

Religious Intelligence.

THE REFORMED CHURCHES. City. In other days the Scots' church was one of the strongest, most thoroughly administered, and most efficient churches in Philadelphia.

—The Hymnal has been introduced in the Westminster church. The congregation have hitherto used the Psalms of David solely, but have determined upon this change with great unanimity.

—Dr. Henry, the deceased pastor of the North church, was formerly well known in the Associate Reformed Church and more recently was a pastor in Chicago, Illinois, and afterwards co-pastor with Dr. McElroy, of the Scotch church, New York.

—The office of The Presbyterian has been removed to No. 1214 Chestnut street, Philadelphia.

—The formal dedication of the U. P. church of Frankford, took place on Sabbath, Nov. 7th. The church building, thus far has cost a little over \$17,000, exclusive of their valuable lot of ground.

—Rev. A. Thomas, who is well known in some parts of the U. P. Church, and has been some time in connection with the Associate Reformed Synod of the South and laboring in Ohio, has been dismissed to join the Presbyterian Church (N. S.)

—On the 1st of November, the Rev. Alfred Marcellus, Wm. E. McChesney, and D. N. Lyon, with their wives, sailed for China, via Aspinwall and San Francisco.

—Rev. J. W. Colton, of the Presbytery of Fayetteville, N. C., is under appointment of the Foreign Mission Committee of the Southern Pres. Assembly as a missionary to the Indians, and expects to enter his new field of labor before the close of the year.

—For the past few months, Rev. Mr. Thomas, laboring at Waterville and Washington, Kas., has preached on alternate Sabbaths, in a passenger car of the Central Branch railroad, at Waterville. As there was no room to be obtained in the place, Major Gunn granted the favor to him and the community.

—The O. S. Presbytery of Kaskaskia dismissed Rev. Henry Mattice to the Classis of Paramus, Rev. E. Buck to the Presbytery of Alto.

OTHER DENOMINATIONS.

Episcopal.—Trinity Church, New York, is making arrangements to have an evening service in German, during the winter.

—The American Churchman, not only recognizes other denominations as Christian Churches, but favors such an alteration of the ordination service, that ministers of other denominations may be received into the Episcopal Church without a positive re-ordination.

—Mr. James Moore, of All Saints' church, Phila., makes the following bequests in his will, viz: \$500 to the Corporation of All Saints, the interest of which is to be expended in the purchase of fuel for the poor members of said church; \$500 for the Sunday-school, and \$2,000 toward the purchase of a parsonage.

—Rev. Francis D. Canfield, of New Jersey, has been appointed the Second Assistant to the rector of St. Mark's, Phila. The care of the important mission work of St. Mark's will devolve chiefly upon Mr. Canfield, under the direction of Dr. Hoffman.

—St. Ann's, the first Episcopal church in Brooklyn, and for 40 years the only one, was established in 1795. Now there are 38 churches, 6 chapels, and 52 clergy. Last year in these churches there were 900 confirmed, 8,078 communicants, 10,000 Sabbath-school scholars, 1,464 baptisms, and \$273,064 of offerings, exclusive of pew rents.

—At the English church-congress, Rev. A. H. Mackonochie, who was lately condemned for extreme Ritualism, had some difficulty in obtaining a hearing. He spoke against a rigid uniformity being enforced upon all congregations, asking why there should not be extempore prayer, if by that means souls could be saved.

Congregationalist.—The Congregationalist speaks of a rumor to the effect that some prominent gentlemen are about concerting measures to take up the erection of the Congregational House, in Boston, and make a vigorous push for the perhaps \$100,000 more which is needed to warrant proceeding to the immediate erection of this home and visible centre of Congregationalism.

—Rev. G. B. Wilcox, of New London, Ct., has accepted the call from the Tabernacle church of Jersey city. Salary \$4,000.

—Rev. J. O. Barrows was dismissed from the First Church in Exeter, N. H., October 6th. He has accepted an appointment from the American Board, and sails with his wife and two children, this month, for his station at Cesarea, in Western Turkey.

—Rev. Dr. Nehemiah Adams, of Boston, is to sail in the ship Golden Fleece, commanded by his son, Capt. R. C. Adams, for San Francisco, and thence probably to the China seas. His physician anticipates the most favorable result from this voyage, which will probably occupy about twelve months. Two daughters go with him.

