORD. A Sequel to School

the author of "Life's Morning," etc. Boston : J. E. Tilton & Co. For sale at the Presbyterian Bookstore, 1334 Chestnut street, Philadelphia.

This little volume contains several short and well-written articles well calculated to instruct. cheer, comfort and bless the aged pilgrim.

HOLMBY HOUSE-A tale of Northamptonshire. 8vo. paper, By G. J. Whyte Melville. Boston : Ticknor & Fields. Philadelphia : J. B. Lippincott & Co. Ticknor & Fields are publishing a uniform

edition of standard and popular novels. This is the second number of the series. It is put up in paper covers at 50 cents.

BOOKS RECEIVED.

We have received the following new publications. which we will examine and notice further next week :

ACHAIA; or, Studies of the Cosmogony and Natural History of the Hebrew Scriptures. By J. W. Janson, LL. D. F. G. S. Montreal: B. Dawson & Son. Phi-ladelphia: Smith, English & Co.

THE LIFE OF DANIEL WILSON, D. D., Bishop of Calcutta, and Metropolitan of India. By Josiah Bateman, M. A. With Portraits, Maps and Illustrations. Boston: Gould & Lincoln. Philadelphia: Smith, English & Co.

THE PURITANS; or, The Church, Court, and Parliament of England, During the Reigns of Edward VI. and Queen Elizabeth. By Samuel Hopkins. In Three Volumes. Vol. II. Boston : Gould & Lincoln. For Sale by Smith, English & Co., Philadelphia,

LUTHER ON GALATIANS. A Commentary on St. Paul's Epistle to the Galatians. By Martin Luther. To which is prefixed Tischer's Life of Luther, abridged; a short Sketch of the Life of Zuingle, as also, a Discourse on the Glorious Reformation. By S. S. Schmucker, D. D. Philadelphia : Smith, English & Co.

CHRISTIANITY IN THE FIRST CENTURY; or, the New Birth of the Social Life of Man through the rising of Christianity. By Chr. Hoffmann. Translated from the German. Edinburgh : T. & T. Clark. Philadel-phia: Smith, English & Co.

THE GENIUS AND DESIGN OF THE DOMESTIC CONSTITUTION, with its Untransferable Obligations and Peculiar Advantages. By Christopher Anderson. New York: Robert Carter & Brother. For Sale by W. S. & A. Martien, Philadelphia.

AQUELINE PASCAL; or a Glimpse of Convent Life at Port Royal. From the French of M. Victor Cousin, M. Prosper Fougere, M. Virut, and other sources. Translated by H. N. With an introduction by W. R. Williams, D. D. New York : Robert Carter & Brother Philadelphia: W. S. & A. Martien.

THE COMPLAINT ; or Night Thoughts on Life, Death, and Immortality. By Edward Young, LL.D. New York : Robert Carter & Brothers. Philadelphia : W. S. & A. Martien.

China and a New York Prayer Meeting.-In noticing the John Street Union Prayer Meeting in New York, on Saturday, the 3d inst., Rev. E. L. Janes

sent their Christian salutations to all in the United New York: Carleton and Porter. For sale by Per- States who love our Lord Jesus Christ, and he felt a peculiar pleasure in presenting them to the John Street brethren. A work of grace he said was in progress in the mission field. Converts were multiplying, and man of Baltimore; who died at the age of forty- were being formed into classes. He was desired to man of Baltimore; who died at the age of forty-five, having not only acquired a valuable legal reputation, but endeared himself to the public by his Christian efforts to promote education and institutions of charity and benevolence. The book contains many valuable suggestions to the book contains many valuable suggestions to the soon. God, in his providence, said the noble-hearted young man who would be a good lawyer, and a missionary, is opening up the whole of that wast em-faithful Christian