Editor's Cable.

Publishers will confer a favor by mentioning the prices of all books sent to this Department.

GLENNAIR, OR LIFE IN SCOTLAND, by Helen Hazlett. author of "Heights of Eidelberg," is a fiction, the interest of which turns upon charges of forgery and embezzlement made against persons in high standing, and upon seemingly conclusive proof. The style is animated and the events are sufficiently startling. We are treated to a perilous journey by land and water, a Robber's Cave, one death, and the fear of two or three more in the family, several collapses in fainting spells besides the bank robbery, in the first three chapters. The impression made, though strong, is somewhat confused. But the interest is well sustained throughout, and culminates in the vindication of the innocent and the discomfiture of the guilty. The book is unexceptionable in its moral tone, and most decisive and emphatic in its inculcation of those principles which have their clearest recognition in the Word of God. Philadelphia : Claxton, Remsen & Haffelfinger.

The Third of SCRIBNER'S ILLUSTRATED LI-BRARY OF WONDERS, is upon the WONDERS OF HEAT. This is a more strictly scientific book than its predecessors, and in some important respects more valuable. But its popular character

is maintained by the multitude of experiments which it describes, and by the rare beauty and accuracy of the accompanying illustrations, which are nearly one hundred in number. 12mo., pp. 265. Price, \$1 50.

BREAKERS AHEAD; or, Larry Dalton, by Harriet B. McKeever, is one of the best books of this writer, marked by her good qualities as well as those not so good. Spirit and aim are most wholesome and Christian. The first half of the narrative is sprightly and interesting, but a large part is utterly without invention or vigor, wearisome for its very small talk and not worth the paper it is printed on. Had the last half of the book been reduced to half the size, it would have almost doubled the value of the whole. Philadelphia: J. P. Skelly & Co.

Juveniles.

TEDDY'S DREAM; OR, LITTLE SWEEP'S MISston, by Emma Leslie, is one of the very best of Children's Books. The characters of Teddy and of all his associates are drawn with no little originality, and the story of the little boy who so loved the sunshine and who yet was doomed to be a chimney sweep is told with a skill and pathos that carry away the reader. The power of prayer, and the value of temperance principles are well illustrated. Carter & Bros. 18mo., pp. 174, illustrated.

THE TRUE STORY, LIBRARY, by Mrs. Julia McNair Wright, with its round dozen of neat little volumes in large type, handsomely bound and packed in a box, is a sight to make the eyes and considers his endorsement of Darwin's hypoof the little ones dance. Thanks to the Committee for such a proof of remembrance of the youngest readers and listeners. The stories are timate tendency to deviate from parental type, and Rev. Wm. Fuller, of Bucanan, and Elder

close of the war, have been succeeded by 6,000 convenient buildings.

READING SERMONS .- The practice of readng from a manuscript seems only to have come in after the Reformation, and even then to have been for a long time exceptionable and unpopular. The Puritans, with one consent and with a torrent of violent abuse, as was their fashion, scouted it. Even after the Restoration it was only tolerated, and not always that. An ordi-

nance issued by Charles II. to the University of Cambridge in 1674, declares that the practice Cambridge in 1674, declares that the process of the Rev. Henry M. Bacon was elected model and state in times," and forbids "that supine and slothful J. R. Osborn, Esq., Temporary Clerk. Rev. R. G. McCarthy was dismissed to the Presbytery of G. McCarthy was dismissed to the Presbytery of way of preaching" to be used at the Universi-ties in future. But it crept in again and maintained its ground.-Blackwood.

COUNT BISMARCK once presented a faithful but poor secretary with a portfolio, bound like a Defiance—has been greatly revived, and some book, in which were deposited 500 thalers. On twenty-three (23) have been received into her meeting the secretary the next day, the Count communion since January. This church has been asked him if he had perused the volume. "Yes, your highness," said the secretary, " and I was so captivated by its contents that I am waiting the appearance of the second volume with feelings of the greatest interest." The Count smiled, but said nothing. . A few days afterward the secretary received a second portfolio bound and filled like the first, on the title-page of which was the sentence, "This work is complete in two volumes."

[This reads wonderfully like a stock story of Frederick the Great.]

