ASSEMBLY. **GENERAL**

Saturday (Concluded.)

Rev. Chas. Brown Secretary of the Ministerial Relief fund was heard by vote of the house. He the closed fields, especially among the Mahommedans teared that everybody would feel that this was a popular cause and commended itself to each church, d so individually neglect it. He sought to imter upon every one present. By the \$500 from Pittsburg and by the \$1200 from Mrs. Warren's legacy, they had tided over, by a remarkable providence, a very perilous time. He spoke of the continual increase in the number of applications, and hoped that the increase of funds would be applied. the demand. He showed the certificate of mem-

bership in concluding his remarks. Rev. Mr. Taylor said that the record was plain, perpetual claim on the Church for support. (Applause.) [The discussion of the topic then became

spirited and general.]

Dr. John C. Smith would like to see the man to vote against that report. (Laughter and applause.) His heart had moved him to say that as a matter of justice to ourselves, we ought to see to it that the men who do the work, should be provided for. (Applause.) Dr. Smith then went on in his quaint, humorous way to make a strong appeal for the cause. He alluded in closing to Rev. Thomas Brown, of East Tennessee, who was now on the floor of the house, and who deserved the full honor of all such support.

[Mr. Brown's story, I may here say, is known to very many in the Church, but not yet to all. He vas a member of the Assembly of 1866 at St. Louis, and it was then discovered that he had stood true to God and his country. He has a noble record of patriotism and piety in the darkest of the rebellion. and on the darkest and bloodiest ground of all the South. Now it may have escaped the memory of some among us that the same Thomas Brown, scarred and burned by hardship and by sun, has been true also to our own Presbyterian truth. He was the second signer of the Protest against the action of the Assembly of 1837, and his record on slavery and all kindred issues is as clear as the rest of his history. And yet this man, who was proved, and held fast because he was good, has been and is been transferred in 1842, the work was then begun. and held fast because he was good, has been and is in circumstances of almost absolute poverty.]

Dr. Nelson spoke of this work as belonging especially to the care of the eldership. He felt that it was a delicate thing for the ministry to urge upon the churches that they should attend to matters. which so directly benefitted ministers and their families. If the elders would do this he had no doubt it would be well done.

Hon. Wm. E., Dodge spoke of providing for the support of the families of deceased ministers. He urged the importance of life-insurance when a minister entered upon the duties of his profession. A interference of Christian governments who are in-minister ought to be free from worldly care, not merely by receiving a competent salary, but also the fruits of the Gospel, and the word is being once by being presented with a policy of life-insurance; more preached on the ruins of the cities that play claims of life-insurance; more preached on the ruins of the cities that play claims of life-insurance; more preached on the ruins of the cities that play too. By this means an incalculable amount of, anxiety would be spared.

Dr. Spear also spoke earnestly, and was followed by elders Huntington and Foote. Dr. Nelson alluded to the fact that the culpable modesty of which he might be accused, had passed away, for the last collection he had taken as a pastor was for this cause. Amid great enthusiasm the question was called for and taken by a rising vote, the entire house standing up in the affirmative.
Adjourned with prayer until Monday

telegraphing to the Albany Assembly, was post-poned until to-morrow. Foreign missions and Home missions therefore occupied its place. Several earnest speeches were made, and the money mat- blessing on their work than in their hearts. The terrible war which has agitated all hearts and

was then constituted for business According to the usual custom the calling of the roll was dispensed with until the closing session.

Dr. Frentiss, moved that the Assembly pay their respects to Gov. Geary, now that we were here in the capital of this ancient Commonweath. His to the churcles and lay these wants before them. motion included the purpose that the Assembly should go as a body ten minutes before this morning's session closed, and that the Moderator address him on our behalf. The resolution was adopted, and there was a committee of three appointed, consisting of Dr. Prentiss, Hon. E. A. Lambert, and Hon. Wm. E. Dodge make arrangements.

Rev. T. Dwight Hunt paid a tribute to the ability and goodness of our present chief magistrate, and alluded to the time when he had every vote in San Francisco out of 1600, save his own.

Dr. Cox wished to bring up a small matter after this one of so great magnificence. Some brother had taken his glove and left another in his hat. There was much amusement over this, and it was suggested that the Doctor might "throw the glove down," which he declined to do. He wasn't like just now whatever Dr. Breckinridge might be. [Whether he finally got his glove or ho, your reporter cannot say.]

