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## OUR ROCHESTER CORRESPONDENT. SPLENDID LIBERALITY.

Henry Wells, Esq., President of the American Express Company, is about to perpetrate an act of princely liberality, for which he will deserve honorable mention for many years to come. He proposes to build and endow a first-class female seminary, to be located in the beautiful village of Aurora, where he resides. This delightful town is situated on the east bank of Cayuga Lake, about ten miles from Auburn and eight miles from Cayuga.

Mr. Wells proposes himself to erect suitable buildings for such an institution. to furnish them with everything convenient and necessary for such a school himself to hire the teachers, to pay their entire salaries for the first year, and so get the ship launched and fairly started on its voyage without other aid. All this, it is supposed, will cost him something like seventy-five or a hundred thousand dollars. He must have found the Express business profitable, to be able to do so much, and his own mind must be moved by some generous promptings, or he would not be inclined to do it.

#### A NEW DEVICE.

A novel plan for the Sabbath collections has recently been adopted in one of our principal churches, for which the eminent pastor is said to be responsible. The church is still somewhat in debt for its new and elegant house of worship. The custom has been to pass the collection boxes each Sabbath morning, to raise a fund to liquidate this debt. But outsiders or others objected to having the contribution box thrust so often in their faces. It was very significant It was difficult not to take the hint.

Now, mark the relief. A nice, little, black walnut box, something like a child's savings' bank, is put in each slip, set in behind the rack, at the middle of the seat, just where each person in the seat can see it and can easily reach it. This is not a big, ugly contribution box; it is small, it is neat; but it is very significant. It has a very ex-

CHESTER CITY CHURCH .--- At the first communion of the Chester City Presbyterian Church, last Sabbath, sixteen persons united with it, twelve by profession. Others were detained by sickness, who may probably be ready by the next communion season. Among the number was an old lady of seventyseven years of age and her granddaughter. Thus the Lord is building up his

kingdom in this new field of labor. ACCESSIONS .- The Thirteenth Street Church. New York, Dr. Burchard's, has received nearly fifty persons to its communion on profession of their faith. during the present year. No extra meetings have been held; but there has been a gradual increase of religious interest since the commencement of the year. On Sunday, May 13, twenty-six age all the way from ten to sixty years. -Jacksonville, Ill.-A revival in

this place began with the "Week of Prayer," and has been a gentle, pervading influence, affecting all the churches. and extending quite generally through the town. The work has been extensive in the college and female academy. Many children and youth have been added to the Lord. Probably not less than three hundred converts have professed faith in Christ, and united with the various churches of the city. The First Presbyterian Church has received forty-seven, mostly on profession. The interest continues. --- At Batavia, thirtyeight were received on profession, May 6. Of these thirty-eight, eleven are heads of families, twenty-three are members of the Sabbath-school. The work has been characterized by great stillness: great prayerfulness, and signal, and speedy answer to prayer; fidelity of Christians toward the impenitent; di- only to citizens of the United States. rectness of speech in enforcing the doctrines of the Word upon the minds of the hearers; tenderness toward the unconverted, with love of the brethren. We have learned, says the pastor to the Evangelist, that very ordinary preaching is made powerful by extraordinary pray-

er, on the part of the people; and that all his people, as a condition of pouring out his spirit.

LIFE INSURANCE FOR A HOME MIS-SIONARY .- "Minonk, Ill., May 14, 1866. A kindness has been shown me recently, the record of which may stir up others to do likewise. Some half-dozen friends here, members of our little Home Missionary Church, though taxing themselves heavily for the erection of a new house of worship, generously presented a jury at Richmond will be one of those great their pastor with a policy of life insurance for one thousand dollars, on the endowment plan. Perhaps other Home Missionary Churches, notwithstanding their weakness, might make similar provision for their pastors. "M. P. ORMSBY."

THE CHURCH AT PATTERSON, N. J., pressive slit in the top, the two sides of hopes to hold its twenty-sixth anniver-

# Aews of the Week.

## THE EXECUTIVE.

President Johnson has vetoed the bill for the admission of Colorado.-Our Atlantic and Gulf squadrons are being rapidly reduced while the foreign squadrons are being in-creased.—The rebel ex-Senator Gwin has been released from confinement at Fort Jackson, on condition that he leaves the country. The Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Capt. Fox, is about to cross the ocean in the iron-clad monitor Miantonomah, for the purpose of personally presenting to the Emperor of Russia the resolution of Congress congratulating him on his escape from the hand of an assassin. He will also report upon the present condition of the principal navies of Europe. It is not generally believed in Europe that one of our monitors can cross the Atlantic, but the incredulous will soon have a demonstration of the fact. The Miantono mah is at Halifax, awaiting the arrival of Captain Fox. ---- The Secretary of War, May 16, ordered Paymaster Paulding under close arrest. Col. P. was the principal Governyear. On Sunday, May 13, twenty-six ment depositor in the Merchant's National were received on profession, ranging in Bank, which recently failed. Other arrests are likely to follow.—The President has approved the joint resolution of greeting to the Emperor of Russia; also the bills imposing a duty on imported cattle; authorizing the coinage of five cent pieces, and providing for the selection of a site for Post-office and Court buildings in New York.

