Aews of our Churches.

OAKLAND, CAL.—The Church in this place has been revived. There have profession and certificate.

TRANSFER.—The resignation of Rev. J. T. Willett, late pastor at Essex, N. Y., breaks up a pastorate of twenty years standing. Mr. Willett has taken a field | meeting, the Presbytery continued longer within the bounds of the Presbytery of Grand River Valley, Michigan.

KEESEVILE, N. Y .- This flourishing church, lying on the western side of Lake Champlain, received a pastor, Rev. H. D. Butler, from the hands of the Presbytery of Champlain, on the 28th ultimo. The installation services were interesting, and Mr. Butler enters auspiciously upon his new field.

MINISTERIAL CHANGES.—We notice in our ecclesiastical connection, the following:—Rev. E. F. Waldo has taken charge of the churches of Linden and Byron, Mich. Rev. E. Marsh of Canton, Ill., after a pleasant pastorate of nearly sixteen years, has resigned his charge. Rev. Wm. Spence, formerly of Sidney, Ohio, has taken charge of the Presbyterian church of Chatham, Ill. Rev. Joel Wakeman, D.D., has removed to Painted Post, Steuben county, N. Y. Rev. Wm. S. Messmer has removed to Springfield, Mo., and has the care of the "Springfield church," which was organized by Dr. Bullard in 1849.

INTER-DENOMINATIONAL UNITY OF THE Spirit-With large portion of the Old and New School ministry and membership in many parts of the West, this is real and strong. The two Synods of Cincinnati held their meetings in the city of Cincinnati, commencing on Thursday of last week. It was intentionally arranged that they should hold their opening services at different hours, so that the members of each might be present at both. It was also informally arranged that there should be one or more union meetings, and a joint communion on the Sabbath. We have seen no report of the services, but they were doubtless refreshing, and delightful in their influence upon the cause of Christ in that locality.

SYNOD OF OHIO.—The annual meeting of this body was held in Portsmouth, Ohio, commencing September 29. A large portion of the time of the meeting was given to the established enterprises of the Church, all of which received earnest attention. A pleasant feature of the meeting was the interchange of Synodical courtesies through delegates, with the Old School Synod of Ohio, the New School Synod of Cincinnati, and the Marietta Conference of the M. E. Church. The subject which seemed to secure the deepest regard, was the forwarding of a proposal to the Synod of employing a general agent for Home Missions for Southern Ohio, the field covered by the two Synods. Providence seemed to have led in the matter by turning the attention of a number of brethren to the same man as eminently Turkey Mission. adapted to the enterprise, and by directing his attention to the work with selfsacrificing devotion of Spirit. The proposal was unanimously voted, and forwarded to the other Synod.

A SYNODICAL REFRESHING.—We copy veteran Synod of Western New York- mington. Geneva:-" The great feature of the Comforter was there in great power, into the pastorate of Beverly Church. filling our hearts with joy and gladness. It was a most delightful season. When our good brother Warner, of Savannah, was wrestling with God other and the officers of the Church each the watch and care and discipline exer-Sabbath morning, we felt that a most cised over our members. profound religious impression was being 2. In relation to the biography of made on all present not only, but that a Rev. John Brainerd. powerful impulse in the right direction would be carried back to the churches.

May God visit the churches of this Synod with a mighty outpouring of his among the Indians of this country.

May Haliam Haliam Haliam and the second successor in the missionary work among the Indians of this country. to revive His work to-day."

HOPE ON! WORK ON !-- We commend o long unblest churches, such as are the attention of Presbytery, it was eady to say, "I have put off my coat, and how shall I put it on!" the follow- late the author upon the successful acing passage from the account given by complishment of a work which he had directing judicial officers to continue as agents Rev. D. R. Love, to the Presbytery Re- set himself to do, in sketching the life of the Freedmen's Bureau. porter, of the condition of the First and drawing the character of one of the Church in Danville, Illinois:—"For purest and most useful men with which twenty-three months previous to last the Church of God has ever been blessed, of that long period, not even an isolated case of conversion is placed upon record, not a solitary person united with the church on profession of faith, and only two by letter. How differently is it with us at the present hour. Our blessed with us at the present hour. Our blessed not only great interest and pleasure, but right to testify before his courts, and to Lord has not only given us the reviving also in the contemplation of the life, the impose the same penalties on negroes violashower, but He is even now bestowing sacrifices, the trials, the triumphs, the ting State laws or city ordinances as would upon us refreshing drops of mercy." As evidence of the continuance of Divine of the pious missionary of a century ago, influence of blowing the general revival that which will greatly quicken and Vicksburgh have been instructed, in no case influences following the general revival, that which will greatly quicken and the pastor refers to the growing increase strengthen their piety, and lead them in of attendance upon the sanctuary servi- the work of the ministry and in the more ces, and well attended Wednesday even- private sphere of Christian work and ing prayer meeting, and ladies' prayer duty, to "a closer walk with God," and meeting, a young ladies' prayer meeting, to more active and useful labor in his Oct. 25. a misses' prayer meeting, a young mens' prayer meeting, and a great enlargement of the Rev. Messrs. Eva, Shepherd, and Adair, a emigrants. The first colonization is expected work of the church abroad

Session of this body, the devotional meetings were characterized by a sense of the great need of the Spirit.

