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Will the Presbyterian Church Stand True? Ws have heard within the last few days Christian gentlemen, men of known probity and supposed intelligence, say, with the longest possible faces, that the difficulty at present agitating the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church is contrary to the doctrines of the Gospel, and savors rather of the world, the flesh, and the devil, than of Christian charity. They desire peace at every hazard, and would rather have the cankering worm of treason hidden securely beneath an outward semblance of verdancy, than that the bough should be cut off and the whole tree purified and saved. Some statesman has said, "that whoseever sacrifices principles for peace deserves to lose both peace and principles;" and we, therefore, welcome the discussion at St. Louis as far preferable to the whited sepulchre which was erected by another denomination in our own city last fall. We mean no invidious comparison, but frankly say that the issue had better be fought at once, and the test of loyalty applied, rather than the Southern Synods should return as a tavor and forgiveness on their part, and an exhibition of what a rare supply of the milk of human kindness exists in their bosoms. Let us rather have an open, bold, bitter quarrel than a deceptive peace, wherein oil and water are supposed to mingle, and loyalty and disloyalty unite on the basis of falsely called Christian charity.

t Holding these sentiments, therefore, we have read the debate at the General Assembly without any of the morbid terror which seems to have pervaded certain Christian minds. We are glad it has occurred, if there was any necessity for it, and we are glad that the cause of freedom had such an able advocate as Dr. Thomas, of Dayton, Ohio. We will briefly state the facts which led to the discussion. The Synod of Louisville have elected as delegate to the General Convention a Dr. STUART ROBINSON, late of Canada, a bitter, consistent, open, and unrepentant Rebelone who has always gloried in his treason, and does so to-day. The Synod was largely composed of returned Rebel chaplains, and by their union with the sympathizers defeated the Rev. ROBERT J. BRECKINBIDGE, and adopted a series of treasonable resolutions. Dr. Breckingings, with all of the loyal minority in this synod, presented a protest against the reception of Dr. Rominson, and prayed for the dissolution or reform of the Louisville Synod. The protesters number one hundred and eleven ministers of Kentucky, and submit three propositions, of which we give the gist. They recommend the Church:-

First. To purify herself from the widely diffused poison of the times, which, in a form more or less virulent, is diffused through all the churches, and to do this, as remembering that the discipline of the Church is of God, and is an audience of mercy to backsliders, second. To hole out, and open wide, the arm of

her love to every child of God in the Southern States who has been a victim and not a willing par-taker of the sins against God, against his Church,

against their country, and against which Divine Providence has testified by such severe and such righteous judgments.

Third, to proceed at once with a zeal proportioned to the urgency of the case to redeem the solemn promise made by the first teneral Assembly after the schem, organized in 1881, that she would wholly derigard its existence, and as God might make her, would strive to recover all the might lose by it, and to extend and to establish more and more through out the South the precious system or Divine truth unto the liberty and into the power of which God had called her by His grace. Let the revenge we will ask of God be a double share in the work of saving those who have cast us out as doubly vile.

It was, on the other hand, contended that these mild and Christian resolutions were far too radical and bitter in tone; and Dr. VAN DYKE, of Brooklyn, and Dr. BOARDMAN, of Philadelphia, appear as leaders of the sympathizers, and favor Dr. Rosinson and his treasonable declarations and certificate.

Dr. Thomas opened the debate with a vigor ous, whole-souled, and loyal speech. He did not temporize with treason or treason's friends. We quote a portion of his speech, the reference to the calf being to Dr. VAN DYKE and the selfconstituted martyr caucus:-

Sir, when the National Government finds a State organized in armed resistance to its authority, does it send its scouts to search the portiolos of boarding-school misses to ascertain what namby-pamby treason they may have written to their country cousins? I think not, sir In this case, sir, we have a plain and distinct defiance. Fine paper of my friend. Dr. McLean, takes the bull by the horns, and I mean no disrespect, Sr, when I say that, while we have the builtly the horns, we need not trouble ourselves about the bleating of the calf. (Laughter.) It is natural, sir, that they should sympathize in the angush of the r sire (Renewed laughter.) We have a plain work before us. It is the settlement of this particular question between the Presbytery of Louisvi le and the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of the United States.

