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Among those sentenced to seven years imprisonment, two to five years, one woman to three years, and one to one year. Among those sentenced to eighteen years of hard labor, is Father Vito Maria, Capuchin preacher, who by his vehement harangues excited the people to perpetrate the massacre; also the Canon Ruggero Postiglione, who concocted the plot. The public prosecutor insisted on their being condemned for life, but the jury decided that there were some extenuating circumstances, which mitigated the atrocity of their crimes, and they had accordingly the benefit of this recommendation to mercy.

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The Barletta Felons Convicted.—The devil has at last got his due in this case, or an installment of it at least. The trial of those who participated in the massacre of March, 1866, has just ended.

Brasher Falls, N. Y., Pres ch, 15 00; Stamford, N. Y., Pres ch, 6 18; Putnam, Ohio, Mrs Lucinda Nye Cazenovia, N. Y., First Pres ch, 10 00; Ambo, N. Y., First Pres ch, 55 25; Nineveh, N. Y., Pres ch, 17 00; New York City, Pres ch of the Covenant, 618 33; Maumee City, Ohio, Pres ch, 4 00; Homer, Ohio, 10 25; Elizabethtown, N. J., Third Pres ch, 36 55; Oaks Corner, N. Y., Pres ch, 2 00; Calkinsville, Ohio, North Liberty Pres ch, 7 00; Pittsford, N. Y., First Pres ch, 17 50; Philadelphia, Pa., "Fides," per S C Perkins, Esq., 31 89; Pevano, Mich, Pres ch, 8 00; Muir, Mich, Pres ch, 4 00; Mount Vernon, N. Y., Pres ch, 5 00.

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The Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary will meet in the study-room of the Rev. Dr. Wylie's Church, in this city, on Wednesday the Fourth day of March; next, at 3 o'clock P. M., to attend upon the closing exercises of the Seminary. The examination of the students, &c. The students will deliver their discourses in the evening at 7 o'clock, in the Lecture-room of the Church.

A. G. McCauley, Secretary pro tem. Philadelphia, Feb. 22, 1868.

Special Notices.—Philadelphia Fourth Presbyterian stands adjourned to meet in the Presbyterian Hall, Monday, 2nd March, 1868.

Meeting of Elders.—In accordance with a resolution passed by the last General Assembly, a Meeting of the Elders of the Fourth Presbyterian Church of Philadelphia will be held in the Clinton Street Presbyterian Church, (Chestnut Street, before Spruce) on Thursday Evening, February 27th, at half past seven o'clock, to take into consideration matters connected with the welfare and prosperity of our Church.

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