American Presbyterian Resolved, That the America.

GENESEE EVANGELIST.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1861.

JOHN W. MEARS.

have contained.

OUR PAPER.—For the present, and the past two weeks, the pressure upon our columns of Reports of meetings, interesting and valuable to our to place a copy of the resolutions on the AMERIter, which we desired to lay before them, has of each of our Churches. been so great as to interfere seriously with the exercise of the proper editorial function. We concentrate in the sessions of Thursday. The

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS .- To our friends who have been kindly responding to our calls for money, we would express our thanks. A considerable number of bills have been settled, especially by our city subscribers. We trust that those in the country will not be behindhand.

Those pastors also, who in this city and other places, have recently secured large additions to our list in their congregations, will also accept our thanks. We shall show our sense of their kindness by laboring to make our paper an efficient, and acceptable auxiliary to their pastoral

NEW SUBSCRIBERS, who through the inadvertencies of the carrier, have failed to receive the issues of the last two weeks, are notified that their year will be reckoned as commencing only with the present number; so that they will pay only for the numbers they actually receive.

SYNOD OF PENNSYLVANIA.

THE sessions of the Synod were opened on Tuesday evening of last week, in the Walnut St. Church, West Philadelphia, (Rev. J. G. But ·ler's,) with a sermon by Rev. T. H. Robinson co-pastor of the First Church, Harrisburg, on the text, Acts xiii. 57: "And the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Ghost." The theme the relations of the Holy Ghost to the present dispensation, was handled with great vigor and cope of thought, and left a deep impression on the minds of the Synod.

Rev. T. H. Robinson was chosen Moderator, and Rev. J. Garland Hamner and Charles R Bliss, temporary Clerks. A very fair representation was in attendance; though there appeared no sufficient reason for the absence of many members, or the lack of representation on the part of a majority of the churches. Some impressive remarks were made on this subject by Rev. Mr. Barnes, on the second day of the session, who argued warmly for the exercise of a little selfdenial in attendance on ecclesiastical meetings, and who thought it might be wise to dispense with the calling of the roll, and asking for excuses for absence, and to leave every member to his simple sense of duty to a higher authority than that of the brethren.

Addresses were delivered on Wednesday by Rev. D. G. Mallery, on the Observance of the Nabhath, and by Rev. J. G. Helffenstein, D. D., on Union among Evangelical Christians. That of Dr. H., especially, was a thorough and careful exhibition of the theme, and conceived in the Lindliest possible spirit.

The chief topic of discussion of the day, however, and one into which the Synod entered with the greatest spirit, was on the better support and encouragement of the AMERICAN PRESBYTE-MIAN. The preamble and resolutions given below, were offered by Rev. D. H. Emerson, of Wilmington Presbytery, who accompanied them with a speech expressive of his earnest wish that the paper should receive the full support of the Synod. The Editor was then called on for a statement as to the condition of the paper, which he explained as being very hopeful, though still needing the aid which he believed the Synod was prepared to pledge, in order to assure it a prosperous existence. He was followed by Dr. Brainerd, who recited what the brethren in Philadelphia were doing for the paper, and invited hose in other parts of the Synod, to share with them the privilege and responsibility of the work in which they were equally interested. His well known cordial views of the paper were given with emphasis. Rev. Mr. Barnes was very anxious that the Synod should not content itself with resolutions, which, of themselves, would accomundertaking was a serious one, yet the paper was necessity to us. He adverted to the management of the paper financially and otherwise by the present editor, in terms which modesty forbids us to repeat. Rev. E. E. Adams spoke approvingly of the economy with which the paper was at present conducted. Judge Strong was very warm and carnest in his advocacy of the paper, which he commended in the highest terms as something though he had accepted a Colonel's commission which could not be dispensed with, and as particularly adapted to the religious training of our households. This he said, though he had differed from it considerably in time past, and might, perhaps, do so still; yet no one could question that the paper fairly represented the denomination, and that it was a very good paper. There was tained. Rev. Dr. Darling spoke very earnestly our people, as a means of keeping alive a proper denominational spirit. We were greatly at fault as a denomination in this respect. It was the

increasing its circulation. The discussion was participated in by Rev. resolutions are as follows:-

to sustain the paper, therefore,

Resolved, That the AMERICAN PRESBYTERIAN

Resolved, That as pastors and individual members of the Synod, we will labor to add one thousand names to the subscription list during the present season.

