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SEPTEMBER A CRITICAL MONTH.

Looking over the files of the American Presby terian a few days ago, our attention was arrested by an editorial of September, 1856, in which the sentiment is advanced, that the present is a critical month with the churches. From the symptoms now whole working season. Whatever may be thought of this assertion, it is very cheering to behold indications of spiritual animation or even of expectancy in the churches at this period. For ourselves, we believe every wise laborer in the vineyard thus early will be on the alert-will be laving his plans-will be feeling the pulse of his people or of his associates in labor-will be surveying the ground in which he is to operate-in a word, will feel the pressure of the question, whether the season on which he is entering is to be prosperous or adverse, is to abound in fruits or to be dry and unproductive.

Our churches in this city and vicinity have many enterprises in hand. They are likely to be applied to for pecuniary aid in various undertakings, to a degree which will try their already oft, but never vainly-tried principles of beneficence. The secular relations of Christ's kingdom will demand of our brethren, lay and clerical, a large degree of attention, interest and careful planning. All these things are marks of prosperity, and are cheering. Only a declining church ceases to make demands upon the liberality of her friends. Only a narrowing harvest demands fewer laborers. But they involve peril; they tend more or less to draw off those engaged in them, from a supreme regard to the spiritual interests of the kingdom. We need to remember that these things are but the scaffolding, while the greatest work of all is to rear

the lively stones upon the elect and precious Corner-stone into the living temple. Another embarrassment which we have to meet

is the approaching Presidential election. In dwelling upon it in this connection, our minds run especially to the unusually prominent part taken in the campaign by our young men. We presume they were never so extensively or so thoroughly organized into political associations in any previous struggle. They have club-rooms, uniforms, a certain drill and parade. They are looked to as

A FALLEN WORLD. Three months ago a daily paper was started in New York city, which enlisted the deep interest of the moral and religious part of the community, and which excited great hopes of a revolution in newspaper morals. Wearied out and disgusted with the open league which the daily press in that, and other leading cities, had made with the depraved and morbid tastes of their readers, the better portion of the community hailed the appearance of a sheet which promised to be alike valuable

in the counting-room, and acceptable in the family. The large sum of money invested, and the great outlay ventured upon, to secure the first class of editorial talent and experience in the management, gave its friends not a little solicitude for its suc-

cess, and great was the gratification to find its circulation speedily up to thirty-five thousand, daily. We cheerfully and unreservedly commended the enterprise in our columns, and have had the daily exhibited it is argued, we may forecast, with tole- on our exchanges, and have consulted its "relirable certainty, their spiritual condition during the gious" columns, frequently to the advantage of our own. We cannot conceal our profound regret, therefore, at the evidence of defection from the cause of good morals, which, thus early, it is exhibiting. Perhaps it would be over-critical to call it to account for the particular and interested manner in which, some days ago, it directed the attention of its readers to the arrangements for the contemplated ball in honor of Lord Renfrew's visit to New York; particularly as it appears that the example of prominent church members, of that city, who are concerned in the preparations for the ball, might be pleaded in extenuation. But we are grieved and astonished, beyond measure, to find its advertising columns thrown open to theatrical customers, four of whose bulletins. in the usual flaming style, appear in its issues of Thursday and Friday of last week. We could scarcely credit our own eyes, when we saw them, nor could we fully gain the credence of others to our assertion, until we showed the veritable advertisements. Shall we copy them in part, for the conviction of such unbelieving Thomases who cannot see the originals? Here they are:

"WALLACK'S THEATRE: COMPLETE SUCCESS OF THE NEW COMEDY, The Royalist,

Forty Years Ago."

Then follows a synopsis of scenery and events sufficiently betraying the sensation style of the piece, to make a parent shudder at the thought of son or daughter being found among the spectators of the performance. Another is:

"BARNUM'S MUSEUM: MMENSE ATTRACTIONS! GREAT CROWDS! UN

QUALIFIED SUCCESS OF THE GREAT MORAL, HISTORICAL DRAMA OF JOSEPH AND HIS BRETHREN !"

We wonder that the showman does not an nonnee the trial of Joseph's virtue.

gion; she wanted good food, and must work on the true and false denominations of the earth, in Sabbath to get it. But she also was soon cry- the struggle for supremacy, upon spiritual grounds g for mercy. "A young man who had been very wicked be felt by the See of Rome as a riddance from Fitzwater Streets, have, by a unanimous vote, deing for mercy.

