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THE PRAYER MEETING of our churches will be held this (Thursday) afternoon at OLIVET CHURCH. 22d and Mount Vernon Sts. at 4 o'èlock.

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY. --- Rev. Dr. Brainerd will preach his Twenty-fifth Anniversarv Sermon in Pine Street Church, on Sabbath morning next. All who have been members of his old age by his king to change his religion, Pine' Street Church for the last quarter of a - century are especially invited.

TO LIVE IS OHRIST : TO DIE IS GAIN.

THERE is a mine of Christian morals in these words. They comprehend a great part of Christian teaching and consolation. They reveal to and pursuits, --- but by the power of the truth which us the secret of that balance of mind which is the Christian's prerogative in view of life and in death. How calmly will such men meet all death alike. They are the statement of two the perils of the battlefield; will move, without practical elements of truth which sway the Chris- the need of an insane and blinding excitement, tian's thoughts and conduct, and correct two op- to the imminent deadly breach; will not only rosing morbid tendencies which rule in the heathen world.

All understand something of the natural horror of death. The good Judson felt it, when, in the jungles of Siam, he dug his own grave, and meditated by its open mouth day by day, in order to chastise his own fears and nerve himself to his fate. Men and women, too, have learned, without the influences of the Gospel, under the power of a great passion, when patriotism summoned them, when borne along by the thirst of military glory, when schooled by the inhuman teachings of superstition, or by a petrifying yet lotty system of philosophy, to lay aside the fear of death and to give their lives a sacrifice. This has been done calmly, deliberately, as well as passionately and without thought, by men who had not a ray of authentic evidence for the future. The world's catalogue of heroes would be not a little abbreviated, if we cut off the instances of noble self-sacrifice even unto death, furnished by heathen annals. But the tendency of heathen teachings, moralities, and superstitions went beyond this. They drove their har less victims and votaries into the excess of despising life. They created an insane admiration for the man who could not only look death in the face, but who dared to invoke it with his reckless and the clamorous, whose courage perprerogative of Providence, and crowned them as horoes alike, when they perished at Marathon and Thermopylæ, as when they fell on their own swords at Philippi. Plato's Dialogue on the Immortality of the Soul was perused by Cato before he performed the same act at Utica. We know, too, how an infidel philosophy has predisposed the French people to this fearful practice, so that suicide sometimes prevails like an epidemic among the populations of the principal cities. And a writer in one of the earlier volumes of the Presbyterian Quarterly Review, gives a most graphic and appalling account of the prevalence of suicide among the Japanese. " Of all regions under heaven." says this writer. "snicide revels and holds carnival in Japan. Nowhere is the instinctive love of life more easily overborne by the sentiment of honor, the hope of posthumous fame, or the eager desire for immortality: Some cause themselves to be walled up in mountain caves, where they perish of starvation. Some resort to a particular rock, overhanging a dizzy precipice with deep caverns at its base, and then, calling loudly on their God, take their final leap, as they suppose, into Paradise. Others still of these martyrs, embark by companies in a vessel, each with a large stone about his neck, and proceed out into the harbor, leaving their benedictions with the people who line the shore in crowds to witness the ceremony. On reaching a convenient distance they scuttle the junk, and as she gradually sinks, they chant together the praises of their God." We hear, too, among those who profess to be Christians, of a weariness and an actual impatience of life, which has too much of repining in it, to be regarded as springing from an evangelical root. It is rather like Job's loathing of life and anxiety for death, in which he is by no means to be regarded as a model. Yet of Job it must be said, that he was still clearly superior to the heathen in his morality, for in all his misery, and notwithstanding he preferred strangling to life, there is not a hint of having recourse to suicide as a release from his sad condition. But where in all heathen example or teaching, or even in Old Testament biography, do we find an exhibition of true, healthful, exalted heroism, like this of Paul, the prisoner of Nero, in his letter to the faithful Philippians? Looking the prospect of a cruel martyrdom-of being "butchered to make a Roman holiday,"-in the face without quivering or momentary hesitancy, fully propared to go, knowing that to depart and be with Christ is far better, glowing with calm rapture at the prospect, he yet masters the strong flutterings of his eagle soul upwards, and gives play to the equally strong interest which he feels in the grand work of establishing the Church of Christ among men. Paul the aged, a veteran in a most toilsome and perilous service, a daily martyr for Christ, laboring as a handicraftsman to eke out drawn, or the articles of union substantially vathe scanty subsistence furnished by the preaching of the Gospel, he who might well have been nardoned for regarding his work as done, and approaching bliss, nobly nerves himself to new field upon him, and settles down in the conviction that to abide in the flesh is more needful for