Resolved, That the churches be urged to procure the number of subscribers apportioned to

The next morning it was

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk be directed readers, of good communications and other mat- CAN PRESBYTERIAN, in the hands of the session

The remaining business of Synod seemed to

think the pressure will be much less in another | Committee on the Minutes of the Assembly reweek, when we shall again speak face to face ported resolutions (1) of sympathy with the Aswith our readers. Meanwhile, we esteem it a sembly's deliverance on the state of the country; pleasure to be the vehicle of communicating from (2,) recommending a rigid inquiry as to whether such varied sources, views of such interest and any of the churches mentioned "with shame" information of such importance as these numbers by the Assembly's Committee, as contributing nothing to the cause of Foreign Missions, are found within our bounds; (3,) endorsing the Assembly's recommendation that our ministers and churches correspond with the Publication Committee and assist their efforts in diffusing a denominational literature; (4,) Synod rejoices in the fact that the General Assembly has at length assumed the responsibility of conducting the work of Home Missions within its bounds, (p. 466,) and urgently recommends 'the Presbyterian Committee of Home Missions,' to the genrous support of all our churches." (5.) "Synod approves of the General Assembly's educational plan. (p. 474,) and recommend to the Presbyteries to conform their action to its provisions as circumstances will permit."

The report was adopted. A Committee on Foreign Missions, consisting of one minister from each Presbytery was appointed, "whose duty it shall be to attend to the interests of Foreign Missions in their several Presbyteries; especially to see that a contribution for the cause is made in each church annually, and to report yearly to the Synod the amounts of these contributions, and any other matter connected with the cause of Christ in foreign lands."

Rev. John M'Leod, F. L. Robbins, T. H. Robinson, H. J. Gaylord, and Halsey Dunning are the Committee.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered at 11 o'clock. The Moderator presided; Rev. Dr. Wing distributed the bread, and Rev. Dr. Wallace the cup, with suitable and impressive remarks. It was felt to be a profitable

The Committee of Visitation to the New York Union Seminary are Rev. Drs. John C. Smith and Patton, and Messrs. Mallery, Hamner and Street. Rev. George F. Wiswell discussed the subject signed him-The Future Destiny of the Afri can Race in this Country, in an interesting, instructive and earnest manner. Our space will not allow an extended notice of the address, which we regret, as well on account of the very great importance of the subject as the character of the address itself.

Rev. J. W. Mears followed in a few remarks

on the same subject. Rev. Dr. Darling delivered an address on the best method of conducting Prayer Meetings, with particular reference to the monthly concert, in which happy allusion was made to the prevalence of the missionary spirit among the early Christians. We were gratified to find Dr. Darling so far recovered as to be able, with little or no apparent inconvenience, to address the Synod on this subject which he evidently had much at

heart, in his usual fervent and luminous manner. Committee to memorialize the Government on the subject of Chaplains to the army, Rev. B. J. Wallace, D. D., Thomas Brainerd, D. D., Wm. R. De Witt, D. D., Hon, Wm. Strong, and John A.

Resolved. That the Stated Clerk be directed to correspond with the Presbytery of the District of Columbia, reminding them of their connection with this Synod, affectionately urging them to attend its next meeting, and to send up their records for review.

Resolutions on the state of the country will appear in our next.

The Synod adjourned on Thursday evening after a profitable and delightful session.

DEATH OF COLONEL BAKER

THE country mourns the loss of one of her marked men and favorites, in the death of Colo nel Baker. This sad event took place on Monday last, while the Colonel was gallantly leading his regiment against a much larger force of the enemy. He had been comparatively a short time plish nothing. He thought the work they were before the public, but in that brief period he had quite won their hearts by the soundness of his views, and the thrilling eloquence of his speech in the Senate, and by the devotedness and earnestness with which he advocated and personally esnoused the cause of his country. His example was wonderfully contagious, and he soon drew around him a brigade, composed almost exclusively of young men from our own loyal State,

from Governor Curtain a few days before he fell. While we cannot express the pain this unto ward event gives us, we thank God that men like him-men in his high station, have been found in our country, in this crisis, ready to offer themselves a sacrifice for her good. Knowing the risks and hazards of war, nay, boldly pushing no doubt in his mind, but that it would be susname to the roll of martyrs for the Constitution of the necessity of circulating such a paper among now unfolding. There is public virtue left in the country when public men are thus prepared to lay down their lives in its support, and to seal their sense of the sacredness of law with their boast of certain papers, not in sympathy with us, blood. His death on the battle-field is proof inthat they had a larger circulation in our own deed of the enormity of the rebellion which can fields, than our own papers. How, he asked, strike down such defenders of the Government, could we expect our people to appreciate and sus- and exult in it too; but it is proof, too, that the tain our own enterprises, when influences so un- same God who made our fathers willing to purfriendly to them were constantly and widely cir- chase our liberties with their blood, is with this culating among our families? Rev. Alfred Tay- generation also, strengthening and toning it in lor congratulated the paper upon its improvement all its classes, to a similar degree of heroism for

