

Religious Intelligence.

PRESBYTERIAN.—The question, sent down by the Assembly, is now passing the rounds of the Presbyteries of the United Presbyterian Church, whether the improved version of the Psalms of David, so far as completed by the Assembly's Committee, shall be accepted and authorized. The Christian Instructor, referring to the prospect of its adoption, says:—'Whether question. No power, we are persuaded, will ever attempt to force us to give up the old and use the new one. On the contrary, as we understand it, the very utmost that is aimed at is simply to secure, in whole or in part, a version which may be bound up with our present version, and allowed to be used by any who desire it. But the old version will still stand, and in the case of very many in our Church, it will never give place, we presume, to any other.'

SUPPORT OF MINISTERS IN THE SOUTH.—The Central Presbyterian, in Richmond, Va., says:—'The scarcity of money and the stagnation of business throughout the South, are telling severely upon the ability of the churches to make adequate provision for the support of their pastors. We know a number of our brethren in the ministry who are now in great straits because of the insufficiency of their income.'

GERMANS IN A PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN MORONDO.—HELP WANTED.—We extract the following from a letter from St. Louis City to the N. Y. Observer:—'There are a few residents here who are not Mormons. A little heaven leaveth the whole lump. Of these few, a small portion have recently engaged the services of a Presbyterian clergyman, the Rev. Mr. McLeod, who is also a chaplain at a military post three miles from town. He preaches in a small hall in the city every Sabbath morning and evening, and at the military camp in the afternoon. A Sabbath school has been established, and already a considerable number of children from Mormon families are included in its members. It is progressing very favorably. The church services are also regularly attended by several persons who belong to Mormon families, or who were themselves once Mormons. The persons who compose the congregation are convinced that, if they had an inviting church building, they would secure a large attendance, and they are now endeavoring to raise the necessary means for that purpose. Their whole heart is in it, but they are but a little handful, mostly with small means, and they live under a rule and a system of espionage that is difficult to describe. They will do all they can, even at the risk of pecuniary disadvantages. The high price of material and of fuel will make a small hall, say one capable of seating five hundred persons, cost twenty or thirty thousand dollars. It is a large sum for a few to raise, but it will be done somehow. It has occurred to me that, in the position you occupy, you might call the attention of many wealthy and charitably disposed gentlemen to the subject, and that you would perhaps be glad to do so, and to receive such subscriptions or contributions for the object contemplated as they might be disposed to make.'

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH FOR GERMANS IN BRIDGEPORT, CONN.—A German Presbyterian church was organized in Bridgeport, on the 14th of August, by a Committee of the Presbytery of Connecticut. Upwards of sixty members were received, who signified their acceptance of the fundamental articles of Christian faith as set forth in the Westminster Confession, and entered into solemn covenant with the Lord Jesus Christ and with each other. The services were conducted mainly in the German language.

THE VAN RENSSLAER INSTITUTE.—Our Old School brethren have in hand a decidedly good enterprise, which we trust may secure the popularity which the plan deserves. It is to be founded at Hightstown, New Jersey, a Christian and academic home for candidates for the ministry, while preparing for college, and also for sons of laborious and self-denying, but inadequately compensated ministers. It is designed to provide in it a thorough preparatory training, in whole or in part gratuitous, as may be found practicable, and for this purpose it is intended to raise for its endowment of \$100,000. It is also intended, as its name indicates, that it shall be a church monument for perpetuating the memory of the late Rev. Dr. Cortland Van Rensselaer, in connection with the Assembly's Board, his life work.

AN ACCESSION WITH ITS MORAL.—The Presbyterian Church in Chicago receives a considerable accession to the number of its communicants on the 27th ult. The Presbyterians significantly couples this blessing with the fact of a recent revival of generosity and public spirit in external affairs, manifested in part by an expensive renovation of its old house of worship.