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A state of mind so poised, so unperturbed, is favorable to clearness of view and soundness of judgment, and might really have aided Paul, aside from inspiration, in coming to the confident conclusion that he was to remain. In case of a very sick person, it would doubtless be a highly favorable condition of mind for the application of remedies. We are sure that any intelligent physician will tell you that he prefers to deal with a patient composed and steadied in mind by Christian sentiments at once so elevated and so calming. They are like some refreshing draught that quickens without exciting the system. \$8 50 But how infallibly will such hopes and views 8 00 produce true courage! And who, in the cause of justice and of freedom, will make a better soldier than he who has caught the spirit of Paul's letter to the Philippians? Is it any wonder that such heroes were nursed into being by Christianity as those famous. Huguenot Generals and Commanders, whose prowess made France-ungrateful France-of the seventeenth century famous? One of whom received no less than sixty wonnds, losing a leg, an arm and an eye, his own strong heart remaining untouched; and another, a famous conqueror, on being strongly urged in

> answered nobly, showing his grey hair: "For sixty years I have rendered unto Cæsar the things which I owe to Cæsar; permit me now, Sire, to render unto God the thing which I owe to God." And there are brave men enlisted in the present conflict, made such by no familiarity with scenes of carnage,-for they are men of peaceful natures teaches them to live for Christ, and to expect gain command, but lead their men fearlessly, whereever duty summons, though they fall as did Hedley Vicars almost with the word of command on his lips: "This way 97th!"

We happen to know of a Christian Captain who put his hundred in the field at the massacre of Ball's Bluff. and who nerved his men, many of whom were Christians, as they formed upon the edge of the bluff, and realized the desperate nature of the work before them, by words of manly Christian exhortation, and then led them forward. and after losing many of them, himself fell, seriously wounded, upon the body of the preacher-Colonel, which he was endeavoring to rescue. On a previous occasion he, with his company, formed part of a detachment which met the enemy near Fairfax Court-house. At the first fire many of the company fled, but were afterwards rallied, and all behaved well. On returning to his tent and reflecting on the occurrence, he remembered that of those sixteen or seventeen who never wavered from the first. every one was a professed Christian. It may yet visibly appear that our salvation in battle, and through this great conflict, rests not with bold bad men, not with the profane, the own arm. They goaded men to assuming the ceptibly oozes away as they draw near the actual scene of conflict. but. under God. with those leaders and men who are calmed, and nerved, and steadied by the Pauline balance of thought, by the wonderful wisdom of the consolations of Scripture, by Christ the end of living and the gain of dying. The fate of the republic may be seen to turn, in some decisive conflict, cn the practical power of this high lesson of Christian morality.

quently passed in the two bodies, respectively, and ordered to be duly signed and forwarded.

L. MERRILL MILLER, Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Ogdensburgh. B. B. BECKWITH. Stated Clerk of the St. Lawrence Presbytery N.B.-It is well to add that after action in the above joint meeting, the corresponding members asked the privilege of voting, which being granted, they unanimously voted in its favor.

L. M. M. B. B. B. Now, if our "O. S." brethren really desire union, (we think we have already shown our readiness for such a result,) let them follow the example initiated by the Presbytery of Ogdensburgh, between this and the time of the meeting of the two Assemblies. They may be assured

that all the Catholic feeling, all the horror of them to respond with the same promptitude and cordiality which are manifested by the Presbyterv of St. Lawrence. We look with some anxiety and some doubt we confess, for such a general movement.

A SABBATH FOR THE CLERGY.

The Independent, in an article on the proposed course of sermons to be preached from the pulpits of New York on the observance of the Sabbath. has the following paragraph : "Some attention | should be given to one of the most oppressed and Sabbath-ridden of all classes-ministers of the this day of rest ! Rest ?-- Why, half the ministers sat up half the night of Saturday to prepare their two sermons; they rose on Sunday with throbbing temples; they wrought in their studies till the bell's toll; they officiate in the most exhausting services for an hour and a half. They rest one or two hours, and then return, for another exhausting service of like duration ; and at evening, being now strung up to the highest nervous tension, conduct an evening prayer-meeting, or perhaps preach a third time. Then the man

