Woetry.

Hymn.

Written to the music which may be found in the close of Mrs. General Fremont's "Story of the Guard."

O LAMB of God, once slain for me, Thou Crucified, I come to thee, And on thy blood relving, Would fain devote that life to thee Which thou didst purchase on the tree When dying.

O Lamb of God, thou risen One, When thou by death hadat won thy throne,
The cross and shame despising; Didst then in triumph o'er the tomb Dispel for me the fear and gloom In rising.

O Lamb of God, ascended Lamb. Raised to deliver mortal man From dust and death unending, Thou led'st the way for me to stand Complete with thee at God's right hand, Ascending.

O Lamb of God; cuthroned on high, Thyself before the Father's eye. Forever interceding, To Mercy's seat, with access nigh, My daily prayers shall upward fly,

O Lamb of God, now glorified, When from thy face thy foes shall hide, May I, through grace abounding, Be welcome at thy pierced side-Redeeming love through heaven wide Resounding.

-Boston Review.

CORRESPONDENCE WITH THE REFORM—

ED DUTCH CHURCH.

WE are happy to announce to our readers that, the correspondence proposed by our last General Assembly to our brethren of the Reformed Dutch Church, has been unanimously agreed to. As our Assembly had felt it necessary to decline the proposal of the Reformed Dutch Church for a correspondence on account of certain expressions of doubt as to our orthodoxy with which it was accompanied in their minutes, it was uncertain what response the proposal made denovo by ourselves would meet at the hands of this body. Hence, the result we are able of this body. Hence, the result we are able to announce is the more gratifying. We give below the report found in the Christian Lord and Master we shall be enabled to take in Intelligencer, of the proceedings which led larger measures of trith at once, and therefore draw to this agreeable result.

The undersigned having been appointed by this General Synod, at its last session, a commissioner to present to the New-School General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church the Synod's purpose of a yearly interchange of kind expressions between the two bodies, respectfully reports that he distant two bodies, respectfully reports that he discharged that duty. Before his visit, to the General Assembly, he had been made aware that a large proportion of its members regarded some features of the Synod's action as wanting in courtesy towards their own body: and upon his arrival in Philadelphia he was convinced that this misconception of the Synod's meaning was even more extensive than he then he had been led to believe. Under these circumstances, he delt it his duty, in addressing the Assembly, to set the action of the Synod in its true | Ephraim, nor Ephraim envy Judah, but both shall light, and he is happy to bear testiment to the cander and kindness with which his statements were | Our prayer is, that God will take you safely to dor and kindness with which his statements were received. The Synod, however, will possibly agree with him in considering that the mere letter of last year's action may bear a sense not consistent with a proposal of courteous intercourse. These equivoa proposal of courteous intercourse. These equivo-cal expressions, moreover, stand upon our printed cal expressions, moreover, stand upon our printed minutes, unaccompanied by the explanations which your commissioner made to the Assembly. For this reason, as he believes, and not from any general distrust of the true kindness and courtesy of the Synod, the evident and strong disposition of the Assembly to accept the proposal as it was made, gave way to the action which the commissioner of the Assembly will report to the Synod. In that action, as will appear, the Assembly, while declining the proposal of the Synod on account of the torms in which it is couched, renews a proposal of similar less in the hearts of those who love the universe in the hearts of those who love the universe in the hearts of those who love the universe in the hearts of those who love the universe in the hearts of those who love the universe in the hearts of those who love the universe in the hearts of those who love the universe in the hearts of those who love the universe in the hearts of those who love the universe in the hearts of those who love the universe in the hearts of those who love the universe in the hearts of those who love the universe in the hearts of those who love the universe in the hearts of those who love the universe in the hearts of those who love the universe in the hearts of those who love the universe in the correspondent of the Evangelist writtends in the correspondent of the Evangelist in which it is couched, renews a proposal of similar ness in the hearts of those who love the unimport in its own terms. If the Synod shall see fit ty and prosperity of Zion. The entire audito accept this proposal of the General Assembly; it ence stood during the address, and so still will by so doing extend to that body the exact measure of respect and kindness which the Old-School

Assembly already extends to it, and without compromising any feature of our own doctrinal system, or endorsing any other, will lend effectual help in

