GRESS had unanimously resolved to refit the | Sutler from Karlsrube, "Jewish rationalism British ship Resolute, which had been em- as a state of transition in a negative point of ployed in Arctic discovery, and had been view; it served, and still serves, to corrode abandoned at sea, and after paying the find- the system of traditional Rabbinism, and to ers and defraying all expenses, to present displace the Talmud. If the reaction, as the vessel to the English Government, has may be hoped, takes a deeper and wider produced a very pleasing feeling in this country. The naval officers at Portsmouth, together with the corporation and inhabitants, are preparing to give a warm weland admirable, and must tend to cement the | belief. union of the two nations more strongly than remain inviolate and indissoluble!

The RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT has addressed to all the Powers a very plausible document, distinguished by all the astuteness of practiced diplomacy, in which it endeavors to show, 1st. That the Isle of Serpents not being mentioned in the Treaty of Peace, Russia had a right to occupy it. 2d. That Bolgrad being the capital of the Bulgarian Colonies of Russia, the Paris Con-

posure of her pleas. 1st. One grand cause and that the possession of the Isle of Serpents would give her continued command of Canada. He had come home for the benefit ceding a district along its banks.

2d. That as Russia says that as the French mans at the Conference were faulty, she is not to blame—that the admission of the faulty map only shows how she took advantage of the Allies by pointing to Bolgrad, a mean village, and not to Bolgrad the capital of the Russian Colony, and especially concealing that the latter abutted on a lake connected with the Danube, which thus would be under her absolute control.

"Our argument to Russia," says the Times, " must be, that if she came for good faith, she must practice good faith; that an agreement obtained by fraudulent suppression of the true, and suggestion of the false, is no agreement at all, but a mere trick plies the concurrence of two wills on the same thing, whereas the Bolgrad that she spoke of was a different place from the Bolgrad we spoke of, and different, not by accihave already convincingly shown her that we are not to be overpowered by force; we have now to show her, as convincingly, that we will not be overreached by artifice

The East India Expedition against Persia has sailed. The Times protests against the war. The quarrel will, I think, be arranged.

The "MEDAL MEN" among our soldiers, are a class which arrest your eye not only in London, but in all our garrison towns. As many as possible of those who fought in the Crimea have been retained in active service; and these fine fellows, who endured hardship with the same fortitude that they encountered the serried array of their foes on the fields of Alma and Inkermann, attract attention as they walk through our streets and parks. But others are partially or wholly disabled by disease and wounds. Some of these are employed ok-lahorers" at Portsmouth, and other government harbors, while not a few are seen at the doors, or in the entrance halls of our public offices as porters, or attendants in plain clothes, but with a Crimean medal, and its three or four clasps, upon their breasts. When last at Portsmouth, I conversed some time with an Irish soldier, (now a "dock laborer,") who had been in the thick of the fight both at Alma and Inkermann. His Regiment was the 88th Connaught Rangers, so famous in the Peninsular war, with its war cry of "Faugh a Ballah," or "Clear the Way." He described the coolness of the soldiers at Alma, gathering the ripe grapes as they pressed up the hill toward the Russian batteries, which rained such a tempest upon them; and with characteristic humor described one of his comrades who had climbed an apple tree and filled his forage cap with fruit, when the branch was swept away by a round shot, and brave Pat falling to the ground unburt, raised a loud lament

over his spilled apples! As to Inkermann, it was indeed a terrible scene. The Rangers at one time being driven back, the artillerymen cried out, 88th! will you let the guns be taken?' When the soldiers rushed to the rescue, nd a scene of horror occurred, the Rusians and they stabbing one another across he guns, until they were finally rescued.

Much interest has been awakened by the scovery, among the late Sir R. Peel's prippears that it was sent to him by a Dissentas so terribly assailed in the House of if the Corn Laws. There is good reason to elieve that he made use of it:

"Great and Merciful God, Ruler of All Nations. elp me daily to repair to thee for wisdom and e suitable to the high offices whereto thy idence has called me. Strengthen, O Lord natural powers and faculties, that the weight solemn interests with which thy servant is arged may not greatly suffer through weariness ody and confusion of mind. Deign, I bech thee, to obviate or correct the ill effects of ach omissions or mistakes in my proceedings as ay result from partial knowledge, infirmity of nent, or unfaithfulness in any with whom I

Let thy blessings rest upon my Sovereign my country. Dispose the hearts of all in stations to adopt such measures as will prere public order, foster industry, and alleviate

May true religion flourish, and peace be uni-"Grant that, so far as may consist with human weakness, whatsoever is proposed by myself or others, for the general good, may be viewed with candor, and that all wise and useful measures may be conducted to a prosperous issue.