IMPORTANT INSTALLATION.—It will be recollected that, some years ago, a community of French Roman Catholic colonists, in St. Anne, Illinois, with their priest, Father Chiquery, were protestantized almost in a body, and out of this movement a large Presbyterian church was formed, and brought into connection with the O. S. Presbytery of Chicago. Subsequently became the pastor of the Rev. Theodore Monod, son of Rev. Dr. Monod, the eminent French Protestant divine, under whom it enjoyed great thrift. Mr. Monod was, however, called to Paris, under circumstances which seemed imperative to require obedience, and the church remained a year or two without pastoral supervision. It is saying much for it that, under the embarrassment of no pastor, and no French preacher at hand, it has, under the care of its eldership, well held its own. A pastor has at length been found in the person of Rev. H. E. Lippert, a German, but a fluent speaker of French. Mr. Lippert has been called from the congregation of the Knox Presbyterian Church at Montreal, and given a cordial and unanimous call to the Rev. David Inglis, of Hamilton, C. W. —The Presbytery of Louisville, Ky., at a late meeting, adopted a minute expressive of their belief that their fellow member, Rev. Hart Robinson, had any guilty knowledge of the Canada concocted plots against the government and people of the United States, and in process of execution, at a cost of \$75,000, on the site of the Old Foundry Chapel, the original Methodist Church in Washington city, whose organization dates back to 1816. The new church, when finished, will be the handsomest edifice of the kind in Washington.

METHODIST.—We learn through the Presbyterian, that Rev. Dr. Boyd, of Winchester, Virginia, founds quite indisposed, and that signs doubt of his recovery are entertained. The Independent says that Rev. W. S. Sumner, D. D., who has been supplying Mr. Ayke's pulpit for several Sabbaths past, has accepted a call from the Second Presbyterian Church of Louisville, Pa. —From the Christian Church of Rev. John Stewart has made we learn that the congregation of the Knox Presbyterian Church at Montreal, has given a cordial and unanimous call to the Rev. David Inglis, of Hamilton, C. W. —The Presbytery of Louisville, Ky., at a late meeting, adopted a minute expressive of their belief that their fellow member, Rev. Hart Robinson, had any guilty knowledge of the Canada concocted plots against the government and people of the United States, and in process of execution, at a cost of \$75,000, on the site of the Old Foundry Chapel, the original Methodist Church in Washington city, whose organization dates back to 1816. The new church, when finished, will be the handsomest edifice of the kind in Washington.

late Rev. Dr. W. W. Phillips has given his library of some nine hundred volumes to the Theological Seminary of the Northwest. Rev. Charles D. Nott has taken a dismission from his charge in Manchester, N. H., and goes to labor within the bounds of the Presbytery of Chicago. —Rev. Alexander B. Hamilton, pastor of Madison and Muskingum churches in Ohio, died in Dresden, in that State, on the 30th ult., after an illness of six days. He was in the 38th year of his age, and unmarried. —A new church has been organized at Remington, Indiana, under the care of the O. S. Presbytery of Logansport.

CONGREGATIONAL.—CHURCH EXTENSION IN MISSOURI.—At Athens, in the northeast county of Missouri, on the 16th ult., a Congregational Church of five members was organized by a council, which there received a delegation from a densely-settled farming neighborhood five miles south, requesting the council to adjourn to that place, for the purpose of organizing a church there. Council so adjourned, and I have no doubt the organization was effected. On the 18th ult., at Cameron, on the railroad, a council recognized a church of fourteen members. And on the Sabbath, 20th ult., a church of nine members was organized at Easton, twelve miles from St. Joseph. In three of these councils the home missionary agent, Rev. E. B. Turner, participated. This makes fifteen Puritan churches in Missouri. —Rev. S. R. Rosboro, late chaplain of the 127th Illinois, a Southerner by rearing and by fifteen years of ministerial association in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, has gone to Missouri, to take work in a Congregational enterprise. —Cor. Independent.

