

Religious Intelligence.

SYNODICAL INTER-COMMUNION.—A correspondent of the Presbyterian, giving an account of the late meeting of the O. S. Synod of Northern Indiana, says:—"The Synod of Wabash, occupying the same field with ourselves, for our New School brethren, being in session at Crawfordsville, arrangements were made for a union prayer and conference meeting on Saturday morning, and also for a joint participation in a sacramental service on Sabbath afternoon. These exercises were felt to be seasons of great enjoyment, on account of the prevalence of a spirit of devotion and brotherly love. The Synods each passed a resolution in favor of the speedy union of a few feeble missionary churches of the two branches now occupying the same field, their ecclesiastical connection to be determined in each case by the majority of the united Church."

PRESBYTERY OF WEST JERSEY.—The reports from the churches were of more than usual interest; six reported a gracious visitation of the Holy Spirit. The West Jersey Academy, located at Bridgeton, has been more prepared than ever, and highly favored in the conversion of many of its students. The Presbytery visited this interesting institution (which is entirely under its care), and the addresses made were received by many students with tearful interest. A very interesting meeting of the Sabbath-schools was also held, and addressed by members of Presbytery.—Presbyterian.

O. S. CHURCH IN CALIFORNIA.—At the late meeting of the Presbytery of California, two new churches, (Pacheco and Central, San Francisco), were reported, and one, (St. Paul, San Francisco), was reported disbanded. Two members were dismissed—one (Rev. A. Scott) to Second Philadelphia Presbytery, and one (Rev. A. S. Huntington) to San Jose, N. S. Presbytery. One candidate received license to preach the Gospel.

SYNOD OF CINCINNATI, O. S.—The narrative adopted at the late meeting states that reports have been received from only forty-four of its one hundred and twelve churches. In just one-half of the whole number reporting, seasons of gracious visitation have been experienced, more or less abundant, some of them signal and delightful. There are indications in some places of an advance in the Christian graces and holy living. The Sabbath-school work extends. The triumphs of converting grace are witnessed among all classes and ages—voices from the army give witness to great good accomplished there. With this it must also be stated that we find the enemies of all truth alive and vigorous. Every form of error is to be encountered; infidelity, intemperance, profanity, and Sabbath breaking without, and worldliness within the Church, are in a state of the highest activity. But while this is true, the spirituality of the people of God seems, even though slowly, to be quickening and ennobling from top to bottom. There is a gratifying eagerness of desire for the abundant manifestation of converting grace, more prayer for the Holy Spirit, and a significant and general indulgence of the expectancy of faith.

TO EMIGRANTS WEST.—"G." writes to The Presbyterian, from Pleasant Hill, Missouri:—"A large number of Presbyterians have been lately looking at this neighborhood on the Missouri Railroad, with a view to settlement. Many will return with their families next spring. Many more, desiring to know something more about the country, yet, not finding it convenient to leave home, seem anxious to know whom to address here for information. For their benefit, we would say that any letters addressed to James Allen, R. C. Williamson, Hon. W. H. Cundiff, or Rev. George Miller, will be promptly and cheerfully answered."

ITEMS.—Rev. Wm. C. Handy has resigned the pastorate embracing the churches in Buckingham and Eden, Maryland, on account of impaired health.—The "Bethany Presbyterian Church," a new enterprise growing out of a city mission effort, has been organized in this city by the Presbytery of Philadelphia, O. S. It is located in South Street near Twenty-first, and is to have for its pastor Rev. S. T. Lewis.—The Synod of New Jersey, (O. S.), at its late meeting in Princeton, unanimously passed a paper of thanksgiving for the overthrow of the rebellion, and the emancipation of the slaves in the Southern States.—The recently-organized Second Presbyterian Church in Huntington, Long Island, has completed a suitable house of worship, which was publicly dedicated October 24.—A revival is reported from Union Springs and Bethel churches, the pastorate of Rev. Francis McMurray, in Alabama. Forty-five have been added to the communion, thirty of them young men.—Mr. George L. Smith was ordained and installed pastor at Boiling Spring, N. J., October 25.

