

SATURDAY MORNING, OCT. 4.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

The vote on lay delegation in the Methodist Episcopal Church, according to the reports made at the sessions of the Western Annual Conference, during August and September, is generally unfavorable to its introduction. The Ohio Conference, one of the oldest and largest bodies in the connection, at its 51st session, in Zanesville, September 6th, the vote was largely against the measure. It stood ministerial, for lay delegation, 24; against, 101—male members of the church for lay delegates, 1,102; against, 3,006. The Oregon Conference, one of the smallest bodies, the vote of the ministers was favorable, but the membership by a majority opposed it. About the time session of the Ohio Conference was held, it was believed that the State had made no provision for the exemption of ministers from military draft, and it would have to give in their draft. In view of this, the venerable Bishop, Murphy, soon after its organization, suspended operations as follows:

"Operations. We have cause for humiliation and cause for gratitude. A few weeks ago it seemed probable that it would be very difficult, if not impossible, to hold our annual conference in October. But we waited, and the old saying, 'Old men for counsel and young men for war,' and concluded to hold the conference, and let the fathers transact the business. But, as it turned out, we were greatly mistaken to find that all the young men present, some of them will probably be drafted. If they are, I hope they will step right into the ranks and do their duty. But where the officers are keeping a wary eye, and none love it better for the country, and none love it better than Methodists preachers, and I hope not will withhold any thing they can do for it."

The receipts of the Baptist Mission Union from April to June of this year, show a falling off of \$8,228.48, for the same time last year.

The Committee on Missions of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, have resolved to discontinue their mission in Turkey. The mission in Liberia is reported to be in straightway.

The United Presbyterian Board of Pittsburg met at Indiana, Pa., on the first Tuesday of October. The Synod of the West (U. P. Church) meets at Hopewell on the third Tuesday of this month.

Rev. J. M. Pendleton, formerly of the Tulane University, Murfreesboro, Tenn., and one of the editors of the Tennessee Baptist, has arrived at Cincinnati, a refugee from the South. He reports all the Baptist papers in the South suspended, and all the Baptist Colleges and Theological Institutions closed.

A correspondent traveling in the East writes:

"The Prince of Wales was at Hebrew while we were there. His Highness' suite of rooms was in the room of the Duke of Machiavelli, Abraham's burial place. They are the first Christians who have been allowed to enter it since the crusades, nearly 700 years ago. The Duke of Machiavelli, who is in the most beautiful order, and nothing could be more satisfactory than the state in which the tombs are preserved. Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph, Sarah, Rebekah, and Leah are buried there."

The suspension of Presbyterians in the West leaves the Presbytery of Pittsburgh, the Presbytery of Cincinnati, the sole occupants of the great Northwest.

Rev. A. W. Pool, late P. M. of Woodland, La., has been appointed Missionary Colleague of the American Baptist Publication Society—address Washington, Pa. His field is Allegheny, Fayette, Greene, and Washington counties.

The O. S. Presbyterians, Synod of Pittsburgh, will meet in the First Church, Pittsburgh, October 1st. Presbyterians Narratives are to be sent to F. G. Bailey, Eggleston.

A Sunday School conference was recently held in London, and the proceedings were of great interest. Reports show there are three millions of Sunday School children in Great Britain.

The Episcopalian Divinity School of Philadelphia opened under very favorable auspices on Thursday of last week. The inaugural discourse was delivered by Bishop Burgess of Maine.

The Boston Review says of New England Unitarians:

"As a school of opinion, that it is an increasing and aggressive, and if Boston, its fountain head, may be quoted as a true exponent of its quantity and power, it has lost much during the last thirty years, but is still a power to be reckoned with. Its influence, however, it has compelled to relax its grasp, and behind evangelistic elements assert and maintain a power more than quadrupled in the number of its church members and influence."

Mr. Weston, the English Wesleyan Conference, for thirty years a minister, established a school, omitted "Men Contemplated," in which he advances the doctrine that if parents are wholly sanctified, their children are born pure, and free from the taint of original sin. The Conference one year ago gave him notice that unless he renounced his views, action must be taken. When the time expired, and while the matter was under discussion at the recent session of the body, he voluntarily withdrew from the Conference.

The Conference of the African Methodist Church, which met some time ago in Washington City, appointed the Rev. Mr. Cain, of Brooklyn, to go as a missionary to Hayti.

A religious regiment has been raised in the West which contains six hundred and forty privates who are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Col. Jacques is a minister, and several of the officers are ministers. The chaplain, Rev. John S. Hayes, has four sons in the ranks.

We clip the following from an exchange:

"The Convention of the Episcopal Church in Western New York, held in Buffalo, on the 2d instant, addressed a Bishop DeLancey set forth that during the year he had confirmed 2,915 persons—the largest number ever confirmed by any in one year. He also stated that he had consecrated two churches, laid eight corner stones, and travelled 7,085 miles. If the convention had any sympathy for the cause in its terrible struggle, it did not express it."

Right Rev. Dr. Dominick, of the Pittsburgh Catholic Diocese arrived in the city from Rome some days ago. The Cleric says his health has been greatly improved by his long stay in Italy.

The Book Store of the English Wesleyan connection, reported in the conference the sales of periodicals during the year were \$2,300,000; total sales of all descriptions \$4,700,100. Tracts and hand-bills, total, 1,792,447.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

Arrest of Burglars in Allegheny.

An attempt to shoot.

Several party burglaries, and attempts at burglary, have been perpetrated in Allegheny during the past few weeks, and the night police have been unusually watchful of late, in order to apprehend the offenders. One of which, on which the Rev. Mr. McKinley was making his rounds, he observed two men in a very suspicious attitude, at the corner of East Common and Ohio streets. They intended to rob the tailor shop on the corner, at the door of which they were standing. Having no one old enough to catch them, he followed them, and, with the aid of his neighborhood, apprehended them, and proceeding to the Mayor's office, obtained the aid of officer Hesman, one of the best police officers in the city. The man who shot at the Rev. Mr. McKinley was making his rounds, he observed two men in a very suspicious attitude, at the corner of East Common and Ohio streets. They intended to rob the tailor shop on the corner, at the door of which they were standing. 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