New York, June 6, 1863. Skinner, D.D., the delegate from the Gene- the General Assembly, commonly called New ral Assembly of the Presbyterian Church School, be formally inaugurated, and that a (N.S.), appeared in the Synod, and stated delegate be appointed to attend the next sesthe action of the Assembly in regard to the sion of that body. Adopted unanimously. opening of a correspondence with the Synod. Among other appointments, including one Dr. Chambers responded. It was resolved for the first time to the German Reformed that the subject of such correspondence be Church, the following was made: delegate to referred to the Committee on Correspon- Presbyterian Church, N. S. Primariusdence. On Tuesday, our delegate, Rev. Dr. Rev. Thomas E. Vermilyea, D. D. ; Secun-Skinner, took his leave, when the following dus—Rev. I. N. Wyckoff, D. D. addresses were made:

Dr. Skinner's Address. He said he regretted that he could not remain longer, but he could not take his departure without expressing his great satisfaction at the opening General Assembly which he represented. The cordiality with which the Synod had met the proposal of the General Assembly was very gratifying to him. He was pleased that we are to have a correspondence, not by letter, but by delegates. This seemed to him the most Christian mode, and the most children to head to the most children to be a correct likely to heaffit. seemed to him the most Unristian mode, and the mode most likely to benefit. We like to see our Christian brother, and take him by the hand. He was quite sure that the advantages to both bodies would be greater. This correspondence rests upon the assumption of a will between the two bodies—

essential characteristics of Christian life, but an agreement on doctrinal views.

He was persuaded that this agreement exists—that the two bodies agree upon the substantive doctrines of the gospel which are taught in the "Heidelberg Catechism" and the "Westminster Confession of Faith." We agree with respect to the Calvinistic views of Christian theology. We believe that human nature fell in Adam; that man is born corrupt; and must perish without Divine intervention. We agree as to the impossibility of his recovery without the mediation of the Son of God—

Dought us with His own blood. We thank thee for this spectacle, which angels are called to behold. "How good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." Like the dew of Hermon for copicults, and must perish without Divine intervention. We agree as to the impossibility of his recovery without the mediation of the Son of God—

We give the thank the two blood. We thank thee for this spectacle, which angels are called to behold. "How good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." Like the dew of Hermon for copicults and the two bloods. We same the form th

Christ are never separated from him, but are kept by the power of God, through faith, to eternal life. And finally, we agree as to the eternal punishment of those who die in unrepented and unforgiven sins. There are points in which we doubtless differ, but all Calvingties believed. all Calvinistic bodies differ. This is true of the two branches of the Presbyterian Church. These differences are such as make denominationalism, not see

choes are such as make denominationalism, not sectarianism; and these, so far from being injurious, are beneficial to the Church of Christ.

He believed that the correspondence initiated will lessen these differences. The two bodies will become acquainted with each other, and the interchange of views will tend to Christian unity. He believed that the bringing together of bodies that hitherto have been separated, and their mutual expressions of brotherhood, will have a most beneficial influence upon our nation, and tend to bring to an end 'the dreadful struggle in which we are engaged. But especially will it contribute to Christian unity in the body of Christ, and hasten the fulfillment of the Lord's prayer, "that they may all be one," etc. This is the highest consideration. It transcends all others.

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In closing, he prayed that God will grant his special blessing upon the union just initiated. He rejoiced that he had lived to see the day in which it

The President of Synod responded as fol-

Dr. Chambers' reply to Dr. Skinner.

It gives me great pleasure to reciprocate the kind sentiments you have just expressed. The action which has been taken during your presence in the house this morning, has shown you with what unanimity and cordiality your proposal of a correspondence, by delegate has been received. This Synod accounts the presenting of your Accounts the present of your Accounts the your Accounts the present of your Accounts the present of your Accounts the present of your Accounts the yo accepts the proposition of your Assembly in just the terms and spirit in which it has been made. And terms and spirit in which it has been made. And surely this was natural and fitting. Our respective churches have been long in the habit of receiving members from each other, and also of dismissing them to each other, without scruple or reserve. In the same manner ministers have freely passed from a Presbytery to a Classis, or from a Classis to a Presbytery. It is therefore but the appropriate consummation of what has for years existed in the lower assemblies of each body, that the highest should in some formal way indicate their Christian fellowship.

