Religious Entelligence.

THE REFORMED CHURCHES.

City.-The First R. P. church observed their communion Sabbath, and received to membership forty-two persons, nearly half of them on profes sion of their faith in Christ. About four hundred persons sat down at the long white tables, in the old Covenanter style, and in the breaking of bread owned and honored their Master. This indicates that at least two thirds of the congregation still adhere to the session and the pastor, Dr. Wylie, in opposition to the General Synod, as on former occasions about six hundred, or three-fourths of the entire membership, were ordinarily present at this sacrament. The following day, October 26th, was the 25th anniversary of Dr. Wylie's ordination and installation, and suitable notice of the occasion is expected to be taken. Of the survivers of the three hundred signers of his call, upwards of two-thirds and others. On the next evening a social reception still remain under his ministry. Rev. J. L. With- and levee was held, at which there was a full attend-

Presbyterian, was organized in that suburb of Cincinnati Oct. 13th, with a membership of seventyeight persons, five of whom were elected elders. The prospects are encouraging.—Prof. T. N. Haskell of Wisconsin University, has declined the call of the Second church of Jacksonville, Ill. Rev. Mr. Harsha of Chicago, had signified his acceptance of a call to the same church a few weeks since, but his Presbytery decided not to dissolve his pastoral relations to his Chicago congregation. The Second church in Brooklyn, formerly Dr. Spencer's, has of late been grievously depressed, and for some time past has had no pastor. The services of Rev. Dr. Kennuedy, recently of Troy, have been secured, and he has entered upon his labors.—The Walnut street church case, Louisville, Ky., between the adherents of the Assembly and the Declaration and Testimony party, has been settled in favor of the Assembly party by an order of the United States Circuit Court, to which it was carried.

Ministerial.—Rev. James W. Vandýke, a re-

cent graduate of Princeton, with his wife, sailed on the 9th inst., for Bangkok, Siam, to joint he Siamese Mission of the Presbyterian church.—Dr. W. L. Breckinridge's resignation as President of Centre tre College has been accepted, to take effect imme-diately. Vice President O. Beatty will act as Prediately. Vice President O. Beatty will act as President for the present. Dr. Breckinridge accepts the pastoral charge of the church at Pleasant Hill, Mo. -Rev. James A. Reed has accepted a unaut-mous call to the First church of Dubuque, Iowa.— Rev. J. E. Rockwell of Brooklyn has accepted a call to the 1st church, Staten Island .- Rev. Dr. Richardson of the Old South Pres, church at Newburyport, Mass., is invited to the pastorate of the Fourth church in Trenton, N. J., at a salary of \$4 000.

The Reformed Dutch Board of Foreign Missions.—The statement of the Finance Committee of the Board shows that the treasury is indebted to the amount of \$35,000; that on the 1st day of November drafts from the missions amounting to \$7, 000 will be due, on the 15th \$4200, on the 30th \$3500, the total amount necessary to remove the debt and meet the expenses of the remainder of the year 1808 being about \$50,000. The Committee say:

'Every dollar of our Security Fund is now pledged at the bank, and we have no means left to raise money, so that unless this amount is now obtained, and means provided for the future, we must go to protest, and the first default will ruin us for all time to come; indeed, we would not be able to get enough money to bring our missionaries home

Kentucky.-The Western Presbyterian, respecting the late meeting of the Synod of Kentucky, says: the bounds of Synod revealed, with many causes of discouragement and many occasions of sorrow, not a few grounds of encouragement. The divisions and strifts of the past have created alienations which are not healed, and probably will not be for years. The state of things in many of our congregations is better than it was a year ago. The people of God in many/places are brought nearer together; and a spirit of earnest longing is manifested among them for the return of God's Spirit in his quickening and reforming power." The Synod refused, after a long debate, to pass any resolutions in regard to reunion with our branch. The debate developed a consider-

The Testimony and Declaration Synod of Kentacky, at their late meeting declined to join the Southern Presbyterian Assembly. The question was disposed of by referring the decision to the Presbyteries; leaving them to determine for themselves whether they would send commissioners to the Assembly which meets at Mobile in May next.

