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vance of the present.

GENESEE EVANGELIST.

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the year just begun. Friends will please pre- bility with republican forms of government. It second call. The time in which payments at of the rights of the few over the many, were the advanced rate can be made, is limited.

TO THE GOSPEL.

New and even startling forms of error and the fallen nature from which they spring. It is trial, is the aim of our Administration. well for preachers and Christian laborers to bear increase. Scientific infidelity was, perhaps, vation of three and a half millions of wronged especially among the Anglo-saxon races of men, the deepest blot from our national character, to than now. All of these obstacles must be set an example which shall be potent in behalf met in seeking the advancement of religion in of all the oppressed classes of mankind, to digour day. They wear an air of novelty; but nify labor and bless the workingman in every they are not new. They are the motions of clime. a carnal nature, devoted to self, impatient of the restraints of divine law, not liking to retain the life of our nation; to vindicate assailed law, knowledge of God. They are the old struggles government and social order; to carry jeoparded of the sense against the spirit. They require, it is true, some change in the mode of administering, but none in the remedy itself. They the noble and inspiring aims which the Chief call for more wisdom, clearness, earnestness in presenting the Gospel; but the Gospel, brought to accomplish, and which, by divine blessing he home by the power of the Spirit to the corrupt is attaining. Once achieved, history will have heart, from which they spring, is still the divine no more delightful task than to record and to and appropriate cure.

We must not be distracted by these novel appearances, so as to turn aside from the simplicity of evangelical preaching. With steady purpose, with faithful repetition, with unwaverthe great need of man to day. We must indeed but prays for help adequately to meet its solemn be all things to all men, but always within and glorious responsibilities? What friend of evangelical limits. We must indeed wisely his country and his kind but is scandalized and adapt our preachingand our labors to the circumstances in which we live, but never, never, so bers of his contemporaries, who refuse to yield as to obscure, but rather so as to illustrate their sympathy to the Administration, who are and magnify, more and more, the blessed, sav- so occupied with its exceptional errors that they ing Gospel of Jesus Christ, which is the only become oblivious of its real and glorious aims; hope of men everywhere and under every form who are actually willing that the nation should of delusion and sin.

forts for the salvation of men. These peculiarities | perpetuated, so far as their personal influence are not all obstacles, even the sinful forms of goes? them. Great excitements, especially upon his contemporaries. "Ho every one that thirst- | and baseness of soul, which history preserves to eth," he cries, "Come ye to the waters, and warn and instruct mankind. he that hath no money: come ye, buy and eat; Reader! this is no time to indulge timidity. the time to gather up the manifold powerful it has ever been before or may ever be again. testimonies of science and exploration to the truth of the Scriptures, while He counsels patience until the certain clearing up of new difficulties is vouchsafed. We will not be have been abandoned or surrendered without a abashed; but will class the emergencies struggle by the rebels, and the armies of Rosewhich he and the Master's cause are called to crans and Burnside, after liberating East Tenmeet, with those temptations and trials that do nessee, have formed a junction almost unopposed. not overwhelm or discourage, but that develope General Steele has vanquished the rebels in the new strength and reveal new resources in the heart of Arkansas, and frightened them from good, and that even expose new weaknesses in Little Rock, the capital. General Blunt has rethe enemy, and give to the alert the zealous and conquered Indian Territory, carrying our victothe ingenious soldier greater advantages in the rious eagles far toward the head-waters of the conflict than he has ever before enjoyed.

preaching repentance says:

could have preached sublime notions of heavenly which lies at their mercy. and divine things, that should have alarmed and amused the learned world, but he pitches upon be ambitious of broaching new opinions, framing new schemes or coining new expressions, but our mouth and in our heart.

This is good and seasonable advice to day.

AIMS OF THE ADMINISTRATION.

ruling principles, his aims, in order to get a their State. right estimate of his character. The American | Besides Lee perhaps feels it necessary to

duty of preserving the national life has been over-confidence, apathy and immersion in on his return. committed to the Administration, and sincerely business. and manfully is it aiming to preserve it.