I am happy to receive and endorse your declaration that we recognize each other, not only as bre-

o this agreeable result.

The General Synod of the Reformed Dutch

Meanwhile our denominational diversities are not an unmingled evil. They subserve useful purposes Church met in Newburg, on Wednesday, June 3rd. On Saturday, the Report of Dr. Ganse, delegate from the body to our Assembly in this city, was received.

an unmingled evil. They subserve useful purposes not easily gained otherwise. They are like the flowers composing the beautiful bouquet in my hand. Were all of one form, liue, and fragrance, how tame and dull the collection would be! But the variety in color and fragrance makes each set off the other, and fragrance makes each set off the other. Report of Delegate to General Assembly

Or they resemble the various battalions, regiments, and divisions of those military pageants which have of late become so sadly frequent in our land. Here

> cross the sea to Britain, in order to compose some differences apong the Reformed said that he was ready to cross seven seas, if by that means he could our two bodies have made an auspicious beginning this day, and that henceforth Judah shall not vex

cognition. Peace be upon that Israel, now, hence forth, and forever.

ty and prosperity of Zions. The entire audience stood during the address, and so still and intent was the house, that the fervent trusion."

or endorsing any other, will lend effectual help in subsequently in the course of the day. allaying heart-burnings and jealousies which have estranged Christ's servants for a quarter, of a century. The Committee the course of the course of the day. Respectfully submitted. on Correspondence, reported in tavor of continuing our correspondence with other bodies by delegate, and not by letter, which was On Menday, June 8th, Rev. Thomas H. adopted. Also, that a correspondence with

> Thus another link between the various representatives of the Reformed Church in America was forged, which will be all the firmer and the brighter for the care exercised in its formation.

(Reported for the American Presbyterian.) PRAYER OF THE REV. DR. COX. FTER THE RECEPTION OF THE DELEGATES FROM

THE PEORIA ASSEMBLY.

Not unto us, O God, but unto the name. be the moral glory of this triumph of the not only upon an agreement between them on the essential characteristics of Christian life, but an

PHILADELPHIA, THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 1863. O. God; the definition of thy moral nature, held by both, with peculiar modifications—substituted Slavery, Subordination, and God is love. Love is the fulfilling of the such as diverse nationalities and local influ-vernment. Those social and political pro-

may this pacification show that the God of flesh. peace is our God, and that thou wilt be the Conscious of this spiritual unity and affin-

ceived from us. We pray that thou wouldst be our guarlian, our custodian, our common leader, the Captain of our salvation, following whom we shall come home in glory to thy palace, where thine elect in all their congregated millions shall at last be united to enjoy that They had reason to rejoice in the happy re- churches it is fairly within the province of liss purchased through the humiliation, leath and mediation of the Son af God.

We commend ourselves to thee, who art eady to do for us more than we can ask o think. Thanks we give, and adoration for this scene of mercy's triumph and of love's prevalence: O'God, may we breathe much of the atmosphere of Heaven before we go there, and, walking in the light of thy countenance, enjoy the full assurance of hope unto the end; and when we die among mortals, may we be born among immortals, the Church of the first born, there to wait till the last born of thine elect shall come to mingle in the glories of the New Jerusalem. This we ask for His sake who is more worthy than we are unworthy; and to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be glory and praise and dominion and sovereignty and triumph and blessedness forever,

Selections. ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PRESBYTE.

BIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

THE GERMAN REFORMED CHURCH TO THE SALU-TATIONS OF THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

PHILADELPHIA, March 13, 1863. Rev. and Dear Sir The fraternal salutaions of the Presbyterian Historical Society,

Reformed Church, were peculiarly welcome.