"As for me, thy servant, grant, O merciful God, that I may not be so far engrossed with public anxieties as that thy Word should become unfruitful in me, or be so moved by difficulty or wat to pursue the course." opposition as not to pursue that narrow way which leadeth me to life. And, O most gracious Father, if, notwithstanding my present desires and purposes, I should forget thee, do not then and purposes, I should forget thee, do not thou forget me, seeing that I entreat thy constant remembrance and favor, only for the sake of our most blessed Advocate and Redeemer, Jesus Christ, to whom, with thee and the Holy Spirit, be glory

It is also stated that the Statesman made it a point, every night, to read the Scriptures | 1st Ward Works, before retiring to rest; and that after the 9th most exciting debates, he found this the 15th " grand means of calming his mind.

I am not aware that I have mentioned in former letters, that the Free Church has Missions to the Jews established in two parts of Germany. It is curious and interpolation of the Jews established in two parts of Germany. It is curious and interpolation of the Jews established in two parts of Germany. It is curious and interpolation of the Jews established in two parts of Germany. esting to know, that the rationalistic class of convenient deistical religion," are "gradu- last Utah Legislature: ally returning to the more substantial no- Council-13 members, tions of a national restoration, a spiritual re- House of Representatives—26 memligion in accordance with the Scriptures; Officers of the House—5, and by consequence, also, to the belief of Governor Young,

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ground, it will drive the better Jews, not

back into the Talmud, but into the Bible." Certainly the overthrow of Rabbinical tradition, by which "the Commandments of come to the American officers on their God" are still "made void," would be a arrival. Southampton is making similar mighty step in advance, toward the destined preparations. Such an act is most graceful deliverance of the Jewish race from un-

In Turkey, at Salovica and Cassandra. ever. God grant that this union may ever missionaries are also stationed. At the latter, the corrupt Greek Church has suffered damage by their presence-fifteen or twenty persons wishing to be separated from it, and to be formed into a Protestant community. At Smyrna and Voorla, Jewish inquirers, among whom was Joshua Hazan, the son of a Chief Rabbi, have suffered severe persecution from their Hebrew kinsmen.

The Free Church has sustained serious loss in the removal, by death, of PROFESSOR ference agreed to allow Russia to retain it

But the Times makes a withering exciation, in aid of missionary enterprises, and Superintendent of the Schools, aided by of the war was the obstruction of the "Dick's bequest." She also mourns the Sulina mouths of the Danube by Russia, decease of Professor Smith, an Oriental scholar, of high standing in Queen's College, a river which she professed to abandon, by of his wife's health; she died a few weeks ago; and he himself, suddenly cut off in the prime and vigor of his days, has speedily followed her.

Last week, I was present at the ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF THE SCOTTISH HOSPITAL, an ancient incorporated Charity, instituted for the relief of the poor Scotch in London. It has been of immense benefit in helping the children of misfortune, who had no homes in this mighty city, whose funds had failed, and many of whom had seen better days. It has been especially useful to two classes—the old and the young. To the former, (men and women,) it grants a monthly allowance; and besides the Caledonian Schools, at which are boarded, clothed, and educated a number of boys, the sons of and circumvention; that an agreement im- Scottish soldiers, it gives money to the respective ministers of Presbyterian churches in London, an annual sum proportionate to the number under instruction, for the education of the children of Scottish parents. tent, but by her design and practice. We This last is, as I can testify, an important boon. The cost of education is a serious matter, and contrasts seriously with the light charges made in the Parish, and other schools, in North Britain.

The Scottish Corporation, and its interests, were seriously affected by the Disruption of 1843. Previously to that event, the children of the Caledonian Asylum were taken every Lord's day to the National Scotch Church, Regents Square. But soon after, a Reverend gentleman, who has always been a consistent and bitter foe of the Free Church, and has been very active in advising those law proceedings by which, at Berwick and Manchester, large congregations have been turned out of their churches, on a point of law, stirred up Scottish noblemen, and others of the Tory and Anti-Free Church party, to pass a resolution to with-draw the children from Regent Square Church. This gave serious offence to the leading members of Dr. Hamilton's congregation: and the result has been, that their subscriptions have been withdrawn, and that the finances of the Corporation have been seriously injured.