in several respects, and warmly urged upon Synod the upholding of those liberties. some practical suggestions as to the method of How freely are men giving themselves for the maintenance of a merely human interest! How. vast are their sacrifices in money, in conveniences Drs. Jenkins and Wallace, and Messrs. Adair, and comforts, and in blood! How cheerful in Judkins, and others; after which the resolutions | the performance and the endurance of all! Chriswere unanimously adopted by a rising vote. The tian! learn a lesson here, in regard to the vast interests involved in your high vocation. What Whereas, The tone and character of the denials are you enduring for your Master, what in-AMERICAN PRESBYTERIAN upon matters of a conveniences are you suffering for the promotion religious and denominational interest, and upon of holy principle within you? Have you resistthe great issue of the day, are such as the Synod ed unto blood, striving against sin? Are you cordially approve; and, whereas, in the present compromising principle for the sake of a little pressure, there is need of special efforts in order ease, or to escape a cross? Are you complaining of the burdens of your religion, of the tax upon

the Holy War? Ah! there were those of whom the world was not worthy, who freely endured privations and sufferings and wrongs such as darken the pages of history, in order to conserve and transmit the far higher blessing of a pure Christianity to us their descendants. Let us not forget those heroic times of faith, nor prove ourselves unworthy of those sacrifices, but being encompassed by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us run with patience the race set before us, looking unto Jesus, the greatest martyr, hero, and exem-

A CAVALRY COLONEL VINDICATED.

plar of all.

Very absurd and injurious stories are set afloat now-a-days, not merely of Chaplains but also of Colonels and other officers in respect to their religious characters. We noticed the attack upon Colonel Bayard, in the paper referred to below, and felt grieved and shocked at what we supposed to be a true account of very deprayed and unusual conduct on the part of that officer. We are happy to be instrumental in vindicating him, by publishing the following communication. are not acquainted with its author, but it bears on its face every appearance of candor:-

Camp Pierpont, Virginia, Oct. 17, 1861. "Honor to whom honor is due." I was very much surprised at seeing an article in the Pittsburg Christian Advocate, headed, "A Colonel to he looked after," purporting to have come from an army correspondent to the above-mentioned paper, stating as follows:-- "Colonel George D. Bayard, of the regular Army, now Colonel of' one of the Pennsylvania Regiments, is a man who 'neither fears God nor regards man.' He declares, and even swears, by his Maker that he does not want and will not appoint a Chaplain, that they corrupt the morals and engender insubordination among the men, and has, therefore, stoutly refused to allow the officers to vote for Chaplain."

That Col. Geo. D. Bayard is of the regular Army, and a thoroughly educated military man, no one will attempt to deny. As to the charges brought against him by the correspondent of the Christian Advocate, I must say, in justice to Col. Bayard and the reputation of the regiment, they are not only unchristian but also unjust. And to the contrary, I can state that Col. B. is a per fect gentleman, and not opposed to having a Chaplain. When I first presented the matter to him, very soon after his assuming the command of the regiment, his reply was:-"If my men wish a Chaplain they shall have one." Whereupon learning their wishes, the appointment was made immediately. And further, I can state that he has fully co-operated with me in all that I could wish. If, therefore, the correspondent of the Christian Advocate will correct his error, "look after" our worthy Colonel.

E. HERVEY BEALE, Chaplain First Penna. Cav. R. C.

FROM A MISSIONARY IN CHINA.