The Scotch-Irish giving place to the Germans in Central Pennsylvania.—A correspondent of the Christian Instructor writes from Mercersburg: "Presbyterianism has for several years been on the decline in this region of country. No new Presbyterian congregation of any name is organized, while many have died away, and nearly all the living ones seem to be smitten with an incurable distemper. The time was when nearly all the society was Presbyterian. A score of years ago two large Old School Presbyterian congregations worshipped in and near the town. Now one of them has disappeared, not even the house remaining, while the other is gradually diminishing in a process of imperceptible decay. The name has not become odious from has the profession grown disgusting; but the denominational power is broken. The English-speaking people have gone West. As the fathers died, the sons struck their tents and extracted off to find new homes in the land of the Setting Sun. Usually they carried their faith with them, and in many of the churches all through the West are the families that formerly had their religious homes in the churches of this valley. The Germans who now possess the land are not given to a strict and life-controlling religion—indeed many of them pay no attention to it at all. They are quiet, parmiess citizens, for the most part, and develop the material resources of the soil as well as any people could. They are not found in poor-houses; they are not found in poor-houses; they are not found in poor-houses. begging on the streets. Most of them are orderly in their deportment. They work hard, money being the great end of their existence. The higher viewof-life -that it is for the advancement of intellect and soul, in order to spiritually and eternally benefit man and

in order to spiritually and eternally benefit man and glorify God—is never taken by them."

The Liberality of the Churches.—A correspondent of The Production, who has been studying the O.S. Assembly's Minutes, writes:

"In 1866 there were 479 churches reporting "solid columns," i. e., they reported contributions for at least six out of our seven agencies, the Freedmen's Committee having no separate column. In 1867 the number reporting solid columns was 571, a decided increase. This year we give evidence of growing number reporting solid columns was 571, a decided increase. This year we give evidence of growing power and faithfulness as a Church, by reporting 718 faithful churches. Every one can appreciate the value of these growing figures. Those who have labored for this result in their Presbyteries, and especially the new churches in this list, may well be thankful over their success and isstead of their co-

The U. P. Church proceeds in these matters with more system, but their success does not warrant the belief that this is their main want, as the causes of that Church are deeply in debt. The following is the general apportionment by the last General Assembly to the different benevolent objects of this Church:

Foreign Missions, \$90,000 Per Member, \$1.37 Home Missions, Freedmen's Mis., 55,000 13.400 10,000 15 Education Fund, 15 Church Extension, 10,000 Publication Fund, 6.000 San Francisco Mis., 10,000 15 Total, Average, \$2.85

\$184,400 Boston Presbyterianism.—The Rev. J. B. Dunn was installed paster of the Presbyterian Society which worships in the church on the corner of Beach street and Harrison avenue, September 30th. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Dr. Hall, of New York; and remarks were made by Rev. Dr. Kirk row, of Abington, Pa., has accepted a call to the Arch St. church.—The Eighth U. P. church, (Rev. W. Barr, pastor,), have lately refitted their substance. Hitherto Boston has proved an unfruitchurch, at a cost of over one thousand dollars. At ful field for Presbyterianism, as the good people of their communion held on October 17th, 21 were added to the meinbership—15 by examination; and luted doses than old-ashioned Presbyterians in sisted daded to the membership—15 by examination, and a doses than old-usinohed Presbyterians insisted as the church at Schuylkill Falls, near Philadelphia, (Rev. Joseph Beggs, pastor,) dedicated their new building to the worship of God, Oct. 11.

Churches.—A new church called the Mt. Auburn modern Bostonians—Zion's Herald.—A Presbytemodern Bostonians—Zion's Herald.—A Presb rian church edifice is to be effected on Berkeley street on the lot of land between Lawrence and Chandler streets, by the society of the U.P. Church, of which Rev. Alexander Blakie, D.D. is pastor. Workmen have begun to drive the piles, and the foundations will be completed this fall. It is anticipated that the church will be ready for occupancy in the summer of next year. The church will be of brick. About ten thousand dollars are yet needed to complete the subscriptions.—In Boston, there have been organized, since 1846; six Presbyterian churches all now in healthy existence. Three of these are United Presbyterian, two Old School Presbyterian, and one Reormed Presbyterian.

The 0. S. Boards.—In response to the call of the Board of Foreign Missions the children of the Church last year, contributed, by extra effort, the round sum of forty-five thousand dollars. The Presbyterian recommends that the children ought to be trained to give regularly to the benevolent operations of the Church, and by so doing the contributions would be increased at least one-fifth, if not more.

Expensive Churches. - The Congregationalist gives the following advice on the subject of building expensive churches: It is sometimes a great mistake for a society, weak in numbers and finances, to attempt to build an expensive church, such as may be wanted after a few years. A much wiser course would be to do as did Dr. Lord's society, thirty years ago, in Buffalo. They built for temporary use a plain edifice, 25 by 75, open to the roof, with a single aisle and seate for 400, costing \$300. Externally it had a rough appearance, but it was nevertheless popular as a religious home. Such a building, made simply convenient and comfortable, is more attractive than a half-finished church, and the difficult problem of meeting the cost of a more expensive house is thus postponed till the day of large numbers and means.

