

SUNNY SIDE ITEMS.—The church at Amesville, O., visited their pastor, Rev. H. C. Cheadle, on New Year's day, spread a bountiful table, and left, among other gifts, a roll of greenbacks amounting to \$60.

CARROLLTON, ILL.—The foundations of a new church building have been laid. It is to be of brick, in the Gothic style, and is designed to afford about four hundred sittings.

CINCINNATI, OHIO.—A mother in Israel, full of years and good works, fell asleep on January 3d. Mrs. Burnet was a native of Delaware, and went to Ohio on horseback for the benefit of her health.

THE ALLEN STREET CHURCH, N. Y., of which Dr. Newell is pastor, is being blessed with an unusual degree of religious awakening. The meetings are largely attended, and already quite a number of conversions have taken place, particularly among the young men of the church.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.—Forty-one persons united with Dr. Scudder's church at the last communion, thirty by profession, and eleven by letter.

UNION SEMINARY, N. Y.—Zion's Herald says: "We understand that there are some eight or ten Methodist students in the Union Theological Seminary (Presbyterian) at New York preparing themselves for the Methodist ministry."

Religious Intelligence.

THE REFORMED CHURCHES.

[N. B.—In adopting this time-honored designation of "Reformed," (as the name of those branches of the Christian church, which assert ministerial parity and outward organic union in church order, and the Augustinian or Calvinistic doctrines in matters of faith,) we, of course, would not be understood as stigmatizing other bodies as unreformed. We use the word simply in the technical, historical sense.]

Philadelphia O. S. Presbytery.—The Rev. R. B. Westbrook, D. D., having by letter announced his withdrawal from the ministry and communion of the Presbyterian Church, the Stated Clerk was directed to strike his name from the roll and publish the fact in all the religious papers.

Not Willing to Go.—At the last meeting of the Synod of New Jersey, one of the officers of the Executive Committee of Foreign Missions made the remarkable statement, "that for the last eighteen months, not a single person from any of our seminaries, not one from Princeton, not one from Alleghany, had made an application to that body to be sent as a missionary to any part of the pagan or Mohammedan world."

Freedmen's Presbyterian Church.—A colored Presbyterian Church, Old School, was dedicated at Columbia, Tenn., on the 23d of December. The edifice is 35 by 60 feet, two stories; and is designed both for a church and school.

The Western Presbyterian Centenary is eliciting facts as to the early history of the West. The Baptist claim that the first Church founded in the State of Ohio was the Baptist Church at Columbus, near Cincinnati. That was just 76 years ago.

Presbyterianism in New Hampshire.—The Scotch Irish Presbyterians came to New Hampshire as early as 1719. The first settlement was made in the southern part of the State upon the large tract soon after known as Londonderry.

German Reformed Statistics.—The statistical report for the Synodic year gives the following results, viz.: 2 Synods, 29 classes, 475 ministers, 1,162 congregations, 109,248 members, 70,432 unconfirmed members, 11,088 baptisms, 6,811 confirmations, 2,392 received on certificates, 90,972 communed, 196 excommunicated, 1,244 dismissed, 4,169 deacons, 926 Sunday schools, 29,187 Sunday school scholars, \$90,882 46 benevolent contributions.

The "Residuary" Fund of Scotland.—Influential members of the Presbyterian Establishment, have formed an organization to augment such livings of parish ministers as do not amount to \$100 per annum.

"The First Church of Derry" is a union of Presbyterian and Congregational elements. And during the long pastorate of the late Mr. Parker, it was regularly represented in the Presbytery of Londonderry. The first Congregational Church of Derry, was formed in part of a section of the Londonderry Church, when its present house of worship was erected on a new site in 1837.

Installation.—The Rev. D. C. Frank, for several years pastor of a Congregational Church in Canada East, has been installed pastor of the Presbyterian Church in New Boston, N. H., by the Presbytery of Londonderry.

The Reactionists of the O. S. Church have alarmed our contemporary, the Presbyterian, at last. One of their articles (signed "A Minority Man," has been rejected, and the whole series, with additions, is announced as coming out in pamphlet form.

Result of Revival Work.—The bounds of the O. S. Synod of Pittsburgh, have been the scene of repeated Presbyterian conventions, to discuss such questions as "What is a revival? What means ought to be employed in seeking a revival, and what encouragements have we to use them? What hindrances stand in the way? How can they be removed or overcome?"

