

OUR RELIGIOUS COLUMN.

A Characteristic Sermon.

The Puritan Thanksgiving was celebrated at Plymouth Bay, at which Mr. Beecher's sermon was the most remarkable feature.

"The Yankee that grabs; the Yankee that grinds, and covets, and sneaks; that smokes his ghostliest, prettiest, and grasps and keeps it as if it were the revenue of an empire; and does all this out of love for money—O! poor Yankee! Nevertheless, who are they that build colleges who are the whose States have in the worst times the best credit? They were the body politic of the Yankees.

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"When he was in safety he thus said to himself:—'What a graceless sinner I was when I murmured at the bad weather, and did not rather take it patiently as a possession of God. Had the sky been brighter, and the air clear and dry, I should now be lying dead in my blood, and my children would have waited in vain for my return home. The rain, at which I grumbled, has saved both my property and my life.'

SUMMARY OF RELIGIOUS NEWS.

PRESBYTERIAN.

There is an unpleasant difficulty in the Theological Seminary of the North-west located at Chicago, which is controlled by Old School Presbyterians. So far as we can learn from the correspondence published in the Northern Presbyterian, Mr. Cyrus H. McCormick, who founded it by promising \$25,000 to each of four professors, has not yet paid over three of them.

"The vestry of Christ Church in this city have declined to receive the resignation of Rev. Dr. Dorr, and offered to continue him in his office until he should be able to resign, leaving it entirely to his own feeling of ability to remain. They wished to continue the salary, and to supply an associate rector. Dr. Dorr consented to the arrangement so far as to retain the salary, but he refused to accept any salary for any services he might still be able to render.

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"The Centenary Methodist Episcopal Church South, in St. Louis, Missouri, raised on Sunday, November 8, after a strong plea by President William A. Smith, the large sum of \$100,000 for Central College. The St. Louis Advocate thinks the amount will be largely increased by the subscription of the absentees. The same conference recently gave a collection of \$11,000 for the Methodist Orphans' Home of that church.

"Bishop Simpson, it seems, is to be the German Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He has become so prominent in his reading and speaking German as to be able to read the Scriptures and sing hymns in that language. At the late Northwestern General Conference at Galena, Illinois, he conducted the business in German.

"It is a curious example of the loss inflicted upon the country by our departed emigrants, even in its charitable work, that the Board of Missions of the Methodist Church was obliged to appropriate over seventy-five thousand dollars for loss by exchange, the missionary enterprises in foreign lands having, of course, to be supported by the gold.

The Presbytery of Tennessee, at its last meeting, unanimously resolved to overturn the Synod of Memphis to connect it with the Chickasaw Presbytery; and if concurred by the Synod, the name and existence of this Presbytery shall be changed to that of the Chickasaw Presbytery.

The Synod of Memphis, during its session at Oxford, united the two Presbyteries under the name of Chickasaw.

A late meeting of the Presbytery of Holston, Revs. Messrs. W. H. Smith and William Harrison were received from the Presbytery of Union (New School), Synod of Tennessee, and the Rev. Samuel Hodges was admitted to join the Presbytery of Dubuque, Synod of Iowa.

The congregation of the Second Presbyterian Church, Louisville, Kentucky, at a meeting held November 13th, resolved, with great unanimity, to call the Rev. George O. Barnes as co-pastor of the church with the Rev. Stuart Robinson, of the congregation.

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