More of the Right Sort of Presby been considerable accessions, both by TERIAN MEETINGS.—The Evangelist's account of the recent meeting of the Presbytery of the North river, at Pleasant Plains, N. Y., says that, "in accordance with a resolution adopted at a previous in session, with more religious services than usual. We had a public meeting and sermon on Tuesday evening, prayer meeting of one hour on Wednesday morning, and sermon at $10\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock. Sermon and celebration of the Lord's Supper in the evening, prayer meeting again on Tuesday morning, and preaching at $10\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock, and again in the evening. These services were all well attended by the congregation, and with growing interest. At the close, the wish be continued by their pastor."

PRESBYTERY OF ILLINOIS.—The narrative of the state of religion, made out at the recent meeting of this Presbytery, held in Jacksonville, says:-"While the facts developed in the free conversation on the state of religion in the churches within our bounds, evince no prevailing interest of a special nature, they do indicate steady and healthful the business now averages from fifty to one progress in matters that relate to the hundred and fifty per day. But as yet the they do indicate steady and healthful church's prosperity, internal and external. Attendance on public worship is encouraging, as to numbers and interest. Additions have been made to most of our churches on profession of faith, as well as by letter. Since the spring meeting of Presbytery, one church, that of Winchester, reports the addition of thirty five members months as a special paradoned, is L. Pope Walker, the first rebel Secretary of War—the man who gave the order to open fire upon Fort Sumter. He has haunted the Executive Mansion for a month, and forced himself before the President in advocacy of his own claims, until he finally succeeded. nal. Attendance on public worship is thirty-five members, mostly as the fruit in a recent revival. The Sabbath-schools The following important proclamation apof our connection, are represented as being in a flourishing condition."

On a subject which is unmistakably destined again to force itself upon the attention of the church, the Narrative says:—"In reference to the cause of Temperance, the conviction seems to be deepening in the minds of many of our members, that there is a pressing demand that a higher ground should be assured. that a higher ground should be assumed, and more efficient effort put forth by our churches and the ministry."

PHILADELPHIA FOURTH PRESBY-TERY.

Presbytery met in Vineland First Church, Tuesday evening, October 3d, and in the absence of the Rev. John B. State of Alabama; John H. Reagan, in the Reeve, Moderator, was opened with a State of Texas; Alexander H. Stephens, in sermon by the Rev. William T. Eva. During the sessions, there were present the State of South Carolina; and Charles thirteen ministers and six elders.

The Rev. Alfred J. Snyder was elected Moderator, and the Rev. Messrs. Hendricks and Eva temporary clerks. The following items of business were transacted:

I. The dismission and commendation to Mendon Association, Mass., of Mr. Albert Bryant, licentiate, under appoint-

relations of Rev. Messrs. Loomis and Adair: that of the former, to Vineland First Church; that of the latter, to Norristown Central Church.

III. The reception of Rev. Messrs. with pleasure from the Evangelist, the Wood and Mallery (Daniel G.): the following notce, additional to our own of former, from the Presbytery of Hudson; last week, of the late meeting of the the latter, from the Presbytery of Wil-

IV. The taking order for the installaoccasion was the devotional meeting of tion of Rev. Messrs. Wood and Mallery, Thursday morning. The hour was (D. G.); the former, into the pastorate lengthened out to two. The Blessed of Allentown First Church; the latter, V. The adoption of the following pa-

pers: 1. In relation to intemperance.

Resolved. That in view of the fearfor the immediate presence and power of | fully increasing prevalence of the vice of the Spirit, we felt as if prayer was be- drunkenness in our land, it be urged ing heard and answered. And when at upon our ministers and sessions to give the close, Dr. Wood, of Geneva, propos- this subject a more prominent place in ed that the brethren remember each the ministrations of the pulpit and in

Spirit. We believe He has commenced written by a distant kinsman, Rev. Thomas Brainerd, D.D., a beloved member of this body, having been brought to

Resolved, That Presbytery congratu-

service.

committee to consider the spiritual in- in December.

PRESENTERY OF GENESEE.—At the late | terests of the German population in Philadelphia.

VII. The selection of Wharton Street Presbyterian church, Philadelphia, and of second Tuesday of April next, $7\frac{1}{2}$ the military would compel them to abide by o'clock, P. M., as place and time of next stated meeting. VII. The selection of Wharton Street stated meeting.

VIII. The appointment of Presbytery to meet during the sessions of Synod in Philadelphia 3rd church

T J. SHEPHERD, Stated Clerk

Aews of the Week.