At the dinner, which was served with great magnificence in the celebrated "London Tavern," the Lord-Mayor was in the Chair; and there was a very numerous company of gentlemen, several of them in the picturesque Highland garb. Besides this; we had among the dishes a real; Scotch "haggis," which Robert Burns apostrophizes with such fervor. Then there was the instrumental band of the kilted boys of the Asylum, playing in an adjoining apartment; while the Queen's own Piper, splendidly dressed in tartan and phillibeg, with streaming ribbons on his beautiful pipes, several times paraded round the table; while "loud and high the Cameron's Gathering rose," or some other Highland strain, pierced the ears of the English part of the company. But among the notabilities present, two were prominent. The first was the "Hero of Kars," Sir W. F. Williams, whose escutcheon, however, is somewhat dimmed, by the apparently well-founded claim of Kmety, a Hungarian General, to a large amount of the honors of the defence of Kars, a fact which General Williams has not acknowledged. The appearance of the latter is very striking. His figure is rather above the middle height. He has a fine shaped head. with dark hair curling around; and eyes black and piercing. He wore a star on his ate cabinet, of the following PRAYER. It breast, and other ornaments. The second party who excited some interest, was Judge g minister, at the time when Sir Robert Halyburton, of Canada, the author of "Sam Slick," and other works. His appearance ommons, by D' Israeli and the Conserva- was that of an elderly, and somewhat selfives, in 1846, because of his desertion of indulged gentleman, of the old school. I se party, and his measures for the abolition was not preposseszed in his favor; and his attempts at wit were well enough after dinner, but not very successful. He indulged in Tory-like praise of England, and in some sneers at America; and concluded with proposing the health of the Lord-Mayor and Corporation of London, professing admiration even of its alleged "abuses." Such talk would have gone down twenty or thirty years ago; but now Judge Halyburton is but one of a few surviving specimens of those Anti-

Liberals, of which Sir A. Allison, and Blackwood's Magazine, are the apostles. P. S.—The man who attempted the life of the King of Naples, has been executed. There is general discontent there.

He has failed to win the Venetians and the people of Lombardy, although making restitution of sequestered estates, and granting amnesties. The Hermann has been obliged to put back to Southampton, after being nine hun-

The Emperor of Austria is still in Italy.

dred miles at sea. I sent a letter by her. Her return will explain any disappointment which may have occurred. The Queen visits and welcomes Commander Harstein, and the other American officers, who have brought over the Resolute,

this day, at Cowes, Isle of Wight. THE PHILADELPHIA GAS WORKS .- Four hundred and thirty four millions cubic feet of gas have been manufactured at all the gas works in the city, under the charge of the Trustees, as 163,000,000 cubic feet.

185,000,000 85.000.000 Thirty-two thousand one hundred and fifty ights have been added during the year, making a total of 332,556 lights supplied by all the works Forty-nine thousand nine hundred and ninety-one

POLYGAMY IN UTAH .- A correspondent of the Jews, whose object, a few years ago, was "political emancipation, together with a the Polygamous condition of the members of the

BANNER AND ADVOCATE. PRESBYTERIAN

Reports.

Report of J. D. Williams, REASURER OF THE BOARDS OF DOMESTIC MIS SIONS, EDUCATION, CHURCH EXTENSION, AND FUND FOR SUPERANNUATED MINISTERS

THEIR FAMILIES, FOR DECEMBER, 1856.

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45 St. Clair Street Pittsburgh, Dec. 31, 1856. For the Presbyterian Banner and Advocate Report of H. Childs, Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions, for December.

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"Home and Foreign Record," from Jan. '51 to Jan. '58, Miss Bettie Wilson, New-Year's Gift for the Heathen.

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Washington Correspondence.

Washington, January 5, 1857. The new year was inaugurated as a social fesival at the Capitol. Within the last decade, the good old Knickerbocker custom of New York, of general interchange of hospitable civilities on that day, has been established here, and is now ecognized as a part and feature of the occasion. The President received the diplomatic corps at 11 clock, and afterwards, all the officers of the Army and Navy in the city, paid their respects in a body. At noon, the doors of the Executive ansion, were thrown open to the public generaly, and excellent arrangements, prevented the east confusion upon the first pressure of the crowd. t was, however, remarked, that the throng by no neans equalled the display or turn-out during the ast three years, and in this respect furnished another illustration of the effect of departing power | inland trade between Russia and China. Russia

place which knew him so well, will know him no joining, granted to her in perpetuity, on the South rising sun, and makes servile homage, where favor

is to be conciliated. Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Members of both Houses of Congress who at the said part. This Russian Consul General have establishments here, and many of the principal private citizens, received their friends with liberal and tastely hospitality. And although the day itself was forbidding, and the snow had whitened the face of the city, still these little imconfirmation from the Chinese Government." pediments were regarded rather as contributions to the happiness of the occasion, or at least were adopted in that spirit. Everybody seemed to be joyous, and each vied with the other in the dispensation of those offices, which cement more closely the bonds of friendly brotherhood.

