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What shall we mublish? As we have already seen, we began this work for a definite purpose, and confined our operations to a very small circle ; and very few beyond our own limits took an interest in our issues. A reason for this course then existed. It was a struggle for life. We must write and publish in defence, or "be trodden under foot of men." Brethren, whose theological training and modes of thought were different from ours, became alienated, and held us up before the public as heretics of no common type; and we must either vindiente ourselves by our own publications, or leave the Christian world to infer that the charges were correct. Your Committee speak only of facts, and not of the ani-mus of those connected with them. But that day has gone by, the relation of things has changed, and we must change our policy and action. Having commenced the work of publication for a specific purpose—and that a good one-and having continued it for that same purpose, and other superadded ones, and being now in a position from which we cannot recede, we should look at the length and breadth and character of the work we are to prosecute. The demand for mere " doctrinal tracts," or tracts for refuting "calumnites against us," or any other publications which are restricted to our church, and inspire no interest and do little or no good anywhere else, has censed. It is a fact of the pust. We

thank God, ---of a day gone by. Your Committee fully accord with the recommenda-tions of the Assembly of 1857. After speaking of "the power of the press" in its relations to "true piety," it was Resolved, " that the Publication Committee be encouraged to publish not only such works as may present the peculiarities of our branch of the Christian Church, in doctrine and practice, but from time to time such works of an evangelical character as may be profitable to the church at large." On this basis the Publication Committee have noted ever since that period. And this is us it should be. Reformations do not and should not travel backwards. This is the beautiful order establisted by God. It was last year, only, that this thought was suggested, that it might be well to reverse this order. We admire the processes of nature, whether viewed the resthetic or utilitarian eye-.... the seed"-..... the hinde-then the ear-after that the full corn in the ear;" und there is shouting among the reapers when the har-vest is come, and the golden sheaves are gathered in, and the garners are full. This is nature's law-God's haw of progress; and it is unseemly to reverse it. Your Committee recommend that we continue to give further illustrations of this law in the publication enterprise Unward should be our motto.

It has occurred to your Committee, that there is no necessary antagonism between what is deemed or called denominational Publications, and works of an evangelical and practical character, which go to make up a true Catholic and Christian literature. They speak of our churches alone. There is little sectarianism among them. They have so little home-attach ment, that they seem to love their neighbor better than themselves. A few controversial and doctrinal tracts, the publication of which had become an ecclesinstical necessity from the acts of others, which we would have controlled but could not, are exceptions to the above remark. Several such tracts have been is sued in times past, and others may be demanded in the future,-but aside from these, works which presented our type of orthodoxy,-which embody our principles of exegesis, —which set forth our form of Calvinism, and our philosophy of its exposition and defence, —our theory of God's moral government, embracing Adam and his first sin, and our connexions with them both-the atonement for a fallen race-broad in its provisions and infinite in its merits, laying the foundation for the offer of a free salvation, and leaving the sinner without excuse, if he shall reject "the Lord that bought him," and finally perish, -- the nature of sin and regeneration, -- the divine purposes in connexion with the freedom of man as a responsible moral ngent, as explained in our school of theology, and kindred doctrines, are the very materials we need to form

is needed for ourselves, and needed. If we had more of it, we should have less Arminianism and more of Calvinism, in all the evangelical churches. Inquiring E. Pierce, D. D., Presbytery of Portage, and Rev. minds would become settled, and skeptics would be si-lenced. And yet such publications are both denomina-

tional, and Catholic. They supply an experienced want among ourselves, and they are equally needed by the community at large. And they are adapted to

One thing more by way of sustaining the graud agency of publication in our Church. Your Commit-tee would recommend the raising of a fund of 40,000

dollars, during the current year for the cause of Pub-lication, to be disposed of by the Committee, mostly for printing and circulating books, and a part, if they think best, for extinguishing the debt on the House. The mode of raising this fund is submitted wholly to the superior wisdom of this Assembly. Place this amount in the hands of the Publication Committee, and you give them a place to stand upon, and, under God and by grace they will more the church first and then the world, —and skeptics and timid believers shall say, with a faith and confidence equal to that explained by the old astronomer, when he arose from his knees upon which he had been bowed down by an arbitrary power which would crush out thought from the mind of man,-they move. Not in a whisper, as he did, but in a voice distinct and loud like thunder; and angels shall tune their sweetest harps, and a choir of saints and angels shall sing the "new song" in hea-

Your Committee are well aware that this report covers a large field, and does not present any points for definite action, hence they append the following resolutions.

1. Resolved, That the Publication Cause should now be considered one of the established institutions of our church.

2. Resolved, That true loyalty to our own home interests and policy, demands of all our ministers and all our church members devoted attachment to this

cause, and its cordial support. 3. Resolved, That as far as we and our churches are concerned, we will endeavor to see that collections be made annually in our congregations, and will use our in-fluence in every legitimate way to induce our brethren everywhere to do the same, that our fund from this source may be greatly increased.

4. Resolved, That inasmuch as the "CHURCH PSALM-IST" is our own denominational book for conducting one of the sweetest and sublimest acts of devotion, and as of the sweetest and subimest acts of devotion, and as the ownership of this book was purchased by the or-der of a former Assembly for the large sum of Ten Thousand Dollars of the original Publishers, subject to a small tax or tariff, by way of "copy-right" to the compiler, for ten years only,—loyalty to our church demands that it should become as speedily as practi-ble the sub scheder of the back of the back of the subcable the only book of Psalmody used by our denomination; and that in all cases of change in this brauch of worship, we recommend the "Church Psalmist" as a substitute for any discarded book; and this for two reasons, that it may serve as a strong bond of union among us, and give the Publication Committee no in-considerable income for the promotion of those inte-

5. Resolved, That this General Assembly, following the example of former Assemblies, totally disapprove of those books of Psalmody, which in their arrangement blot out the distinction between those songs of devo-tion which are God-inspired and those which are man-

Resolved. That we enter at once upon energetic measures for raising the sum of 50,000 dollars, to be apportioned according to some judicious plan, among our churches, and that this fund be employed by the Publication Committee as may seem to them best for the furtherance of the great interests they are prosecuting, under God and the General Assembly. All which is most respectfully submitted by your Committee. N. S. S. BEMAN, Chairman.

