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In Memoriam, Rev. Wm. R. Devitt D. D., Rev. John W. Davies, and Mordecai McKinney; Shreds and Tags, by Samuel W. Duffield; Who Will Care for God's Poor; Rev. A. M. Stewart's XXIII Letter; Munera Mundi Transient; Editor's Table. Pages 2d and 3d The Family Circle, (a miscellaneous budget); Scientific, Page 5th. Religious Intelligence Page 7th.

A Mr. David Duncan leaves the Free Church of Scotland nearly two hundred thousand dollars in gold, mostly to the Church's Boards.

Western Reserve College reports sixty-five students in the collegiate and forty-six in the preparatory departments.

Rev. Rufus Ellis withdrew from the National Unitarian Conference before the close of its sessions, because the Conference in effect rejected the Lord Jesus Christ, and opened their doors to all who do not or do believe in God.

Bishop Stevens, of this Diocese, while passing, on the evening of Nov. 19, along the sidewalk in South Bethlehem, Pa., stumbled and fell, fracturing one of his arms, and receiving other injuries. He is now confined to the residence of his brother-in-law, President Coppee, of Lehigh University.

The Regent-square church in London (late Dr. James Hamilton's) has resolved to give a call to the Rev. Mr. White, colleague of the Rev. Dr. Roxburgh, of Glasgow, a minister of the Free Church of Scotland.

The Patriarch of the Greek Church, resident at Constantinople, refuses to receive the Pope's "Letter to the Eastern Churches," as "couched in unbecoming language." The Armenian Patriarch, of the same city, replied that he could not answer it without the advice of his Synod.

A somewhat exciting scene occurred in the recent German Reformed Synod at Hagerstown. Dr. Bomberger in his Reformed Church Monthly had charged the majority of Synod at a previous special meeting with not allowing the minority a change of voting for any one but Dr. Gerhard, of Lancaster College, then vacant by the death of Dr. Harbaugh. Synod adopted a report of a Committee, in which this statement was pronounced false and slanderous, and Dr. Bomberger was given his choice to retract or to vacate his seat. He presented a sort of retraction, in which he retracted "the publication" of the statement, but denied that it was a slanderous libel, and this retraction the Synod accepted. He was certainly dealt with far more mildly than a similar offender in the O. S. Assembly of 1866.

"The United Greek Church of Russia" consists of those who adhere to "the Greek rite," or Slavonic liturgy, but acknowledge the supremacy of the See of Rome. By a recent ukase the Czar subjects them to the control of the Russian minister of public worship. The German Lutherans of the Baltic provinces of Russia are required hereafter to conduct their religious services in Russian. Assimilation to the Russian type has become a necessity to the Empire, as else the small minority of real Russians will be swallowed up or overwhelmed by the vast congeries of races, creeds, and nationalities over which they have extended their rule.

A correspondent of The Presbyterian writes from the O. S. Presbytery of New York: The minority cannot see that subscribing to the standards "pure and simple" will secure the interests of truth and peace, if a wide margin is to be given for differences of belief on some of the great doctrines contained in "the system of faith." Our New-school friends have been sincerely subscribing these standards, "pure and simple," ever since the division of 1837, but the whole tenor of their discussion in the General Assembly at Harrisburg, and striking practical examples occasionally occurring, certainly show that they allow a large degree of liberty in the meaning of this subscription—a liberty that the Old-school Presbyteries have not heretofore conceded.

The M. E. Church South reports an aggregate membership of 535,040 members and probationers, and 2,581 travelling and 3,952 local preachers. This membership added to that of the Northern Church makes a total of over one million and three quarters. A writer in The Western Christian Advocate casts doubt on the accuracy of these returns. He says: The preacher in charge of a circuit reported to the Conference 208 members. An examination of the records revealed the fact that, at the time, there were but 153 members on the circuit—fifty less than reported for the Minutes. One class was returned on the plan as having 23 members, but ten of them had been removed, months before, by letter, transfer, and death. The other classes were reported in a similar way.

Very few preachers are guilty of such errors, yet if only one in each Conference makes such a report, our statistics are very uncertain.