### CONGRESS.

Senate.- May 15.- A bill was passed changing the place and time of holding the United States Courts in Virginia. The Fund-ing bill was reported. The House resolution relating to cholera was passed, with some amendments. A message was received from the President, vetoing the Colorado bill.

May 16.—The message of the President, vetoing the Colorado bill, was read and ordered to be printed. A resolution to appoint a commission to examine the site for a freshwater basin for iron-clads at Portland, Me., was discussed without conclusion. A bill for the reorganization of the army was introduced. It provides for five regiments of artillery, six of cavalry, and thirty-seven of infantry. Referred to the Military Commit-tee. By an amendment to the passport law, such documents are hereafter to be granted

May 17.- Another amendment to the House resolution, proposing an amendment to the Constitution, was offered by Mr. Wade. It provides that no State shall abridge the privileges of citizens of the United States, and that no class of persons against whom discrimination"as regards sufrage is made, shall be entitled to be counted as part of the basis of representation. The House bill prohibiting the carriage of nitro-God does not wait for the reviving of glycerine, under certain conditions, was all his people, as a condition of nouring amination to be made for a site for the laying ip of iron-clads in fresh water, near Portland, Me., was passed. The Diplomatic Appropriation bill was taken up and passed with a few amendments. The Military Academy Ap-propriation bill was passed.

May 18.-A petition asking that Jeff Davis be tried by court martial was presented. Mr. Sumner said : "In presenting this petition I subject is before us, I will add that the trial giving security to appear at the trial. of Jefferson Davis at the present time by comedies which hereafter will excite the de-rision of the world." The bill to provide for the publication of the official history of the rebellion was reported from the committee. The House bill in reference to the metric system was referred to a special committee. The bill to fix the time and place of holding courts in Virginia was passed and now awaits the approval of the President. A supplementary bill to the pension laws was taken

up. May 21-Mr. Fessenden, of Maine, stated which come nearly together, much like an Barding the first nearbor is expected to reconstruction resolutions as he had given

information to the House as to the collection | of the district tax in the lately rebellious States. It was resolved that the House hereafter take a recess each day from half past four to half past seven.

#### THE STATES.

Pennsylvania.-The Republicans elected their candidate for Mayor in Williamsport, Pa., on the 16th, by 129 majority, a gain of 200

many failures, including a single company, with liabilities of from £10,000,000 to £12,-New York .- The Stevenses threaten to 000,000 were announced. U. S. 5.20's, 64 to stop the running of their ferry boats on Sun-days, in order to prevent the New York rowdies from going over to Hoboken, as they have been doing on Sundays, in search of the its determination in regard to the present liquor, which is denied them at home by the "A pacific policy, an honest neutrality, and complete liberty of action." The declaration says that Italy knows that, as we should Board of Exise, and perpetuating acts of out-rage and vandalism. The threat, however, is not much regarded by the ruffians, who highly disapprove Austria making any attack freely boast that they can go to Hoboken by the overland route; that is, by way of the Courtlandt street ferry and Jersey City. This frightens the Hoboken people, and upon her, so also are we thoroughly determined to throw upon her all the perils and risks of any attack she may make upon Austhey have called a public meeting, accordtria. ingly, to devise means for protection .that one object of Austria in menacing Prus-sia and Italy, is to force England to assent to The Board of Excise has received thus far about \$200,000 for license to sell liquor. Before the entire city is disposed of (including Brooklyn,) it will probably run up to a mil--Two men who were accomplices in a murder, and more lately a New York city mock auctioneer," all of whom were justly convicted and sent to the penitentiary, have been let loose upon the community by the pardoning power, without any adequate reason whatever being given for such a course. New Jersey .- The two hundredth anni-

versary of the settlement of the city of Newark was appropriately celebrated at that place last week by the Historical Society, and also by the civic and military authorities. Ad-dresses suitable to the occasion were delivered in the First Presbyterian Church, A procession of fire and military companies was to have come off, but it was postponed on account of the weather.