IREMUS.—The Green Street Church in San Francisco has become the recipient of a costly present from Hon. H. G. Knight, of Easthampton, Mass. It is a beautiful silver communion service of eight pieces. —A reply interesting work of grace is reported as in progress in Hamstead, N. H. —Rev. J. P. Gulliver, D. D., of Norwich, Conn., has been invited to the pastorate of the New England Church in Chicago, at a salary of \$5000. —The fortieth anniversary of the settlement of Rev. Thomas Savage at Bedford, N. H., was celebrated by interesting public exercises in the church, on the 31st ult. The presentation of a testimonial gift of \$1000 came in the course of the exercises. Mr. Savage now retires from pastoral duties with the warmest affection of his late congregation. —Rev. J. W. Chickering, Jr., was recently installed over the Second Congregational Church, Exeter, N. H. —The old Congregational Church edifice in Cambridgeport, Mass., once occupied by the anti-slavery martyr, Lovejoy, was burned on the 6th inst.

EPISCOPAL.—DIOCESSAL STATISTICS.—The Journal of the Rhode Island Convention furnishes the following abstract of the parochial reports:—Baptisms, (adults 144, infants 352.) 496 Confirmed, 307 Communicants, present number, 3928 Sabbath-school teachers, 518 Sabbath scholars, 4217 Contributions, \$45,612 55 The Journal of the Maine Convention has the following summary:—Baptisms, (adults 114, infants 214.) 328 Confirmed, 168 Communicants, present number, 1589 Sabbath-school teachers, 187 Sabbath scholars, 1361 Contributions, total, \$11,674 51

ORDINATION OF A MISSIONARY.—The Gospel Messenger says:—Bishop Cox held an ordination for the Bishop of Ohio, in St. Luke's Church, Rochester, August 18th, when Augustus Christian Hobing, late minister of the German Reformed denomination, was admitted to the order of deacons. The Rev. Dr. Claxton preached the sermon, and Rev. Mr. Auer presented the candidate. The Rev. Mr. Hobing is a graduate of the Missionary School at Basle, Switzerland, and has been connected for a short time with the Mission School at Gambier, Ohio. He is about to join our mission in China.

TENNESSEE.—The late Episcopal Convention in this State adopted a paper expressing the belief that the present was a good time for narrowing the limits of large dioceses, small dioceses being a feature in church history, immemorial in every part of Christendom except our own country, and essential to the healthiness and onward progress of the Church of Christ. Accordingly, a proposal was thrown out for consideration, to divide Tennessee into three dioceses, Eastern, Middle and Western, with Knoxville, Nashville and Memphis respectively for Episcopal Seats.

CLEBICAL COMMUNION.—Bishop Stevens proposes to introduce in Philadelphia the custom of an assembling of the clergy of the city, on one of the Ember days of the four Ember seasons, "to meet together around the table of our Lord, as the bond of their holy union and love, and there renew their ordination vows, gather new strength, and start afresh, with united hearts, to do their ministerial work." A call is issued for a meeting on Wednesday morning, the 20th ult., in St. Stephen's Church.

IREMUS.—Bishop Scott, of Oregon, ordained Rev. Adams A. McAllister to the Priesthood in Grace Church, Sacramento, on the 30th of July. —The Pacific chronicles the arrival at San Francisco of Rev. Geo. B. Whipple, brother of Bishop Whipple, of Minnesota, on his way to join the English Church Mission in the Hawaiian Islands. —The Convention of the Diocese of Tennessee have, on the first ballot, unanimously elected to the Episcopate voted by the death of Rt. Rev. Lieut. Gen. Folck, Rev. Charles T. Quintard, late chaplain in the rebel army. —The North Carolina Diocesan Convention has secured the Diocese in fellowship and union with the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States, and appointed delegates to its General Convention. The Church Intelligencer, Charlotte, North Carolina, denounces this action as going impertinently in advance of a general Southern movement on the subject. —From Topeka, Kansas, the rector writes to the Episcopal Recorder that his congregation has more than trebled its numbers of late year.