was for three days in very great agony, crying burdens which have diverted its energies, and termined to apply to the Third Presbytery, N. S., out that he was lost, and acknowledging, with blinded it to its true policy. At any rate, we to be taken under their care. We regard the Rev. Mr. M'Caskie as an able shall have to meet Romanism as it is entrenched much weeping, his immoral life. He thus obin the corrupt and self-righteous propensities of and zealous minister. His church has been deeply tained peace. A lad in the school, son of the the heart. Garibaldi's triumphant advance into imbued with the spirit of liberality and progress. richest man in the neighborhood, and only thirteen or fourteen years old, was in distress for the Pope's territories will not subdue or regene under the preaching of men who love revivals. We

cannot but be gratified by their accession to our rate those propensities. It will remove obstacles two or three days, and then had a new song put body: The history of the whole matter we give in the way of our labors among Romanists, perinto his mouth. His parents were heathens, and turned him out of their house, but the more haps, but it will bring us face to face with a "kind so far as we understand it. that goeth not out but by prayer and fasting." In the summer of 1852, Mr. James M'Caskie ther was soon softened, and has begun to, attend That form of Romanism which is sustained and

church." How wonderful and how deeply interesting is it to hear of these strange things among the heathen of Hindostan! May the work of the Spirit mightily increase. An institute of the and the third

PAINE'S DEATH-BED REPENTANCE AND CONFESSION.

From the life of a distinguished and godly. Quaker preacher, Stephen Grellet, lately published. we make the following extract. . It may be new to our readers, as it certainly was to us. that Paine so distinctly disavowed and repudi-

of a reliable eye-witness. Tha extract is from the pen of Stephen Grellet himself:-----

leaving home, on my last religious visit, on hearing that he was ill, and in a very destitute condition. I went to see him, and found him in a wretched state, for he had been so neglected and mon attentions to a sick man had been denied them. to him. The skin of his body was, in some places, worn off, which greatly increased his sufferings. A nurse was provided for him, and some needful comforts were supplied. He was

had passed between us had made such an impression upon him that, some days after my departure, he sent for me, and on being told that I was gone from home, he sent for another Friend. This induced a valuable young Friend, (Mary Roscoe) who had resided in my family, and continued at Greenwich during part of my absence, frequently to go and take him some little refreshment suitable for an invalid, furnished by a neighbor. Once when she was there, three of his deistical associates came to the

"Tom Paine, it is said you are turning Christian, but we hope you will die as you have lived.' and then went away. On which, turning to Mary Roscoe, he said: 'You see what miserable comforters they are.'

licentiate of the Irish Presbyterian Church: came to Philadelphia, and preached for a few Sabbaths strengthened by recruits from the ranks of High in several of our churches. A number of his Churchism, we believe would be in no degeee friends in the South-Western part of the city, imperilled by the loss of the Pope's temporal supremacy, and that is the most dangerous, as it is having heard him on various occasions, were desirous of retaining him in the city, and, if possithe most vital form in which we have to meet the

ble, of enjoying his ministrations. In order to superstition in our day. Let us not, then, be too effect this, they rented the second story of the sanguine as to the immediate results of this eventful Western Hose house, and invited him to preach campaign in Italy, lest we be doomed to disappointto them for a few Sabbaths. The congregations

and the period and ment. THE DIGEST.

American Presbyterian and Genesee Evangelist.

Permit me 'to say to our friends' that the responses to our call for subscribers for the Digest ted his infidel opinions and doings upon his of the acts of the General Assembly, have been death-bed, as would appear from the testimony most gratifying, both in number and tone: For

them we owe we senders many thanks. To the pastor in Indiana who sent four names, and the "I may not omit recording here the death of pastor in Penneylvania who sent eight names, and Thomas Paine. A few days previous to my to other donors of enoppraging words, as well as names, we are grateful. # There still lack seventy names to complete the number which the committee have decided must be obtained before forsaken by his pretended friends that the com- issuing the work. We should be glad to have As before stated, the price of the Digest will be \$3. But it will be sent post-paid to subscri-

bers, as soon as out, for \$2,75. Names can be on July the 12th, 1854. JOHN W. DULLES, PHILADA.

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A MOTHERS' CONCERT OF PRAYER. The members of the New York and Brooklyn Maternal Associations, to Ohristian Mothers of every name throughout our Country.

Burdened with a sense of our responsibilities in reference to the spiritual welfare of our children-painfully conscious of our want of faithfulness, and oppressed with anxiety, lest amid the the Church Extension Committee, from which prevailing worldliness and the temptations with they expected, and were from time to time prowhich they are surrounded, our loved ones should