Massachusetts .- The bill to legalize the sale of liquor has been defeated in the House of Representatives by a vote of 146 to 49. one Trustees for the Lincoln University, (the new title of the old Ashmun Institute) was

Indiana.-It is reported from New Albany, an Indiana town, that a divorce was recently granted, among many others, in the case of M'Cartney vs. M'Cartney, but neither of the parties knew of the suit, or was present when the decree was made; both lived together most happily and were astounded to find that they were separated. How it hap-pened no one knows, but the divorce was granted, and the parties may have to get married over again. Such loose proceedings as these are the natural result of the wretched divorce laws of Indiana. Mr. Colfax will have to pay some attention to his own State, as well as to Utah.

Illinois. — A slaughter house has been erected near Chicago, to do the entire laughtering of that city. It is 270 feet long by 175 wide, and is three stories high, and can work off daily 15,000 head of cattle, hogs, and sheep.——Colonel Sloo, radical postmaster at Cairo, has been removed.

Maryland.—An employee of the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad, named Snyder, has been arrested on the complaint of some colored persons, who charge that he most unceremoniously put them out of the "ladies room" at the Presi-dent street depot. Judge Bond will hear the had been held on every evening, and the subcase, which is to be argued under the Civil.

brought into view. The promised blessing was not withheld, and pastors and people may well be led to encouragement and grati Tennessee.-The House of Representatude.-Banner of the Covenant. tives has passed a bill conferring civil rights on negroes, by a vote of 31 to 20, with amend-ments excluding blacks from juries and their **Bevivals.**—An encouraging work has been going on for some time in the Third U. P. Church, Rev. Dr. John G. Brown's, in Pittschildren from the common schools.——The remains of the seven Ohio soldiers of Mitchburgh, Pa. This work commenced immedi ately after the dispensation of the Lord's ell's railroad expedition, who were hanged by Supper about the middle of March, and so the rebels, have been properly interred at Chattanooga.——Northern capital is pouring into East Tennessee, and especially at Knoxmanifest was the presence of the Divine Spirit that the Session agreed that the Sacraville and Chattanooga. New houses and facment of the Supper should be dispensed again on the last Sabbath of April, which was done accordingly. On that occasion over tories are springing up, and farms are being purchased by farmers and army officers. Several extensive steam saw mills, iron forty accessions were made to the communion foundries and a large cloth manufactory are roll. The religious interest manifested is so rolected at Unatta Senate has rejected the resolution favoring the formation of East Tennessee into a sepa rate State. Alabama.-It appears that after all the grandiloquent boasting of Mr. Semmes, he has not yet been pardoned, and therefore the Ref. Pres. Items.—At the recent commu-nion of the First Reformed Presbyterian conmilitary commander of the district has issued gregation, New York, eighty-three persons an order forbidding the said Raphael Semmes, werd added to the membership of the church. Esq., from assuming or carrying on the duties Of these, seventy-seven were additions to the of probate judge. Louisiana.—The White Workingmen's church, fifty being on certificate from other bodies, but mostly from the United Presby Eight Hour League of New Orleans, which excludes negroes from membership, struck terian Church; and twenty-seven by profes-sion of their faith. ——The Reformed Pres-byterian Church (New Side) has in this coun-try fifty-eight ordained ministers. The First Reformed Church of Philadelphia (Dr. Wyrecently, and were much disgusted next day to find their places filled by colored work-The Territories .-- The reported massacre lie's) has nine ruling elders, three Sabbathof the garrison of Fort Goodwin has been schools-in which there are sixty teachers, confirmed. A letter has been received from and six hundred and seventy-nine pupils-Arizona, which says that two companies of and eight hundred and sixty-nine members. the third battalion, 14th U. S. Infanry, had been murdered and scalped, and that of one hundred men, but seven escaped. The In-dians professed friendship, were admitted into the fort and destroyed the garrison. C. E. Blake, late Lieutenant 48th U. S. C. T., is agent for this very superior and in Other outrages had also occurred. ---- Sixteresting work of art, containing accurate porteen friendly Indians, mostly women and traits of about a score of leading officials as children, were massacred by a party of whites sembled on that sorrowful occasion. Mr. Blake is appointing canvassers, and can be in Idaho Territory last March.

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**INDEMNITY FOR** the week evening meetings for some time. ——Sabbath, May 13, was a jubilee day to the Ref. Dutch Church at Flatlands, for at LOSS OF LIFE OR INJURY the communion which was then celebrated, fifty members were added to that little Zion.

