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EVIL CURIOSITY.

man a view of the evil of his neighbor's character, make a "hole in the wall," and offer to show him reached a deplorably weak point in his fallen nature: he will, in a vast multitude of instances, betray a shameful greediness for such knowledge.

versation about one's neighbors relates to their was-or he might well have shrunk back from the faults? Or that the rumor of a fall from virtue prospect—of the conflicts, trials, and persecutions will excite a flutter of curiosity, far exceeding that of which he was to be the object; and of the conproduced by news of a fresh development of good- spicuous part he was to perform in one of the most ness in individual character? Or that the budget | needful and rightcons, but most painful, passages of small scandal to be unfolded, is often the grand in the history of successful resistance to ecclesiasattraction of the social gathering? Or that a life | tical usurpation and the intolerance of dogmatism; of goodness is expected to be dull, while the de- these things the youth of gentle spirit could not tails of a life of violence and wrong-doing are an- have ventured to imagine. Nor that long career ticinated with an assurance that they will prove of steady, quiet and courageous persistence in the interesting? Or that the great poet was not chosen path of right; nor that wide and scarcely giving vent to spleen, but uttering a great truth paralleled success as a popular commentator and explained by the perversion of our tastes and intel- religious writer that awaited him, and that bids lects, when he exclaimed.

### "The evil that men do lives after them. The good is oft interred with their bones."

Alas for us! The times in which we live give ample proof of the prevalence of this evil curiosity, and of the respect paid to it, and the mercantile uses to which it is turned, by the class that furnishes the daily supply of its demands. From the paradise of ignorance, we have fallen into the slough of the daily revelations of evil, which it has become the great business of a large part of the press, to make broad enough, and deep enough, and black enough, and tenacious enough, to graand devastation among the precious plants of the and with no such reputation as to make success household. What a fearful dereliction to its high calling and responsibility! What an inversion of the healthful functions it might, and in some noble, exceptional instances does, fulfil. Its high charge is properly to resist the baser proclivities of our nature; to reform the swinish tastes of the multitude: to stimulate the healthful desires after a knowledge of the useful, the good, the true; to hold up the attractive aspects of virtue; and as for vice, if it cannot be painted of so hideous a mien as to ensure the horror and rejection of all who behold it, without leaving the trail of the serpent behind it in the reader's mind, then let its exhibition form no part of the business of the journal. But as for those prints who fairly gloat over fresh developments of vice, and seem to take a worse than brutish delight in expatiating on their details; and who consider it a necessary mark of enterprise, and a feature of superiority to have every extraordinary case of delinquency promptly photographed in their columns, with a careful preservation of every picturesque feature; they have a tremendous account to render to the Creator of those souls they are destroying, and to the author of fearfully perverting. We know not which to blame most; the unsparing disseminators of this knowledge of evil, who coolly make merchandize of the crimes and the base appetites of their fellows; or the multitudes whose well-known greediness for such news, makes them sure of a remunerating return for the most liberal outlay in obtain-

Let us check this evil curiosity, worse than mother Eve's, which brought on our fall; let us eat only that side of the apple-now that it is plucked -which brings knowledge of good. Let us cultivate pure tastes and an ennobling curiosity. Let us seek to know the wisdom of God in a mystery. Let us delve amid the unsearchable riches of

lieve that there will be a future accession to the kerism by the evangelical churches of our country. and ninety-eight cents.

full, when we may make further extracts from its heard in self-defence, and who, so far as we can

The following officers were elected for the en-

President-Ambrose White: Vice Presidents

-John A. Brown, Hon. Wm. Darling. Corre-Rev. A. Converse, D. D.; Rev. John Jenkins, tional House. D. D.; Rev. David Malin, D. D.; Rev. Robert Earle; J. C. Chance.

work of Mr. Joseph Leeds, No. 505 Chestnut St. | character. His students, among whom we are drinking and eating booths, gambling with stakes | mote both these. September and October.

GONE TO ROME.

We hope our readers will not be astonished or grieved over-much, when we tell them that a minister of high standing in our church has gone to Rome—as, indeed, was natural, since it was from Rome he came. The ties of old associations are powerful, and can never be wholly effaced by new ones. Years may pass by, yet late in life they will be found asserting their force, and leading the individual to retrace steps taken in early years, and to make long pilgrimages with the spirit of a

We are speaking, not of the Italian, but of the American Rome—the New York village, to which Mr. Barnes turns with the deep interest and affec-Our mother Eve was led into sin by a desire to tion of a native, and whither he has recently bent know good and evil: a desire which was rather his steps, to gain that refreshment to a study-weapresumptuous than base in its character. To a ried mind and body, that flows so delightfully from very sad and lamentable degree, her progeny are scenes separated from the strife and turmoil of curious to know evil only. It is one of the very manhood, and interwoven with the lighter and consequences of the fall that our moral natures are sweeter associations of early life. While he is unstrung, so that a far lower form of temptation thus at a distance, and unsuspicious of any such is sufficient to beguile us into sin. Open up to purpose on our part, we may express the great degree of interest with which we follow him, in thought, upon that visit. We cannot but call to the abominations of social life, and you have mind what he was when he first left that village, an unknown, untried youth; all unconscious and, as we are strongly inclined to believe, unambitious of the distinguished, honorable, and useful posi-Or is it not true that the staple of private con- tion before him. Unconscious, too, doubtless he fair to embalm his memory in the minds of the Christian masses, when the names of his detractors are buried amid the cobwebs of unvisited alcoves, or are mentioned as the symbols of an intolerance that thrust itself into the church long after its time had gone by.