CONGREGATIONAL.—INTERESTING STATEMENT.—The account of the late meeting of the Suffolk South (Mass.) Conference, says:—"The following facts added interest to this meeting: the Conference met with the oldest church in its bounds (organized in 1638); for the first time in its history, every church belonging to the Conference has a pastor, and with a single exception, a settled pastor; every church was represented in this meeting; and every settled pastor was present, with one exception. The meeting was one of deep and tender feeling, and of marked spiritual tone."

ANOTHER DISAPPOINTMENT.—The long and unsuccessful struggle of the Congregational church in San Francisco to secure the pastoral services of Rev. Dr. Stone, of Boston, will be remembered. They have since, with strong hopes of success, given a call to Rev. Mr. Burton, of Hartford, Connecticut. We see, by the latest accounts, that Mr. Burton has declined the call. Though offering a princely salary, this church is singularly unfortunate in its wooings in the East.

ITEMS.—A correspondent of the Congregationalist has been "surprised to find at Pottersville, Bradford County, Pa., a Congregationalist church of thirty-five members. It was formed some eighteen years ago, mostly by people from New England, and had, at one time, sixty members. Several vacant pastorates in Worcester, South Conference, Massachusetts, are about to be filled.—The First Congregational Church in Pomfret, Connecticut, held its one hundred and fiftieth anniversary on the 26th ult. The occasion was one of great interest.—The Congregational churches in Hartford, Connecticut are carrying on an extensive city mission enterprise. Their City Mission Society has expended, during the past year, \$6000 for the relief of the poor. Their mission schools contain about a thousand pupils.—An Ecclesiastical Council, assembled for the purpose, in Temple, N. H., Oct. 25, dismissed from the pastorate Rev. George Goodyear, and on the same day ordained and installed Mr. George Williams as his successor.

GERMAN REFORMED.—HARRISBURG, PA.—The G. R. Church has recently erected a building for its mission church in the north part of Harrisburg. It was dedicated on the 8th ult. Of this enterprise the Messenger says:—"Sixty members are now connected with the mission, with very encouraging accessions. A prosperous Sabbath-school, in charge of a very efficient superintendent, promises much towards build-

ing up this part of the moral vineyard of the Lord. The missionary has every reason to thank God and take courage, at what has been done. His devoted, faithful labors, have been rewarded. One of the most cheering facts connected with this enterprise is, that the congregation will not be burdened with any debt. Ground, edifice and all, worth about \$6,000, is not only paid for, but the Treasurer has a small balance over."

LUTHERAN.—SOUTH.—The Rev. Dr. Bachman resumed his labors as pastor of the church at Charleston in the month of June, and is preaching to large congregations. A good deal of religious interest has been awakened, and the Doctor expected, on the second Sabbath in October, to admit about thirty persons to the communion of the church by the rite of confirmation. Many of Dr. B.'s members have been greatly reduced by the war, but they retain their love for the pastor and their attachment to the church.

Rev. William Jenkins, of Shelbyville, Tenn., writes:—"I will just add, that in my congregation we have had precious seasons of grace. At one meeting fourteen professed the love of God—on a second twenty-four, and on a third thirty-one. Making nineteen during the three meetings."—Lutheran Observer.

PHILADELPHIA.—The Lutheran clergy of this city are about reorganizing the Lutheran Pastor's Association. Severe affliction has befallen Rev. Dr. C. P. Krauth and family, by the loss by death of two children, respectively on the 19th and 20th ult.

METHODIST.—NEW YORK.—Several of our churches in the city and vicinity, are enjoying refreshings from the presence of the Lord. At Forsyth street there is a most interesting state of things, and the old church, under the labors of its devoted pastor, Rev. G. Hubbell, is renewing its strength. It is really doing a mission work, and perhaps is accomplishing more than it did in the days of its glory. At Morrisania, the church under the pastoral care of Rev. Mr. Fields, has been greatly blessed.—N. Y. Methodist.