Spain and Chili — The Spanish fleet, under Admiral Nunez, has been repulsed before Callao, May 2, in an attempt to bombard that city. Nearly all the Spanish vessels were damaged and the Admiral wounded. Religious Entelligence.

the convention of a European Congress.-The news from Germany is unchanged, but there are still some hopes of a peaceful adjustment. It is stated that in consequence of Mr. Motley's remonstrances, the last of the Austrian volunteer rifle corps destined for Mexico have

Callao was but slightly injured.

PRESBYTERIAN.

Ashmun Institute .- A Board of twenty

elected by Newcastle Presbytery at their late

meeting, and this institution recommended

to the churches. A correspondent of the

Presbyterian writes :-- "You will be glad to learn, and the friends of the Ashmun Insti-

tute especially, that during the present ses-sion God has blessed this institution with an

interesting work of grace, and twelve or fifteen of the students have been hopefully converted. Of the forty young men now

connected with the institution, one-half were

candidates for the gospel ministry at the

time of their entrance; and of those recently brought, as we trust, to a saving knowledge of Christ, doubtless some will be led by the

Spirit of God to engage in the great work of

preaching to their fellow-men the riches of

Ref. Pres. Churches in Philadelphia.

t gives us pleasure to mention that consid-

erable accessions have been made to each of

the Ref. Pres. Churches in this city, at their re-

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Suropean troubles, in the following language:

Austria, Prussia, Italy .-- It is asserted

United States are as follows:

Great Britain,

United States,

rance.

Austria. Russia, An extraordinary financial panic was prevailing in England, May 12; when the rate of discount was raised to 10 per cent., and

agent's lips when he says, "give, give." And thus it stands, pleading all through the preliminary service, while each one has time to study its significance "to his heart's content"-or otherwise.

the generous and the noble to fulfill all deposited in the boxes." The service der and benevelent chords, and people begin to fumble in their pockets for the money. How can they help it? How a man would look, sitting bolt upright, Cottage Grove and Sun Prairie, Wis. doing nothing, while all the rest were depositing their "fractionals" in that open, pleading little month! It is irresistible. It works like a charm. They the pastorate and the active duties of don't "pass" the contribution box, but the ministry, by ill health, has so far rethe collection has more than doubled by covered that he is again able and desirous this little device. It deserves a patent.

REVIVALS.

in Livonia and West Bloomfield. We of Pittsburgh, has been invited to deliver know that the valued pastors of both a lecture before the Pittsburgh Temperthese churches have been laboring and ance League, on the wine-drinking cushoping for these blessed results, and toms of society.----Rev. Charles Kenthat their hearts will be made to rejoice | dall has closed his labors with the church greatly in this Divine visitation.

Church of Rochester; making one hun- H. Hyde was installed pastor of the dred and three received at the last two Church in Carrollton, Ill., April 29th. bellion, and it cannot be foreseen that this communions, and making the member- The sermon was preached by Rev. W. ship of this church now one thousand L. Tarbet, of Virden. and sixty-eight.

ROCHESTER, May 19, 1866.

The following periodicals are on our table :----

Littell's Living Age, No. 1146, May 19, in the Seminary. 1866.

Our Young Folks, for June. THE WESTMINSTER REVIEW. April, 1866.

Reading, the first pastor, is expected to to be with them on the occasion.

THE PRESBYTERY OF GALENA AND BELVIDEBE held an adjoured meeting in Warren, Ill., May 10th, and installed But lest any should have failed to Rev. Eugene H. Avery as pastor of the understand its intent, or to give time for Presbyterian Church in that place. The introductory exercises were conducted their hearts' desire, the last thing before | by Rev. S. M. Gates; Rev. D. R. Eddy the sermon the minister says: "The preached the sermon, and, being Modecollection for the morning will now be rator, asked the constitutional questions; Rev. Aratus Kent gave the charge to paases. The organ touches a few ten- the pastor, and Rev. Charles A. Williams the charge to the people.

> PERSONAL.-Rev. C. W. Higgins has commenced labors with the churches of -The Rev. A. D. Barber of the Presbytery of Champlain, who has for five or six years past been laid aside from to resume these duties. He may still be addressed at Williston, Vt.---The Rev.