My Dear Sir,-I subscribed for the AMERICAN

REV. J. W. MEARS:-

PRESBYTERIAN three years ago, and sent the money by a friend going to America, but it was stolen from him, and I have never received the paper. I have occasionally met with a number which I have read with much pleasure. I do not wish to be without the paper any longer, and think I can afford to pay for it. I would rather diminish my customary daily food, than be deprived of the healthy mental and spiritual nutriment which I have found, and expect to find in the columns of your valuable paper. I wish, also, the Holy One of Israel, Because ye despise this stances as to see him thoroughly tested. It was that the Quarterly Review of our Church be sent to me. I have never taken it, but must now delay no longer. In these times of reviving loyalty be to you as a breach ready to fall, swelling out had then to be fought. Every artifice which and natriotism, it becomes every Christian to renew his lovalty to whatever regiment of King Immanuel's army he belongs. The good providence of God brought the gospel with power to my heart while attending the stated services in Allen Street Presbyterian Church, New York. Lane Seminary is my Alma Mater, as a "school of the prophets." Now being placed here among a heathen and idolatrous people to proclaim the terms of pardon, peace, and eternal life to rebel men, I cannot but desire the occasional treat, of reading the accounts of the doings of my fellow soldiers in my dear native land. God has greatly blessed her. He will, I am persuaded, continue to bless her. This present chastisement is sent in love and wisdom to purge her of iniquity and ungodliness. "I will chastise him with the rod of men, and with the stripes of the children of men; but my mercy shall not depart away from him," saith the Lord of David. So it is with the United States of America. God grant that all his people there may see the hand of a kind Father in the infliction of this scourge, repent of their lukewarmness and return to their first love. "Will a man rob God? yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings. Ye are cursed with a curse, for ye have robbed me, even the whole nation. Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and downright mutiny. Tithes, and more than tithes, all the members suffer with it." are freely offered for the defence of our national Government. When the present exigency is passed, will not the claims of Him who is "Governor among the nations" be regarded? "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." Let prompt and general obedience be given to this great command of the new dispensation, and our land will be the glory and delight of all lands. "Our God will bless us,

> Yours very truly, S. W. B.

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and the land will yield her increase." So may

time, money and energies required in carrying on | THE CIROULAR OF THE EVANGELICAL AL- | Committee, to which he was unanimously elected. LIANGE-EETTER FROM REV. DR. COX.

> Leroy, New York, Oct. 16, 1861. MY DEAR SIR :-

From my beloved personal friend, and the sincere friend of our country, Rev. George Fisch, D. D., of Farm france, I have received the following circular as we may term it, since it was intended for general circulation throughout the world, and especially in our now imperiled and bleeding country.

The talent, the learning, the piety, the num bers, the selectness, of that august convocation lately met in the city of Calvin, Geneva, Switzerland; to those who know them, or many of them, as constituting the fifth ecumenical meeting of the Evangelical Alliance, will require no introduction from me, or any more important person, to commend them to their high esteem: their reverential regard; their christian affection

Their hearts beat in harmony of love and prayer for the salvation of man; for the obedience of all nations, by faith, to the glorious gospel of our blessed God; for the progressive advent of the Millennium, when peace and piety shall hallow and unite all the populous surfaces of the globe in the Lord, one faith, one baptism Their influence and their right to it, are, perhaps, for special reasons, less appreciated or known among us than they should be, than they are in Europe, and in all civilized society beside This may be little to our credit, whose indepen-

rance, and ill-breeding. In all Europe, however, camps, courts, colleges, and those who rule them, in conjunction with the power of the periodical and the daily press, their influence is a reality; and it is all in favor of the cause of God and of man.

dence is too often the offspring of pride, igno-

The public sentiment of the classes, if not o the masses—to an equal extent, feels the power of such a convocation, and owns it, as at once an illumination, an impulse, and a restraint. This is opportune just now, in the transition stages of society, especially on the continent, in respect to human liberty, individual duty, and the follysickening to death-of all the pyramid of hier archy. Poper is reaching the end of its tether, the term of its prophetic life-time. The vacuous on his last legs.—Rev. 17: 8, 11. 13: 8. Glory tributions received for the purpose. to God alone!

Their love, watspoken and unfeigned, for our nation and our cause, especially at this time of unprecedented crisis and venturous treason, is itself something, which we, of all men, ought to honor and esteem with gratitude as generous as the goodness that uttered it. The Protestant fame and profession of Great Britain is well and widely construed with it, as those also of the and acknowledge me a Christian minister, I will other Protestant States of Europe and the events, mostly the workings of ambitious and

their thousands and millions of petitions to the traceable to them. Throne of Grace for the prosperous and virtuous termination of this slavery-made and treason-

us, each member must feel for every other. God some time thrown into very intimate and confiis judging us, since of oppression he is not the dential relations to him. I was with him by patron or the approver. Wherefore, thus saith | night and day for months, and in such circumword, and trust in oppression and perverseness, during the contest for United States Senator, a and stay thereon; THERFORE, this iniquity shall | San Jose in 1850-51, the battle with secession in a high wall, whose breaking cometh suddenly, narrowness and malice could suggest, was reat an instant !-- Isai. 30: 12, 13.