The committee of three just appointed were instructed to ask Gov. Geary to accompany us to Gettysburg if it met his convenience,

After this came that relic of the old barbarismthe calling off of the letters by the clerk, and the claiming of them by the Assembly. Your reporter's elbow has been jogged so much this morning, that this report of his doubtless tooks like shorthand, and he has been compelled to view his paper through the superincumbent strata of about four He has a vivid remembrance that Dr. Spees at Dayton, Ohio, in 1864 inaugurated the postoffice system, and that it has been followed up with great success until this year. And now we have at one fell slip gone from the top of the mountain to its base, and very base the present plan appears. Here we are twenty, thirty, forty minutes in confusion every morning, and we poor wretches who have to catch everything, catch this along with the

rest.]
The reports on Synodical records were then con-

tinued and several others were received. The question of the place of next meeting elicited remarks from the Stated and Permanent Clerks which seemed to indicate that about that time the than an energetic and rejuvenated Church? Is not next meeting would be very much mixed up with

Dr. S. W. Fisher inquired whether Dr. Musgrave had communicated anything as to the report from the Philadelphia Convention. Dr. Hutfield replied that a letter had been received and was now in the missionaries and Rev. D. W. Poor, D.D., Rev. trate of this great Commonwealth, I am truly haphands of the special committee who are in session in the city.

Elder Richard Edwards of Pittsburgh offered a resolution concerning the contributions to Foreign Missions, which was referred to the Standing Committee on that subject.

Rev. Geo. W. Wood, D.D., Secretary of the A. B. C. F. M., then addressed the Assembly. He recalled the fact that just thirty years ago, to a day, in the stormy times of the division of the Presbyterian Church, he had sailed from New York, a young and newly ordained missionary on his way to carry the gospel to the isles of the Chinese and Indian Seas. Of was then 115 to 150 days, only he remained alive. | fiery elders got into the work, and he wished to ree

the cause had passed away like their fellows. The cause of Foreign Missions had not advanced as it might, because its wants had not been studied as they needed to be, and so the means at hand had not been used with the greatest possible effect. But and Chinese, had been wonderfully opened up. Then they could only reach the Chinese through outlying colonies, such as that to which he was sent, 2000

mission to preach Christ through the whole Empire. Our transpacific commerce brings us still nearer, yea, face to face with China, and the results of this yea, face to face with China, and the results of this raising of money.

new intercourse with one third the population of the globe will be immense, as regards our own land the globe will be immense, as regards our own land rich men of the country, into whose coffers God that they who preached the gospel should "live of the gospel." To preach that gospel constituted a the globe will be immense, as regards our own land and the world. The Embassy from the Court of had been pouring money, pressed harder in the Pekin, headed by an American citizen, which to day reaches the National Capital, is China asking our friendship, and whatever good we are able to give thought that they failed often out West, because her. Is it not God's answer to the resolution adopted at the last meeting of the Am. Board, to undertake the evangelization of China on a more extensive scale? We cannot afford, even from a national point

of view, to leave China unchristianized. The guidings of Providence in India during those thirty years had been equally remarkable. Long before that date, the defeat of the French and the Forman fore that date, the defeat of the French and the French ceiving Christian baptiem. The Times justly characterized the army, which originated that great storm of fire and blood, as "a government preserve of high-caste Hindoors"." But now converts are equal in every thing before the law, and secular English culture in every form is breaking down all the old social barriers. The moral and religious tone of British residents is greatly improved, and they are becoming more willing to co-operate with

at eight central points in the face of overwhelming obstacles. The united force of a corrupt Christian Church and a despotic Moslem rule, was weighing heavily in persecution upon the mission. Converts came by night to the missionaries and the most cruel persecutions were inflicted and endured for Christ's sake. Beheading was the punishment for a Mahommedan who became a Christian, not in theory and threat only, but in many cases in fact But under God religious equality has been secured in law and largely also in fact, partly through the the most prominent part in sacred and profane his tory. Islam is being undermined by the reforms of the Sultan as no Christian prince on his throne could do, because he speaks with religious as wel as civil authority. Africa is being widely explored.