The report of the committee was accepted. A motion being made for the adoption of the res-

olutions appended to the report, remarks were made by Rev. Dr. Beman, Rev. Dr. Cox, Rev. Dr. Spear, and Hon. Mr. Allen. The resolutions submitted by the committee were

Nomination of Delegates to Foreign Bodies. General Association of New Hampshire. Rev. irred doctrines. are the very materials we need to form an evangelical and Christian literature. Such reading Lewis H. Reid, of Presbytery of Onondaga, alternate.

General Association of Connecticut. Rev. Geo. Henry B. Eldred, of Trumbull, alternate. General Association of Massachusetts. Rev.

Albert Barnes, and Rev. Wm. W. Williams, of Presbytery of Keokuk, alternate. General Convention of Vermont. Rev. Lyman our own. Such productions are recommended to our Gilbert, D. D., of Catskill, and Rev. Jonathan Cope-The General Conference of Maine. Rev. Jonathan upon the world, they will furnish a course of religious | Sewall of Presbytery of Troy, and Rev. John Waugh, growth in grace, in our own Zion, and they are broad and unsectarian enough to answer the demands of the Church. Rev. A. T. Norton of Presbytery of Alton, and Rev. Prof. Saunders of Presbytery of Illi-To General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian like character should be added to the list :-- and if, Church of North America. Rev. Halsey Dunning Presbytery of the District of Columbia, and Rev. Herrick Johnson, Presbytery of Pittsburg, alternate. To the Synod of the German Reformed Church in the United States. Rev. D. H. Emerson, Presbytery of Wilmington, and Fred. F. Judd, of the Pres

ciation of New Hampshire; a letter from Z. M. Hum-phrey, a delegate to the Presbyterian and Congre-gational Convention of Wisconsin; and a letter from Rev. J. W. McLane, a delegate to the General Asso-ciation of Connecticut, were read, accepted, and or-sition of Connecticut, were read, accepted, and or-sition to be printed in the appendix of the Minutes Rev. Dr. Spees (having obtained leave to make a tatement.) said that he had been very sorry to learn that a remark which he made, and a vote which he ciation of Connecticut, were read, accepted, and or-dered to be printed in the appendix of the Minutes. Trustees of Church Erection Fund and Presby-terian House. D. Smith W. A. Booth, and J. W. McLane, gave, when the resolutions on the State of the Coun-try were under consideration, had been misunder-

were elected by the Assembly Trustees of the Church Erection Fund. Rev. Thos. J. Shepherd, Rev. Daniel March, Rev. Assembly has the constitutional right to enjoin upon pastors that they shall read the deliverances of this

oody. There are, he said, three ways in which the deliverances of this Assembly may be brought before | Report of the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

our congregations. First, by reading the resolutions in the pulpits; secondly, by making them the sub-ject of a sermon or address; and, thirdly, by intro-Rev. Dr. SPEES, from the Committee on Bills and Overtures, reported various overtures, with accom-panying recommendations to the Committee.

ducing them in a sermon or address, and, thirdly, by here to which they are pertinent. All that I meant to say the other evening, was, that I did not expect to rise in my pulpit-and say to my congregation, "This is the deliverance of the General Assembly on the subof Lexington, Mo., stating in substance, that they had formally seceded from this Assembly, and con-nected themselves with the Presbyterian Church of the South, but that they now desired to return and be reinstated in their connexion with this Assembly. ject of our country." I do expect to bring that deli erance before my congregation in the other method Indicated. I expect to preach a sermon upon the loings of the General Assembly, and to introduce in

> and have been recognised as constituting the Presbytery. The name of the Presbytery had never been dropped from the rolls of the General Assembly, The Committee recommended that no action be taken The report of the Committee was accented and possessed all things to Him as Mediator, has adopted.

the General Assembly to adopt such measures as, in their wisdom, they might deem proper, to secure the reunion of the two branches of the Presbyterian Church.

Assembly, and had been acted on, by the adoption of resolutions on the 22d inst., the Committee recom-Rev. C. BROWN said that he would give in a sinmended that no further action be taken. gle sentence, the reason for his action on the occa-

should be delivered up to his master. We desire The report of the Committee was accepted and that, whatever that document contains, that may he adopted. Overture No. 5 was from the Publication Comconstrued or tortured to sustain slavery, should be removed from it." In regard to this subject we have taken action which, when submitted to you, will, mittee, praying the Assembly to make a declaration of trust with regard to the Presbyterian House property, and proposing the form of such a declaration for the adoption of the Assembly. we trust, meet with your approbation and receive

your hearty concurrence. The Committee recommended the adoption of the Another subject came before us, and I feel that in

a recognition.

overture, and the appointment by the Assembly, of the following named legal gentlemen to attend to the legal formalities in connexion with the creation of the trust:—Samuel H. Perkins, Samuel C. Perkins, and the subject came before us, and I feel that in presenting this, I speak to those who sympathize with us. If, as one of your ministers has wittily ob-served, the letters "N. S." appended to your title mean "No Slavery," I am sure that you will be reade to constitue in the state of the second secon ready to go with all those who are opposed to that and Hon. Joseph Allison.

The report of the Committee was accepted and dreadful curse of our country. Now, sir, you are aware that in the progress of this war, multitudes of adopted. those unhappy men who have suffered the miseries Overture No. 6 was from the Presbytery of Iowa of bondage have been thrown upon our humanity City, on the subject of manses.

The Committee recommended that it be referred to the Committee already appointed to report on the subject at the next General Assembly.

The report of the Committee was accepted and have told me; and they are in a condition most dedopted. Overture No. 7 was from the Presbytery of Iowa adopted. What is to be done for these and for others like City, on the subject of Education.