We do know, in a general way, how he felt, and what was his position, on going forth from his home to grapple with the world. He has given us, in a few sentences in his "Life at Three Score," some means of judging of the youth going forth from his father's roof. He says:

"I began life with no wealth, and with no pa tronage from powerful friends. I was blessed with tify the most swinish propensities! Led on by this virtuous and industrious parents, and entered on evil curiosity at first, the press now re-acts upon, my course with the advantage which was to be deand fearfully stimulates it to fresh eagerness, and rived from their counsels and example. I was to a readiness for deeper disclosures of human guilt. dependent on my own efforts. . . . I know, indeed, what it is for a young man to weep when Too often the daily press has suffered itself to become the very drain of social impurities; the of life. . . . I came here a young man, with channel to convey their pestiferous influences into but little experience, with no personal acquaintthe sacred precincts of home, and to spread blight | ance with the manners and habits of a great city,

> This was the manner of his setting out; other thoughts must occupy him on his return. The Rome of his boyhood has changed, we presume, but little; but the man of sixty who revisits it, comes back freighted with a store of no common experiences, trained by no common discipline, the centre of regard and affection of no common kind in the hearts of hundreds of thousands; and if of hostility too, a hostility amid which his character has but risen in true dignity, the possessor of an honorably acquired reputation, which is imbittered by no one's envy, the unaspiring, yet tacitly admitted leader of a denomination, among whose officers, of older or later generations, there is not. we verily believe, a spark of jealousy or rivalry of

God grant him a safe return, and prolong his days of usefulness among us many years.

# EDITORIAL JOTTINGS.

THE CHRISTIAN CHRONICLE, a Baptist organ of this city, is very much exercised at the coldness shown to Mr. Guinness during his recent visit to that instrument of moral power which they are so Philadelphia, by the Pedo-Baptist "Union" men. Whatever be the case with others, the mere fact of Mr. G's. immersion, is not the cause of any coldness felt in this quarter. It is because of his immersion by a Separatist, Lord Congleton, and his quasi connection with a body of men whose very unsectarianism has, like Quakerism, taken the form of antagonism to all church organization and church order. Did not the fact of submission to immersion at the hands of a "brother," and of union by marriage with a lady-preacher of that body, who, as his wife, conducts religious services, and has just issued an elaborate and earnest defence of the brethren, make Mr. G. partaker of their destructive principles? We retort on the Chronicle the question whether the mere fact of his immersion has not been suffered to atone for the grievous wrong of his example and that of his PHILADELPHIA EDUCATION SOCIETY. wife-whether our Baptist brethren, in recog-The annual meeting of this society, was held on | nising Mr. G., have not inflicted upon themselves, Wednesday of last week. From the report of the and upon all bodies who believe in the great im-Directors, we learn that increasing usefulness portance and Scriptural warrant of church organimarked its progress through the last year; and zation, a serious wound-merely for the sake of that at no previous period in its history were the the eclat which the immersion of Mr. Guinness opportunities for doing good more favorable than would give to that rite? In the name of Scriptural church-order, and of decency in the obser-From the number and character of the candi- vance of the sacraments of the church, we protest dates now under their care, there is reason to be- against the recognition of this new-fangled Qua-

ministry, which will amply repay the churches for THE CHAMPIONS OF INDEPENDENCY have great all they have contributed toward the education reason to be annoyed at the developments preof the young men. Sixty-one received assistance sented by the chronic troubles in the church of during the past year. The receipts of the society the Puritans. A week ago last Friday, these from all sources, were seven thousand and three troubles, after a temporary period of quiet, broke dollars and ninety-three cents; expenditures, out with all their old violence; and the tyranny six thousand five hundred and fifty nine dollars of a majority from whom there is no appeal, was exhibited in the summary suspension of half a do-The annual report is soon to be published in zen members who had scarcely a chance to be learn, had been subjected to no preliminary forms of trial. Their offence was differing from their pastor on the question of slavery, and on the methods he is now pursuing to raise funds for the support of the church. There is said to be a skesponding Secretary-Rev. Charles Brown. Trea- leton in every house. Perhaps there is one in alsurer-William Purves. Auditor-Clem. Ting- most every church organization. The church of ley. Directors.—Rev. Thos. Brainerd, D. D.; the Puritans, is the skeleton in the Congrega-