be left without the precious hopes of the Gospel this state things continued for years, the church "Once he asked her if she had ever read any, we long for a closer bond of sympathy with enterprise all the while continuing to grow till the those of like trials and cares. Especially do we commercial panic of 1857-58, when the want of she thought of them, adding: 'From such a one long to have their fervent prayers mingle with employment compelled large numbers of the mem as you I expect a correct answer.' She told, ours at the mercy seat, that the gracious Redeemer bers, who are of the working class, to go elsewhere him that, when very young, his Age of Reason | would claim our children as His own, and give us | in search of the means of supporting themselves envelope. We need hardly say we are thankful. was put into her hands, but that the more she read in it, the more dark and distressed she which they should go. and we trust that, with the blessing of God, these felt, and she threw the book into the fire. Impelled by these feelings, and yielding to raging to an infant enterprise, struggling for exearnest and repeated requests from many others, istence, and under very unfavorable outward cirhe has had it in my writing that book.' When we invite all mothers in our common Zion to meet cumstances, for the upper room of a Hose House going to carry him some refreshment she re-together at such places as may be convenient to is not a very inviting place for worshippers in a peatedly heard him uttering the language, 'Oh, together at such places as may be convenient to is not a very inviting place for worshippers in a Lord !' 'Lord God !' or 'Lord Jesus, have themselves, at three o'clock on the first Wednesday of October next, and join with us in a Union | fashionable churches to attract the attention. As "It is well known that, during some weeks of Meeting or Concert of Prayer in behalf of our- | might be expected, therefore, of persons who could his illness, when a little free from bodily pain, selves and our children. The presence and power be induced to identify themselves with a church, of the Holv Spirit is our only hope, and while we meeting in such a place, the members clung to and Mary Roscoe repeatedly saw him writing. If his companions in infidelity had found any thing to support the idea that he continued, on his death-bed, to espouse their cause, would they not have cagerly published it? But not a word is said; there is a total secrecy as to what has become of these writings." of the floty Spirit's our only hope, and while we meeting in such a place, the members thing to believe God has promised to bless the children of His servants, we are reminded that parental through all its difficulties, unless compelled to amigrate as intimated above. The enterprise having at length reached a point, through which the the the members is to be realized. Fat which a house of worship became an absolute We cannot suppress a fear, lest by our neglect or has become of these writings." indifference. we ourselves, should close up the a place of worship, but much too small to meet avenue by which the blessings of the Gospel are the growing wants of the neighborhood, the city appointed to flow to the hearts of those committed extending itself very rapidly in that direction, the people set about the work themselves, and got a to us. Whether through our unfaithfulness or otherchurch edifice under way, at the S. E. corner of wise, the thought that any of our dear children Twentieth and Fitzwater Streets, believing that should be left to perish, is unutterably painful. Presbytery would not allow them to sink under Hence we desire to share your supplications. the burden, but that they would lend them a help-We believe God has encouraged united prayer; ing hand in their time of need. In this, howand the history of the past furnishes many inever, they were disappointed; for although they stances in which the earnest entreaties of associwere threatened with a sheriff's sale, and although ated mothers have been answered in mercy. appeals were often made to Presbytery, they re-Let us unitedly surround the throne of Grace, fused to do anything more than grant the session and see if He will not pour us out a blessing. of the South-Western Church liberty to collect We cannot but feel that your hearts will respond funds wherever they could, which was of very to ours in this desire, and we shall look forward little use, without the co-operation of the pastors with solemn and sacred interest to the hour when, and sessions, which could not be obtained. through the intercession of our risen Redeemer, This led to a feeling of very great dissatisfac the prayer of faith from believing mothers, in all tion on the part of the South-Western Church parts of our land, shall ascend to the Father of and congregation. They began to think that such mercies. a cold atmosphere was not very congenial, or cal-Furthermore, having ourselves experienced the culated to promote their health and vigor; that obscurity with the persecuting dukes, summarily great benefit of associating together for mutual such indifference did not savor very much of the counsel, encouragement, and quickening, we earspirit of the gospel, or of a Church of Christ, nestly recemmend that mothers, as they are aswhich should exhibit as one of its credentials. "to sembled on the day referred to, shall take into the poor the gospel is preached," and consequently consideration the forming of themselves into assocame to a resolution to change to a different atciations where none exists, or seek a reviving inmosphere. terest where a maternal association already ex-At a congregational meeting, called for the purists : and that by meeting on the FIRST WEDNESose, a few weeks since, they resolved unanimous-DAY OF EACH SUCCEEDING MONTH, we may have v to connect themselves with the 3d Presbytery. a recurrence of this Concert of Prayer, mingled f Philadelphia, and appointed commissioners to with conversation for mutual aid and sympathy. convey their wishes on this subject to that body We invite you at least to join with us in a meetat its next meeting. ing of prayer, each month, in the afternoon of the The people composing this church are not among day named. We do not undervalue other means the rich and the great. They are either from the of grace, but we should be blinded to our most North of Ireland, or the children of those who solemn duties and out highest privileges, did we came from there. They are mostly, therefore, fonot recognise that dispensation of our Heavenly Father, by which the fuder minds of our childreigners, but not of that class who own allegiance to a foreign potentate-who would set our laws ren are placed in our hands to be trained for the at defiance, and especially the law enjoining the service of the Redeemer. and by which their observance of the Christian Sabbath. They are salvation is made to depend much upon the manthe descendants of those men who suffered marner in which we discharge our high trust. tyrdom in Scotland, and planted Presbyterianism Who of us has not yearned for mutual counsel would have been checkmated, and the phantasm in Ireland. They are the sons of those covenantand Divine guidance, that we might be able to ing fathers who, like the Puritans of England who give to the cause of our Saviour, and to the highwere driven to Holland for their Sabbath-observing est good of our children, a mother's influence principles, contended earnestly, even to the death wisely directed and sabctified by the Spirit of for the right observance of the Sabbath, and for God? the principles of "civil and religious liberty.". We do not think any uniformity of organiza-They come among us, therefore, not to curse tion is essential. The form may be modified as but to bless the land of their adoption, to propa circumstances may suggest; yet, in answer to regate the pure faith of the gospel, and exhibit quests for information from different parts of our living Christianity. Let us. therefore, lend them country, in respect to our mode of procedure, we a helping hand, remembering that "he that giveth cheerfully give the Constitution or Covenant a cup of cold water to a disciple, in the name of a which has commonly been adopted by us. It may be used or not, as seems desirable. disciple, shall not lose his reward," and that the Master shall acknowledge in the day of judgment MES. M. C. ROBINSON,

