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#### ANOTHER BEREAVEMENT.

To the list of bereavements experienced the immediate circle of our ministerial acquaintance given in our last, we have now to add the death of a younger brother of Rev. Dr. Darling; Mr. Thomas S. Darling, who died on or about the 31st. Mr. Darling was a well known citizen of Philadelphia, an active and loyal supporter from our early school days; at a comparatively | mended in New England and in this city. early age he has been called away, prepared we trust for a higher sphere of usefulness hereafter.

#### REV. GEO. A. HOWARD.

The Publication Committee have done well in securing the services of Rev. Geo. A. Howard, of Catskill, to assist in raising the \$50,000 fund. Mr. Howard is a true Christian gentleman, of most winning and affable address whose appearance and manners are themselves a commendation of the cause he undertakes. To his intelligence and thorough education, he adds the experience of a dozen or more years in the pastoral office over the same charge. He has prepared himself for this special work by principal, with a corps of eight competent the zeal and success with which he has cultivated the narrower field of his church and Presbytery. He which is faithful in little is faithful in much. Mr. Howard is not dismissed from his charge, but is only temporarily re- Rev. M. Meigs principal. leased for the object named. We bespeak for him a cordial and favorable reception for the important cause which he represents, and for his own sake.

#### THE AID OF OUR FRIENDS

In enlarging our subscription list is earnestly requested. Such aid we do not ask as a gratuity, but are prepared to return an equivalent in every case. We renew the offer made last week; adding that the competition for the Sabwill be supplied at the same rate with ministers. We call attention to the very low terms for solthis office, 500 copies for army distribution. Delivering of the same at any other point, will somewhat increase the cost. No better religious literature, outside of the Bible, can be furnished to the soldiers than fresh religious

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men. 50 cents additional after three months

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#### OUR SCHOOL LIST

Our readers have no doubt observed the list of school advertisements in another part of the paper. We shall be doing a favor to parents and others seeking good schools for their chil- the increase. dren, by calling attention to these notices.

FOR GIRLS AND YOUNG LADIES. Miss Eliza W. Smith's school at 1210

Spruce St., opens next Monday. Highly re-

standing and established reputation. Can personally recommend it. Opened Monday of this week.

Miss Robe, 316 South Eleventh St. ite institution.

scene last winter and spring of a precious revival. Recommended highly by President Fisher of Hamilton College and other prominent

clergymen of Western New York. REV. DR. SMITH'S Philada. Collegiate Institute, 1530 Arch St., opens next Monday. A first class institute; thorough and complete. Union Female Seminary, Xenia, Ohio, Rev. J. B. McMillan. Opened last Monday. A thorough musical, scientific and classical education may be obtained here.

Young Ladies' Institute, Wilmington, Del. Rev. Thos. M. Cann. Number limited to thirty. The buildings are new and the grounds ample Advantages in instruction, health and moral influences, great. Opened last Monday.

B. KENDALL's, at 13th & Locust: a select school under careful, discriminating training, and pure and kindly influences. A good playyard with parallel bars, &c., is attached.

Dr. WM. M. CORNELL's school on Penn Square, now open; with a large share of patronage from ministers' families. Dr. C. also of the administration, an interesting, affable and has a boarding department for young ladies. attractive companion, whom we have known He is an experienced teacher, highly recom

> SAUNDERS' INSTITUTE in West Philada. is rapidly advancing towards a collegiate organization. Its corps of teachers embraces accomplished instructors. Military instruction is included: now open.

PENNSYLVANIA MILITARY ACADEMY at West Chester, Col. Theo. Hyatt instructor, is swi generis;—a "West Point," in competent hands. Ex-Gov. Pollock is President of the Board of

FREEMOUNT SEMINARY in the beautiful town of Norristown, John M. Loch principal, is in its 24th year. Opens next Tuesday.

WEST CHESTER ACADEMY, W. F. Wyers instructors; three being in the military department. A new term will soon open. FAMILY BOARDING SCHOOL for young men and

boys, at Pottstown, 35 miles from this city.