lies awake all night, sleeps a few hours on Monday morning, and on Monday afternoon or Tuesvalue of the works of this city, at the present the Jubilee Orator. day wakes up in the purgatory of ministers' Blue time. Notwithstanding all this expense, surveys Monday! This is charmingly entitled a Day of are now being made by one of the most eminent Rest! And like to it is the service of many a hydraulic engineers of that country, for bringing man and woman, overtasked in brain and nerve in a supply of water, to be collected in the mounall the week, and then, on the day of Rest, worktains of Wales. Water collected in the same ing harder than any other day of the seven! The manner; viz: from hills, is now supplied to the fact is, that church labors are so arranged that cities of Manchester and Liverpool, the superior the overworked are taxed still more, and the inquality of which, as well as the abundant and dolent do nothing at all. They rest who should constant supply, has induced London to look to work; and they work who should rest. There is a vast amount of pulpit desecration of the Sab bath, and Sunday-school violation of God's laws of rest, and of church disregard of a Christian observance."

so distant and expensive a source. Water collected from the surface of hills not cultivated. and distant from cities and large towns, will be

almost absolutely free from mineral and organic impurities. Indeed there is no other source

THE CITY WATER DEPARTMENT.

expense? Indirectly every mouthful we eat is WE have received from the Chief Engineer, taxed. our babies wear taxed caps and shoes, our Mr. Birkinbine, a copy of his ANNUAL REPORT

boys write on taxed paper, our girls wear taxed as presented to Councils, January 16th. It calicoes, our men do a taxed business, and hopeshows commendable zeal and forethought in the lessly ride in a taxed hearse to a taxed grave, and very important matters of guarding the purity we, forsooth, are hurting 'the cause' if we dare and providing for the sufficiency of the water to turn from Messrs. Mason and Slidell to look supply of this great sity for the present, and the at the country we were born and bred in, and future. The improvements made and now having looked, we are hurting the cause if we making, particularly under the present Chief

dare tell what we see. Engineer, are of the most substantial and impor-Our cause is right, it is holy. Our suffering

tant character. At Fairmount, huge pumps and may be God's price of success, but who, seeing turbine wheels are being introduced, doubwhat might have been, and knows what is being ling the capacity of the works, and securing our suffered through its being undone, can refrain increased population the same abundant, pure, from cursing the selfishness or idiocy that stopped and cheap supply of water for which of old our the conquering Beauregard, that arrested the cleanly city has been famous. Our property march of Price, that checked the gallant Jackson. owners scarcely feel the burden of a water tax, We have gazed imploringly on the lion, while schism, and all the piety of our people will lead yet the total nett earnings of the works for the the fox has been weaving his toils. Our press past four years have been nearly a million and a and our people have trusted far enough. We half. The total supply from all the works for now ask, are we to continue hemmed in for the year past is 7,596,079,938 gallons, an average another six months, and lack all things, or shall of 20,728,985 gallons per day. Various imour armies on to Washington, and lack nothing? provements are proposed by the Chief Engineer;

new and deeper reservoirs for storage and subsidence, (at present there is capacity for only two to four days supply in the reservoirs,) more com-

We learn from the catalogue for 1861-62, that plete arrangements for distribution, changes in the large number of one hundred and ninety-two the Kensington works (which have always been a students are enrolled. Among these there are grievous exception to the general excellence of some non-attendants, duly noted, including 10 the arrangements,) aller which would at once volunteers in the State or National service. prove remunerative. It is also suggested, in Hamilton College is an honor to our denominaview of the probability of the Schuykill water tion, and we take pleasure in recommeding it to Gospel! It seems like a perpetual sarcasm to becoming in the course of time unsuited for parents seeking a place of training for their sons hear these overworked men thanking God for drinking purposes, that surveys be made with a The faculty is full, the branches of instrucview to procuring a supply from that purest of tion varied, the scientific department includes a all sources, surface drainage. Upon this point telescope of large size, mounted and furnished we quote the language of the report : ed with the necessary apparatus for accurate "The London water companies were, a few observations, a stimulus to effort is furnished in various prizes, and the best influences are exyears ago, forced by acts of Parliament to remove ercised in the training of the intellect by the use their works from that part of the Thames affected by the sewage of the city, to a point higher up of the Bible as a regular text book with Barnes the river and above the city. They were also notes and other approved commentaries. The required to construct extensive subsiding reser- 50th anniversary of the College, will be celebravoirs, and filter beds. A much greater sum of ted by the Society of the Alumni, on Wednesday money was expended upon these alterations and before the commencement, July 16, by a dinner improvements, than would represent the entire and appropriate addresses. President Fisher is

PROGRESS OF THE WAR.