OUR CHURCH CAUSES.—The Committee of Home Missions received in October \$3,263.62. From August 1st to November 1st the Church Proportion Fund received \$7,284.17. The Donations to the Publication Cause, from August 1st to October 1st, amount to \$2,595.41. In August, September, and October the Ministerial Relief Fund received \$3,038.07.

NOONDAY PRAYER-MEETING ANNIVERSARY.

The 11th Anniversary of the Union Noonday Prayer Meeting was celebrated Nov. 23rd, in the church of the Epiphany, 15th and Chestnut Sts. Rev. Dr. Newton presided, and made a characteristic address as to the objects and purposes of the organization and on Christian unity. The house was well filled on the occasion after the opening. Mr. Abraham Martin was called on to make a statement of the doings of the meeting for the last year. He spoke of the glowing, earnest prayers of God's devoted servants, of touching incidents related, of practical thought suggested, of warm emotion expressed, and of the sense of God's presence enjoyed. 313 meetings have been held, presided over by various clergymen and laymen. Between 3 and 400 requests have been presented for prayer during the year. Expenses for the period \$300. The meetings have always been conducted on the most liberal Union principles; and, considering the perfect freedom granted the number who participated, and the weakness of human nature, there has been comparatively little to mar its usefulness or interrupt that blessed tie that binds our hearts in Christian love. He called attention to a few of the requests which have been presented. A lady requested a prayer for her five sons all unconverted. Earnest prayer was offered by several of the brethren for these sons. A few months after the lady requested that thanks might be returned to God for the conversion of three of those sons. A brother from Delaware stated a few months ago that prayer had been requested in this meeting in behalf of a little church in that State, where religion was at a very low ebb, with no conversions for a long period. United prayer went up to God for this little hill of Zion, and the result was, the brother stated, that 46 individuals had become connected with that church shortly after the request had been presented. Several brethren, who led the meeting during the year (and other-) remarked that if they were converted to God they were indebted, under God to the noonday prayer-meeting. Every day during the year strangers attended this meeting, many of whom expressed thanks that such a meeting was in operation.

Rev. Dr. Stark, of the Lutheran Church, then spoke of the value and importance of the Noonday Prayer Meeting, and hoped that it might continue while time lasted. Joseph Parker, Esq., urged the presence of ministers of the Gospel at least once a month. It would greatly encourage those who are present from day to day to see the clergymen present. Addresses were made by Rev. Drs. Atwood, Church, Kennard, Randolph and Crowell.

FROM OUR ROCHESTER CORRESPONDENT.

PERMANENT PASTORATES.

Much has been said of late of the want of permanence in the pastoral relation. Something is due perhaps to rhetorical extravagance, but if one should take his cue from some speeches which we have heard, or some hasty paragraphs of letter writers, he would think that almost all our ministers have need to be "settled," according to somebody's facetious suggestion, "on horse-back," or that few if any pastors retained their places more than a year or two in any one parish.

Great injustice is thus done to our system, and to our ministry. Such surprising assertions, or such heedless flings, by no means represent the true state of things. A truer observation in almost any part of the land will readily refute the slander. There are changes enough, we grant; and in some churches they have been much more frequent than in others. But surely Mr. Barnes did not need to be settled on horse-back in Philadelphia, nor Dr. Adams in New York, nor Dr. Spear in Brooklyn; Dr. Sprague in Albany; Dr. Duffield in Detroit; Dr. Patterson in Chicago; nor many others whom we could name.

Even here, in Central and Western New York, which was once charged with so many irregularities, we have some beautiful illustrations of permanence in the pastoral relation, such indeed as to put honor on our Presbyterian polity.

Two years ago, at the semi-centennial of the Presbytery of Ontario, it was reported that all but one of the churches of that body had its settled ministry; that the longest pastorate was twenty seven years, the shortest eight, the average twelve. One (the venerable Dr. Barnard, of Lima) had recently resigned his charge after a pastorate of thirty eight years. Surely the ministers in that Presbytery did not need to be settled on horse-back.

And although we have had some changes here in Rochester, we have also had stability. Dr. Ellinwood was eleven years pastor of the Central church; Dr. Shaw has been nearly twenty-eight years in the Brick church; Dr. Hall twenty-eight in the Third church.