PROF. JOSIAH W. GIBBS, of the department of Adair: Rev. Thos. J. Shepherd; Rev. John Pat- sacred literature in Yale Theological Seminary, is ton. D. D.; Rev. J. Helffenstein, D. D.; Rev. Ed. dead. He was a man of profound and varied B. Bruen; Rev. E. E. Adams; S. H. Perkins, learning, familiar with the great advances made in his department by continental scholars, and he Esq.; Alexander Fullerton; Joseph H. Dulles; in his department by continental scholars, and he work day rags, and dresses for once in a complete this give May and June. Benedict D. Stewart; Archibald M'Elroy; A. S. freely admitted their value; yet, while candidly new suit; and the entire native population resort 4. Sabbath Schools. In this work our Naudain; Alexander Whilldin; John Sparhawk; acknowledging the existence of difficulties not yet to the numerous cemeteries to dance on the sods churches have large local expenses to meet, and J. S. Kneedler; Wm. E. Tenbrook; Henry J. solved, he was never carried away by the false Williams, Esq.; George W. Simons; James S. and pretentious assumptions of the rationalist and pretentious assumptions of the rationalist school, whose rise, culmination, and decay, he saw during the forty years of his career as a teacher in those branches. His calm bits and a second of their ancessors. The absence of public squares in eccessitates this singular custom, not the laudable desire of inculcating a great moral lesson on the instability of life. Swings of every form and deare fast becoming of one mind, and with a will to THE VENTILATING APPARATUS so favorably those branches. His calm blue eye was an index scription, see-saws, panoramas, serpent-eaters, cir- work we need the help of united action and genementioned by Dr. Cornell on our first page, is the to the unpresuming modesty and gentleness of his cuses, jugglers, dancing bears and monkeys, ral sympathy. Concert of action would tend to pro-

memories an image of devotedness to science, of to this religious community. unwavering fidelity and impartiality in the investigation of truth, of comprehensiveness of spirit,

structions. He just passed the bound of threescore and ten. His works on the Hebrew lanof their issue.

EDITORS OF RELIGIOUS JOURNALS in the South, no doubt regard themselves as included in the general claim for superior refinement of manners, and for high-toned and chivalrous behaviour so extensively made in behalf of the Southern

If so, undoubtedly, they should exhibit these qualities in their conduct towards such cotemporary journals as they see fit to notice in their columns, especially when they undertake to controvert or to deny their positions. If instead of argument, or dignified, though severe, denial, they flout their self-chosen antagonist, and attempt to single one out of seven editors, and make him an object of personal reproach; as has been done once and again, we are sorry to say, by the North Carolina Presbyterian, in reference to this paper; we submit that in such a case, the chivalry, the refinement, the high-toned and gentlemanly spirit of the South have found a most unfortunate mode of expression.

### EASTER IN THE EAST.

The festivities of Easter week, as celebrated by Oriental Christians, are of so interesting a character, that a brief description of them may not be out of place; particularly since many religious denominations at home are now observing this time-honored anniversary.

All Eastern Christians religiously adhere to the old style, or Julian Calendar, and dogmatically ignore the Gregorian computation as a popish device. Indeed, so strong a hold has this chronological prejudice on their minds, that anciently the Maronites, and more recently, some Bulgarian communities resolutely refused to acknowledge the supremacy of the Pope, unless an is usually limited to the first of May. express dispensation was granted them to preserve inviolate their old dates.

cipal Greek Church of Constantinople. The the legion of saints who decorate the walls; whose garments and haloes of glory glitter with solid gold into drunken revels, or a gross theatrical farce. and silver. Over the principal entrance, a wretched daub, teeming with spits and caldrons of sulphur. and which every tyro in the art would scorn to father, depicts the horrors of the Judgment Day.

fashion, or make appointments for the approach- Presbyterian Recorder: ing holidays, all at a breath. Precisely at midscreen of the sanctuary, and reveals a sepulchre not here." An interval of silence, intensified by the previous murmur of devotion, is broken only lighted taper, and, while every sound is hushed, screams out triumphantly "Christ is risen, He's

The effect is clectric; of the vast congregation, those in the immediate vicinity of the pulpit repeat risen. He is risen indeed." Some shout out the voices of children, piping these magic words. Now convulsive surges of this living sea sway to weakness so to do." and fro, roll up in waves, and beat against the pulpit; each arm struggling to light its taper from direct contact with the bishop's holy flame, sprinkled with luminous dots, the galleries a mo- upon.

men crushed in the exultant press; the mutual benevolent operations is of great practical inteembrace of acquaintances; the suffocating clouds rest. of incense; filthy streams of tallow guttering into | Some uniform system is desirable, and the ob impending stalactites, or dropping into stalagmites jects for which we wish mainly to labor are now on the greasy pavement; the rude guards with consideration till the meeting of the General Asfixed bayonets, jostling and hustling their infidel sembly, the following objects and order, in the subjects; the sweltering heat and close atmosphere; the mingled shouts and screams; women | may be agreed upon. fainting in every direction, and men dragged out insensible; the oppressive smoke of candles, and the breath of devotees, redolent with the garlic of Lent, combine to urge our escape into the fresh air. Our exit is not the work of a moment; we have and prove efficient, would embrace, to stem the tide of the eager multitude; but by dint of advoit management of one allowed by Bible work we are a unit, and look to both Home dint of adroit management of our elbows, accelerated by fears of premature explosions, or the bursting ruary. of fire-arms, we gain the main entrance; glad | 2. EDUCATION. For the Education of candi Eastern sanctity.

not an exaggerated description of the Roman Sa. April for Education. turnalia, but a faithful sketch of the manner in we have need to look to the proper support of our which a great Christian Anniversary is celebrated Assembly's Committee, and to purchase their of their ancestors. The absence of public squares then find abundant occasion to aid in the Mission

thankful to have been, have impressed upon their | of eggs emblematically dyed red, afford amusement