#### OPENING OF THE CAMPAIGN.

After a dispersion more general than usual, on account of the severe heat of the summer. pastors and congregations are returning to their homes and resuming their places in the sanctuary. The work of the church is about to recommence in earnest, and the prayerful solicitude of the pious as to the means, methods and results of the work, is awakening. While bath school libraries may be extended to the the true follower of Christ is at his Master's close of the year; also, that ministers' widows business in season and out of season, he is not indifferent to the various phases of the seasons diers' papers; for \$10,00 we will furnish, at favorable circumstances for joint and simultaneous action on the part of the people of Christ. While an army may not sink into inactivity in the intervals of its active campaigns, and while many opportunities for detached exploits are furnished to companies and regiments and sometimes to individual soldiers during the general quietude of the main body, yet every true soldier feels a new, transcendent interest as the time draws near to set the entire force in motion, and to engage in the grander and more decisive struggles of the war. So in a measure, do the soldiers of the cross view the return of the season more adapted to efforts for the ONE DOLLAR PREMIUM for every new sub- extension of Christ's kingdom.

Many questions, many mingled hopes and fears, rise in our breasts as we stand on the verge of this renewal of active effort. Convic-Clubs of ten or more, to one address: \$15.00; tions of personal unfitness in the lack of zeal and devotedness and spirituality, and remembrances of past failures, join with humble hope of divine forgiveness and aid in the future. Our own thoughts have reverted for a moment

PECULIAR DIFFICULTIES AND EVILS TO BE OVER-

These are to be found(1) in the great worldly excitements of the times. Not simply the war for our national existence, with its exciting fluctuations and possibility of foreign complications, but the still more exciting opportunities business engagements, and the prevailing and COPIES FOR THE ARMY AND BENEVOLENT PUR- increasing interest connected with secular pursuits and objects through the intervention Copies will be furnished for the army or for of science and successful exploration—these

> tions to the truth and inspiration of the Scriptures, drawn from recent assertions (for they are little else) of professed men of science, is to a considerable degree prevalent and must be met. One alarming feature of the case is the perversion of a large body of the ministry of the hitherto orthodox Church of England to these views, and the inability or reluctance of the offenders and maintain her needful purity. Another, is the ready subserviency of the secular ity. Three of the leading quarterlies of Great Britain have more or less openly, endorsed views at war with the infallibility of the scriptures. 'Good Words," a very popular organ of the established Church of Scotland, occupies at best, an equivocal position on these subjects. While at home, such a respectable paper as the New York Times has given a critical endorsement to the speculations of Colenso, and the New York Indepedent admits regularly to its columns the lucubrations in prose and verse of known infidels, who are permitted to express even their objectionable sentiments in its

3. The vices of profanity, intemperance and excessive indulgence in tobacco are largely on

These are some of the foes that must be met in the campaign on which the church is about to enter. Let us gird on our weapons, let us not be discouraged at delay, but patiently commended by Dr. Brainerd (her pastor) and enduring let us confidently expect the downfall of all the Vicksburgs and Charlestons, that a Spring Garden Institute, 608 & 611 Spring spirit of rebellion against the divine government has erected in our way.

#### THE PAPISTS IN ENGLAND.

A case of flagrant interference, by Jesuits, between parent and child, has recently been THE MISSES TATEM, 712 Pine St. A favor- described in the columns of the Times by the justly offended parent. Mr. Harrison, the Among Boarding Schools, we may speak of writer's son, a youth of eighteen, having honothe Houghton Seminary, Clinton, N. Y., the rably completed his preparation at Westminster

I School, was about to enter Oxford University, early in the experiment to speak more particu- of the Potomac has been so long and painfully with excellent prospects, when he was induced larly of the flax manufactory. Something fine, searching out. to visit a Jesuit establishment, called an Ora- however, is expected, we believe, from thistory, at Brompton. During the visit, which something to demonstrate the practicability of lasted but a few hours, he was persuaded to re-

ceive the rite of Baptism. The presumption the universal cotton. Success attend it. s—though the father knows nothing of it—that You will expect me to speak of the churches. hese Jesuits had already interfered with Har- It is pretty well known, we believe, that the have eaten up." Originally this has been a goodison at Westminster School. Of course, his First Presbyterian Church, with its strong, ge- ly land. The lofty peaks and ranges of the Blue fine prospects for Oxford were destroyed, to the nial, loving, though somewhat eccentric pastor, great disappointment of his father. It was is a "power" in this region. Dr. Wisner has a large and wealthy congregation, to whom he ministers with great acceptance. Churches in other places have tried to get him away, but he still dwells among his own people; and there, we trust: he will dwell to a ripe old age. His posither sent him to the coast, to recruit his health tion is one of increasing power and usefulness rior of the Oratorians, Mr Faber, supplied him from year to year. The Congregational and other churches seem

also to be enjoying a good degree of prosperity.

