SATURDAY MORNING, JULY 25.

RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

The Irish General (Presbyterian) Assembly has a committee at work on its "Code of Discipline." One of the changes proposed is in the following words: "In all the meetings of the Deacon's Court or Committee the minister shall be chairman." One of the Irish papers very pertinently objects to this that it is making the minister to "serve tables," and asks whether he has "not higher business than to be signing accounts for coals, sexton's and precentor's salaries, besides adjudicating to his own salary." An exchange, commenting on the above, regards it as one of the unfortunate things connected with the weakness of many of the churches, that the minister is not only a chairman among the deacons, but is the entire "court," and is forced to busy himself with all the "temporalities" of the Church, instead of confining himself to those higher spiritual duties, which are properly his only duties. He must either "serve tables," or find his own scantily spread.

——Within a few yards of the house of Cardinal Antonelli, the Pope's Prime Minister, is held a weekly prayer meeting of converted Roman Catholics; and, not far off is an institution founded by a convert, at which over a hundred men, women and children attend daily for instruction, and seventy at an evening class.

——Fourteen boxes of the gift of Bibles, Testaments, &c., to the Confederates by the British and Foreign Bible Society, have reached Charleston, S. C.

——During the late revival in the various churches of Rochester, N. Y., 156 were received by the Central, and 151 by the Brick Presbyterian churches. The whole number reported is 789.

——The Third Congregational Church, New York city, Rev. Mr. Frothingham, (Unitarian) pastor, is represented as having no formula of faith, no covenant, membership, or administration of sacrament. The declared object of the organization, says the *Evening Post*, is "the support of public worship, the maintainance of a religious faith, liberal, intelligent, and progressive; and the cultivation of religious life, individual and social." It is said the utmost freedom of thought is allowed every person in the society, and that it is a "strictly independent" concern. The *Examiner* commenting on the above regards such an association of men and women, taking so much pains to be known as a *church*, should be, to all appearances, "a little more strictly independent of God and His Holy Scriptures, than of any thing else."

——According to the German Almanac of Rev. S. K. Brobst, the statistics of the Lutheran church in the United States are as follows: Ministers, 1,431; congregations, 2,697; communicants, 285,217.

——The Chicago correspondent of the *Christian Instructor*, (United Presbyterian) published at Philadelphia, writes there is the usual prejudice against the singing of Psalms, and especially against what is termed congregational singing—choirs and organs being universally used in all the churches. Besides, we are a very fast, business, money-making people, and I am afraid we make our religion bend to our habits, instead of making our habits bend to our religion. It would be a difficult task I imagine to indoctrinate most of our youth into the principles of the Shorter Catechism, not to speak of the Larger Catechism and the Confession of Faith, and the wholesome restraints and strict Christian deportment which the principles of the Reformation impose upon all who profess them, and but little response even among the more mature and thoughtful of such a community as ours.

——The following ministers of the Pittsburgh Methodist Episcopal Conference have been drafted: Rev's J. A. Miller, J. R. Bracken, W. P. Turner, E. Williams, J. W. Kessler, A. B. Leonard, S. F. Jones, J. W. Weaver, S. T. Show, J. L. Siffley, J. Hollinghead, A. P. Leonard, and probably H. Neff and R. T. Miller. This embraces fourteen promising young ministers between the ages of twenty and thirty-five; and the end is not yet. In several instances the money has been collected to pay the $300 required by the government.

——The Rev. Jas. L. Deens, a Methodist minister, of Barnesville, Ohio, formerly a resident of this city, last week brought to the city a full company of men from Barnesville. They were sworn into the service for the Department of Monongahela. The Rev. H. W. Baker, of that place, also a Methodist preacher, was of the number.

——The editors of the *Presbyterian*, in reply to a correspondent on the question of Infant Salvation, admit that they "have heard some (Presbyterian clergyman) say, that where the Scriptures warrably no means explicit, it did not become any man positively to affirm the universal salvation of infants."

——The *Journal and Messenger* alleges that opposition to creeds is often a mere trap. It is a net spread to catch men. A craft that will not show its colors, it says, we suspect of privateering. It further declares it is the business of an honest church to declare, defend, and propogate the truth, as they believe it; and a written confession of faith lends powerfully to the preservation of the truth; it "holds fast the form of sound words."

——There will be a camp meeting held on the old Black Lick camp ground, in Indiana county, Pa., commencing Thursday, September 3d.