reason to feel themselves united by bonds of ciety, we have cause to be grateful. no ordinary tenderness and strength. Both | It has been with sincere pleasure, Rev. and such works as have been referred to this and, cordially acknowledged during the periods of their common earlier struggles, than tions to the Presbyterian Historical Society, garded as very eligible and desirable by our are not twin sisters chronologically; nor do Churches of the Continent but three years out the purposes of the General Assembly. phical fatherland. But they are sisters still, nestly request you not to allow the friendly and that in the closest sense. Not only are correspondence now commenced between us particular need of funds—that this Committhey thus related in being fellow members of to die away. If you will dilligently do this, earthly states and kingdoms; whose happy sible, the pious exertions of yourself and citizens cannot be sundered from their hal- brethren, for the increase of the Church of success to the Committee, and leave a margin lowed inter-communion, even by the broader | Christ. Farewell." division-lines of divers nationalities and tongues. The churches of the Heidelberg yours in the gospel, Catechism and of the Westminster Confession may claim a closer consanguinity than this. They spring from a common spiritual parentage, are offshoots of the same ecclesiastical To the Rev. SAMUEL J. BAIRD, D.D., stock. Not sisters in law, but such in fact, it is no wonder that they so often discern in each other the unmistakeable lineaments of their common paternity, and, discerning these, feel mutually drawn together by strong inborn sympathy. Who shall chide them for

law, the end of the commandments the bond ences would very naturally produce—in cer- blems which rack and torture modern sociof peace. O Lord, fill us with that chief of tain well-defined fundamental points they ety we have undertaken for ourselves, in our all the graces. We pray that brotherly love cordially harmonized, as they did not agree own way, and upon our own principles. That may continue and increase, and that "the with other ecclesiastical and theological sysworld, the flesh and the devil," and all the tems and their advocates. Heidelberg might those who are naturally unequal, equality is armies of the alien may feel weaker and not lay so much stress as Westminster upon chaos; that there are slave races born to weaker as they see thy grace uniting us in minute definitions of the Divine decrees, but serve, master races born to govern. Such thy cause, and make thou us stronger and stronger.

We pray equally, O God, for both these waided that her German sister held and Assemblies. We are glad that our Master's presence can be equally in both. Wilt thou bless our dear brethren, who as angels' might seem to give less prominence than her we have shown ourselves ready to die. Revieits, have come this afternoon to greet us elder sister to the Church as the body of verently we feel that our Confederacy is a visits, have come this afternoon to greet us elder sister to the Church as the body of especially this aged and dear servant, Christ, and to the sacraments but with the who, as Simeon, is now rejoicing in his age that when he departs, it shall be in peace, because his eyes have seen thy salvation.—

We thank thee, Heavenly Father, for the converts of the Church In reference to discoursing: but "the nations," we fear. mercy, the kindness and the honor which craments or the Church. In reference to discoursing; but "the nations," we fear, shall live in his gratitude forever, that he ecclesiastical polity, they have always been will attribute it to the ignorance, pride, and has been enabled to perform this mission and of one mind, theoretically and practically; prejudice of those who make slavery the so to perform it. We pray that the words and so far as public worship is concerned, the first of their fundamental principles, rather of thy dear son, our head in the order of best authorities agree in testifying to their than to their being sent of God.—Christian

this house, may be prospered and crowned unanimity in sentiment, and the almost un- Times. with the benediction of the great Head of varying uniformity of their usages. Mutuhurch.

And O God, as this dreadful disruption of common Lord and Master might impose, they ix and twenty circles of the sun, was made | cordially shared each other's strong aversion the occasion in part (and in much, we fear) to the bondage of all human ordinances and lireful belligerent rupture of our nation, so and sought not to perfect themselves in the

> nd, been welcomed as fugitives for Christ's sake, by their more fortunate brethren on the Continent. Both were profited by the fel. nection with that Committee, meeting with

has not been able to corrode. tions of the Presbyterian Historical Society, hold a common faith—if we are pervaded by judge) as the affairs of any counting room or so kindly conveyed by you, to the recent a kindred spirit—if we are animated by a business place in the city.

