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During the approaching Sessions of the General Assembly in this city, we propose to issue from this office a daily paper, containing PHONO-GRAPHIC REPORTS of all the proceedings, with the Acts, Reports, Sermons, and other Documents of the body, in as full and accurate a

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THE RECENT REVIVALS.

Chestnut street, Philadelphia.

our church which we have been privileged to of the Sacred Books, as that of Colenso. They chronicle within the past two months, has been are as empty against the fabric of Scripture as peculiarly gratifying. We have perseveringly blank cartridges against a fortification. We turn maintained the ground that our present war-ex- from them to consider the far more serious difficitement was of such a character as in no way culty, now being raised by geologists, in regard to hinder, but rather to promote revivals, among to the antiquity of the human race. Up to the the loyal people and churches. So much that is present time it seemed to be conceded by leading really noble and elevating has entered into this geologists, that nothing had been evolved by their excitement—there is so much akin to, or even science, calculated to unsettle the popular belief identical with, the best forms of Christian philan- in the received chronology of the Hebrew Scripthrophy and sincere unselfish devotion to the true | tures. Recently, especially since the discovery interests of humanity-there is such a mighty re- of flint hatchets and arrow heads in the valley of sponse to the highest call of duty upon the citizen the Somme, about three years ago, the whole in his relations to outraged law and an imperilled question has been thrown open, and investigagovernment, that we feel it would be moustrous tions have been ardently pursued, both in that to expect a living Christianity to be damaged and several other localities where fossilized hurather than developed and invigorated by it. man remains had been found. The result is This war, into which a reluctant government that scientific men are prepared now to take more was dragged, after most perilous delays, we have positive ground than formerly and begin to dealways viewed as undertaken in the interest of mand a very great extension of the received chro-Christian civilization, and as bringing forth nology. It is claimed that the remains of man fruits, at almost every step, of the highest promise have been indubitably recognized in the two geto that civilization, and therefore as closely con- ological periods preceding that in which we are nected with, and forming part of the movement now living. Says Sir Charles Lyell: "It will introducing the final triumph of Christ's kingdom | be convenient to divide these into two groupson earth. Only narrow-minded men, only Chris- the Recent and the Post Pliocene. In the Recent tians who have not added to their faith, "virtue," we may comprehend those deposits in which not to say nothing of the disaffected and disloyal, only all the shells, but all the fossil mammalia are have shrunk from introducing the war into religious connections, and from constituting it a leading topic of prayer in every circle, private, and often a considerable one, of the accompany-

facts which may be cited to sustain our position. found chiefly in the peat-bogs and shell-mounds The truth is, the very churches and denominal of Denmark, and in the Swiss lakes; those of tions which have most closely identified them. the earliest or Post-pliocene date, in the Valley selves with this grand movement of our time, of the Somme and in certain caves near Liege are the ones which, so far as our observation and Dusseldorf. These remains are found in such goes, have enjoyed the most liberal manifes- geological situations, or in connection with such perous, active and liberal churches of the Synod have lain there during the lapse of ages upon of Pennsylvania, are those whose Pastors and ages, compared with which the reputed age of people have given the heartiest support to the the race is but a fragment. One hundred thougovernment. Central and Western New York, sand years is demanded as necessary to meet the the scene of the most extraordinary work of exigencies of the problem. grace with which any Calvinistic Church in the Now believers in the inspiration of the Scrip-

reported, week by week, as pressing at least into own, to the question. the outer courts of the tabernacle. And it is a little remarkable that the very centres of the hostile movements, the battle-field of Antietam, posed borders of Ohio, and the devastated plains character. Further investigations may lead geo-

instances doubled, trebled or quadrupled in am- unequivocal testimony to the extraordinary age mount. We are not drawing upon fancy—these of the remains found in caves and peat-bogs; at things, hopeful and delightful as they are, are such shallow depths, in such meagre numbers, true; and he who looks incredulously upon them, and in such an imperfect condition. The con-

or fails, with a full heart, to give glory to God for them, is guilty of gross unbelief and criminal blindness. Let him read, as a warning, 2 Ki.

