

We are happy to announce to our friends, that we have secured the services of Rev. L. O. Lockwood, of Chelmsford, Delaware, as agent for this paper.

Religious Intelligence.

Rev. Halsey Dunning, pastor of the First Congregational Church in Baltimore, commenced his pastorate here shortly after this interesting church was constituted.

Rev. Wm. T. Doubleday was installed over the church in Delhi, on Tuesday, September 4th. Rev. George N. Boardman, of Binghamton, preached the sermon.

Rev. Geo. R. Ferguson—At a meeting of the Presbytery of North River, held in Poughkeepsie, September 5th, George R. Ferguson was received as a Licentiate from the Franklin Association, Massachusetts, and was ordained to the work of the Gospel ministry.

Rev. Elmer Curtis, pastor of the Second Church at Fort Wayne, Indiana, has signified to his congregation his intention to resign his pastoral charge and enter upon another field of labor.

Rev. A. McDougall, for the last six years pastor of the Congregational Church in Sherburne, N. Y., has accepted a call to the First Presbyterian Church in Dryden, Tompkins county, New York.

Rev. Livingston Willard, formerly of Sparta, Sussex county, New Jersey, was installed pastor of the Presbyterian Church, Port-Jervis, N. Y., on Tuesday, the 14th inst.

A card from Rev. Dr. Pennington—Rev. Dr. Pennington, the well known colored clergyman of New York, who has interested himself very much in the project of sending out free colored people as colonists to Jamaica, from which island come such complaints of the severity of labor, sends the following card to the papers of that city, his object being to procure the freedom of his brother, with a special view to send him to Jamaica, where the kind of labor is capable of in particular demand.

TO THE PUBLISHER. A brother of mine, by the father and mother, is now a slave in Louisiana. He is an engineer in a sugar works, and, therefore, a valuable mechanic. He wishes to be free and to go to Jamaica. He appeals to me to redeem him. I cannot deny his prayer, but to answer it I need help. His owner asks for him \$1,700.

Money collected for this object will, as fast as one hundred dollars is made up, be deposited in the Marine Savings Bank, and when the entire sum has been obtained, it will be drawn, subject to the order of the owner of my brother, to be paid when he delivers him to me or my agent, as a free man.

Mr. Dolos E. Wells, a Licentiate of Scioto Presbytery, who has been laboring within the bounds of Pataskala Presbytery, for a few months past, was transferred by letter to his care.

Mr. Wells made application for ordination as an Evangelist at the meeting of the Presbytery granted his request, in view of the difficulty of securing the aid of an ordained minister to administer the ordinance in the congregation where Mr. Wells is laboring. He is 25 or 30 miles from the nearest minister of our order.

Church Organized in Ohio.—A new church has been organized in Union City, Darke county, by Rev. R. H. Gregg, exploring missionary of Dayton Presbytery, and a unanimous invitation has been extended to Rev. John Martin, of Addison, to supply the pulpit.

A convenient hall has been hired for the accommodation of the church till a house can be erected. We understand that the prospects of the new organization are very flattering, and that much interest is felt in it by the people of the vicinity.

The above, which is from the "Dayton Journal", is gratifying evidence of the acceptance and efficiency of Mr. Gregg's labors in his new field.

OTHER BRANCHES OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. The late Rev. Courtland Van Rensselaer has left the Presbyterian Church in Burlington city a legacy of six thousand dollars, of which he bequeathed three thousand to be expended in the purchase of a parsonage, two thousand for the support of the school attached to the church, and one thousand dollars towards discharging the debt on the latter building. This has always been a feeble church, pecuniarily; and the deceased, during his life, was a steady and generous contributor to its wants. This contribution he has thus continued and made permanent at his death.

Rev. Dr. S. B. McPherson, of St. Louis, has been appointed chaplain of the United States Army, at Fort Union, New Mexico, and has been ordered to that place with the hope that a residence there will restore his health so that he may resume his labors as pastor.

Trinity Presbyterian Church, O. S.—The cornerstone of this church edifice, on Frankford road, was laid by the pastor, Rev. W. R. Work, on the 17th of September. From the statement read at the ceremony, we extract the following:

It will be a neat Gothic structure, adapted to the purposes of a Protestant Presbyterian Church. The main building will be 75 feet long by 42 feet wide, and designed to afford ample and comfortable accommodation for four hundred and fifty sitters.