METHODIST.—AN OLD-TIME BISHOP.—A paper has been found in Cincinnati, Ohio, at the Methodist Book Room, with an account of the receipts and expenses in 1808 of Bishop McKendree, one of the early bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Receipts from seven Conferences, \$175; salary, \$80; and traveling and other expenses, \$61 63, off leaving \$33 27 due the Conference. The ink, though faded by time, shows the neat hand writing of the heroic bishop. Think of a salary of \$80 a year for a bishop. —METHODISM IN WASHINGTON.—The Methodists have within the bounds of Washington city corporation fourteen churches, all well supplied with efficient pastors. The congregations are large. A new society has recently been organized, and is worshipping in the Union League rooms. A new church is in process of erection, at a cost of \$75,000, on the site of the Old Foundry Chapel, the original Methodist Church in Washington city, whose organization dates back to 1816. The new church, when finished, will be the handsomest edifice of the kind in Washington.

GERMAN METHODISTS.—The meeting of the Central German Conference of the M. E. Church, has just been held in Delaware, Ohio. The statistics and reports from the different societies show that the work is in a healthy, prosperous condition. The members of the Conference brought liberal collections for all the different benevolent objects and for the missionary cause. This Conference at this year \$9,075 73, or more than one dollar per member, which, considering the circumstances, is a very large sum.

PLEASANT COMMUNION, SEVYUO.—On Sabbath morning, September 3d, in Rev. Mr. Allison's Church, on Pearl Street, there occurred an instance of most exciting interest. The communion of the Lord's Supper was administered immediately after the sermon. The occasion was one of deep and abiding interest. When the last had left the table, there was seen a man hastening to the altar from the rear part of the church, his eyes suffused with tears, and appearing as though his very heart was breaking. He said he wanted relief, and with this he threw himself on his knees and besought the Lord for pardon. He was so excited, intensely so throughout the audience, that a seat was taken at the communion season of the Church. —Buffalo Advocate.

IREMUS.—Rev. J. Vannote, of the New Jersey Conference, who was appointed Missionary to China, at the last Session of his Conference, has been compelled, by sickness and other causes, to abandon his projected purpose. —Bishop Simpson has appointed Rev. Joseph Welsh, late of Doylestown, in this State, missionary to Galveston, Texas. —T. M. Gatch, President of Willamette College, Oregon, has resigned his charge, with the view of removing to California. —The Missionary collections in the North Ohio Conference during the last conference year, were \$12,300, or about 1000 more than those of the previous year. —The Genesee Conference, lately in session, reports an increase of \$2000 over the previous year, in its Missionary collections. —The M. E. Church in Newport, Delaware, on the last Sabbath, dedicated a new and beautiful church edifice, with lecture and class-rooms, all costing about \$5000. —The building of the Church in Taylorville, Bucks County, Pa., some time since demolished by a storm, has been rebuilt and paid for, and in connection with the effort, an old debt been cancelled. —Rev. Wesley Kenny, D. D., pastor at Germantown, who was recently so ill that no hope of his life seemed to remain, has so far recovered that he is expected to return to his pulpit in no long time. —An agent of the French Wesleyan Conference, Rev. Jean Paul Cook, is now in this country, seeking to enlist sympathy and obtain pecuniary assistance from American Methodists for those of his country.

BAPTIST.—WEST VIRGINIA.—Rev. J. D. Leonard informs the Journal and Messenger, that as the result of recent continuous meetings with the little Baptist Church in Hartford City, West Virginia, twenty have been baptized, four or five others received by experience, and the work still goes on. He requests special prayer for the mineral regions of West Virginia.

IMPORTANT CORRECTION.—The National Baptist says:—'A few weeks ago we copied from a communication written in Petersburg to a paper of Philadelphia, the statement that when the meeting house of the First Baptist Church in Petersburg was lately destroyed by fire, the basement was occupied for the storage of whiskey, rebel flags, uniforms, &c. We are assured that the only foundation for the story was the fact that half a gallon of wine, intended for communion purposes, was in the building. Beyond this the report was wholly fabricated.'

COLORADO CHURCHES IN VIRGINIA.—We have received the minutes of the meeting of the Colored Shiloh Baptist Association of Virginia, 11th, and contains 7 churches, with 9 ministers and 9,674 members. It is the largest association in the world in which the average number of members in the churches is 1382. Three of these churches are in Richmond and three in Petersburg. The population of Richmond in 1860 was 37,910; the members of the colored Baptist churches are 5,774, or more than 15 per cent. The population of Petersburg in 1860 was 13,266; the members of the colored Baptist churches are 3,200, or more than 17 per cent. Is there another city in the world in which the same ratio holds? —National Baptist.