barbarism, have been assailed by violent and ambitious men, who have deceived themselves and duped their followers with the plea of the right of secession. There is but one course open to every right-minded magistrate at such an outbreak of mob violence-it is to draw the sword and prove that he bears it not in vain. It is the sublime aim of the Administration to uphold the majesty of law; to maintain the interests of civilization against the savage instincts that still lurk amid some of its institutions, and liable to 50 cents additional charge on their ever and anon break out in open violence against bills, are notified that this charge will be re- the restraints laid upon them; to give new mitted to such as pay an additional year, in ad- strength to good government everywhere and to

all time. The present trial of the principles of social WE ARE NOW making our city collections for order is peculiar. It is to show their compatipare for the visit of the collector and thus save is the greatest test of republicanism in the themselves and him the inconvenience of a world's history. The friends of despotism and transported beyond the bounds of aristocratic equanimity when our rebellion broke out: and HOW TO MEET THE SPECIAL OBSTACLES with a haste which betrayed their fears, cried out: "the republican bubble has burst." To disappoint their hopes by triumphantly solving vice do not imply any essential change in the problem of republicanism in this, its grandest

Slavery is intimately interwoven with the mothis in mind. They should not suffer them- tives which led to this rebellion. It is powerful selves to be dismayed or bewildered by the as a cause and a support to the movement. It is novel forms of opposition to the truth which a monstrous inconsistency with the principles of from time to time, confront them. Special republicanism. It cannot be cherished and performs of vice and error are prevalent at the petuated among us. Its victims are loval, they present time. Great worldly excitements draw are the staunch friends of our imperilled cause. men's minds from the calm contemplation of They are brother men, who have been foully the truths of the Gospel and the remote super- wronged, under the protection of that very Consensual realities of faith. Profanity, Sabbath. stitution and Union which their masters have breaking, the use of intoxicating drinks and of flung aside. The Administration, indirectly vet tobacco, and pleasure-seeking are largely on the sincerely, aims at the enfranchisement and elenever more formidable or more wide-spread. and oppressed Americans. It aims to remove

Contemplate these grand objects. To save the republicanism through its greatest trial; to give modern slavery its death-blow:-these are the Executive of our government undoubtedly seeks expatiate upon them; nor will any of her pages be read by coming generations of men with more profound satisfaction than these.

Who but wishes to aid in such achievements? What American, what Christian man, but thankfully accepts the rare opportunity of the time; horror-struck at the spectacle presented by numperish, that law should be dishonored, that We must in fact learn to convert the pecu- American Republicanism should be found reliarities of our time into accessories to our ef- probate, and that American Slavery should be

Shame, burn their cheek to cinder! worthy and truly moral objects, are not to be History has a niche for them, too; as she has regarded as hindrances to the spread of the for the tories of the Revolution, for the papisti-Gospel. Preaching is full as likely to go home | cal Jacobites of England, and the Mamelukes of to the aroused and sensitive mind, even when Geneva. They too will be read of, but with worldly topics engross it, as to the dull and honest indignation swelling every true heart. listless and somnolent hearer. Isaiah preaches Their names and deeds will add to, if they do a powerful sermon to the pleasure-seekers of not eclipse, with bad eminence, the examples of his time, drawing his remarkable imagery from selfishness and partisan meanness, and blind and what he saw of the struggles and pursuits of obstinate prejudice, and weakness under trial,

yea, come, buy wine and milk without money to try the vain experiment of neutrality, to and without price. Wherefore do ye spend weakly prate about "keeping clear of politics." money for that which is not bread? And your All that is nothing less than criminal, when labor for that which satisfieth not? Hearken such mighty interests are at stake. Now is the diligently unto me, and eat ve that which is time to act, to spend, to suffer; now, if you can good, and let your soul delight itself in fatness." do naught else, give your vote at a time when a The thoughtful preacher will feel that this is right vote is probably of greater importance than

THE DOWNFALL OF THE REBELLTON.

Chattanooga, Knoxville and Cumberland Gap great affluents of the Mississippi. Wagner. Matthew Henry, commenting upon Christ's Gregg and Morris Island are in the hands of Gen. Gillmore, and our troops hold Cumming: Christ had lain in the bosom of the father and Point in full view of the city of Charleston,