The lecture room, which is to be connected with the main building by an organ and vestry room, will be 45 feet by 35 feet wide, and is expected to accommodate 200 children in Sabbath school.

The material of which it is to be constructed is Lehighville grey stone, of the appearance and quality of which you can judge by glancing around at that part of the work which is already accomplished.

In relation to the cost, I may say that the contract for covering in the main building and finishing the

lecture room is \$2,500, affording, as we believe, as cheap a specimen of church construction as can anywhere be found in the bounds of our city.

Up to the present time the sum of \$4500 has been subscribed. Copies of various Presbyterian papers, including the American Presbyter, were placed in the corner stone.

Rev. Dr. Neill's Will.—The will of the late Rev. William Neill, of Philadelphia, contains a bequest of two thousand dollars to the Trustees of the College of New Jersey, at Princeton, to aid indigent students who may be preparing for the gospel ministry.

Fields Open in the South-West.—Through the entire length and breadth of Arkansas, Louisiana, and Texas, it would be next to impossible for any minister, such as we need, to set himself down in any place, either village or country, and not find an opening of sufficient promise to gather at once a congregation and material enough out of which to organize a church.

One of our ministers in Louisiana, once preached in a country place, and, at the close, a number of wealthy planters who till then neither knew nor cared about our church, came together and offered him five hundred dollars for half his time. Another visited a small village, and after preaching a few times was offered five hundred dollars a year to preach twice a month on a week night.

We have reason to believe that earnestness, talent and devotion associated to our Great Master's cause in no part of our whole country, find either so welcome appreciation, or such certainty of success as in these South Western States.—Presbyterian of our Union.

Sermon Rescinded.—At the Presbyterian church of Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, a sermon was preached by the pastor, Rev. J. W. E. Kerr, on Sunday evening, August 5th, in which he took occasion to impress on young ladies the duty of disowning the vicious practices of immoral young men by declining their company.

On Monday evening Mr. Kerr was grossly insulted at his residence by a party of young men in disguise. The congregation promptly rescinded the outrage by calling a meeting on the following Monday evening, at which resolutions were passed endorsing the plain and faithful preaching of their pastor, and strongly denouncing the Monday night proceedings of the young men as an injury to the cause of Christ and an insult to the congregation.

Installation.—At the Presbyterian Church in Malta, Saratoga county, on Monday, Rev. Alexander Thorburn, grand of Grant Thorburn, was ordained and installed as pastor.

Resolutions of the New Hampshire General Association on the Proposed Conference.—1. Resolved, That this Association highly appreciates the great work to which the Supreme Head of the Church calls the Presbyterian and the Congregational churches in the Home Missionary field; that we give thanks for the hearty co-operation of these churches in the American Union.

2. Resolved, that the calls of God and the development of the greatest Christian energies of the Presbyterian Church, are thought to require its relinquishment of effort co-operative with us in the Home Missionary Society, we will cheerfully acquiesce, and bid our brethren God-speed in the great and good, though separate work into which they are led.

Limits of the Pastoral Term.—The Nashville Advocate writes on Wednesday, the 12th inst. "If it be the wish to appear that a sense of our pastoral inefficiency is to be found in the shortness of the pastoral term, we should advocate a lengthening of the term. No amount of traditional prejudice would deter us from such advocacy. Once the preacher changed every six months. Afterwards, they might stay a whole year in a single charge. Two years is the outside limit of the pastoral term among us now."

No Foreign Missions.—The Methodist Protestant Church, though now more than thirty years of age, has no foreign missions. Rev. Dr. Collins writes in the Western Methodist: "Protestant, to induce the church to repair this neglect."

Do Camp Meetings Pay?—The Martha's Vineyard correspondent of an M. E. Exchange, puts the expense of this year's camp on that island at \$3,000, and adds: "The members of my own church at Edgartown pay a larger sum every year for the enjoyment of this single meeting than for all their other church expenses."

A Symbol in a Burning Pine Knot.—The editor of the Boston Recorder thus speaks of the method of illumination employed in the night services of the Methodist camp grounds: "We had read of the splendid effect often produced at these meetings by lamps hung in the trees, by light by night, and thought how tame and how laborious must be such an attempt at illumination compared with the glare and glory of this primitive method."