has been discussed, and the old year said its farewell, there is an apparent disposition to go to work in earnest, and make up for lost time. All the appropriation bills are reported, and most of the mere Buncombe speeches have been let off, so that fested more than usual willingness, to take up the private calender, and actually made a progress of fifteen or twenty cases.

As yet, the Committee on Public Lands in the House, have not agreed upon any substitute for the Pacific Railroad bill, proposed at the last session. Various modifications have been presented, but all encountered that sort of objection, which only served to increase existing complications.

The general idea is, to make a combination of three routes, or rather of one main line, with Northern and Southern branches, by which means it is hoped to enlist these various sectional influences. With this view, the Committee recently conferred the Southern grant upon a company al ready established in Texas, under the auspices of Mr. Walker, formerly Secretary of the Treasury, and Mr. King, formerly Member of Congress from Georgia. But it has since been discovered, that this corporation did not fulfil its contract with the State of Texas, and consequently, there is a purpose to recede from the concession. Of course, the Committee are opposed by whatever influence the company can command, and from this conflict of interest, the whole enterprise has been embar-rassed and prejudiced. Indeed, much doubt is now expressed, whether any hope be entertained of its success at the present session. And the Committee are strongly inclined to abandon the effort, from want of the necessary encouragement and aid.

The rumors of a decision in the Missouri case are entirely unfounded, both in regard to the fact, and the circumstances connected with it. In the first place, it is positively ascertained, that the Judges have as yet held no consultation on the subject, and in the next it is well known, that others than those named, were in favor of sustaining the constitutionality of the Missouri Compromise. At least Judges McLean, Curtis, and Grier, did not conceal their opinions to this effect, and Judge Nelson was believed to concur with them, under certain qualifications. If the real merits of this cause should be decided, it would be a great misfortune, if by any chapter of accidents or coincidences, as bare majority of the Court should render the judgment, and that majority be composed exclusively of Southern men. For whatever confidence may be entertained in this tribunal, the impression could not be dismissed from some minds, that such a decision was a resuit of the sectional agitation; and that the causes which operated elsewhere, had also entered a spot, which was considered far removed from the probability of external influences. And this conviction, which would be gladly circulated by those who live upon excitement, would tend to diminish that great moral confidence which after all, is the very life-blood of this high forum.

Mr. Buchanan has announced to his friends
that he will not come here until about the middle

of February. His recent visit to Philadelphia,

afforded the opportunity of conference with pub-lic men, and gave some indistinct clue to his plans. A general outline of the new Cabinet has been formed, and perhaps five names, viz.: Gen. Cass, Mr. Cobb, Mr. Bright, Gov. Floyd, and Mr. Clifford, of Maine, may be regarded as \$41.25 nearly fixed upon. The other two may depend spoken of as the representative man of the Old Line Whigs, is by no means positively designated; and Mr. Rusk, who has been suggested for a place, declines the honor without being asked to accept it. When Mr. Buchanan reaches Washington, all these nice plans may be deranged; and in fact the war has already begun upon the mere reported probabilities. The struggles of ambition are not easily satisfied, and Mr. Buchanan will be apt to find, that commanding as is the honor to which he has been elevated, there are, after all, but two happy days in a Presidential term—one being the day in which he goes in, and the other the day in which he goes out. Although the combination formed among interested parties for admitting railroad iron free of duty, and for refunding duties paid within a given period, has been regarded as formidable; still it has been recently ascertained that the basis upon which it assumed to rest is not entire-ly assured. The South was counted as a unit in this movement, upon the presumption that in-terest only would guide its action. There are men in that station governed by higher motives, and more statesmanlike views, who distrust the policy of this special legislation. They are, to be sure, in favor of admitting iron and wool free of duty, but only as a part of a system of general revision, to be applied to the whole tariff. They contend, and with much reason, too, if these articles be made exceptions, that the minor points, subordinate in themselves, but forming an important aggregate, can never be reached. Hence, they are indisposed to separate these specialities,