——In a late number of *The Methodist* we find American Methodism in the United States divided in 1862, into the following branches:

1. The Methodist Episcopal Church, with a membership of nine hundred and forty-two thousand nine hundred and six, (which, however, includes the Missionary Conference of Germany, and the Liberia Conference.) 2. The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, with about seven hundred thousand members. 3. The American Wesleyan Methodist, with about 21 thousand members. 4. The Methodist Protestant Church, with ninety thousand members. 5. The African Methodist Episcopal Church, with about twenty thousand members. 6. The African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church, with about six thousand members. 7. The Evangelical Association, also called German Methodists, with forty-six thousand members. 8. The Free Methodist Church, (originated in 1859,) with forty-seven travelling preachers and two thousand seven hundred members. 9. The Independent Methodist Church, the first congregation of which was organized in 1860, in New York city. 10. The Central Methodist Episcopal Church, consisting of three churches in Baltimore, which separated from the Methodist Episcopal Church on account of the changes made by the last General Conference of the Church in the Book of Discipline.

——The semi-centennial services, celebrating the organization of the First Baptist church in New Bedford, Mass., on a recent Sabbath, were of a very interesting character. The church was organized June 30, 1812, Rev. Dr. Stephen Gano, acting as moderator, and Rev. Barnabas Bates as clerk.

——An adjourned meeting of the trustees of Tarentum Camp Meeting was held at Smithfield Street M. E. Church, Monday, 20th, and, after a free interchange of views the question of holding a meeting this season was referred to the Camp Meeting Committee. This committee will meet at the above named place, Thursday, 6th of August, at 2 P. M.

——Bishop Janes sailed from New York on a late steamer for the Pacific coast, where he goes to preside over the annual sessions of the California and Oregon Conferences.

——It is estimated that Bishop Colenso's book has called forth seventy-five controversial works. A correspondent of the *Episcopal Recorder* states there are three Bishops in the Established Church of Great Britain and Ireland, who have refused to protest against Dr. Colenso's work. They are the English Bishop of St. David's, Dr. Thirwall, and the Irish Bishop of Killaloe, Dr. Fitzgerald, and the Bishop of Limerick, Dr. Griffin.

——Forty persons were admitted to membership in the Baptist Church, in Haverhill, Mass., at one time on a recent Sabbath.

——A good story is afloat, without paternity, that should be carefully read by those who go to church to sleep instead of to hear the Gospel to profit: "Wake up, said a good deacon, as he nudged such a sleeper (who had converted the house of God into a dormitory) with the contribution box; "wake up, and pay for your lodgings."

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

From Yesterday's Evening Gazette.

Daring Burglary on Fifth Street.

This morning, between one and two o'clock, the shoe store of Mr. D. S. Diffenbacher, in the Brewer block, on Fifth street, was burglariously entered and robbed of between twenty-five and thirty dollars worth of shoes. At the time mentioned, Mr. Daly, who occupies a store nearly opposite that of Mr. Diffenbacher, arose from sleep by the loud rattling of broken glass, and on looking out of a window he saw two men—one standing near the shoe store, and the other on the opposite side of the street. As he was asleep when the noise was made, he could not tell what caused it, and hearing no further noise he retired. After daylight it was discovered that the thieves had broken a pane of glass in the show window, and entered the store, carrying off with plunder they needed. The window is of plate glass, a quarter of an inch in thickness, and no shutters were deemed necessary—the gas being kept burning all night. On entering, the thieves had turned off the gas, and secured his plunder undisturbed.

We may repeat the stale question, "where was the watchman?" even though we do not expect a satisfactory answer. The noise which roused Mr. Daly might also have attracted the watchman, if he was just then in some remote part of his beat, he might have got around in time to have discovered the robbery. He remained on duty until three o'clock, and although a hole had been knocked in the glass large enough for such a man, and the gas had been extinguished, he never discovered anything wrong, if he made his rounds at all, after one o'clock. The citizens have no little confidence in the night police, that they are beginning to employ private watchmen; and if matters like this can be perpetrated under the very nose of the police, it is time that the merchants should provide other means of protection.

Aid to Sick and Wounded Soldiers.

The following is the list of donations received by the Allegheny Ladies' Aid Society for sick and wounded soldiers, during the week ending July 24d:

11 new shirts, 25 pairs drawers and 2 pairs socks, made by the ladies; Mrs. Harris, 2 summer coats and 2 handkerchiefs; a friend, 1 package newspapers; J. R. Lindsay, a package of religious reading; Mrs. Jos. H. Childs, 4 cans tomatoes, 1 roll flax muslin, and 24 copies of the Presbyterian Recorder; a friend, 1 ball of fine linen and muslin; Mrs. Hogg, 1 sack dried apples and a number of papers; Tadie Cooper, 6 cans black currant jam; Mrs. H. Sproul, 3 pairs pantaloons, 1 table cloth, 1 pair drawers, large roll muslin and linen, 19 napkins, 3 bosoms, 1 mosquito nett, 1 Bible, 4 books, 2 magazines, and 1 package of tracts; ladies of Richland, Pine and Hampton townships, 52 cans fruit, 2 bottles blackberry wine, 1 package dried peaches, 3 bottles catsup, 8 pairs pillow cases, 2 quilts, 4 shirts, 11 handkerchiefs, 1 pair socks, 16 dozen eggs, 2 crocks butter, 3 pillow cases, and 2 bundles of lint.

