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-There is an increasing spirit of inquiry among the Mohamuledans of the Nestorian district in Persia.

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> -The Presbyterian Publication Committee have donated one hundred copies of the ". Tenbeseean in Persia," for distribution among missionaries of the American Board. One copy will be sent to each station.

forming a spectrum, has lines or marks peculiar to -The Receipts of the American Board in itself. These lines might be taken, therefore, as new October were \$23,656,82 ; including \$774.75 in properties of the elements, and could be used to legacies. The Presbyterian Board received distinguish and detect them. It is only in the \$6,432.15 in the same time.

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missed her husband. She had tried to keep | the solar spectrum gives bright lines; this outer him secreted, knowing that he was very weak; and when she discovered that they had taken him, she ran down the hill after him, seized him and drew him back with her, even though she received curses, and kicks and blows from out, at the top of her voice, when she first took hold of him, addressing him with something like these words: "Is this what you learn from

the Word of God? Is this all the good your religion has done you ? Last night you dreamed that your dead brother came in the form of the devil, wearing black, and tried to induce you to go back to the Greek Church. There is the devil surely, in his black c'othes (pointing to the bishops and priests), who has come to take you Mr. Rutherford of this city. About eighty lines back. May God have mercy on your soul." And so she drew him back to the house after her, and the procession went on to the church with the unwilling captives. Even after their deep persecutions, these Christians persevere in the one duty from which they might well be excused, that of giving. Mr. Samuel Jessup, August 19th, says: "One young man, who has been hunted from place to place during the past month, brought me two dollars, as the tithe of certain earnings, and said he would yet pay me the tithe for a little silk and for his wheat. A boy, ten years old, came the day I arrived there, bringing half-a-bushel of wheat as the gift of his widowed mother, for the spread of the Gospel. It

-Rev. H. H. Jessup says the Syrian Mission pro poses an advance along the whole line, and speaks of the work and prospects in the most cheering 16mo. pp. 280. Handsomely printed, bound and manner. He calls for more laborers and says :

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existing churches; and now the time has come for an aggressive work on the great kingdom of darkness around us. L. can with all my lieart invite young men to come to the Syria mission field.'

-The little church of Palu, eastern Turkey, of 12 male and 16 female members, has sent out three or four members on a missionary tour among the villages; as much as 60 miles from and immediately felt relieved as if by enchanthome. The Missionary asks: How many American churches, of twelve male and two female members, so highly appreciate the blessedness of laboring for others as to be ready to undertake the evalugelization of their own town, and a district nearly as large as the State of Rhode Island, besides doing something for more distant villages? in her and the same har har

Scientific Ltems.

dade SPECTRUM ANALYSIS. dader

[From a resume in the Tribune of Roscoe's late work.]

Kirchoff, working together, discovered that each

chemical element, when burning in a flame, emits

a light which, when passed through a prism and

In 1859, two German chemists, Bunsen and

sphere is therefore termed the chromosphere.

The constitution of the sun is now held to be proved by spectrum analysis-that is, we know to a moral certainty that certain elements existing on the earth exist also here. The spectrum seventy bright lines. If now we place this beside the solar spectrum, the bright lines are found exactly to correspond to a system of dark lines in number, breadth, position, and interspaces -a coincidence, that. Sixteen of the elements we know upon earth are thus found to exist in the sun. The spectra of the stars have been studied with great assiduity and success by Father Secchiof Rome, Mr. Huggins of London, and in the spectrum of the star Aldebaran have been mapped, and it has been shown to contain sodium. magnesium, hydrogen, bismuth, tellurium, antimony, and mercury, while Sirius gives indications of the presence of sodium, magnesium, iron, and hydrogen.

But the uses of spectrum analysis are not confined to original chemical research ; it has practical applications which should not pass unnoticed. In the Bessemer process of converting cast-iron into steel it is of great value. Cast iron differs from steel in containing more carbon, and is made into steel by burning out the carbon by means of a blast of atmospheric air sent through the white hot, molten mass. Five tuns of castiron, by this process, are converted in twenty minutes into cast steel. The success of the operation depends upon the blast being stopped at the right moment, for if discontinued too soon the mass becomes too viscid to be poured out, or if continued too long it crumbles under the hammer. By the aid of the spectroscope the appearance and disappearance of the lines in the flame afford an exact index to the progress of the combustion., This instrument is also proving a valuable ally to justice in its evidence in criminal cases. It detects with unerring certainty even the one thousandth part of a grain of the red coloring matter of a blood stain.

-A valuable discovery was accidentally made by a workman in France, who, some little time ago, in varnishing various pieces of metal, scorch-ed himself most dreadfully. In his agony, and without an instant's reflection, he thrust his injured hand into the pot containing the varnish, ment. He repeated the operation for a day or two, and in a short time was perfectly cured. The discovery attracted considerable attention in the neighborhood. He was sept for to Metz to cure some men injured by a powder explosion; and, being successful, he was directed to apply his cure to patients in the hospitals of Paris, where his treatment for burns was soon found to be more efficient than the old method.

