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JOHN W. MEARS.

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SYNOD OF PENNSYLVANIA.

vance of the present.

yet been received, but information can be procured at the time of starting for Philadelphia.

DR. MARKS' PENINSULAR CAMPAIGN. We have received a full notice of this stirring and instructive volume from a competent hand which will appear next week.

MEETING OF THE AMERICAN BOARD. ROCHESTER, October 7th, 1863.

With the usual colat, the pleasurable excite- churches. ment, the vast crowds that always accompany this great occasion, the Fifty-fourth Anniversary of the American Board is now being celebrated. Places for one thousand persons have been provided by the laborious Committee, and how can state our impression of the general character many thousands more have found accommodal of the attendance. To us it seems decidedly Prestions among their friends, cannot be told. The byterian. We have already named the promivast audience chamber of the Brick Church, cal nent personages on the platform, in which the pable of accommodating two thousand persons, reader will notice the preponderance of Presbyis crammed at every meeting; every available terians among the leading elements. But it is place for standing or sitting is occupied, and pro- more remarkable that there is not a solitary found interest marks the countenances of the au- settled clergyman present from Boston, save the dience. The Brick Church itself is an edifice of | Secretaries of the Board, and not a single Conexceedingly noble proportions—ample, spacious, | gregationalist clergyman from New York or grand enough to be the senate chamber for the Brooklyn. As for the latter cities, Rev. Dr. Cox deliberations of the greatest American organiza- appears to be the only minister of any denomition for promoting the kingdom of Christ. It is nation representing them. Philadelphia on the larger than the First Church on Washington contrary is represented by at least four if not Square, besides containing, by far, the finest set more of our ministers, and by Judge Strong of lecture, committee, reception, and Subbath among the laymen. The clergy of Central and School rooms we ever saw. Passing through Western New York are largely represented and them in company with Henry Hill, Esq., of Bos- they are Presbyterians. From the West, we ton, we inquired whether any church in that notice in addition to those already named, Rev. city could show any thing to equal the Sab. Dr. Thompson of Cincinnati, and Rev. Dr. bath School room, as we knew nothing like it in Atterbury of New Albany, Mr. W. H. Brown Philadelphia. He answered in the negative of Chicago, Elder in the First Presbyterian Its size, its perfect proportions, its simple neat | Church is also present. We cannot say what ness, the admirable accommodations for scholars change would be made in this general estimate and beachers, the conveniences for the infant by an actual count; we give the impression scholars—a comfortable low chair being provided which we are sure would strike any observer for each of the little learners—the business-like well enough acquainted with the men. The arrangements for the library, and the fine large | fact if it be a fact, is due, in part, to the locality, organ, combine to make it a model School room, which is more Presbyterian than any other part deserving full description, and, indeed, a visit of the Home field of the Board. But it is also from all church building committees who have a due, we think, to a growing interest in the enterregard, as they most certainly ought to have, for | prise of Foreign Missions among our people, and the comfort of the younger members of the con- to an unwillingness to go unrepresented in the gregation. Indeed, we think it must be difficult | deliberations of the body which is the agent of for the children of Dr. Shaw's flock to resist the its charities among the heathen. great attraction of that beautiful and airy hall. when opened for them on the Sabbath day. body that the place of Rev. A. D. Smith, D. D.,

and proportion of these Christian temples. Messrs. Robbins, H. A. Smith, Thomas Johns-Dr. Hawes, who feels a father's interest in the years of his well-spent life: work, Drs. Bacon and Dutton, of New Haven, Dr. Todd, Dr. Marsh, and others. Among the laymen hone attracted greater attention than the venerable Chancellor Walworth, long a devoted friend of the Board, now evidently yielding to the advances of age, his long, white, partly curled and expanded locks giving a peculiar appearance ness of heart. One of his sons is quite eminent

Colenso, called "The Gentle Skeptic." We have said that the meeting of the American Board was transpiring with the usual interest. That is far below the fact. The services have been characterized by a depth of feeling and a sense churches, and the degree of divine favor it has of the importance of the matters in hand exceed. enjoyed, all combine to leave a feeling of awe ing what is frequently experienced. The sermon upon the mind of the beholder. At this meetby Dr. Cleveland, simple in plan and structure, ing, a single item of business brought out the went directly to the root of the matter, and fact in a striking light. The charter of the grasped with firm and distinct hand the great Board hitherto has restricted it to the holding of of Missions. The preacher's account of the false should not exceed four thousand dollars. This effort acceptable to all classes of his hearers.