EMANUEL DEUTSCH, author of the famous article on the Talmud, has started on a journey to Palestine and Egypt, to further his studies of the Talmud. His work on that subject is considerably advanced. TRIBUNE PUBLICATIONS .- The Politician's

Register, the Whig Almanac, and Tribune Almanac for the years 1838 to 1868, inclusive (excepting 1842,) have been reprinted. These sets contain the Annual Election Returns by States

and Counties, lists of Presidents, Cabinets, Judges of the Supreme Court, Foreign Ministers, Governors of States, &c., with Summaries of Acts of Congress, and other Political Statistics. and comprise two neatly-bound volumes. DANTE IN CHICAGO .- Three gentlemen, of Chicago, it is said, have clubbed together, and ordered three copies of Longfellow's " Dante," to be illustrated with Dore's and Flaxman's designs, and many of the rare Dante prints. Only three copies will be printed, and the cost will be

PROF. OWEN ON MR. DARWIN'S THEORIES.

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"Our Monthly Gossip" in Lippincott's is responsible for the following summary of the views of Prof. Owen, of the Royal Philosophical Society, on Mr. Darwin's Theories : He rejects the principle of direct or miracu-

the operation of this law seems to have been predestined by the Allwise Creator; so that the horse, for example, was developed from preexisting forms just as the period when the human race itself came into being. Professor Owen rejects Darwin's theory as explaining the origin,

but accepts it as accounting for the extinction, of species. He speaks of Lyell as "one destitute" of qualifications for grappling with the difficulties of this profound genetic problem in philosophy," thesis and his condemnation of that of Lamarck as being equally without value. His own theory is given in the following words: "I deem an inall true, drawn from Scripture and from actual operating through periods of adequate duration, T. L. Ross, of Paw Paw, alterates. to be the most probable nature, or way of operation, of the secondary law, whereby species have held its annual meeting at Grad Rapids, April been derived one from the other. . . . Generations do not vary accidentally, in any and every direction; but in preordained, definite, and 'cor' and 'Elder Hi Griffin Lay Commissioner, with related courses. The learned writer considers Rev. E. B. Miner and Elder In. Root, alterlife in its lowest forms as analogous to crystallization: "It is analogically conceivable that the same CAUSE which has endowed His world with power convertible into magnetic, electric, thermotic or other forms or modes of force, has also added he conditions of conversion into the vital mode." Professor Owen considers thought to be a form of force, and the result of the action of the brain, and replies to the anticipated charge of materialism by saying that his "faith in a future life and the resurrection of the dead rests on the grounds of their being a part of divine revelation."

recent meeting in Milton, in addition to its previous action on Reunion, adopted the amendments to the Basis proposed by our Reunion Committee. The Presbytery further voted, that in view of past discussion and action, it is earnestly desired that the Assemblies consummate the union at the earliest practicable moment. Rev. E. W. Clark of Milton and Elder John Carpenter of Poughkeepsie were appointed Commissioners.

Presbytery of Maumee met in the 1st Congregational church of the city of Tcledo, April 21st. Bloomington, and the Rev. William Maclaren, D.D., of the 2d Presbytery of New York (U. P.)

united with us. One of our churches-that of for a number of years, supplied by Bro. B. W. Slayle of the other branch. On new church has been received under care of Probytery at its last meeting, that of "Highland" which is some three miles out from Defiance, and when has been supplied with afternoon service by Iro. Slayle. This was organized some years ago, aid has stood independent on It was a feebler thing with scarcely strength enough to stand alone. But since January it has been powerfully revised, and it comes

under our care with a membership of twenty-five (25) with the prospect of, more additions, at its next communion. It takes the Confession of of doctrine, and also, its form of Government.

, Rev. Perry C. Baldwin was appointed Commissioner to the General Assembly, and Rev. William Maclaren, D.D., as Alernate, and Jas. W. Ross as Lay Delegate and Ir. E. Ranger as Alternate.