A new colossal Protestant empire holds the balance of power in Europe, and intolerant Austria has fall len and abandoned her intolerance. A united Italy, a liberalized Russia, a democratic Great Ertain, a purified America, a new life in the several not with politics properly so-called, and still less ar branches of the true Church of Christ, are the signs, ray outselves in the line of any political party, we Adjourned with prayer until Monday

Monday Morning.

Rev. Elias J. Richards, of Reading, Pa., led the opening exercises. It was at first supposed that the meeting would take up more particularly the topic of re-union, but that, through delay about telegraphing to the Albany Assembly was postwith a pure Christianity, if, we did not bear with all the influences which they possess, and by all the Him the burden of the world's salvation. His prepower and efficiency which they have, the rightful sence with the missionary is manifest not less in His authorities of the land. And, sir, during the late perishing for lack of knowing Him. The present is an hour of crisis; large supplies of men and money are needed if we are to hold on to the old fields, to say nothing of entering upon the work in the principles of the Constitution and the law of the principles of the Constitution and the law of wants of Home and Foreign Missions make the China. He pleaded with the Assembly to go down

Dr. Prentiss reported from the Committee appointed to visit Gov. Geary. He had accepted the kindness of the Assembly with thanks. He was evidently gratified, said Dr. Prentiss, not merely as chief-magistrate of this State but also as a Presbyterian lately received into the fellowship of the Church. And he received into the fellowship of the Church. And he of duty to our consciences for us to honor, [Apwas going to Gettysburg as requested. The report plause,] when in him we recognize the gallant was received with applause.

sions. It praises the report of the Permanent Committee in the highest terms. Last year's progress has been very encouraging as to the ways opened to time being, as we may call ourselves, of the Comthe work. But there is reason for discouragement monwealth of Pennsylvania, I feel disposed to as to the contributing. Half the churches give adopt as the motto of our General Assembly those nothing and the other half give comparatively very familiar words of the Roman poet: "Teucro duce little. The "Monthly Concert" appears to be lau-guishing. The earnestness at home is very small compared with that abroad. The unsearchable interpretittoo liberally), is "while Governor John riches of the divine mercy are a deposit in the hands of the churches, and Paul himself considered himself debtor unto all men to give them the truth. Nothing is more certain to Christianity than that his Excellency Governor Geary, of the Commonthough not in degree, to all mankind. The report urges the deepening of this feeling among churches. Expansion is the law of personal Christiauity. A comparison of Foreign and Home Misfourths of men are without the Gospel. The onetourth has all the ministry minus about one in forty or one in thirty. What a repression of Christian guilt of this vast breach of trust. Access is now open to the ends of the world and communication thither rapid and safe. China with 400,000,000 comes to us to seek our influence and aid. The time has arrived for a new beginning in Foreign Missionary work. If the late successes are encour aging there are great offsetts. The world has ad vanced more than the Church. Materialism holds sway, and what more will come we do not know. What standard does the Holy Spirit lift up sooner a Pentecostal outpouring needed just at this very ime? The report urges the oneness of Home and Foreign Missions-but it insists that to send abroad Theodorus Brown, Rev. Robert Aikman, Mr. Wm. Church and Hon. Wm. E. Dodge were recommended to the vacant places on the Permanent Committee for the full term of three years. Dr. Skinner then very earnestly spoke of the feelings he experienced about the subject and closed by offering it to the General Assembly.

S. W. Fisher moved its adoption paying a graceful tribute to the admirable character of the report and to the man who read it.

Rev. F. A. Neble of Pittsburgh Presbytery sup-

the cause of God endured still, while the workers in monthly concert it would be found that the material wonderful has been the martial prowess of our peooffered an amendment regarding the Monthly Con-cert itself. It designs to reach the knowledge of full and careful inquiries as to this agency as will make it truly efficient.

wards' "Humble Attempt," &c., would be read again by our ministry. The Monthly Concert is the test of the interest in missions and mission work, He did not wish the first Monday evening of the month surrenderedr agents

Rev. C. J. Hutchins, suggested that we take the most practical means to get information as to the

they didn't work for Foreign Missions. He discovered it where he was on the borders. If Christians don't show their Christianity by doing what Christ commandain the way of carrying the gospel, then they would be hampered in home labor. There has been no loss to the white ministry by all that has been done among the Dakotas. Such labor has been profitable in all ways.