son's report of the state of the churches on the light, to be rising steadily in extent and value, Sandwich Islands, and the subsequent addresses | so that our legislators must need observe and act and action on the subject. Dr. Anderson's tour | upon the fact. extended over a period of eight montus, and em braced a thorough exploration of a large portion of the islands, besides interviews with the foreign the people of Rochester was generous and and native pastors and office bearers in the large, in keeping with their well-known charac-

charges, was a very valuable assistant in acqui-American Presbyterian ring information upon the moral condition of the natives. The impressions acquired by the Secretary were, on the whole, of a decidedly favorable and encouraging character, as will appear from the reports of them in another part of the

That was a grand spectacle, when, before that mmense and breathless Christian audience, gathered from every part of the North, the man whose experience and abilities qualified him for the work of observation, and who had long and liable to 50 cents additional charge on their deservedly enjoyed the confidence of the churches of the land, bore his testimony as an eye-witness, and laid down his incontrovertible FACTS, denonstrating the reality of the piety and Christian civilization of these but recently savage idolaters; and when one of the first party of the mis sionaries who landed upon the island, forty-four The members of the Synod of Pennsylvania vears ago, Rev. Hiram Bingham, being present, can procure excursion tickets from Philadelphia rose and gave the opposite colors of the picture; to Baltimore for \$4.12, at the depot, Broad and and when still another of the early missionaries Prime Streets. An application has been made to the island, Rev. C. S Stewart, now chaplain for excursion tickets from Baltimore to Wash- in the navy, described, in graphic language, the ington. An answer to this application has not repulsive and frightful aspect of the natives upon his arrival, as they thronged around the vessel in their canoes. And the whole marvellous interest of the scene culminated in the appearance of Rev. L. H. Gulick upon the platform, the newly appointed agent of the Hawaiian Native Board of Missions, Education and Publication, just organized from the associated churches of of these Christianized Islanders. In the native tongue of the islands, Secretary Gulick gave the salutations of the Board to its parent institution. and, in flowing language, painted the career of usefulness which was before the associated

> THE PRESBYTERIAN CHARACTER OF THE MEETING.

Rochester, October 8th, 1863. Without attempting a numerical estimate, we

It was therefore fairly due to the Presbyterian Rochester has more than one church of these recently elected President of Dartmouth College, fine proportions, and visitors generally are im- on the Prudential Committee, should be filled by pressed with the large mindedness and eminent a member of the same denomination. Hence, practical wisdom which shine forth in the style the election of Rev. A. BARNES of this city to that important position. No man in the body to Among the prominent men, first of the Presby- | which Mr. Barnes belongs, can more fairly and terian Church, whom we saw on the platform, were acceptably represent it in the Prudential Comthe venerable Dr. Cox, hearty and genial looking mittee. If the body has any peculiar honor or as ever: Dr. Beman, still withstanding creditably interests to be guarded there, they would be the advances of age; President Fisher, of Ha- safe in his hands. If the Prudential Committee milton College; Professor Condit, of Auburn | wish to retain a strong hold upon the body, they Seminary: Dr. Parker, of Newark; Dr. Fowler, effectually accomplished it by making such a of Utica: Dr. Eddy, of Seneca Falls; Drs. Wis- choice. Besides, the high reputation, the devout ner, of Lockport and Ithaca. Among laymen we piety, the singular clearness and wisdom, the were well represented by the very liberal Wm. E. | faithful and warm attachment of Mr. Barnes to Dodge of N. Y : by the polished W.S. Griffith, of the Board, fairly entitle him to a place at its Brooklyn; by Judge Strong, of our own city, council table. To be closely concerned in the and by W. H. Brown, of Chicago. Of the clergy, management of so great an instrumentality for in and about Philadelphia, we noticed only the conversion of the world, would be a graceful crown to all the other uncoveted and unsought ton, and Budge. Of the congregational body distinctions offered to Mr. Barnes, in which a new there were the President, Dr. Mark Hopkins, career of usefulness might open upon the later

VASTNESS AND POWER OF THE BOARD. One gets a very decided opinion of the great power concentrated in this institution by attending its anniversary. There are the great assemblies of interested people, surpassing anything of the kind, except our greatest political and to a countenance still indicating a Christian kind- patriotic gatherings; the remote parts of the country and world represented by delegates and as a Romish priest, having been led into that missionaries; the patriarchal dignity and repufold of error by the intermediate steps of Pusey. tation in the churches of many of the members : ism. He has lately written a volume against the almost bewildering number, variety and worldwide dispersion of the fields of labor reported on; the air of permanence and of steady growth characterizing the history, movements and plans of the Board, proving its deep hold upon the motives and means of Christian effort in the field | an amount of property, the yearly value of which and the true motives was searching, stirring, af amount fixed fifty years ago, has been found feeting to the heart of the true believer, and the entirely too small; and application was accordwhole exercise was calculated to lead the congre. | ingly made to the General Court of Massachusetts gation to first principles, and make every Chris- for an amendment to the charter. The naming tian feel that the degree of missionary spirit of the sum was left to the wisdom of the legislawhich he felt was a test of his piety. Dr. Cle. ture, who called the members of the Prudential veland, at several passages in the sermon, forgot Committee before them and after consultation, the Scripture injunction: "Say not thou, What is fixed the sum, of their own motion, the liberal cause that the former days were better than point of thirty thousand dollars. It was remarked tiese." But the glow of thought and frequent by members of the legislature that it was desirachasteness and power of illustration, made the ble that the Board should not be under the necessity of applying for a change during the The great feature of the meeting to-day, and. ensuing fifty years. The permanent possessions doubtless, of the whole occasion, is Dr. Ander. of the Board all over the world are seen in this