If we go a little west we find Dr. Wisner, still at his post after twenty-six years of most faithful and acceptable service in the First church of Lockport; Dr. Hancock in his twenty-third or fourth year at Buffalo; Dr. Wright in his twelfth year at Fredonia; and Dr. Lyon in his forty-third year at Erie. If we turn back East, Dr. Daggett was over twenty-two years at Canandaigua; Dr. Nelson ten years at Auburn; where Dr. Hawley is now in his eleventh year. Mr. Eaton has been nearly twenty years at Palmyra; and Dr. Gridley thirty-three years at Waterloo. These did not need to be settled on horse-back.

But another question is intimately connected with this—who doubts but that these men have been much more useful than they would have been, if they had each spent only two years in any one place? How it adds to the weight and influence of a name to have it associated with some town, or city; "Dr. Wisner of Lockport," "Dr. Gridley of Waterloo." This is the way in which these men have long been mentioned, and as we well know that it would be awkward and unpleasant to have to change the designation; and we fear not to say that their influence, in their own towns, and in the Church generally, is twice what it would have been if each had been settled in half a dozen places in the same time.

Permanence in the pastoral relation is just so much better for the pastors themselves, and for the churches which they serve.

ELMIRA COLLEGE.

At a late meeting of the Board of Trustees of Elmira Female College, resolutions of high respect for the memory of the late Hon. Simeon Benjamin, and of grateful acknowledgement of his gifts and services to the College, were cordially and unanimously passed. It will be remembered that his donations to the College amount to \$80,000, viz: \$25,000 toward the permanent endowment of the institution; \$25,000 toward its general fund; \$25,000 to aid young ladies who need it in getting an education. The first, by vote of the Trustees, is to be called, in honor of the donor, the Benjamin Endowment Fund; the last the Benjamin Aid Fund.

The Board of Trustees also directed the Executive Committee to procure as soon as possible a suitable marble bust of Mr. Benjamin, at a cost not to exceed \$1000, to be placed in the college building.

The College also obtained a grant of \$25,000 two years ago from the State, on condition that it should raise \$25,000 beside to put with it, the whole to be held by the State, as a perpetual endowment fund, the college annually to draw the interest only. This latter twenty-five thousand has been subscribed, and only remains to be collected and deposited with the Comptroller of the State in order to make sure the fifty thousand; and then the college will hold a productive endowment of \$100,000, with room and hope for another hundred thousand in due time, to double the capacity and the usefulness of the institution.

We learn also from The Elmira Advertiser, that by private effort a fund has been raised for the purchase of an organ for the college chapel; the faculty and students having subscribed nearly \$500, toward the object. It is ordered from the celebrated manufactory of E. and G. G. Hook, of Boston, and is to be a first class instrument. It will be a grand help to the chapel services.

The number of students in attendance at the College is larger, we believe, than usual, the faculty and students are busy and happy in their daily work, with every prospect of the best school year yet enjoyed. There are already some tokens also of special religious interest. GENESEE. Rochester, Nov. 27, 1868.

PROGRESS IN CHICAGO.

DEAR AMERICAN.—It is with pleasure that I chronicle the formation of an other Church of our order—the tenth in number in our city—under the style of the Thirty-first Street Presbyterian church. The organization was formed on Friday evening last, by twenty six persons bringing letters from other churches. It is expected that a considerable number of others will connect themselves with these at the first communion season.

The organization of the church was followed on Sabbath afternoon by the dedication of its new and handsome edifice which had been prepared in advance, in which, to house and home the infant congregation. A fine audience crowded every inch of space within the walls testified to the interest felt in the occasion. The sermon by Rev. Arthur Swazey of the Third church was an admirable exposition and application of the words of our Lord: "God is a Spirit, and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth;" introduced by a sketch of the history of places of divine worship up to the time at which they were spoken.

The building thus set apart to sacred uses is located on Walnut Avenue, near 31st street, is of wood, built in the Gothic style of architecture, being eighty feet in length by forty-four in width. The windows are of stained glass, the interior is prettily frescoed, and neatly furnished throughout, and the entire effect most pleasing to the cultivated eye. Five hundred persons may be seated in its comfortable and nicely cushioned seats. In the basement are a lecture room, an infant class room, and the study of the Pastor, all finished and furnished with the same good taste and judgment as the audience room above.