The Parmanent Clerk read a telegram received, from the Albany Assembly, fixing Tuesday morning as a time for management of the control of the contro

der of the day for Tuesday morning. 37 This was adopted.

Adjourned to go to the Governor's mansion.

The Governor's Reception. The delegates and members of the Presbyterian General Assembly reached the Executive Mansion at about twelve o'clock. Some two hundred and fifty gentlemen were present, and filled the upper

parlor, being the largest chamber in the house.

Governor Geary and his lady were present to receive the visitors, who paid their respects in turn. A semi-circle was formed, and the Rev. Dr. J. F.

Stearns, Moderator of the Assembly, was introduced to the Governor.

Dr. Steams said: Governor, I have the honor to General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of the United States now convened in the First Pres-byterian church in this city—a Church which ex-plicitly, recognizes, in its Confession of Faith, the authority of the civil magistrate, as ordained under God, over the people, for the glory of His holy name and the public welfare, with the authority to wage war on all just and necessary occasions; a Church which declares it the duty of the civil magistrate to maintain peace and justice in the land, and which tection in all its lawful acts, without distinction of denomination—enjoining it upon all its members that they pray for the civil magistrate; that they honor his person; that they pay him tribute and all rightful dues; that they obey all his lawful commands, and subject themselves to his authority for conscience sake. In obedience to these principles it has always been regarded as our duty to take a deep interest in public affairs, and while we meddle the land. [Applause.] Weare happy, sir, in meeting as an Assembly at the present time, in this Capital City of the good old Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, under whose Charter we, a did our lathers before us, hold our rights—our legal rights and privileges—to find in the chair of the Chief Magis\racy one whose person it is no mere matter soldier, the wise, faithful, patriotic and unflinching Rev. Thomas H. Skinner, D.D., presented the resistatesman, [continued applause,] and more than all port of the Standing Committee on Foreign Mis. a brother beloved in the Gospel of our common Lord. And, sir, meeting as we do at this time, under your auspices and protection-citizens for the nil desperandum!"-which being interpreted freely (and my learned brethren here will correct me it W. Geary is our Governor, we will never despair.'

[Laughter and applause.] Brethren of the Assembly! I have the honor of introducing to you each Christian is similarly indebted in kind, al-though not in degree, to all mankind. The report The Governor said: Mr. Moderator, and gentlemen of the Presbyterian General Assembly: It affords me great pleasure to return you my most hearty tianity. A comparison of Foreign and Home Missions shows how the ministry is apportioned to me by this cordial and exceedingly pleasant visit. each. All the world has an equal claim, yet three And without entire self-abnegation, I feel well assured, that I should attribute this honor to the high regard your noble Church has always entertained or those who may, in the Providence of God, be ife does this imply! There is no alleviation of the charged with executive duties and the prerogatives of government, and to the loyal feeling the Presby terian Church has always manifested for the unity and good government of the country. Applause. am certainly under many obligations to you, sir, for your kindly recognition of any endeavors on my part to aid in the great national struggle, which I trust has happily and forever terminated. We can congratulate ourselves that all armed hostility with n our borders has ceased, and we now earnestly hope for the full enjoyment of that tranquility to which we so anxiously looked forward during the long, dark, and bloody conflict, when the authority of the laws would again be fully established, and when we should feel that the blood of our sons had py that it is in my power to welcome you to the Capital of Pennsylvania, where I understand you are assembled for the purpose of discussing and determining moon such questions and business as may be brought before your Assembly for the government of the great Church you represent. It is my earnest wish that your sojdurn in Harrisburg wil The report was accepted unanimously. Rev. Dr. | be agreeable to you and instructive to our people and that your efforts, in connection with those of a sister Assembly now in session at Albany, to unite the different branches of the Presbyterian Church gospel to the isles of the Chinese and Indian Seas. Of ported this motion in an equally appropriate and ful, and then, in the language of a distinguished the company who then undertook that voyage of what almost eloquent speech. He wanted to have the patriot and Statesman, let it be our motto. The in one grand union, may prove eminently success Union shall be preserved." [Applause.] Milton in

for missions would be more easily obtained. He ple, still infinitely more sublime and great are their achievements in peaceful pursuits. And while we may be engaged in unceasing conflicts with numerwhere Monthly Concerts are held and how con-ducted, with what interest and what attendance. It instructs the Permanent Committee to make such but in that contest, let our weapons be the Bible, the Press, and the implements of industry; our fortifications the school-house and the church; and Dr. Skinner seconded the amendment, hoping that this would be appended in full to the report which he presented. He hoped that President Edwards "Humble Attempt," &c., would be read again when the "morning stars sang together and all the

sons of God shouted for joy."