CONCLUDING WORDS.

churches on various occasions. Dr. A. was ac ter. We can speak for our host, the District companied by his wife, who, though at her own | Secretary of the Board, Rev. Charles P. Bush,

ous guests. Indeed, there was a really pain- Missouri. ful feature in the assiduity of the ladies espewhich it placed in the way of their own attendance on the services of the Board. Few, it was with a debt of \$6,184 95. said, of the Rochester families had leisure to enjoy the great occasion transpiring among conflicts with one of the chief purposes of the collection printed for the use of the Board: meeting, namely, to act upon the community itself, in which it meets. In fact, the question of entertaining the Board and its numerous friends is becoming environed with the most serious difficulties, which it will be necessary to meet in some practical manner, if these anniversaries are to be continued. The obligation to provide entertainment must be restricted, first, to the corporate and honorary members of the Board and the returned missionaries with D., of Ithaca, N. Y. their wives (not young children): after that, provision might be made for the friends in ge- report, of which we make the following syn neral, at the option of the people. Either this opsis: must be done, or a season of the year chosen when a grand out-door festival may be made of the occasion, after the manner of the German missionary festivals. Willing, glad, though he people may be to extend the widest Christian hospitality on these occasions, it disturbs us to see them. Martha-like, cumbered with much serving, unable to sit at the feet of the nanner and by such favored instrumentalities.

The singing was without any elaborate disthe great congregation. And what grand voample walls, and surged upward from the lips and hearts of the multttude, every one occasion the character of a joyous Christian festival. The congregations of Rochessustain the volume of song poured forth by the people as the voice of many waters. We heard the overture to Zampa and one or two other selves to the introduction of such pieces in the evergreens, on a scale of great profusion and in excellent taste, was much more to our mind. Over a dozen immense bouquets were ranged who are both Roman Catholics.

he comes into the midst.

We cannot conclude these notes without acknowledging our obligations to the courtesy of 24 schools have 925 scholars; the translation of home via the Isthmus, and arrived at New York excellent journal, who afforded us every facility present whenever and wherever he was needed. of letters, and the return tickets, and for arranging the meetings, though necessarily commeeting of the Board at Rochester.

FIFTY-FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD.

October 6th. The American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions met Tuesday afternoon at the Brick Church, Rochester. The church was not very well filled during the afternoon, which it was supposed would be devoted to business of less interesting character than would occupy

Under the direction of the local committee, a andsome rostrum had been erected in front of the pulpit for the accommodation of the officers of the Board, who are as follows:

President.—MARK HOPKINS, D. D., LL. D. Vice-President.—Hon. Wm. JESSUP, LL. D. Prudential Committee .- Charles Stoddard. Esq., John Tappan, Esq., Nehemiah Adams D. D., Augustus C Thompson, D. D., Hon. William T. Eustis, Hon. John Aiken, Henry has been going forward, and teaching has been ceived into the Churches, of whom 23,000 have Hill, Esq., Asa D. Smith, D. D., Walter S. Griffith Esq., Alpheus Hardy, Esq., Hon. Linus

Child, William S. Southworth, Esq., Corresponding Secretaries.—Rufus Anderson, D. D., Rev. Selah B. Treat. Coresponding Secretay, resident in New York.—George W. Wood, D. D., Recording Secretary-Samuel M. Worcester

Treasurer.-James M. Gordon, Esq. Auditors.—Moses L. Hale, Esq., Hon. Sam'l

All the executive officers were present. Ample provision was made for the reporters and supplied with all desirable conveniences.— The margin fronting the audience was tastefully decorated with mammoth boquets from Messrs-Elwanger & Barry, and others contrbuted from

of Newburyport, who led in prayer.