Dancing is the order of the day; porters of giant girth of limb, with a ludicrous expression of soof magnanimity, candor, and the utter absence of lemnity on their weather-beaten faces, lock arms prejudice, which we doubt whether we have seen and balance themselves on their elephantine toes equalled since we left the scene of his valued in- to the sound of a bass-drum and fife, the latter screeching out a universal tune, which, including variations, embraces the rich compass of three guage, issued long ago, have been superseded; but notes and an accidental. Their more lively neightheir merit was freely acknowledged at the time bors, the Greeks, crook little fingers and trip through the intricacies of the Romaika. Candor compels us to say, that this classic dance, celebra ted in song and story, mainly consists of a great exhibition of pocket-handkerchiefs, and of such unearthly yells as would suggest an inroad of Camanches to the inhabitants of our frontier settlements. The Bulgarian bag-pipes accompany their

> and catching them on the rebound. A universal rejuvenescence, a boisterous re turn to childhood become universal. Seniors rival the terpsichorean recklessness of their juniors. A reverend priest may, without scandal, take delight in the oscillations of a swing; whilst ten to one, a couple of monks are arctic and antarctic to one another on that see-saw. A time-honored custom of being weighed is religiously observed, and half a cent to the owner of a steel-vard determines that important question. Prisoners, whose crimes are not very flagrant, by procuring bail for their reappearance, can usually obtain three days of liberty, provided the tears of relatives melt the plaintiff into a consent. Whilst, on the other hand, the tumults and quarrels arising from drunken license, fill the station-houses with new

in dashing its votaries skull-caps on the ground,

A full week clapses before the public settle down quietly to their former routine of business. and every one is glad at the termination of these festivities. Custom-houses have been closed, for the simple reason, that not a porter can be hired for love or money to touch an article of freight. For the same reason travellers must remain perforce or leave their baggage behind them; as for house moving, the idea is too preposterous to be entertained. A New Yorker might as well attempt to transact that business on the 4th of July, which

Thus do corrupt Eastern Churches celebrate the resurrection of our Saviour. Is it reasonable Hence let us on Saturday night, the 13th inst., to expect that the Mohammedan will exchange introduce the reader into the interior of the prin- the more solemn rites of his faith, for the puerile extravagancies of Carnival, or the debaucheries of studied gloom of a few flickering lights, barely al- the Easter holidays? If our puritan forefathers lows us to discern the tinselled ornaments, and witnessed a tithe of such religious mockeries, no wonder they set their faces sternly against every faces are painted in colors on wood, but whose ecclesiastical anniversary, which could degenerate

## REV. CYRUS E. ROSENKRANS.

We are sorry to hear of the death of this faith-The church fills rapidly with worshippers, or ful and devoted servant of Christ. Without any spectators like ourselves; the body, the aisles, the personal knowledge of the deceased, we yet felt an ments can be made, we propose to give a view of galleries, nay, even temporary platforms are alive interest in him at this office as a subscriber prompt the building, with a sermon by the pastor. with a multitude of ladies and gentlemen in ball and faithful in his payments. He did not die in costume; or of the lower classes dressed out in debt for his paper. Only a few weeks before his their very best; each holding an unlighted taper. decease he wrote, renewing his subscription, en-They tell their beads, kiss the well-worn feet of closing the pay, and admonishing us that this patron saints, mutter a prayer, discuss the last would be the last. We extract a notice from the

"This sad event occurred at Columbus, Wis., night a priest, splendidly robed, draws aside the on the 8th of February, 1861. His disease was consumption, aggravated, if not occasioned, by the | thirty years, or thereabouts. Twenty-six of them exposure and fatigue endured in the prosecution purporting to be that of our Saviour. With re- of his missionary labors among the destitute. verential awe, he lifts the lid, but starts back ex-claiming in theatrical tones of surprise. "He is faith and prayer, rich in the confidence and love of all his brethren. He was a man of excellent judgment, of enlarged views and sympathies, deeply attached to the faith and order of our own beby the muffled sound of shuffling of feet, as loved church, yet eminently catholic in spirit and the priests in procession pretend to search in in effort. For about a score of years, he acted the every nook and corner for the body of our Lord. part of a pioneer missionary in Wisconsin, and fallen on Elisha.

A mitred Bishop now ascends the pulpit, with a under his culturing hand the wilderness was sub- and his people! dued, and the desert made to blossom as the rose. Early in his ministerial life he turned away from inviting prospects at the East, and consecrated himself to the service of God in missionary labors; and from his chosen path he never shrank nor turned aside. Churches were planted, Sabbath schools built up, and souls saved through the the words; their neighbors eagerly catch up the re- influence of his labors. He entered upon his lafrain, until transmitted from lip to lip, the dome and bors at Columbus in 1848, organizing the first vaulted roof echoes, and re-echoes with "Christ is Evangelical Church in that region of country risen. He is risen indeed." Some short out the position of pastor most acceptably and usefully glad tidings with wild and frantic gestures; others When obliged by ill-health to relinquish this repeat them mechanically, with tears of penitence charge, he yet longed to preach the gospel, and trickling down their furrowed cheeks; but high above the din may be distinguished the shrill to supply destitute neighborhoods in the vicinity and only ceased from these efforts a few months prior to his death, when compelled by increasing