It is due to our esteemed brother, Rev. G. W. Mackie, to say that the inception of this enterprise and its prosecution to this successful consummation has been due solely to his unwearied labors and unflinching faith and zeal. May it grow under the same diligent care and oversight, by the blessing of God, to become speedily a strong, earnest and efficient body of Christian worshippers. The city has perhaps no finer location prospectively for a large and intelligent congregation.

Thus we are increasing, though not as rapidly as we should, the number of New School Presbyterian churches, in this city. In no previous six months of its history has Chicago so grown and prospered as in the last. One returning to it after so brief an absence as this finds magnificent business blocks where he left only vacant spaces or small, slight, unsightly shops; and the localities of entire branches of business, are almost wholly changed. To keep pace with such rapid material changes requires both forethought and energy on the part of our churches. And I am happy to say that others are making efforts worthy of the prize to be grasped here, as well, at least, as ourselves. A new Congregational church was yesterday organized in the southwest part of the city, to be called the Leavitt street church. This is the tenth also of the churches of this vigorous and enterprising denomination, making them just equal in number to ourselves. May a holy emulation inspire both to new efforts and new successes.

Our pulpits are just now much exercised upon the topic of amusements, and particularly of theatre and opera-going. The Rev. R. L. Collier of the church of the Messiah (Unitarian) has been openly and boldly advocating these places as proper means of grace, under certain restrictions. He acknowledges that he himself attends these representations, and judging from his sermons as published, I can readily believe him. [I knew Mr. C., when, as one of the loudest and staunchest of Methodist ministers, he preached very differently on such themes, and in a style far better becoming the Christian pulpit.] The theme has been taken up by several others, upon the other side, and we are hearing all that can be said both pro and con. Mean-

time we do not hear of any especial revival of religion in either Mr. Collier's or the orthodox churches. NORTHWEST. Chicago, Nov. 24, 1868.

News of Our Churches.

CITY CHURCHES.

German Street Presbyterian Church.—This church, of which Rev. A. Culver has recently taken charge, is making encouraging progress. Recently they have procured a beautiful and sweet-toned organ. On the 22d ult., four additional elders were ordained and installed,—the whole number in session now being six. Rev. E. B. Bruen, one of the former pastors, preached the sermon, and Mr. Culver delivered the charges to the new elders and people. A large and the interested audience was present. On Thanksgiving evening a very large union meeting was held in the church. Eight different churches were represented in the meeting, consisting of Baptist, Episcopal, and Presbyterian brethren. The pastors of the various churches represented made addresses upon the occasion; and the choir discoursed sweet music, sustained by their new organ. An encouraging degree of religious interest is now manifested at the various regular services of the church.

Olivet Church contributed a thank offering of \$7.50 for the Freedmen on Thanksgiving day. The pastor, Rev. W. W. Taylor urged the education of this class of our fellow citizens because, (1) They are capable of it; (2) They are grateful for it; (3) They deserve it; (4) They need it to fit them to carry the Gospel to their brethren in Africa, to save them from the enticements of Romanism, and to make them worthy citizens.

The Second Mantua Church, Lancaster avenue above 41st street, (Rev. N. A. Prantiss, S. S.), recently secured the services of Rev. Dr. Stryker of the North Broad St. church, to lecture at Morton Hall. The ladies of the little congregation had taken the matter in hand, securing the hall and making all needful arrangements. Although the night was stormy the lecture was well attended, and the subject—"The Nature Value and Requisites of Good Conversation," was handled in a way that well repaid any inconvenience undergone in attending. Dr. Stryker's eloquent and impressive delivery, and of the pleasantness of his style brought down the applause of his hearers, while the matter of his lecture made the occasion one of profit as well as pleasure. N. A. P.

Ministerial.

Rev. L. A. Aldrich, pastor of the Sixth church, Cincinnati, has received a call from the Olivet church in Indianapolis. The Presbytery of Cincinnati meets Dec. 7th, to consider his application to be released from his present pastoral relation.