Yet far be it from us to conceal the fact that as there were many hungry widows in Israel unfed in the time of Elijah, and many lepers uncleansed in Syria in the time of Elisha, and many localities unmarked in the Saviour's time by his mighty works; so, there are Christian communities by thousands unvisited by the special influences of the Spirit at this time; there are church debts still crushing the life out of important enterprises; there are important branches of Christian effort inadequately sustained; there are Missionaries abroad and at home, waiting, with hope deferred, for their scanty allowances; there are fields of effort whitening for the harvest and perishing for want of laborers; there are chaplains in the army looking to Christians at home for more encour aging indications of sympathy in their prayers, and provision for the spiritual wants of the hundreds of thousands of our soldiers.

Christian brethren! we are privileged to live in a most momentous period, when days of true, manly effort for Christ count for years in ordinary times. Behold our work! Behold our encouragement too! Happy is he who with unwavering faith and spirituality of aim grasps into the thick of things, and with life expanded and powers enlarged, labors as he never before

THE ANTIQUITY OF THE HUMAN RACE.

A NEW DEMAND OF SCIENCE. WE think the public are speedily settling into To us, the news of revivals in various parts of a right estimate of such attacks on the credibility the living species: in the Post-pliocene those strata in which the shells being recent, a portion ing fossil quadrupeds, belongs to extinct species." We are grateful for the abundance of the The remains belonging to the Recent period are tations of the Spirit. Decidedly the most pros. animal remains, that it is contended they must

North has been visited since the war began, is tures have scarcely recovered from the shock the very home of our own loyal and freedom. which was experienced when geologists first beloving Zion. In our own Church, whose testi- gan to speak of the inconceivable ages required monies for our country and our cause have been for those revolutions on the surface of our planso hearty, explicit, and unanimous, and in the et, which they contended had taken place before densest part of our Church, it is, that the most the advent of man. Nor are the orthodox views marked evidences of divine favor have been en. of the inspired account of creation by any means joyed. Is there not a significance in this fact, to harmonized, after many attempts, with the claims which mere stupidity alone will shut its eyes? of geologists on this point; although it is gene-In the early part of the season, the New rally conceded that the believer in the inspira-England Congregationalists felt the first drop- tion of Moses, may, without inconsistency, accept pings of the gracious shower. The churches of the geological estimate of the age of the prethe North-west were not entirely passed over at Adamite earth. Yet before we have well settled that time. Then followed the great revival, our views on this extraordinary postulate of the chiefly among the Baptists, at Fall River, and science, we are summoned to another concession, soon converts in that communion began to be which seems still more nearly to touch the vitals reckoned by thousands all over the North. No of our faith. We are expected to admit that our denomination, we think, has quite equalled the race has existed some sixteen or seventeen times Baptist in unqualified endorsement of the eman- as long on earth as we suppose the Scriptures cipation scheme. Vast numbers of Baptists in plainly to teach. What answer shall we, as inthe South were made free men by that act. The intelligent Christians, make to this demand? Methodist protracted meetings now poured out Scarcely having had time to gather up our army after army of probationers, until it became thoughts on the subject, having seen no other fatiguing to glance even, over the multitude of brief attempt to meet the question, we throw our first but cheering announcements burdening the home thoughts upon paper, as a journalist is often comcolumns of their journals. Each paper kept the pelled to do, and shall rejoice to find anywhere a others busy counting up the fresh thousands thus more mature and well-considered reply than our