NOVA SCOTIA.—This province contains three Baptist Associations, with an aggregate of 156 churches and 15,893 members. The number added by baptism during the Association year past is 478. During the Convention of the three Associations held last month, Rev. Dr. Cramp presented a series of resolutions, expressing the sympathy of the Convention with the United States in the loss of their President, and rejecting in the suppression of the rebellion and the removal of slavery from the republic. Although these resolutions were at length withdrawn by the mover, in consequence of objections urged by Hon. J. W. Johnston, of Halifax, a native of the South, yet we are assured by a writer in the Christian Visitor, that they express the feelings and views of the Baptists of the lower provinces, and that had the question come a vote, a large majority of the delegates would have sustained them.

IREMUS.—The Baptist Church in Belcher-ton, Mass., Rev. O. T. Walker, pastor, has received, within a year, fifty-seven new members. An account says, "meetings are well attended; best of all, and most promising of spiritual growth, prayer-meetings." —The pastor of the Marblehead, Mass., Baptist Church writes cheerfully of a revival in progress in his congregation. —At the late meeting of the Springfield, Illinois, Association, there were reported liberal contributions to the denominational enterprise, large accessions to the churches in Decatur, Springfield, and smaller accessions in several other places, and a prosperous state of things generally. —The Baptists of Georgia are about building a female college in Atlanta, the presidency of which, it is said, will be tendered to Rev. W. T. Brantley, D. D., late of this city. —The church in Concord, Mo., near St. Louis, is enjoying a revival. Thirty-five have recently been baptized.

REFORMED DUTCH.—AUTHORITATIVE ACCOUNT.—We have from the Christian Intelligencer, a correction of the vastly exaggerated account of the wealth of the Collegiate R. D. Church in New York, which has been widely circulated. The Intelligencer says:—'A paragraph has been floating through the newspapers, stating that the property of this Church amounts to five millions, and its income to one hundred and thirty thousand dollars. On making inquiry of one who ought to know, we learn that the real estate of the corporation has never been valued by competent persons at over a million and a half, and that the rental has rarely exceeded one-half of the sum mentioned in the report we allude to. We may add that the property has for many years been encumbered by a heavy debt, incurred by building new churches and by liberal gifts to weak and embarrassed congregations in this city and elsewhere. The rental of the property, the Sabbath-schools of the male and female, the property of the church, and any surplus, actual or estimated, beyond interest and current expenses, has uniformly been given away. In reference to the suit brought against the Consistory, claiming that the funds should be

applied to the support of all the ministers of the denomination in this city, it may be said that in the lower courts it has been decided against the claimants, and is now carried up to the Court of Appeals, the last resort. The appellant not being able or willing to give security for the costs, as the statute requires, the Consistory have voluntarily given such security, in order that the case may go on, and the question be finally decided by the highest tribunal in the State.'

GERMAN REFORMED.—NORTH AND SOUTH.—The German Reformed Messenger, speaking of the problem of ecclesiastical reunion in "sister denominations," adds:—'In the German Reformed Church the difficulties are comparatively slight. We have no and any rupture. Intercourse was suspended beyond the word now and then during the war. But this word has always been a word of kindness and good will. Since the war is over, we are glad to learn that our churches are still existing and active in North Carolina. The brethren there have stood firmly to their posts amid all the terrible storm. They have had great trials, but they have passed safely through them. The following extract from another editorial in the same number, may shed light upon the slightness of the difficulties mentioned above:—'The German Reformed Church, in accordance with its principles, resolutely avoided making great professions of its loyalty in the shape of ecclesiastical enactments, preferring that its acts should speak for it in this direction; on which score it has never shrunk from the most rigid scrutiny.'