Rev. J. B. Little of Dayton, O., has been unanimously called to the Second church of Oxford, O.

Rev. E. C. Haskell has removed from Wauwaca, Wis., to New Lisbon, Janes Co., Wis.

Rev. J. N. Sprague, D. D., of Caldwell, N. J., has received an earnest and unanimous call to the church in Geneseo, N. Y., now vacant by the resignation of Rev. Geo. P. Folsom. A liberal salary is offered.

Rev. Timothy Williston's address is changed from Durham to Ashland, N. Y.

Rev. Dr. Norman Seaver late of Rutland, Vt., was installed pastor of the First church, Henry street, Brooklyn, last Thursday evening.

Rev. Dr. Poor, pastor of the High street church, is the longest settled clergyman in Newark, N. J., having occupied his present position more than twenty years.

Rev. Joel S. Jewel, a graduate of the Auburn Theological Seminary, in the class of 1866, and for two years a pastor at Preble, N. Y., was installed Nov. 17th, by the Presbytery of Cayuga, as pastor of the First church of Genoa, at Northville. The sermon was preached by Rev. Prof. J. B. Condit, D. D., of Auburn Theological Seminary. The charge to the pastor was given by Rev. S. W. Boardman, of Auburn, and the charge to the people by Rev. Wm. S. Franklin, of Marcellus, formerly a member of that church. Genoa was formed as a township, January 27th, 1789. Locke was taken from it, Feb. 20th, 1802. Its present name was taken, April 6th, 1808. Population, including Locke, in 1800, was 3,553. In 1810, 5,425. In 1855, 2,352. Jabez Bradley was the first settler in Northville, and his family have ever been identified with the prosperity of the church and village. The First church was dedicated in 1808. Rev. Seth Smith, from Hadley, Mass., a graduate of Yale, was their first pastor, and died while such in the 40th year of his pastorate there. May the present pastorate be equally permanent and equally useful. The present population of the village is 250. The membership of the church is 90.—Auburn Advocate.

Churches.

Cincinnati.—The Second church, (Rev. J. L. Robertson, pastor,) is united and prosperous. The Herald says: "The pulpit of the Second church has been filled by manly preachers, but we do not believe that those who go there have ever heard better preaching than they are hearing now—preaching, we mean, better adapted to its true end and aim."—The Third Church have refitted their Sunday-school room, making it neat and attractive with new carpets and seats. The Second German church dedicated their new church edifice Nov. 23d. The pastor of the First German church, Rev. J. Lichtenstein, preached the sermon and was followed by addresses in English by various city pastors. About \$300 was raised towards the defrayal of a debt of \$2,000. The Herald says: "The church is very neat and convenient, large enough to seat comfortably a congregation of 300. It has cost about \$8,000. The pastor, Rev. G. W. Winnes, and the congregation worshipping in it have struggled hard to secure this home. They have given beyond their ability. Some of the good people in the other churches have aided them liberally."

Shelbyville, Ind.—The First German church laid the corner-stone of their new house of worship, Monday, Nov. 16. The pastor, Rev. F. F. Frieder was assisted by the pastors of the vicinity. The building is to be brick, 40x60 feet. The foundation is well laid, of an excellent quality of stone, and if there should be ten or fifteen days of suitable weather, the workmen promise that the house shall be enclosed this fall. The congregation evince an earnest and hopeful spirit. They are doing what they can, but need the help of wealthier churches to which they were heartily commended by the Synod of Indiana at its last meeting.

Rossville, Iowa.—At the Fall meeting of the O. S. Presbytery of Frankville, "A memorial from the Presbyterian church of Rossville, Allamakee county, Iowa, under the care of the Presbytery of Dubuque, (New School), requesting to be taken under the care of this Presbytery, was presented, whereupon a Committee was appointed to negotiate with the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Dubuque, (New School), and after full explanation is made, and if the way be clear to do so, the Stated Clerk of this Presbytery be authorized to enroll the church,

and the appropriation of \$400 sought for from the Board of Church Extension, be then applied for by the Presbytery Committee."—The Presbyterian Banner.

Seminaries.