Ter-centenary Convention of the German common zeal—if we have mutually shared

The difficulty is not, then, I think, in the

sion was not only a novel one in the ecclesi- It is one of the distinctive and commenda- the means to publish it or works of similar astical annals of our country, but by its ble characteristics of the ecclesiastical posteri- size and character. We have been under special purposes and aims is invested with ty of Geneva, to "contend earnestly" for restraint in regard to issuing such publicagreat historical significance. And we have what they hold to be "the faith once deli- tions. been cheered to find that significance fully vered to the saints." But for this very rea-

y their external history and by their inner and dear sir, that we have thus endeavored morning-Calvin's Institutes. We can also, constitution and economy, are they placed in to discharge the duty assigned to us by the I think, command original publications; and close and vital relations to each other. And Ter-Centenary Convention, of responding to we can make advantageous arrangements although the intimacy of these relations may the sentiments of your letter. On behalf of with English publishers. We have already have been more manifest, and more frequently the Convention permit us to convey, through introduced in our Sunday School operations, t has been since that time, why should it not and to conclude in the language of John be revived and cherished more warmly than Knox, John Rutherford, John Craig, and ever? It is true that our respective churches others, addressed to Beza and the Reformed they trace their nativity to the same geogra- short of three centuries ago :- "But we ear-'a holy nation," the boundaries of whose we will endeavor to return you the like favor. abodes are not fixed by the narrow limits of May the Lord Jesus prosper as long as pos-

With sincere personal regard, very truly J. H. A. BOMBERGER, Com. of the Ter-Centenary THOMAS C. PORTER, Convention, Etc. PHILIP SCHAFF,

SLAVERY THE CORNER-STONE.

Corresponding Secretary, Etc.

REV. MR. BARNES ON PUBLICATION.

In the discussion in the General Assembly of those events which have resulted in the devices. They began together in the Spirit, on Publication, on Friday, May 29th, Mr. Barnes said :-

The most material inquiry in reference to the operations of the Publication Commitglorified King of our country. On! restore ity, how natural it was for the two Churches tee, is, what is the precise nature of the the glorious harmony of our nation, that to regard each other with sincere affection, obstruction which clogs the wheels of the mahere the Church of the living God may so to maintain a cordial correspondence, and to chine in its endeavors to move? What is spread that all our people shall become a be always ready to extend to each other the citizenship of Heaven—a commonwealth of warm hand of efficient sympathy and help. Israel—a spiritual e pluribus unum, who Heidelberg, though by many years the older, purpose which the Assembly has contemplatshall love to show how they understand thy order, always endeavoring to keep "the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace."

did not despise her younger sister. Nay, ed since its organization eleven years ago?

It cannot be a want of a sense of its importance, so far as the Assembly is concernty of the spirit in the bond of peace."

Lord, forgive all our sins—all our regretted imperfections and offences. May we never think of any that we have received, because the spirit in the bond of peace."

vout gratitude at the great event of Westportance, so far as the Assembly is concerned ed; for they have expressed over and over think of any that we have received, because the consummation longexpected and desired. It the Committee could desire, to encourage but only of those that others may have re was a harvest for which they had toiled no them in their undertaking. The Assembly little. Much of the seed from which it has changed the original programme, or pur-

sprang had either been sown by their own pose of the committee, from being devoted hands, or had been obtained from their gar-ners. That which they had sown, they had and has given us the largest field, so that scattered weeping; that which they furnished, they had moistened with their tears. ture that may be deemed useful to our sult. Not in vain had the newly-awakened the committee, (under the appropriate arfriends of gospel truth and gospel ordinances, rangements as to the number requisite to forced to fiee from cruel persecutions in Eng. sanction the publication,) to send out to any part of our co From the position which I occupy in con-

lowship thus providentially established, and them monthly, and, I may say, much more the hearts and hands of all were cheered and frequently, I can say that the difficulty does strengthened by the sincere and lasting not in my judgment arise from anything in friendships thus formed. The earliest bonds the composition of that committee. A more which united Heidelberg and Westminster | laborious, faithful committee, I believe, could were wrought and cemented in the heat of not be appointed by this Assembly; and esfiery trials.... Such bonds should rivet hearts pecially is the committee efficient in referclosely and inseparably together; and so they ence to its business operations. We have did. For those bonds must, indeed, be strong | really two departments. One department and pure which the rust of three centuries has charge of the selection of works for publication, and also the arrangements for their Of the many offices of Christian kindness publication. The other department relates performed mutually for each other, by the to the business operations of the committee, Churches we represent, and the memory of the management of the funds and the issuwhich is treasured in their early annals, we ing of publications. Thus there has necescannot stop to speak. You do not need to be sarily arisen an arrangement by which we reminded of them in detail. The children of have a sub-committee—a Business Committhe Palatines and the children of the Puritans tee-composed of four or five young gentle will never forget the love their fathers bore men of this city connected with business to each other, nor the fraternal services mu- operations; and I take the liberty here to tually rendered in their successive seasons of say that a more faithful, industrious, contrial. Neither will they forget or disclaim the scientious association of young men could motives and obligations under which those not be found in the city. Any gentleman of EPLY OF THE TER-CENTENNARY CONVENTION OF services place them, to cultivate among each business who will come into the Presbyterian other the most friendly relations and perpet. House, (and it is always open to the inspecually to cherish the most affectionate regard. tion of persons who have any right there,) The sacred memories to which we have ad- will find that the business department of the verted, all strongly incite us to this. If we have sprung from a common root—if we do matically and intelligently (so, far as I can