CHANGE OF RELATION. The South-Western Presbyterian Church, O. S., "ANNALS OF THE POOR."

between, as is so often supposed, but even here, in this wealthy city, where so many helps are their own former, or other misdoings, have again, filled with despair.

Many years ago two respectable young persons were married, and for many years lived in what is called middle life. The husband, a man of industry, regularly brought home his earnings, and tenderly cared for his young wife. But one compelled him to die and leave this world. The widow, now constrained to supply her doctor prescribed the regular use of brandy. She used it and recovered, but unfortunately

she had remaining the evil habit of drinking. She gradually sank from a respectable woman, increased from Sabbath to Sabbath, and so encoudown, until she had lost her business, and had raging were the prospects, that the people to whom given up all expectations of ever climbing he ministered thought proper to ask for organizaagain to respectability: .) She married to one tion; and having for this purpose applied through even worse than herself, and they two were their commissioners to the Presbytery of Philadelliving destitute of hope, hardly striving to obohia. were organized into a church on the 8th of tain the necessities of this life. One day the February, 1853. Mr. M'Caskie having been pre writer called to see them; they lived in a very viously received under the care of Presbytery, as small room, surrounded by all the evidences of "Foreign Licentiate on Probation," was appointwant; the floor was bare, and an' old bed, uned to supply the pulpit of the newly organized supported rested upon the floor, while a marchurch. At the following meeting of Presbytery, ket basket inverted, and two old chairs, served call was presented to him to become their pasfor seats. These, together with a pine table and or, which, when his year of probation had expired. an old stove and stool, comprised all their furhe accepted; and after the usual examination had niture. Their means of living amounted to been passed through, and pieces of trial were deone dollar and sixty cents per week, made by livered, he was ordained, and installed pastor of the wife at sewing the backs of shoes for the the South-Western Presbyterian Church, (the Arsenal. Despair was marked upon her face. name by which the new organization was known,) But when we told her there yet was a chance, not only for better living in this world, but for

The increase of the new church was very rapid, a reconciliation with God, she smiled, and said. so that they felt constrained to make an early "But I have been too bad." effort to build a house of worship. About that A change has been made. We have no reatime, however, the Presbytery of Philadelphia had son to say she now drinks. We think she don't. appointed a committee on Church Extension with-She regularly attends our adult Bible Class, in their bounds, the agent of which alone was perand night meetings, when possible; and we mitted to collect funds for that purpose; all others; hope that her assertion is true, when she says, within, their jurisdiction, being prohibited by a resolution of Presbytery. Under these circumstances they saw it was useless to attempt of themselves to build, and were taken under the care of Teacher, who has led her thus far on, and we mised aid in the erection of a church edifice. In not desert her. В. sums:-C. T., \$2.50; N. B. T., \$2.50; Mrs. N.

shows himself to have little of that charity which Cases of despondency are not few and far "seeketh not her own," and which "rejoiceth in

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It is humiliating to reflect how much people the truth." sometimes know about the misdeeds of their thrown out, there are many persons who have neighbors or fellow-church members, until they struggled, using means after means, to rise in are called to give their testimony before a church society, from care and want, but, by reason of court. To hear them talk you would imagine that they were perfectly familiar with the whole case: but let them be told that they will have been compelled to sink back into their old ways to appear as a witness in the case, and they will be likely to tell you that they know nothing about the matter,-that they have only heard these things, or supposed them to be so. These. too, are not unfrequently the very persons who would be most ready to find fault with the offi cers of the church if they failed to notice those things about which they can talk so freely, but day death knocked loudly upon his door, and about which they cannot give a word of testimony. This is very wrong. If we do not know

what we say about our neighbors to be true. and know it in such a way and to such a degree own wants, became a nurse, and in this way as that we could be a competent witness, it is supported herself until sickness set in. Her our duty to keep our knowledge to ourselves.