Union Seminary.—The Seminary has just announced, with its cordial thanks, that: "The Hon. David Dudley Field, Hon. Stephen J. Field, Cyrus W. Field, Esq., and the Rev. Henry M. Field, D. D., have given to the New York Union Theological Seminary a part of the Library of their father, the late Rev. David D. Field, D. D., of Stockbridge, Massachusetts, containing more than four hundred volumes. Many of them are rare works, including a collection of about two thousand and five hundred pamphlets (bound) of unusual interest and value."

Lane Seminary.—"A meeting to consider the interests and wants of our School of the Prophets was held in the lecture room of the Second Presbyterian church on Monday evening, Nov. 23d. The attendance was not large, but the spirit was earnest, the discussions animated, and the result highly encouraging. The Seminary, it will be remembered, is endeavoring to raise an additional endowment of \$100,000. Of this sum \$40,000 have already been subscribed, \$25,000 of it by three Trustees living in Cincinnati. The Board think that Cincinnati ought to give fully one-half of the new endowment, and that it should do, it will be easy to secure the rest of it in the churches elsewhere. This view of the case was cordially accepted by those present on Monday evening, and a resolution was unanimously adopted, 'That the friends of Lane Seminary in Cincinnati should and will raise \$25,000 in addition to the \$25,000 already subscribed here, thus making her contribution in all \$50,000 toward the new endowment of \$100,000, which the Trustees are endeavoring to secure for the Seminary.'"—The Christian Herald.

CHURCH COURTS.

The Presbytery of Charlton met at Shunem church, Davis Co., Iowa, Oct. 7th. The numbers of the Presbytery had been so reduced that its extinction was feared, but a recent accession of two members, (Rev. A. T. Wood from the Presbytery of Ottawa and Rev. Wm. Kendrick from that of Galena and Belvidere) has recruited their strength and hopefulness. Mr. Wood preaches at Olivet, vacant by the death of Rev. Asa Martin. His people have built and furnished a fine house of worship, and there have been some accessions to their strength. Mr. Kendrick hopes to organize a church at Moulton, where he resides, and is preaching at West Grove and Unionville. The Presbytery unanimously approved the Basis of Reunion overruled by the General Assembly.

Harrisburg.—Rev. Alexander D. Moore, who has for eight years been the stated supply of the Presbyterian church in Dauphin has been transferred the First Presbyterian church of Northumberland within the bounds of the same Presbytery, Harrisburg. The former pastor of the latter church, Rev. James Dickson, has removed to Berwick, in the vicinity, where he is engaged in preaching, and in teaching an academy, in connection with the Presbytery of Northumberland.

The installation of Mr. Moore was accomplished by the Presbytery of Harrisburg, November 5th, when Rev. J. E. Long of Hagersburg and Spring Mills, presided, Rev. Henry E. Niles of York presided, a very appropriate discourse from 11 Cor. iv. 7. "We have this treasure in earthen vessels," &c.; the charge to the pastor was given by Rev. Dr. T. H. Robinson of Harrisburg, and that to the congregation by the Rev. Dr. C. P. Wing of Carlisle. The pastor has been welcomed to this new field of labor with great cordiality and zeal. His salary has been raised to a thousand dollars, and about twelve hundred dollars have been collected to purchase a parsonage. This ancient borough, the beauty of whose location has always been admired, (and drew such admiration from the great philosopher Dr. Priestly, who for some years resided there), after a few years of decline has put on the appearance of enterprise and thrift. The energy of Presbyterians there has unfortunately been subdued by the attempt to maintain two churches. After a number of abortive efforts at union, both parties seem to have become hopeless of any benefits from further proceedings in that direction, and have finally supplied themselves with acceptable pastors.

At the same meeting of Presbytery, the vacancy created at Dauphin by the departure of Bro. Moore, was supplied by the reception of Rev. David C. Meeker from the Third Presbytery of Philadelphia. By the activity and enterprise of his late pastor and a few of its members, this church has been taken from the Home Missionary list and become self-sustaining. The installation of its new pastor, whose reputation for earnestness and self-denial prepared us to expect much from him, was postponed until next April.

DEAR SIR:

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