Congregationalist.—Of the 241 Orthodox Con-Gongregationalist.—Or the 241 Orthodox Congregational churches in Maine, only 59 have pastors, and 79 have stated supplies.—Three missionaries, Rev. E. M. Clark and wife, and Mrs. Simons, sailed from Boston, last week, for the East.—Rev. W. H. H. Murray, of Meriden, Ct., has accepted the call of Park St. church, Boston, and will complete the call of Park St. church, Boston, and will complete the call of Park St. church, Boston, and will complete the call of Park St. church, Boston, and will complete the call of Park St. church, Boston, and will complete the call of Park St. church of Salary \$5,000 with nence his labors in November. Salary \$5,000, with \$1,000 to meet the expense of moving.—Rev. Wm. A. Bartlett of Brooklyn, has decided not to accept the call to Chicago, from the feeling that his work in Brooklyn is not yet finished. This decision gives unbounded satisfaction to his people.—On a recent Sunday, according to the Congregationalist, Rev. Dr. Boynton, pastor of the church in Washington, with-"The free conversation on the state of religion in drew the letter of resignation which he tendered some months since. Last winter, sixty-five members of this church, (including three, out of four of its deacons, and Gen. Howard,) asked for a mutual council, but were refused. The request was four times made, and four times voted down under the application of the previous question, the minority not being allowed even to present their reasons. After an ex-part council had been called, and some of the leading pastors of the land had written that "it was a wrong to Congregationalism, and to the Church of Christ, to refuse a council to so large and so respectable a minority," the church voted to call a mutual council. But the paster, and that part of the Committee which agreed with him, refused to call it for three months, naming the thirteenth of October as the day of the council. Just before that day came, Dr. Boynton tendered his resignation, and held that this tender did away with the necessity of calling a council. And now, October 13th having gone by, Dr. Boynton has withdrawn his resignation, stating that he has been requested by the majority to continue their pastor.—The aggregate age of the first nine Congregational churches of Chicago—the First being seventeen years old, and the youngest, six months—is eighty-six years. These have had thirty-one stated ministers or pas-These have had thirty-one stated ministers or pastors, which makes an average of two and two-thirds years. That lacks only a little of the longer term of the M. E. itineracy. That is a way to get variety.

—Another Congregational church at Chicago, with sixteen members, was recognized Oct. 11th. It grows out of the Bethany Mission of the Union Park church near the Seminary. Rev James Harrison is laboring with the new enterprise, the tenth of that denomination in the city.—Rev. Dr. Edward Beecher of Galesburg, Ill., tell through a railroad bridge at Burlington, a few days ago, and fractured one of his arms, and in consequence was not able to be present at the Central Western Association to read his review of Bushnell, for which all were ooking with interest. It will come next time. Dr. B. is again in his pulpit, with his arm in a sling. President Blanchard has also been badly thrashed by a machine, but is recovering.

Episcopalian.—Information was received for Thursday last, that Bishop Stevens is lying dangerously ill at the residence of Mr. F. Winston, in New York.—The youngest Bishop of the P. E. Board is Bishop Tuttle, of the Diocese of Montana. He is 32, and is of Methodist parentage. The next youngest is Dr. Robertson, the newly elected Bishop of the Diocese of Missouri. He is also the son of Methodist parents, and was at one time a member of the M. E. Church. In the Episcopal Copyention, (says The Tribune) the Tyng case furnished the suggestion for an earnest attempt—as earnestly resisted—to amend the canon. Some curious illustrations were given of the extent to which a rigid construction of it would isolate and hamper clergymen. Under the canon, as construed in the Tyng case, for example, a Bishop could not pronounce the benediction at a meeting of the Bible Society, without first obtaining permission of a majority of the Episcopal clergymen of New York. Some slight amendments were made to the canon relieving it of these absurdities, but not divesting it of its per-tinency to such cases as that of Tyng and Hubbard. -The admission of the new diocese of Nebraska over their success, and over the number of their collaborers. The number of churches which fell short of this last the number of churches which fell short of this last the number of churches, (102) this increase of new roganized churches, (102) this number is decreased to 2019."