like trials, successively cheering and succord composition of the Committee. Nor is it in Deeply sensible as the Church is of the im- ing each other by deeds of true brotherly any deficiency of literature suitable for pubportance of the late Convention, not merely kindness and charity—then, indeed, the lication. We have enough of it. We can as a denominational jubilee, but as an occa- Churches of Heidelberg and Westminster secure any quantity of it. As has been resion of great interest to evangelical Chris- should feel themselves united by close and marked by Dr. Darling, we have before us tianity at large, we see no reason for con- indissoluble bonds; and then, too, it should for two or three years a history of the divicealing our gratification at finding her conbe one of their constant aims to make the
victions of that history and importance shared mutual charities and courtesies of their preprominent in this Assembly. Where it is by so influential and highly respected a Soci- sent and future fellowship ever harmonized now, I do not know; Dr. Darling says it is ety as that which you represent. The occa- with those of earlier times. in some pigeon-hole. But we have not had

In addition to works strictly denominaappreciated by brethren so well qualified to son they cherish and exhibit the most "per- tional, there is a broad evangelical English fect charity among themselves." And for literature of which we could avail ourselves, The churches of the Heidelberg Catechism the pleasing and impressive illustration of as the publication houses of other denominaand of the Westminster Confession, have good this, furnished by the greetings of your So- tions do-such publications, for instance, as the Pilgrim's Progress, Baxter's Writings, What, then, is the difficulty? Reduced

to a nutshell, it is want of funds to carry I fear that it is the feeling of the General Assembly and the churches that there is no tee, with their Publication House on Chestnut street, can publish as other houses publish-can send out publications in such a for benevolent contributions to the poorer

Now, in regard to our Publication House. it is a noble house—a very valuable proper-ty—worth a great deal more at this day than when it was purchased and committed to the care of the General Assembly. It is capable also of large improvement hereafter, as the future operations of the committee may make such improvement desirable. But we receive from that house, from year to year, THE Richmond Examiner of May 28th, not a single farthing in aid of your commiteven life for ever more, to we agree as to the impossibility of his recovery without the mediation of the Son of God—without the sacrifice of himself; to eternal justice. We give the thanks, as is most due for original guilt without the solveries in the solveries of himself; to eternal justice. We give the thanks, as is most due for original guilt without the solveries and minds, and nay our hearts and minds, and let the thousands reposition of the Holys Built renewing the hearts and minds of all the hearts and minds and overtures.

A seen similar to that which we might desire. The confiderates ":

The establishment of the Confederacy is distinct reaction?

Heidelberg and Westminster may be recovered to the impression get about on the property belongs.

The establishment of the Confederacy is distinct reaction?

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and receive this year just about enough to is-desirable.

cent of income from the House. If the As our disposal during the last year \$4,000! sembly will pay that ground rent of \$20,000; Now, I, for one, am not tired of this work;

from the possession of the House. tions have generally come from small church- operations with increased vigor. es scattered all over the West, and from

churches that are very feeble. This money has generally been contributed in very small amounts \$5, \$6, \$7, \$10, \$15, \$20, etc. Those \$4000 have been made up in a great measure by the small contributions of these feeble churches. Whether such churches famine. It always, speaking through its feel a deeper interest in the cause than newspapers, had the air of a Sophomore who bered that under an arrangement which we his immature swagger, painfully betrayed have established, a portion of this money his need of an indefinite amount of hazing goes back to the churches contributing, in and tutoring. It always, while it boisterousthe form of books, tracts, etc., which we send them for gratuitous distribution.