EDITOR'S TABLE.

NOTES ON NURSING; What it is and What is not. By Florence Nightingale. New York: D. Appleton & Co. Philadelphia: Presbyterian Book Store. No. 1334 Chestnut St. 12mo. pp. 240. 25 cents.

This book, which derives its value not only from the world-wide repute and extensive exnerience of the author, but from the simple elegance of the style, and the common-sense views it advocates, is having such an extensive sale as to warrant the above reduced price. There are few who would not at some time find it a valuable guide. and all will read it with deep interest.

BIBLE STORIES IN VERSE for the Little Ones a. Home. By Anna M. Hyde. With Illustrations. Published by James Challen & Sons, Philadelphia. Square 16mo. pp. 87.

A profitable and attractive book for children. We notice that a different metre is employed in each story-a skilful artifice to keep up attention.

THE LIFE OF REV. RICHARD KNILL, of St. Petersburg, by Rev. Charles M. Berrill, with a Review of his Character, by the late John Angell James. Published by the American Tract Society, and for Sale at the Tract House, No. 929 Chestnut St., Phila. 16mo. pp. 358.

An interesting, original, stirring character, is here presented to our notice. It is a portraiture "I want to do just as God wants me to." . She of a whole souled Christian, mingling zeal with suffers under many temptations and trials. She knowledge, intense love of souls with surprising is now struggling to rise, but like a bird held tact and boldness in his labors; as a preacher, with down by, a heavy weight, she finds it almost no claims to oratory, but weeping often, and impossible. She has the kind care of her making his hearers weep; the author of the tract celebrated in our boyhood, "The Swearer's know that He who calmed the raging sea will Prayer," and the means, through tracts which he wrote with peculiar force and fitness, or which he We are requested by the Presbyterian Book assidnously distributed, of the conversion of mul-Store to announce the receipt of the following titudes. The "Review" derives additional interest from the fact that it is the last production of B. T., \$5.00; F. B. R., \$5.00, enclosed in one the venerated author. in any the stand to a set

> PULPIT THEMES AND PREACHERS ASSISTANT. Pulpit. Philadelphia: Smith, English & Co. 12mo pp. 441. These are not skeletons, but very full sketches interspersed with illustrations and incidents, and accompanied by extended quotations from evangelical writers, making a very suggestive work for the sermonizer.

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of his writings, and on being told that she had read but very little of them, he inquired what

forming an important element in every political demonstration. Their numbers are really im- ing feature of this great moral drama. posing. Christian young men are among them, we presume, to a very considerable extent. Sab. | Opera of Traviata, announced: the plot of this | bath before last we listened to a very earnest and opera is one of outrageous and criminal lust, and eloquent warning, addressed to young men against | if reproduced in English, would be utterly insufthe influences of these clubs, from the pulpit of a ferable in any circle not quite lost to decency. clergyman, distinguished in our city for the fear- Last comes Laura Keene's Theatre. with Miss lessness and sincerity of his attacks upon such popu- Laura Keene herself in a "new and beautiful" lar practices and customs as he considers dangerous. | five act drama, called the "Monkey Boy!" We sympathize with him in his fears as to the dissipating effects of these clubs upon our Christian formerly hailed from this city, professes a theoloyoung men. We have halled with pleasure the ac- | gical creed, which includes the doctrine of "falltive and efficient co-operation of young men in the ing from grace." Personally, doubtless, he has work of Christ's kingdom. We are jealous of any never illustrated this doctrine; but how,-disbeinfluences tending to draw aside their energies to lieving the doctrine, as we do,-could we help other pursuits. The demands upon their evenings | thinking of it when we beheld these melancholy, made by these clubs, is certainly incompatible with and almost incredible signs of defection in his naan interested and faithful attention upon the duties per? The editors may have maintained their of religion or upon the religious enterprises which standing,-"The World" has fallen without they have especially undertaken to cherish and doubt, and that when it had but reached its 78th carry forward.

As to the campaign in general, we must admit that thus far it has not been of a character so in. it indeed come to this in eleven short weeks :--tensely exciting and absorbing as many others have after months of deliberation, after gathering up been; or as, in our judgment, to prove a serious some one or two hundred thousand dollars capital, bar to the culture of the Ohristian character. or to after combining the most suitable editorial talent the development of spiritual life in the Church. | that could be found in the two cities of New York The truth is, the canvass is far quieter and far and Philadelphia, and after exciting such hopes, more peaceable than during the sessions of Con. gress, it was expected to be. The threatenings and bluster in view of certain contingencies which, at one time, were so vehement and portentous, have utterly died away, and every party and each in the shape of a playbill? Has virtue been party leader of importance have been so anxious to divest themselves of any and all suspicion of sentiments unfriendly to the public weal, and fanaties on either side have dwindled down to such a thirty-five thousand daily subscribers in eleven meager handful, that a great part of the expected sectional stimulus has died out of the contest, and men calmly await the decisions of the ballot-box upon the great principles involved, determined to abide by them, whatever they may be.