HAMILTON COLLEGE.

Burnside's Expedition has been delayed by succession of forgy and stormy weather and one of the transports, the propeller New York was lost about the 15th, with all her cargo by striking on the bar at Hatteras. Other mishaps are reported involving additional loss both of men and vessels but as yet they lack official confirmation and do not in any wise interfere with the progress of the Expedition.

The rebels have awaked to the consciousnes of their terrible defeat at Somerset and are filled

an end of the farce there being enacted at our zeal and prayerfulness, and soon there began to be heard among the impenitent, the anxious inquiry, "What must we do to be saved ?".....The daily inquiry meeting was well attended from its first appointment, as also the preaching services, every afternoon and evening, and three times on the Sabbath. At the conclusion of the special the labors and fruits of this good work, and now a great and blessed change is apparent in this community. There has been no excitement. The truth has been forcibly preached, and Christians have been urged to a faithful performance of their duty at home, and in their several neighborhoods, and sinners have been taught that it begin to serve him. To God be all the glory.

> paratively noiseless, is nevertheless very solemn, impressive, and efficient. A note from the minister now supplying there, says,-

"There is good reason to believe that more than twenty precious souls have been converted-and still the work goes on."

Ministerial Changes .- Rev. C. Chester is about removing from Geneva, to Havana, N. Y., to take charge of the church there.

Rev. Frederick Starr. Jr., has received an unanimous call to the pastorate of the First Presbyterian church, Penn Yan, N. Y. Mr. Starr has for some years been a secretary of education and financial agent of Auburn Theological Seminary, and it is but just to say that that eminent school of the prophets has been largely benefited by his efficient labors.--Ibid.

New Qublications.

The Bibliotheca Sacra for January, opens with learned and able discussion of the difficult subject of Christ's preaching to the spirits in prison. After disposing of current interpretations (especially the one which involves the notion of 16mo, 302 pp. Phila.: T. B. Peterson & Bro. an intermediate state, on which the argument is

