

Religious Intelligence.

THE REFORMED CHURCHES.

Churches and Pastors.—Rev. Henry A. Boardman, D. D., pastor of the Tenth church, Philadelphia, has returned from Minnesota, where he passed the last winter. His health is so far recovered that he is able to preach to his congregation. It is now hoped that he will shortly be able to resume his pastoral labors.

—Rev. Mr. Stuphen, pastor of the Scotch church in Fourteenth street, New York, has gone to Europe. He has been very earnest and successful in his labors since he has been associated with the Rev. Dr. McElroy, and his people have very properly thought it would be for his advantage, as well as theirs, that he should spend this season of relaxation in a foreign journey.

—Rev. S. H. Wines has procured the dissolution of the pastoral relation between himself and the First church, Springfield, because he has been elected Secretary of the Board of Public Charities of the State of Illinois, and feels himself constrained to accept the same.

—Rev. Wm. H. Smith, from the [Dutch] Reformed Church of Ephratah, New York, has accepted an invitation to supply the Presbyterian church of Bardolph, Ill.

—Rev. Du Puytren Vermilye, of the same denomination, accepts a unanimous call to the church of Hamilton Union, at Guilford, Albany county, N. Y. His installation was to take place on Tuesday, June 20th, 11 o'clock, A. M.

—Rev. J. Kinneer, of the Presbyterian church of Ireland, declines the call from the First U. P. Church, Cincinnati.

—Rev. J. G. Carnahan, of Danville, Pa., has been called to the pastorate of the Church in Meadville, Pa., formerly Rev. Dr. Reynolds's.

bear to the Committee of Evangelization. It was decided that the Committee had no right to impose any definite form on such churches, but that they should be at liberty to organize according to their own judgment. The meeting was addressed by Professor H. B. Smith, of our Union Theological Seminary, and by Dr. Guthrie of Scotland. Dr. Leon Pilate commends the work of these Piedmont Christians as the most extensive and valuable of all the mission enterprises of Italy.

Educational.—At a late meeting of the Presbytery of Newton, held at Blairstown, N. J., Mr. John I. Blair, of that place, transferred to the Presbytery a magnificent stone building, which he is now erecting for a boarding school, containing 75 students' rooms, 9 other rooms, and 6 large halls, sufficient to accommodate 150 pupils together with 12 acres of ground. He added also to this munificent gift an endowment sufficient to pay the board and tuition of at least five of the sons of ministers of this Presbytery at a time—amounting in value, altogether, to the sum of \$125,000. The Presbytery appointed as Trustees of the property and school, Rev. Messrs. Sanson, Hand, Tully, McCauley, Barrett, Freeman, Sitt, Laurie and Townsend.

—The Theological Seminary at New Brunswick has, during the year, received a donation of \$40,000 from James Suydam, Esq., of New York. This institution has now an endowment of about \$175,000, and Rutgers College, at the same place, an endowment of about a quarter of a million.

—No Religious Newspapers.—There are no "religious newspapers in Ireland," as we understand that term. The Rev. Hamilton Magree, of Dublin, publishes a small religious and missionary magazine, called Plain words whose speciality is its fitness for circulation by colporteurs and others, among Roman Catholics, treating as it does, each month, in a kindly and Christian way, upon some point of difference between Catholics and Protestants.

—The Presbyterian Church is represented mainly by two secular papers—The Banner of Ulster at Belfast, and The Standard at Londonderry. The Evangelical Witness in Dublin, The Monthly Messenger in Lurgan, and a children's magazine in Armagh, are all Presbyterian monthlies. The first was started and long edited by Dr. John Hall. The Assembly's Boards publish a monthly Missionary Herald in Belfast.

OTHER DENOMINATIONS. Episcopalian.—Rev. Charles E. Cheney, Episcopal rector in Chicago, has been cited for trial by the council appointed by Bishop Whitehouse, of that city, to examine into his case. The trial will take place the 21st of July, in the bishop's cathedral. Mr. Cheney's offence is that he omits the words "Regenerate" and "Regeneration" in the Baptismal service, and makes other variations from the Prayer Book.

—The recent Low Church Convention in Chicago, proved how impotent the party are even if united, and how divided in fact. The attendance was small to disappointment. The business transacted was the passage of useless resolutions urging Revision of the Liturgy, &c.

—Archbishop Thomson of York, recently reminded the ministry of the Church of England, in a speech at Sheffield, that they had no business to mix themselves up with disestablishment discussions, and that whatever may be the issue of the contest, they have only to deal with the enduring Church of God.