Proclamation, as we may apticipate, shall be en-forced throughout all the Rebel States? What shall we do for them? We certainly, sir, ought to send The report of the Committee was accepted and

schools, Sabbath services, and the relations of ses-Christ to preach to them a full, free Gospel; and we trust that you will unite with us in this work. Ethi-

opia is literally stretching forth her hands to God. The Committee recommended that it be referred As dry and thirsty ground pants for the reviving to a special committee, to report on the subject at rain of heaven, these children of Africa are earnestthe next General Assembly.

ly desiring to receive instruction. Nothing do they The report of the Committee was accepted and crave so much as this. And, sir, it is the borden on the American church at this time, more than aught Rev. Joel Parker, D. D., Rev. Henry Darling, D. D.,

else, we believe, to provide for them. We may feel that we are called upon to send missionaries to China, or India, or Africa, or to the Red men of our own ountry: but here, accessib

Reports on Synodical Records. The various committees on Synodical Records ere called in their order, and made reports which

ere approved.

foreign missions, he became prepared to go out and preach the Gospel to India. He was sent thither, and labored there for hearly thirty years faithfully and successfully. He has now laid down the sword, Report from Judicial Committee. Rev. Dr. GRIDLEY, from the Judicial Committee nade a report in regard to the complaint of S. Edmade a report in regard to be consistent of the con-wards Todd. The report, after reviewing the cir-cumstances, recommended that the case be remand-ed to the Synod of Onondaga, with instructions to remand the same to the Presbytery of Cayuga for definite and full action thereon. and, we doubt not, wears the crown of eternal glory. Mr. Moderator, I do not wish to detain you; but it would be interesting to you, I feel sure, to hear

something of the recent meeting of our Synod. One important measure which has been before that body I desire especially to submit to your attention. We Rev. Drs. FOWLER and SPEAR stated that they beieved the report to be erroneous in its conclusions out from the brief time allowed they did not feel at liberty to make any lengthy opposition to its adoption. They believed that the precedent which the action of and in behalf of those whom we specially represent, Rev. Dr. GRIDLEY defended the report.

The report was accepted and adopted.

United States Christian Commission. Rev. H. Johnson offered the following resolution

vides for its own amendment. We desire to find in it a recognition of the sovereignty of God, and of the Mediatorial authority of the Lord Jesus Christ. hich was adopted: Resolved, That this Assembly cordially approve of We believe that Messiah is the Prince of the kings of he spirit and aims of the United States Christian commission-an organization designed to furnish to the earth, and that all nations should serve Him; that to Him as Mediator (for it is only in this capa-city that He could receive a gift, as God he already he officers and men of our army and navy the best possible Christian ministers for body and soul in their ircumstances; and we cheerfully and heartily combeen given all power in heaven and in earth. We mend this work as most important and most timely, feel that this should be recognized, and that this is not only in its influences upon the brave men in the field, but through them upon the cause they advocate, the time when we ought to endeavor to obtain such

Then too, we feel, sir, as we doubt not you feel and the country they defend. Resolved, That this Assembly recommend to our that that Constitution should be purified from the very savor and smell and odor of slavery; and we desire that it should contain no such provision (in he same to our Publication Committee, with the reour view in direct antagonism to the word of God.) as that which says that the poor panting fugitive uest that the money be invested in publications adaptd to the wants of soldiers in the field and hospitals, he same to be forwarded through the agency of the Invistian Commission.

#### Committee Discharged.

The special committee appointed by the last Assen oly to consider the subject of raising a fund to be ap-olied to the aid of disabled ministers and their families

rere discharged. Rev. J. Glentworth Butler, Rev. George F. Wiswell, Ion. Joseph Allison, Ambrose White, and Samuel H Perkins were appointed a committee to report on the

ubject to the next Assembly. The committees appointed by the last Assembly on pecial cases of Infant; Baptism, the Church Erection. und, and the Relations of the General Assembly to Sunday School and the Religious Education of Chillren, having failed to make any report, were severally lischarged.

#### Publication of Minutes and Treasurers' Reports.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Minutes of the Assembly. with the usual Appendix, and the Reports of the Freasurers of the Permanent Committees be printed nder the direction of the Stated Clerk. Incidental Expenses of the Assembly, Etc.

the schoolmaster to teach them and the minister of The Janitor's bill, the bills for stationery and printing, the travelling expenses of the delegates to oreign bodies, and the salaries and travelling ex-penses of the Stated and Permanent Clerks were

rdered to be paid. "Daily Presbyterian" Reports.

Rev. Mr. CLARK, of Illinois. I move that the thanks of the Assembly be returned to the Editor of the American Presbyterian for furnishing us with daily report of our proceedings during the sessions

Monday in January be observed as a day of prayer edly, some members of this body will never again be for the conversion of the world; and that the last Thursday in February be devoted in like manner to the manner to be been as a day of prayer edly, some members of this body will never again be gathered with their brethren in a convention of this kind upon earth, yet I do most humbly trust and the manner to be been as a day of prayer edly, some members of this body will never again be the set of the se the spiritual interests of students in our colleges and other Seminaries of learning. gether at last, in the general assembly and church of the first-born, whose names are written in heaven. [The resolutions of thanks were adopted unani-

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mously.] Philadelphia Ladies and the Soldiers.

Hon. J. A. FOOTE, of Ohio, made some remarks, commending in enthusiastic terms, the ladies of Philadelphia for their untiring attention to the wants of the soldiers. He suggested that a vote of acknow-

ledgment might be appropriate. Rev. H. E. NILES offered the following resolution,

which was adopted: Resolved, That the Assembly hereby express their high admiration of the manner in which the ladies of Philadelphia have contributed, and are contributing to the comfort of the soldiers who pass through this city, and of those who return as sick and suffering we present to these ladies our hearty thanks.

#### Thanks to the Moderator.

Rev. Mr. CROWELL offered the following resolution : Resolved, That the thanks of the Assembly be offered to the Moderator, Rev. Professor Smith, for the able and impartial manner in which he has presided over the ideliberations of the Assembly, and for the dignified and Christian courtesy which he has ex-

tended to the commissioners. The question on the resolution was put by Rev.

Dr. Darling, and it was adopted unanimously. THE MODERATOR. Brethren of the Assembly, I do not know when I have regretted the partial loss of voice so much as now, when I am called upon to respond to such a vote in reference to my action while occupying this position—the most honorable in which you could have placed me, and the memory of which I shall cherish with gratitude as long as I live. I upplying the army with religious reading, to forward took, this chair with fear and trembling. I have

your constant forbearance and courtesy, for which I tender to you my hearty thanks. We have reached the termination of our labors as we nave reaction the termination of our labors as an Assembly of Christ in a session which has, I trust, abounded in blessings to all of us, and which will be fruitful to the church here represented. Few deliberative bodies can look back upon so prolonged a session and not be able to recall a single word of discourtesy or of acrimony-a single word incon-sistent with Christian charity and love. I know not that such a word has been uttered by any member of this Assembly during these sessions. Let us thank God that he has given us such a spirit of mutual respect and mutual loves. It is because the Spirit of God has been with us that such has been

the tone of this Assembly. We have met together here from all parts of our land, representing diversities of interests, and yet we have come to results, (almost all of them well nigh unanimous) upon some of the most important questions in respect to, both church and state that could be brought before an Assembly of Christian ministers and rulers in this land and in this time of struggle in our nation's history. By this unanimi-ty, we shall, I doubt not, be remembered for a long

me in the annals of our church. Here, too, we have been permitted to ronew some old friendships and to form some new ties. Imper-

fectly, acquainted before, many of us have been for all time by the circumstances under which we are here met. We now part, a band of Christian bretbren closely united in heart for life.