Pacific Coast.—A new Presbyterian Church (O. S.) has been organized at Visalia, Cal. The nearest Presbyterian church is 175 miles distant, at Stockton.

Revivals.—Rayne, O., church is enjoying an encouraging revival. Twenty members were added at New London, Pa., at the last communion, making seventy during 1865-66.

Dedication.—On Sabbath, the 23d of December, a church edifice was dedicated to the service of God, at Mechanicsville, Cedar Co., Iowa.

Dead.—Judge Perkins, of the "Oaks," near Columbus, Mississippi, who died recently, in the eighty-sixth year of his age, gave within the last few years not less than \$80,000 for Christian uses.

A Veteran Gone.—Rev. John Munson, so long known in the Presbytery of Allegheny as "Father Munson," died at his residence in London, Mercer county, Pa., on the 18th of December, in the eighty-third year of his age.

Dr. Wadsworth to Stay in California. We are glad, says the Pacific of Dec. 27th, to have the assurance contained in the Times of the 24th, that the excellent Doctor has decided to remain here, notwithstanding the urgent call he has had to go East.

First Reformed Presbyterian Church of New York.—The Rev. Dr. McLeod delivered a discourse, Sabbath, Jan. 13, commemorative of the seventieth anniversary of the organization of the First Reformed Presbyterian Church in that City.

First R. P. Church, Phila.—This "Mother of Churches" has raised the pastor's salary from \$2,500 to \$3,500, by a unanimous vote. The church was established at the close of the last century, and has sent out nearly thirty ministers of the gospel.

Death of a Pioneer Preacher.—Rev. John W. Morrison died at Lake Forest, Ill., on the 5th inst. For a quarter of a century he preached the Gospel, as a minister of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, with clearness, eloquence, and fidelity.

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The Second Ref. Dutch Church, of Coxsackie, reported on Thanksgiving day \$5724 as subscribed and paid during the year for improving the church edifice and the purchase of a parsonage.

The "Residuary" Fund of Scotland.—Influential members of the Presbyterian Establishment, have formed an organization to augment such livings of parish ministers as do not amount to \$100 per annum.

The Professorship of Evangelistic Theology.—Dr. Duff, taking the matter in hand with his characteristic energy and zeal, has succeeded in raising £10,000 (\$50,000), for the endowment of this new Free Church professorship, and has consented to allow himself to be nominated for the position.

OTHER DENOMINATIONS. Baptist.—Rev. J. A. Smith, D. D., in a communication to the Western Pulpit on the subdivisions and prospects of the union of the Baptist denomination, furnishes these statistics: Regular Baptists, 1,040,303; Disciples, Campbellites, 300,000; Free-Will Baptists, 56,738; Seventh-Day Baptists, 6,686; Six Principles Baptists, 3,000; Winnebrennarians, 23,800; Antimission Baptists, 50,000; Christians, 33,640; Dunkers, 20,000. Total, 1,544,167.

Methodist.—Zion's Herald estimates the aggregate of the centenary collections at \$3,671,784, of which New York State gives \$1,360,257, and Ohio, \$695,792. Our own State cum magno intervallo sequitur, giving \$258,976, and Massachusetts \$236,023.

Moravian.—The German branch of the United Brethren numbers 14,240 adult communicants. "In the missions there are 32,329 baptized adults, in all 70,235, counting candidates (12,089) and children. They have eighty-nine mission stations, and 307 preaching places. There are 162 male and 151 female missionaries, 882 male and female native assistants, a total of 1,195 laborers in the foreign mission field."

Missionary.—Madagascar.—In church fellowships there are now 8574 persons, representing a total Christian population of between 10,000 and 18,000. Some of the Bibles, which were presented by the first missionaries, almost forty years ago, were preserved, and often stealthily read during Ranavalona's long reign: one of the present missionaries obtained a copy which had been carefully read by the people.

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Special Notices. Philadelphia Tract and Mission Society, Office 1324 Chestnut street. The Hundred and fifty-seventh Union Meeting in behalf of this Society will be held in the Presbyterian Church, Seventeenth and Spruce, on Sabbath afternoon, 27th inst., at 3 o'clock.

Fox River Pres. will hold its next Annual Meeting at Stevens Point, Wis., on Tuesday, February 6th, 7 o'clock P. M. Session Records will be presented. S. H. ASHMUN, Stated Clerk. Rural Wis., Jan. 5, 1867.

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