Then, as the golden candlestick of the ancient temple symbolized the light of the ancient ministry of the Church, so might the peculiar splendor of this light blend its rays most fittingly with the light issuing from the preacher's stand. Give me the flame and glare from a burning and shining light in a Methodist pulpit, answered by the flame and glare from burning and shining pine knots, in preference to the more beautiful and polished harmony of wax candles and Puseyite altars, I say, symbolizing the light well nigh extinct in the adjacent pulpit.

Cincinnati Conference.—The collections for benevolent operations show an increase of one thousand dollars over last year's report. The sum total is over \$12,000.

Rev. S. M. Eddy, editor of the "Northwestern Christian Advocate," writes to Mr. Buchanan in view of the persecution of Methodist ministers in Missouri, Arkansas, and Texas, religious freedom is to be maintained in a country as guaranteed by the Constitution?

Does membership in the Methodist Episcopal church expose to death at the hands of an unlicensed mob? Are we to be hunted like wild beasts? Is our blood to be shed like water to appease the insatiable Moloch of slavery?

The Life of Jacob Grimm, and works in a similar fantastic style, are receiving some severe, but just criticism in the columns of the "Boston Herald." The "Western Advocate," quoted approvingly in the "Methodist," says:

Such publications are corrupting the fountain of our history, for we hardly know what to receive as veritable fact. They are also creating and feeding a vitiated taste among our people. But the most serious objection to this class of books is that they tend

to bring early Methodism into contempt. Too many of these anecdotes are a disgrace to the parties and a slur upon religion. They represent the early Methodists as a set of not merely illiterate persons, but of downright ignorances. The blunt simplicity of the early preachers is converted into boorish buffoonery. The members are ignorant, and the preachers downy. Camp meetings are theatres for rowdies and the display of clerical wit and prowess.

Vagaries of Church Law.—The question who a probationer in the M. E. Church can bring charges against a member in full standing was started some few years ago in an Ohio church, and decided in the affirmative by the preacher in charge. An appeal was made which carried the question through five judicial stages, in each of which the decision of the preceding authority was reversed, the General Conference deciding it in the negative at last.

Episcopal.—A bold move is expected for the removal of Bishop Whitehouse, of Illinois, at the next diocesan convention. This is on account of non-residence and other reasons—says the Illinois correspondent of the New York Churchman.

Since writing the above we have met with the following notice of the Convention: A despatch to a Chicago paper states that on last Friday the Episcopal Convention at Quincy, Illinois, broke up in a row on a vote relating to a question referring the action of the Bishop in the cathedral lot matter to a lay committee. The Bishop introduced a deacon just ordained, and his vote decided the question, it standing thirteen to eighteen.

Revolutions in Canada.—A correspondent of the Colonial Presbyterian writing from New Carlisle, C. E., gives the particulars of a work of grace recently experienced in that community, in which cases of prostration similar to those in Ireland, took place. The correspondence under date of Aug. 29th, says: "As far as outward conduct is concerned, those who have been prostrated are completely new creatures. Many indeed appear to be changed, and I have no doubt are truly changed, who have not been physically affected."

Minnesota.—INDIAN MISSIONS.—Bishop Whipple is performing a truly apostolic service among the red men of his diocese, whom he computes as eighteen thousand in number—Sioux and Chippewas. During the summer he has been making a boat and foot journey among them, and has met with such encouragement. One old chieflain was so well pleased, that he promised to plant two trees to mark the scene of the services.

The Bishop, in speaking of those portages which he had crossed in the route, says—"The longest was four miles, and no easy task, with seventy-five to eighty pounds on our shoulders."

"Our diet," he continued, "was pork and bread, stirred up with water and fish."

Abner Kneeland's Quondam Colonists.—One of those persons, still remembered by the friends of the original seat of the infidel colony, was lately baptized and confirmed by the Bishop of Iowa. The widow of Mr. Kneeland still lives near Farmington, and while the original organization is completely broken up, the families settled along the valley still generally retain their infidel character.

A portion of Father Chiniquy's colony have applied to Bishop Whitehouse for Episcopal supervision, about one hundred of them having given in their adhesion to the Church. One young man is also desirous of being educated for the Ministry. About five hundred Prayer Books have been donated, and the Church in Canada has volunteered assistance for the erection of church buildings.—"Churchman."