And the remaining excitements of the day are about subjects which bear directly upon the coming of Ohrist's kingdom. We refer to the wonderful changes taking place in Europe, in which some The final destiny of the chief representatives, both of the Roman and the Moslem powers, seem bound up in these events, and the finger of God in them is so clear that it is impossible to contemplate the moving panorama without awe. The humble Christian, the laborer in God's vineyard, is not diverted from his work, but rather encouraged and aniskened in it by the contemplation. Indeed, the evident result of all, not excluding the internecine conflict in Syria, will be to enlarge the field of labor to a degree which it is almost bewildering the contemplate. And the intelligence from every part of Protestant Christendom is calculated to act most healthfully on the church at home.

The Rev. Dr. Winslow, of Madras, writes with when called upon to do so, is inconsistent with We cannot but regard the state of things at the But the Pope and the King both have learned that subjection that is due to the courts of regard to a remarkable work of grace in Tinpresent epoch, as on the whole, quite favorable to Christ's house. It requires very little reflection Hengstenberg is usually regarded as the champion wisdom, or what is more likely, have consented to nevelly, the extreme southern district of India. the culture of Christian life and activity in the for any one to see, that the purity of the church of tradition, and of stricter orthodox views in the employ policy to get out of imminent peril, a little and the seat of missionary operations of the church. We perceive no sufficient reason why cannot be maintained without government and too late. Their reluctance proves their insince-London and English Missionary Society. He discipline, and that government and discipline this month should not show us the dawning of a rity, and the people heed not their exhausted artisavs: "We are yet without any connected aucannot be maintained without testimony. In day of prosperous activity, soon to rise fully on what other way is it possible to secure and prothentic account. The 'bodily exercise' of many fices. our part of the field. To our inquiry, "Watch. mote the ends of justice? Those, therefore, who body of German exegetes, and with Prof. Stuart man, what of the night," we wait hopefully to of the subjects, the falling down, as in Ireland. The Pope will lose his temporal dominions. decline, when called upon to appear in the chaand some prophesying and speaking unknown What then? Is the papacy fallen? Is the hear the response, "The morning cometh." racter of witnesses, set themselves in opposition Brethren, adapt your preaching to the times. tongues, have caused the missionaries to delay power of Romanism overthrown? As a spiritual to the order which Christ has established in his Take large views of things. Imbue your people in giving their narratives. It is, no donbt, a to the order which Unrist has established in his house, and consequently in opposition to Christ himself, the King and Head of his church. Viewed in this light, it is easy to see that a spe-the author.] There are other exceedingly valuable delusion, will its power over the minds of men be with a spirit of high expectation. Urge them to work of God, although the enemy has been perbroken, and will it no longer deceive those that every act of kindness done to his people as done For the Committee. large petitions as becomes the sons of Gcd, and mitted to sow tares. I have seen a carefully dwell on the earth? Will the papists renounce to himself, saying, "Inasmuch as ye did it unto cial criminality attaches to such conduct heirs of latter-day privileges. Avoid side issues; prepared account of one fortnight, in a small the boast implied in the triple tiara, and in the one of the least of these, my brethren, ye did it We trust that our readers will duly consider preach no mere refinements; conceal not the section of the field, in North Tinnevelly. There symbol of the keys and the cross, incumbent upon this matter. We are well aware that it is often Cuba .- New measures for the suppression of the unto me." exceedingly unpleasant to have to give testi- Christian Church. The publishers have conferred o more remembers, concerned and measures for the suppression of the solution of the super state with all the shock Slave Trade.-The Captain-General in a recent proof the world to come: eternal joy and everlasting that time, several of whom were heathen, and given to the views of multitudes accustomed to clamation says: mony before either a civil or ecclesiastical court; a real favor in bringing this volume to the notice yet unpleasant duties must sometimes be per- and within the reach of those unacquainted with "RATHER APOSTOLICAL." associate temporal and spiritual power, as insepa-"The simple fact of a party of Africans being others, nominal Christians. wo. Treat the sinner as a free agent, but formed, and if we have that regard for the claims the original. rably belonging to the See of St. Peter, the Ro- landed, will be deemed sufficient cause to suspend Under the head of "Congregational," the In-"It commenced in a prever-meeting for woof justice, and that zeal for the honor of Christ THE DIFFICULTIES OF ARMINIAN METHODISM. humble him to the dust with an unsparing exhibition of the Divine Sovereignty, and show him his men, held by the native (Hindoo) minister's mish Church, as a cunning device of the Evil any public functionary who may not use every excrdependent publishes an account of the meeting and the purity of his church which we ought to mish Church, as a cunning device of the Levil One, adapted to the carnal mind, seeking some way of salvation, easier and more flattering to it-landing, whether it is from neglect or from any other A Series of Letters addressed to Bishop Simpson, of Phttsburgh. By Wm. Annan, author of Letters on Psalmody, &c. Fourth Edition, re-written and en-larged: Philadelphia: Wm. S. & A. Martien, No. 603 Chestnut Street. 1860, 12mo., pp. 336. of the Hawaiian (Congregational) Evangelical wife. Four were struck down, and were in have, we will not hesitate to say what we know, utter dependence on grace alone. whether it be much or little, when we are lawmuch distress for some hours, when all but one Association. At a meeting of the American self, than by grace alone, will continue to possess cause, subjecting him besides to the decision of the fully called upon to give testimony in the case. Board in this city last autumn, a missionary said obtained peace. She continued for more than He who will allow a good name to be tarnished; a vast influence. Driven back upon its spiritual proper tribunals, in case that his behaviour or con-REV. DR. JENKINS sailed from Liverpool in a day in agony of mind, and often crying out: the government of the Sandwich Island churches A new and re-written edition of a work which or a course of injustice and wrong to prevail, the Persia on Saturday last, and may be ex- relief was then obtained. One woman who witresources, it would not be astonishing if it should duct should give cause to suspect his honesty in such was "rather apostolical." The Independent from a feeling of delicacy on his part, or from may be regarded as exhaustive, a an indisposition to incur the odium of friends, on the subject of which it treats. may be regarded as exhaustive, and a standard tells us what "rather apostolical" means. pected in the city in the course of a few days. nessed this said she did not want any such reli- gather up all its energies, and take its place among cases. **