Before us have been brought the great interests of our church. Through God's blessing we have seen progress in every one of those interests; all of them exhibit increase above the report of last year. We have had before us also the condition of our beloved country-dearer to us now in her hour of trial and calamity than she ever was in the zenith of her interial prosperity—bound to our hearts more firmly when traitors are arrayed against her. We

The Committee recommended that it be referred to the Permanent Committee on Education. adopted. Overture No. 8 was on the subject of Sabbath

adopted

Rev. Mr. HOWARD offered the following resolution

urches in connexion with it, the pecuniary neces- M. W. Baldwin, were appointed as the committee.

report was adopted. Report on Narrative. The report of the Standing Committee on Narra-tive being presented by Rev. Mr. Crowell, was ac-cepted and adopted.

Relief to Western Churches.

on referred to. He voted against the amendment, because he knew that the people would be fully ap<sup>1</sup> prized of the Assembly's action, before the pastors would have an opportunity to bring it to their atten-Report on Foreign Missions. The report of the Standing Committee on Foreign

Personal Explanation.

fissions being presented by Rev. A. Barnes, was ccepted and adopted. It is as follows :---The Committee recommend the adoption of reso-ations that, in the judgment of the Assembly the

ystem of foreign missions they are now prosecuting connection with the American Board of Commis oners for Foreign Missions, and in which sixtyhree of their ministers are directly engaged, de nands the undivided energies of the churches and increased contributions; that while there is every reason to be gratified with the superations of the American Board, it would be unwise to contemplate subject at the next General Assembly.

any measures looking towards a severance of the reations with that Board, and that a separate Foreign Missionary action cannot be inaugurated without imperiling those relations, and that they can do more through the agency of the American and Foeign Christian Union than by attempting to establish separate missionaryaction as 'a church. The

sities of those of our churches in the West whose pe-

## tood, and had given serious offence to some brethren. When the Assembly had under consideration the amendment proposing that the resolutions should be read from the various pulpits, he had opposed the amendment, and had declared that he should not read them. He said that he seriously doubted at that time, and still doubted, whether the General

Wm. T. Eva, Chas. S. Wurts, and J. C. Farr, were elected Trustees of the Presbyterian House.

Overture No. 2 (No: 1 having been previously re-

or Lexington, Mo., stating in substance, that they had formally seceeded from the Bresbytery that formally seceeded from this Assembly, and con-

the South, but that they now desired to return and be reinstated in their connexion with this Assembly. The Committee, in their report, stated that a mi-nority of the Presbytery had, without interruption, adhered to their Synod and the General Assembly, hat connexion its action on this subject. Now, sir, I don't need any endorsement with regard to my loyalty, either to my country or my church. Any man who knows me knows my loyalty. Sir. I have never seen the General Assembly in a

rouder position than that which it occupies to-day; Overtures Nos. 3 and 4 were memorials praying

and 1 have never known the General Assembly to take any action on any subject which I was not will-ing to bring, and did not bring before my congregation. expect to do the same now. But, sir, I do not

wish to do it in the manner in which the amendment would seek to enjoin me to do it. I only wish to be left to my own discretion in the matter. That is all As this subject had been fully considered by the that I meant to say; and if I have hurt the feelings

convert sinners in other congregations as well as in Pu' lication Committee. By multiplying such, by the land, of Presbytery of Champlain alternate. a sency of the Press, and sending them forth broadcast The General Conference of Maine. Rev. Jo reading adapted to the promotion of knowledge and of Presbytery of St. Lawrence, alternate.

reading Christian public in general. The Sabbath School Books already issued, have nois. heen received with much favor; and other volumes of at any time, Tracts or books more restricted in their scope, and more denominational in their materials should scened to be called for, they should be added at the liveretion of the Committee.

In the judgment of your Committee, the organization of the Publication Committee is well enough as it is, though it may be a question deserving thought, bytery of Rockaway, alternate. whether a reduction of its numbers from fifteen to whether a reduction of its numbers from liteen to eleven might not add to its efficiency, and despatch in business. The Institution is in the right place, and the of St. Joseph's, and Rev. B. G. Riley, of Presbytery Inbor and munificence which it has called forth from of Columbus, alternate. the Philadelphia brethren, richly entitle them to the General Assembly of t blessed Christian privilege of still further gracious Boston. Rev. Jas. P. Wilson, D. D., of the Prescity which proudly boasts of being the emporium of York 3d, alternate. the Empire State.

Though your Committee have already drawn, per- Evangelical Lutheran Church, which meets bi-annahips too long, upon your time and patience, yet there is one essential point more which must not be omitted, ---it is the question of "Ways and Meuns." In all great movements in the State, and so also in the church, this is the question which taxes the brain of has expected the full "tale of bricks," without furpishing " the straw " necessary for completing the work. Means are needed, adapted to the end proposed ; and an American can no more make Books without money, than an Egyptian could make bricks without straw Where, then, shall this material instrument be found ? We must have this, or all the speculations your Committee have indulged in, will fail to the ground, or be dissolved into air. The collections of last year amount. ing to some four thousand dollars, to adopt no severe Innguage, were no honor to the church. A few such nnual efforts of "masterly inactivity," would ruin any precific p'an ever adopted for the reformation of the world. What, then, shall be done to inspire new life, and insure united, energetic, and triumphant action in the

Publication cause? Your Committee are of the opinion, that annual collections for this object should continue to be pressed upon all our churches, till this denominational enterprise can stand upon its own feet, and do its own work, vithout this kind of extraneous aid. And this time will be hastened, or retarded, according to the liberality or scantiness of the contributions. Let the waters flow mitted. As the granting of these requests involves in freely into this fountain from all the churches-from the wealthy, in generous streams, and from the depressed and poor, in little sparkling rills, and that fountain shall soon be full, and in its turn it shall

truit abundantly. Only let the churches enter into this cause with deep sympathy with its designs, and a large fund is secured by little effort.