The Governor then repeated his welcome to the delegates. The whole house was thrown open to them and they were invited to engage in such exercises as they might see fit to engage in.

Rev. S. H. Cox, D. D., said: I hope you will al-

low us to pay our respects to your excellent lady.

A Delegate: I know of no one better able to do so than my friend, Dr. Cox. [Laughter and ap-

Dr. Cox, advancing, said: Governor, I trust, you will allow me say that great as is our respect and affection for you personally and for you as the Chief plause.] Magistrate of this illustrious Keystone State of our Nation's magnificent arch, we are not going to forget the moon because the sun is bright. [Applause.] We pay our cordial respects to the lady herself, believing that her brightness is not all reflection, whose influence will make our reflection all the more joyous and heartfelt when we remember this visit to the Governor's house. [Prolonged applause.] We all feel what my mother told me when my fa-ther died and I asked her "Ma, what does that mean - E Pluribus Unum? " Since then I have so re verenced our soaring eagle, a grand spectacle for all the nations to gaze upon, that I want nothing to go before the souring of the hadion's bird except the Church "Glory to God in the highest peace on

earth and good will to men, Applause. Deace on earth and good will to men, Applause. Calls were made for Attorney General Brewster, who was present. In response, he said he could hardly understand why any one should call upon him to address the Assembly. They were all of that grand old Presbyterian Church, a family of Christians whose history was intimately associated with the religious history of this country. It had been his fortune to be educated at that Geneva of American Presbyterianism—Princeton. He was a Calvinistic Presbyterian from the crown off his head to the soles of his feet. The very government of the Presbyterian Church was the government such as we now have here—a copy of the American Reintroduce to your Excellency the delegates of the public. One of its greatest objects was the protection of civil liberty. When we look back upon the history of the Presbyterian Church in the United States through the late rebellion we must concede that the conduct of that Church was characteristic in its teachings. It was, indeed, characteristic of its faith to be conservative of law and order. But when the occasion came and when they had to de cide upon their duty to their country, they chose, under God's Rrovidence, the line of their duty, and it was owing to the Presbyterian Church that we had triumphed. I regret (he said) how inadequately I have responded to our call.

Dr. Cox-You are the only one that regrets it sir.! [Laughter and applause.].
Calls were made for the Hon. William E. Dodge who said: It is now half-past twelve o'clock, and we are all auxious to shake hands with the Governor, so that we will not have time to make any more extended remarks. I can only say Amen to all that has been said. [Applause.]

Dr. Steams then introduced a large number of

delegates by name to Governor and Mrs. Governor Geary, and after a brief and pleasant social intercourse and exchange of sentiment, the delegates separated mutually pleased and gratified,

Monday Afternoon. The Standing Committee's Report on Foreign Missions was in order, but was postponed to make room for two others.

The Report of the Standing Committee on Epu-CATION, which was read by Dr. Hickok, speaks with

ress of Christianity. (2.) The Presbyteries are responsible if they allow the work to fail, or linger, and they too may reap a rich reward if they are faithful to the work

Education cause an essential requisite to the prog-

(3.) This General Assembly would enjoin upon the 1 resbyteries the full consideration of these solemn responsibilities and these inspiring encour-

agements. The Committee recommend for appointment Rev. George L. Prentiss, D.D., Rev. Theodore L. Cuyler, D.D., James W. Dunning, Esq., Ezra M. Kingsley, Esq., and Charles A. Davidson, Esq.