next proposed to the youth to seek his fortune

n India, but the Oratorians again interfered.

offering him a salary of £100 per anumn if he

vould cast in his lot with them: and when his fa-

and to be out of their way, the Father Supe-

with money. The result was that, at eighteen

and a half years of age, this boy became a Pos-

the unwilling boy up to his heathen parents,

saying that "the rights of the missionaries are

as nothing compared with the rights of a pa-

rent." Dr. Duff and his associates were actu-

ally reprimanded for not sending home the

We put these two cases side by side: our

readers can easily draw such parallels and con-

trasts as they are suited to suggest. What

with Romanism and Colensoism and Essavism

flourishing at home, and Protestant missions

frowned upon abroad, the Christian name of

Great Britian is falling under grevious reproach.

EDUCATION NOTICE.

All new applications for assistance from the

Education Fund of the General Assembly of

the Presbyterian Church, must be made through

he Presbytery. (or its standing Committee on

holds, his church connection. Applications,

the General Assembly. The Manual will be

Applicants already enrolled must make a re

port in writing to the body recommending them.

as to "their progress, wants and prospects,

and must forward a renewed recommendation

It is expected that appropriations will be

Ministers and churches are reminded of the

ecessity of funds to carry on this cause, and

Gen. Sec. of Ed.

Prof. G. E. Day, Walnut Hills, O.

Presb. Rooms, N. Y., Sept. 1, 1863.

FROM OUR ROCHESTER CORRES-

A DAY AT LOCKPORT.

A glance at this place does not indicate war.

s in our other thriving towns, of which your

An immense water power is here created by

the surplus water of the Erie Canal, and this

makes it emphatically a manufacturing place.

nufactory, two woolen mills, a large number of

saw mills, plough factories, machine shops, and

other such establishments. A large building

has recently been erected for the manufacture of

flaxen goods. Here, also, are large boat yards;

and Lockport has long been famous for its fine

stone quarries; and more recently some persons

have turned their attention to nurseries and hor-

iculture, even making a business of raising

strawberries. We saw one farm, twenty-five

acres of which were set to strawberry vines, and

rom the place of their cultivation.

he owner, as we were informed, took \$5,000 as

Here are four or five flouring mills, a cotton ma-

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furnished to any one desiring it.

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orementioned rule.

Faber treated with disdain.

ulant in the Oratory at Brompton, and has One peculiarity, however, in the church edifices of this place strikes a stranger rather oddly. No ontinued an inmate of the chapel since 1861. It has only to be added that Mr. Harrison wrote less than five such buildings have been for some a Father Faber, earnestly protesting against vears in an unfinished condition—five churches he entrance of his son into the Oratory, and without steeples, except as the imagination suppressing surprise that Mr. Faber should plies them. It looks as though "the funds". ountenance so flagrant a breach of the fifth generally gave out at some former time. Four. ommandment. Such representations Father at least, of these five charenes are within a few Mr. Harrison does not seem to have thought each finished up to the stub of a steeple, to be f applying to the law for redress. Perhaps carried out at some future time, It is not exthe son was too hopelessly enamoured of his actly a pleasant sight. It even gives the town an of no avail, the Lord at length packed off the unfinished, not to say an unthrifty, look. It re-Recently. a Hindoo father, a heathen, has minded your correspondent of a facetious remark succeeded in an application to the Calcutta of a New England clergyman when looking at a High Court for a writ of habeas corpus, to re- Universalist meeting house, whose steeple was in cover the person of his son, aged 15, from the a like unfinished condition. He said to a friend. They once intended to have a spire there; hands of his Christian teachers, Rev. Dr. Duff [pointing to heaven] but found on more mature and Rev. L. B. Dev. It was in evidence that the boy was not detained against his will, but reflection, that they did not own far up that had come freely and was free to go: and that way." We trust that these prosperous times his parents and friends had had free access to will enable the good people of Lockport ere long to carry out the original design for these five him, being permitted to see him alone. Never-

theless the judge, Sir Mordaunt Wells, gave church edifices. They will then, at least be

Here we had the pleasure of meeting the ve nerable Dr. William Wisner, of Ithaca, father of Dr. Wisner of this place, twice pastor of the growth of Timothy, Clover, and Blue grass, pre-Presbyterian Church of Ithaca, where, among his old friends and admirers; he is spending the vening of his days; and once pastor of the Brick Church of Rochester, where, for several years, in the very prime of his strength and power, he preached the gospel with such a plainness, and fervor, and efficiency, as few men, the most gifted, have been able to achieve. If ever

THE ELDER WISNER.

more pleasing to look upon.