THE OCTOBER ELECTIONS.

The important States of Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, and Iowa, held their State elections on the 10th inst. Ohio and Iowa elected governors, the others less important officers. Every one of them emphatically re-endorsed the Administration. The majority for Hartranft, the Union candidate for Auditor General in Pennsylvania, was 23,000. In Iowa, Governor Stone, the open advocate of was expressed that the meetings might negro suffrage, has 15,000 majority; other parts of the ticket 20,000 majority.

PARDONS. A special despatch to the New York Times, Washington Oct 5th says that an erroneous impression prevails with the public as to the number of pardons thus far granted by the President, some estimates placing it as high as twenty-five thousand. We ascertain on official authority, that the number up to and including the warrants signed this day is but 2,658. More than three fifths of these have been granted within the past ten days, and number issued does not equal one-sixth of the applications on file. To-day there were fifty-

peared last week :

Executive Mansion, Oct. 11th, 1865.— Whereas the following named persons, to wit: John A. Campbell, of Alabama; John H. Reagan, of Texas, Alexander H. Stephens, of Georgia, George A. Trenholm, of South Carolina, and Charles Clark, of Mississippi, lately engaged in rebellion against the United tion: and whereas, the authority of the Federal Government is sufficiently restored in the aforesaid States, to admit of the enlargement of said persons from close custody, it is ordered that they be released on giving their respective paroles, to appear at such time and such place as the president may designate, to answer any charge that he may direct to be preferred against them; and also that they will respectively abide until further orders in the places herein designated, and not to de-Clark, in the State of Mississippi; and if the President should grant his pardon to any such persons, such persons' parole will there by be discharged.

(Signed) Andrew Johnson, President. NORTH CAROLINA,—The convention assembled Oct. 2nd. On Oct. 6th, they passed unanimously the following action. "That the ordinance of the convention of the State of North Carolina, ratified on the 21st day of November, 1789, which adopted and ratified ment by A. B. C. F. M., to Western
Turkey Mission.

II The dissolution of the pastoral

November, 1789, which adopting an adopting amendments to sembly ratifying and adopting amendment an the said Constitution, are now, and at all times since the adoption and ratification thereof, have been in full force and effect notwithstanding the supposed ordinance of the 20th of May, 1861, declaring the same to be repealed, rescinded and abrogated, and the sall supposed ordinance is now, and at all times bath been, null and void." Oct. 7, Slavery was forever prohibited within the

TENNESSEE.—Gov. Brownlow, of Tennes see, sent his first message to the General Assembly, Oct. 3rd. He recommends amendments and additions to the franchise law, but says: "I am by no means an advocate of its repeal, nor do the people of the State wish any sweeping change." The restoration of civil law has worked well, and prosperity is promised in every section prosperity is promised in every section. Guilty rebels should be treated with severity, in proportion to their offences; the mass of them with not less than ten years' disfran-chisement, and the leaders with neither mercy or forbearance. He says: "I am convinced that the white and colored ptople cannot live together, politically or socially as equals." He advocates the setting apart of some por-tion of the national territory, best adapted to be taken in the courts, on the same basis as that of white persons.

LOUISIANA.—The Democratic party of this tion for the losses sustained by the emancipation policy.

ALABAMA. —The Alabama State Convention has adopted ordinances ordering the election of State officers on the first Monday of November, legalizing the marriages of negroes, authorizing the county commissioners to pro-vide for indigent and helpless negroes, and

Mississippi.—General Humphreys, an un-pardoned rebel, has been elected governor of this State, President Johnson's model State to interfere with city authorities in the dis-charge of their duties, and not to take cognizance of cases coming within the jurisdiction of the Mayor of Vicksburgh, but to turn all such cases over to the Mayor for trial.

FLORIDA.—The State Convention meets TEXAS.-Large quantities of land have Gen. Gregory, superintendent of the Freed-men's Bureau, made a speech to the negroes at Houston, assuring them of their right to

Ex-Senator Gwin, and Gov. Clarke, late of Missouri, have been arrested and committed to Fort Jackson.—The New York Times learns from a party who has been interested in the projected scheme of emigration from the Southern States to Brazil that the whole the Southern States to Brazil that the whole project has been given up.—The experiment of tea-culture in Georgia, has turned out very favorably.—The New York correspondent of the *Philadelphia Ledger* Oct. 3rd says: "The stars and stripes are floating gaily from Tammany Hall and the World office to day. On inquiry, I have accountained gaily from Tammany Hall and the World office to-day. On inquiry I have ascertained that the display is in honor of the defeat of negro suffrage in Connecticut."—The Journal of Freedom, a weekly newspaper to advocate negro suffrage, has been started at Raleigh, North Carolina.—General Lee was formally inaugurated President of Washington College, Virginia on Monday, the 9th ington College, Virginia, on Monday, the 9th inst.—Gov. Andrew, of Massachusetts, has declined the presidency of Antioch College.

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