The question then recurred upon the adoption of the Foreign Mission Report, and on this Elder Oliver, of Cincinnati, spoke, urging colonization as an

sbject to be considered especially. Rev Mr. Tracy, of India, spoke of that country Lord Stanley once prepared and sent out to India a minute on educari n, which shut the Bible out of government schools. Christian teachers, however, were permitted to instruct out of school hours. But the last point was ignored and the Bible was practically shut out. Many English officers in authorty and in the East India Company's service, were nfidels. But the young Brahmins were discontent ed at this, and made complaint that they were required to study Shakspeare and Milton and could not understand them without the Scriptures. Some years ago there was a society formed of those who renounced idolatry, in order to see on what they should base their faith. They sent to Benares and enquired and studied the old books, but it ended in their rejection of the Vedas and their becoming very like Christians. These men came out as the party of progress against idolatry, caste and heathen customs. Their watchword was "Onward, upward," and they received and venerated the Bible and they wished to be helped up into clearer light. One cried out, "O, Father, give us faith!" They had some light, they wanted more. This society extends now to the Himalayas. And the crisis is this-that the lect liere is not too good for India's 200,000,000.

Rev. Mr. Walker, of Wisconsin, raised a practical question. He wanted to see the contributions of the churches directed by the pastors into the true channels and the benevolent spirit fostered. He believed that we should put into the manual one the information needed, and by so doing we one the information needed, and by so doing we believed that we should put into the hands of every should interest them and evoke their gifts. specific objects. He spoke of the United Presbyterians as far aheadin this thing. They apportion exactly what is needed-Assembly to Synods. nods to Presbyteries, Presbyteries to their individual Statistics of the U.P. Church in America by no means bear out this assertion. They are over the head in debt.]

Mr. Hatchinson, elder from the N. Y. 3d, urged

the importance of reconsecration to this cause. But the world had advanced and new agents for this cause brought before the Sabbath school. By so unifying the human race had come into play and by so increasing the efficiency of the victories no less than war." However great and holding sway still over one-third of the human race. work, especially for China. He spoke of Confucius

He spoke of the competitive examinations, and wished they might become common with us. He impressed happily and eloquently the importance of going into the foreign work, He regretted now

greatly that he had not gone.

Prof. Owen did not think that the children and the people had been properly educated to giving for the causes of missions.

Among the speakers was Mr. Linus Child, a merchant of Boston, and a member of the American Board of Foreign Missions, who was invited to the platform and introduced to the Assembly.

The report was adopted.

Rev Wm. B. Macomber, of San Francisco, moved that a committee of three, to consist of Drs. Skinner and Conklin, and Elder Green, be appointed to draft a minute expressing the views of the Assembly in regard to the delinquency of the churches in the cause

of Foreign Missiona. Agreed to.

Rev. Dr. Spear, from the Committee on Church
Polity, reported paper No. 2, being a memorial as follows:

WHEREAS, The Spirit of Inspiration (I Timothy iii. 13.) has conferred, by implication, a "good degree" upon Deacons in certain cases, the undersigned being Deacons in the church at Summer Hill, N. Y., respectfully overture the General Assembly, requesting them to define the degree and to fix the proper mode of its recognition. Months of the transfer Samuel Gerald, A.

The Committee recommended that the memorialists be answered by referring them to the Form of Government, Chap! V.L. and the Digest, pp. 47, 48

and 468.
The recommendation was adopted. Dr. Spear also reported the following, being paper

Extract from the minutes of the Presbytery of Cayuga at its session in Auburn, April 16, 1868:

Resolved, Thrat our Commissioners to the General Assembly be instructed to present to the Assembly the matter of the revision of subjects for Church collections and a new issue of blanks corresponding to the revision, and to urge such action as shall pro-gressively insure the annual collection for such authorized subjects, from every church in organic union with the Presbyterian Church.

The Committee recommended that the subject be referred to the Secretaries of the Committees on Home Missions, Education, and Church Erection, to consider the subject and report, if practicable, to the Assembly, and if not so, then to the next As-

sembly.

Rev. A. A. Wood moved to amend by referring the matter to the Stated Clerk, together with the several Secretaries named. Agreed to, and the re-commendation as amended was adopted.

The Assembly then adjourned with prayer.

There differs Monday Evening and the right

Foreign Missions Meeting.

The choir of the church opened the services of the evening with an anthem, in which the superb voice of Miss Briggs sustained the solo part. They have already added very greatly to the interest of all the outside meetings of the Assembly.

The Moderator read the lavii Psalm, and Rev. S.