These are the great tidings which have this old, plain text: Repent for the Kingdom brought fresh gladness to loyal hearts, and new of Heaven is at hand. This he preaches first bursts of thankfulness to prayerful lips, during upon; he began with this: Ministers must not the past week. They are perhaps the most decisive indications of the weakness of the rebellion, and the most unmistakable premonitions of things, with the word that is night us, even in its early downfall that have yet been given. Lee's army indeed yet remains, and may be destined as the rallying point of the discomfited hosts that are now falling back from every other part of the field before our irresistible advances. We do not judge a man or a Christian by the But it is hard to rally men who are being driven manifestly exceptional acts of his life. Justice from their homes and whose leaders have demands that we should look at his habits, his taught them that their highest allegiance is to

people are most egregiously mistaken, if they go abstain from risking his army in another northby any other rule in judging of the Administra- ward movement; for, so long as it maintains its tion providentially placed over them at this strength and organization, it will be an element time. That it has erred, we may freely admit; in any negotiations for peace that the South but the worst errors it has committed are trivial, may desire to initiate. We should be prepared, compared with the genuine patriotism and moral however, for any emergency. The rebel comgrandeur of the aims which it has steadily kept | mander should never again approach our peaceful in view, and which it is gradually and surely valleys or threaten our railroads with impunity on account of the sluggishness of our people. The existence of one of the greatest, freest, then though it be a last desperate struggle sure much worn before his vacation, but has greatly opposite to where some of our horses were much worn before his vacation, but has greatly opposite to where some of our horses were much worn before his vacation, but has greatly opposite to where some of our horses were much worn before his vacation, but has greatly opposite to where some of our horses were and most beneficent nationalities on the globe to be disastrously and forever repulsed, it should improved, we learn, by the visit. His people, hitched under a large tree, insisted upon the us the largest number of new subscribers over has been assailed by a size of the contract of the has been assailed by a gigantic rebellion. The not owe even the most partial successes to our

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an alliance with it in the very article of its of Mr. C. C. Kimball, a graduate of Union right, and all the while making fruitless efforts

of the rebellion.

FROM OUR ROCHESTER CORRESPONDENT. Rochester, Sept. 11th, 1863.

Two of our important Synods have been of Onaondaga, at Syracuse, and that of Genesee, at Oslean. The latter, although it assembled n a somewhat remote locality for a considerable portion of the members, was largely at- may yet have many such happy scenes togetended, and was a meeting of great interest. The Publication cause was very properly represented by Rev. J. W. Dulles, of Philadelphia, gentleman with whom, doubtless, you are somewhat acquainted. He always makes a neat speech for his subject, and his cause has some warm friends in this region. The number

s believed to be increasing. Rev. Henry Smith, D. D., of Buffalo, preached the Synod, on the Spiritual Church. It was istened to with marked attention and delight. Dr. Smith is a prince among preachers. It is no disparagement to others to give him a first position in this divine art. Both as to matter and manner, he takes the first rank. Western New York. as a whole, and the North Church, of Buffalo, in particular, were fortunate in securing his ministrations and general influence for the cause of Christ in this region.

to name others. And first, it is J. H. Morron being himself attached to the army and jealous week.) who is called to Brockport. We understand, also, that Rev. Job Pierson, of Victor, thing set down in malice—done, in order to has accepted the call given him by the Presbyterian church in Kalamazoo, Michigan, and will soon enter upon the duties of the new pastorate. Mr. Pierson is a man highly esteemed in of the evil, they would surely cry aloud and this region, and we should much prefer to keep spare not until some remedy be found. Did so ordered from above. He goes, however, to the unblushing drunkenness among so many of- penalty of death, the introduction of intoxicating Mr. Pierson to his new field of labor.

day; now seventy years of age, but looking hale each and every official floodgate, through which where his family have been spending the sum- flow into the army. mer, although he now calls New York his home, "But how," some one may ask, "is so large papers; and hence can be no slander to copy the mies, North or South.

and scattered for a still wider and more potent

record will bear examination. We may mention in this connection, also, that for any young friend, who gets an advancement good paper, a bad one will introduce itself. his people were much interested in the minis- from the ranks to the possession of a commission. what little time he was able to serve them and or brother thus promoted had better put on all deeply regretted that the pleasure of his vi- sackcloth and keep a long fast in dread of his sit to our place must have been so marred to near and utter ruin. The vortex seems so overhimself and to his good lady by his sickness whelming that he who escapes must be well among us. We hope he is, ere this, restored to | favored of heaven. his accustomed strength and useful labors more favorable auspices.

again, and about his accustomed duties. is never very strong, and had been looking like a sack of meal. One valcrous rider, when

