GENESEE EVANGELIST.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1863.

JOHN W. MEARS,

DAY OF PRAYER FOR COLLEGES &C .- Will be observed by our churches THIS DAY; by Union and at GREEN HILL CHURCH at 4 P.M.

THE CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE AMERICAN BOARD, for January amount to \$31,683,68; Legacies \$5,832,02. Total \$37,515,70. Since Sept. 1st. \$127,867,28. The largest contribution reported from any church during the month is that from the First Church in this city, reach-Twery nearly \$1900.

ROCHESTER CORRESPONDENT.—That import ant portion of our church and of the field of this newspaper, Central and Western New York, will, by leave of Providence, be hereafter regularly represented in our columns, by a competent and experienced writer, familiar with our church, and admirably situated to obtain information of value and interest, in that region. Our readers will not fail to notice his fresh and entertaining letter in another column, and will, doubtless agree with us in the opinion that he has struck the right key note in his "Introductory."

PRAYER FOR THE NATION.

WHILE the troubles of the nation multiply while faction threatens to extend the civil war, in which we are engaged, to the loyal States while Northern secessionists are plying every secret device to consummate the dismemberment of the Union, on a scale even more disastrous than that menaced by the South; and while foreign nations eagerly anticipate the utter ruin of the nation, American Christians should give of the parishioners; and any opinion I then ex. themselves to prayer. There ought to be an in- pressed was in favor of that petition being grant, crease of specific, united prayer for the nation, ed." in proportion to the increase of our perils. It is undoubtedly one of God's purposes, in allowing these troubles to be prolonged, to bring us to a some well-defined legal power in the appointment deeper, fuller sense of dependence upon Him for of their ministers. The general policy of the deliverance. He would have us wait upon Him Crown, according to Dr. Lee, and which h for the salvation of our country from dismember- thinks "just, expedient, and even necessary is; ment and ruin. He would have us expect from when there is not a substantial agreeement Him the success of every military movement and among the parties interested in the appointment every expedition for the suppression of the re- of a clergyman-to take the matter into the bellion. He would have us recognize in Him own hands, and to appoint a presentee whom no the Author, Friend and Supporter of every good party in the parish either favors or opposes." Government, and the just Judge of every transgressor against his Ordinance. He it is, who meeting at Dunbog, January 17th, when the stilleth the noise of the seas and the tumult of the parish church was again crowded, and a solicitor people, who delivered David from the strivings appeared in behalf of the presentee, as well as der him. If we are truly God's people, the dan- been appended, ("adhibited" is the technical gers which are thickening around us, must term employed,) to the call, and no one came Christian hearts to manifestations of sympathy tery addressed to the Congregation present.

of praying for the nation, for the Government, answer had as yet been received. if it was known that a certain portion of every of the parties in the parish." meeting would be devoted to the interests of the nation.

every city, town, and hamlet in the North.

ing person of small stature has been going in and self upon a people to whom he is obnoxious, in from mere appearances, and from his ecclesias- come out and hear Mr. Edgar when he preached He has now reached a world where he had gartical connections, one would have thought this in their church. modest Old School clergyman would, in spite of his Northern birth, have at least silently acquiethat a reasonable, not absolute unanimity, was isced in the rebellion, whose leading spirit came all the Government could have intended in its from the State of his abode at that time. It was not communication promising to listen to the voice surprising that a man of the vehement temper of of the Congregation. "The single dissentient Parson Brownlow should make himself conspi- in this matter is an heritor—one of the three cuous by his patriotism; but here is an indivi- heritors of the parish—who, as far as I am aware, dual whom we feel satisfied nothing but con- has never worshipped in this church at all. scentious convictions, and the pressure of a tre- Certainly, he is not upon the communion roll, mendous necessity, could have forced into the and he has no spiritual interest in the matter." remarkable and prominent position which he The Moderator having called for objections holds. It is possible to doubt what a noisy and against the settlement of the presentee, Mr. Jamboisterous, though true, patriot reports of the re- ison, in behalf of 161 communicants and 36 ad-Southern sympathizer can doubt the unvarnished, adhering to the Union.