— Ine admission of the new diocese of Nebraska was 'hothy opposed because the Convention of the Diocese calls itself a Council, and ignores the term "Protestant Episcopal" in the style of the diocese; but its admission was at last carried. The action taken on the canon under which Tyng was con-

demned, relaxes it somewhat, but still requires the consent of the local church authorities before preaching in another's parish.—Memphis papers say that the High-Churchmen of that city, under the leader-ship of the Rev. J. W. Rogers, have introduced in the church of the Blessed Virgin the ceremonies of Ritualism, an immense congregation witnessing them. Bishop Quintard of Tennessee, (who is him-self a High-Churchman and fraternized with the most ultra Ritualists while recently in England,) has since forbidden such practices in his diocese.— Rev. B. Wistar Morris, of Germantown, Pennsylva-nia, has been elected Bishop of Oregon and Washington Territory. "This election," says the Protestant Churchman, "adds another vote to the dominiant party in the House of Bishops."

Baptist.—Crozer Theological Seminary (Baptist) in the village of Upland, about sixteen miles from Philadelphia, was dedicated on the 2nd inst. The building was creeted by Mr. J. P. Crozer for a Normal School, but recently the whole projectly, including twenty acres of land, was conveyed to the corporation of the Seminary by the four tons of Mr. Crozer. The family have endowed the inetitution with a fund of \$150,000 for educational purposes, with a fund of \$150,000 for educational purposes, \$25,000 for a library, and \$30,000 for the erection of three, houses for Professors. Rev. Henry G. Weston, D. D., is President of the institution.—Of Columbian College, Washington, D. C. a writer in the Western Christian Advocate says: "I has checked, in a great measure, the procedytism of the Rom ish Church, here, by affording facilities for the education of the youth of this city outside of the Catholic schools. Being the only Protestant educational establishment of high grade here, it has furnish al establishment of high grade here, it has furnish ed teachers for our public and private schools; and to-day, as in times past, nearly every Protestant school in the District is controlled by members of the Baptist Church." The eight colored Baptist churches in Washingtod city have a total of over courcines in washington city have a total of over 3000 members, nearly one tenth of the colored population.—Dr. Duryea of Brooklyn, made an address at the Sixth Anniversary of the Young People's Association of the Fifth church, at 18th and Spring Garden Sts. The annual report shows that the aggregate attendance at the prayer-meetings of the Association had been 11,673; average attendance, 224; number asking an interest in prayer, 2257; number who joined the church through this instrumentality, over 40. Amount of money raised \$770 60: pages of tracts and other religious reading matter distributed, 60,930; number of visits made by the members to the sick, 456. During the year the members have furnished, and paid for a boat for the use of Mr. and Mrs. Vanmeter in their mission fields in the Bassain District, Burmah The Rev. Dr. Levy has accepted the call extended by the Berean Baptist church, West Philadelphia.—The Church Extension Committee have delphia.—The Church Extension Committee have secured a fine-building lot for a new church, at Broad and Reed streets.—The public recognition of Rev. Charles Keyser, as pastor, of the Eleventh Baptist church, took place Oct. 29th.—The Fourth church, of which Rev. A. J. Sage, is the pastor, have recently expended \$8000 in improvements on have recently expended \$8000 in improvements on their meeting-house, making it one of the most attractive places of worship in the city. The congregations are large and gradually increasing. The Broad street church, of which Rev. Mr. Magoon is pastor, have also made extensive repairs and additions to their church edifice, and a large organ has been contracted for. The church re-entered the improved audience room October 18th. Congregations are increasing.

Methodist. The General M. E. Missionary Committee appropriated a million dollars in 1866, for missionary purposes at home and abroad. For this year they appropriate but \$850,000. While the large balance in the treasury in November, 1865, has been gradually consumed, the actual contributions have so far fallen off that, at the annual meeting last November they were in debt \$178,525, and since then the debt has nearly doubled. Unless a grand rally is made during the next thirty days the Board will close its next financial year with a debt of \$350,000. One of their Sepretaries writes:
"At this time of most perishing need out general collections are failing us. The statistics are alarming? A pastor writes: "The most of these Sunday school Missionary Societies is this city have no other object than to raise under to purchase books and pay their own incidenal expenses."— The one hundredth anniversary of he dedication of the John street M. E. church, Nev York, which is the oldest society of that denomination in the city, was commemorated by special services, Oct. 25th, at the house of worship in John street. It has been more than once reported that the Wesleyans were going over to the Methodist hiscopal Church. The denomination, we are now assired, was never in a more hopeful spiritual working condition than now. They number about 25,000 nembers, not including probationers. About 1,500 members have joined and 35 churches have been organized since January 1st.

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