1. The facts themselves are of too recent discovery and too meagre to furnish ground for setthe disputed territory of West Virginia, the ex- tled scientific conclusions of such a sweeping of Missouri were the theatres of the most power- logists to modify or abandon their views of these ful and fruitful of these awakenings in the remains. Are they all really human? Were Methodist Church. This, too, is a most warm- they originally deposited in these geologically. ly loyal body. And now come the latter rains ancient positions, or did some recent change also upon us, second to none in the earnestness bring them into their present connections? Do and unreserve of our adhesion to the country's the animals with whose remains they are associated, really belong to what we regard as the pre-Astonishing, too, beyond measure would be Adamite period? Geologists have often and the exhibition in brief of the works of unwonted often, in the brief history of their science, been beneficence to which the Spirit of Christ in the compelled to change their views, and they are by Church has prompted these same denomina- no means agreed together now, even as to the tions. How to pay church debts and how to great features of their science. They will not give to good causes is a lesson we seem only to expect us to be in any great haste, then, to abanbe now learning. The millions which have been don our tried opinions at the first flourish of their gladly contributed for the comfort of our sol- trumpets over a pretended new discovery. One tiers, sick and well, on the march, in camp, or of the most eminent of their number, Professor languishing out their lives in hospitals; for H. D. Rogers, argued, from personal inspection their bodies, souls, intellects, for their families of the locality in France where the stone arrows left behind, can never be more than approxima- and hatchet heads were found, against the necested. Church debts probably amounting to mil- sity of ascribing to them an age incompatible lions have been wiped off with ease; new enter- with the received chronology. His article on prises have been provided for by the liberality of the subject was contained in the October number single individuals; pastors have been astonished of Blackwood for 1860. We do not hear that he by the magnitude of the gifts of their people to has receded from his position at that time taken, themselves; missionary contributions, particu- that the remote pre-historic antiquity of the race larly in the Methodist Church (we regret we remained "net proven," so far as this discovery cannot say as much of our own) have in many was concerned. We might insist also upon more

clusions seem to us to have been hastily reached and are liable to great corrections in the future.

whole science of geology, and especially to that feature of it which draws so largely upon our ideas of time. Is it necessary to suppose that such vast ages were consumed in accomplishing the geological changes on the surface of the earth, and in its inhabitants? Is the earth itself as old as geologists would teach? Might not all the phenomena have taken place in the six days of creation and the deluge? It is natural for us to ask such questions when we find whither an implicit reliance on geology is leading us. We challenge our venturesome guide, ere we take this new step with him. Who are you that would conduct us to such extraordinary conclusions? You may be an embodiment of truth or you may be a conjurer in the service of the evil one; as fair but as delusive and dangerous as the Ice Maiden of the Alps. Before we go with vou a step further, we demand unquestionable vouchers for your character as a science.—especially so, since we find that according to the article by Professor Rogers, before alluded to, the widest differences on this very question of the time required for terrestrial revolutions, prevail among reputable geologists themselves. They are divided, according to this writer, into Quietists and Paroxyismists. The former class "interpret the past changes in the earth's surface by the natural forces, especially the gentler ones, now in operation," and hence require enormous time for results for this city, and aided materially in the backslider for several years. He was awakened these changes; the other class "see only the most vehement energies of nature—the earthquake and the inundation" and consequently the country and so honorable to the loyalty of prayer of a little child. With tears and sobs he recognize in the traces of these phenomena "the expressions of violent and sudden mutations, only compatible with altogether briefer periods." Both of these classes, according to Prof. R., are "equally entitled to our respectful attention to upon his heart and home in the death of his hard heart, and broke it all in pieces. So is God their different readings of the phenomena." We wife. may fairly require of the science to adjust this mportant difference in her own chronology, beore she attempts to regulate the chronology which has long been accepted in other departments of learning. If the immense Pre-Adamite periods are liable to curtailment, why may not this demand for a hundred thousand years be discounted to reasonable dimensions? The truth is. this is a question of time entirely, and if upon this very point Geology has no standards; if in every " attempt to interrogate Geology upon the subject of Time, her response in Sybilline"; if here she loses all the character of a science, and is reduced to a strife between rival guessings, we protest against her recent attempt to override all history, and stultify the common sense conclusions of men as to the age of their race.

[To be continued.]