A VETERAN PIONEER.—The famous Rev. Peter Cartwright, is still alive and active, and holds the office of presiding elder among the Methodists, in one of the western districts. The Central Christian Advocate says of him: "He was eighty years old on the first day of September, 1865, and has been traveling sixty-three years, and remarked that he had been a presiding elder forty-six years—longer than any man had been before, or ever would be again."

ITEMS.—Rev. Dr. Butler, a distinguished missionary of the M. E. church in India, arrived in New York on the 15th ult.—The California M. E. Conference has instituted a mission among the Chinese of that State. Books and tracts for the use of the missionary, are to be obtained from the mission in China.—Rev. Dr. J. H. Wythe, has accepted an appointment to the Presidency of Willamette University, Oregon.—The National Local Preachers' Association, at its late annual meeting, adopted an earnest recommendation of the suffering destitute in the South to the benevolence of the church, and proposed the American Union Commission as the organ of charities in that direction.—A gracious revival has commenced at Ebenezer, one of the appointments on Newport circuit, Delaware.—A revival is reported from South Easton, Pa.—Rev. Henry Mauny, of the Wesleyan connection in Canada, is now engaged in organizing a church for French residents in Philadelphia.

EPISCOPAL.—AID FOR THE SOUTH.—The Episcopal Church, through its appointed agencies, is just now making earnest appeals to the liberality of its membership in behalf of two objects. One is the Episcopal Freedman's Aid Society, and the other is the appeal of the Domestic Committee for special collections for the destitute clergy and churches of the South. The first of these, the Episcopal Freedman's Aid Society, was instituted in this city during the sittings of the late Triennial Convention. Could that body have found it in its heart to thank God that men have become freedmen, such a charity as this, under its auspices, would have commended itself much more warmly to those most reliable for the aid sought.

AN IMPOSTOR SPOTTED.—Rev. F. W. Shelton, of Montpelier, Vermont, writes to the Episcopal Recorder:—"A vagabond calling himself James Morris, or, perhaps, by other names, as may suit his convenience, has perambulated the country for three years, presenting a forged letter, signed by name, stating that he was a convert from Popery, a good and worthy man, and that having been afflicted by long sickness, I had been his spiritual adviser, and recommended him to all Christian people. He is an impostor. The clergy and the public should be cautioned against him."

BISHOP POTTER AT FAULT.—In his late pastoral, Bishop Potter, of New York, the same who by Episcopal authority forbids his clergy from having ministerial intercourse with all clergy not Episcopally ordained, indulges in the pleasing prospect of fraternity with the Oriental or Greek Church, adding that it "has been repeatedly recognized, and the Bishops of this Church (i. e. the Protestant Episcopal, as a sister Church. It has never excommunicated us, nor cursed us."

A writer in the last Episcopal Recorder, exposes this historical blunder, by quoting from the Greek Church Ritual that every evening during the two weeks fast in August, in honor of the Virgin Mary, all Protestants are anathematized. He also copies from the office of the Orthodox Sunday the following anathemas:—"To those who affect that the blessed Virgin Mary was not a virgin before her child-birth, in her child-birth and after her child-birth, Anathema, thrice."

"To those who cast reproaches on holy images which the holy Church received, in remembrance of the words of God and of his saints, to inspire the beholders with piety, and to incite them to imitate their examples, and to those who say that they are idols, Anathema, thrice."

ITEMS.—An English paper states that Mr. Thomas Arnold, second son of the late Rev. Dr. Arnold, who succeeded a few years ago to Rome, and was for some time a professor in Dr. Newman's University at Dublin, has returned to the English Church.—Our city contemporary, the Episcopal Recorder, promises an article the next week, upon the recent action of the General Convention, desiring to render thanks for the restoration of the Government and the destruction of slavery. The Recorder will never have a finer opportunity to sustain its hitherto noble record on the great government question.—The late great assembling of Episcopalians in our city, was improved for a social reunion, on the evening of the 14th ult. of the "Sons and Daughters of St. Andrews," i. e. of persons who, at any time past, have belonged to the parish of St. Andrews Church. Bishop Bedell presided, and was one of the speakers.

