

THE RELIGIOUS WORLD ABROAD.

GREAT BRITAIN.

THE JAMAICA REVOLT.—This outbreak of half-finished, despised blacks, which resulted in the death of twenty whites, and which was over almost as soon as begun, has been followed by the massacre of from two to four thousand, mostly unarmed and unorganized men who had to be hunted out from their houses and hiding places by the British soldiers.

Only the Baptist missions are seriously involved in the disturbance, which was confined to the south-east of the Island. The field of the United Presbyterian Church is in the west. The Wesleyans who labored in the revolted districts were in danger, but none of the missionaries fell, though some were obliged to flee.

CHURCH ACCOMMODATIONS IN LONDON.—From recent carefully prepared tables it appears that there are in London at the present time 1816 places of worship, containing accommodations for 917,895 people, an increase since 1851, when the last religious census was published, of 219,346 sittings.

NO STANDARDS AT ORDINATIONS.—A correspondent of the Evangelical Christendom thus exposes a radical defect in the discipline of the National Church, which the good men in that body are trying to remedy, but which it is impossible to reach effectively until the restoration of autonomy and of General Synods to the Church.

PUSEYISM AND ROMANISM.—Dr. Harold Browne has been making his primary visitation of the diocese of Ely. In his charge to the clergy, his lordship has taken a decided stand on the subject of Rationalism, and in condemning the use of vestments, observances, and ceremonies.

THE CONGREGATIONAL UNION had 700 delegates at its fall session. Drs. Raleigh and Vaughn, the deputations to America, reported, and received a vote of thanks. Whether they alluded to the caustic speech of Chaplain Quint or not, is not stated.

PRESBYTERIAN UNION IN AUSTRALIA.—On Friday, the 8th of September, the public consummation of the union of the Presbyterian Churches in New South Wales took place in Sydney.

(Church of Scotland) arrived from St. Andrew's Church, and the members of the General Synod from Free Church, Macquarie Street, and the Rev. Adam Thomson and several members of his congregation from the Philip Street Church.

After religious exercises, scrupulously apportioned between members of the different bodies, the final acts of each body agreeing to consummate the union were read by their respective clerks.

The Rev. Adam Thomson, as clerk of the Conference, then read the articles formerly agreed upon as the basis of the union. During the reading of these articles, all the members of the three several bodies about to unite remained standing, and as each article was concluded every member held up his right hand in token of assent thereto.

Each of the constituent bodies, through its presiding officer, then pronounced their organic relations with the Churches of Great Britain dissolved and declared the union with the other two bodies on their part consummated.

Another minister and congregation were received into the union, and the Assembly continued in session one week.

On Monday evening, September 18th, they adjourned to meet in October, 1866. On the following evening, at a public meeting of Presbyterians, £370 was subscribed towards a fund for bringing out ministers from Britain. Joy and activity are the order of the day.

THE STRUGGLE WITH RATIONALISM.—The Reformed Church in Paris has rejected a new pastor presented to the Presbyterial Council by A. Coquerel, senior, as his assistant, on account of his vague evasive answers to plain questions on Christianity and the resurrection of our Lord.

THE ADVANCES OF ROMAN CATHOLICISM in the province of East Prussia are occasioning a good deal of anxiety, and are at last arousing the authorities to action. It seems that the priests are getting hold of the children of poor Protestants by means of promises to sustain them a year whilst receiving the instruction necessary for confirmation.

THE NUMBER OF PROTESTANT STUDENTS of Theology in Prussia during the winter of 1864-65 was as follows:—370 in Halle, 331 in Berlin, 116 in Königsberg, 101 in Breslau, 63 in Bonn, 24 in Greisswald; altogether 1005.

THE EVACUATION OF ROME.—A part of the French garrison has begun to evacuate the City of the Vatican. Several battalions (4000) have already left, the rest will follow, and at the end of a year all the soldiers must return to France, according to the terms of the Franco-Italian Convention.

THERE IS A PARTY at work in the Italian Church, small and scattered, but living, growing, coalescing, who while they refuse to break with Catholicism, yet advocate the marriage of the clergy, the Bible in the mother tongue of the people, and other kindred reforms.

THE POPE is encouraging his faithful sons in the Austrian Tyrol to maintain their fanatical opposition to the tolerant designs of Austria in their province. An organization to prevent, not only all non-Catholic worship, but even the recognition of Protestants as citizens, and their acquisition of fixed property, having sent the needy Father some money, he thus addressed the Society:—"Well-beloved sons, health and apostolic benediction. We congratulate you in that, having put your hand to the plough, you are not looking back, but the more that the thorns spring up, and the tares threaten to choke the good seed, the more careful are you to cultivate the field of the Lord.

MOVEMENTS IN BERLIN.—The first Chapel erected in Berlin under the new Church Building Enterprise was opened Oct. 1st. It is designed for temporary accommodation merely. A Sabbath-school is connected with it.

THE WALDENSIAN COLLEGE has opened its winter session with thirteen students, one of whom is from Turkey, another from Lombardy, and several from Sicily and the Vaudois valleys.

PALESTINE.—The Protestant cause numbers three churches—the Anglican, the English, the Lutheran for the Germans, Swiss, and other continental strangers; and the Waldensian church for evangelical Italians.

OPEN AIR PREACHING.—M. Van Belde, the pastor of a Flemish congregation in the St. Giles's of Brussels, struck with the ignorance and immorality by which he was surrounded, determined to attempt open air preaching. It appears he found ready and attentive hearers.

MISSIONARY.—TURKEY.—Sir Henry Bulwer, who has recently resigned the British Embassy, is often spoken of as more a Turk than the Turks themselves.

THE CHURCH at Pera, as our readers are aware, has long been estranged from the mission of the American Board, with whom it originated. The same correspondent writes:—"I am happy to be able to report that there now seems to be every prospect of renewed harmony of action, and of more united and successful efforts for the evangelization of the city.

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OPENING OF THE PARLIAMENT AT FLORENCE.—The correspondent of Evangelical Christendom writing from that city, Nov. 18th, says:—"Florence is to-day all gaiety, though the sky is sombre and the rain falls heavily. Banners are hung from every edifice, and the whole town is illuminated to celebrate the opening of the second Italian Parliament this forenoon, in the presence of 450 deputies and a brilliant assemblage of foreign and native onlookers.

The new civil code which comes into operation January 1st, is described by the correspondent as a magnificent piece of legislation. He says:—"It is the heaviest blow yet dealt to the Papacy in the land of its former sovereign sway.

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spite of all this, in remaining in his native city, and there he has been openly baptized. As yet no notice has been taken of this by the Turkish authorities or people there.

INDIA.—Great sensation has been created in Jubbalpore by the baptism of a Mohammedan Sofee by his friend, a village schoolmaster, who had become enlightened by his instrumentality.

WEST AFRICA.—A new mission has been commenced by Bishop Crowther in the Delta of the Niger. The king and people of Bonny, perceiving that, in consequence of the establishment of Christian missions among them, the tribes along the Niger and the Niger, as well as Old Calabar, etc., were stripping them in point of education and improvement, applied to Bishop Crowther to place a missionary amongst them.

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