SYSTEM IN BENEVOLENCE. There is no one subject that more pressingly before its virtue is diluted by transmission. The demands attention in our churches, than that of D. D. S. M. Worcester, D. D., Prof. Pond. Rev. candles of distant devotees are let down from the SYSTEM IN BENEVOLENCE. As a stimulus to the N. Adams, D. D., &c., &c. Its principal object galleries by knotted handkerchiefs; others reach consideration of this topic, we give an article from as set forth in the prospectus, is to respond to "an out long poles, on the end of which are fastened our Chicago neighbor, The Presbyterian Recorder. their tapers. Lay-brothers, perched on ladders, We might suggest some modifications of the plan, apply the heaven-born flame to chandeliers, to os- and may do so hereafter; but, for the present, concillating lamps and torches, until the church is tent ourselves with the thoughts of the Recorder. bathed in a noon-tide of tallow; the floor seems A plan of some kind we ought all to have to go

Now that our churches are likely to enjoy The explosion of fire arms; the shrieks of wo- rest from the agitations of past years, the ques-

Lent, combine to urge our escape into the fresh air. be quite generally adopted, and give satisfaction

once more to breathe heaven's pure air, free from dates for the ministry we look mainly to our Comthe religious scent, and the abominable odor of local organizations; and in either case funds must be raised. Funds for libraries, endowments, &c., Alas! for those degenerate churches: this is should come under this head. Say March and

6. Foreign Missions. We have but one channel of co-operation in this work, and the American Board requires all the churches can possibly do

for it in November and December. This presents a prominent object for each two months of the year, and they are so arranged as to give the objects demanding the largest amounts the most favorable part of the business season. Adopt some order and system for the whole Church, such as is now in successful use in many eparate churches, and each object may then be pressed upon the attention of all the churches by hose in special charge, through the pastors, and the best, the fullest and most intelligent develop ment of our benevolence be secured.

It seems to us the matter of adjustment is no so difficult that it cannot be reached soon, and we make these suggestions in the hope that by the time of the meeting of the Assembly at Syrause, there may be a sufficient comparison of thought, and of the requirements in different parts of the church, to warrant a definite recommenda national dance, the chief peculiarity of which lies tion by the Assembly.

### ARISING TO BUILD.

We thankfully record the fact that conclusive measures have, during the last week, been taken for the erection of another city church edifice, of the first class, by one of the new organizations of our body. THE NORTH BROAD STREET CHURCH, at a full meeting of the congregation held on Friday evening last, the proceedings of which were characterized by a delightful spirit of harmony and hopeful energy, found itself in a position to instruct the Building Committee to close the contract, and proceed at once with the crection of the proposed church edifice, on the N. E. corner of Broad and Green streets. This is the most important and hopeful movement which has been made by our church in this city for nearly ten years: say, since the crection of Calvary Church. The location is admirable, and, with the divine blessing, cannot fail to become the centre of a large and important church organization. The lements already gathered around its able, active, and successful pastor, Rev. E. E. Adams, are of the most promising character. The erection of a building has become a necessity for the audiences who throng the Commissioners' Hall, Thirteenth and Spring Garden streets, which was but lately exchanged for an apartment, then found too strait for the people; and we may confidently expect a similar enlargement when the increased accommo dations to be furnished by the new building are

Simple justice requires us to give a large part of the credit of this enterprise to that firm and liberal friend of our church, Mr. M. W. Baldwin, whose large heart has been shown in nothing more elearly, than in the substantial encouragement he has given to North Broad Street Church, from its very commencement to the present time. It is due also to the devoted and laborious pastor, who undertook this matter while a comparative stranger to the brethren, to say that both his pulpit ministrations and his pastoral activity are regarded with increased satisfaction by the people among whom

## CITY CHURCHES.

The ingathering in Kensington Church, last Sabbath, is even greater than was anticipated Seventy-eight were admitted on profession, and nine by certificate, making eighty-seven in all. These were of all ages, chiefly from fifteen to were baptized. Rev. J. M'Leod assisted in the services. We rejoice with the pastor, Rev. W T. Eva, and the brethren of this flourishing church. The revival spirit which characterized old Kensington during the pastorate of the beloved Chandler, finds a careful and zealous nourisher in his successor. The mantle of Elijah has fallen on Elisha. The God of Elijah be with him

THE UNITED PRAYER MEETING of our churches will not be held next week, on account of the meetings of Presbyteries taking place on Tuesday On Tuesday of the week following, it will be held in Pine Street Church.

THE 22D OF FEBRUARY AT TURK'S ISLAND .-We learn from the United States Consul, Rev. A. G. Carothers, that Washington's Birthday was duly celebrated at the Consulate, and that due notice was paid it by the Governor of the island and other representatives of foreign powers.