Education,) in whose bounds the applicant properly certified according to the form given the Education Manual, will be placed on he Register of the Permanent Committee, man of wisdom, of strength, faithfulnes, and use V. place—secesh to the core. and paid according to the rules laid down by fulness rarely equalled in the church. But that for the present year, according to the rule of this region, it is not necessary to deny. Or. adopted by the last General Assembly. See rather, some individuals, from some churches. went off into new views of sanctification; but the churches as such, and the great body of the mi- chat about Warrenton and its conditions past commenced this year at the rate of one hundred dollars per annum to theological students, and faith as the churches of any portion of our land. reply, "dismount!" Seated on the edge of the eighty dollars to collegiate students, payable Time has demonstrated the truth of this asser- side walk under the shade of a large elm we had quarterly, about the first of November, January, tion. They were anchored in the truth, or they together a long and free communion. From March and May, upon the return of favorable would not be where they are to-day, strong, stable, this, more real insight was obtained with respect

almost said, as few others are. But, speaking of the elder Wisner, we are reof the recommendation of the General Assemis worthy of a passing notice; it was, indeed, bly that a contribution for it shall be made anone great secret of his power. To him the observation. nually, in every congregation, and forwarded claims and offers of the Gospel were all in the to J. W. Benedict, Treasurer, 128 Broadway, present tense. They were always matters of im-N. Y. Where it is more convenient, such conmediate importance. Every sermon was a mestributions may be forwarded to him through quires immediate submission to his authority.-"My son, give me thine heart"-give it now. You have no right to refuse another moment. If you leave this house without complying with this reasonable requirement, you do it as a rebel,

wrath-you do it at your peril. And so, if it were the offers of the gospel that were the burden of the discourse, those would seem to be pressed home with as much freshness are gone into the Confederate army, in some orrespondent has had occasion to speak from of thought, strength of argument, aptness of ill- way connected with the government, or fled ime to time, here are no indications of wasting ustration, and earnestness of appeal, as though away at your late approach—very many never r rapine. No hostile foot has been here—no they had never been presented before, and never to return, for many are already dead. Quantrell, to pillage, burn and destroy—but all could be again, to the same hearers.—"Now is peace, enterprise, activity and thrift. "The | the accepted time; now is the day of salvation." own was never more prosperous, business never | So this good man urged the immediate acceptbetter"—the same story which we have heard, ance of the Gospel; so would be plead with fel and around Warrenton. The store-keepers, groin Albion, in Auburn, and constantly hear and low men, and every time almost as though it was see in Rochester. And it is not mere inflation; to be the last; and so his ministry has been re- all broken up by the war; and are driven away, is not speculation or business swagger. If markably successful in winning souls to Christ, the men into the Southern army, and their ever thrift seemed to be real, this does. Substan- A whole cohort of his own spiritual children families, the Lord knows where, I do not. As tial improvements are going forward; blocks of have already gone before, having died in the to the negroes, you know perhaps better where ouildings and manufactories being erected. And triumphs of that faith which they learned from they are gone than I could tell you. This betthe amount of daily trade from a small city of ten his glowing lips, and are waiting to welcome their ter class of families, the remnants of which are venerated teacher and leader to the mansions of still here, nearly every one owns or did own a thousand inhabitants is very large. The appearance of business, in the streets, in the stores, and the blest, whenever it shall please the blessed farm in the adjacent country. From these they shops, and mills, would do credit to a city twice Saviour, whom he has served and loved so faithfully, to call him to the mansions above.

Calls.—Rev. J. H. Morrow, a licentiate who has been for a time supplying the pulpit of the said, pointing to a place about a mile distant, church in Onondaga County, has received and till lately I managed to keep a few slaves and do upon his pastorate about the first of November. three colts-horses all pressed into the Southern Church of Kalamazoo, Mich.

