Religious Entelligence.

The Reformed Churches.

Ministerial.—The First church, Albany, New York, has extended a unanimous call to the Rev. J. McC. Blayney, of Frankfort, Kentucky, which has been accepted.

Rev. E. Erskine, D.D., has been called to the church at Newville, Pa. Rev. Sheldon Jackson, having accepted the appointment of the Board of Domestic Missions as District Missionary for Nebraska, Wyoming, and Colorado, desires the names of Presbyterians living on his field. Send their address,

to Mr. Jackson at Council Bluffs, Iowa. -The pastoral relation between Rev. James M. Platt and the church of Leetsdale, Presbytery of Allegheny City, has been dissolved, that he may accept a call to the church of Bath, Presbytery

of Genesee Valley.
South, — The Richmond Disputch
says that the Rev. Dr. T. V. Moore, of Nashville, Tennessee, is spoken of as the late Dr. Wilson's successor in the Union

Theological Seminary Va.
—Southern midisters are seeking health in high latitudes. Rev. A. P. spoon, of Memphis, Tennessee, is still in Minnesota, where his health has been improving very rapidly.—Dr. Stuart. Robinson has been ordered by his physician to cease work for a season and was intending to sojourn for several weeks in St. Paul, where he has been preceded by an invalid son." Wes

—On the invitation of the First church in Newburyport, Mass., the pastors and delegates of several Congregational churches met with the Londonder-ry Presbytery, Newburyport, Sept. 8th, to examine, and if deemed advisable, ordain Mr. Charles Stoddard Durree, as pastor of that church. This ancient church when uniting with the Preshy, tery, reserved for itself several Congregational rights, among them, that of choosing elders annually, that of calling a pastor without the intervention of the Presbytery, and that of calling in Congregational churches, to assist in the ordination of the pastor. This last right they have waived in the two previous settlements But wishing to come into closer fellowship with the churches around them, they have now re-asserted, and exercised it. Mr. Durfee enters his ministry under very favorable auspices. The Congregationalist.

-Rev. A. W. Loomis, of San Francisco, missionary among the Chinese in are under no slight obligations to him California, for more than two years has for two large volumes of the Ecclesiastihad a Chinese colporteur constantly em- | cal History of New England, local histoployed, and sometimes two, most of the ries, and numerous biographical sketches: and the mining camps. 33 18 1

-Mr. Duncan M'Laren's bill for the abolition of compulsory church rates in enforcing these rates has hastened Par- fort, N. C. liamentary action, One of her minis, ters in Glasgow, in endeavoring to exwas given on purely technical grounds Protestants of Ireland. against the Establishment. Other acts of the same kind were brought to light in country districts, where public opinion did not tell as in places like Glasgow. Hence Mr. M'Laren's bill.

-The movement for disestablishment in Wales keeps pace with that in Scotland. The Free Church delegates to the Welsh Calvinistic Synod spoke freely on this subject. Dr. Maclauchlan made reference to the great paucity of adherents of the Scotch Establishment in the Highlands, stating that the numbers. were as small as was the case with the English Establishment in Wales, and remarking that the Celtic races were likely to prove somewhat dangerous to the Established Churches of the empire. Dr. Candlish gave it as his opinion that it was on the unendowed Churches that the hopes of the country now rested; that internal dissension, and a tendency towards disunion, were marked features in the Established Churches, while among unestablished Churches the tendency was towards union.

Educational. The Select Committee appointed by the O. S. General Assembly to investigate all matters of controversy in regard to the Theological Seminary of the Northwest, will meet at the Tremont House; Chicago, on Monday, October 25th, 1869, at 10 o'clock, A. M. when and where all parties concerned

will be heard. -The improvements in the courses of instruction, and the new branches, are all in vigorous operation in Princeton College now. The public seem to appreciate the new life, for one hundred and thirty young men have applied for admission, and one hundred and fourteen have actually entered. This we believe to be the largest number of students which the College of New Jersey has ever had. Professor Moffat is teaching Latin, and Professor Comfort French permanent professors of these branches.

Other Denominations. Congregational,—Rev., Davidi Mur.

New Haven.

-Rev. J. C. French's Central church years of its existence, from a membership of twenty-seven to five hundred.