RECENT REVIEWS AND MAGAZINES. The BOSTON REVIEW, published every two nonths in that city, is the organ of the strongly conservative branch of the orthodox Congregationa churches in New England. Among its published list of writers, we find the names of Rev. Jos. Tracy, extensive and increasing demand for a New England organ of the Puritan Theology." Calvin, the Westminster divines, and Edwards, are properly held up as furnishing the best human symbols of

There certainly have occurred some startling loctrinal developments among the so-called ortholox churches of New England in very recent times, cointing possibly to such an extensive defection from the truth as calls for vigorous measures from its friends in that quarter. There can be no nopler purpose than that which seems to animate hese brethren. But our stiff and unbending conservatives in doctrine; our high orthodox men, to whose minds almost every feature in the scheme of doctrine is projected to the foreground; to whom all truths occupy nearly the same place of importance; who, by their tenacious adherence to traditional modes of explanation, and human expedients for filling up the lacunæ of revelation, leave us often in painful uncertainty as to their relative estimates of the traditions of men and the inspired word:-these men, and we say it with the profoundest respect for their motives and their abililities. do quite as much harm by repelling and prejudicing one class of minds as they do good in onfirming the faith of others.

So far as we have examined this periodical. we ind much in it, and expect to find much in it, commanding our entire sympathy. But its avowed purpose in so many words of "heresy-hunting." its desire "to express grief, anxiety and alarm, and the general tone of its articles which seem to endorse all the extreme views of the older teach ers of Calvinism, repel our sympathies and create the fear lest it should prove mischievous in rendering Calvinism still more of a stumbling-block to many of the best minds of New Eugland, in turning them unbelievingly from the Scriptures, in in the nineteenth century. But we have not done issues for local use. And then we have the Tract ism are plainly written, or in perverting them to in the nineteenth century. But we have not done yet. Including Sabbath three days are devoted work and Missionary Colportage to promote at home the different forms of Arminianism, Methodist and the writer, "that the full realization of the mind which, indeed, all the essential features of Calvin- rian basis, no virtual rejection of creeds is advo-

Theology, Old and New. The re-action of the mind from the stern and one-sided presentation of truth among the New England ministry of earlier times leading to Arminian and Unitarian developments, to us appears quite natural, and we throw part of the blame for it upon the inconsiderate and intellectual methods of those teachers. But with the writer it is nothing but the native heretical tendencies of the unregenerated or partially sanctified mind, and he knows no better cure or preventive for it than a return to those high grounds | the success of missionaries in the foreign field is intendence of another gentleman.

nation" into the present supposed doctrinal defection; the testimony of men like T. Starr King to the spread of "liberal" opinions in the "sacrificial" abundance of a supposed doctrinal defection; the testimony of men like T. Starr King to the spread of "liberal" opinions in the "sacrificial" abundance of "liberal" opinions in the "sacrificial" abundance of the suppose of the suppose of the religion, which thus attempts to make itself universal?"

Among the other articles is the conclusion of a suppose of the s ficial" churches: the promotion of a minister to a Theological professorship straightway after he has boldly assaulted, and claimed to have overthrown, the positions of Edwards on the Will; two new Congregational papers forced into being at vast expense and sacrifice; a general relaxing of the tone of teaching from the Professor's chair, the pulpit and the press followed by ignorance among he people of the fundamental doctrines, and ridi cule cast upon the themes of the Shorter Catechism by "Young America." In regard to this entire Jeremiad, we may say that while there is doubtless room for complaint of laxity in doctrine minds are opened as never before to the sublime in New England, much of what is complained of wonders of nature amidst which they dwell. And is comparatively insignificant, and much of what ther article announces Lee's History of the Church would be significant if true, is, in our opinion, un- of Scotland as destined to become the standard founded. As to the Shorter Catechism, it is only last week that we noticed the immense sale of author, now deceased, was Principal of the Uni Rev. Mr. Baker's work on the Catechism, which is claimed to have reached two hundred and ten

thousand copies; of which, doubtless, the publisher could tell us New England took her full share. The truth is, New England seems to need the kind of preaching of which there is still a great deal in her pulpits—the preaching of such Theology as that of Dwight, combined with the best features in that of Edwards: a true, though liberal and Scriptural Calvinism, together with a closer approximation to the Presbyterian form of government; in short, American Presbyterianism—which was formed from a combination of the best features of the Scottish and New England systems, and which is now most nearly represented by the body to which we belong.

We designed to say more on the other articles. The one on Future Punishment, summons us to retain all he peculiar tone of the views of Edwards and Calvin on that subject. That on the Theology of the Plymouth Pulpit, subjects the doctrinal character of Mr. Beecher's published sermons to a searching analysis, which we confess they are ill calculated o bear. That on Fear as a Christian Motive, objects, wisely enough, to the attempt to make all and Covenant was open to the serious additional the world right by a system of general coaxing, and pleads for an "outspoken deliverance of the darming doctrines of our faith." The Christian character of Mrs. Browning's poetry is fully and nanters themselves, however, are respectfully and gladly recognised in an article chiefly made up of even eulogistically described. We do not under extracts from her Drama of Exile. Messrs. Mar. stand the reviewer to be here presenting Prof. tien, of this city, are agents for the Review. THE CHURCH MONTHLY is the new organ of the