truth eternal, in reference to the sin of chattel- House, both parties retired from the field. It izing and permanently brutifying some 5,000,000 was a drawn battle. But my love and admira of our own species, for whom Christ died! tion for Fremont were only augmented by the Never, till this pregnant mischief is eliminated from our nation, will peace, order, law, union, exhibited all the delicacy of woman, and the liberty, righteogeness, and true hope return to
us and dwell remanently among us. God
sees, and who can deceive His vision or elude it? onists, I never heard an indelicate or a wicked Let us pray more for the merciful blanching way of that virulent plague-spot from the grand escutcheon of our nation. God knows how to do it for us, as also how to try and prove us. antecedently, whether or not we are principled. philanthropic, and so patriotic and christian in our love of country and of our fellow-creatures! The hand of God, as well as his eye and his heart, is in this dire begun calamity! and how long it is to last, or how it is to end, God only knows. Let us not be partizan, or partial, or petty, in our views; but wise, devout, humble.

bold, and useful while we live! SAMUEL HANSON COX.

CTRCULAR. The Conference of Evangelical Christians. assembled at Geneva from various countries, de- at detraction which have been now for weeks. sires hereby to convey to their brethren of the pour you out a blessing that there shall not be United States of America an expression of deep room enough to receive it." The third chapter sympathy under the sad and terrible crisis in of Malachi is very applicable to the present con- which they now are placed; they would unite in dition of our country. The "offerings" which have heretofore been given in the United States. have heretofore been given in the United States | may be overland up and the cause of freefor Domestic and Foreign Missions, seem but a dom and of our common Christianity. Impress-"tithe of mint, anise and cummin," when com- ed with the conviction that the origin of this pared with the millions of money and thousands war is to be traced to Slavery, the Conference | flower of the West, under good discipline, and of men now furnished for the support of the would entreat Almighty God to dispose the hearts of His own people in America to use the is some sickness now, but not often fatal. The Government. When Britain was slow to give nears dictated by wisdom and christian princithe gospel to her Indian subjects, a mutiny was ple for the speedy and complete suppression of a allowed to spring up to quicken her to duty. system, alike opposed to the spirit of the gospel When the United States were slack in efforts to diffuse the gospel of peace and love at home and abroad a spirit of discord was permitted to riven abroad a spirit of discord was permitted to ripen instant, as a day of Special Humiliation and into armed rebellion. Soon may the people of Prayer, this Conference earnestly invites their the Lord come up to his help against the mighty fellow-christians of various countries to unite hosts of Satan, as they now do for the defence of with the brethren there before the Throne of their Government against treason, rebellion, and Grace in humiliation and prayer, remembering ticulars now, but as we move on from time to the words of Scripture: "If one member suffer,

J.-ADREN NAVILLE, President.
DAVIETIESOT,
Salpaire du Bureau Genevois.
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JAMES DAVIS, Sec's Evangelical Alliance, British Branch H. Schmettau, Foreign Secretary.

[FOR THE AMERICAN PRESBYTERIAN.] HOME MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

It is a source of much gratification to the Committee, which will, we are sure, be shared in by the whole Church. The work is of vast importance, and we all feel that Dr. Kendall has special qualifications to meet the exigency. Of course, however, he will need the active and energetic co-operation of our whole people, which

it is earnestly hoped will be given at once.

If there may be any exception to the genera feeling of satisfaction, it will be, we are afraid, in the Third Church, in Pittsburg. We can only say that our brethren there, like good Christians and good Presbyterians, will be called on to sa prifice their particular interests to the genera interest of the whole Church, which we know they will do from a sense of duty, if not entirely

The exact time of Dr. Kendall's entrance of his duties will be announced soon. Meanwhile donations will be sent to E. A. Lambert, Treasu rer, Presbyterian Rooms, No. 150 Nassau street New York, and other communications to the un BENJ. J. WALLACE,

No. 1334 Chestnut street, Philadelphia.

FOR THE AMERICAN PRESBYTERIAN. SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR THE TROOPS.