-Nearly four months ago, over a hundred members of the church" at Washington, with the Rev. Dr. Boynton at their head, took letters to a new church to be formed in that city. They have been disappointed hitherto in get-ting the Y. M. C. A. hall in which to meet, but on Sunday last commenced to have preaching from Dr. Boynton. They have organized themselves into a church! to be known as the Central Congregational, but have not yet recognized any of their sister churches by calling a

his pastorate with the church at Janes-ville, Wisconsin. In connection with his first Sabbath services, a costly silvergilt communion service was presented to the church from Mrs. Jane E. Reypolds Forman, D.D., of St. Joseph is on his of Philadelphia, Pa. The church ediway home from Minnesota, with health fixed is now finished. The dedication, greatly recuperated. Rev. Dr. Wither and the installation of the pastor, await and the installation of the pastor, await the erection of the large organ now

has joined the Clark Street Methodist such. Baptism and the Lord's Supper, in common use in our congregations, Church in Chicago, with a view to becoming their pastor. He was formerly a and significant symbolic rites, expressive

church in Chicago, Sept. 5. will to -Nebraska has 15 churches, with a

total membership of 369, of whom 132 design to set forth the facts of the great were added during the year, 47 on profession; average attendance at Sabbah

has resigned his pastorate to accept the call of the First church in Washington, D. C., but his church will persuade him, if possible, to remain with them.

The term of the Pacific Theological Seminary has opened with five students, and more are expected.

-The death of Rev. Joseph Barlow Felt, LL. D., tock place at Salem, Sept. 8, in the 80th year of his age. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts is indebted to him for a laborious work in arranging the archives and bringing order out of confusion. The churches time visiting among the interior towns and papers of importance to the compre-and the mining camps.

— Congregationalist.Mr. Edward Bull, a member of the Scotland has been printed, and is being church at Westbrook. Ct., has been ordiscussed. The excessive zeal of the dained as an evangelist, and expects friends of the Scotch Establishment in soon to begin missionary work at Beau-

Episcopal. The strong feelings of tend the area of the tax, imposed it upon the manses of United Presbyterians and the disestablishment of the Irish Church bishop of Armagh died September 16th, Free Church ministers, and what was are beginning to evaporate. At one of worse selected a young and struggling his meetings the Bishop of Cork said mission of the former denomination as that although he had himself been angry one of the buildings to be assessed. The for a time he did not intend to become opponents of it, however, challenged its a rebel or to separate himself and his legality, and the matter was thus brought | destiny from the people of Great Britain; into the law courts, where a deliverance and that he could say the same for the Rev. Francis Lobdell, rector of the

Church of the Advent, in Cincinnati, was lately, on resigning his charge, presented by his congregation with a paid up policy of life insurance for \$5,000. Rev. George Stuart Baker, son of Rev. A. R. Baker (Cong.) of Dorches-ter, was ordained in Boston, deacon in the Episcopal church, Sept. 7th. Bishop. Eastburn officiated and welcomed his young brother in a very warm and affectionate manner, and paid him the high compliment of passing the best examination of any young man whom he had admitted to the sacred office. Mr. Baker is to be the assistant of Rev. John Cotton Smith of New York.

- Rev. Henry R. Pyne has resigned the rectorship of St. Paul's, Holland Patent, N. Y., and accepted the Presidency of Nebraska College, Nebraska

City. Rev. G. W. E. Fisse, whom Bishop Eastburn "forbade to officiate in Massachusetts," has requested the parish to receive back the call to the rectorship of Christ Church, Plymouth. The request has been complied with, as the church officially says it "does not wish to put itself in opposition to the Bishop of the

-Rev. William Henry Rees, D.D., formerly of St. Philip's church, Newark, N. J., died suddenly two weeks ago: He was highly respected in his Diocese.

-Rev. W. J. Boone, son of the late Bishop Boone, has been appointed missionary to China. He has been serving

the church in Eufaula, Alabama.

—Rev. Dr. Lyman has declined the office of Dean of the General Theological Seminary in New York.

Baptist.—Rev. Mr. Morgan, pastor of the Welsh church in Plymouth, Pa., recently remarked, with deep emetion, that all but three of the male members and German, till the Trustees appoint of his church had perished in the Avondale mine.