Your Committee mention another source of income to this cause, which might furish an increased work-ing capital, without costing the churches anything. that the requirements of the plan of the Assembly be t requires only genuine loyalty to our own denomination. In all our history as Presbyterians, the General Assembly have always claimed the exclusive right of be used in our churches. Watts, and Barlow's and Wm. A. Booth. Your Committee recommend that they Dwight's editions of Watts, were sanctioned by the same body. In 1820 the Assembly before the division of the church, undertook to prepare a Book of Psalms

and flymns which, in time should supplant all others and "become a bond of union among our churches." This was deemed a great interest to secure. No church can exist and prosper without many such bonds; and that whose tissue is formed by interweaving poetry and music, is at once the sweetest and ngest .- In England almost every prominent minister among the Dissenters has made a Book of Psalms, or Hymns, for his own congregation. They approach the independent way of doing things for which Paul reproved the Corinthians: "When ye come

together, every one of you hath a Psalm, hath a doc-trine." We might almost suspect that both of these he onged to the same sect, or denomination, while Paul, who rebuked this disregard of church order, was, no doubt, a sound Presbyterian

Another thing was enjoined upon the Committee wlo made the first Book, which should constitute a hond of union in the Presbyterian church: the Psalms the report, and Hymns must be separately arranged. Your Committee think this is a sound injunction. Taste, and Rev. Mr. Waterbury, Rev. Mr. Brownlee, of Kansus, picty, and reverence for the Scriptures, require it. Rev. Mr. Stewart, of Michigan, and Prof. Day, dis-It appears almost profane, to place David, who wrote Pailms under the inspiration of God, on a common tion Fund had not been so beneficial to needy Weslevel with modern composers of spiritual songs, who wrote merely under the inspiration of human genius. In the present system was needed. Some of the de-This injunction of 1826 has been reiterated by our legates contended that the committee had done wrong

Assemblies at various sessions since. Ind your Committe would add, that all our Assem-ral Western churches. The action of the committee I come into this house again, I shall have those feel. length of time we should suppose for this committee ings renewed. I think of the men whose faces I to have grown in strength, and to have performed a churches which you represent, now and ever more. bliss since we have been a distinct body, have recom-monded the use of one and the same book as a bond of union. And yet, what are the facts in the case? We have in use in our obviences more than one down diffemittee to inquire and report to the next General by that merchant to clean his carriage, which had Hour of Meeting. Assembly whether any changes in the plan of the Church Erection Fund are desirable:-Rev. J. Few have seen for days-some of whom I have known in earlier years-some of whom I have known in tation, not personally-and with many of whom I have formed, for the first time, a pleasant acquaint-tation prover perhaps to be reported by the Secretary of the committee. We have upon our roll 1466 been used late on Saturday, and which he desired to have in readiness for church. Dr. Campbell (for it is he to whom I refer), at that time an obscure Rev. Philemon H. Fowler, D. D., Hon. Wm. Ordered, That the hour of meeting this afternoon be 3 instead of 4 o'clock. The Assembly then adjourned with prayer till 3½ P. M. AFTERNOON SESSION. The Assembly met at 3½ o'clock. Reports of Delegates to Corresponding Bodies. A letter from Stephen Bush, a delegate appointed by the General Assembly to visit the General Assoient books to day. Your Committee could give the amended by adding thereto the following: hames of more than this-say fifteen or sixteen. They Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed to have this matter just here. They speak as unto wise men; judge ye what they say. If this Assembly could in ing about an entire uniformity in the adoption and ance, never perhaps to be renewed. ance, never perhaps to be renewed. The prayers of the people of this city, in whose families you have been, will accompany you. They will pray for the Divine blessing to rest upon you. We shall be interested in knowing, so far as we may; of the success, prosperity, and happiness of all the members of this Assembly. And though we shall not meet again upon earth-though I may never be in another Assembly here—and though, undoubtinquire whether any changes in the plan of the churches; but of all those churches only 169 have Church Erection Fund are desirable to add to its efficiency, and if so, what, and to report to the next use of our own book, and our only book as Presbyte-tians, they would accomplish one of their best acts as The report, thus The report, thus amended, was adopted. n deliberative body-secure a strong bond of union On motion, the thanks of the Assembly were unaamong us, and help to fill the empty treasury of our Publication Committee. The experiment is worth a surer of the Church Erection Fund, for the faithful in another Assembly here-and though, undoubt- dying rate.". and gratuitous discharge of the duties of his office. 计正式接触 美利尔地 化化学 . i . . .

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ants in the same direction. And your Committee che-rish the hope, that the time is not far distant when three labors of love will be imitated by that other great son, of Philadelphia; Elder, W. E. Dodge of New Delegates were appointed last year to the General

#### Church Erection.

Rev. Mr. HOWARD from the Committee on Church the government- and the *purse* of the people. The great error of the church, therefore, has been that she

#### Report on the Church Erection Fund.

The Committee to whom was referred the annual reort of the Trustees of the Church Erection Fund, would eport, that the important duties of administering and guarding this fund, appear to have been discharged dur-ing the last year with the same prudent, prompt, and siness-like fidelity, and with the same strict adherence to the plan of the Assembly, which have characterized the action of the Board, from the time it was first enrusted with the management of this fund.

A large portion of the original fund, and the whole of its accumulations, amounting together to about fiftyeight thousand dollars, remains unemployed in the hands of the Board, and is believed to be securely invested.

Three requests have been presented to the Committee One, that the surplus of the fund over one hundred thousand dollars be appropriated in large sums, where there is urgent necessity, by way of loans and donations. Anther, that a loan of four hundred and sixty-six dollars be changed into a donation of the same amount. And mitted. As the granting of these requests involves in each case a change in the admirable plan of the Assembly, the Committee unanimously recommend that they be denied.

It has come to the knowledge of your Committee that fountain shall soon of full, and in its that a der-again send out the liquid treasures to irrigate and fer-tilize the garden of God, till it shall blossom and bear in Michigan,) which obtained loans from the fund through the Synodical Committees of thuse States, have never completed the buildings on which mortgages have been given to secure these loans. Your Committee therefore would recommend that the Synodical Commitrigidly conformed to by every church that applies for

and receives a loan or a donation from this fund. The term of office of the following trustees expires Respectfully submitted, be re-elected.