MR EDITOR-The American Tract Society, of New York, have expended one thousand dollars per month, for six months, for the Army and Navy. They have supplied the troops with one thousand libraries, comprising twenty-five thousand volumes. Of these, 600 were the "Soldier's Camp Library, and 400 the Soldier's Pocket Library, each consisting of twenty-five vol-

Besides the above, they have supplied them with tracts, books, handbills, and periodicals, in English, German, French, Spanish, and other languages, to the amount of about four millions of pages. About two hundred and fifty regiments have shared in these appropriations. They are highly appreciated by all, and urgent appeals for more are daily coming to the committee from chaplains, officers, army committees, nurses and others. To meet these appeals, the Society is dependent on the public. Relying upon their benevolence, they have thus far appropriated for old Pope is rickety, contemptible, and staggering the troops about double the amount of the con-O. EASTMAN, Corresponding Sec'y,

American Tract Society.

FROM THE SEAT OF WAR IN THE WEST. NO. V.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo.,

. THE last two weeks have been full of various reckless men, who are little for their country, but For these and other reasons, I concur in de- everything for themselves. It has been cuttingly siring, with all our friends there, that this manly remarked, that "this is a politicians' war," and and christian deliverance should be at once the transactions of the past six months would widely promulgated in our country, and justly seem to verify it. Not only on the Potomac, but estimated by all our people, eliciting the response here in Missouri, do we feel the injury they work. of our fraternal thanks, the evidence of our just The whole of the troubles here, of which your appreciation of their unbought sympathy, and of readers have heard so much lately, are clearly

Major General Fremont, with whom I have

had the honor of a personal acquaintance the sporting war! "I need not say that I think their past twelve years, is a man of singular purity of philosophy, about its origin, as all the world character and singleness of aim. In "malice," knows, is not one-millionth of a fraction devious he is a child; but in "understanding," he is a man-a whole-souled, noble, most excellent man. The body of Christ is one, and, as they tell During my residence in California, I was for sorted to, in order to defeat the great Pathfinder. We may hope that all our people are progres- At length, after one hundred and forty-seven sively concentrating in sentiment, to the point of ballotings in joint meetings by the Senate and contest. In his most unreserved moments, he onists. I never heard an indelicate or a wicked word escape his lips. Conscious of his own in tegrity and the rectitude of his motives, he calmly looked to the future to vindicate him and his course. I have known many men, in many lands but nowhere have I ever met one who could so command the best sentiments of the head and heart, as can Major General Fremont. He is to-day what he was when I knew him

before, saving that he is of a little fuller habit and his hair is mottled grey. Owing to hi weighty cares, I see but very little of him per sonally, but that little shows the same considerate kindness as of old. I have every reason to believe that his plans are founded in wisdom, and that we have the right to expect that God will give him good success.

It is most painful to see the systematic efforts directed against the General commanding in this Department; and unless our people can be purified of their censoriousness and impatience, for one, I see little hope for the country.

The body of our army in this State, is now t the west of this city, in pursuit of the foe. They are composed of an excellent sort of men, the moving steadily on, I doubt not, to victory. There best of care is used in the hospitals, as I can testify from personal visitations.

The country here is in a most deplorable, but still improving, condition. It has passed through several changes in as many months, and the 'freezing and thawing" have had the effect of preparing the soil for permanent seeds and fruits of freedom. I cannot stop to give you full partime, I hope to illustrate more fully what I see

I remain, yours, &c.,

PENNSYLVANIA COLONIZATION SOCIETY. The Rev. A. T. McGill, D. D., Professor in the Theological Seminary at Princeton, N. J., will deliver the annual discourse before the Pennsylvania Colonization Society, in the Presbyterian Church on Arch street, above Tenth, (Rev. Dr. Wadsworth, pastor,) on Sunday evening, 27th inst., at 7½ o'clock.

HONOR TO WHOM HONOR IS DUE. PHILADELPHIA.

[THE following letter, from the father of a New York volunteer, who is one among the vast number entertained at our Volunteer Refreshment Saloon, has appeared in at least two of our N. Y. exchanges.

As a parent, I desire to make acknowlegments in behalf of a large family circle here, and of two beloved sons in Company F, of 48th New York Voiunteers, one of whom, on reaching Washington, wrote me of his journey thus:

"From Bordentown we went to Camden, and then put on our knapsacks, and went on board body," the tendency is to the dying out of the the ferry-boat for a city that I never will forget in all my life-it was Philadelphia. After we had crossed the ferry, we were taken to a large storehouse, where, on the first floor, the ladies of the city (God bless them!) have fitted up a dining-room, so that no regiment may leave the proof of this, to us novel fact, in our own Philadelphia hungry. You'd better believe it experience, and are inclined to attribute it rater, and coffee, and they were all fresh, and

Persist in your labor of love, gentle ladies, and the invocations of many a satisfied soldier, and of grateful parents and friends, will arise to heaven to descend with blessings on your hearts WM. P. LYON.