ead, and Rev. J. P. Fisher was appointed As- George Trask of Boston, and others. sitant Recording Secretary. A committee of arangements was appointed,

onsisting of Drs. Shaw and Dewey, and Rev. Messrs, F. F. Ellenwood, W. Warren and C. the exercises began. Rev. Selah B. Treat, Corresponding Secreary, read an abstract of the annual report of prayer.

the Prudential Committee. ast Annual Meeting to wit: Rev. Lyman

Hervey Ely, Esq., Rev. Edward Roberson. Twenty-three persons have entered upon the missionary work for the first time, during the year; and eleven have embarked for posts Receipts and Expenditures of the A. B. C. F. M. solely to the effect of their prayer.

which they had previously occupied. Rev. Charles P. Bush has been appointed District Secretary for Central and Western New

and his excellent lady, who were indefatigable | York, and Rev. Elisha Ballantine, District Sec- | Balance August 31, 1862, in their efforts for the comfort of their nume- retary for Ohio, Indiana, Southern Illinois and Cost of Zulu Mission.

The entire income for the year has been cially; we mean the insuperable difficulties \$397,079 71, against an expenditure for the same period of \$392,161 04. The year began

At the conclusion of the report, the President called upon the congregation to sing the them. This is certainly a very great evil, and two following verses of the 61st hymn in the

Daughter of Zion! from the dust Exalt thy fallen head; Again in thy Redeemer trust:

He calls thee from the dead. Awake, awake I put on thy strength. Thy beautiful array; The day of freedom dawns at length.

The Lord's appointed day.

Prayer was then offered by Wm. Wisner, D. The committee on Missions presented their

ABSTRACT OF THE ANNUAL REPORT. The Gaboon Mission, in Western Africa, was never before so greatly favored. Eighteen person were received to the communion of the church in 1862, making a total of 33 native By Interest on General Permanent Fund, members. In the mision school there are 35 boys and 14 girls. 73.1. In Southern Africa 17 members have been

added to the churches. Mr. and Mrs Lindley Master, when, in such a peculiarly interesting sailed on their return from America, October 28, 1862. Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd reached Port Natal, December 11th, and were soon at the Amanzimtote station, "pleased with the people, the climate and everything about them." play on the part of the choirs, who simply led | Messrs. McKinney and Ireland, on account of bereavement and ill health, are now on a visit to lumes of praise rolled, sea-like, around those this country. Mr. Lewis Grout has asked and received a release from his connection with the Board.

In Greece, Dr. King is encouraged with the of whom seemed to have a voice for this de- hope that a bright day, morally, may be about Balance of debt, Aug., 31, 1863 lightful service! It was a great feature of to dawn upon the people. His health has so all the various gatherings, and gave the whole far improved, that in April last he resumed preaching in Greek, which he had suspended two years previously.

In Western Turkey 59 persons have been ter delight not only in large churches, but added to the 19 churches, making a total of 471 also in organs of the largest class, and well members: five of the churches have native pas- saw there. Ten years ago the Prudential Comdid their melodious thunder blend with and tors; one is self sustained and others partially so. At Cesarea the Protestants have increased

In Central Turkey the need of workers is much felt, but there have been interesting self-governing that they might eventually become overtures to operas performed as preludes to works of grace. There are now 14 churches in the services, but could not fully reconcile our- this field seven of which have native pastors.-The average number of hearers, at 26 stated places of preaching on the Sabath, is 3,403. house of God. The adornment of the platform There are 1,893 pupils in 48 common schools, and other parts of the house with flowers and 45 in higher schools, and 16 in theological classes preparing for the work of the ministry. In Eastern Turkey there are 9 missionaries who have under their care 7 stations and 41

outstations. Thirteen churches, four of which in front of the officers' tables. They were fur- have pastors, contain 353 members, and there and May were devoted to visiting the four nished by the proprietors of the celebrated Mt. | are besides the pastors, 9 licensed native preach- | stations in the Islands. This was done on horseseries, Messrs. Ellwanger & Barry, ers. The total average number of 42 stated preaching places, is 3,017. Forty miles over lava roads, himself and daughter

Mr. E. T. HUNTINGTON, of the committee of ar- the Old Testament has reached the 40th Psalm; after eight months' absence. rangements, Editor of the Rochester Domocrat. 3,600 volumes of the Scriptures, 11,000 tracts, and to the local editor and reporter of the same | 6,000 religious and school books have been dis-The Nestorian mission has 476 communi-

in the use of their full and accurate reports of cants; 53 native preachers; 46 theological the proceedings. Mr. Huntington's services students; 40 female seminary pupils, and 517 expected to address the people. He estimated were indispensable to the success of the occa- pupils in village schools. There has been that he had shaken hands with nearly 12,000 of sion; he seemed to have the faculty of being great suffering among the Nestorians, still cruolly oppressed by their Mohammedan masters. and reduced to the verge of starvation by the In fact, the whole machinery for the proper ac- ravages of locusts: and a new firman of the salutation: "Aloha," "Love to you." He commodation of the guests, for the distribution | Persian Government, instigated by the Jesuits, | always spoke through an interpreter, but was threatens to throw very serious obstacles in the heard with interest and apparently well underway of the missionary work.