Dr. Huntington was admitted to the Holy Order of Deacons on Wednesday, the 12th inst., in Trinity Church, Boston. The sermon was preached by Bishop Burgess.

The candidate was presented by the Rev. Dr. Stone, of Brooklyn.

GENERAL. It is a singular circumstance that in the very midst of the latest and most successful of our country's preachers, has joined the Protestants, professing to be actuated entirely by his religious convictions, which have long been gathering force. He is upwards of fifty years of age, and seems at least quite respectable: whether he be truly a subject of divine grace, we must show. Last Sabbath he was formally excommunicated in all the Armenian Churches of the city.

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This is the first move to establish an Independent American Catholic Church in America. The Rev. John Tilton is the officiating Priest. There is also an executive committee for carrying out the objects of the Society, at the head of which is Mr. Francis Delano, of this city. Efforts are on foot, however, to purchase a suitable location to build a church, which is to be called the "Independent American Catholic Church."

Elder John Winebrenner, founder of the sect of Winebrennians, died in Lancaster, Pa., on the 12th of September.

The Rev. E. De Schweinitz, pastor of the Moravian church, in this city, has been appointed to the charge of the church at Litz, Lancaster county. The Rev. A. Reinke, of Staten Island, is to succeed the retiring pastor.

Liberty of Americans to European Christians.—The World thus sums up an article on this subject: "Within twenty-five years all of \$200,000, if not \$250,000, have been furnished by our churches, in addition to the grants of our societies, to help on the work of God in Europe. It has been many years laid out. Who is the poorer for it? Every dollar well laid out in spreading the gospel in Europe, is a contribution to the promotion, ultimately, of our own best interests. Does not Germany send us every year ten thousands of her strong-bodied, blue-eyed race? And what is Ireland to us, if not an 'onlying' but 'unchained' province? To speak of 'onlying' in our day, we may as well do a part of our home missionary work there as here."

Quakertown, instead of being destitute of churches, has now the prospect of several; and in addition to one which is exclusively Lutheran, a number of Lutherans from a German church in the vicinity, united with the Reformed in the erection of a Union church, the corner-stone of which was laid on the 18th of August.

Aintab, Syria.—Mr. Schneider, the pastor of the largest missionary church, probably, in the world, is underrating his labors. He thus writes: "Our work still progresses. The Sabbath audience is about 1,000, and in the Sabbath-school, there are

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After the flight of the King a great rise took place in the public funds. The cabinets of Vienna, Munich and Dresden advised the King of Naples to take refuge in Germany.

The Papal States.—A state of siege at Ancona has been proclaimed. This is an Adriatic seaport in the North. Insurrections had broken out at Pesaro, Montefiore and Urbino. Four hundred insurgents have repulsed the Papal troops. The inhabitants of Perugia, Sinigaglia, and other districts, have revolted, and Victor Emanuel has been proclaimed as King.

The entry of Garibaldi into Naples has thrown the Papal Government into a state of consternation.

NOTICES. The Presbytery of the District of Columbia will hold its regular Fall meeting in the First Church, Washington, D. C., the second Tuesday of October, at 7 o'clock, P. M. W. McLANE, Secretary.

The Synod of West Pennsylvania will meet at Meadville, Crawford county, Pa., on the 4th of Sept., (28th inst.) at 7 o'clock, P. M. GEO. A. LYON, Stated Clerk.

Synod of Onondaga.—This Synod will hold its next annual meeting in the Church of Auburn, on Tuesday, October 9th, at 7 o'clock, P. M. LEWIS H. REID, Stated Clerk.

Synod of Illinois will meet in the Presbyterian Church at Chicago, on the 1st of Oct. (4th day) of October next, at half past 7 o'clock, P. M. E. B. OLDFIELD, Secretary.

Synod of Western Reserve, O.—The meeting of the Synod of Western Reserve, will be at Youngstown, Mahoning county, O., on Friday after the second day of October, at 7 o'clock, P. M. By order of Synod, Stated Clerk.

Vienna, Transylvania, Co., Sept. 10th, 1859. The Synod of Pennsylvania will meet the First Presbyterian Church, Harrisburg, on Friday, October 19th, at half past seven o'clock, P. M. in the Church of Harrisburg, at the Moderator, Rev. Rob