We hear of precious revivals beginning Herrick Johnson, of the Third Church in Auburn, having engaged to act as the remainder of the day. The President Rev. Dr. Shaw, last Sabbath, re- supply of the Presbyterian Church in sent to the House a communication from Rev. Dr. Shaw, last Sabbath, re-ceived eighteen more to the Brick Church of Rochester: making one hun-H. Hyde was installed pastor of the H. Hyde was installed pastor of the H. Hyde was installed pastor of the force is required in all the States lately in re-

LANE SEMINARY .- The thirtieth anni-The revival in the First Baptist versary was celebrated May 10th. There Church of Rochester continues with were four addresses by students, and an marked power. And in this connection address by Rev. Dr. Tuttle. The Board it is pleasant to mention that one of the of Trustees filled the vacancy in the oldest deacons of this church says, that | Faculty, (department of Exegesis,) by many of those who have come forward appointing Rev. Elisha Ballandine, Disto unite with this church, date their con- trict Secretary of the American Board victions back to the faithful labors of and formerly professor of Languages in Rev. E. P. Hammond among us, three years before. BOOHESTER. May 19, 1866. Here is a rine scholar a clear and the work. The bill to establish a reform school in the District was passed. Mr. De-land, whose seat had been contested, was, by Ballantine is a ripe scholar, a clear and vigorous thinker, a brother beloved by all who knew him, and will be a valua. ble addition to the corps of instruction

THE WESTMINSTER REVIEW. April, 1866. American Edition. Re-publication of the London, Edinburgh, North British, and Westminster Quarterly Reviews. Contents: -'Railway Reform; The Royal Hospital of Bethlehem; The Situation in Austria; French Opinions of the English; The United States Constitution and the Secessionists; Paul Louisa Courier; Commons Round Lon-don; H. Taine on Art and Italy; Contempo-don; H. Taine on Kri and Italy; Contempo-don; H. The Silver Plate for which some of the

notice. The resolutions were therefore postponed until Wednesday. An attempt was made to bring up the Colorado bill, but, after debate, the consideration of the President's veto of the measure was made the special order of Tuesday next. The fortification appropriation bill was passed. The bill to incorporate the Academy of Music at Washing-ton, D. C., was passed.

House.—May 15.—Mr. Paine's substitute for the bill relative to appointments to the Military Academy was adopted. The bill amending the organic laws of the Territories was passed. The Tax bill was considered in Committee, and various amendments were adopted.

May 16.-A bill was reported providing for the safety of the lives of passengers on steamships. Among other provisions, it contains a section to prohibit the transportation of nitro-glycerine on steamers, ships, boats or wagons which convey passengers, under a heavy penalty. If it is so carried, and death results, the persons offending may be convicted of murder, and punished ac-cordingly. The Tax bill was taken up. May 17.—The bill to authorize the use of

the metric system of weights and measures in the United States was passed. The measure is not compulsory, but merely permissive. Standard weights and measures in accordance with the system are to be furnished to the Governor of each State. Post office business with foreign countries is to be computed according to weight in grammes. The Bank-rupt bill w s taken up, and, after some debate, laid over until Tuesday. The Tax bill occupied the attention of the House during force will not be required for some time to come. It is to be hoped that this force will not be necessary to enforce the laws, either State or National. But the difference of sentiment engendered by the great war which has raged for four years will make the presence of a military force necessary, to give a feeling of security to the people; all classes disposed to obey the laws of the country will

feel this alike." May 18.—The Committee on Public Lands were directed to report upon the feasibility of planting the Western prairies with timber, or aiding private individuals and companies in resolution, declared entitled to the same. A bill to equalize bounties was reported from the Military Committee. It gives eight and one-third dollars per month for each month of service. The Tax bill was taken up.

May 21.—A resolution was adopted direct-ing the Commissioner of the Freedmen's Bureau to forward to the House those reports adopted requesting the President to furnish, countries are stated in Mr. Gladstone's

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

The Exports of Gold on Saturday, were \$5,873,500, making a total for the week of \$9,352,604. This shipment of Saturday exceeds all expectation, and is the heaviest known in the history of the port. These shipments are the result of the return of our 20's and the difficulty of disposing of cotton bills of exchange. — The available funds in the vaults of the Treasury proper, on the 19th inst., amounted to \$104,378,457 24 which shows an increase of nearly four millions as compared with last week's statement.

FOREIGN.

Great Britain.-The steamer Helvetia which left Liverpool on the 2d, for New York, had put back with one case of cholera on board. The outbreak of cholera among the German emigrants on these vessels was attracting much attention, particularly in Liverpool, where the disease had shown itself while the emigrants were in transit through the town. Several German families had been attacked, and two or three deaths had occurred. Precautionary measures were being adopted, and it is said the Government had ssued instructions to stop the further admission of German emigrants into England until they had passed a full medical examination. -It was asserted in Paris that negotiations were being carried on between England, France, and Russia for the assembling of a European Congress. The London Morning Post says it has reason to believe that such negotiations were going actively on.----Mr Gladstone, in a recent speech on the finances of Great Britain remarked, that the United

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