The Mahratta mission, in Western India, plicated and burdensome to those who carried has now 624 professing Christians who reside it on, worked smoothly and satisfactorily to all in no less than 114 different towns and villages observers. We shall certainly endeavor to be Thirty-one common schools contain 320 schol- It was a new evidence to them of the truth of on hand if spared to see announced another ars. The school for catechists, with 36 pupils, is doing a good work, as is also that for girls, under the care of Mrs. Ballantine. Four o seven students have been licensed to preach. At Madras 9 schools have 300 pupils; 7 members of the church received by Dr. Win-

> The Madura mission is deprived of Rev. D C. Scudder, accidentally drowned. New laborers are wanted. There are 29 schools, 1,144 members. The schools are prosperous. In Ceylon 2,000 persons hear the gospel

weekly. There are 10 churches, 449 members; 50 schools. 1,592 scholars. The missionaries report steady onward progress. There are three missions in China. viz: at the attention of the Board during its remaining | Canton, at Fuh-chau and North China. At the former more than 1,300,000 pages of tracts, &c., have been distributed. The mission at Fuh-

> chau calls for reinforcements at once. The work progresses favorably in North China. Letters from the Sandwich Islands represent affairs as less promising. There have been only 244 accessions to the churches in the year, while 1,100 have been removed by death and excommunications. The natives of the islands are rapidly decreasing. 🐭 😹

In Micronesia 27 persons have been added to the church in a year. The work of translation

The report closed with a very interesting account of missionary labors among the Indians, but want of space precludes its publication here. At the conclusion of the reading of the report, Dr. Shaw of the Committee of Arrangements, reported that a prayer meeting would be held at the Central Presbyterian Church every morning at 81 o'clock. The Board then took a recess till 7 P. M.

The evening session was very largely attended, the spacious church being filled in every of the press. The platform was neatly carpeted part. The annual sermon was delivered by Dr. E. L. Cleaveland, of New Haven, Ct.

SECOND DAY .- MORNING SESSION.

The morning prayer meeting at the Central esting fact. Amid many falls and risings, there Church was well attended; the lower part of the they stand as monuments of grace. They have The President of the Board, Dr. Mark Hop- Church being filled. The vencrable Dr. Beman, a decided taste for newspaper reading. When kins, took the chair at the appointed hour. 4 of Troy, presided. The Assembly was successthe mail arrives at midnight, they are there to o'clock P. M., and called upon Rev. Dr. Hooker | ively led, at the throne of grace, by Rev. Dr. | obtain it, and sit about in squads to read and Wm. Wisner of Ithaca, Dr. Joel Parker of discuss the news; eager to hear of the war in The minutes of the last meeting were then Newark, N. J., formerly of New York, Rev. America and other intelligence. It seemed to him that their congregational singing was equally

The Board met at the Brick Church at 91 as good as it was in the New England States in o'clock, all the available space in the Church, his youth. Morning prayer meetings have been both of aisles and galleries being occupied before

The session was opened with devotional exer- and dedicated for that purpose. Female prayer cises, Rev. Dr. Condit, of Auburn, leading in meetings have also been regularly sustained.

He was struck with the simple views of these The minutes of the preceeding meeting were people with regard to prayer. Two of them, Four corporate members have died since the read, and a vote of thanks returned to Rev. Dr. being in a boat, were attacked by a shark which Cleveland for the annual sermon on Tuesday they in vain tried to repel; and at length Beecher, D. D., Rev. John McDowell, D. D., evening, and a copy of the same requested for kneeled down in the boat and prayed for deliverance. Then, raising the paddles, they awaited publication.

The Treasurer, James M. Gordon, Esq., made his next onset. But he suddenly turned and his report, as follows: left them; which sireumstance they attributed for the Year ending Aug. 31, 1863. Respecting the Missionaries in the Islands,

EXPENDITURES. (including the extra cost of exchange.)

21,512,15 prosecution of their labors. Gaboon Mission. 2,669,26

2,648,40

18,735,57

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Mission to Greece.

Nestorian Mission.

Mahratta

Madras

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Cevlon

Canton

Fuh-chau

Micronesia

Dakota

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Herald,

House,)

Land in Ceylon

Consul at Canton

North China

Sandwich Islands Mission

Agency in New York General Expense

RECEIPTS.