New York, Oct. 1, 1861

News of our Church.

LETTER FROM WESTERN NEW YORK.—DRY-

Amid the exciting news of these war times, a is rebuked for preaching in his fast-day discourse, word from Western New York may be interest- doctrine which would tend to make this an antiing to your readers. Our quiet village is doing slavery war; "a war to subvet the Constitution." its part for the defence of the country. Men As if the depriving of rebels against the Constiare going by scores, if not by hundreds, from tution, of rights under the Constitution, subverted among us to fight for freedom. Our military it! Then is the blockade a subversion of the depot is Cortland, about ten miles east of here | Constitution, to say nothing of seizures of pro-Colonel Green's Regiment is fast filling up, and perty and the suspension of the habeas corpus act, the women here are actively engaged in making constantly occurring. These inconsistencies are articles for the comfort of the troops at this pitiful and damaging to the character of the point, and also for head-quarters. The crops in Review. We are heartily glad there is salt this region have been abundant, and the fine autumn weather keeps our pastures still green. Corn and other crops are nearly all secured. All seem confident that the Union will be preserved, and are laboring to do it. The cause of Christ also is remembered with lively interest. The Presbyterian house of worship, Rev. A. McDougall's, is nearly enclosed. It is virtually to be a new house. The old edifice was stripped to the frame, the steeple moved, twenty feet added to sermon contains a denial of the true and proper the front and a spire built on the corner. The style is entirely changed, and a beautiful Romanesque structure, forty-five by seventy-five feet, now rises to the view. A lecture room is to be built on the rear this fall.

God has blessed this people during the past year with a precious revival of religion. Sixtyfive have united with the church on profession of their faith in Christ, nearly half of them heads of families. Under these encouraging of whose legacies the preacher was living, did not cfroumstances, the people of God said. "We will arise to build." The church now numbers about 250 members, and is a very interesting field of labor. It has also a flourishing Sabbath School. and bids fair to be a large and growing congregation. It is connected with Cortland Presbytery, and as that body meets here next December, we hope by that time to be ready to dedicate said house to the worship of Almighty God.

CALIFORNIA. - The church in Mendocino have given a call to Rev. D. McClure, and we are glad to learn that the call has been accepted. and Mr. McClure has commenced his work as pastor. Few churches in this State have shown more life and appreciation of church privileges than our brethren in Mendocino. Although without a pastor since their organization, now upwards of a year, they have held together, under all discouragements, and at last have secured the services of a true, earnestness, and no doubt one who will prove to them a most successful pastor.

CLERICAL CHANGES.—Rev. R. W. Landis. late of Somerset, Ky., may be addressed for the present at Danville, in the same State, where he proposes to remain and share the fate of the Union cause. Mr. Isaac Clark, late of Andover Seminary, has received a unanimons call to settle as pastor of the Second Church in Elmira, N. Y. Rev. Andrew Huntington, late of Syracuse, Onondaga county, N. Y., has removed to Freehold, Monmouth county, N. J. The Presbytery of Utica, at a late meeting, dissolved at their request, the pastoral relation between Rev. J. W. Whitefield and the Congregational church at Theories of Messianic Prophecy by Prof. S. C.

SYNOD OF ONONDAGA.—This body held its It reviews past theories, which are mainly rejectannual meeting October 8th at Binghampton. ed, and comes back to that which regards the Rev. S. B. Canfield, D. D., of Syracuse, preached two dispensations as organically connected in 2 the opening sermon. By a coincidence the As- great and prevailing typical relation. This theory sociation of New York and Brooklyn met in the "finds one continuous scheme of God running Congregational Church at Binghampton at the unbroken through the two dispensations, of which same time. The two bodies celebrated the Lord's the earlier portion sustains a pre-ordained paral-Supper, and held other devotional services to- lelism to the later, being typical, or rather repregether. Synod is to meet next year on the 2d sentative, of it." This view, which is substan-Tuesday of September at Cortland.

THE Narrative of Religion speaks of revivals others, it is claimed, (and we believe it,) will be of great power in the churches of Virgil, Cin- found more successful in removing the difficulcinnatus, and Dryden. Reference is also made | ties which students of Scripture have ever found to the gift of the late Peter Douglas, of Sennett. | in the references of New Testament writers to of ten thousand dollars to Auburn Theological prophecies and other passages in the Old. Seminary, and ten thousand dollars to the Trustees of the Presbyterian House, Philadelphia, besides making both residuary legatees.