G. A. HOWARD, Chairman PHILA., May 28, 1863.

The Assembly then adjourned until Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

MONDAT, JUNE 1, 1863. The Assembly, after spending an hour in devotional exercises, was opened for business at 10 o'clock. The minutes of the last session were read and approved.

Church Election Report.

The Assembly then proceeded to the consideration f the Report of the Standing Committee on Church Erection, submitted on Friday last. The report of the committee was accepted

The pending question being upon the adoption of

Rev. Messrs. Le Duc and Thompson, of Minnesota. in the present system was needed. Some of the de-

culiar and urgent need cannot be met, under its char ter and rules, by the Church Erection Fund; and that the Synodical Committees be requested to de- full consideration of the various interests committed signate such churches by endorsing the written statements of their affairs which they may make.

Appropriation of Church Erection Fund. Rev. Dr. SPEAR offered the following resolution which was adopted :---

Resolved, That the Board of Trustees of the Churc Frection Fund be authorized, in case any Synod shall be under the necessity of drawing upon the fund for more than its present apportionment, to appropriate to such Synods so much of the unappropriated por tion of the fund as they in their judgment may think

Farewell Address of Rev. Dr. Tustin. Rev. Dr. TUSTIN, delegate from the General As-Assembly, had opportunity for some farewell remarks. He spoke as follows :----Mr. Moderator and Brethren of the Assembly: I desire in a few brief words, before your final adjournnent, to express my unfeigned gratitude for the fraternal recognition extended to me, as the clerical reresentative of the Assembly now in session in Peoria

nition. I hope sir, that "While life, or thought, or being last,

Or immortality endures"-

ever to lose the impressions of that precious occasion My soul, sir, has been feasting ever since on the honey comb, which we found in the carcass of the lion we had slain. I am grateful, sir, for the affectionate salutations, which I have received personally from source control of the friends of Jesus, the tones of whose voices. I had never heard before. I am grateful, es-pecially grateful for the privilege of uniting with this Assembly and other Christian friends, in celebrating the hely rite of the country. he holy rite of the commemorative supper. Amidst the highest and purest joys which we can experienc on this hither side of the grave, let us never for a mo-ment forget our obligations to Jesus, the source and

oundation of all our enjoyments. And now that we expect to separate in a few hours, never to meet again in this vale of tears, permit me to express my earnest good wishes for the present and Assembly. A few years ago, sir, I had this honor; ature welfare of the officers and members of this As- | and as I appear before you, I cannot but think of the sembly. My prayer is already up before the Throne. change of circumstances in which we are found. that God will take each one of you by the hand and With us, as with you, honored and beloved fathers conduct you safely along the chequered journey of life, which none can walk successfully alone—and that when you shall have done with the duties and ob-goes on with her appropriate work, for Christ, her sembly and church of the first born, whose names are written in heaven—in that bright and glorious world where change comes not—where separations are never nown, where we shall never be called, under any broumstances, to take the parting hand, or to pro-hounce the tender, affecting and sometimes painful

ord, Farewell. In returning to our several homes, let us carry with smuch of the spirit of the Master, and resolve, upon enewed and more entire consecration to his service. And while the two invincible columns of the sacra ental host here represented, march forward side by ide under the guidance of the great Captain of their salvation, against the common enemy, let them fling out their banners to the breezes of heaven and inscrib pon their ample folds in golden capitals.

"Distinct as the billows But one as the sea.'

Beloved Brethren in the discipleship and ministry Jesus, Farewell!

The MODERATOR pro tem., (Rev. Dr. Fowler,) responded to Dr. Tustin as follows:-DEAR BROTHER:-The circumstances in which th verture from your body was accepted by this Assembly, the manifestation of feeling made at the time, and the words of greeting extended to you by the occupant of this chair, assure you of the cordiality with which the proposition for correspondence with your body was accepted by this. Allow me to say hat that cordiality has been increased by the truly admirable manner in which you have discharged the delightful and yet delicate part assigned to you. In parting with you, we beg you to bear with you the assurance of our most earnest wishes for your prosperity personally. We pray that with increasng years you may bear increasing fruits. Be good enough to tender to the hody which you represent

our assurance of sympathy with them in spirit, and readiness cordially to co-operate with them in the ommon objects that we propose as churches of the as I know your time to be, you will permit me, I Lord Jesus Christ. One with them in substance of feel confident, to spend a few minutes in referring doctrine, corresponding to them in orhanization, agreeing with them in our plans of usefulness, we eel ourselves to be one with them as brethren and ervants of the Lord Jesus Christ; and the prayer f all our hearts is, may grace, mercy and peace be multiplied unto you and unto the dear brethren and

Overture No, 9 suggested the adoption of certain anding orders of business, for the purpose of econumizing the time of the Assembly, and ensuring a to the care of the Permanent Committees. The Committee recommended the adoption of the

erture. inhecoming object of effort. The report of the committee was accepted and adopted. listening to me thus far. I can truly assure you of

Overture No. 10 was on the subject of Sabbath and the good-will felt toward your Assembly by the Re-Industrial Schools. formed Presbyterian Church. They feel that they The Committee recommended the adoption of the are nearly akin to you; they feel that they occupy overture, or, in other words, an endorsement by the substantially the same platform, and that they are Assembly, of Mission and Industrial Schools. striving for the same great objects. They wish you Hon. J. A. Foors made some remarks illustrating success in the work of God, and they implore upon the admirable working of such schools, as they had you, individually and as an Assembly, the blessing

come within his experience. of God, the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy The report of the Committee was accepted and adopted. The MODERATOR pro tem. (Rev. Albert Barnes in

Overture No. 11, the only remaining one in the the chair.) I am, Dr. Wylie, very unexpectedly mbly, meeting at Peoria. being about to leave this hands of the Committee, suggested the propriety of called upon, by occupying this seat temporarily, to discontinuing the stated unnual sermons on various say a word in reply to your kind and courteous adsubjects of Lenevolence connected with the church, dress. From the temporary position which I hold such as the annual sermon in behalf of Home Mishere, I am not authorized to give utterance to

sions. Publication, etc. The Committee recommended that such annual the sentiments which the permanent Moderator of this Assembly might express in reference to the sermons be discontinued. views and feelings of this body. But I am sure, I After some temarks by Rev. Dr. Spees and Rev. speak their united sentiments when I say that they am grateful for the spiritual banquet in which I was Mr. Adair, in favor of the report, it was accepted eciprocate all that you have said in declaring your ermitted to participate on the occasion of that recog- and adopted.

desire as a church for Christian intercourse with us in our efforts in promoting the cause of religion, in Delegation to the President of the United States. advancing the welfare of our country, in striving for On motion of Rev. Dr. Spear, it was reedom and for the triumph of the principles of Ordered, That such of the members of the General

numanity in our land and throughout the world. Assembly, as propose to visit Washington, be ap-We are essentially of one body. I need not say pointed a committee (with authority to select their to you personally what our feelings are toward each other, or how you are regarded in this city by the own chairman.) to convey to the President of the United States the action of the Assembly on the state ministers of our denomination, or how your church is regarded in reference to the position which it oc-cupies, and the great purposes which it contemplates.