against those who would peacably cherish their one heritor (non-resident), twelve members of they are given over to believe a lie. attachment to the National Union; considering the congregation, and six other persons, have

workings of the system of slavery among masters. American Presbuterian workings of the system of slavery among masters, slaves, and poor whites; to say nothing of the incidents of his hair-breadth escape from a rebel prison when under sentence of speedy death :-it is the most remarkable volume of a personal character which the rebellion has occasioned in

The appearance of the book is timely. It is calculated to open the eyes of persons inclined either to palliate the atrocious character of the rebellion, or to regard the entire population even of some of the worst districts of the South a meetings in CLINTON ST. CHURCH at 101 A.M., | irreconcileably hostile to the Union. It is calculated to steady wavering minds disposed to compromise, by exhibiting the necessity we are under, of thoroughly subjugating the elements of anarchy and barbarism now rampant in the South.

Mr. Aughey's opinions of slavery are most de cided. His chapter (VII.) on "Southern Classet and Cruelty to Slaves" is as effective an attack upon the system as has ever appeared in so brief a compass. He says, "If slavery is not sinful in itself, I must have always seen it out of itself." A whole chapter of argument is contained in this terse sentence.

The book is embellished with a good likeness and with two engravings.

THE SOOTTISH INTRUSION CASE AGAIN.

FROM the Weekly Review of the 24th ult we learn that this case, described in our last, ha presented no new development except to brin the crown and the parish into more open antage onism, and to introduce some new elements (if bitterness into the strife. It is charged that Dr. Robert Lee of Edinburg, has the disposal of the patronage of the crown, and that Mr. Edgar. the presentee to the parish of Dunbog is a fo vorite of his, having been at one time his assis tant. Dr. Lee is out in a letter to the Scotsman. in which he says: "I never was spoken to ou the subject till after the Secretary of State ha made up his mind not to comply with the petitio.

He says he has been striving for years to obtain for the people in the church of Scotland,

The Presbytery of Cupar held an adjourne of his rebellious subjects and subdued them un-one in behalf of the people. No new names ha drive us to his throne of grace, and must incline forward in response to the invitation of Presby, The solicitor for the people said, that a respect There ought to be a union prayer-meeting of ful petition had been addressed to the Governloyal Christians-which would embrace pretty | ment, setting forth the facts in the case, and had much all Christians in our community—held at | been presented to Sir George Grey by the memregular specified times, for the express purpose ber of parliament from the county; but no

for the army and navy, and for the final triumph | The solicitor for the presentee then addressed of the national authority over the rebellion. the Presbytery. He denied that any letter had Or some specified portion, say the last half-hour, been written by the officers of the Crown to the of the prayer-meetings of a public character now people, except in the usual form; "that, if the held, should be formally given to this object. people were unanimous, the Crown would pay Might not such an understanding prevail in the great attention to their choice. But this was conduct of the union prayer-meeting of our not deferring the right of patronage; and the churches in this city? We are persuaded it consequence was that—a difference of opinion would add greatly to the interest and value of the existing among the people—the Crown presented meeting, and would secure a fuller attendance, a gentleman who had no connection with either

In reply to the suggestion that Mr. Edgar should relieve the Congregation of the difficulty We observe by a late unmber of the Buffalo by withdrawing, he made the remarkable state. Advocate, that a movement has been made to re- ment "if he were to withdraw, another gentlealize this laudable design in that city. A letter | man, not Mr. Webster, might be presentee, and to Rev. Dr. Heacock, from Rev. Claudius B. another, and another, till the patience of the Lord and others of Seneca Mission, is published people was worn out, and the parish would find in the columns of the Advocate, strongly urging that the last presentee was a great deal worse Dr. Heacock and the Buffalo pastors to take the than the first." He admitted that "the prosinitiative in stirring up the Christian people of pect would be a very unenviable one to Mr. Edthe country to the observance of a stated season | gar, inasmuch as he was happy where he is, and of prayer in its behalf. We earnestly hope the his prospects in the Church of a kind that was plan will be put into operation. Once begun, it by no means common,—but what was the use of will we believe, be extensively and profitably Mr. Edgar sacrificing his presentation and saccarried out. May God cause it to go through rificing his prospects? It would do him a great deal of harm. The Crown could not be expected to offer him another presentation if he was to THE IRON FURNACE; OR, SLAVERY AND give up this without reason, but simply from