Mrs. Barker, 1 doz fine lemons; unknown, 7 handkerchiefs; Mrs. Munroe, 1 blanket and 4 cotton yards; Miss Todd, 1 blanket, 1 dozen pamphlets, 1 roll linen, 1 pkg lint; Mrs. R. D. Cochran, 4 pairs drawers; Mrs. Barclay, 2 feather pillows, with cases; a lady, 20 magazines and papers. Cash, Master Hugh H. Davis, 50 cents; Miss Mary Wanless, 25; Master John D. Cooper, $1; a friend, $3; Miss Annan, $5; Wm. Jones Farley, $1; Miss J. Davis, $5. Also, ladies of Presbyterian church, Sewickley, 18 mosquito nets, 8 towels, 1 pillow case, 4 rolls bandages, 9 rolls muslin and linen, 10 old shirts, 11 new ones, 2 under shirts and 44 handkerchiefs; Federal Society, 1 shirt.

Writs of Habeas Corpus.

In the case of Wm. A. Richardson, on the application of his father for a writ of habeas corpus, the Court this morning quashed the writ on the following answer of Capt. J. Herron Foster, viz:

That he has not in his custody, and never has had, the within named Wm. A. Richardson, by that or any other name. That he has been ordered not to allow the arrest of deserters to interfere with his carrying out the draft ordered by the President, and that in the pursuance of such order, he refused (by his deputy) to receive said Richardson as a deserter, when (as he verily believes, by collusion between the party applying for the writ, and the person offering said Richardson to him as a deserter,) said Richardson was brought to his office.

An application was also made by Mrs. Catharine Von Sende, for a writ of habeas corpus for the discharge of her son, Andrew Von Sende, a soldier in the 9th Pennsylvania Reserves, Co. C, on the ground that when he enlisted he was a minor. The application was granted.

A Test Needed.

At the next exhibition of the American Institute, New York, there is to be a general exhibition of breech-loading rifles, with an opportunity for trial of the best manufactured kinds. There has always been a question whether breech-loading rifles fire as accurately as those loaded at the muzzle, and it is objected that the delicacy of the workmanship of the former detracts from its utility for field use. We should suppose that by this time such questions as these would be entirely solved, if not by the Government, at least by parties interested in their manufacture. If the breech-loading carries as accurately as the muzzle-loading rifle, and is as little liable to get out of order, it certainly is the most preferable weapon, for it can be more easily handled, sooner made ready for service, and be fired more rapidly, all of which are decided advantages in its favor.

FURTHER HONORS.—At the same meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Western University of Pennsylvania at which the honors we announced last week were conferred, the degree of LL. D. was conferred on Rev. W. M. Cornell, M. D., of Philadelphia, and that of A. M. on Rev. James A. McCarty, of Providence, Rhode Island.

The Allegheny Fire Department.

The citizens of Allegheny have reason to congratulate themselves upon the possession of a first class steam fire engine, and yet it will prove of very little utility unless Councils provide an adequate supply of hose. There is a very strong disposition manifested, in certain quarters, to withhold all municipal support from volunteer organizations, and to place the entire Fire Department under the exclusive control of the city. It was with this view, we apprehend, that the resolution for the purchase of two first class steam fire engines for the use of the city, came before Councils last night. The object is to buy the "Hope" from the citizens who subscribed the funds for its purchase, and to order the construction of a similar apparatus. It is believed two such powerful engines would afford full protection to the city, from ordinary fires.

Should serious conflagration occur, of course the firemen of this city would lend their aid, as they are always generous enough to do—the Alleghany boys, in turn, visiting this side when needed. The city, after purchasing the steamers, will have complete control of them, will direct at their location, and place them under the charge of paid firemen, who will be responsible to Councils and subject to removal at any time. It is believed that a majority of those who contributed to the purchase of the "Hope," will consent to sell her to the city. The resolution instructed the Committee to report upon the propriety of the purchase of two steamers, and from the feeling manifested we have no doubt that the report will be favorable. Thus a paid Fire Department, which has been maintained for years past with the old hand engines, will be inaugurated with "steam" instead of "muscle."

Enticing to Desert.

An examination took place this morning before Commissioner Bailey, of the case of the United States against Irvin Redpath, charged with attempting to induce William Hackley to desert from the service of the United States. The information was made on oath of the wife of Hackley. The woman testified to a conversation between Redpath and Hackley, in which he told Hackley that he need not go into the service; that he could, when the draft came off in Ohio, go out there and sell himself as a substitute for somebody else.