IREMUS.—The Synod of the G. R. Church in the U. S. meets at Lewisburg, Pa., Oct. 13. —The Second G. R. Church in Harrisburg, Pa., is prospering. Thirteen members were recently added, and a new church edifice nearly completed. —The G. R. Church in Wilkes-barre has, through the generosity of an individual member, become relieved of an old and discouraging debt, and now starts off with revitalized energy.

ROMAN CATHOLIC.—PROPOSED JUBILEE.—Cardinal Antonelli has discovered a quite unexpected obstacle to the Papal government against the gathering of the difficulties of the financial and political position at Rome. This is nothing less than a grand secular commemoration of the martyrdom of St. Peter, the first Bishop of Rome, according to the traditions of the Roman Catholic Church, and from whose primary the See of Rome claims its title to be derived. St. Peter was martyred in the year of our Lord 66; and as the eighteen hundredth anniversary of that awful and imposing event falls in the coming year, it is proposed to observe it, by a world-embracing ceremony in the Vatican City. The famous jubilee of the fourteenth century bids fair to be eclipsed by this extraordinary manifestation of the nineteenth; and preparations, the European press informs us, are already making on a vast scale to secure to it all the characteristics most fitted to restore the splendor and authority of the Chair of St. Peter in the eyes of mankind.

THE FENIANS IN A FERMENT.—The publication yesterday of a document signed "Peter Richard," threw the Fenian fraternity into a big excitement. This Peter Richard seems to be a man of mark, as he always puts a mark (?) before his name, and talks as one having authority. He has authority also in the fact that Most Reverend Archbishop of the Roman Catholic Church. His authority, of course, will be respected by all good Catholics, for he states that the "members of the Fenian Brotherhood, men or women, are not admissible to the sacraments of the Church as long as they are united with that association." The Protestant Fenians will, of course, feel no alarm at this fulmination of Peter Richard; but as the vast majority of the Brotherhood or Sisterhood are Irish Catholics, the injunctions of the Archbishop cannot be disregarded. The publication of the document alluded to threw a gloom over the entire Fenian community of the city. —St. Louis Democrat.

MISSIONARY.—CHANGES IN JAPAN.—Rev. G. F. Berbeck, an American Missionary in Japan, writes that the prejudice against foreign influence among the Japanese is gradually disappearing. He says: "This people are eager for foreign books, and it is my firm conviction that, but for the severe edicts against Christianity, the Bible itself translated into the Chinese, would have been republished here before this day. The Japanese, with all their moral depravity and gross vices, are an inquiring race, with a good deal of common sense, and very apt to learn."

FOREIGN.—THE RUSSIAN FORCED CONVERSIONS IN COURLAND.—An act of tolerance and even-handed justice is reported (says a Berlin letter) from Courland. Twenty years ago the Emperor Nicholas caused some fifty thousand Livonians and Estonians to secede from the Protestant Church, to which their ancestors had been converted centuries ago by the Teutonic Knights. To the surprise, however, of the German nobility who own the land, as well as that of the Russian authorities who hold sway over it, the half wild Estonians could not be persuaded to accept the orthodox creed forced upon them. They might be obliged to go to church now and then, but they would not allow their marriages to be celebrated by the bearded clergy, or their children to be christened according to the Greek ritual; and also Protestant clergyman dared minister to their spiritual wants, the consequence was that there were no more marriages celebrated, and no children baptized among the converts of the late Russianizing period. Moved by their demoralized condition, and yielding, it is believed, to the prayers of some of his German advisers, the Emperor Alexander has now been pleased to permit these people to bring up their children in the Protestant faith, whether or not their marriages may have been concluded in a Russian church.

PROTESTANT COLONIES IN THE SOUTH OF RUSSIA.—The south of Russia, on and in the vicinity of the Black Sea, has been long open for colonization, and the Russian government encourages immigration. But in colonizing, the people seem to follow chiefly the rule of a common religion, and form colonies accordingly. We have received from the Rev. F. W. Flocken a statement of these colonies founded since 1787. We give it below:—

Swedish and German Protestant	138	22,259	14,310
Do	25	13,155	4,423
German Separatist	5	2,719	610
German Methodists	2	1,315	3,380
Bulgarian of the Russo-Greek Ch.	52	59,407	991
German Jews	35	36,822	983
Total	267	202,176	25,688

—Christian Advocate.