fear, and probably cowardice." The Crown then, according to this solicitor, Fon the past few months, a plain, unpretend- considers it a merit in a clergyman to force himout among us, named John H. Aughey. Mr. obedience to its appointment. Such determina-Aughey is a minister of the gospel, of respecta- tion will form a ground for future favor from ble standing in the other branch of the Presby- the Government! That must have grated upon terian Church. Until the outbreak of the re- the ears of Christ's freemen, not only in that bellion, he had been discharging the duties of humble parish, but all over Scotland. From his sacred calling in various parts of the South- another part of this solicitor's speech, we learn west, latterly in Central Mississippi. Judging that the people of Dunbog utterly refused to

Mr. Jamison, solicitor for the people, claimed

bellion. Only the most bitterly prejudiced herents, 116 of whom were present, read a paper embodying ten reasons for objecting to Mr. Edstraight-forward, yet thrilling, story of this fugi- gar. These reasons (1)denounce the settlement of tive from a felon's death, for the sole crime of Mr. Edgar, when the choice of the people had fallen upon another, as tyrannical and unjust. (2) Mr. Aughey's book, with the above title, has Mr. Edgar would become a party to the injusjust been issued from the press of the Martiens. tice. (3) He cannot promote the spiritual welfare We will not attempt an analysis of its contents. of the people by thus intruding himself upon It is brief, and we hope every reader will pro- them, and his persistency, under the circumcure a copy and judge for himself. But we say stances, should be regarded by Presbytery as a freely that, considering the locality from which disqualification for the pastoral office. (4) Hence, the writer escaped—Central Mississippi, the very he is unsuitable, under the terms of Lord Aberheart of the rebellion—considering his eccle- deen's act. (5) Any induction of a minister, withsiastical antecedents; considering the testimony outdue evidence of the consent of the congregation, the book furnishes of the state of opinion among is not recognised by the principles of the Church large classes of the people in that section of country, and of the savage intolerance and murder- congregation exists in this case. (6) On the conous spite actuating all proceedings in the South trary, the "call" is utterly inadequate. Only

to be the only voluntary agent in the matter. On the other hand, the other two heritors, and mitted to the Presbytery the strongest reasons, on | of ours. conscienticus grounds, for their refusal to signit; and the only elder of the congregation has also declined to signit. (9) The interests of the Church at large are opposed to this settlement; and the affections and respect, not only of the congregation of Dunbog, but a large portion of the attached anperents of the Church of Scotland, in neighboring parishes, and throughout the country, will be weakened and repelled if the laws of the Church

on the rights and feelings of the people. It was remarked by a member of Pres ytery that the objections were not personal to ne presentee, and he suggested that Presbytery should adjourn the consideration of them to a future day. Whereupon, Presbytery adjourned to February 10th.

are held to sanction a case of so violent intrusion

(For the American Presbyterian.) THE AMERICAN PRESBYTERIAN FOR SOL-

aluable paper have doubtless been sent to the complished thereby. Several weeks since, Rev. Mr. Adams, of the North Broad Street Church, kindly donated six copies for young men in the army from my congregation. I have received letters of acknowledgement from some of them. One in the 114th Regt. Pennsylvania Volunteers, ays: "I receive the AMERICAN PRESBYTERIAN every week, and a welcome visitor it is, as it affords us (that is, our tent and my comrades), a great deal of good religious instruction; and I am very much obliged to you for sending it." Another in the 68th Regt. says: "Reading is scarce here. We have no chaplain. Our chaplain left us about two months ago, and we have had no one since, nor since have we had word of any. I receive the AMERICAN PRESBYTERIAN every week. I am very much indebted to you for it, for I could not get better reading." Recently, an intelligent soldier, a member of my church, and a Sabbath school teacher, who served during most of the war, but who is now at home, sick, expressed a strong desire for your paper, and his intention of subscribing for it at favorable future period. A seventh copy has been added for him. I would here also express my thanks to Mr. Adams and his congregation for the benefit conferred upon my friends in the

MANAYUNK, Feb. 16, 1863.

HON, CHESTER HAYDEN

he officiated as first Judge of Oswego County, N. Y., and for a long period held the same office in the county of Oneida.