A CARD. Mr. Editor.—It gives me great pleasure to b able to state to my friends in Philadelphia and elsewhere, that the entire debt of the Central Presbyterian church Norristown, Pa., is now cancelled. The debt was on the 15th of April 1863, \$4.473.09. I succeeded in raising, towards the removal of this claim, among my friends outside of Norristown Pa. \$2,020.00. I am constrained to make special mention of the generous contrioution of \$200.00 from friends in Catasaugua and Hokendaqua churches towards this object. These churches till recently were aided by the missionary society, and they have lately built a neat and commodious parsonage. On the ground f these home demands, I feared they would not e able to give a favorable response to my appeal. but instead of excusing themselves, their pastor Rev. Cor. Earle placed in my hands the above amount. In behalf of my church and congregation I tender my unfeigned thanks to all who have aided us in this good work, and to those who did not feel able to contribute to this object, I feel indebted for their kind treatment and encouraging words. The members of the church and congregation too deserve great commendation for the cheerful zeal they exhibited in raising the balance-\$2,453.09. Above all I recognize the good hand of the Lord in this success. ful movement, and I pray that the gratitude of pastor and people may be evinced by a fresh onsecration of themselves to the promotion of God's glory, as it is unfolded in the edification of believers, and the conversion of sinners.

April 28th 1863. ROBERT ADAIR. Pastor of Central Presbyterian church, Norrisown Pa.

LETTERS FROM CHAPLAINS.

DEAR BROTHER-On my return to camp a day r two ago, I found yours of the 4th inst., also a oundle of papers, which you were so good to send 18. I distributed them to the officers.

We have two companies of our regiment here. one at Fortress Monroe, and one at Norfolk. I do not know how many papers you can spare, but I could distribute 25 copies among officers. and 100 copies among the men very profitably. This, I suppose, would be asking too much Please send to my address here, as many as you

FROM ANOTHER CHAPLAIN. John W. Mears-Dear Sir-Many thanks for package of the AMERICAN PRESBYTERIAN. I hall be glad of them as you suggest, and believe they will be read, and perhaps sent home, and thus I hope to extend the knowledge of the pa-

to my address as you now have it.

per. You may send a dozen copies if you please,

ONE OR TWO SESSIONS 2 A MEETING will be held on Monday evening iext, 11th inst., at 8 o'clock, in the church, corher of Broad and Sansom streets, "to consider he propriety of having but one Session of the enominational Sunday-Schools upon each Lord's

day throughout the year." Pastors, Superintendents, Sunday-School Teahers and friends of the cause, are invited to be

By order of the Philadelphia County Sabbath

ALEX. KIRKPATRICK, Sec'y.

REESEVILLE OHUROH.

THE second communion was observed on Sabath morning, May 3rd. The little church was filled with an attentive audience. Nine members were added, mostly on profession of faith. The pastor stated that the chaste and beautiful communion service was a present from a few members of Old Pine street church, to the Sabbath School of which they were already indebted for the gift of the handsome pulpit Bible and two pulpit hymn books.

WESTERN CORRESPONDENCE.

CINCINNATI, May 1, 1863. 2. These remarks may be transferred to the which did good service for the country, and increased the confidence of the people in the final

To the honor of the pulpit of Cincinnati, let it profitable of any yet held. So is God working be said that there is not now a single pastor, in mightily among us—so is God making it maniany denomination, but who is thoroughly loyal fest that it is not of man. " Not by night, nor and outspoken against the rebellion, and in favor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord." of sustaining the Government in the present conflict. The only pastor who was in sympathy with terian church was again filled this morning at the the South, who would neither preach about the daily Union prayer meeting: and that gathering war, nor pray for the success of our arms, nor a too was tender and solemn, one of the most enblessing on the civil authorities in their efforts to crush the rebellion, has been compelled to relinquish his pastorate and to seek a more congenial of remarkable conversions were related thrilling field of labor. The thorough loyalty of the puland encouraging us. Some heart-broken confespit of Cincinnati has achieved great and good recent great political and moral victory in the and brought back with bitter repentings, to the municipal elections, which were so auspicious to feet of his Saviour, by the simple untaught

Dr. Thompson, Pastor of the Second Presbyterian church, has had, this week, a great and sudden sorrow to fall

The following notice of the bereavement, and life and character of his excellent wife, I take from the Christian Herald:

"DIED suddenly, of congestion of the heart, on Monday, at 6 o'clock P.M., Mrs. Sarah H. Thomp-son, wife of Rev. M. L. P. Thompson, D.D., pastor of the Second Presbyterian church, in this city, aged 51 years.