BAPTIST.—MASSACHUSETTS.—The State Conference of Baptist ministers was held week before last in Taunton. There were some 200 or 300 strangers present, a large proportion clergymen, and the meetings were quite fully

attended by others than the convention proper. The animus of the body appeared to be a hopeful expectancy of the coming of the Holy Spirit into the churches, as a power against the strong drift of present worldly influences.

ITEMS.—Mr. Edward Everitt Jones was ordained in this city on the 9th ult. He takes a pastorate at Rahway, N. J.—Meetings in the Mariner's Bethel, in this city, have, for the last few months, been growing in spiritual interest.—Mr. Isaiah W. Gouglar was ordained at Roxborough Church, in this city, on the 14th ult.—The Blockley Baptist Church, about two miles east of the city, is about to receive a pastor, Rev. Schuykill, is about to receive a pastor, Rev. James E. Wilson, now of the Great Valley Church, Chester County.—The Baptist Church of Coventry, N. Y., is now in the enjoyment of a revival.—A revival for some time past in progress in the Marblehead, Mass. Baptist Church, still continues.—The New Haven, Connecticut, Baptist Association, which met last month, adopted a resolution expressing regret and mortification at the result of the election in the State, which decided against giving to colored men the right to vote.

MISSIONARY.—THE PRESBYTERY OF NINGPO, CHINA, in their narrative of the state of religion, forwarded to the Synod of New York, with which they are connected, speak with great satisfaction of the increase of the number of ministers from the native Church; of the perfected organization of the two additional churches determined upon at their last meeting; and of the steady growth of all their churches in numbers, with augmenting evidence that they are being built up in faith and in love. "We have now," they continue, "four churches. Each of them has been steadily increasing. Fifteen have been added to the Ningpo church; thirty-three to the T'iu-yu-yiao church; ten to the San-poh church; and six to the Bao-ko-tah church, including three who were added on examination at its organization. Besides this, one man was baptized at Zing-yui, a mission station beyond the bounds of any of these churches. A further manifestation of the Spirit's presence is seen in the fact that in all our churches there are inquirers, and that the walk and conversation of most of the members is orderly, as becoming those professing the religion of Jesus. Another gratifying circumstance denoting progress, is the disposition of our churches to do something toward their own support. One puts forth efforts toward raising the pastor's salary in part; another pays the rent of its own place of worship, and defrays its elders' expenses to Presbytery; and another continues in part the support of an out-station."

A HEROIC MISSIONARY.—Miss Rankin, who has long labored in Brownsville and Monterey, Mexico, in connection with the American and Foreign Christian Union, has recently arrived at New York city. She comes to plead with our people to establish a seminary and chapel in Monterey. Her account of religious matters is very interesting. Her journey through the country bears the character of a romance. Advised to travel with a French escort which conveyed \$150,000 in treasure, she declined, and started a stage, unattended, by another route. When about half-way the stage was stopped by the guerrillas of Cortinas. One puts forth efforts toward raising the pastor's salary in part; another pays the rent of its own place of worship, and defrays its elders' expenses to Presbytery; and another continues in part the support of an out-station."

FATHER BYINGTON.—This veteran missionary to the Choctaws, writes to a friend in New York, under date of "Choctaw Nation, June 11" as follows:—"I have heard that it may be over; I rejoice. It may be over; I can once more send you a letter. I write hoping that this sheet will reach you. I have long been shut out from almost all communication with my old and early friends. To-day I have read 'The Tract Journal,' for the month of February, 1865,—the first religious paper from your region I have seen for months, or years I might say. It has a notice of dear Brother Winslow's death. Perhaps others near and dear as he was are also gone. I stand here with Mrs. Byington to watch over my little flock and Sabbath-schools, to go on with the translations, and to doctor the sick. I have been protected and provided for. We live in the same old house, have our garden, orchard, cows, fowls, springs of water, etc., as heretofore. I say, I hope we may have been in danger; if so, we did not know it. I am glad now we did not leave our people whom God had given us. I yet have four preaching places and three Sabbath-schools. At home I have been at work on Dr. Wright's translations. To-day I revised and copied the 30th chapter of Deuteronomy. Genesis, Exodus, and Chronicles I completed some time since."