—It is said that at the Ecumenical Council in December next, there will be very nearly two hundred English-speaking prelates. Of these, one hundred and ten will be from England, Ireland, Scotland, and British colonies; sixty from the United States; from ten to fifteen co-adjutor bishops; seven or eight bishops who have retired from active duty, and about as many mitred abbots. According to this calculation, the Anglo-Saxon element will form nearly a fifth of the whole assembly.

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—Bishop Upfold, of Indiana, has brought one of his flocks to submission. Mr. Russ, rector of a church in Lafayette, having been found guilty of "scandalous and infamous conduct," in going to see the "Black Crook," performed, was sentenced to receive an "admonition." The vestry of the Lafayette church objected to the sentence, and passed some resolutions which were unavailing to the Bishop, and he thereupon ordered that the parishioners must "be deprived of Episcopal services until in some way the action of the vestry should be repudiated or recalled." On the 4th of June the vestry got on their knees and humbly begged pardon.

Congregationalist.—Dr. Todd of Pittsfield has been visiting the Pacific Coast, preaching in the churches, and admiring the country. Before his return his friends on the coast presented him with a well-filled purse.

—Prof. E. A. Park, of Andover, sailed for Europe June 5th, and will spend the summer in England, Germany and Switzerland for the benefit of his health, which has been impaired by overwork.

—Mr. W. P. Ward was ordained pastor of the Congregational church in Gretna, La., June 13th. Rev. J. W. Healy, of New Orleans, preached the sermon. This church, says the Congregationalist, has just dedicated its new chapel, which was erected by aid from the Congregational Union. Mr. Ward is laboring under a commission from the American Missionary Association.

—The Theological Seminary at Hartford (formerly of East Windsor), held its XXXIth Anniversary recently. Dr. Hoyle and Atwater of Princeton, were present and welcomed at the Alumni meeting, where they expounded religious Life and Doctrine, as connected in their relations.

—The Chicago Association, at their late meeting, received five new churches and eight pastors. An interesting essay on the Diaconate, by Rev. Thomas Lightbody, led to the appointment of Rev. C. D. Helmer, to prepare one on Deaconesses, for the next meeting.

—A large colony of Congregationalists have settled on Diamond Creek, near Council Grove, Nebraska. They will constitute a church of themselves. Rev. L. Harlow, of Council Grove, supplies them.

Methodist.—The Western Advocate says: "Some of our exchanges are reproducing the old paragraph, that it costs the Methodist a million dollars a year, more or less, for moving expenses of their preachers. Suppose it does? What ministry, after all, more cheap, or useful, or efficient, and steadily at work than the 'itinerants'?" And how much does it take per year to pay the expenses of ministers in other churches, who by scores and hundreds are running the gauntlet of preaching trial sermons to over-festidious congregations, seeking a settlement and finding none? The changes in the Methodist itinerancy, according to statistics, are proportionately not so numerous as those among Presbyterians and Congregationalists.

—The congregation of St. John's church, Brooklyn, on Sunday, June 20th, contributed thirty thousand dollars to cancel the floating debt against the church, in addition to \$125,000 previously given by the same congregation to aid in the erection of the new church.

—The Atlanta Methodist Advocate reports the case of a colored brother, now in the South Carolina Conference, who when he heard of the "Old John Wesley Church" coming South, walked over a hundred miles to meet one of the preachers and unite with the church. He was a slave until the emancipation proclamation made him free.

—Rev. Dr. E. O. Haven, President of the University of Michigan, has accepted the Presidency of the North-western University at Evanston, Ill.

—Rev. Charles W. Bennett, of the East Genesee Conference, formerly Principal of the Geneva Wesleyan Seminary, and now traveling in the East, has been elected President of Albion College, Mich.

—Missionaries, (remarks Zion's Herald), are wanted for India. That Conference is now at our very door. Only a few weeks of rail and sail separate the Punjab from New York. It is as pleasant there as in our southernmost cities. Who will go? Two young men will be accepted, if of the right stamp. There are hundreds struggling slowly up to the wealthier churches here, and not sure of ever reaching them, that can strike the best appointments in a bound by enlisting in this work.

—Rev. E. R. Keys, formerly of the Chestnut street M. E. church, Portland, Maine, has recently changed his Church's relationship by being baptized into the faith of Swedenborgianism. A few weeks before the change he announced himself in "head and heart" a Methodist, showing that his conversion has been very sudden.

—The fine church in San Francisco, formerly belonging to Starr King's congregation, has passed into the hands of the African Methodist Episcopal Church.

Romanist.—In Vienna last year seventy-one Roman Catholics were admitted to the Lutheran churches, while but eleven Lutherans turned Roman Catholics. In Graz, the capital of Styria, fifteen Roman Catholics became Protestants, and three Protestants became Roman Catholics. The Reformed congregation at Prague was also joined by forty Roman Catholics.

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