She was bornin Hadley, Mass., October 8th, 1812.

no one could see her without being impressed by the influence of her elastic mind, amiable and cheerful disposition, and refined manners. Her religion was that of established principle, rather than of variable emotion. At times she was distrustful of herself, but

Her funeral took place in the church, on Wednesday afternoon, and was attended by a very large and sympathizing audience. The services were conducted with great appropriateness and enderness by Rev. Dr. Storrs, pastor of the Congregational Church, and Dr. Allen and Professor Day, of Lane Seminary. A single sentence, at the close, from the afflicted pastor, filled with emotion and tears every heart and eye. He thanked them for their Christian sympathies, and then asked them to pray for him as their pastor. Not so much that he might be comforted and supported, for this he was, but that his great affliction and sorrow might be so sanctified hat he would be to them a more holy and useful pastor in the future—and a better minister of Christ. The scene, as he stood leaning on the coffin of his departed wife and before the pulpit, where he has so faithfully and ably preached the glorious Gospel of Christ, and with tremulous voice and deep emotion uttered these words, was one of melting tenderness and full of the power and preciousness of the Gospel. The honored and now deeply afflicted minister and pastor has not only the sympathy of his own congregation, and of the Christian public in Cincinnati, but will have that of Christians in all parts of the country. The remains of his wife were conveyed to Watertown, N. Y., to slumber with the dust of her kindred till the morning of the resurrection, when the mortal shall put on immortality, and her form Le like the glorious body of Christ! Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord." There has been an encouraging interest in religion in Dr. Thompson's church, a number having united, recently, by profession, and this deep affliction may be so sanctified as greatly to increase the work of grace.

Is ushered in with all the bloom and beauty of a with great solemnity. Business was generally genial Spring. The hills round the city, so grand and romantic, are richly covered with a carpet of green, the buds and flowers are coming out in all their freshness and fragrance, and the trees which line the streets and crown the hills. are being clothed with their new and splendid yerdue, and all nature, here, is vocal with glad-I can make good use of them. I shall endeavor ness, and full of life and beauty. The "Queen. to distribute them in a judicious manner, so that | City of the West," in many respects, like your 'Quaker City" of the East, has at the present writing, many points of attraction and interest. Spring is putting on the city a new crown of sand years; and a thousand years as one day." glory. Business was never better, nor so many buildings going up, and what is better than all. the city has a great majority of loyal citizens, who are resolved never to cease their labors for the country till the rebels at the South and their sympathisers at the North, are effectually crushed. Everybody here is hopeful for the final triumph of the Government, and the utter destruction of the wicked and infamous rebellion. God hasten B. F. M. the glorious result speedily.

FROM OUR ROCHESTER CORRESPONDENT

ROCHESTER May 1st 1863. letter about the Revival in Rochester.

undiminished numbers and unabated interest. Western Presbyteries .- At the late meeting of

do the preaching, yet the Central Church was again crowded to its utmost capacity—thronged, even around the doors, and clear out into the THE day of fasting and prayer, in this city, entry—to listen to the simple words of one not was generally observed. Most of the leading at all known to fame; and after the preaching business houses were closed, yet there was not was over, and the congregation were dismissed that universal suspension of business and pleas and had passed out, except those who chose to sure which such a day should have secured from remain at the inquiry meeting, the church still all classes. Most of the churches were open, seemed full; and after Christians had spent near some for a preaching service, and others simply an hour in talking from seat to seat with their for prayer and conference. The general impres- impenitent friends, and those who had recently sion among ministers was, that the day would be found the Saviour, with those who were prepared most profitable if observed mainly as a day of then and there to consecrate themselves to Christ, prayer. The pastors, however, in some of the as a closing prayer should be made, were called churches, preached timely and patriotic sermons forward, it seemed at first as though all were coming. Hundreds did take that solemn attitude there before God, kneeling in their places while and complete triumph over this gigantic rebel- Rev. Dr. Shaw offered the closing prayer. Many spoke of the meeting as the most solemn and

> The large Lecture Room of the 1st Presbycouraging meetings yet held, as was observed by many as they slowly walked away. Some cases sions were made. One man had been a terrible told the story of his wanderings, and gave us the words of his prattler, "O God, bless papa, and make him a good man," Heavier than thunder peals those lispings of his infant child fell on his working among us even by the feeblest instru-

An open air prayer meeting was held on last

Sabbath afternoon, right in the heart of the city.