SOUTH AFRICA.—Rev. Mr. Groul, writing from Umvoti, speaking of the neat and comfortable house in which his church and congregation now worship, says, in the Missionary Herald:—"While I was sweating over the erection of the house, I used sometimes to think, 'Well, if ever I get this house done, I shall say, 'Now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace.' Still when I was preaching the dedication sermon, having wiped away the sweat, and hearing the sound of my own voice in a nice house, my strength renewed as the eagle's, and I thought I would take that back, and prayed that I might now be spared awhile, and receive Divine strength to preach in my chapel. I have also Mr. Lloyd's grave close by the chapel door, and his good wife helping on; so I just gather up all I have and am, and lay it down at Christ's feet; and if he will, you shall occasionally hear of us at our work."

Mrs. Lloyd, referred to in the closing sentence of the above quotation, deserves a separate paragraph. Her life was short in the missionary field when, by the death of her husband, a beloved and highly-cultivated young missionary, she was left alone in a strange land. But, though, in her early life in this country, she had accumulated all the privileges which wealth can give, and knew that as a widow she could return to her father's house and to a life of rest and ease, she has preferred to remain among the Zulus, and labor for their salvation. And she has had wonderful success in her labors. The joy of leading many to Christ has been vouchsafed to her, as a reward for her patience and self-denial.

FINANCIAL.—The receipts of the American Board for the month of September were \$25,033 33. This being the first month of the new financial year, and following immediately the great effort of August, presents a much smaller income than the average of months.

MISCELLANEOUS.—RELIGIOUS INTEREST IN NEW ENGLAND.—J. W. C. writes to the N. Y. Observer, that there is evidently an awakening of religious feeling, and an increase of desire and effort for spiritual blessing among the churches of various denominations in New England.

The Baptist churches of Boston recently observed a day of fasting and prayer, specially with reference to children and youth in their Sabbath-schools. The promised and needed descent of the Spirit, has been a prominent theme at the numerous autumnal gatherings for Christian conference and worship. In that of Suffolk North, embracing a portion of the Congregational ministers of Boston and vicinity; the entire discussions of the principal session related to the promise and the descent of the Spirit's abiding presence in the Church, and the means of securing his permanent and abundant grace in any one locality.

NEW PRAYER-MEETING.—A new monthly prayer-meeting, of a general character has been instituted in New York. The first was held last month in Rev. Dr. Crosby's (Presbyterian) church. It was largely attended, and drew out many long identified with the work of evangelization, both in this city and Brooklyn. It is not in the interest of any particular society, or of any one church or denomination. It is not for discussion, nor speechifying, or fault-finding. But it is pre-eminently for prayer; prayer for all sorts and conditions of men; prayer for all churches and societies; prayer, especially, for the salvation of that city.

SABBATH DESecRATION IN SAN FRANCISCO.—The Pacific of September 28th says:—"The Sabbath desecration in our vicinity lately has been startling. A yacht race took place in the harbor! Thousands of people thronging to see a tight-rope walker outside the harbor, even the United States vessel, the Albatross, out to help! So respectable a company as the Ocean Navigation Company sending up a Sunday boat to the Fair and the horse race at Sacramento! Perhaps when the Sabbath desecration has done its worst, men will react. This is our chief consolation at present."

ITEMS.—A nun, who has been laboring for the Russian Church in Washington Territory, has recently found the true way of salvation, and is now laboring without money and without price for the cause of Christ. She is full of youthful vigor, has the advantage of an excellent education and a pleasing address, is gentle and kind in her manner, and without guile.—The clergy of Portland, Me., have inaugurated the plan of visiting the jail on Sabbath afternoons for the purpose of spiritual labors with the prisoners.—In the Mariner's Church, corner of Yanover and Bennett streets, a good number have been hopefully converted, and considerable interest still exists.—About one hundred souls have been brought to Christ the past two weeks at Mansfield, as the result of a union effort of three evangelical churches of the town.

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