or to aid a system which precludes the practica-

bility of such a change in the whole revenue

laws, as they consider important. Hence, the project will not start under all the auspices that were supposed to be so promising at the outset. Without the full Southern support, the movement cannot easily succeed. There is much doubt, notwithstanding the seem ing results of the Presidential contest, whether the next House of Representatives will have a Democratic majority. If the American party shall hold its own in the Summer and Fall elec-tions throughout the South, as it will be likely to do, from the disappointments consequent upon the distribution of patronage by the new Admin-istration, they will probably have the balance of power, or the majority will be so closely balanced, that any accident may turn the scale either way. The purse strings are held by the popular branch, and in that chamber the course of the President is more rigidly examined than in the other, while opposition there usually finds freer vent. Already the indications begin to thicken, that Mr. Buchanan is destined to encounter keen and rasping scrutiny from self-constituted leaders in the South, who affect to represent exclusively the opinions and policy of that section, and who are not slow, even now, in assailing the President-elect, for not inviting their rash counsels in the composition of his Administration. Assuming to speak in the name and by the authority of the South, they discard all moderate or Union-loving men, as not reflecting its real sentiments, and demand that others more noted for and than discretion, shall be preferred. This op position is the natural result of a morbid and false political organization, which has exhibited itself in a greater or less degree during all Administrations for the last ten years. Mr. Buchanan must, therefore, be prepared to face it at the beginning, and to meet the responsibility of an open collision, rather than yield to exactions which must disturb the peace of the country. A CALM OBSERVER.

Rews Pepartment.

China and Russia. We, last week, stated that the Insurgents, or perhaps we should say, Revolutionists, in China. had been making additional advances, after a season of not much progress. We recur to the subject again to note the movements of Russia in

against internal strife. Information lately received, states that the Em- have given a blow. peror of Russia has offered to the Emperor of PARLIAMENT has been further prorogued till China troops to put down Tai-ping-Wang, the February 8d, then to meet for the dispatch of head of the rebellion. There is considerable of business. upon human infirmities. The men who swarmed around the White House, when President Pierce had patronage to wield and office to bestow, were had patronage to wield and office to bestow, were had patronage to wield and office to bestow, were which we see thus stated:—"Russia is to have a years a gross excess of expenditure of £28,747," with three thousand agree of land ad-

coast of Chusan. This port, together with the above quantity of land, is to be beneeforth a Rus-The heads of Departments, the President of the sian possession. Russia is to have a Consul Genat the said port. This Russian Consul General

confirmation from the Chinese Government." The port here spoken of is said to be of no great value: but it is gaining a foothold, it is cultivating familiarity, it is progressive; and if Russian troops shall once enter China, to put down the re-For the last fortnight, Congress has taken the world easy, and now that the Christmas turkey ing secured some advantages of a permanent charbellion, they are not likely to leave without havacter, and in the line of territorial aggrandize-

This movement, also, is likely to add to the complications of Russia with England. The Britthe way is in a manner cleared, for serious and useful legislation. On Friday, the House maniable, and she will depart from all her antecedents if she shall tamely suffer a rival to gain an ascendency. England also may think that she has as good a right to assist Tai-ping-Wang, the new Emperor, as Russia has to assist the Emperor of Tartar origin; and may find a plea of conscience too, in the fact that the Revolutionists admit the Bible and reject idolatry. There is no doubt but that England will keep a watchful eye on all the movements. The Americans also, whose trade is large and increasing with China, will have their sympathics strongly enlisted with the new claimant to the Imperial throne, as his policy is likely to be far more liberal than that of the present dynastyle de Cal Bes Beree e entend dreune

> Pennsylvania Legislature. This body, in both its branches, met at Harris burg, on Tuesday, and was duly organized. David Taggart, Republican, was elected Speaker of the Senate, and J. L. Getz, Democrat, Speaker of the House. We hope, in our next, to give an abstract of the Governor's Message.

Items.

The mortality of Philadelphia for the past year has been ten thousand two hundred and twenty-

The mortality of the city of Baltimore for the y-eight being an increase of one hundred and ninety-three over the previous year.

From the official statistics of Ohio, for the year 1856, we learn that the State contains 621,443 horses, 1,680,710 cattle, 5,750 mules, 3,513,683 heep, 1,831,124 swine, and 267,595 carriages.