It is plain, the rebellion is crumbling; its in- about men, we may as well mention another of the spur. Under the insult offered to its su-

death. That prospect, if it be a hope, is its only Theological Seminary, and a licentiate of that to get his right leg over its back in order to disbody. He has engaged, as perhaps we have mount. The animal becoming at length indig-We have reason to believe that, with the before mentioned, to supply the pulpit of the nant, started off at a brisk pace towards its own closing year, we shall witness the end of the Presbyterian Church in New Hartford, N. Y., camp, whereupon the luckless rider fell to the terrible and bloody struggle that has convulsed for one year. A call was offered him, but he ground very much like a large lump of putty our land and tried our government as never hu- preferred not as yet to make so permanent an The whole thing seemed to have been arranged

written its broad characters for good on all the however, with the church in New Hartford, among a tribe of Indians as related by a certain coming destiny of mankind. The year which have been greatly blessed, some sixty or seven- Captain Smith. Said Captain was taken capwas introduced by the Emancipation Proclama- ty having recently been converted. He seeks tive by the savages in early frontier warfare, tion, will be crowned by the practical overthrow ordination, by special and earnest desire of his and by them adopted in room of a brave, slain in people, that he may be able to receive these battle. lambs of the flock in due form to the covenant | By some trading operations with the whites, of God's house. We chance to know that many the little tribe on a certain occasion obtained fire of the good people of his charge felt almost as water sufficient for a general drunk, as they with though they could not consent to have any one much significance termed it. The most deliberelse perform the service. It will be very plea- ate preparations were accordingly made for the sant to them to have this young brother, by operation. A day was set, and the evening preholding their autumn meetings this week, that whose earnest labors so many have been, in a vious, the young Indians tied in bundles all their few weeks, led to receive the Saviour, be the tomahawks, scalping knives, and deadly weafirst to give to them the emblem of that Saviour's pons; then climbing up some young trees, they dying love and saving power. We trust they

GENESEE. CHAPLAIN STEWART'S LETTER. Camp near White Sulphur Springs, Va., }

DRUNKENNESS IN THE ARMY. An ominous title, Mr. Editor, to a letter Yet as a dream comes from a multitude of thoughts, even so has the above heading from the enormous quantities of bad whiskey now as we are informed—a noble sermon before daily guzzled in the various camps by our officers. In writing thus it is not forgotten, that the charge made by Joseph against his brethren, on their first visit to Egypt for corn, was not an enviable one: "Ye are spies; to see the nakedness of the land are ye come." To write with any freedom on the suggested theme may not unlikely subject the venturesome Epistolary to a spying out and exposing the nakedness of the a hot day. land." In such a case the extenuating plea And, speaking of ministers, we are tempted will be: "He has no pleasure in the deed; (and not Morrow, as we were made to say last for its honor and good name." Much of the reality moreover will remain unwritten, and no-

assist in arresting, if possible, the alarming evil. Had the pastors of our various churches any adequate conception as to the present enormity him here in his pleasant pastorate, if it were Christian, loyal, country loving citizens know of a very interesting and important field, in one of ficers in the army, and the seeming danger of drinks on any pretext into the army—hospital the very best portions of the thriving State of all being engulphed in a common drunken ruin, stores and sutlers' evasions not excepted. If Michigan. Our loss, to them is gain. The best they would with united and sleepless importu- good brandy, or old Bourbon, be at any time wishes of his ministerial brethren will follow nity besiege Congress, the President, Secretary furnished by the Government for our hospitals, of War, Commander-in-Chief, Quartermaster the suffering inmates are seldom thereby either The venerable Dr. Cox was in our streets to- General, &c., to unite in closing up, at once, the wiser or the better. Better have the whole and hearty. He still has a place at Le Roy, such immense quantities of bad whiskey now