What, then, is the capital which the Com-

haps, "The sales of the books." To a cer- own young men and maidens to Northern tain extent, this is true. Some persons per-colleges, seminaries, and boarding-schools. tee, in a great city like this, with a house like that go on and publish as the Carters' books, and of other agencies for education, or the Harpers' do in New York, or as book- having been cut off, it must be suffering publishing houses do in this city or else-somewhat from a dearth of ideas. A letter where—why do they not throw themselves upon the credit and confidence of the world, friend in Houston, Texas, may be taken as and issue publications on the expectation of the returns which they are to receive, secur- South are famishing for the want of mental ing credit as business men do in carrying on operations of this nature?" Sir, if we stood any books or magazines from the North since alone, as individual men, or if we were con- the war, except the popular work "Undernected in a business partnership, then the currents of Wall Street," which had been Committee might seriously take up the question whether we might not do that whether we might not risk our little individual properties. He would take it as a great favor if his friend ve might not risk our little individual property in carrying on operations of that kind. of new books, for which he would be glad to But it must be remembered that a very large part of our capital (which is very small, but one thousand dollars!—N. Y. Examiner. occumulating gradually) must, from the necessity of the case, be invested in stereotype plates which make very slow returns, except a cases where issues are very popular in their character. It is not with us as with pose of an edition of a work and receive im- Presbyterian churches. mediate returns. I know it to be a fact | There was one measure adopted, a meathat, in regard to any work which they publisure as we conceive intimately connected

of the House are responsible for what the lected to represent us. Dr. Tustin was pecu-General Assembly entrust to them and no liarly well suited to reach forth the olive more. Any funds which any part of the branch of peace and brotherly affection. His church may place under the control of the courteous manner, his mild, winning address Trustees of the House for any particular oband his catholic spirit all marked him as a ect will be held for that purpose. So any- man well chosen for so blessed an object. thing entrusted to the Publication Commit- His very feeble appearance imparted a deeper tee for any object will be appropriated by interest in his address. Frail and week he them to the purpose designated. But we are stood on the platform facing the audience. not incorporated as a Publication Committee, In every lineament of his countenance he and any member of that Committee (I take bore the marks of disease. His whole perthis to be the law; there are lawyers here son gave evidence that his clay tabernacle who will correct me, if I am wrong,) is per- was giving way under the weight of accumusonally responsible for the debts of that lated ailments. It required a listening ear pelled to wind up. Now, with all our love but each word seemed caught up and cherishthat, if the Assembly will stand behind us— ing high with emotion. The response of the if they will incorporate us and give us a Moderator was a fit reply to the address of sembly that we shall at all times have in and in feeling, having one common hope and credit is perfectly good at the present time. century had sundered and kept the two great I think that we could go to any publishing bodies apart were now fast melting away,

order of the General Assembly, for using | Now, sir! the question which this Assemthe income of the house to reduce and pay bly must look in the face, (and they may as off that obligation until the entire property well do it first as last,) is whether they are shall be free. We hope and expect that the disposed (I use the word "disposed" de-Assembly, in response to our overture, will signedly, because there is capital enough in declare that that trust is for the purposes of our churches to endow that Committee for the committee. But in the meantime, we are all the purposes which the Assembly ever receiving nothing from that property. The contemplated to carry on the operations of trustees rent the building, so far as they can, the Publication Committee on the scale which

meet the taxes and interest accruing on the Look, at the support extended to your amount secured on ground rent. Besides, Home Missionary Committee. In one year, we are paying rent to the trustees for the the churches have responded to their appeals portion of the building which we occupy. It by contributing (if I remember rightly) \$59,is not an extravagant rent; but the commit- 000. Such has been the confidence of the tee, out of the results of their labors, are churches in that enterprise; such their deobliged to pay rent to the trustees for every sire that it should be carried out; such their room, which they occupy. The store is one conviction of the necessity of the work, that of the best rooms in the city, and very necesthey have thrown into its treasury about sary for our operations on the scale on which \$60,000 in a single year. Yet for eleven they are projected. We pay rent, as other years we have been toiling in this Publicapersons pay rent, and we receive not one tion cause, and the churches have placed at