With the same great principles of doutrine, of church government and order-the same views in reference to practical religion—holding the same great doc-trines of justification by Jaith and redemption through the Lord Jesus Christ, as expressed in

Rev. Dr. T. W. J. Wytrz was introduced as a delegate from the Reformed Presbyterian Church, and spoke as follows:

Mr. Moderator, fathers and brethren, I am grate strongest ties. There were principles of our church -I speak of your church and ours originally-there ful for the opportunity you afford me, at this advanced period in your sessions, to appear in this were principles of the Presbyterian Church, as exhibited at the time when the Reformation began to be developed, which may yet have a wider applicasubility than they have yet had, and may have an important bearing on these times, which even our fathers did not contemplate. In some respects you have, I confess, gone in advance of us. We would goes on with her appropriate work, for Christ, her head, lives and reigns. You have heard, as we have all be willing to acknowledge that you as a body hat when you shall have done what the area as the per-igations of the present scene, you may all be per-head, lives and reigns. You have heard, as we have heard, the call to arms; and hundreds, I might say have, from the beginning, taken positions on im-portant questions to which we have been certainly thousands, of your sons, as of ours, have gone forth to the field of deadly conflict. You, as well as we. coming, and which we have now reached by the unanimous convictions and feelings of a body in have given your cordial support to this lamentable whose name the Moderator of this Assembly would war, the result of a most nefarious rebellion; and as appropriately speak. I have heard, or read your noble utterances on this I may say in reply to your remark bearing on this subject-as you have spoken once and again, and point that all the wisdom of this country will be rethe third time, in regard to it, with no uncertain quired to adjust things as they may grow out of this sound, so that none could misunderstand your posi-

inhappy war. Not merely the might of arms by tion-I have felt that the spirit of the old Covenantland and by sea-not merely all the patriotism of the ers lives among you, and that, though you and we might perhaps for a time still occupy distinctive pocountry as evinced in battle on land and ocean-not merely all the wisdom of the President and the sitions, we are of the same lineage, and we have one Cabinet, and the high officers of state, will be reneastra quired, but all the wisdom that there is in the church Mr. Moderator, our charch is one of the smallest may be needed to adjust matters in reference to the

of the tribes of our American Israel. Our operations points which you have indicated, so that our instiare on a corresponding soule; and we cannot there-fore present before you records of what we are doing, tutions in this land shall be what we earnestly desire them to be. which would at all compare in magnitude with the Of course, it would not become me to speak of

work in which you are engaged. You will, however, any measures contemplated in reference to the future we are sure, be glad to learn that we are endeavorof this nation; but there are great changes in proing, in our humble way, to do something for the gress-there are great changes to be procuredglory of God, and for the good of our fellow-men. We have a Foreign Mission in India, which is in a prosperous condition. One of its stations (and I there are great changes desirable. I think we would all admit, in reference to certain things in our counntion this as a remarkable circumstance upparalleled, I believe, in the history of nations,)-one of its stations is supported by a Native ruler. This Native prince invited our missionaries to come, ten-dered them support, provided accommodations for their use and in the support. their use, and by his active co-operation, the work of missions is carried on. This, sir, seems to be an evidence that the time is near at hand in that land, when multitudes will be born as in a day-when we shall find the princes, as well as the people, turning to the Lord.

We have during the last year met with a severe loss in our Foreign Mission. Our senior missionary has been called away from earth to heaven. He was a man worthy of remembrance: and precious to his history—remarkable as showing how well it is that in all things we should endeavor to keep the commandments of God. This distinguished and beloved man came over to this country from Ire-Special Committee on Church Erection Fund.

land many years ago in a very humble condition of life. He obteined a situation in the employment of a wealthy merchant in this city. While acting in this capacity, he was one Sabbath morning directed The Moderator announced the appointment of

doors, are those who need to be evangelized. Our The motion was adopted.

Synod resolved to commence this work-to do what Meeting for Devotional Exercises. it was competent for us to do for this purpose; and Rev. Mr. CROWELL moved that when the Aswe trust that it will not be regarded by you, powerful and influential as you are, as an unsuitable or embly adjourn this afternoon, it be to meet at eight o'clock this evening, to spend an hour in de-Mr. Moderator, I thank you for your kindness in votional exercises, previous to the final adjourn-

The motion was agreed to.

### Calling of the Roll.

On motion, the roll was called, and the members ent answered to their names. The Assembly then adjourned, with prayer.

EVENING SESSION.

At 9 o'clock the Assembly was organized for triotic in its spirit -so renowned as the place where

Resolution of Thanks.

Rev. Mr. CROWELL offered the following resoluion:-Resolved, That our thanks be tendered to the dially that we bless them for their kindness. We

Committee of Arrangements, for their kind and assure them of our prayers. And may they, too, efficient labors in providing for the order of this pray for us; and may we all continue in prayer for Assembly and the comfort of its members; to the each other, until at last we may meet around the Trustees of this Congregation, for the use of their throne of our Saviour in heaven, there to unite in house of worship; and to the choir, for their excel-

lent music. Resolved, That similar thanks be tendered to the | throne and to the Lamb forever and ever.-Amen. Railroad Companies for returning free our mem bers who have travelled over their roads; and especially to the Atlantic Railroad Co., for the excursion which they provided for this Assembly. Rev. Dr. CLARK, of Buffalo, and Mr. SCARRITT,

of St. Louis, Mo., made brief speeches, in acknow-ledgment of the hospitality extended by the people of Philadelphia to members of the Assembly who had come from abroad. Rev. ALBERT BARNES. Perháps, as Chairman

of the Committee of Arrangements, it may be pro-per for me to say a word before these resolutions are our excellent standards,-we are united by the passed, and the rather as the labor, whatever there was, in making arrangements for the members of this Assembly has devolved on others much more than on myself. My associates on that committee have given themselves with untiring diligence and

fidelity to the work which the Assembly entrusted o them, and I am very happy to learn that their abors in this respect have met the approval of the Assembly. A few remarks from me may also be appropriate | were made:

as being the pastor of this church and the oldest the oldest pastor in the city with the exception of two, neither of them connected with our bodies.