Next we have the Academy of Music, with the

We believe the editor of The World, who number!

We are deeply mortified with this result. Has and giving such satisfaction, and accumulating in a few days nearly two myriads of subscribers, that a capitulation to the enemy has to be signed, and the doors thrown open to his triumphant entrance starved into this compromise with vice? has The World become too poor to keep a conscience, with over a hundred thousand dollars capital, and weeks? The religious public demands some response to these inquiries.

In despair, we were about to call upon the In dependent to make that expansion into a daily, which we were, some months ago, led to expect would be done. It has almost all the elements. already, of a first rate political and mercantile naper, which are as a light under a bushel. so far as it is understood to be a religious paper. But in great design of Providence is involved and some a recent issue, this paper, too, has given surprising important leaf of prophecy fulfilled, is unfolding. proof of its affinity to the secular press of New York city, by publishing a sensation story, offensive to good taste and good morals. What then shall be done? We should not greatly wonder if the solution of this newspaper question were yet to be accomplished in Philadelphia. Meanwhile we wait to see whether The World will add a department of "Amusements" and "Theatrical Criticism" to its editorial columns. If it is right to advertise these things, it is right to criticise and commend them.

REMARKABLE REVIVAL IN SOUTH INDIA.

wish all had done as you,' he replied; 'for if the devil has ever had any agency in any work. mercy upon me!'

he wrote a great deal; this his nurse told me, and Mary Roscoe repeatedly saw him writing. has become of these writings."

THE PAPACY.

We read in the last and latest news by steamer and telegraph from Naples, that Garibaldi and his forces were at Salerno, a town on the gulf of the same name, immediately below the indentation in the Italian coast, called the Gulf of Naples, and but about twenty-five or thirty miles south of the capital city itself. Their immediate arrival at Naples was confidently expected, and the King of Naples was to leave the same day for Gaeta. The fate of the odious, obstinate, and detestable tyrant, Bombina, is, doubtless, settled, and his own and his father's fearful crimes, are, in some measure atoned for. The European circle of crowned heads, look on at this inroad upon their titled estate, without lifting a finger. The sentiment of humanity and justice is at last stronger than

kingly prerogative, and young Francis Joseph may regard himself as fortunate beyond his deserts, if he can but sink into the same ignominious thrown overboard last year by the Italians of the North.

But there is another personage, a hundred miles further north, painfully interested in this movement. Its almost immediate result must be to rob him of his ancient patrimony, and to leave to St. Peter's chair but a shadow of temporal authority, and that preserved from utter dissolution by foreign intervention alone. It does not appear, that any power can or will avert this doom. Ten years ago, if the timorous Pius Ninth had not shrunk back affrighted from the troublesome and uncongenial task of ameliorating the political condition of his subjects-if, with the wisdom of an enlightened potentate, he had used the remaining prestige of his spiritual elevation to curb and manage that free spirit of the age, instead of disavowing and crushing it, as his traditional policy could not but lead him to do, he might now have been occupying a proud and secure position as temporal potentate. His great foes, Victor and Garibaldi.

of the presidency of an Italian unity, to which, within a few weeks past, we learn the tardy prelate is at last inclined, might have been realized.