The second series of Horatio Bonar's Hymns one of great value and conclusiveness), the author, of Faith and Hope, has been issued in elegant Rev. James B. Mills, propounds as a solution, and substantial style, by Carter & Bro. It con-"the natural effect which the completion of tains a large number of pieces devotional, scrip-Christ's atoning work and his entrance into tural, descriptive; with several translations of glory would have upon the lost spirits shut old Greek and Latin Hymns. Original and up in the prison house of doom. We have good striking in thought, clear, vigorous, and somereason to suppose," he adds, that " the spirits in times highly melodious in style, the experimenprison' were cognizant of this stapendous event, tal Christian will recognize under the poetic the consummation of which even inanimate na- dress, many a precious thought or suggestion, ture, by the most striking phenomena acknow- and be conscious of many a reviving and encouledged." The allusion of the sacred writer to ring impulse in the perusal of the volume. Some Noah is, however, not explained in this otherise acceptable interpretation. Article II, is as "Lucy." "Sunrise and Sunset." are found in the first of a series on slavery in its relations to the collection and "Memories of the East," is a the Bible, the State, and the Church. It is a charming companion of travel in the Holy Land. translation from the German of Saalschutz, on For sale by C. S. Luther 1334 Chestnut street. Hebrew Servitude, with remarks chiefly upon John Brent, is the title of the second of the the pretext of race, set up by American defendlate Theodore (Adjutant) Winthrop's posthuers of slavery, by Prof. Barrow, of Andover. mous works, issued by Ticknor & Co., Boston. It Prof. R. P. Dunn, of Brown University, gives a is a finely written and deeply interesting story of free translation from the German of an article on adventure in California and on the Plains, not to the celebrated Tubingen Historical School. Dr. speak of other countries, in which the odious Pond. of Bangor, furnishes a life of Erasmus, character of Mormonism is forcibly exhibited. based upon Jortin and a very instructive monoand the peculiar scenery of that vast central regraph in the London Quarterly for 1859. We gion of our Continent depicted. Winthron's are astonished to see an article furnished by the lively sympathy with animal life. has prompted Professor of a Baptist institution, on Close Comhim to some of the most intensely exciting demunion, being an elaborate defence of that scriptions of equestrian performances that we odious and unchristian article of the creed of have ever read. Horses and their fates are prosome churces, which so far forfeit the title of ment parts of the stirring story. It is to our Evangelical. We deem it just cause of commind a better, healthier book than Cecil Dreeme. plaint against the excellent Quarterly before us, For sale by J. B. Lippincott & Co. that it has yielded space to the defence of a The Martyrs of the Muting has also been redogma so groundless and so repugnant to the real spirit of the Gospel. Prof. Park gives a issued in portable form with flexible covers, by valuable and timely article on the Imprecatory our Publication Committee, with the laudable Psalms, which both give and receive light in the object of furnishing our volunteers with suitable crisis through which we are passing. Professor and attractive reading matter. This story of Hackett comments on the -received English violence and persecution, and heroic daring, and translation of some passages in Galatians. Lite- Christian endurance, is eminently appropriate to rary notices follow. this design, and we hope our friends will use every effort to promote its circulation. The price As a text book in Church History we know o is 30 cents, or four copies for a dollar. For sale nothing on the whole equal to the work of by C. S. Luther, 1334 Chestnut street. KURTZ, now complete by the issue of the second Midnight Chimes .- Three brief tracts by the part, which includes the Great Reformation. and author of Memorials of Captain Vicars, are pubcomes down to our own time. It is a happy comhished together under this title, or separately bination of brevity and fullness, and is suited to (Midnight Chimes; Brave, Kind, and Happy purposes of instruction as well as the enlighten-Ready;) very evangelical in their tone, and suited ment of the general reader. The Reformation admirably for distribution among the soldiers. in all the countries in Europe is described, with By Carter & Bros., New York. For sale by its attendant "deformation" in the Anabaptists C. S. Luther, 1334 Chestnut street. and other sects, and the Counter-Reformation in the Church of Rome. This heroic period in the We have received a copy of Charles Stokes' Illus History of the Church is succeeded, after a time, trated Continental Almanac for 1862, containing by the advent of Rationalism-a phenomenon of extracts from the Regulations of the U.S. Army deep and painful interest, here carefully proand other important matter, beautifully illustrated traved from root to branch. The state of reliwith 18 figures of Soldiers of different ranks in gion in our own country is also described, includ- full costnme, printed in oil colors, making a ing Revivals, -which are considered almost excluvery handsome and valuable book. It is issued sively American, and not very favorably regard- by Charles Stokes, the eminent clothier, under ed,-and Mormonism. The book is not free from the Continental Hotel, Philadelphia. faults. as the successful editor and translator. The last two numbers of the Pulpit and Ros Dr. Bomberger, frankly admits. As a Lutheran, trum, contain the Address of Henry Winter Prof. Kurtz, has exalted the share of Luther Davis before the Mercantile Library Association in the Reformation, in a disproportionate manner, of Brooklyn on the Southern Rebellion, and the giving Calvin but a moderate space, and speak-Constitutional powers of the Republic for its ing of Lutheran "Orthodoxy" in contrast with suppression, and Wendell Philips' Lecture on the ." Reformed Theology." The value of the the War for the Union. This valuable work is work is great, notwithstaning these defects. It a monthly serial, published by E. D. Barker. keeps the reader thoroughly posted upon the New York, price 10 cents. contemporaneous history of the Romish Church, The American Theological Review has artiof which, from other sources, we know but little. cles on the Theology of Emmons, from which we We commend the two volumes now issued most made an extract in a recent number; The Anteheartily to the public. In less than 1000 pages Nicene Trinitarianism : Memorial of the Amethe whole history of the Church-that standing rican Board ; The two Schools of Philosophy,miracle of Providence-is clearly, piously, and a vigorous defence of Dr. Hickok, by Tayler instructively told. Published and for sale by Lewis, from the late assault in the Princeton Lindsay & Blakiston, Philadelphia. Review; Gardiner Spring and Brick Chuch Professor Robbins is at the work of editing New York; The Beauty of Holiness; Theolo and re-issuing the valuable exegetical works of gical and Literary Intelligence; Literary and Stuart. The Commentary on Ecclesiastes has Critical notices of Books; Statistics and Church The Knickerbocker for February, brings Kim ball's startling tale of New York Commercial Life, Revelations of Wall Street, nearly to a close. The whole work will be published early in February. New York, J. R. Gilmore.

invited to preach at the beginning of that week. | works of his pen bid fair to endure the competi-Christians confessed their sins, and renewed their tion of newer works for a long time. Andover. Warren F. Draper. Philadelphia, Smith. English & Co.; large 12mo. pp. 346. Price \$1.25. The Smitten Household, or Thoughts for the Afflicted, is a choice collection of Discourses and