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A "Member of the New York Bar," a Pres byterian, it is said, is the author of a little work on the two leading theological controversies of the day. In the first part, called THE DIVINE HUMAN IN THE INCARNATE AND WRITTEN WORD, he takes ground against the orthodox view of the plenary inspiration and entire accuracy of the Word of God. The main line of argument is, that there is a human or fallible element in union with a divine and infallible one, all through the Scriptures. But error, fulsehood and darkness are not human ; they are inhuman. In so far as the Bible is a thoroughly human book, we have as much right to infer its accuracy as to infer the accuracy of a truly divine book. We must prefer Tayler Lewis's fine treatise on the wars of Napoleon, translated from the Ger-Il e same topic. The second part, containing SOME THOUGHTS ON THE ATONEMENT OLDER THAN THE CREEDS is devoted to a review of the " mercantile theory " of the Atonement, and of the theory of an essential antagonism between the Divine Attributes of Justice and Mercy. The book is not written in the reverent spirit that we had expected, and its publication will hardly do much to cast light on the subjects it discusses. Rundolph of New York, Publisher. Pp. 201.

Prof. Blackburn, of North West Theological Seminary, has added to his list; of historical works, relating to the period of the Reformation, THE LIFE OF ADMIRAL COLIGNY, With the life of this great man is connected a history of the rise of the Huguenots, and properly, as upon him almost the entire history hangs. He was the first and most prominent victim of St. Bartholomew's massacre. He also represents the laity of the truly religious Huguenots. He was more fully in correspondence with Calvin than was any other of the French nobility. Thus he may well occupy the central position and give name to such an historical work. The history is occupied with the period of sixty years. from 1512 to 1572. Romanists, extreme and moderate, Protestants and sceptics, have been him, assembled at his house, to pray for the consulted as authorities. All agree as to the conversion of the world At his suggestion the lofty character of the Admiral. What should give greater interest to his name, in this country, Japanese. True, they had their gates closed, are the early attempts which Coligny made to rudely and fiercely, against the Christian world found Protestant colonies in "America. The but the Lord could open them, whenever the story is ably told, the style is vigorous, and the work, as, probibly the only original life of the he did not permanently return till 1842; but the Admiral in the English language, deserves a ladies' sewing circle, formed in connection with place among the Protestant classics of our time. those monthly concerts, was continued, notwith 2 vols., 12mo \$2.75.

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-Over forty thousand dollars in gold were given to Christian objects, the past year, by the Hawaiian and Armenian churches. Partly because of such liberality, the American Board have been able to reduce the appropriations to those missions by some ten thousand dollars,notwithstanding the constantly expanding nature of the work, and to transfer this amount to other fields. For a like reason the Tamil mission will require less. 1.1

---It is estimated in the December number of the Missionary Herald that 463 000 church members in America contribute to the treasury of the American Board. It is also computed that one cent per day from each of this number would bring an income to the Board in a year of \$1,689,950.

-Forty two years ago a Christian merchant of Boston, residing in Brookline, Mass, and a few Christians who were in sympathy with moneys collected at these missionary reunious were devoted to the evangelization of the "set time" should come. 'The merchant left Brookline in 1829, and sailed for Europe, whence standing the persistent policy of isolation adopted by the Japanese government. This association We can scarcely do more than mention the kept alive, during many years, the interest merchant who inaugurated that monthly concert at Brookline, so widely known and so highly es embarked, the first missionary of the American Board, to the nation in which he took so deep an interest. Still more. The Prudential Committee liave placed to the credit of the new mission

-A fierce persecution has been raging against small company of Christian converts in Safeets, Syria. It broke out afresh recently, when twenty or thirty of these Protestants were influ

be heated to whiteness, and its light bassed through a prism, it gives a continuous spectrum; but if platinum be vaporized by the electric current, its spectrum becomes broken, and there is a stries of bright lines separated by varying intervals of darkness. If zinc be vaporized, it gives beautiful bands of red and blue, while vapor of sodium gives two fine yellow lines situated close, to each other. A new and most delicate mode of chemical analysi, was thus found, and the very first result obtained by it was the discovery of several hitherto unknown chemical elements. Prof Bunsen, in examining the ash left after the evaporation of some mineral water, discovered lines which did not appear to belong to any known element. He then boiled down 44 tuns of this water, and from the mineral residue he extracted two new metals resembling potash, one of which he named Rubidium. because it gave a dark red line, and the other Cæsium, from its producing a bluish-gray line.

The lines produced by the burning vapors of the elements are variously colored; but always bright, with dark inter-paces; but in the spectrum of the sun and stars this is exactly reversed. the lines being dark and the spaces bright. Kirchoff explained this beautifully on the principle of absorption, which we will try to illus trate. If we go into a glass store with a violin and produce a tone by drawing the bow across one of the strings, certain of the glass vessels will be set singing; they will catch up and give out the same musical note which proceeds from the violin. But only those vessels will do this which are capable of vibrating in unison with the string, or of giving out the same note that they receive. In this case the sound of the string is said to be absorbed by the vessels which are capable of emitting only vibrations of the same rate. Supposing now we have a candle flame containing sodium vapor, which gives the bright yellow lines in its spectrum. If then we take an electric light, which is of course very much brighter, and containing also sodium vapor, and let it shine through the candle-flame, the bright yellow lines do not change their position, but they instantly turn dark. The explanation is that the candle flame absorbed the same rays that it gave out-that is, it stopped the bright sodium rays of the electric light, and, letting all the others pass, the contrast becomes so great in the spectrum that the lines of absorption appear as dark lines Now in the sun it is supposed that there are two sources of light, an external photosphere, and an inner nucleus of intenser brightness, so that the intenser light from the inner source undergoes absorption as it passes through the outer sphere. and hence the solar lines appear dark. A beau tiful verification of this principle is furnished by enced by threats and bribes to join in a great a discovery of Lockyer and Jansen that from the

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