#### CHAPLAIN STEWART'S LETTER. White Sulphur Springs, Fauquier Co., Va., September, 1863.

DEAR EDITOR:-"The land through which we the proceeds of this year's crop. And, strange the camp of Israel after their forty days' journey meant by this language may appear a little in- times upon him and his, we parted. this perishable fruit, after being picked ripe, luscious and ready for the table, finds a market in definite. Something disparaging beyond ques. New York, four hundred and twenty-seven miles tion. It may not be uninteresting for your read- and all sadly, sternly true. Yet Northern Cop. ers to have a brief report of this Dixie land—this perheads ignorantly or perhaps maliciously con-But enough of these delicacies, especially as Sacred Soil—this Old Dominion—this, to us, tinue to prate about things being allowed to go but enough of these deficacies, especially as | Sacred Bon. | Sacred Bon

By transposing the language of these cowardly delegates of Moses, a brief, intelligent, and truthusing linen fabrics, to a large extent, in place of ful account of this region now occupied by our army may be given-"The land through which we pass is a land that the inhabitants thereof Ridge are full in view-beautiful valleys with alternate hill and dale-grand forests of useful and ornamental trees-living springs of water everywhere abound, more by far than was promised to Israel in the goodly land-a soil which geologists might term igneous, very productive; with quartz, mica schist, gneiss, granite, and iron stone somewhat profusely scattered over the surface—and added to all these a genial climate. When taken possession of by the Angle Saxon,

its cultivation was undertaken by compulsory and unpaid labor; and now, for several generations have these old, worn fields been watered by the tears of the slave, and these woods and vales filled with his sighing. The results of all this are at present evident, even to the dullest observer. For many years a blight, physical and moral, has been spreading; now the full ruin is come. Disobedience prompted by avarice, rods of each other, all visible at a glance, and throughout the reign of many kings, cheated Emmanuel's land of its appointed Sabbatical rest. Warnings, admonitions, and threatenings being miserable remnant to far off Babylon-"after which, says the prophet, the land had her rest seventy years." This land is now getting her rest so long denied. The country does not really lear a desolate and barren appearance. Old land marks by fields, fences, farms and houses in many places have certainly pretty much disappeared. Wooden fences within army bounds are not. Instead of following the old Virginia roads, army trains often choose more direct courses, making broad, beaten ways through fields, meadows, gardens and orchards. Some sections through which we have passed, as already written, are overgrown with blackberry bushes: in other places with weeds: but the section we now occupy is covered with a fine senting altogether a rather pleasing appearance; and affording abundant pasturage for the many thousand horses and mules connected with the army, and also for the droves of beef cattle sent

This place, with its present condition and connectives, is no doubt a fair sample of all the large a minister preached human depravity, man's to- towns in Eastern Virginia. It is the seat of tal alienation from God by sin, utter helplessness Justice for Farquier County, and located beautiwithout grace, and salvation by the Cross alone, fully on the summit of an elevated ridge of land. certainly Dr. Wisner, the elder, used to do it, Before the war it must have been a place of when pastor of the Brick Church. That he has very considerable attractions. The principal always done it, no one who knows him at all can street consists of fine old Virginia mansic detached from each other, with pleasant grass-And yet he was one of the excinded minis- plots in front, and, what is not common in this ters—cut off in 1837 without trial, for heresy region, both sides of the streets lined with fine and irregularity—a man of system, of order, of old shade trees. In Dixie estimation, a wealthy, sobriety, of fervent piety, of great humility-a refined, exceedingly aristocratic-thorough F. F

Riding through this place, a short time since, great wrong, by which, with others, he suffered, I chanced to meet an intelligent looking old is one of the things of the past; and it is in no gentleman, a rebel resident, and felt constrained spirit of bitterness we refer to it. Better days, to accost him and if possible have a free and we trust, are coming, and a better understanding friendly conversation. The military salute was among those who are essentially one. That there accordingly given and by him in a seeming were some slight irregularities in some churches manner returned. My connection with the army was stated, accompanied by a request that leaving out for the present Union and Confederate wars and revolutions, we would have a social nistery still remained as firm and sound in the and present. "No objections at all," was his eports from their instructors, according to the flourishing, and evidently blessed of God, we had to the actual condition of things—the thorough and entire revolution which has already taken place—the breaking up and scattering of all the minded of one peculiarity of his preaching which old elements of Southern society, than could otherwise have been gained by long personal

My first question was about the Churches. We had, he said, pointing to the building of each as named: Presbyterian, Baptist, Methosage from God to his heavers that demanded im- dist, Episcopal and Catholic, all respectable Prof. E. A. Huntington, Auburn, N. Y., or mediate attention. If it embodied the claims of congregations. All preaching stopped many the law, they were of present force. God re- months ago the ministers are starved out and gone; the congregations wholly scattered, and the houses of worship taken for hospitals, guard houses or barracks."