(\$23,000 being invested in the Missionary

DR. ANDERSON'S TOUR IN THE SANDWICH ISLANDS.

of his visit to the Sandwich Islands and what, he

mittee, believing the Sandwich Islands to be

Christianized, in the popular sense of the term,

thought that the native Churches ought to be

self-sustaining. To this end the speaker visited

the Islands by the recommendation of the Com-

mittee, accompanied by his wife and daughter,

the latter persons at his own expense. They

arrived in Honolulu in the month of February,

1863, and were well received. Many of the

Honolulu ladies gave evidence of a refinement

that would befit our own circles. March. April

The speaker then proceeded to describe the

appearance of the country, its prominent objects

of interest, &c. He was received by the Hawaii.

ans as a friend and patron, and was everywhere

them. He found them kind-hearted and loveable,

qualities which are reflected in their favorite

stood. The islanders were delighted to see one

who had visited Jerusalem, Bethlehem, and all

the more celebrated places of the Holy Land.

their religion. The audience varied from 600 to

1200 persons. On one occasion there were

500 horses fastened at the meeting place. The

females are brave horsemen, and ride like the

men. Boldness is one of the characteristic of

The Honolulu Church, built of coral and

seating 3000 persons, will stand for ages. Here

an ordination service was held, and the speaker

was as much interested as at any ordination

elsewhere. The Church was filled. At his

farewell meeting in the same Church there were

The appearance of those audiences was in re-

markable contrast with such assemblages thirty

years ago. Then they were all naked, now well

clothed. They had not then risen to a concep-

tion of the use of clothing. One hundred meet-

ing houses have since been built, at an aggregate

cost of more than \$150,000. The Stone Church

at Honolulu is the most prominent object of the

place and will stand for ages. The Churches

generally have bells, the natives being very fond

of them. About 53,000 persons have been re-

Concerning the character of the Church mem-

bers, it was far better than he had been led to

expect, and comparatively speaking, good; as

compared with our own in the sight of God, the

difference is more circumstantial than real.

Everywhere, he observed, it is hard to create a

sensitive conscience in relation to favorite sins,

and theirs is licentiousness. His opportunities

for judging of the characteristics of the people,

could not have been improved, and everywhere

he had the evidence that he was in a Christian

land. Multitudes of those whom he met are to

be numbered with the people of God. Consider-

ing that they are not a stable people, their ad-

herence to the Christian faith is a deeply inter-

regularly sustained since the great revival of

1832, and buildings have been specially erected

their works praise them. Few are aware of the

self denial they are compelled to exercise, and

Rev. Dr. Anderson gave an interesting review

knowledged in the Missionary Herald

By Legacies, as knowledged in the

By Interest from the Ashley Fund.

By Avails of press, and sales of books and

pamphlets at the Zulu Mission,

By Avails of press and rents at Mahratta

By Avails of press, Book Depository and

By Avails of rent and sale of house at

By Translating for the United States

Western Turkey.

Central

Eastern

Dr. Anderson then proceeded to note the changes that had occurred in the civil condition 54,232,12 of the people. In 1820 the Government was a despotism, the King having the power of life and death. The people were slaves. In 1839 the King was induced to sign a bill of rights—a magna charta, alienating his despotic powers. In 1845 a new constitution and code of laws were given, and the King declared the Word of God to be the corner-stone of his Government. There had never been any more remarkable 11,201,67 21,569,69

changes by supreme rulers than this. Nowhere is life and property more secure. The natives are perfectly trustworthy, as a class. A self-regulating, self governing principle is permanently established.

7,359,07 When the speaker first went out, it was de-4,597,39 signed to form self-governing regulations in the Rev. Solomon Clark. churches, and self-support would naturally follow, though, perhaps, not in a long period. The project has been carried out, and reports have been received from the nine churches in the By Donations received within the year, as ac-Hawaiian Evangelical Association, and will be laid before the Board. The speaker proceeded to describe the changes thus resulting in the management of the native churches. 85,040,66

The success of the Hawaiian Mission in the Sandwich Islands is now beyond question. In 1820, when the Pioneer Missionaries, Bingham and Thurston, went out, the people were naked barbariaus, groping in religious darkness and the lowest social degradation. Mr. Bingham is here to-day. What they had lived to see, the speaker Taylor, Dr. Tappan, E. W. Hooker, D. D., had but partially described. He exhorted the Hon. L. Child, W. S. Griffith, Esq., Wm. Hyde, 836,27 people of God to remember that infant community, both in prayer and practical aid. Soon the veteran missionaries on the islands must retire, Rev. Selden Haines, Rev. A. De Witt, Rev. 792,59 and how should their places be filled? But the John Tompkins. future must be left to the all-wise and gracious \$397,079,71 Providence, without whose aid there is no hope 6,184,95 \$403,264,66 devising.