and expects soon to remove his family thither. an amount of intoxicating drink obtained as to same: The Doctor's heart warms in a moment, and his create such an amount of drunkenness? Did speech waxes eloquent when he touches the af- not Congress some years since abolish whiskey fairs of the country. He stands firm for the rations in the army?" Perhaps so; yet cergovernment; he has no sympathy for her ene- tain it is that, by some authority, whiskey rations are occasionally issued to every soldier. And this reminds us, also, that the Rev. Dr. And whiskey, without stint, is at all times offi- furnished for medical purposes, in place of the Spear, of Brooklyn, passed through our city two cially furnished to commissioned officers. By an days ago, returning from his summer vacation, army regulation, commissioned officers can purwhich he has spent with family friends in the chase from the Brigade Commissary, by personal beautiful and thriving village of Niles, Mich. application or by written order, for his own use, Dr. Spear looks brown and hearty. He has at Government prices, whatever provisions may evidently been trying some real exercise and be on hand, after rations have been furnished recreation. And not that alone, but true to his the private soldiers. A Brigade Commissary patriotic instincts and noble convictions, he has, would hear less complaint from officers for lack as we learn, been preaching on the momentous of bread, meat, coffee and sugar than of whiskey. interests of the hour, in such a way as to stir It must be always on hand. Our Brigade Comup the wrath of the enemies of the government missaries have thus become extensive retail in Niles, as well as greatly to please its friends. whiskey establishments; all furnished by the The latter were so much interested in two of Government. A barrel often issued by the his discourses, that they procured them at once canteen-about three pints at fifty cents-just work is the weekly religious newspaper. Therefor publication. They were printed at Niles, as fast as the Commissary's clerk can measure it. fore we may justly expect to find a friend in The results are fast becoming most deplorable. influence; and this will make about half-a-dozen Our American character is proverbially excit- Christ on our field. During last winter and patriotic sermons of this able divine preached able, and without due restraint may readily run spring, our paper was the vehicle for the comsince the war commenced—all full of weighty into any extreme. The ennui of camp life to munication of the most valuable and encouraging words; all in full sympathy with the govern- the volunteer officer becomes often hard to en- revival intelligence. Our columns contained ment in its earnest endeavors to maintain its dure. The excitement from strong drink, thus the only regular original account of the great

proper authority in all the land, and against all so easily obtained and always on hand, easily beduced when one officer calls upon another-imrations of Rev. E. E. Adams, of your city, Those at home, who may have a husband, son

Beastly-no I beg the beasts' pardon-manly among his own people; and we trust, also, that drunkenness among the officers has become unhe may sometime visit our city again, and under blushing, and no apparent effort or even thought of any accountability. A few days since, a regi-Rev. Dr. Pease, of the First Presbyterian ment of our brigade having completed its first Church of this city, who has been spending his year of service must needs have a celebration vacation among friends in Vermont, was ex- over the event-in other words an official drunk. pected back this week, to resume his pastoral Unmanly sports—such as climbing greasy poles duties; but instead of the good man himself, a and catching pigs with greased tails—were proetter comes, saying that upon the eye of start- vided for the privates. A barrel of whiskey ng to return he was suddenly prostrated with constituted part of the official repast. Many severe, though it is believed not alarming sick- shoulder straps from neighboring regiments ness. His people now will watch the mails were present; and when among these the fun with unwonted interest until they hear of his grew fast and furious, shoulder-strapped coats complete recovery, and see him again among were thrown off and the valorous knights, not them; for they think themselves a little more with swords but with fistenff, endeavored to de- always in advance. Home Missionaries and fortunate than any other church and congrega- molish each other. Crowds of privates were Theological Students will be charged \$1,-by tion in the choice of their pastor. The Doctor looking on, and supposing that during the melce carriers \$1,50 in advance. has won a very large place in their profound a fit time had come for them to pitch in, began respect and affectionate regards; while his gene- to bear away sundry portions of the whiskey, rous, catholic, and co-operative course, in the and were finally restrained only by a strong late revival, commended him to the confidence guard at the point of the bayonet. In efforts to of all. We trust he will soon be among us regain their respective regiments on horseback, the appearance of various officers was ludicrous Rev. Mr. Ellinwood, who has spent a good in the extreme; and, but for its sadness, would part of his vacation at Clifton Springs, is ex- have caused hearty bursts of laughter from any bepected back at his post next week. He had holder. One and another when passing near wrought with all his might during the revival, our regimental encampment fell off his horse PREMIUMS FOR THE GREATEST NUMBER OF SUB-

man institutions were tried before, and has engagement with any church. His brief labors, for a drunk, much like a similar performance

drew after them the bundles, tieing them to the upper branches, and in descending stripped off the green bark of the trees, thus rendering them quite as difficult to ascend as a greased pole. Five staid members of the tribe were selected to sober-not to taste the fire water and act as a peace police. As the Captain was a newcomer. it was graciously left to his option whether to drunk or sober. All things ready the melee began by copious imbibings; and while the drunk was coming on, the scene, as related by the Captain, was exciting and inexpressibly ludicrous. The unsuccessful efforts of the young Indians to climb the slippery trees after their deadly weapons was worthy any modern struggle to ascend a greasy pole. Continued libations, however, overcome one after another till the last drinker was helplessly stretched upon the ground, and quietness prevailed till next morning; save a similar charge from certain quarters; "Ye are general grunting, much like a lot of fat hogs in

The next exhibition of the kind coming under the writer's notice, the names of the principal actors will be given to the public, no matter what may be the consequences to this Chaplain correspondent of yours. My only object in writing of the matter is to call the attention of the voting community to its enormity, and urge them to unite in an effort to abate the shameless abomination. This may be in a goodly measure accomplished by pressing the subject so earnestly and extensively upon the coming Congress, as to have a law passed prohibiting, under certain thing stopped. The following item of comfort friends is now going the rounds of all our daily

"A commission appointed for the purpose have just discovered that some gross frauds have been perpetrated upon the Medical Department in the supply of liquor &c. An examination of the single article of whiskey has shown, that the most deleterious compound known, has been fine, pure article contracted for. In some of the hospitals, the patients have been unable to use a drop, while those who have used it were made worse than by their original disease.