After this he became Professor in the Law Schools of Ralston and Poughkeepsie, N. Y., but he was quite at home on the Bench or in the rofessional chair.

he spotless purity of his life. He was a well read Theologian, a zealous defender of the faith ready for every good work. Unable to adopt "great salvation." doubtful modes of acquiring wealth, and generous to a fault, he never amassed property. In the judgement of many of his brethren he was too scrupulous for eminent success in the world. With a warm heart, retiring modesty, gentle nanners, ripe legal learning, perfect sincerity, and unbending integrity, he attached a circle of levoted friends, while his resolute and active piety made him a pillar in the Church of God.

The writer was one year in his Law Office as Student, and for a time a pupil in his Bible everence and affection.

The Rev. William James of Albany said of -like transparent glass with an light inside." We distinctly remember sitting with him in matter said, "why I dont see but this man has an What do you wish me to do?" said the Judge. Help me keep him out of it" responded the ness" said he, " is to make men pay their debts. not help them to evade payment." The client nered up his best treasures. May his example

find imitators.

MISREPRESENTATION CONTINUED. Our enemies in England still persist in circu-

these individuals, and the undue influence which of the South in December at \$556,105,000, and enter into the joy of his Lord. In the day of hoping for the same grand results, "peace on these individuals, and the undue influence which has been brought to bear on them, are taken into estimated it at over nine hundred millions by the coronation he shall share his Redeemers beatiview, the single subscribing heritor will be found 1st of July next. Our own war expenses up to tude. that time are estimated at but two hundred millions above this sum. So that with but one half nine-tenths of the whole congregation, have sub-

PREACHING-NO.8.

BY REV. E. E. ADAMS.

JOYOUSNESS IN THE PREACHER. A SINGLE column, to which in each paper we

this—as indeed of almost every theme. It cannot be denied that the life of the gospel minister is in some of its features trying and severe. There is in every honest mind a feeling of responsibility which can be sustained only by earnest, sincere, complete devotion to duty. The life of the preacher is a conflict, sometimes with his own natural indolence, with temptation to intellectual devotion; with suggestions of expediency; with low and talse prejudice in his con gregation; with the spirit of tyranny in the self-constituted censors of the pulpit; with the proud and ignorant men of money—the sheep As a considerable number of copies of your with the golden fleece with the political demagogue and devotee; with his high and unattained soldiers, in accordance with your proposition, it ideal; with questions of duty beyond the specimay be satisfactory to hear some of the good ac- fic sphere of ministerial and pastoral life; with misconceptions of his sentiments on the part of those who listen to him; and with the imperfection of his own Christian character. And he is wretched man who enters the sacred office with a conscience, but without religion-with merely romantic views of its peacefulness, its respectability, its opportunities for study, and of its social standing. We have need to guard against such instincts in the work of the ministry. It has its cares, its distresses, its hours of misgiving, as every calling must have in an imperfect world. among men of only partial goodness at the best. But the preacher has his joys-indeed, aside from the social status, the literary fellowship and privilege, the quietude and refining culture journal. I do not understand you to restrict which he shares, and the influence he may exert over men in a secular view, his work and its great end are enough to preserve in his soul a lively, deep perpetual flow of happy emotions. The pleasure derived from the accidents of ministerial life is legitimate, and may be conscientiously enjoyed, but above that, are delights which arise from the substantial elements of the preacher's calling and condition. There is often among the hearers an impression

that the preacher assumes an unusual seriousness when standing in the sacred place : that he seems as if under oath to utter only those truths brow with terror and his neck with thunder. This gentleman, eminent as a jurist and a He may be so impressed with the solemnity of nothing extenuate; to malign nobody, to white-Christian, died recently in Ohio. For some years his office, so restrained by its sanctions and its wash nobody; but to tell you an unvarnished his elongated and ascetic countenance.

We would not have the preacher divest himself, if he could, of the sense of sacredness which and more recently in Poland, Ohio. His nature belongs to his office and his work. We would I think you must confess, dear Editor, that it was too gentle for the rough conflicts of the Bar, not have him indulge for a moment in a spirit is no trifling task which you thus impose upon

dead brains and hearts of living men. He may of the past. inform himself in history, philosophy, poetry, him: "Chester Hayden! why he is like crystal, and the arts. He may rise with David on the wings of praise; soar with the prophets in sublime, impassioned thought; and enter with John the office one morning, when a client came in to into the depths and heights of the Apocalypse. employ Judge Hayden to defend a suit. The He may run through the ages past and go down Judge, pen in hand, took down his client's state- the line of predictive utterance into the near ments. At the close, the Judge after pondering the | and distant future. He may see all nature, all history, all life, revolving about the cross, and equitable claim on you for this money." "But" following the lines of light which center there, says the client "the law wont give it to him." go out to an unbounded divergency into all nations and all time.