\$15.00, together with the numerous others we have received, will be heard from more fully at the judgment day. and being and being a Br

> For the American Presbyterian. ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

MR. EDITOR :--- Allow me the privilege of acknowledging through your columns, the recent | kindness and liberality of the church and congregation of Neshaminy. Having learned that their pastor was about to visit some of his relatives in one of the Western States, they assem-bled, young and old, by a montaneous impuise, at his residence, on the evening of September than from these series of truly stirring lectures. to his surprise, a purse of \$176, as an express known this side of the Atlantic. They are not sion of their esteem and confidence.

I feel extremely grateful to my people for this generous and substantial token of their regard. and it is my earnest prayer that they may reap bountifully of the fruits of righteousness, and all meet in that holy habitation which is not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. D. K. TURNER.

Hartsville, Pa., Sept. 8, 1860.

BEARING TESTIMONY.

The following remarks from the Christian Instructor of this week, bear upon an important practical point, and are commended to the consideration of our lay readers.

We have often been surprised at the conduct of professing Christians in relation to the mat-ter of testimony-bearing before a child court. We presume there are few officers of the nurch who have not found considerable difficulty in inducing persons to give their testimony when called upon to do so. Many persons seem to have the idea, that it is entirely optional with them whether they obey the summons sent to them or not. Those who think so, however, have very erroneous views in regard to their duty and the relation which they sustain to the church. Such persons should bear in mind. that "concealing the truth, undue silence; in a iust cause, and holding our peace when iniquity calleth for either reproof from ourselves or complaint to others," are mentioned in the Larger Catechism among the sins forbidden in the ninth commandment. An examination of the word of God will show that those who framed the Caits teachings. God says, in Leviticus v. 1:--"If a soul sin, and hear the voice of swearing and is a witness, whether he hath seen or known of it; if he do not utter it, then he shall bear his iniquity." This scripture clearly involves those in the guilt of that sin which they conceal

from the constituted authorities, whether of the Church or State, when they are called upon to give their testimony in relation to it. In addition to this consideration. it should be borne in mind that a refusal to give testimony

. Hanne LECTURES DELIVERED BEFORE. THE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION at Exeter Hall, London, from November, 1859, to February, 1860. New York : R. Carter & Bros. 12mo. pp. 464.

There are few pages from which the woung man could derive benefit more directly and agreeably 7th, accompanied by the members of "Tennent The opening and closing ones are by laymen, the School," with their Principal, Rev. M. Long, latter by our countryman, John B. Gough. Two and after enjoying an entertainment, which some are by Rev. Hugh Stowell, and one by Rev. Wm. of them brought with them, handed him, mich Arnot; the rest are by clergymen not so well

> strictly religious, but are moral, biographical, historical, and æsthetic, enlivened with wit and trenchant satire; always, however, conscious of the highest aims for their readers. For sale by Wm. S. and A. Martien.

THE CHILDREN ON THE PLAINS. By Aunt Friendly, author of the "Jewish Twins," &c. New York: Robert Carter & Bros., 530 Broadway. 18mo., pp. 192. For sale at the Presbyterian House. No. 1334 Chestnut Street.

A real American story for children, drawn from incidents of an overland journey across the plains to California. The two brave children who persisted in going westward with their mule-team alone, when the train of emigrants with which they had been journeying became disheartened, from the inroads of the cholera. and when their own parents had been removed by the same disease, will be followed in their perilous career with the deepest interest by every reader, young and old.

AN EXPOSITION OF THE BOOK OF ECCLE SIAS-TES. By Rev. Charles Bridges, M. A., Author of the "Memoir of Jane Graham," &c. New York: Robert Carter & Brothers. Philadelphia: for sale by the Presbyterian Book Store, 1334 Chestnut Street.

This is a practical commentary, characterized oy the good sense and devout regard for the word of God, which we have learned to expect in the writings of Mr. Bridges. Some of his works have had no small share in the training of the present generation of Christian men and women. The commentary before us will take its place among them, as equally worthy the regard of sobertechism are fully sustained in this statement by minded Christians and students of the divine

> COMMENTARY ON THE BOOK OF ECCLESIAS

This is a far different work from the one first noticed, and designed more particularly for the critical student and professional expounder of God's word. It is thorough and scholarly, full and earnest, as are all of the author's efforts. department of exegesis. but in this case he avows himself as disbelieving in the supposed royal authorship of the book, in common with the great in this country. He says, "We have endeavored to lay a firmer foundation for the more correct essays included in the volume, as on the Song of Solomon, Job, Isaiah, Sacrifices. the Jews and the