"How do the remaining inhabitants continue to live-how do they obtain food or anything defying infinite authority and provoking infinite; with which to buy?" "Look," be continued. "at the different classes of houses. As you observe nearly every good house is inhabitedthe wife, children, family are here; but the men

"The inferior houses and negro quarters are nearly all empty. There is not a store, grocery, mechanic-shop, or any place of business open in cers, mechanics, and laborers had their business have contrived to live till the coming of your army a few weeks since; now, however, every resource seems taken away. I have a farm he accepted a unanimous call to settle over the Pres- a little farming. When your army camped byterian Church in Rockport. He is to enter here the last of July, I had four work oxen. We also learn that the Rev. Job Pierson, of army-so many cows, sheep, pigs, and poultry. Victor, has received a call to the Presbyterian with forty acres of corn coming into ear; now there is not a slave, a domestic animal, a fowl. or an ear of corn left—all taken by your soldiers and this is about the condition of all the other families here. So long as the Union army remains here we may contrive to live; Lut when it is away I have no conception how the people, have gone to search, is a land that eateth up the who will be left, can obtain food to sustain life inhabitants thereof." So reported the spies in during the coming winter." With thanks to my old Secesh friend for our freedom in converse as the idea would have been thirty years ago, through the promised land. Precisely what they and hopes expressed for the dawning of better

What a picture of complete and desolate ruin.

can be stopped. Things are not here to start | passing away, new and better destinies being in reserve for this goodly land. In the Lord's good Providence our Northern armies will be kept in the South long enough to finish the great work so auspiciously begun-to break every yoke; break up and scatter all the old elegovernments; compel them to keep the peace; "India, Ancient and Modern."—Missy., Herald. and thus re-establish our glorious Union on a new, firm, and lasting basis. It may require several years longer to accomplish this. Don't be impatient, dear friends at home. Matters are moving on fast enough—quite as fast as the public knowledge, sentiment, and sympathies both North and South, can be moulded into hape and conformity with the new and better A. M. STEWART.

## New Publications.

Down in a Mine: on, Burien Alive. By the Author of "The Story of a Pocket-Bible." Pub-lished by the American Tract Society, Boston, 18mo., pp. 188. Illustrated. For sale by John G. Broughton, 13 Bible House, N. Y.

This little volume, reprinted from the Religious Tract Society of London is understood will convey some knowledge of the occupations and dangers of the mining classes of England; while it presents, in a simple and affecting manner, the value of religion in times of trou-

FORTY-NINTH ANNUAL REPORT of the American Tract Society. Presented at Boston, May 27th, 1863. Published by the American Tract Society, 28 Corn Hill, Boston.

This is a valuable summary of a year of ear est and efficient labor in an important depart nent of Christian effort. (Its great feature is he work of evangelization done in our camps and hospitals by the renowned Mr. Alvord. be. There is rich reading between the pages f this dry-looking report. Do Christians realize what a vast and promising field for the istribution of religious literature the army presents? Assuredly not, when the whole amount specifically donated for the army through this noble charity is reported at but \$8,231.08 in a year. Over \$24,000 were actually appropri-

A LETTER TO AN ENGLISH FRIEND ON THE AMERICAN WAR. An anonymous, ably-written 683 Broadway, N. Y. Lawiyer in the congress

for July, 1863, contains: The Resources and Future of Austria: Natural History of the Bible—Colenso-ish: Glacial Theories: Our Colonial System—against casting loose the colonies from Great Britain; Washington Irving genial and kindly; Modern Spiritualism; Sared Trees and Flowers; Roba di Roma-Re-Nile, Speke and Grant. It is a source of great pain to observe the

lefection of the leading British periodicals from ound views of inspiration. Here is the London Quarterly coolly surrendering the claims of Scripture writers to accuracy in matters of natural science." It is beyond question," says the writer of the article on "The Natural Hisory of the Bible," "that the Biblical notices of animals are not always in strict harmony with oological facts." In the absence of the necesary facts to guide to a strictly scientific deciion, such assertions savor of a degree of dognatism which is presumptuous. We regret his the more as the same article contains skilful and manly vindications of the accuracy of the Bible descriptions in several contested