A joy oftimes attends the utterance of truth. client. The Judge's eye flashed. "Our busi- It is pleasant to talk-to tell what we feel, hope, believe, and know; and often in the hour of worship, in the presence of a rapt congregation, made for the door in haste. Judge Hayden was does the preacher experience true joy in the a conscientious lawyer. "O si sic omnes." birth of thought, and in its free out-flow to the minds and hearts of men. Sometimes in such moments he reaches a height of emotion, a breadth of view, and a clearness of perception which are not granted in the ordinary hour and level of his contemplations. No doubt, such men as Paul, Augustine, and Luther, Calvin and Knox. Robert Hall Chalmers and Wesley enlating the most monstrous falsehoods upon Ameri- joyed unspeakable happiness in the glow and can affairs. The leading article in Blackwood scope and fulness of their minds when uttering for January, written some time in December, if their earnest thoughts to "the great congreganot earlier, says the debt of the rebel government tion." We of humbler mould may have our They have nobly outlived the defamation; and amounts to four hundred millions, "little if any- measure of such blessed experience. The conthing more than one fifth of the sum now owed viction that we speak the words of God, that by the Northeners." Those in England who they have a purpose, and will fly to the accomeredit the statements of so respectable a journal plishment of their Divine mission; that we are s Blackwood, believe, therefore, that at some pleasing, winning, convincing and reforming time before the close of last year, the National men; that we are throwing out lines of influence Debt was two billions of dollars. The simple which shall run round the earth, through the truth of the matter as told by Secretary Chase, is | ages, into eternity; that we shall see the results that our debt, at the time referred to, was little of such labor, such utterance; that we build up more than one third of the sum stated by the the church; comfort sorrowing hearts; vindicate eracious correspondent of Blackwood-seven justice, holiness and law; proclaim the divine hundred millions; and accumulating at a rate, benevolence and mercy; that we are speaking which if not accelerated, would bring it to but for our God, our Saviour, our best friend; that seventeen hundred millions (\$1,744,685,586) in | we shall meet in eternity those whom we perone year from the 1st of next July! That is, ac- suade to repentance, and sing with them, and cording to Mr. Chase, it would not reach the live with them, and talk with them foreveramount coolly suggested in Blackwood as already | all these considerations, and many beside, which | realized, until after nearly two years' more of we have not room to record, may well clothe our though we supposed there were no other church. equally expensive warfare. By such enormous faces with light and smiles, while they fill our on the face of the earth but our own best befalsehoods is public opinion among the better hearts with glad emotion when we stand to speak loved; or as though we would gladly see all the classes of England kept up to its present pitch in the house of God. And how can the godly rest scattered in ruins, that ours might rise in of hostility towards our government. Surely man fail to exult; how shall not "his heart greater grandeur on the wreck. We recognize

When, in the hour of solemn jubilee
The massive gates of Paradise are thrown
Wide open; and forth come in fragments wild, Sweet echoes of immortal melodies, And odors snatched from beds of Amaranth, And such as from the crystal river of life Spring up on freshened wings—celestial gales."

HOME MISSIONS.

Presbyterian Rooms, 150 Nassau St. On applications received from the churches, they serve, the following ministers were commisendeavor for the comfort of our readers, to limit sioned by the Presbyterian Committee of Home our pen, is far too little for the worthy notice of Missions at their last meeting. Ten of them were in Commission last year.