"Taking up the would-be martyrs, Van Dyke, Bracken, Anderson & Co., Dr. Thomas remarked that the age of martyrdom had, he leared, lorever passes away. Martyrdom used to mean the cross of Peter, with his head downward; the boiling caldron of ST JOHN, and the like, but what does this martyr-com mean? It means a palatial mansion on Brook-lyn Heights. It means a trip to Europe. It means the smires of an 'unnumerable company of angel.'' waving their cambric handkerchiets. (Great merri-ment and sensation.)

sir, when I want wine, give me the blood of the grape, and not your cider changages. When the age of martyrdom comes, let it be martyrd m that means something and costs something—a martyrdom that, empties a man's cource, and does not fill it—a martyrdom that drives a man from his pulpit and does not livite sympathizers.

To this spirited address, Dr. Boardman, of our own city, a gentleman whose pamphlet, issued in the darkest days of the war, threw an impu, tation on his sympathy with the Union cause, replied. His remarks have a local interest:-

Dr. BOARDMAN proceeded to say that he had talked with none of those brethren, was not in their councils, and had no intimation of their intention to present this or any other paper. He referred to the great dauper to which legislators are exposed in times of great public excitement. He was as loyal and sincere in his devotion to the Government as any one, but even a type in navigation knows that and sincere in his devotion to the Government as any one, but even a tyro in navigation knows that when the gale is passed the great danger to a vessel is of being lifted on the he shore amid the heavy ground swell, and that is just the position of our glorious Church to-day. The speaker had no sympathy with the views attricuted to some of the Louisville brethren, but he had with righteousness, and truth, and justice, and Christian charity, and he would not see even the bitterest Secessionist oppressed here, and remain quietly in his seat. He had been gratified at the address of the brother from a sister Assembly, and drew a contrast between it and Dr. Thomas' address; and then proceeded to criticize the latter. The character of that address may be a mater of laste or may not, but certainly is a matter of instinct, which is a thing heighter, concental—which cannot be put into a man. The brother from a sister Assembly had been warmly and lovingly heard and welcomed, but immediately he soes we turn our faces back to our own bensehold, we are to our erring brethren dark and unrelenting. Was it ever heard, since Justinian's time, that a set of men were tried upon such an indictment as the one you have offered? Dr. BOARDMAS then ets med, in an ilustration, that the "prehminary proceeding" of excluding the commissioners and shutting down debate by the previous question, was traversing one of the fundamental principles—i will not say of jurisprudence—but of American liberty, and of all it erry (Applause in the galleries, rebuked by the Moderator).

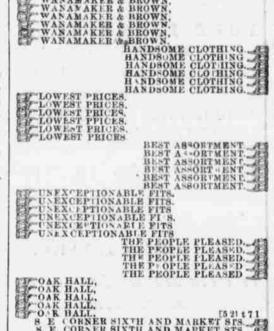
Such was the substance of the reverend gen-

tleman's harangue. He might disguise it as he chose, he might talk about liberty, and throw dust in the eyes of an audience who kept their eyes open in order to have the dust thrown in, but Philadelphians will see his object, stripped of all rhetoric. It was a defense of, and an attempt to aid, the Louisville Secession Synod. His effort, however, we predict, will prove futile. The Church must purge herself of all those of her children who are friends to treason, and the sooner she shakes them off the better. A few vigorous blows, and the treasonable element will be subdued; if tolerated, it will mistake kindness for timidity, silence for assent, and rend the Church with its arrant doctrines of

From all sedition, privy conspiracy, and rebelion, good Lord deliver us.

Foreign News by the "Saxonia." THE foreign news by the arrival of the steamer this morning is finencially favorable. The panic in England has subsided, and no more iailures are reported. All kinds of securities, however, are much depressed, owing partly to the panic and partly to the threatening aspect of affairs on the continent, where war is considered more imminent than ever. The cholera has appeared at Liverpool. The English Government proposes to consolidate the reform measures now before the House of Commons into one bill.

Affairs on the continent are becoming more complicated than ever. A treaty is reported to have been entered into between Prussia and Italy, which of course look towards a union of those powers against Austria. Garibaldi takes the field at the head of the Italian volunteers. The Czar refuses to interfere in the present complications.





## RELIGIOUS NOTICES.

DEDICATION.—THE NEW CHAPEL (Presbyterian), at the coiner of BROAD and OXFORD Streets, will be dedicated with appropriate religious services on Thursday Evening. 31st instant. All inlaters, and the friends of religion generally, irrespective of denomination, are cordinally invited.

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