and if they will make a declaration of trust, my brethren are not tired of it. But the as we hope they will, that the House is to be question arises, Do our churches feel an inkept by the trustees for the use of the Com terest in this work? Are they willing to mitter, then we shall receive the rents of the make any sacrifices to sustain us in our House, which might be some three thousand efforts? That is the point which is to be dollars annually. That would be the extent considered. I pledge to you all the influ-of the advantage which we would derive ence I may have in that Committee that we will conduct its affairs safely—that we will Then consider the meagre amount which not incur improper responsibilities—that we we have received from abroad for carrying on will throw open our books to examination at our operations. From all our 1400 church- any time. Come there at any moment by a es, we have, as Dr. Darling says, received Committee, and you will not find us insolduring the past year about \$4000, and not a vent. But we cannot move a whit more cent of it, I was about to say, from rich and rapidly than our present snail's pace, unless strong churches. If there are exceptions, you will place at our disposal the funds they are certainly very few. The contribu- which may be necessary to carry on our

MENTAL FAMINE AT THE SOUTH

The South, in its rash attempt to isolate itself from the North, has brought upon itself not only physical privations, but mental ly vilified Northerners as unwashed mechanics, tacitly acknowledged their superior culmittee have to go on? You will say, per- South as teachers, and by exporting their

It was also dependent, in a great measure, on the North for books. But its supply of an indication that large numbers at the would send him two hundred dollars worth

THE RIGHT SPIRIT.

The Standard of this city thus speaks of the Messrs. Harper, of New York, who, by the appointments and reception of delegates their influence and power, can at once dis by the two last General Assemblies of the

lish, they are confident of securing an imme- with the best interests of our Zion that we diate sale of the edition which they issue. feel free to speak of; because we can cordi-We cannot do that; we must wait for the ally endorse it with our most hearty approval. We allude to the appointment of dele-Now, our "Digest" will pay for itself in gates to meet with our brethren of the N. S. time; but comparatively few persons want Assembly which held its sessions in this city. t, and we cannot expect quick returns from This measure was inaugurated a year ago; t. It is necessary that we should publish but was not consummated till during the late books of this description. Our capital must, sessions of the two bodies. It was originafrom the necessity of the case, be invested to ted on our side; but cordially responded to a great extent in stereotype plates; and we on the other so soon as the voice of our greetmust await slow returns with a very moderate ing was heard and the hand of brotherly affection was extended towards them. The It is also to be remembered that in the reception of our delegates in this city was business transactions of our Committee, we all that could have been wished for. We are individually responsible. The Trustees were happy in our choice of the persons se-Committee, if we should fail and be com- to take in the softer portions of his address; for the Presbyterian Church and our willing-ness to labor for it, we are not willing that The feelings of the speaker and of the hearthe little property which any of us may have ers were in unison. Whilst the one breathshould be exposed to this peril in the course ed forth words of kindness and love, the of the business entrusted to us. We say others echoed them back from hearts swellcapital on which to operate, we will guard Dr. Tustin and that of the gentleman who that capital as we would our individual pro- followed him. In the language of worldly perty. But, in administering the business of parlance it was a telling speech. He felt that Committee, we take good care that our what he uttered and his audience clearly felt assets, in case of want of success in business, it too. As one beautiful thought after anoshall be fully equal to our debts. If you ther fell from his lips the murmur of approval will examine our accounts, you will find that could scarcely be repressed even by that we have property which will cover every grave Assembly and when he came to speak cent of our indebtedness. So long as we occupy our present position, we shall take the Presbyterian Church, as one in history, care so to manage the business of the As- in doctrine, in order, and one also in faith our possession assets which will fully meet looking forward to one common home, the any indebtedness resting upon us. The un- low murmur of approval broke forth into a derstanding of our policy in this respect by loud burst of applause. The pervading feel-the business houses in this city with which ing of the Assembly seemed clearly to be we have transactions, is one reason why our that the icy walls which for a quarter of a house in this city, and could obtain any that the lines of distinction were becoming