- Rev. I. I. St. John, Portland, N. Y. T. Sherrard, Centralia, Ill. W. F. Millikin, Farmington, O. John V. Downs, Thornton Station, Ill Charles S. Adams, Quincy, Mich.
- Elisha B. Sherwood, Cassapolis, Mich. Levi R. Booth, Seymour. Ind. D. C. Tyler, Hermon, N. Y. F. L. Nash, Council Grove, Kansas.
- George F. Davis, Newtown, Ill. L. R. Janes, Shortsville, N. Y. H. Johnston, Pontiac, Ill. Henry Van Houten, Hawley, Pa.
- Victor M. King, Cherry Fork, O. Alvah Day, Morris, Ill. Aaron Thompson, New Waverly, Ind. A. T. Wood, Winslow, Ill. Chauncey Osborn, Dearbornville Ind.
- Calvin Waterbury, Cedar Falls, Iowa. G. D. Miller, Tuscola, Ill. Blair Shaw, Roxand, Mich

ROM OUR ROCHESTER CORRESPONDENT.

INTRODUCTORY. ROCHESTER, N. Y.,

February 20th, 1863. Dear Ed. Am. Presbyterian & Genesee Evangelist. So you put me down as your "Rochester Correspondent;" by which, I suppose, the wide world is to understand, that I am to keep you informed of all matters of interest in this region, your correspondent to this one city, or to any narrow limits, for facts and incidents; but all that may be gathered from Central and Western New York, we shall regard as within our province; a field, rich in every national production; rich in its noble men, and "honorable women:" peculiarly rich in its educational and religious institutions; rich in manly enterprise, and always fruitful of stirring events.

THE TASK.

And you expect me to watch the ebb and flow of all this religious and social life; and to make which strike sadly at the youthful imagination to you, as you sit in your easy, editorial chair. wn there in the city of "Brotherly Love," with the awful and denunciatory, clothing his prompt, stated, honest report of all my observations; to set down naught in malice, and memories, that a look of cheer, of comfort, of self. | tale every time-of ministers and churches. poised naturalness and ease dares not steal over schools and academies, colleges and seminaries; not omitting "frightful accidents," "hair-breadth 'scapes," and the like.

I think you must confess, dear Editor, that it not consistent with the deepest reverence for your correspondent. And yet you could not have truth, and the severest view of responsibility; given him a better field to cultivate; and that is But that which chiefly distinguished him was yet we would have him avail himself of those no unmeaning part of the flag which you still the Christian delicacy of his moral sentiments and rich and abundant sources of joy which his call- fling to the breeze, "The Genesee Evangelist." ing, his theme and his relations afford, and then These words are rich in association, in memories let that joy shine on his face and utter itself in of a glorious past. This field, of Western New of the Church, a true Presbyterian, and always his tones and action, when he speaks of the York, is what it is to day, partly because that paper was once a "power" in this part of the It is no stinted source of happiness in the land. The very mention of it recalls a troop of preacher that he has such opportunity to fami- noble laborers in the Master's vineyard; such as liarize his mind with the most exalted, purifying Bissell, and Chipman, and Ely and Champion; and exciting truths; that he can specially and some still among the living, and some gathered habitually hold communion with the best thoughts with the honored dead. How they planned and in the universe. He is brought into frequent | toiled long ago to convert this wilderness into a fellowship with prophets and apostles, with the very garden, as it is this day, it would be easy best biographies, and the purest, noblest senti- and pleasant to tell, if that were our theme; but ments of the wisest and most holy men. He may | you will expect me to dwell more particularly uplive with departed saints and moral heroes, may on the events of the passing hours. I will not have in his library the living brains and hearts promise, however, but that some time I may class, and has always regarded him with profound of dead men, which are generally better than the crave your indulgence for some reminiscences

OUR CHURCHES.

Central and Western New York are the natural home, perhaps we may say, of (N. S.) Presbyterianism. Taking Utica for an eastern boundary, and we have in this region 5 Synods,

22 Presbyteries, 363 Churches. 434 Ministers. 39.969 Church Members.

And we do not believe that there is to be found in any other part of the land an equal number of churches, in a more healthy condition, with an abler ministry, a larger number of self-supporting congregations, or settled pastors; or with more of the elements, in any respect, of a healthy growth and a true prosperity. We know that it was once alleged that fanaticism had crept into these churches; and we do not deny that, with a great deal of good, there was some admixture of evil; or that, as in all great excitements, there were some irregularities, the full import and tendency of which are not seen at once, even by some good and wise men; but that the cry of fanaticism raised against the churches of Western New York was in the main prodigious slander, is now so generally conceded, that they need no vindication of ours. they stand to-day in some qualified sense, " fair as the moon, clear as the sun, and terrible as an army with banners."