> With grateful hearts the past we own; The future—all to us unknown— We to Thy guardian care commit, And peaceful leave before Thy feet.

The President then called upon the Rev. Dr. lawes to lead in prayer. Dr. H. previously made ome highly appropriate remarks with reference o the Sandwich Islands Mission, having himself een permitted to witness the inauguration of that important work. There was not only abundant cause for thanksgiving and praise, but equal cause for prayer to God for its continuauce. Dr. Anderson introduced Rev. Hiram Bingam. of the Sandwich Islands Mission, who proeeced to give some interesting reminiscences of

his experience there.

REV. MESSRS. BINGHAM AND STEWART. Thurston sailed for the Sandwich Islands, in population regarded as incorrigible. The numriding on one day 60 miles. They sailed for company with four natives who had received Christian culture in Connecticut. The party numbered fourteen in all. They took the word of God as the foundation of their work, and it is now acknowledged as the corner-stone of the nation's prosperity. The Scriptures were translated and widely disseminated, till scarcely a family in the islands were unsupplied with the Bible. About four years after their entry an insurrection occurred. The missionaries were in the rebellious district, and greatly exposed. After every battle the soldiers thronged about the missionary quarters imploring them to return thanks for their deliverance. Twenty years have elapsed, and it is now a Christian nation. Multifirst obtained knowledge of salvation through Christ. Mr. Bingham regarded the success of the work on the Sandwich Islands as attributable to the full and adequate force sent at the ontset, and hoped the same wise policy would prevail in other enterprises.

The speaker read some portions of a letter which he offered as a specimen of the intelligence | and laymen are to be associated in the control and Christian zeal of the people of the land. In penmanship and in style it would compare favoland. The following is the conclusion:

"We salute you, and we send our great aloha to all the beloved Christians and all the missionaries in United America. Love and peace to you from God the Father, and from ourselves.

"With admiration. "Yours in the Lord." Dr. Chas. S. Stewart, chaplain in the U. S. Navy, followed, narrating a few incidents of his

ship, "Sail, ho!" Before it subsided, the missionaries had assembled at the side of the ship, and involuntarily burst forth with the hymn-"O'er the gloomy hills of darkness Look, my soul, be still—and gaze."

It was indeed a land of darkness. The speaker presented a very graphic picture of the barren volcanic appearance of the island

of the scene on the following morning, when the ship was surrounded by scores of naked Islandnance from the sailors, the uncouth appearance of their habitations, the disgusting scenes which characterized the festival then in progress, the drunkenness and debaucheries of their king and then and there presented.

Dr. Anderson remarked, with reference to the former intemperance of the Islanders, that now nization of the Protestant Christian community it was an exceptional vice; that the Maine Law at the Sandwich Islands. Four departments was so rigidly enforced it was scarcely possible of labor, in connection with the Protestant for the natives to obtain intoxicating liquors as community, have been organized—Home Misa beverage. (Applause.)

sionaries, of celebrating the Fourth of July. On mittees corresponding to these four departments. the last Fourth, it was told him that scarcely a Rev. L. H. Gulick, M. D., has been elected the man was seen drunk on the islands. The congregation here united in singing-

"O'er the gloomy hills of darkness Look, my soul, be still-and gaze."

Rev. Mr. Kent, of Illinois, paid a worthy tribute to the venerable Mr. Thurston, one of the Pioneer Missioners to the Sandwich Islands, a college classmate of his, from whom he parted this report of Dr. Anderson's, recognized the forty-seven years ago.

Treasurer's Report.—Wm. H. Brown, Esq., ment of the former end by the churches is men-Gov. Fairbanks, C. T. Hubbard, Esq., S. Ben- tioned as matter of devout thanksgiving, and Home Department J. B. Condit, D. D., of the work of missions on the Sandwich and jamin, Esq., Hon. John Fisher.

the hardships they constantly undergo, in the H. Delano, Esq., Rev. A. E. P. Perkins, Rev. Daniel Torrey, Rev. A. H. Parmelce. African Mission.—S. W. S. Dutton, D. D.

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Nestorians and Eastern Turkey .- P. H. Fowler, D. D., John G. Atterbury, D. D., Rev. Richard Dunning, Rev. H. M. Parsons, Rev. Tallman, Rev. H. M. Goodwin, I. N.