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Poetry, issued by that tasteful and judicious publisher of works for the Christian heart and household. A. D. F. Randolph, New York. services about one hundred converts were ad- Dr. S. I. Prime, furnishes a discourse on the dressed ! The Methodists have participated in Death of a Child; Dr. W. B. Sprague, on the Death of a Wife : Dr. Bethune, on the Death of a Husband; Dr. J. B. Waterbury, on the Death of a Parent; and Dr. C. M. Butler, on the Death of a Friend. The poetry comprises some of the very gems of thought and expression, including besides old authors, and rare anonymous pieces, some of great value by Whittier, Trench, Elizawas their duty immediately to submit to God, and | beth Barrett Browning, Pierpont, and others of later times. There are few families, alas! on In Fairbury Ills, and in Tecumseh Mich, much whose table it would not appropriately rest. interest prevails. In Hillsdale Mich., a revival 12mo, bevelled edges, pp. 259. For sale by has recently commenced, which, though com- Smith, English & Co., Philadelphia.

> The boldness, vigor, fresh humor, and fine rhetoric of Dr. O. W. Holmes, are manifest in his late Lecture before the Medical Class of Harward University on "Border Lines of Knowledge in some Provinces of Medical Science," and will secure him readers outside of the faculty. It is full of interesting facts gathered on the "border lines," and is altogether a readable and profitable treatise. Boston, Ticknor & Fields; Piladelphia. J.-B. Lippincott & Co.

We are pleased to see our early favorite in religious works for the young, Mr. J. S. C. Abbott, resuming his pen in the same important department of literary labor. His "Practical Christianity" for Young Men, just issued by Messrs. Harper & Bros., is written in the same illustrated familiar style, which made the "Child at Home," and other works so acceptable and so profitable. Examples of the value and reasonableness of early picty, the truth of the Bible, etc. are gathered from every department of history and age of man. It is a work eminently calculated to do good, and should be placed in the hands of every youth of twelve years and upwards.

property is generally in the control of those who been permitted or led to do? It is an old and vants in pointing sinners to the Lamb of God, just been issued in a book of considerably larger News. which remain. Therefore ever-proven traism, that when two nations are at and in reclaiming the wandering. For the last size than the original volume, though we do not Resolved, That having confidence in each movement here. Mr. Revel thought if one of war, that which has the deast means must find three weeks meetings have been held for mutual f c giving himself up to a holy contemplation of other's piety, orthodoxy, and patriotism, we de-sire to be united in one Presbytery, in one Synod, find that it contains any additional matter. The the buildings could be secured it should be done. success in early and rapid action, for it can gain exhortation and prayer, of a deeply solemn and character of the work is well known as the fruit labors, recognizing the unsatisfied claims of his I should say that if it is purchased it should be little by time, while the other finds in time the impressive character, and as the result, a number and in one General Assembly. of thought and ripe scholarship, and of the most given to the Vaudois Church. The cost will not power to bring into efficient use its more varied of souls have been hopefully converted to God. Resolved, That a copy of this paper be sent to careful consideration of the many difficult probe more than 2,500 or 3,000 francs, (\$500 or On the last Sabbath ten united with the Church. the two respective General Assemblies, and they blems presented in the book. The introduction them, and knows that he shall continue with \$600.) Can you not place that amount of money "Cabined, cribbed, confined as we were, and among whom were included the blooming youth be overtured to approve and adopt the same. The Princeton Review for January, contains discusses the question of authorship, in which them all for their furtherance and joy of faith. at my disposal for this object?" evidently would be, our shortest, clearest, and of eighteen years, and the greyhaired man of Resolved. That the above be signed by the of-Stuart is with the great body of modern exegetes, of Philip de Mornay; The Human Body as rearticles on God and Revelation; The Memoirs This is the sublime ideal presented by Christi- ficers of the meeting, and be published in The Dr. Baird writes us that the Soc most noble policy was to find in the rapid use of three score and ten, and a number of others are in a better state than it now is for doing a large our early revolutionary enthusiasm an over-inquiring what they must do to be saved." From Hengstenberg included, ascribing the work to an lated to Sanctification; Bilderdijk (the Dutch anity, equally removed from profane recklessness Presbyterian, the American Presbyterian, the work in South America and in Europe as well as match for the slower and less spirited, but more Guilford in the same State a correspondent age much more modern than that of Solomon. Poet); Are there too many Ministers? England The Commentary holds an honorable position and America. Litery Notices. and from fear. Christ to live for-Christ to go New York Observer, and The Evangelist. to at death; is a portion and a prospect which L. MERRILL MILLER, } Moderators. in our own country. All that is needed, with enduring North. Where shall we ask relief? writes : The attention of the Church was early makes us alike ready to go; and content to remain. among the various productions of Biblical scho. From Messrs. T. B. Peterson & Bro., we have God's blessing, is the funds requisite. Where should we ask it save in the camps on called to the appointment of the first week of De-J. WAUGH. ('hrist-this glorious, all sufficient, personal Re-deemer, in whom life and death are made one, B. B. BECKWITH, Secretaries. larship of our country and age. As the sainted author was among the pioneers of the historico-grammatical (i.e. common-sense) with d of in whom we have lavished four heart's blood, our cember by the General Assembly as a week of Minutes are but as drops to the ocean of eter- hopes, our wealth, our whole; where but upon prayer; and Rev. O. Parker, who has labored the banks of the Potomac? When will we see faithfully and successfully at various places, was terpretation of Scripture in this country, the circles. grammatical (i. e., common-sense) method of in- truth for a single day, in our social and business and life and death are ours ! Resolutions approving this action were subsolutions inty, yet they can never be recalled.