High Churchmen, of Boston, and has, perhaps, a closer connection, by the "logic of events," with the Review just mentioned, than appears on the surface. We have no hesitation in classing it, and the movement it represents, as, in part, a re-action from just such teachings as are insisted upon in the Review. Its editors are Rev. Geo. M. Randall, D. D., and F. D. Huntington, D. D., the latter well known as, until recently, a leading Unitarian divine and Professor in Harvard University, but now rector of Emanuel Church, a new and flourishing organization which was gathered around him, soon after he entered the Episcopal body. In such competent hands, it would be impossi ble for the Church Monthly to hold a second-rate position in its own church literature, or in deno-

ninational literature generally. The number for March gives ample evidence of the ability of its conductors. Its tone is respectfully but decidedly High Church, and the assumptions of that party are not wanting, even from the first article on the Church and the People. There is a very comfortable, ostrich-like oblivion to the discords in the Episcopal denomination, and to the monstrous infidel developments now coming to light in the Church of the mother country, while the writer discusses the elements of dissolution, the laxities and discontents which have their origin in Independency, Voluntaryism and Dissent, and complacently asserts that order and health can be restored only through his own form of Church-worship and

Now we take no delight in detecting, in bodies of Christians whom we cheerfully recognise as such, those evidences of imperfection presented by a wide and seemingly irreconcilable diversity of views on points of almost the highest importance, and we will allow no one to be before us in deep and heartfelt sorrow and alarm at the entrance of Church of England, and the halting manner in oses its own organization as the sovereign cure form of rejection of the proposed remedies rising to our lips, which we need not now repeat. There is in this article an attempt at liberality

in connexion with a pretty decided avowal of exclusive "Church principles." These principles are spoken of as necessary to the salvation of the world. They are "the entire body of Christian truths which the church holds and teaches, -including the essentials of her doctrines, her discipline and her worship. We mean her creeds, sacraments, ministry, prayers." Yet there is an intimation that enough of these principles are held by "various Christian associations," possibly to save individual souls. But the salvation of the | it by the real addition of FRANKIE'S BOOK OF world and the establishment of the kingdom of BIBLE MEN. Frankie's mother repeats to him in Christ, are objects to be brought about by the an artless and yet very entertaining and instrucchurch. "There is no sort of reason to believe the world, would be under the sway of Christian ideas to day, but for those distinctive church principles." This is a very cool ignoring of the services of Luther, Calvin, and John Knox, and and powerful lessons are brought home effectively the Puritans in bringing the world "under the sway of Christian ideas." It is admitted, indeed, that there is some trace of haughtiness and exclusiveness in the Episcopal Church. "Probably a tasteful, as is invariably the case with Tilton's sweeping denial (of it) would not be true. There is no assumption like the assumption of assuming men in the true church." Not that the claims made by the Church Monthly, as first quoted, are admitted to be assuming. No doubt it classes itself with that large body,, which it makes bold to affirm is larger in the Episcopal Church, proportionally, than in any other "body of Christians in this land," who "are possessed of a kindly, genial, respectful feeling towards those that are without." Nevertheless, it claims for "the church," that it "has had the shaping and disciplining of the Saxon mind for centuries: (Puritanism again a mere cipher,) that in its principal distinctive features, it is older in the world than any kind of Congregationalism by some fourteen

We do not know but that this singularly gentle and respectful manner of barring out the sects may be good policy-may have great weight with those who are to be reached in New Englandmay be a worldly-wise feature in the scheme of Church comprehensiveness so highly cherished in many minds of the better caste in the Episcopal Church now-a-days. It is at least worth bringing to the notice of our readers. Another significant article is on Christian Unity.

or fifteen hundred years."

We think it is in the very vein that Episcopal pens were intended to work, and indicates what perhaps, after all is the true mission of that branch of Christ's Church among men; to be a witness to the importance of unity among the people of Christ; to be a living protest against the rampant individualism of our day. We admire the tone of this article greatly, the more so because no latitudinayet. Including Sabbath three days are devoted to one protracted feast, or, more properly speaking, of the American Tract Society, in which we have to one protracted feast, or, more properly speaking. the practicability of unanimity in belief, as we would not make of nature and of revelation, each and the side of parents to Mr. Wyers' advertisement in another column. a dark riddle, mocking earnest efforts to get at the solution." As to the great essentials of the evangelical system, we say amen to these sentiments. Sanity: On Saturday week, therefore, he was taken And we welcome all laborers in the direction of to a mountainous part of Pennsylvania, where, it is to be hoped a relaxation from the cares of business church comprehensiveness and Christian unity, who refuse to sacrifice these truths in their efforts.

of doctrine. Among "the present signs of a new so limited as to tempt the query, whether the and divisive Theology," the writer enumerates greatest profit of the undertaking may not be found "unwillingness to make or allow of faithful exami- in the aids afforded to learn the weak points of

which handles the erroneous concessions and no gations of that work with great force and clearness We have dwelt longer on these new visitants to

our table, than was our purpose; hence we cannot

devote much space to other claimants. BLACK. WOOD FOR MARCH contains an enthusiastic and laudatory article on Maury's great work, the Pho sical Geography of the Sea. This attempt to po-pularize this branch of physical science is described as peculiarly elevating to the character of the sailors, who are enlisted as co-laborators, and whose work on the internal History of the Church. The versity of Edinburgh, and the book is his Lectures. published by his son since the decease of the father. Such is the critic's opinion of the erudition and accuracy of the author, that he says his "own assertion is of itself an authority," dispensing with she necessity of citation. The critic eulogizes John Knox, as "more consistent than Luther more honest than Cranmer, more courageous than Calvin." The exertions of Knox for a period of more than twenty years, were eminently instrumental in preventing Scotland from becoming the tool by which France hoped to weaken and under

mine the power of England." The reviewer defends Presbyterianism against the stale charge of ascetism and gloom. He incidentally gives it as his opinion that Laud was the first of the eminent English Churchmen who showed a decided leaning to Arminianism, his predecessor in the See of Canterbury, Abbott, having been a decided Calvinist. He enters into the question of the right and expediency of the covenants; the first or national covenant may be excused by the plea of necessity, but the policy of unions for a political purpose bound by oath is condemned. The Solemn League objection of endeavoring to force upon England the Presbyterian form of government, in opposition to the wishes of the majority. The Cove-Lee's opinions. Another paper on this branch of the subject is promised.