Mahratta Mission.-Joel Parker, D. D., A. D. Eddy, D. D., Rev. Calvin Durfee, Rev. T. de Clarke, Rev. D. Dyer, T. B. Stillman, D. D.,

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den, D. D., Dr. Shepard, Dr. Marsh, Rev. I. N. Sprague, Rev. D. D. Gregory, Rev. Edward Sandwich Islands and Micronesia.-L. Bacon, D. D., Judge Strong, Rev. D. Greene, Dr. Squier, John W. Loud, Esq., Dr. V. Boardman,

Rev. E. K. Alden. North American Indians.—N. Bouton, D. D. Rev. H. G. Ludlow, H. H. Child, D. D., Dr.

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Esq., O. E. Wood, Esq.
Place and Preacher.—Chancellor Walworth,

Joel Hawes, D. D., Dr. Barstow, Dr. Burgess,

The Rev. George Trask then arose, and after commending the highly patriotic report of Dr. organization or any other measure of man's Bacon, read on Tuesday, as adopted at the last annual meeting, desired to make a suggestion for the consideration of Dr. Bacon or Dr. Dutton. He had been deeply interested in the reports of the Sandwich Island Missions, and the Board could not overlook the fact that the Ethiopian was beginning to stretch out his hands to Godnot now in chains.

SECOND DAY-AFTERNOON.

Rev. Dr. Anderson resumed his remarks, and referred briefly, first, to the decline of population on the islands. He said it was a complicated subject-not fully understood. It might be traced, first, to the wars under heathen kings, by which the islands were subject to the rule of Hawaii; second, to the diseases introduced by vice; and third, to the epidemics brought in by foreigners. This last cause might be regarded as actually working for the advantage of the islands—in ridding them of a class of ber of natives is about 60,000. Dr. A. expected to see it reduced still further-say to 30,000 before the decline was arrested. He then proceeded to read his report to the Prudential

Committee, with their action upon it. It was embraced in two sections. The first related to the civil changes which have transpired on the island, by which the government was changed, by the voluntary consent of the king, from a despotism to a constitutional monarchy, based upon the Scriptures. This change led the way for the advancement in self-government lately reached by the missionary churches on the islands. The plan, which was the result of deliberations held by the missionaries tudes of them have passed away, but they had in connection with the pastors, was adopted last June, and is submitted to the action of the Board at this time.

ORGANIZATION OF THE PROTESTANT COMMUNITY.

It embraces the following particulars: 1. The large churches are to be subdivided. the missionaries retaining the pastorate of the central points and the native pastors to be lately received from a native female convert, and placed over the vacancies. 2. Native pastors of the individual churches, the foreign missionaries relinquishing their control except by influence. 3. Local ecclesiastical bodies will conrably with the work of any cultivated lady in the trol the churches of the islands, who will be allowed to refer to a central Council for advice. 4. Foreign and native pastors will belong to the same organization. 5. The Hawaiian Evangelical Association will consist of all native and foreign congregations and Presbyterian elergymen on the Sandwich, Marquesas, and Micronesian Islands. Formerly, only the missionaries and other ministers of foreign birth on the Sandwich Islands belonged to this body. Laymen may also be elected to it by a two thirds vote. 6. A Hawaiian Board will be ersonal experience. Forty years ago, after a formed, one-third of the members being natives. five months' voyage, the cry echoed through the This Board will perform any agency required of it by the Prudential Committee in respect to the support of foreign missionaries and the education of their children; also to take charge of Home Missions, Education, Publication, and Foreign Missions, as conducted from the Sandwich Islands. 7. They shall write fully and freely to the American Board. 8. The deliberations of the Association and Board will be conducted in Hawaiian, and the records of their proceedings in both English and Hawaiian. The responsibilities of directing the work on the Sandwich and other Islands is delegated to the Hawaiian Board. 10. The American ers, in their canoes—the exclamations of repug- Board resumes the support of the old missionaries. 11. The Board will be open for a time to applications for aid in the various departments of labor. 12. No more laborers are to be sent from this country by the American Board. 13. Micronesian Missions will no loncourt; but no description could adequately por- ger be an organized body, but be worked by trav the dabkness and degradation which were the Hawaiian Board-Ponape alone may prove

Such, in brief, said Dr. Anderson is the orgasions, Foreign Missions, Education and Publi-They had a custom, borrowed from the mis- cation, and the Hawaiian Board has four Com-Secretary of this Board, and it is expected that he will successfully press the Hawaiian churches now relieved from the support of their missionary fathers—to an active and vigorous prosecution of their work in all its

The action of the Prudential Committee on great wisdom and success of his mission to the islands, and especially noted the attempt to bring the native churches to a condition of selfgovernment, so that, by means of greater acti-Business Committee.—L. Bacon, D. D., John Kingsbury, Esq., Rev. E. Tenney, J. M. Schermerhor, Esq., S. H. Hall, D. D. dition of complete self-support. The attain-