IMPORTANT ACTION.

THE following joint action of Presbyteries in our own and the other branch of the Church, is the most encouraging sign of union between the two branches that we have yet seen. We make bold to say that whenever "O. S." Presbyteries, generally, give such invitations and join with us in voting such resolutions, the substantial hindrances to union are removed, and the standing eproach of schism will be taken from our whole God. Church.-ED.

OGDENSBURGH, Jan'y 14, 1862. On the invitation of the Presbytery of Ogdensburgh (O.S.), the Presbytery of St. Lawrence (N.S.) met with them in the Presbyterian church in Ogdensburgh.

every evening."

THE AMERICAN AND FOREIGN OHBIS-TIAN UNION,

"There is another question of interest to the

A number of clergymen were present from other Bodies, who were invited to sit as corresponding members. Among them, were 'the following, viz :- Rev. F. De W. Ward, D.D., of Geresee River Presbytery ; Rev. F. E. Cannon, D. D., and Rev. B. H. Willoughby, of the Presbytery of Geneva; Rev. A. E. Campbell, D. D., and Rev. H. C. Riggs, of the Third Presbytery of New York; Rev. James Macaulay and Rev. W. J. Macdowell, of the Associate Presbytery of New York.

Rev. Mr. Waugh, of Canton, Moderator of St. Lawrence Presbytery, was invited to a seat with the Moderator of the Presbytery of Ogdensburgh, Rev. S. M. Miller. After brief religious exercises, the Hon. John Fine, offered the following paper, which was seconded by the Rev. B. B. Beekwith, and after amendment and free exprespects and represses my zeal. sion of opinion, was unanimously adopted.

At a joint meeting of the Presbytery of Ogwhere the evangehist and colporteur are, the numdensburgh, connected with the O.S. General Assembly and of the St. Lawrence Presbytery, ber of persons desiring to attend the services of connected with the N.S. General Assembly, held at Ogdensburgh, N. Y., January 14, 1862, ordinary room to be found there. One of the after a full and prayerful consultation upon the brethren from Port. Ferraio came to see me last condition of the Presbyterian Churches in the United States, it was resolved,

WHEREAS, The greater part of the churches and ministers, Presbyteries and Synods, in the the property of a widow who is well-disposed to-Southern and Southwestern States have withdrawn from the O.S. General Assembly; and the greater part of the Congregational churches and ministers on the Union of 1801, have withdifficulty in procuring a place of meeting, as cated :---It appears to us that a re-union of the Presbyterian Family should take place in those

from which water of such positive purity can be procured, not even from springs, for these are OHEERING NEWS.

rarely free from mineralization. The Depart-From the pastor of one of the principal ment is convinced that such sources of supply. churches of our Synod, outside of the city, we exist within moderate distance of this city, where have received the following hopeful and encouraging intelligence, under date of January the and eligible sites for store reservoirs can be procured, and water delivered to the City at such

"My hands and heart just now are full. The elevation as to make pumping unnecessary." harvest time is come, and the good seed of the It were to be wished that the services, of an word is bearing precious fruit. For more than officer so competent, so faithful, and whose exa month past. God has seemed to be drawing perience would prove so valuable to the city as nigh unto us, and calling his people to prayer that of Mr. Birkinbine, could be retained in and heart-searching. Since this year commenced spite of political revolutions. We do ourselves a great solemnity has been manifested in our incalulable injury by making the terms of such an assemblies. The week of prayer was observed, office dependent upon political opinions.