It is these churches, these pastors, these transcendent interests of Christ's kingdom, which we would gladly represent, in all fairness and faithfulness, in your worthy columns. After all, we enter upon the task with great pleasure; glad of an opportunity to say a word now and then for our brethren, the faithful watchmen on these walls, and glad to send out from our watch tower a word of cheer, when we can, to all the rest of our beloved Zion.

We trust no reader will suppose that we intend dance in his bosom" in the prospect of that the fact that there are other communions, just as Since writing the above, we notice that the blessing which God shall pronounce on the faith- dear to others as ours is to us; noble brotherits emphatic testimony to the character and signed it. While, if the dependent position of rebel Treasurer, Mr. Memminger, placed the debt ful servant, who having done his work, shall hoods of the same general faith with us, toiling, supples.

earth, good will to men." It shall be our aim to do injustice to none of these; but fairly to represent, as we have occasion, their growth and Wis., received \$50, in a similar manner. prosperity, while we rejoice in all their true welfare. The Baptist Church in this region is particularly strong. Its flourishing University, ham, Pa. its large corps of able professors and teachers, give it a prominence and character in this region, which its members must contemplate with real pleasure. This may be said, not in disparagement of others, but only as an incident of the

times.

A Daily Union Prayer-meeting has been held with much interest in this place ever since the week of prayer commenced. The Brick and Central (Presbyterian) Churches, together with the Plymouth (Congregational) Church, are united in the service. The meeting is held at four o'clock in the afternoon, for one hour precisely, one week in one church, and the next week in the next, and so passing around. It has thus far been well attended, two hundred in many afternoons being assembled together. The prayers are importunate and fervent, to all appearance, and Christian hearts, we cannot doubt, are feeling some quickening influences from above; but we cannot, as yet, report any very promising indications of a revival in connection with this meeting, except a manifest strong desire for one.

There is some special interest in the Baptist Churches of this city; some seven or eight recent converts having been received into the First, and great tenderness, with some inquirers, already in the Second. We hope for more glorious things ere long in all these churches. And why may we not hope? It is a city that God has always seemed ready to bless.

A DEDICATION.

A neat new church edifice has recently been empleted and dedicated to the worship of Almighty God, by the Presbyterian Church, in sound, able man, qualified to teach and to preach our Churches." the great doctrines of grace and salvation, in their purity and power. Long may he stand as a vigilant watchman on the walls of our beloved

THE CHRISTIAN COMMISSION.

This community was deeply interested on a recent evening by a meeting in the Central Presbyterian Church in behalf of the Christian Commission. A special interest was expressed in the thrilling address of Rev. Robert Patterson, of Chicago. Other meetings have been held, and a Committee appointed to co-operate in the blessed work of sending ministrations, for mind and body, to our sick and wounded soldiers. Rochester has not been behind in furnishing her quota of men to suffer and die for our country, and she will not now be backward in sending all possible relief for her brave suffering sons .- O. D. Grosvenor, Esq., is Treasurer of the Commitee, to whom funds and supplies may be sent, ssured that all that can be sent is needed, and all will reach its proper destination.

Our Church Mews.

REV. HOWARD CROSBY, formerly Profess n Rutger's College at New Brunswick, has acented a call to the 4th Ave. Presbyterian Church New York, and will early begin his professional eloquence and as a Pastor, is genial and attracive. No doubt the Parish will expand and grow under his guidance. Prof. Crosby has hitherto een connected with the Dutch Church, but the change is not distasteful, as the Presbyterians and Dutch are daily becoming more closely allied in doctrine, and practice.

REV. DR. PRENTISS' congregation worshipping in Dodworth's Hall on Fifth Avenue, have just purchased ground for a new church, on Fourth Avenue, near the summit of Murray Hill. The expense will be large, as it is understood the ground costs over \$50.000.