NOBLE WORKS.—A Swiss gentleman and merchant, long resident in London, has erected in the very heart of the city proper, magnificent baths, wash-houses, and reading rooms, for the poor. The Ragged School Union and Retoratories continue to educate an train to industry and for God, 25,000 little "Lamb" of the male and female, the Sabbath-schools of London, in contact, 100,000 children, and 100,000 more are sought to be embraced ere long. "Prevention for the Pure, Restoration for the Fallen," are (as indicated in an elaborate article in the

Christian World for the present month,) doing great things for poor, friendless girls out of places, on the one hand, and for those that have strayed from the path of innocence, on the other. This work, I can testify from close examination, has been pre-eminently blessed—not only morally elevating, but spiritually saving.—Cor. Pres. Banner.

MISCELLANEOUS.—AID FOR FREEDMEN FROM CALIFORNIA.—Rev. William B. Brown, of Newark, N. J., who has been for the last three months on the Pacific coast, in the pursuit of health, has spoken in several of our churches upon the Missionary work among the Freedmen, as conducted by the American Missionary Association of New York, of whose Executive Committee he is a member. The cause has so commended itself to the sympathy and judgment of the Christian public, that, at a meeting called to consider what should be done, it was agreed to organize an Executive Committee for this State, auxiliary to the American Missionary Association, to superintend the collection and disbursement of funds for the Freedmen. It was provided that the funds collected, where not ordered otherwise by the donors, should go to the treasury of the American Missionary Association. —Pacific.

COLONIZATION.—The American Colonization Society has received an application from about one hundred colored persons at Lynchburg, Virginia, to be colonized in Liberia, and will send a vessel on the first of November for their accommodation, if a sufficient number to justify the expense are ready to go. The Society will give a free passage and five acres of land to each adult, and five acres additional to each family, besides six months' shelter and support after arrival.

ANSWERS TO PRAYER.—The N. Y. Observer's report of the Fulton Street Daily Prayer Meeting, says:—"Many acknowledgments of blessings in answer to prayers received at the Fulton Street meetings, among them one from a young minister, who writes that he asked the prayers of this meeting, for blessings on his labors in the place to which he had been assigned more than two years ago. The congregation was then small; but the Lord had greatly revived and blessed his people. There had been numerous converts, and the congregation was now large, and largely composed of professed disciples. There are yet unconverted sinners, for whom, and for the continued prosperity of his own charge, he requests the prayers of this meeting. Another, a widowed mother, returns thanks to Almighty God, and requests the meeting to unite with her, for the safe return and regeneration of her only son, who had been long absent; and for whose salvation prayers had been requested."

UNION CHURCH.—A church edifice was dedicated at Dutch Flat, California, on the 30th of July. All the denominations in the place, exclusive of the Methodists, who have a church of their own, united in the erection, and expect to share in its occupancy. Churches built upon this principle sometimes answer a valuable purpose during the infancy of a settlement, but unhappily, they have generally proved prolific of controversy in the end.

IREMUS.—Prof. Alfred C. Roe, late Chaplain in the army, who has furnished the New York religious journals with many stirring accounts of army incidents, has undertaken city missionary work in that city. —Rev. S. E. Bishop, of Hana, Sandwich Islands, has been appointed to a Professorship at Lahaina, Hawaii, vacated by Prof. Alexander. —The San Francisco Pacific says that Rev. H. Bingham, one of the best of missionaries, who returned from the Morosian Islands in January last, to Honolulu in feeble health, is also now on his way to New York, in hope of yet greater illumination for continued work in his broad field of labor.

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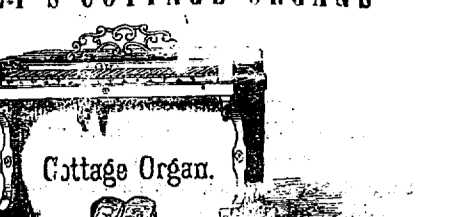
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