# News of our Churches.

#### Presbyterian.

The Rev. George A. Howard, Pastor of the resbyterian Church, at Cattskill, N. Y., has received leave of absence from his congregation to enter upon a special temporary agency to secure for he Presbyterian Publication Committee, the sum of \$50,000 which it was resolved by the last General ture. He enters upon his work on the 15th of the

esidence in Orange, N. J., Augt., 27. The Evangelist says: He retired at his usual hour in the evening, apparently in no worse health than common, and was shortly after taken with hemorrhage of the building a new chapel and other purposes during lungs, and expired almost immediately. Mr. Halsey the year as amounting to \$2,125. He adds: "Imas been connected with the Bank of New York for forty-seven years, and has filled the positions of clerk, forward. Six new houses are now building. One is teller, cashier, and president of the institution, per- being erected of burned bricks, with a roof of forming his duties in each to the utmost satisfaction and commanding the respect and esteem of all who knew him for his ability as a bank officer, and the have board floors." has won the attachment, while his consistent Chrisian character cemmanded the respect of all who knew him. He served the church with a clear head nd ready heart, notwithstanding his hands were full of large business concerns. He was a Ruling Elder, first in the Pearl Street Presbyterian Church, and afterwards in the Central Church. He was also treasurer of the Union Theological Seminary, and of the

Mr. W. W. Howard, a licentiate of the Second resbytery of New York, was, after customary examination, ordained and installed pastor of the First that they could, almost unconsciously, accumulate Presbyterian Church in Aurora, on Tuesday last, the something even in the day of hard times. 25th ult. Dr. Boardman, of the Second Presbyterian Church of Auburn, preached from 1 Tim. iii. 1, "The Privileges of the Christian Minister." Dr. J. B. Conlit, of Auburn Seminary, delivered the charge to the pastor; the Rev. W. S. Franklin the Charge to the people. The Ordination Prayer was offered by Rev. John Tompkins, of Marcellus.

Hyde Park, Pa.—The new Presbyterian church The edifice is built of brick, 60 by 40 feet, with a square tower 14 feet wide, projecting 8 feet from the Gulick is Foreign Secretary. Rev. H. H. Parker, a front wall. Surmounting this tower is a belfry, and native was ordained and installed pastor of the 1st a plain octagon spire, making the finial 105 feet from Native Church, Honolulu, June 27th. the ground. At the rear of the lecture room are two smaller rooms for the Infant and Bible Classes of the (0.8)—China.—This Board has devoted much at-Sabbath school. It is an exceedingly neat and beautention to the vast field of China; and it is reaping tiful structure built after much patient waiting and a fair reward. Rev. J. L. Nevius writes from Tung effort, and supplies a great want in the church Chow, May 11th, that five persons had just been reand community. A precious day was last Sabbath, ceived into the church there. At Shanghae, Rev. when, with renewed consecration of all her interests W. A. P. Martin writes of an inquirer who for eight and hopes to the Lord, sixteen united with the church years had contended against an awakened conscience,

Rev. D. O. Allen, for many years a missionary of off with as they were, though the Northern the American Board at Bombay, died suddenly, of traitors had the war stop to-morrow. All congestion of the lungs, at Lowell, Mass., July 19. changed or fast changing-turned upside down Mr. Allen, went to India in 1827, where, for a full —a mighty revolution going on—old things quarter of a century, his services were of eminent value to the missionary cause, specially in connection with the press and the translation of the Scrintures. His health having become seriously impaired, he returned to his native land in 1853, and finding that he was not likely to be able to resume his work at Bombay, he soon asked and received a release from his connection with the Board. In 1856, he published ments of Southern society; remodel their State a valuable octavo volume, of about 600 pages. on

> Rev. E. J. Newlin has resigned the pastorate of the Church of Bloomfield N. J.

The Trustees of N. Y., Union Theological Semi nary have invited Rev. Dr. Shedd of the Brick Church, to the chair vacated by the death of Dr. Robinson.

#### Reformed Presbyterian.

Minutes of Synod.—The minutes of General Synod are now distributed, and we presume in the hands of the Church. The reason of their unusual detention is found in the state of the country. The first proof was corrected early in June. Then came the rebel invasion of Pennsylvania and Marvland. which the New York troops were sent to repel. This emptied the printing office of almost every man, the hands being connected with the regiments departing. With one of these the Stated Clerk was momentarily called to go as Chaplain, and having been mustered into the service of the United States, was detained in Maryland until August was adto contain true histories of actual events. It vanced. In the meantime that part of the great rebellion, commonly called the New York riots, occurred; and by all this, business matters were so deranged that the issue of the Minutes could not be made until now. The Clerk, however, trusts that no detriment will come to the good cause from the ble and the importance of a due preparation for detention. And he only adds, that typographical and other errors which may be noticed by the critical eye might have been fewer, if his personal supervision could always have been given.