REVIVALS .- The church of Coshocton, O., commenced daily services with the week of prayer. The correspondent of the Herald and Recorder writes: "The Lord was with us from the beginning, J. R. MacDuff. New York, R. Carter & Bros. as was evident from the deep solemnity and ear- For Sale at the Presbyterian Book Store. nest prayerfulness characterizing our meetings. The Church was awakened, and the truth gained a ready access to the hearts of sinners. A good number of persons were brought to a state of hopeful inquiry in regard to the concerns of of their soul's salvation. Fifteen were received into the Church on profession and three by letter." The children of the Sabbath School. but 75 in number, have committed 14,000 verses of Scripture during the year. The writer adds a not unexpected sentence: "Much of the interest in our meetings was manifestly the fruit of faithful Sabbath school instruction."—Rev. G. R. Carroll writes: to the Evangelist, " For a week or two past I have been assisting Bro. Mills in carrying on some meetings at Clarence (Iowa), a few miles South of Wyoming, in Jones county. The spirit of the Lord was poured out, and a goodly number have been hopefully born

eeing the Eighth Church to be in a weak condition, with a good pastor (Rev. Geo. M. Maxwell) tone is loyal without qualification. Terms \$3. go into the Eighth Church and form one strong Row, N. Y. and vigorous body in place of two feeble ones. The Herald and Recorder says: Thus far, as we learn, the results of the union have been all that tains: Christopher North; "Choose you this was anticipated. The Eighth Church is filled Day whom ye will serve," (Poetry for the Times.) with a congregation larger than those of both The Horrors of San Domingo; A London Su-Churches together last year. The pews are rent burb; The Vagabond, (touching, life-like and ed for enough to pay all expenses. The Sabbath original poetry;) Willie Wharton; Last Cruise school has an attendance of over 400. The mar- of the Monitor; America and the Old World, age bids fair to be a most harmonious and pros- etc. The "True Church," (Poetry,) with much perous one. Many wise and good brethren say that is good and true, is tainted with the miserthey are satisfied that our denomination is stron- able no-creed heresy of the Boston sentimentalger in the city since this union than before." There remain, of our connection, in this city, the Second Church, Dr. Thompson pastor; Pop-

Rev. J. P. E. KUMLER of Oxford. O., received \$150 in donations from his people on a recent visit. Rev. Wm. Drummond of Portland, REV. J. F. READ, M.D., has been released from his charge of the First Church, Birming-

REV. L. P. CRAW FORD has been compelled by severe and protracted illness to resign the chaplaincy of the 105th Regiment of Illinois Volun-

teers. He has returned to his home in Sandwich. Ill. COMMISSIONERS TO GEN. ASSEMBLY. Presbytery of Pittsburg; Rev. Herrick Johnson and R. P. Bakewell. Caguga; Rev. Charles Anderson and

Rev. Amos Crocker, with Elders Daniel Hewson and Daniel Bennett. Onondaga; Rev. E. R. Davis and Dr. A. Ford. OUR CHURCH IN WISCONSIN. "K." in the Evangelist, gives an account of the ordination and installation at Baraboo, Sauk county, Wisconsin, February 4th, of Mr. Edward B. Miner, a graduate of Hamilton College and Auburn Se-

minary, as pastor of the church in that place. He continues as follows: "At its last stated meeting. January 20th, this Presbytery, containing then but seven ministers, of whom but four are actively engaged in the duties of the ministry within its bounds, received an accession of four-two ordained ministers and two licentiates—all of whom are fully engaged in Gospel labors. One of these licentiates has now been ordained and installed, and we have reason to expect the other will be soon. This installation is the first which has ever taken place in

this Presbytery. "Notwithstanding the immense draft which this war makes upon the men and means of our country congregations in the Northwest, the cause of Christ, as indicated by increased means of grace, and by their more efficient support, is onward in our ecclesiastical connection.

"There has never been a time within my observation, when Christians exerted themselves to the village of Pittsford, seven miles from Ro- a like extent, to remove stumbling blocks, pay up chester. Rev. Mr. Wilkins is preaching for this past indebtedness, and prepare the way for fupeople at the present time, a good brother, who ture unembarrassed labors. This Church at has recently come into our church from the Baraboo, before calling the Presbytery together Methodist connection. He has long been a to instal their chosen pastor, removed a debt which Calvinist, and at the last meeting of the Pres- had been accumulating for years. And before bytery of Rochester made application, and was the next meeting of our General Assembly, I received as a member of this body. His examilloubt not a like success will crown the efforts nation was satisfactory, and he appeared like a which I knew are now being made in several of

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