and though the services were not numerously attended, the spirit of them was good and hope-A ORY OF DESPAIR. ful. I appointed a meeting for inquirers on an evening of last week, and nearly thirty were pre-

THE failure to enlist England in their cause sent, of whom many now hope in Christ. Last through the capture of Mason and Slidell, the evening though very unpropitious, I appointed vast proportions of our armaments by land and an inquiry meeting and as many more came. A sea, and the tide of success which has now begun prayer meeting held at the same time, was to turn with the completion of our preparations, largely attended, and Christians are nobly coming have wrung a deep cry of despair from at least through the place of repentance to the work of one of the chief centres of the rebellion-Mam

phis. It is found in atrecent number of the "Pray for us my good brother. Preaching Argus of that city, and is a testimony to the wis dom and vigor of our administration, such as many of our own journals have until recently. hesitated to bestow. The extract also foreshadows the possibility of a counter-revolution against the rebel government, and reveals alto-gether a doleful prospect for the South.]--Ep. REV. ROBERT BAIRD, D. D. is again connected with this society as corresponding Secretary. A "Price is in full retreat southward. Price will great door for the gospel is now open in Italy. probably continue in full retreat for there are Rev. Edwin Hall writes from Florence, Nov. 18th several-indeed no less than three United States 1861, that " the work in the island of Elba is armies, each as large, better armed and better going on with much prosperity. There has been a little opposition there, but the result so far has equipped, converging upon him. His past victories have been rendered valueless. United been to awaken a deeper interest in the mission States forces have been massed in Kentucky too of the evangelist and colporteur now at work great for a man of Sydney Johnston's calibre to there. I have forwarded to the Island, from the venture to attack, and the paralyzing of Price depository of the British and Foreign Bible Sothrough the withdrawal of McCulloch has renciety in Leghorn, one hundred Bibles and two dered the overrunning of Missouri, to the Arhundred or more Testaments, and from the kansas frontier, an easy task to the United Tract depository belonging to the Scotch and States troops. We're forced back out of Mis-Waldensians, a large number of tracts suited to souri-checkmated in Kentucky. Chase has obthe wants of the people. Another workman is tained his money in Wall street. The blockade needed there ; but shall I have the means to emis unbreakable by us as yet. In one word, we're ploy him? is the question which darkens my preshemmed in. We've allowed the moment of vic-

tory to pass. We were so anxious watching the operations of England, that we stand aghast on people in Elba. In the city of Porto Ferraio, urning our eyes homeward again to find ourselves ten times worse of than we were ere the commencement of Prices last forward march, preaching and Bible-reading is greater than can and that accursedly used accommodated in the room now rented, or in any of Messrs. Mason and Shiell. sationism, the arrest "Day follows day, and in lieu of being weakened we find the United States armies, at all points,

week, and I invited Dr. Revel to meet him at my being strengthened; almost every article of house. It appears from his statement that there manufacturing and domestic necessity quadrupled are now for sale in Porto Ferraio two buildings. in price, and our money will soon be exceeding scarce, for lack of paper and pasteboard wherewards the Christians there, either one of which with to make it. We pay fifteen cents a piece Evangelist. From Valatia New York-Rev. Wm. could be used for their meetings. He and others for sperm candles, and we are told we ought to Whittaker writes : "Your numerous Christian

ith gloomy forebodings of the end

DELAWARE LOTTERIES.-We take pleasure in announcing the action of the House of Delegates now in Session at Dover, which by a vote of sixabundant gathering grounds, of sufficient area teen to five, passed a bill revoking the existing Lottery grant. This took place on Thursday the 23d. The Senate at last accouts had yet to act upon the bill.

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generous New Year's gift of twenty-five thousand dollars, from a liberal member of the Board of Trustees, to be applied on a permanent endowment fund. The college is in a prosperous condition, with between ninety and one hundred students, which number, though less than in preceding years, is a gratifying proportion considering the times. Those who wish to retrench expenses in the education of their daughters without diminishing their advantages, will do well to make themselves acquainted with this institution.-Evangelist. Revivals.-Encouraging indications are in

creasing in our churches. Besides the letter of a pastor in another column we find no fewer than five notices of a similar character in the last in the town are very desirous to obtain one of be glad to get them at that. Our twelve months readers will be glad to learn that the Lord has these buildings, inasmuch as there is often great soldiers' time will soon be up; and we cannot help graciously smiled upon the Presbyterian church asking, as they do themselves, what have they of this place, and blessed the efforts of his ser-

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