The Legislature of Missouri met in season a Jefferson, and organized by electing a Benton Demograt Secretary of the Senate, and a Democratic Whig Speaker of the House. The Americans and Benton Democrats fused, and the result shows that the combination has a clear majority. During the year 1856, there were five thousand

three hundred and twelve tons of copper trans-ported over the Georgia State Railroad, being the produce of the Southern mines.

Markets. Pittaburgh. Asnes—Pearls, 7@71/c. Pots, 51/2@6c. Soda Ash, 81/2 (@3%).
APPLES \$3.00@3.50 per bbl.
BEANN-Small white, \$2.25@2.50 per bush.
BUTTER AND EGGS—Butter, 18@22c. Eggs, 23@25c
DRIED FRUIT—Peaches, \$3.25@3.50. Apples, \$2.12@2.25.
PEATHERS—Western, 55c. FEATHERS—Western, 55c.
FLOUR—Wheat, \$5.62@6.00. Buckwheat, \$2.00@2.50i per 0 lbs. 00 bb.
FRED—Country \$1.25 per 100 bbs.
GRAIN—Oats, 32c. Rye, 60c. Barley, \$1.00@1.15. Corn, 50@66. Wheat, \$1.15@1.25.

Hoss-\$5.50@5.75, gross. POTATORS—Reds, \$1.00 per hu. SEEDS—Clover, \$6 25@6.37. Flaxseed, \$1,74. ASHES—POUS, \$1.15. Fearls, \$5.00.
Flour. AND MEAL—Wheat, \$6.25@6.50. Bye, \$3.50@5.25
Corn Meal, \$3.25@3.37.
GRAIN—Wheat, \$1.55@1.60 Oats, 49@50c. Corn, 69@70.
Bys, 90@92c.
HOPS—7@10c.

Baltimore. FLOUR—Wheat, \$6.25. Rye, \$5.12½, for new, and 8.25 \$3.50 per 100 lbs for old. Corn Meal, \$3.00@3.25. Grann—Wheat, \$1.43@1.58. Corn, 60@62c. Rye, 70@78c. Outs. 45@85c. Szens—Clover, \$7.25@7.50. Timothy, \$3.25@3.50.

Philadelphia.
Flour and Meal-Wheat, \$6.25@6.75. Rye: \$3.62. Corn. Meal, \$2.871, @3.00.1 Grain—Wheat, \$1.45@1.55. Oats, 47c. Rye, 81c. Corn.

Foreign Intelligence.

Our foreign papers still abound in narratives of errific storms during the month of December. The United States mail steamer Hermann was disabled and obliged to return to Southampton, refit. Several other mail steamers, which had eft port, were driven back.

The controversy between Prussia and the Swiss overnment has gone so far as to greatly endanger the peace. The Swiss seem unhappily, to have reected the proposition of Napoleon which might have been accepted with honor. Still, it is honed that the kind offices of neighbors and the good sense of the governments, will prevent the strife of battle. England.

Two things are making quite a sensation in England—the restoration of the ship Resolute, and the Persian war.

THE RESOLUTE is one of Sir E. Belcher's squadron of discovery in the Polar Seas. She sailed in May, 1853, and, during the Winter succeeding, was frozen fast among icebergs, in Latitude 77° North. In May, 1854, her officers and crew abandoned her, leaving all their effects on board. She remained frozen for sixteen months, when, during a thaw, the ice which surrounded her became detached and she floated Southerly to Latitude 66° North, where, in September, 1855, she was discovered by Captain Buddington, of the American Whaler George Henry, who brought her to the United States. Our Government, by Act of Congress, bought her, and sent her as a present to the Queen. This courtesy is highly appreciated. The Queen has visited the ship. Her officers and crew received tokens of honor. The British press is quite complimentary to us. All seem in a good humor, and this little present, costing only a few thousands, promises more benefit than a strife at the expense of many millions. Governments, as well as people, are wise in the exhibition of kind and respectful regards.

THE WAR WITH PERSIA is a matter of deep import; for, not only is Persia to be fought, but, most probably, Russia also. Persia seems to be the protogee of Russia, just as Turkey is of Eugland. The quarrel is, ostensibly, about HEBAT: This is a free city and district on the North Western border of Afghanistan. The city is the fortified capital, and contains about forty thousand inhabitants. It is not far from the Southern extremity of the Caspian Sea, and is regarded as of great strategical importance. Afghanistan is spoken of as the way to British India, and Herat as the door opening into it; and it is supposed that British India is an object of the Czar's longings.