Redpath's story is, that he got this Hackley as a substitute for some man named Paul Hooks for $300—that he paid $150 at one time that Hackley was sworn in, and the money handed over to Josephine, the wife of Hackley. Redpath also says that Josephine came to him to get more money, saying that substitutes were getting $800.

Redpath shows a receipt for $300 from Hackley (a colored man) is now away from this city in the service.

Erie Conference.

The Erie Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church is now in session in Adrianbula, Bishop Simpson presiding.

The following resolution was adopted by a unanimous vote, which shows that there are not many copperheads afflicting that body.

Whereas, A most wicked and cruel Slave war is now raging in the nation, threatening its very existence, and whereas it is a Christian and Ministerial duty, to sustain the Government that protects and blesses us; and also to separate ourselves as far as practicable from all imputation of complicity with rebellion and treason, therefore,

Resolved, That we solemnly appropriate the hour of 10 a. m. next Friday, to receive the oath of allegiance to these United States, and to pray, especially, for the success of the Union cause, with special reference to the Hon. Judge Chaffee, of this judicial district, to be present and administer the same.

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MAJ. HARRY WHITE, State Senator for Indiana and Armstrong, is confined, with most of his regiment, in Libby prison, Richmond. His health is good. He expects to be liberated soon.

DISMISSED.—Major Montgomery, of the United States Army, formerly Quartermaster at this place, has been dismissed for disobedience of orders and absence without leave

POSTPONED.—The readings of Mr. Murdoch, for the benfit of the Sanitary and Subsistence Committees, have been postponed until Tuesday evening next.

HIS NAME.—Robert McCutcheon is the name of the Pittsburgher who was robbed in New York, of $3,000, while attempting to get bets on the boat races.

DECLINING.—Allegheny County Railroad 6's were quoted in Philadelphia, on Wednesday at 80 bid, 81 asked, a decline.

LATE TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

[FROM OUR EVENING EDITION.]

FROM WASHINGTON.

SITUATION IN VIRGINIA.

Lee's Army Completely Trapped.

Vigorous Organization of Colored Troops.

REMOVAL OF INDIANS FROM MINNESOTA.

The Recent Expedition up James River.

NEW YORK, July 24.—The *Herald's* special from Washington, dated July 23, says:

The relative positions of the armies in Virginia to-day is nearly understood here. It is apparent that Gen. Meade has the rebel army of Lee completely entrapped. He is evidently massing his forces to break his way through to Richmond, but will probably find it a more difficult undertaking than the one at Gettysburg. After all the delay there is now not much prospect of Lee being able to get his army back to Richmond or even so far as the upper end of the Shenandoah valley.

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MOVEMENTS OF LEE'S ARMY.

Reports of Cavalry Across at Hancock.

THE REBELS REINFORCED BY 10,000 MEN.

THE OHIO AND CHESAPEAKE CANAL.

CHAMBERSBURG, July 24.—The enemy's cavalry scouts abandoned Mad gerville yesterday. Part of Ewell's corps, with sixteen cannon, fell back towards Martinsburg.

It is reported that the enemy crossed a cavalry force at Hancock this forenoon.

It is stated that water will be re-admitted into a portion of the Ohio and Chesapeake canal this week.

Lee left Winchester with his staff yesterday morning, in the direction of Middleburg and Strasburg. His heaviest force is now in and around Winchester. He has been reinforced from Lower Virginia and North Carolina by a reported force of 10,000, under D. H. Hill.

Foreign Intelligence—Strange Rumors in Paris—Schemes for an Alliance between France, Spain and the South against the United States.

NEW YORK, July 24.—The *Times'* Paris letter says that there are some strange rumors in circulation, within a day or two, which I give you only as rumors. Another change has been made, according to these reports, in the Mexican programme. Mexico is to be placed under French protectorate, or to become a colony of France, with a French Prince for Governor. The Confederates have renounced all idea of regaining the Mississippi river and the trans-Mississippi country without foreign aid. Slidell's recent visits to the Emperor and Foreign Secretary are said to popular magazine. Several of the articles are copiously illustrated, and the wood-engravings are generally clear and beautiful.

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No. 5—For Colic, Griping, Dysentery or Bloody Flux.
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No. 7—For Coughs, Colds, Influenza, Sore Throat.
No. 8—For Tooth-ache, Face-ache, Neuralgia.
No. 9—For Headache, Vertigo, Heat and Fulness of the Head.
No. 10—Dyspepsia Pills—For Weak and Deranged Stomach, Constipation and Liver Complaints.
No. 11—For Female Irregularities, Scanty, Painful or Suppressed Periods.
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No. 23—Seminal Emissions, Involuntary Discharges and Nervous Debility.
No. 29—Sore Mouth or Canker of adults or children.
No. 30—Urinary Incontinence, Wetting the Bed
No. 31—Painful Periods, Pressure or Spasms.
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