An article on Recent Natural History Books presents, in a very entertaining manner, the various facts and departments in this branch of science which are just now of special interest. The functions of the antennæ of insects; the shape of the honey bee's cells; the "mental manifestations of bees and other animals, which the author prefers not to call matters of instinct, and of which he quotes some admirable examples; the sea-serpent, in the existence of which he, with Mr. Gosse. s disposed to believe; the ornithorhyneus of Australia, of which no specimens have as yet been brought away from the former country, though they have been caught, and, to some extent, do-

Mr. Littell, in the LIVING AGE for this week. inswers complaints which have been made against him for publishing secession poetry in his journal, by disavowing any sympathy for such literature, which he publishes, he says, "as a part of the living age, not considering them as poetry. curiosities, we may say, monstrosities of litera-

## EDITOR'S TABLE.

LEIGHTON PUBLICATIONS.—An association of individuals connected with the Episcopal church. propose to publish, under the above title, a series of Theological Works not hitherto readily accessible in this country. There are now ready, two volumes of SERMONS BY REV. RALPH ERSKINE, selected from the British editions of 1777 and 1821, with a preface by the Rev. Stephen H. Tyng, D. D., and two volumes of OWEN'S WORKS. the person and glory of Christ :- and a volume of Practical. works, containing the Mortification of Sin; Temptation; Indwelling sin in believers, and the Exposition of Psalm exxx.; being reprints from the last Edinburgh edition. These two works the views of Strauss and Baur into the high seats have been laid on our table and are reserved for learning, the rectories and the schools of the such notice as their extraordinary value deserves. They are to be followed in due course by six or which rampant and destructive heresy is treated seven additional volumes of Owen's Works, and by the authorities of that church; but when its re- perhaps by his Exposition of the Epistle to the presentative in this country, or rather when a Hebrews, and also the Works of BISHOP EZEparty in the Episcopal Church of this country pro- KIEL HOPKINS. The works of Archbishop Leighton, which will properly form a part of the series for our disorders, we who see the would be physi- will be deferred for the present, as they have alcians suffering under as great, if not greater, maladies than ourselves, find a certain proverbial intended to publish two volumes or more annually intended to publish two volumes or more annually in octavo form, at about \$1 25 per volume. And in order to make them the more accessible to clergymen, they will be furnished to them at the office of publication at \$1 00 per volume, and either volume separately. Published at the office of the Protestant Episcopal Book Society, 1224 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, 1860.

Messrs. J. E. Tilton & Co., of Boston, whose list of books for children and young people; embracing Thayer's BOBBIN BOY and PRINTER BOY; STORIES FOR CHRISTMAS, FOR THANKSGIVING, &c., is among the choicest, freshest, most enlivening and profitable that we know of, have just increased tive manner, the incidents in the lives of leading Bible characters. The filling out of the narratives is always skilfully and reverently done; the sacred to the heart of the interested reader. The author is already known from Sabbath Talks about Jesus: Susan and Frankie, &c. The exterior is books for children. For sale by Smith, English

# MAGAZINES AND PAMPHLETS.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORLD. This is a monthly ssued by the American Sunday School Union, in place of the Weekly Sunday School Times, which has ceased to have any connexion with the Union. It is a handsome quarto sheet of 16 pages, and promises adequately to serve the interests of the Union. Terms: 50 cents per annum. To be had at 1122 Chestnut St.

THE AMERICAN THEOLOGICAL REVIEW for April is a rich number. The articles on Slavery among the Hebrews, from the German of a learned Jew of Copenhagen; and on the New Latitudinarians of England, by Prof. H. B. Smith, will attract attention. The Departments of Theological and Literary Intelligence, Literary and Critical Notices of Books, and news of the Churches and Missions, are very full and valuable. Published by W. H. Bidwell, No. 5, Beekman

THE ECLECTIC MAGAZINE FOR APRIL by the same enterprising publisher, is beautifully embel lished with two full page engravings, one of them of the deepest and saddest interest: Lord Russell parting with his family, previous to his execution. The list of articles is eighteen in number.

THE NORTH AND SOUTH misrepresented and misjudged; or a candid view of our present difficulties and danger, and their causes and remedy.

CATALOGUES of Mr. Wvers' excellent school for boys, at West Chester, Pa., may be found at our

Phila., printed for the author 1861, pp. 48.

Orville Gardiner has exhibited symptoms of into be hoped, a relaxation from the cares of business and a residence in a more healthy atmosphere may recuperate his physical and mental energies, and re-The consequences of a schismatic spirit and of sectarian jealousy are indeed deplorable. The following the spirit and of late years devoted himself. In the meantime lowing is a suggestive inquiry: "What wonder, if the Fourth Ward institution will be under the super-