—Rev. O. C. Dickerson has resigned his pastorate at Boonsboro, Iowa, to undertake itinerant work among destitute settlements in his neighborhood.

—It was stated by Rev. Theron Baldwin, D. D., at the late laying of the corner-stone of the Theological Hall at New Haven, that the three present Secretaries of the American Home Missionary Society, were graduates of the Yale Theological Seminary; that ten of the Alumni of the Seminary have acted as agents for that society; and that that seminary has furnished five Presidents of Western Colleges, and has had a specially intimate relation with the Western College Society, whose aid has reached sixteen institutions with more than 2,000 graduates and 700 theological students.

Recently from Scotland, over the Presbyterian church in that city, organized the past summer.

—The Southern Methodists have three colored conferences. Rev. Thomas Taylor, the general superintendent of this work, says that the one last formed "embraces some of the best preaching material in Kentucky," not less than fifty preachers, and a large and increasing membership.

—Heman Bangs, D. D., one of the most aged and respected ministers of the M. E. Church, and long the Presiding Elder of the New York East Conference, died in New Haven, Conn., on Monday, the 2d inst., 82 years of age. He had had a long and very active ministerial life.

—There are nine (Northern) Churches in the city of New Orleans, eight of them colored, with colored pastors. The white congregation has a small membership, but is growing weekly under the labors of Rev. L. O. Matlack.

—The examination into the rumored frauds on the Methodist Book Concern, has shown nothing to substantiate the charges made against some of the officers.

—In the Tennessee M. E. Conference the following resolution was taken: Whereas, Brother [i. e. Rev.] W. H. Pearne has been proposed to accept the office of Chief of Police of Memphis, Tennessee; and whereas, we as a Conference deem the holding of said office incompatible with the functions of the ministerial office and hurtful to the reputation of the Church; therefore, Resolved, that so soon as he can be without material injury to himself, brother Pearne be requested to resign said office. Resolved, that we deem it incompatible with the best interests of our work for members of this Conference to be actively engaged in partisan politics, or to hold political offices.

—Two new colored districts were made and colored presiding elders appointed.

Baptist.—Trevor and Colgate, who are among the gold dealers of New York, and who gave the Baptist church at Yonkers a fine stone house, at a cost of one hundred thousand dollars, were called upon by the agent of the Baptist Church edifice fund in the midst of the late excitement, and after a few moments consultation, pledged fifty thousand dollars, gave a check for ten thousand, and said they would pay the balance in a few days.

—There are now over 100 students in the Theological Seminary and University at Chicago preparing for the ministry. They represent, besides many States of the Union, England, Wales, Scotland, Norway, Sweden, Germany and Burnah. Their average age is 25 years.

—Rev. Dr. Gray, who was recently Chaplain of the U. S. Senate in Washington, D. C., has accepted a call to the Baptist Church at Shelburne Falls, Mass.

—The Christian Standard [Campbellite] in a lengthy editorial, discusses "the sad condition" of affairs among the Disciples of the West. The following is but one of the many facts it adduces: "It was publicly stated in the Missionary Society, at its last annual meeting, that in one county from which thirteen hundred additions had been reported, there was but one church in the county, and that one organized within the last year."

good deal of excitement among the New Haven Catholics, by removing the stones from fifty-eight graves in the church-yard, and leveling the graves beyond all identification; all to improve the grounds about his residence.

—A correspondent of The Freeman's Journal says, on going into the Roman Catholic church of Huntsville, Ala.:—"I was surprised at seeing an elderly man, with two youths, reciting the Profession of Faith of Pius IV. I learned that these were Rev. John Henry Irwin, a minister, lately of the Cumberland Presbyterian sect, and his two sons."

—Dr. Newman, it is reported, is busy on a new work upon Rationalism. As he probably sees no middle way between pure rationalism and implicit submission to the authority of a church claiming infallibility, no very high expectation can be entertained of its logic, however persuasive may be its style.

—Rev. Father Lambos, a Jesuit secretary, died in New Orleans; October 24th, aged 60 years.

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