Persia was, by treaty with England, bound not that direction. It has always been the policy of to enter Herat; but under some provocation from Monarchs to aid each other when the throne was | Herat, and instigated as is said by Russia, she in danger; and of aspiring nations to interfere laid siege to the city, and has captured it. Hence with the domestic troubles of their neighbors, and the declaration of war on the part of England, and by engaging with a party, to gain an influence the dispatch of a fleet and army to the Persian subversive of the independence of the people who Gulf. And already, Russia has a General and were professedly aided. Let nations ever guard fifty thousand men detailed, with orders to advance into Persia for her aid, as soon as England shall

A Parliamentary paper just issued, gives a

For War Services, we find in the two years respectively, the army expenses set down as £8,-380,000, and £17,395,000; the navy £14,490,the income by means of the increased property. tax, was increased to £70,552,000, and the ex-000, and £19,654,000; and the Ordnance, £5,-450,000, and £10,411,000.

France. The Congress, at Paris, was not likely to as-semble, till the second week in January, owing to in the Presbyterian Church. The Congress, at Paris, was not likely to assome needful delay in seeking instructions. France endeavors to persuade Persia to yield to

Russia. Nine Russia fortresses are about to be built long the coast of the Bay of Finland; a row of forts connected by coast batteries is to stretch from St. Petersburg up to Riga, by way of Narva and Revel.

Motices.

Presbyterial Notices. The PRESBYTERY OF ALLEGHENY CITY will meet at ridgewater, on the third Tuesday of January, at 11 o'clock M. JAMES ALLISON, Stated Clerk. The PRESBYTERY OF NEW BRUNSWICK will hold its next regular meeting, in the Lecture Room of the First Presbyterian church, in Princeton, on the second Tuesday in January, (the 13th.) at 11 o'clock A. M.

A. D. WHITE, Stated Clerk.

The PRESBYTERY OF OHIO will meet in the Lecture Room of the First church, Pittaburgh, on the second Tuesday day of January, at 2 o'clock P. M.

W. B. McLLVAINE, Stated Clerk.

The PRESBYTERY OF WINNEBAGO will meet at fond du Lac, Wis., on the last Thursday, (the 29th.) of January, at 7 o'clock, P. M., H. M. ROBERTSON, Stated Olerk. The PRESBYTERY OF BLAIRSVILLE will meet at Blairsville, on the 2d Tuesday of January next, at 2 o'clock A. M. And the new Presbytery erected by the Synod of Pittsburgh, at their last meeting, will meet at Indians, on the first Tuesday of January, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Married.

On the 18th ult., by Rev. Wm. Reed, Mr. Matthew Pon-ter to Miss Catharine Lyons, both of Morgan County, O. On the 25th of Pec., by Rev. P. Hassinger, Mr. Grorde W. B. Hassinger to Miss S. Bell Jarvis, both of Troy, Madison County, Ill.
On New-Year's day, by Rev. C. V. McKaig, Mr. Janes
HUTCHISON to Miss Susan Birner. On the 24th ult., by Rev. Thomas Stevenson, Mr. John E. Thomas, Principal of the Pine Grove Academy, to Miss Lucy EMMERICE, both of Centre County, Pa. Wednesday, Dec. 17th, at the residence of Hugh Brown, by Rev. W. M. Ferguson, Mr. John Laughlin to Miss Han-NAR M. Brown, all of Guernsey County, O.

By the same, Dec. 23d, at the house of the bride's father, By the same, Dec. 23d, at the house of the bride's father, Br. Frederick Camparil to Miss M. E. Bruner, all of the above County and State.

In Philodelphia, on the 23d ult., by Rev. Albert Barnes, Mr. John H. Westcott to Miss Mary Dunton, daughter of the late Isaac Dunton, Esq., of Philadelphia.

By the same, at the same time, Rev. Lorenzo Westcorr, of Brooklyn, N. Y., to Miss Elizabeth Dunton, daughter of the late Isaac Dunton, Esq., of Philadelphia. On the 1st inst., by Rev. Alexander McGaughey, Mr. Franklin Graham to Miss Resecca Warren, all of West moreland County, Pa.

At the same time, by the same, Mr. Samuel Calwell to Miss Ann Warren, of Westmoreland County, Pa. In Uhricksville, on New-Year's day, by Rev. Samuel Pat-terson, Mr. Grorge M. Warret to Miss Sarah Elizaberh Sperling, both of Mill Township, Tuscarawas County, O. On the eve of the 31st ult. by Rev. J. Elliott, Mr. Wm. Rossberg, to Miss Maggis J. Warson, both of Allegheny

Gbitnary.