antecedent to that. passing away from our remembrance. This meeting When this proposition was made, I wrote to my of our Assembly will be recollected hereafter, not only friend, Mr. Dulles, in respect to it, as I felt very deon account of its deliberations and resolutions, but as sirous that we should publish this work. He wrote connected with the kindest expressions of affection on to me that the managers of the Publication House the part of those from whom we have been separated were ready to publish it, but had not the means to so long. Everything in this Assembly has been plea- do so. I regretted that the proposal of this house in sant; and if members cherish kind recollections of the Edinburgh was not acceded to by us. I believe that hospitality of Philadelphia, we shall all cherish kind if the money could be obtained, we could still actu-

something more than the establishment of kind feel- that massive, solid kind which I think it very imings between us-something more than the recollec- portant that we should be engaged in distributing tion of hospitality on the one side, and pleasant ac- among our churches and ministers. uaintance and converse on the other. This Assemly stands before the world, I think, in a position

have laid upon her altar our devotion as her son giving to her our prayers and the promise of our constant efforts in order that the National power may be supreme, the National Union restored, aud the principles of freedom and justice disseminated through all the borders of our Republic. In the name of our Christianity, we have renewed our loyalty to our country and our loyalty to the cause of human freedom. The banner of our country we honor and love more than ever before—the fairest banner that floats in the sky, and higher than which we know only one symbol-the Cross of our ascended

It has been our happiness to meet together, too. in this city, whose very name recalls the Apostolic exhortation, "Let brotherly love continue." We have shared in the far-famed generosity and hospi-The Assembly met at 8 o'clock, P. M., and spent tality of this place, so well known for its devotion to all that concerns the welfare of mankind-so paour Constitution was adopted, and likewise so well known for its intelligent, cordial and constant adhe-sion to the interests of the church which we repre-sent. We bless the inhabitants of this city, and

shall ascribe all glory to Him that sitteth upon the

Final Adjournment.

The minutes of the session having been read and approved, Rev. H. Johnson moved that the General Assembly be now dissolved.

The motion was agreed to. The MODERATOR. By virtue of the authority delegated to me by the church, I do hereby dissolve this Assembly, and require another General Assembly, chosen in the same manner, to meet at the city Dayton, in the State of Ohio, on the third Thursday of

May, A. D., 1864. After an appropriate prayer by Rev. A. Barnes, and the singing of the doxology, the benediction was pronounced by the Moderator, and the Assembly adjourned finally.

Remarks on the Publication Cause:

On Friday morning, May 29th, the Assembly havng under consideration the Report of the Standing committee on Publication, the following remarks

Rev. Dr. SKINNER. The Publication cause, Mr. pastor in this city at the present time connected Moderator, ranks in the church in which you and I with either branch of the Presbyterian Church, and are worshippers, as co-ordinate with the Foleign Moderator, ranks in the church in which you and I Missionary, the Home Missionary, and the Educa-tion cause. These four causes are to be considered have lived here long enough to see a change in as occupying in importance the first rank. I think the pastorate of every church in the city, except in that it is very material to the success of this imthose two instances. It affects me very much when portant enterprise that we should publish a more I think of what I have seen in the General Assem- massive kind of literature than that which we have by at this time and at former times. It has so happened that I have not for nine years been pro-sent in a General Assembly of either branch of the church; but though I have seen many General As-semblies in years that are gone by, I might say that I have not for a set of the the works of the Cal-vin Translation Society at Edinburgh; and he made the offer to the New School Presbyterian Church, the set of Calvin's Institutes should be eent I have never attended an Assembly which has left over to this country, bound by us, published by us, as pleasant impressions on my mind as those created and circulated through our denomination, at a rate by this. I cannot, of course, fail to contrast the somewhat, I think, under two dollars, \$1:85 per coproceedings of this body with scenes which I wit- py, embracing three massive volumes, clusely and essed in this house years ago—in 1838 and in times ntecedent to that. But let "by-gones be by-gones." Those things are stitutes that has been published in this country.

recollections of their association with us in our fami-lies and in this house. I trust, also, that our meeting here has resulted in have now a very valuable literature, but it is not of

Rev. Dr. DARLING. It is always, sir, with great reluctance that I occupy a moment of the time of different, in some respects, from that which has been any great deliberative body; and I never rose with occupied by any previous Assembly. I think there more diffidence than I do at this moment, knowing is advancement; I think there is progress; I think that the time of this Assembly is exceedingly pre-there has been an intensity of interest, a depth of clous. Yet I have some thoughts to present upon feeling, a unity of purpose, an attachment to the this subject which I cannot in conscience permit to church and the great causes in which we are en- be unsaid; and I would not say a single word but gaged, a devotion to our country, such as will give for the fact that I have been a member of this comthis Assembly a marked place in the history of our church and of our nation. In the interest of the sessed some facilities for understanding its work and church and of our nation. With these feelings on our part, you are about to take leave of us. It has always been to me a very effecting moment when I have come into this house the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church after a General Assembly has adjourned; and when established this Publication Committee-a sufficient

try; and the wisdom of the church as well as the wisdom of the patriot and the statesman, will be required to bring about events which we all feel to be desirable and such as we think God, in His infinite wisdom and goodness, desires and designs shall be brought about as the result of this unhappy appeal to arms. In the midst of the dreadful state of things which is upon our country, we believe that God Al

mighty reigns upon earth—that He was the God of our fathers—that He loves this country—that He intends to promote its welfare, and accomplish great objects, as the result of the present state of things in this land. I may say, I think without impropriety and with benrty sincerity, that we shall go with you in every effort you may make in your church to bring about these objects; and in reference to that and all other things which you contemplate, alike in our own country and in foreign mis-sions, we shall bid you "God speed," praying that the blessing of the Almighty may ever rest upon you and upon the denomination which you represent.

the following named gentlemen as the special com-