On Reunion, the Basis of 1888 with our comterms be construed as directory ϕ advisory and not as imperative. It was furthermore *Resolveil*, That the proposed modification of said 2d article is not to be taken as an amenment, but as an interpretation of the same, and that this Presbytery should prefer to see said sticle amended as follows; viz: All after the wod Union in the fourth line stricken out, and he following infourth line stricken out, and the following in-serted : "And all the churches princeted with the United body not thoroughly Persbyterian in their organization shall be advised to ecome thoroughly Presbyterian as early as is persided by the high-est interests consulted, and that persided by the high-such churches be received." Leolved, That the Stated Clerk be directed to forward to the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly te foregoing re-solutions as the answer of the Presbytery to the overture sent down on the subject of the Reunion of the two branches.

lous creation, and recognizes a hatural law or se-condary cause as operative in the production of species in orderly succession and progression. At with one exception, and the on technical the same time he calls attention to the fact that grounds alone. The vote we unanimous to adopt the overture recently ubmitted to the Presbyteries by our Reunice committee. The overture did not call forth extinded discussion. The only question raised wis a Constitutional one, as to the presbyterial right of the Committee to present the overture, it being argued that it should have come from the Alembly. The question was considered as hypercritical, and the vote was considered as virtual a decision in favor of union on the basis of th Standards pure and simple, the only right bas."

The Commissioners chosen a the General Assembly are Rev. John Sailoriof Allegan, and Elder D. O. Roberts, of Kalanazoo, principals, The Fresbytery of Grand Rier Valley, Mich., 13th and 15th and Rev. Loui Mills was appointed Commissioner to the Gneral Assembly, nates. Four new churches we added to the roll of the Presbytery, and thee ministers as follows: Churches, Montagne, Ez Rapids, Nun-ica and Otto: Ministers, Revil. N. Diament, from the Presbytery of Osweg, Rev. James Walker, from the Presbytery of Marshall, and Rev. W. B. Sutherland; from the Presbytery of Boston (U.P.) has a dona to have the second of the Bresbytery adopted by a manimous vote the recommendation of the Assmbly's Committee on Reunion, viz: to omit part of the First Article of the Basis and th whole of the Tenth. enth. Monroe Presbytery met at Panyra, Mich. This Presbytery adopt the recommidation of our Committee to omit a portion of the First Article of the Basis, and the whole of the Tenth; and, if it will accomplish the objectany better, is willing to say, "Standards, pure al simple," as the Basis. Rev. J. Gordon Jones and E. R. Willard, elder of the Church in Adria, were appointed Commissioners to the next Assembly. After a pastorate of six years, pleasan and useful. Dr. Mattoon was dismissed from th Church in Monroe.

A mission was reported as recently established among the Germans in the city of Milwaukee, of much promise, under the charge of Rev. Wm. Ellers, who was received by letter from the Presbytery of Salem, Ind. A new church, under the name of Calvary Presbyterian church of Milwaukee, was received under care of Presbytery. This church is located in the west part of the city, and is an enterprise long called for. It commences existence with bright prospects, is composed mostly of colonies from the First Pres. and North churches numbering 70 efficient members. The churches under care of Presbytery report unusual religious interest. In the church of Jefferson, there is at present a cheering work of grace. One year since, this church held a very doubtful prospective existence. Rev. John Van de Luyster, late of the Holland Presbyterian church of this city, was, by a commission of Presbytery, installed pastor of the 1st church of Holland, with cheering prospects. Rev. Silas Hawley was dismissed to the Presbytery of Cin-G. W. ELLIOTT, Stated Clerk. cinnati.

Lexington Presbytery, Missouri, met at Eason. It now comprises fifteen ministers. The church at Chillicothe was received under its care from the other branch. Owing to a dead lock in which matters were involved, this was by mutual consent. One new church building has been erected and dedicated during the year, and several have been beautified and improved. There is a large and flourishing Mission Sabbath School among the colored people of St. Joseph, under the charge of our Church. We have three can-Faith of the Presbyterian Churh as its standard didates for the ministry on our list. It was announced that a classical school would be opened the first Wednesday of September at Chillicothe, admitting both sexes.

Rev. Mr. Carson of Savannah, Mo., a graduate of Maryville College, East Tennessee, was appointed Commissioner to the next General Assembly. The Presbytery voted aye to the Plan mittee's amendments was adopted. It was also of Union, but expressed its preference that the recommended that the second rticle of said Assemblies' should come together on the Store Assemblies should come together on the Standards pure and simple.