The number in attendance has been variously estimated, but was not far from five thousand. Mr Hammond appointed this meeting with a "She was bornin Hadley, Mass., October 8th, 1812, and married to Dr. Thompson, in August, 1832. Her nearest surviving relatives are, Gen. Hooker, now in command of the Army of the Potomac, and two sisters, In the midst of the family circle, engaged in conversation, and without the slightest premonition, she passed away, leaving to her deeply afflicted husband and his many sympathising friends, the blessed assurance that she has gone to be with Jesus. During the whole period of her residence in Cincinnati, she has been an invalid, unable most of the time to speak above a whisper. Hence, although greatly beloved by all who knew her, she was imperfectly known in this city, and even to most of her husband's congregation. This was a great trial to her as well as to them, but she bore it with unfalling fortitude and sweetness. Opview to reach those who do not go into any of bore it with unfailing fortitude and sweetness. Oppressed by feebleness, in a state which, many would have felt, relieved her from special care for others, she was not only a constant support to her husband, but a was not only a constant support to her husband, but a dreds repaired to the first Presbyterian Church, in front of which the great throng l health, was the life and soul of the benevolent plans which tell within her sphere. Even in her enfeebled sta e Some special good may have been done by this outdoor convocation; some soul may be saved forever that would not otherwise have received Christ. Mr. Hammond was well aided in this service by the Rev. Mr. Steel, of the Methodist Church. of Utica, a preacher of most excellent spirit, fine talents, burning zeal, and true eloquence. He has preached several times very acceptably, and on Sabbath last, both morning and evening, addressed large congregations in the Central church. while in the evening Mr. Hammond was speaking to two thousand souls in the Brick church. A similar jam was again witnessed at the Brick church on Monday evening; and on Tuesday afternoon, Mr. Hammond gave his farewell address to the children in the same place. Immediately upon the close of the service he took the cars for Niagara Falls, to spend a few days in rest. A great throng of children, and not children alone, accompanied him to the great Central depot in this city, where they sung quite a number of their sweet hymns, and received a few words of parting from Mr. H., as he stood

upon the steps of the car ready to start. There

also, in that unwonted place, he offered a few

words of prayer, as the children stood with faces

covered, and heads bowed with reverential awe.

Other trains were coming in at the time. Stran-

gers asked what these things meant. Some

scoffed, and would have silenced the little ones,

as the Jews of old, if it had been in their power.

But at the Union Prayer-meeting this morning,

it was reported that a business man coming in

from a distant village, was deeply impressed with

that strange scene. He went at night to the

meeting, to hear Dr. Heacock preach-next

night the same—and the following morning in

the inquiry meeting, gave himself to Christ the Saviour, and has now gone back to his own home

rejoicing in something better than the purchase

of his goods,-"without money and without price." So out of the mouth of babes is God ordaining strength. The National Fast, yesterday, was observed suspended; stores and offices closed; and the sanctuaries thronged. Sincere prayer went up from broken and contrite hearts; and many prayed as they never prayed before in any fast. And will not God hear his chosen when they cry? May we not expect answers to our fervent supplications in our country's behalf? Yes, God. will hear; and will answer, though it may not be just when, or just as we should prefer. But shall we not still wait on him? What better can we do? "One day is with the Lord as a thou-The time may yet be long, but the end is sure, if we have fortitude and patience to labor and to