Not unlikely, from the bloated eyes and livid lips of many an official in our camps, that were the numerous barrels, of what is termed whiskey, which is guzzled here examined by a scientific ommittee, something deleterious might also be A. M. STEWART.

EXTEND THE CIRCULATION.

A true and necessary adjunct to the pastoral every pastor and every active laborer for awakening in Western New York. Our corresrebellion. The Doctor has done what he could comes a ready and frequent resort. The ruinous pondence and news departments of movements for his country, in this day of her trial. His habit of having whiskey almost invariably pro. in the religious world, and especially in the various branches of our church, has been, and Rev. Dr. Shaw has returned from his vaca- polite, almost an insult, otherwise—the moral will continue to be varied, full and in a high tion, and resumed his pastoral duties in this restraints of home, family, and social life all degree instructive. We ask the co-operation of city. He is not quite so well as we could wish, wanting; it need hardly be wondered at, that our friends in a truly good work,—an important but has gone to work among his numerous from former sobriety, frequent drunkenness en- branch of the work of evangelization. Certain flock with his accustomed zeal and devotion. sues as a ready consequence. Of late, I tremble it is, if we do not labor promptly to introduce a PROPOSALS FOR INCREASING THE SUBSCRIPTION

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ington as follows, of our paper: your benevolent people to send to us five hundred copies of your paper for the army."

We can assure any of our readers who may be disposed to contribute to aid us in responding to this appeal, that their donations could not go through safer or more experienced hands. If twenty-six persons will each contribute \$10, we much more than merely care for themselves. will engage to send five hundred copies by ex- The preachers are experienced pastors, strong, press to Washington city, weekly, for six good men, the men most needed here. One months. It is an excellent opportunity to good brother, Rev. Mr. Cushing, from Mass., bring religious influences to bear upon the army. Who will supply us the means for send- writes me his hands are more than full. ing the first five hundred?

SYNOD OF GENESEE. Few of our Synods excel that of Genesee, either in numbers, strength, or vitality: Occupying the western portion of the State of New York, from Rochester to Lake Erie, its cities also for transporting reading matter and stores. and fine country towns manage to secure pastors of a high grade of ability and excellence. There pervades this Synod a quiet yet strong denominational self-consciousness, which is aided perhaps by the fact that ours is the dominant religious power of the region. One not a very probably Atlanta, in Georgia. Men of nant religious power of the region. One not a member of the Synod may say, that whilst it can boast of many worthy fathers and strong to endure hardness as good soldiers of Jesus men of mature years, it has as noble a set of young men as any Synod in the land.

Synod met last week in Olean, a neat town Cattarraugus County near the Pennsylvania line, and on the Allegheny River. Surrounded by hills, the narrow valleys of South-western New York give but limited scope to agriculture. Lumber is the staple product of the region; and though vast quantities have been cut, these forest-clad hills will still yield rich harvests from their steep sides. As the forests pass away, manufactures, grazing and husbandry gradually take the place of the ruder occupation of the lumber-man. Olean is a town of about 2000 inhabitants. Its Presbyterian Church earnestly desired to retain our brother, W. W. Taylor, of this city, who preached for them for six months, but are most happily supplied by the Rev. J. B. Beaumont, who came new advertisement of the BELVIDERE SEMINARY to them direct from Auburn Seminary. The for Young Ladies, recently inserted, which Synod was received by them with cordial hos- opened on Wednesday of last week. The city

The Rev. Walter Clarke, D. D., of Buffalo, well-known to most of our readers. was elected Moderator, and the Rev. Wm. Waith, of Lancaster, Temporary Clerk. The opening sermon was by L. Parsons, Jr., and drew valuable instruction for ministers from the text, familiar, but worthy of remembrance. 'Live upon him, Precept upon precept," &c. by whom, the different discussions shall be opened. The routine of business is thus intermingled with the consideration of the benevolent movements of the Church. The hour for Seminary, was ordained and installed pastor of the the discussions being previously announced, the congregation of the place can time their attendance so as to be present at them.

