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Religious Intelligence.

Presbyterian. Rev. William M. Scott, D. D.—It is with sincere sorrow that we announce the decease of Rev. William M. Scott, D. D., Professor in the Northwestern Presbyterian Theological Seminary at Chicago.

Rev. Wm. Bowers, the first English Lutheran minister that ever labored in Nova Scotia, died on the 22d of last December, aged forty-four years.

Rev. D. Toed, Methodist chaplain of the Forty-sixth Illinois Regiment, recently visited the principal centres from which the volunteers had gone for the purpose of procuring a chapel-ten for his soldiers.

Rev. Charles Wadsworth, D. D.—The Presbyterian says: "The Rev. Charles Wadsworth, D. D., pastor of the Arch street church, Philadelphia, has received a unanimous call from the members of the church in San Francisco, Cal., to the church in which the Rev. Dr. William A. Scott formerly ministered."

Methodist. Some of the Canadian journals, says the Canada Guardian (Methodist), as well as some of those in the United States, are raked in their efforts to invade the British and American Governments in a war.

The California Conference embraces 83 ministers, 3705 members, and 547 congregations, making a total of 4,120 of an increase of 246 members, and deducting a decrease of 120 congregations, a net increase of 185.

Baptist. The Publication Society and Slavery

The Publication Society and Slavery—An attractive Pamphlet of some seventy pages has been placed in our hands, bearing the imprint of the American Baptist Publication Society.

Thus the American Baptist Publication Society, already on record as to her position, gives in clear and earnest tones her convictions and her policy on this momentous subject.

Rev. Wm. B. Baum has accepted a unanimous call from St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, York, Pa., recently under the care of Rev. Dr. Oswald, and will enter on his new field of labor with the beginning of this year.

President Brooks, of the Hamline University located at Red Wing, Minnesota, writes: "More than fifty come connected with the school, are now in the different regiments of the State."

Mr. Barram has tendered the use of the lecture room of his Museum in the Christian Alliance of New York for a union prayer-meeting on the last night of the year.

Williams of Eromanga.—Rev. T. S. Williams has been ordained as assistant minister of the congregational chapel, Rocking, England.

Rev. Dr. John M. McAuley, has retired from the editorship and proprietorship of the Protestant Churchman, and it has passed into the hands of a company, who will have the appointment of the editor for the future.

THE GOVERNMENT. The Senate and House on Monday, Dec. 23d.

The Senate and House on Monday, Dec. 23d, had under consideration bills providing that no assistance shall be given by the army in the recovery of fugitive slaves, and punishing those who engaged in a favorable vote was had upon the measure in the House.

At the Philadelphia Navy Yard, 2715 workmen are employed, an increase of 284 since Nov. 15th. Two vessels, the Monongahela and the Junia, sloops of war, are in process of building.

In Northern Missouri, on the 20th December, by a concerted move, the North Missouri Railroad was torn up in a number of places, and tanks and stations destroyed, so far, for the time being, under the road used through the country.

St. Louis, Dec. 27.—The following is a resume of the recent military operations in Missouri, obtained from a reliable source. Within the last two weeks the Federal Army had captured 2,500 rebels, including about 70 commissioned officers, 1,200 horses and mules, 1,100 stand of arms, two tons of powder, 100 wagons, an immense amount of commissary stores and camp equipment.

The Rev. Dr. A. A. Lipscomb, well known as one of the most prominent ministers of the Methodist church, is now captain of the Carroll Guards, a military company from Louisiana, in the rebel service.

Foreign Relations. A United Party Meeting at Exeter Hall took place on the 12th ult. Hon. and Rev. Baptist Noel and other ministers participated in the proceedings.

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War preparations continued. By the Niagara, with Liverpool dates to the 15th, we have as follows:—

Two battalions of the Guards were expected to sail on the 18th in the Adriatic and Parana. No cavalry or horse artillery will be dispatched for Canada till spring.

Several public meetings have been held in Ireland, at which resolutions were passed declaring the impossibility of Ireland, with her personal relations to the United States, remaining an indifferent spectator of the struggle between England and America.

Mount Vesuvius is in a state of eruption, and volcanic phenomena in the vicinity of Naples are advancing. Two thousand prisoners are in the hands of our army in Missouri.

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