SYNODICAL ACTION.—The Synod of Utica has pasted a resolution expressing satisfaction at the appointment of Dr. Kendall as Secretary of entertaining, and valuable collection of Music-Home Missions, and pledging him their cordial sacred and secular, by those experienced and juco-operation. This Synod and that of Onondaga | dicious teachers and publishers, Lowell Mason appointed the stated clerks of the Presbyteries & WM. MASON. Its range being so varied-it as committees to look after the interests of Fo- in fact contains two books in one.—will not fail reign Missions within the bounds of the Synods. to make it popular; and yet the presence of a APPOINTED CHAPLAIN .-- We understand that

the Rev. D. G. Mallery has been offered the Chaplainey of Colonel Hartranft's Regiment, and that he will accept the position .- Norristown

by the AMERICAN TRACT SOCIETY of nearly The friends of Africa are invited to be present that the Rev. Dr. Kendall has accepted the office of General Secretary of the Home Missionary jailor of his house, and the turnkey of his wealth.

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THE BIBLICAL REPERTORY AND PRINCETON REVIEW, of the present month, draws largely upon the metaphysical works of Drs. Hickork and Squier, of our church, for topics, and tries to discover in the latter, and in some other developments of doctrine further North, the germs of an American Essays and Reviews. We sincerely hope the cannonade of the Reviewer will not precipitate such an infliction upon the Ame. rican Church before its time. He thinks, how. ever, that in the "New School Presbyterian peculiarities of the "system known as New Diri nity." Indeed he "rejoices to believe" that this tendency in our body "has for some time been most active and powerful." Certainly we feel like rubbing our eyes and looking around us for was very acceptable, and that we are of it with ther to the kindlier eye and improved judgment good-will. There were boiled ham, smoked beef, of the reviewer, in respect to the adherents of cheese, tomatoes nicely cut up, bread and but- the "New Divinty." At which we also reioice. "American Nationality" is a wholesome, vigorous, good, and abundant; and we had plenty of good patriotic essay, in support of the great idea of water, which is what we cannot get in this far- national, as against State, sovereignty. It is famed city of Washington." Good for Phila- with pleasure we read in the Princeton organ such words as the following: "Slavery will no more predominate and rage in our national councils; and surely it is not too much to expect that through this life and death struggle between slavery and freedom, the providence of God will open some way for the deliverance of the slave." Yet. in the last but one of the book notices, the Assembly

is condemned for allowing itself to be driven, by the patriotic spirit aroused within and around it to transcend the limits of its constitutional authority, by pronouncing upon the question of allegiance, as between the State and the nation: DEN, N. Y., October 12th, 1861.-Mr. Editor: and the highly conservative Dr. Lord, of Buffalo, enough, even among the conservative men of this Church, to repudiate the noxious doctrines of Dr. Hodge's protest, which still linger in the Review like dead flies in the anothecarie's ointment.

Messrs. Ticknor & Fields have just published in their usual tasteful style, the Sermons preached by President WALKER, late of Harvard College, in the chapel of that Institution. With a sort of parade of heretical opinion, the very first divinity of the Mediator: "The Bible never speaks of his being God and man at the same time," says this religious teacher of youth in old Harvard. We must suppose that Dr. Walker never compared John i, 1 with John i. 14; or that his Bible which "never speaks," etc., does not contain those verses. We must also suppose that the incongruity of these opinions with those of the founders of the institution, on the income strike him as remarkable. For the rest, there are many wholesome lessons conveved to the student in a simple, perspicuous and agreeable style, though there is the almost inevitable feebleness which marks all efforts to convince and persuade men which are off of the massive foundations of Evangelical truth. For sale by J. B. LIPPINсотт & Со.

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There is a very valuable editorial on "German Treatises on Moral Philosophy," and Rev. David C. Scudder completes his "Sketch" of the Philosophy of the Hindus.

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one hundred pieces, chiefly well-known hymns, with a considerable number of the old version of the Psalms. The latter feature will adapt it to a Constitution, which we have yet seen, is the Fastwant much felt by the pious soldiers of the Re- Day Sermon of Rev. A. L. Stone, D. D., of Park formed and United Presbyterian Churches, whose | Street Church, Boston, on the DIVINENESS OF scruples forbid the use of any other compositions Human Government, published by Henry