DIED On November 6th, MARY B. REED, daughter of Rev. Wm. Reed, of Marietta, Ohio. DIED-In Kiskiminitas Township, Armstrong County, Pa., December 24th, Mrs. Marrha Wilson, in the 45th year of

DIED—At Colerain Forges, on the Sd inst., Miss BETTIE WALKER, in the 70th year of her age. Miss Walker was born in Ireland, and came, with her parents, to this country in early life. She was an exemple ry Christian. domestic in her habits, greatly beloved, and strong in the faith that is in Christ Jesus.

Disp—On Wednesday, Dec. 15th, at his residence, in Newcastle, Craig County, Va., Dr. Thomas J. Wharton, in the 46th year of his age.

Dr. Wharton was born in Bedford County, graduated at the Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, and engaged in the active duties of his profession many years in this vicinity, with eminent success. As a citizen, he was greatly re spected, and highly esteemed for his integrity. As a Ruling honor. During his litness, which was short and very painful, he exhibited great fortitude and patience. And between parts of favorite hymns, and prayed. He delighted much in hearing the fifteenth chapter of John. On the evening of the 17th, as he felt his strength failing, he bid a tender adieu to his family, prayed, "Lord, be merciful to me a poor sinner, for Christ's sake." and fell asleep, bearing a nobl

testimony for the consoling power of the Gospel. Dren—Dec. 17th, in Richland, Clarion County, Pa., Benja MIN GARDNER, in the 86th year of his age. He was born in New Jersey, but went, in early youth, to reside in Virginia. He made a profession of religion when only seventeen years old, uniting with the Presbyterian church at Shepardstown, under the ministry of Rev. Moses Hoge, during a revival which occurred in that State. In early manhood, he settled in Philadelphia, and connected himself with the Pine Street church, of which Rev. John B Smith was then pastor. Afterwards he was transferred to the Arch Street church, then served by Dr. Green, and, a leader of the music, took the place of the pious Mr. Eastburn, who had been licensed to preach. Mr. Gardner was intimately acquainted with Dr. Green; and the writer has often heard him speak of the Doctor with profound respect Mr. Gardner, after a brief solourn in Pittsburgh, settled on the Clarion river, Venango County, Pa., in 1811, when the country was a wilderness. He proved to be, in his new location, an earnest supporter of religiou, assisted in the organization of the Presbyterian church of Richland, and was an elder in that church from its origin. Mr. Gardner had a vigorous mind, which was well furnished, especially with rel gious knowledge; and he had a comprehensive and active ligious and secular matters, until near the close of life. And having, as far as we may judge, served God and the Church faithfully and well, he "rested from his labors." Thus a patriarch in the Church, after a long, eventful, and useful

'appointed time," with the sure hope of joining her d parted husband in the mansions of glory. W. M. Disp—On the Sd of November, in Robinson Township, Washington County, Pa., Mrs. Max: Janz Wilson; wife of Mr. William Wilson, and daughter of Mr. Richard Stewart, aged about 25 years.

The grave had scarcely closed over the remains of an in How unsearchable are the judgments of God, and his ways past finding out! In this melancholy providence, a devoted husband has had "The desire of his eyes taken from hin with a stroke;" and a little daughter is left, throughout the trials and vicissitudes of life, to travel the dreary rounds mother. Parents weep for a daughter; and brothers, a ris ter; and many friends have been deprived of the society of one whose mildness, amiability, and affections, had won thei hearts. But "The Lord giveth, and the Lord taketh away;

life, has been "gathered to his fathers." His aged partne

survives; and she is patiently and cheerfully waiting her

blessed be the name of the Lord." and bloom a Mrs. Wilson had been for several years a professed, and we trust a sincere follower of the Lord Jesus; and although death came upon her suddenly and unexpectedly, it came bereft of its terrors; and although she felt that she had many ties to bind her to earth, yet she cheerfully, and with great resignation, submitted to the will of Him "who doeth all things well." And to her suffering body and willing soul, the messenger of death was a herald of release; and, trusting alone in the merits of her Redeemer, she exclaim ed. "I will lean my head on Jesus' breast, and breathe my came with force and comfort to her mind; and even in th delirium of the last few hours, the promises of God, and the prayers of his people, did not lose their power to soothe After much suffering, death at length stole upon her as gentle sleep, and she entered his gates with a smile. "So

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