ing in an interesting address by Mr. Niles, of people by Rev. Fisk Harmon, Swede Point. Albion, who was followed by Dr. Kendall, Secretary of Home Missions. In the afternoon and a licentiate of Cincinnati Presbytery, was rethe Publication Cause was ably advocated by cently ordained at Middlebury Vt. He is destined the Moderator, Dr. Clarke, seconded by Mr. to the missionary work in Turkey. Dulles, the Secretary of Publication and Dr. Stillman, of Dunkirk. On Thursday morning the subject of Foreign Missions was discussed San Francisco, made vacant by the resignation of by Messrs. Fisher, Dallas and Heacock, and in Rev. S. H. Willey more than a year ago-In San the afternoon the Education Cause was repre- Jose a new Church is building to cost fifteen to sented by Rev. Milton Waldo, whilst Sabbath twenty thousand dollars.—Rev. James Skinner for-School Literature was considered in the evening. With an admirable sermon on the "Spiritual Church" by Dr. Smith, of Buffalo, the Communion service, meetings for devotional exercises, and business matters; the time was well filled. The alternations from devotion to business, and from business to benevolence, with elder from Franklin Presbytery, Ohio, Hon. C. N. an occasional five minute recess (an admirable institution for Presbyters who sometimes find the spirit willing but the flesh weak,) gave life of that remarkable Assembly. It is not generally and spirit to the exercises.

as to the propriety of the reception of the testi- of his appeals sprung from a profound and unusual mony of an accused person, and another as to source. the policy of merging the Sabbath afternoon. It appears from a letter, published some weeks ago service in the Sunday School, exercised the in the New York Observer, that the vonth whose wisdom of the Synod; whilst the report of most name was W. W. Olds, enlisted as a private early in delightful revivals in Rochester and elsewhere. attended by the conversion of multitudes of the time of his death was a captain in the 42d Ohio. voung, refreshed its zeal and hope. The tone He fell, mortally wounded, in the battle of Port Gibof the Narrative was encouraging. Resolu- son, about the 1st of May. The letter above referred tions were adopted commending anew our mis- to says: missionary and educational efforts, and promising to the Publication Committee the hearty away rapidly from the internal hemorrhage. He co-operation of the pastors with Mr. Howard, lately commissioned for this work, in the effort | me to tell his father that he was now about giving to raise \$50,000 for that branch of Church ex-

The Synod will meet next year in Albion.

ARMY OF GEN, ROSECRANS.

WORK OF THE CHRISTIAN COMMISSION. Earnest Call for more Delegates.

The following interesting letter is from the Rev. Benjamin Parsons, formerly a missionary in Turkey, now a delegate acting as Field Agent of the Christian Commission at the head-quar- ther that I die in the faith! He seemed then to be ters of General Rosecrans,-in the very front. engaged in prayer, and soon after ceased to breathe. Another of the delegates in that department telegraphs as follows:

"NASHVILLE, Sept. 3d. 1863.

want of delegates as follows: "STEVENSON, Ala., Aug. 26, 1863.

"We occupy the only church building of the village. We have a meeting in it every night, and the house is so crowded that many take seats

To the school of the church sending the third | the craggy rocks and boulders outside. More attentive, serious, and solemn assemblies of men I never saw, than are these of the noble sons of the West. God's Spirit does seem to be present with power. And oh, how many benedictions fresh and warm from their hearts, do these soldiers pronounce on the U.S. C. Commission The warm grasp of hand, the tearful eve, the cents for each subsequent insertion, 40 cents earnest prayer, these indicate to us (what we are often told) that the Christian Commission has a very strong hold upon the hearts of the soldiers of this army. I can hardly conceive of an event that would cause more deep and extensive sorrow and grief on the part of these soldiers, than would be caused by depriving them of the kindly offices of the Christian Commission.

The officers, from the lowest in rank to the "All unite in saying that it is one of the best highest, seem very ready to grant us all reasonpublished. I wish we had a thousand copies able facilities for carrying forward our appropri to send out every week. Try and get some of ate work. The Lord has granted us a wide door and effectual, and we are, I trust, endeavoring to enter it and serve him in labors for the temporal and spiritual good of those thousands for whom Christ died.