> JOHN N. McLEOD New York, August 28, 1863.

Mission to the Freedmen.—The Board of Domestic Missions of the Reformed Presbyterian Church having had this subject referred to them at the late meeting of Synod, would take this method of informing the church, that one of the delegates appointed His journal is as thrilling as a narrative can (Rev. Dr. Douglas,) to explore the field in the East, has reported and recommended, that a mission be established in the vicinity of Washington City. In his report there was a letter from the Secretary of War, giving assurance that the encouragement and protection of the government to our missionaries in prosecuting this work would be granted. Reference was also made to the character, wants and necessities of those colored men; they being in a destitute condition. The missionary proposing to labor among them, will require books, clothing and other things, all of which would require friends. The Board before appointing missionaries to labor has authorized the Secretary to issue a call on the church pamphlet. Published by A. D. F. Randolph, as a whole, and upon each congregation under her care to take up a special collection for this object, THE LONDON QUARTEBLY, (L. Scott & Co., in order that the missionaries going to labor, may furnished with all the appliances necessary to the successful prosecution of the work. It is expected that the parties will present this subject before their respective congregations as early as possible, and that every congregation under the care of the church raise funds, and forward them to the Treasurer of Domestic Missions, within this month if possible, Ethiopias hands are now stretched forth unto God, view of a Book by a Son of Judge Story; The asking for the Bread of Life. Are there not many able and willing to convey it unto them? And that will here am I, send me?

Xenia, Ohio, Sep. 1st. 1863. J. C. McMillan, Secretary and Treasurer.

## PRESBYTERIAN MISSIONS.

[Under this heading, we design to give information from time to time of the work of the various branches of the Presbyterian Church in the Foreign Missionary field. The operations of the American Board will be included in the summary.

American Board.—The Nestorian Mission of the American Board is at present much impeded The people are suffering extremly from a visitation of locusts. At the instigation, as is supposed, of Jesuits, backed by the French Embassy at Tehran, orders have been sent forbidding the Protestants to proselyte, preach, or exhort; the evangelists are forbidden to go forth, the press forbidden to print, except by special license from the Persian agent a tool of the Jesuits, and the schools ordered to reduce their pupils to 150 instead of 1200 or 1500 as in former years. At the same time the Roman Catholics are specified as an acknowledged sect in the country. Dr. Perkins, the veteran missionary writes that while there is just cause for apprehen sion and fervent prayer, he anticipates no serious results from the movement.

Ordinatione in Turkey and India. Four native pastors were ordained, in the Central Turkey mission field, in the month of May! Mr. Schneider now Assembly should be raised, to place the committee reports a fifth, at Killis, on the 28th of June. Mr. in a position to do its proper work in producing and Taylor of the Mandapasalie station; Madura mission distributing a religious and denominational litera- reports the ordination in April last of the fourth native pastor in his field. The newly ordained pastor's closing prayer offered with tears, was as fol-A. Halsey of New York City, ruling elder in one lows: "I, O! Saviour, am weak and ignorant; but of the churches, and a well known citizen, died at his thou hast called me to this work: and I ask only that thou wilt dwell in my heart."

Zulu Contributions and Improvement. - Mr. Grout of the Zulu mission reports contributions for provements in many important respects are going good sawn timber, and with panel doors and glass windows, hung with weights. Two of the rooms

Benevolence of the Converts of Maduna, Mr. Washburn states, that notwithstanding the famine. and "the extraordinary outburst of benevolence at the meeting a year and a half ago," the contributions of his people during the past year had exceeded those of 1861. They had tried a new system of collecting. A small earthen jar was given to each person in the congregation, and he was invited to deposit in this weekly, or at the end of the harvest. as God had prospered him. The breaking of these jars, he says, afforded an interesting occasion at the new year's festival, and the people were glad to find

The Contributions to the Board during July amounts to \$27,705,84. From September 1st, 1862, to August 1st, 1863, \$333,455 75. The total to Sep. 1st, 1863, is about \$383,500.

Sandwich Islands.—The Hawaiian Evangelical Society which has charge of the mission to the Marquesas, and Micronesian Islands, the ship Mornf Hyde Park, Pa., was dedicated on the 13th ult. ing Star, &c., has been re-organized and placed under control of a Board of 21 members. Rev. Dr.

> Board of Missions of the Presbyterian Church but at last came and unburdened himself to the mis-