W. Fisher, D.D., was called upon to pray. After the hymn, "Jesus shall reign where er the sun,"

Rev. Dr.; Bush, of Rochester, [well known to all good American Presbyterians,] addressed the meeting. He spoke of the missionary at home in the foreign field! How one whom he knew, after being unable to go without the city walls, was finally able to see so much result of his labor as to be accompanied on his way towards, this country, when retiring from failing health, by at least one bundred, and fifty. Seventeen hundred villages and fourteen thousand families make up his parish at the present time. That brother had labored all alone and the Board at Boston had felt that he must be supported. The thing which troubled him was how to sustain the churches, which grew out of those labors. And yet they could not get men to go out. The missionaries fail in health and have to return. And their ters of these important causes were made the subject of numerous exhortations and prayers. The Assembly was unusually prompt in filling up the time.

The Assembly was then constituted for hundred and of the Presbyteries, by their discourses, by the failing admirable system by the aid of the Presbyteries, to constantly reinforce the failing admirable system by the aid of the Presbyteries, to constantly reinforce the failing admirable system by the aid of the Presbyteries, to constantly reinforce the failing admirable system by the aid of the Presbyteries, the thing lay. It spoke of the neeting at Pittsfield, favor of the labors of those connected with the Per- demands must be met. Twenty for Turkey, twenty and the report made there, that only one man had offered to go abroad. It illustrated admirably the heart-sickness of the honest, earnest laborers who give their lives and are not reinforced in their weariness. And the heathens themselves want to know Christians don't send aid. A daughter of a chief in the Micronesian Islands had to meet the question, "Why didn't you come sooner? Where are my father and my mother?" And one said "Do they wish to keep heaven for themselves?"
And, Dr. Bush added, "Do we?"
Rev. Wm. Tracy, of India, said that the promise

was made to Christ that the uttermost parts of the earth should be given Him for a possession. Even where he had been it was proving so. Madura was where he wished to point our thoughts. Beyond Africa one way, beyond China in the other, at the lower end of India, lay this land of darkness. If some angel had come down no ray of light would have cheered his heart. And there some years ago they began. From devil-worship, known to be such, up to magnificent Brahminism, the idolatry ran Some seven hundred priests were attached to one Brahmin temple. After five or six years one proud Brahmin came and asked. "How many Christians were there?" Not one could be shown. But the workers labored on. They took the children, preached the Gospel, prayed and taught still. There are now some apots where God's angels can see glimmering light through the darkness. Two hundred and fifty villages have Christians in them. They have 160 organized congregations, with from 6,000 to 7,000 nominal Christians, and some 1.250 members of churches in good standing. Over 31 churches are regularly organized, with eight native pastors. The eare men who love to preach. They get six or seven dollars a month-not very high salaries About one hundred catechists, or licensed preachers are there also, sent out by the missiona-ries. Family prayer is established in the villages. Schools are in all the districts, with hundreds of children in attendance. But the trouble has been to get teachers. So they raised up native helpers a hundred school-masters, and strange to say, school-mistresses, too—filled so full of Bible and catechism that they could not help but teach well. And woalmost to Cape Cormorin and nearly over all India men are the last ones to reach-they are so kept down. Some of these people have borne the veries best minds of India are feeling after truth. Shall and most bitter persecution. Dr. Tracy told of these who were abused and maltreated by a heathen Universalism? The call is for young men to go out headman, and who yet stood firm. Another man, to lead these others into the truth. The best intela converted priest, was set upon and beaten and cast into the ditch. The Christians got about him, as they once got about Paul, and helped him to a recovery. The heathen again falsely charged him with assault, and the English judge condemned him once more—but this was too much, and the heathen felt it to be so, and now his testimony had been greatly blessed. A day's labor in India is worth about nine cents. Here, in America, communicants give, on an average, one dollar to all benevolent objects, that is about one third of a day's labor. There, they give about eight whole day's wages, on nods to Presbyteries, Presbyteries to their individual the average. The promise to Christ is being fulfill-churches. They raise more money in proportion by ed, but the 7,000 Christians are but few, compared to far than we. They have no delinquent churches. the 2,000,000 in that Madura district. There must be men and money supplied to carry on these great

Rev. Dr. H. H. Jessup of Syria said he had come to say a word for his Master and for the Syrian mission. Would that he could lay upon the souls of all Rev. Robert Aikman urged the importance of the the young menthe crushing sense he fells to night! He must soon return, and, for aught he knew, single [CONTINUED ON OUTSIDE PAGES.]