We are at present rather weak-handed, having only four licensed preachers on the ground, and four theological students. Of the latter one goes home on Saturday, and two are too ill to do is doing a precious work at Cowan, Tenn., in a field hospital and convalescent camp; but he

Here, in Stevenson, (which is a very important point in a military point of view,) 800 hos pital tents are now being put up for the sick of the army, (and hence a great field of usefulness,) and an immense structure for sheltering steam engines and government stores. From this point I have fine facilities for sending out delegates to the troops scattered here and there, and The Lord be praised for granting us so wide a

Now we want men to go to Huntsville, Ala., to Bridgeport, to Bellfonte, to Anderson, to Pikeville, Dunlap, Jasper, and other points in power, intellectual and spiritual, and physical, too, who want a good work to do, and are willing Christ for the spiritual good of the thousands here who are enduring hardness for their country's good, can find just what they want here, and enough of it, 'enough to spare.'

Those willing to go, may apply, with testimonials by letter or in person, at the Central Office, 11 Bank street, Philadelphia, or if more convenient, at the New York Office, 30 Bible House, or to C. Demond, 4 Court street, Boston, Jos. Albree. 71 Wood street. Pittsburg, W. T. Perkins, 17 West Third street, Cincinnati, or J. V. Farwell, or at the Young Men's Christian Association Rooms, Chicago.

The demand for Delegates in the army of the Potomae also is as great as that in the army of Cumberland.

ANOTHER SCHOOL.—Readers will notice the references given are excellent authority and

Mews of our Churches.

Rev. Dr. March. The Woburn Weekly Budget. Sen. 3d, says, Our readers will be pleased to learn that Rev. Be patient, enduring, unceasing in effort. The Daniel Marsh, who is now detained in town by sicksystem of the Synod is to appoint, by a com- ness, is slowly improving, and it is hoped that he mittee, each year the order of exercises for the will soon be about again. The fatigues of his journext, specifying the hour when and the person ney, under the affecting circumstances which called him here, were too much for a constitution already

reduced by a severe illness. Mr. C. A. Slack, late of Auburn Theological Westminster Church in Newton, Jasper Co., Iowa, Aug. 29th. Sermon by Rev. Thompson Bird. of Des Moines, from 2 Cor. ii. 15, 16. Constitutional Questions and Ordaining Prayer by the Moderator, At the present meeting, the subject of Home Rev. Asa. Johnson, Redfield. Charge to the pastor Missions was presented on Wednesday morn- by Rev. J. C. Ewing, Winterset; and Charge to the

Mr. Giles F. Montgomery, of Lane Seminary

Rev. A. E. Kittridge of Charlestown Mass., has been called to the pastorate of Howard St. Church, merly of Hamilton College, has commenced preaching in Santa Clara, with a view to organizing a

Sacrifice for the Country.-Individuals who attended the General Assembly which met in this city last May, will remember, with peculiar interest, the OLDS, of Columbia. His vigorous and stirring loval speech on the Resolution enjoining allegiance to the existing administration, was one of the marked events known that he had just given up a son as a sacrifice The affairs of Ingham University, a question for his country, and that the pathos and earnestness

the war; and for the two years which he served, he never took a furlough. He was promoted, and at

"He lived about four hours after he fell, sinking was calm and rational to the last moment. He told up his life for his country, and, said he, 'had I two more lives to live, willingly would I sacrifice them for the restoration of my country.' A number of his men had gathered around, the tears rolling down their brown, sunburnt faces, at the thought of losing their brave and noble young leader. The captain turned his face towards them and said, 'My boys, I'm going to leave you, but don't be disheartened; never give up; stand by your flag, and fight for your country: and, if need be, do as I am doing-die for her.' He was now sinking rapidly, and his breathing became very laborious and painful. He remarked to me. Doctor: I am almost gone, but it is all well; tell fa-"So died a brave, noble, and a Christian soldier.

loved and lamented by all who knew hfm." It is stated in another letter, that in the evening, "George H. Stuart, Chairman: Send ten when his body had been prepared for a soldier's burial, his men, who had just come in from the battle Mr. Parsons writes about the work and the filed past the rude coffin in which he was laid, and with parched lips and powder-stained faces knelt and kissed the pale brow of the dead, while the hot tears testified to their manly grief.

Acceptance of Rev. Dr. Shedd.—The New York Observer is informed that Dr. Shedd has concluded upon the steps of the pulpit, and those of the to resign the co-pastorate of the Brick Church and stairway leading to an upper apartment, and on accept the chair of Oriental and Biblical Literature