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RELIGION OF SHAKESPEARE -The Rock, an English journal, in an article on the religion of Shakespeare remarks that "it is a singular and significant fact that nowhere in Shakespeare do we find the character of a sober-minded, philosophic infidel or sceptic. Such a creature was unknown in his day, and such a conception was ever abhorrent from the poet's mind." It avows the firm conviction that Shakespeare believed in the Christian religion, and most probably in the faith of the Reformed Church

EDUCATIONAL. - Spain. - Sixty-five per cent. of the male population of Spain and eighty six per cent. of its female population are unable to read or write. Only about one in every thirteen of the population goes to school. This does not speak well for the prospect of establishing a republic in that country. It needs fewer priests and more schoolmasters. England .- The preparatory school of Harrow, in England, is to adopt a complete modern course for the instruction of lads not going to the universities. Greek is to be dropped, and other subjects will find its place. China.-A graduate of the Imperial College at Pekin recently received his diploma, at the age of 47, after having attended competitive ex- G. Miller and Rev. Charles S. Dunning. Elders, and Elder John Johnson, of Milwaukee, with

The above brief and imperfect but, we believe; accurate condensation of the great naturalist's last words on these interesting themes, is well calculated to make the unlearned reader pause and reflect on the tendencies of modern Science.



Presbyteries.

The stated meeting of the Presbytery of Montrose. Pa., was held at Nicholson, April 20th Twenty ministers and fourteen elders were in attendance. Rev. David M. Rankin was received from the Meadville Presbytery, and Rev. G. C. Judson from the Delaware Association. The former is laboring at Great Bend and New Milford; the latter at Franklin and Liberty. Within the year past, three church buildings have been completed :- at Honesdale, Uniondale and Nicholson. Another is nearly ready for dedication at Gibson. That at Honesdale cost \$40,000. On Thursday, Presbytery united with the people of Nicholson, in dedicating the attractive church which the liberality and

perseverance of a young and feeble congregation had succeeded in erecting. Rev. William F. Arms was installed pastor of the church on St. Paul, alternates, were Thursday evening. The sermon was preached by the father of the pastor-elect, Rev. H. P. Arms, *The Presbytery of Milvo* D.D., of Norwich, Conn. Charge to the pastor, by Rev. J. G. Miller; charge to the congregation by Rev. B. S. Foster.

On Reunion: The Presbytery having pre-viously approved the Basis of Reunion, overtured by the last Assembly, do hereby re-affirm that approval : but would also consent to reunion on the Basis as proposed to be amended by the Reunion Committee. Commissioners, Rev. Jacob | eral Assembly, Rev. John Mitin, of Jefferson, aminations for 26 years. Missouri.—The 600 L. F. Eitch and N. P. Wilcox. log school-houses which Missouri boasted at the The Presbytery of North River, N. Y., at its R. Bacon, of Manitowoe.

The Presbytery of Minnesola met it Belle Plain, April 21. Rev. I. O. Sloan was received from he 4th Presbytery of Philadelphia. Rev. Mr. Evans was dismissed to the Presbytery of Knol Ill., and Rev. Mr. Chapman to the Presbydry of Winona.

The committee on re-union reported in avor of re-union on the basis of the standards of the church, instructing the commissioners to the General Assembly to vote for ny plan presented which does not conflict with the basis previously proposed by the General Asembly. Rev. F. W. Flint, of St Paul, and Elor

Hatch, of Minneapolis, as rimary, and Elder John Mattocks and Elder I. W. Ingersoll, if St. Paul, alternates, were elected commissioners

The Presbytery of Milwauke, at the late meet ing in Manitowoo, modified this action previous ly taken on Reunion, by adoting the amendment proposed recently by ou Assembly's Com mittee on that subject, by asseting to the omis sion of a part of the first artile, by them specified, and all of the tenth artic of the Basis of Reunion adopted by the last Gneral Assemblies. They appointed commissioners to the next Gen-Rev. Sextus E. Smith, of Bapn, and Elder O. وتانة منافر

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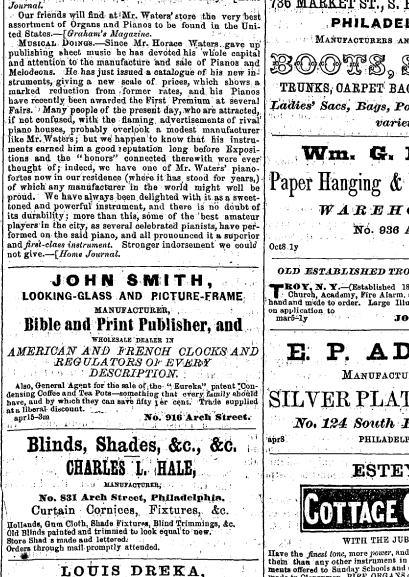
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