## Our Church Mews.

Presidency of Knox College. We learn says ne Evangelist with great satisfaction that Prof. Wm. S. Curtis, D.D., of Hamilton College, has recently been elected to the presidency of Knox. College, at Galesburg, Illinois. Such a choice is promise of great good, and in view of it wo may justly congratulate the trustees and friends DEAR EDITOR You will not be weary of the of Knox College. They are fortunate in this subject, I am sure, even if I give you one more day when the demand for well-furnished men is so great, in securing one whose experience and Mr. Hammond left us on Tuesday last. Rev. special culture so admirably fit him for the post. Dr. Heacock, of Buffalo, came in to supply his The work begun by his lamented predecessor, as place on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, well as the honored name, will be perpetuated, preaching with his accustomed power and accep and the former carried forward, by the blessing tableness. The Central Church was thronged of God, with vigor and success. And may the with those who were eager to hear the words of blessed influences which have of late pervaded truth and suberness which fell from his lips. the beloved Institution which he leaves, attend The inquiry meetings have also been attended with | him to his new and enlarged responsibilities.

Last night also, although Dr. Heacock too had | Crawfordsville Presbytery supplies were appointleft, and there was no distinguished stranger to ed for the pulpits of the Commissioners to the

igion: "Two years have now elapsed since the House. Presbytery itself recognized the principle that or congregation, was responsible for the feeble byterial Missionary, the cause, in that department of our labor, has gone steadily onward. And now we are beginning to reap the fruits of n some hitherto neglected neighborhoods and congregations. And we are confident, if Presby- Presbyterian Book Store. Price, \$1.50. tery will adhere to the principle, and assure the ongregations and communities, within our ounds, that may reasonably look to us for religious instruction, that they shall be permanently supplied with faithful preaching, we shall, in the future, reap much greater reward. This is the

me point where we have heretofore failed." The Presbytery of North River, met April 7th been known at any meeting of the body in twenty years. The Rev. Edgar W. Clarke was received by letter from the Presbytery of Niagra; the Rev. John Ward from the 4th Presbytery of Philadelordained; an addition of four, making the membership twenty-four; a larger number than were before since the great schism. Rev. James Westminster; and one candidate was received.

COMMISSIONERS TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY. I.—SYNOD OF ALBANY.

Z. M. P. Luther. Selden Haines, D.D., E. Baker, M.D. A. DeWitt, Charles Doolittle, W. S. Leavitt. II. -- UTICA. Watertown, W. H. Lockwood.

J. N. Hubbard, S.W. Brewster. P. H. Fowler, D.D., Spencer Kellogg. St. Lawrence, John Waugh. III. - GENEVA. S. H. Gridley, D.D., D. D. Dayton, M. E. Woodward Brown, Platt Crosby. C. C. Carr, D. B. Westlake.

L. McGlashen. F. Rand. A. Blakely. IV. -ONONDAGA. E. R. Davis, Charles Anderson, Amos Crocker,

V.-SUSQUEHANNA Andrew Parsons. W. M. Hoyt, George P. Everest. VI.-GENESSEE. Walter Clarke, D.D., Silas Kingsley, A. L. Benton, Nathaniel Hurd.

VII.—NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY. T. H. Skinner, D.D., W. C. Harp.
F. W. Graves, D. Gillmur.
N. Y. 4th. Wm. Adams, D.D., — Bartholomew.
S. H. Cox, D.D., — Lane
Stocklyn, S. T. Spear, D. R.

VIII.-PENNSYLVANIA. Wilmington, George Foot, John B. Porter. Phil'da 3rd, Henry Darling, D.D., B. D. Stewart, John B. Porter. Phil'da 4th, Albert Barnes, David Thomas, Ambrose White. J. W. Kerr, M. I Harrisburg, Alex. D. Moore,

IX.-W. PENNSYLVANIA. Ambrose Dunn, George Kellog, R. P. Bakewell. Herrick Johnson. X.-MICHIGAN. Samuel Fleming. C. S. Armstrong, Washtenaw

Milton Bradley, Eli R. Miller. Saginaw, E. J. Stewart, Gd. Riv. Val. D. M. Cooper, Calvin H. Chase XL-WESTERN RESERVE Grand River, J. M. Gillett,
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