- Drs. Backus and Taylor, of the Home Mission Society, have returned from their visit of exploration to the dock, D.D., of New Milford, has re- Pacific coast. They reached New York

ceived a call from the Third church in on Wednesday of last week. All parts CHILDREN'S PRAISE. of the coast were visited, and the vigilant Secretaries report that "a great at Brooklyn has grown, during the dozen | door and effectual is opened" to the operations of our Society. There are, doubtless, many adversaries, but there They have twice enlarged the house of are many fellow laborers, also. We shall worship, and next year will begin the soon hear of movements for the more erection of a still greater tabernacle, to thorough and speedy evangelization of cost at least one hundred and fifty thou- the destitute and neglected regions sand dollars, and contain sittings for fif-teen hundred hearers. visited by our representatives, not ex-cepting the Chinese immigrants who are cepting the Chinese immigrants who are coming to us in increasing numbers. National Baptist.

-A colored Church was recently constituted at Beulah, Ala, the members having been dismissed from the white church for that purpose. The old meeting house has been partitioned off, and accommodates both bodies.

Phe Portage Ohio Association reports twelve churches, with an aggregate membership of 614. The additions were seventy six ; /diminutions, fifty-two. A. writer in The Journal and Messenger ouncil.

Rev. Dr. Whiting has entered upon three times as many churches as at present. Two out of every three have present. Two out of every three have of the wisconsin. In connection with lost their visibility, and seven of the twelve remaining are virtually dead. Spiritism. Universalism, Adventism have burned all over this section, wilting every evangelical plant, and sweeping church after church out of existence." -The National Baptist says: "Com-

paratively few Baptists, we apprehend, nearly ready for them in Philadelphia are willing to allow that the Scriptures —Rev. W. H. Daniels has ceased to favor even the mildest theory of essenact as agent for Chicago Seminary, and tial spiritual virtue in the ordinances as when properly administered, are simple Methodist, and studied at Wesleyan of the central doctrines of the Gospel. University, Middletown, Conn.

It is quite remarkable how little the New Testament says, even indirectly fourteen new members to the First about the influence of the ordinances It is quite remarkable how little the upon the believer's feelings and character, and how much it says about their atonement. Baptism is a declaration of our belief in all the Scriptural facts pertaining to Christ's person and work, Rev. J. E. Rankin of Charlestown, and of our belief that pardon, renewal, and future hopes of which Christ is the Author and Giver, have been secured to

> Anglican A correspondent of the London Church News, writes that he at tended three city churches in succession on the morning of Sunday, August 15th. In one of them he found an old woman and the charity children; in another there was no service at all; and at the third, up to the time at which he left it. no clergyman had arrived.

> -The vicarage of Redbourne, in England, worth, £300 a year, has been placed by the Duke of St. Alban's at the disposal of the parishioners. This is said to be an unparalleled event in England.

land.

— The General Synod of the Trish Church assembled, September 14th, at St. Patrick's Cathedral, a full attendance present. A protest against the act of disestablishment was passed unanimously. mously. A scheme for the formation of a Church body of 124 representatives was submitted. The Synod has decided against the admission of ex-officio mem-

Miscellaneous,—The London open air mission has published its sixteenth annual reports. The object of this So. ciety is to regulate, and improve Open-Air. Preaching, especially among laymen. It seeks to accomplish this object by calling Open Air Preachers together for conference and prayer, and by supplying them with books and traces. It encourages, men to go out into the streets and lanes of the city, and the highways and hedges of the country, and to preach the gospel there. It also takes the gospel to the sea-side, to races and fairs, and other special gatherings, in fact, wherever the masses assemble out of doors. These objects have been steadily pursued during the past year. The number of open air services held every week in London, in summer, is probably not less than 500 by all the Societies which include Open-Air Preaching in their operations, and by those who are not directly connected with any Society. 83 races, 40 fairs, and 25 other special gatherings, have been visited during the year, making a total of 148 618,000 tracts, periodicals, and books have been distributed during the past year. Open Air preaching has made a fair start in Holland. It is occasionally adopted in Italy, while in Belgium it is becoming an institution, the authorities rightly considering that it was unfair to allow the Roman Catho lies to have their processions while the Protestants were forbidden to preach. Thirty-six preachers report 238 conversions. The expenses of the mission were about £570. The Treasurer, of the mission is the Hon. Arthur Kinnaird, M. P. The Secretary is Mr. G. Kirkham, who is himself an earnest Open-Air preacher.

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