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CATECHETICAL EXPOSITION.—We have had some very favorable expressions of opin- portance to every Christian, and to every ion in relation to the plan of our recent cor- philanthropist. The evils of drunkenness respondent.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT. -- COLPORTEUR'S *FUND .- Steubenville Presbytery, Big Spring church: Received per G. M. Elliott, and service of his Master.

weeks.

organ of our Associate Reformed brethren poverty, wretchedness, and misery of famiin the South. It is conducted with much lies, because of the drunkenness of fathers spirit, and is an earnest advocate of sound and husbands. Moreover the legislatures of scription which it asks. Where mind and though much cannot be expected in this money are devoted to the production of a direction from any of them, yet if legisla-Church, it should be liberally sustained.

(N. S.) in this city, has tendered the resignathe Reformed Dutch Church in Jersey City. shall leave us. He has been pastor of a large and influential congregation, for many years, painfully evident. Violence and cruelty of Christians of every name.

1857, comes to us in good season. We have restrain the evil by limiting it to "the excellence is such that we can heartily commend it. The Articles are, I. The Children of the Church, and Sealing Ordinances: II. Tischendorf's Travels in the East; III. Grote's History of Greece; IV. Ne- had never fallen victims to intemperance, glect of Infant Baptism; V. Free Agency: VI. Annals of the American Pulpit: VII. Spiegel's Pehlevi Grammar; Short notices; "Washingtonian" movement, in which the Literary Intelligence.

GENERAL CATALOGUE of Jefferson College. This very instructive document, extending from 1802 to 1856, is now issued. It should be possessed by every Alumnus, and by hundreds of others, ministers and laymen: "It gives us the names of all who have held the offices of President, Professor, or Trustee; and also the names of all grad- Gough has labored so long and so conspicuates, whether in Course or Honorary. It will be sent by mail to order, by the "Librarian" of the College, or by John T. Shryock, Pittsburgh, on the receipt of fifteen cents in postage stamps.

received. It is an excellent number, embellished with portraits of Dr. Chalmers, and of Alexander II., Emperor of Russia. The Eclectic is published by W. H. Bidwell, at would soon cease. Accordingly prohibitory No. 5 Beekman Street, New York. It contains select articles from first class European Journals, and is one of the best works which we know of, for those who desire, at reached, and that soon the song of the a small expenditure of time and money, to drunkard would be heard no more. But an keep themselves well acquainted with For- evil so long and so deeply rooted, to which We hope to learn that there is a correspond- their services. eign literature. It may be subscribed for at the depraved appetites of men are so fatally adour office.

Revivals.

KNIGHTSTOWN, IND -Twenty new mem bers have been recently added to this church on examination.

WAVELAND, IND.—The church and Academy at this place are said to be enjoying a precious revival. Seven pupils of the school have been received to church membership.

SALEM, VA .- Thirty-two persons were recently admitted to the Lord's table on a pro- places the notorious unfaithfulness of magfession of faith in the Redeemer.

Second Annual Catalogue of this Institution, the desire for personal distinction on the under the Presidency of Rev. John A. part of some of the leaders in this move-Savage, D. D., presents a list of-Seniors 7, | ment may not have done something, yea Juniors 8, Sophomores 14, Freshmen 17, much, in contributing toward this reaction. and far greater devotion in this work than Preparatory 47. This is quite an array for And it cannot be denied that the motives have lately been witnessed. Cannot a few interest: a College of so recent origin, and in a coun- and teachings of the Gospel, and the ne-But Protestant Christianity always carries brought forward with sufficient prominence. the care of the Synod of Wisconsin.

Message of Gov. Pollock.

prove of what is contained in public docu- tempted in Pennsylvania, there are only cal people, are exposed to damage.

Movement.

In a late number we adverted to some troubles in the temperance ranks of New York, and to the fact that one of the newspapers of immense circulation had declined from farther participation, at prebers, \$1.75. See Prospectus, on Third Page. sent, in the support of prohibition, to which while before the year expires, that we may it has been, and is ardently attached; on account of alleged political tendencies on the desire a renewal. If, however, in the hasts part of the leaders of the temperance movements in that State. Indeed, the minds of men in many of the States where zealous efforts have been put forth o arrest this terrible evil, but where unexpected difficulties have sprung up and reection taken place with most disastrous results, seem greatly at a loss to know what measures are to be adopted to save the voung from the effects of the intoxicating bowl, and to rescue, if possible, many who seem on the very verge of the drunkard's The whole subject is of the greatest im-

have never been exaggerated, and never can be. That it is wide-spread, cannot be denied; for scarcely a family can be found, some of whose members have not felt the faugs of this adder. Our present object is paid to receiving agent, five dollars, the net a discussion of the general subject, or offering of a poor man, yet a veteran in the of all or any of the various remedies proposed, but to awaken attention among praying men, and enlightened and judicious LAFAYETTE COLLEGE.—The Catalogue citizens. The time is suitable. The dust for 1856-7 has made its appearance. The of the political campaign has blown away, classes number Seniors 29, Juniors 23, and the evil passions excited have been Sophomores 28, Freshmen 19; total 99. The quieted. This is the season of the year present Term ends on Wednesday, Jan. when the minds of men are less occupied 28th, to be followed by a vacation of six than usual with the engrossing cares of business and successful competition. Just now some of the baneful effects of the use THE DUE WEST TELESCOPE comes to us of ardent spirits are most obviously and considerably enlarged. This paper is the most painfully revealed in the squallid doctrine. We wish for it the enlarged sub- the several States are now in session, and religious paper, adapted to the wants of the tive action is to be taken at all in the case. some movement may be initiated that will open the whole subject for investigation and RESIGNED.—Rev. David H. Riddle, D. discussion, preparatory to another session of D. Pastor of the Third Presbyterian Church, the different legislatures. The successes and checks of the different temperance tion of his charge. Dr. Riddle has a call to movements, afford much food for earnest thought and calm reflection. The inju-We shall be exceedingly sorry if Dr. R. rious effects of the use of intoxicating drinks, as a common beverage, had long been and enjoys the confidence and high esteem had been committed, the tears of widows and orphans had fallen, and the prayers of the pious had gone up to heaven. Then it THE BIBLICAL REPERTORY for January was thought sufficient to attempt simply to in VISITATION, when they shall be entrusted moderate use." But this was soon found ineffective. Then began the movement toward "total abstinence" from all that intoxicates. This at first was probably mostly directed toward the safety of those who but who were, as most are, exposed to the temptation. This was followed by the principal speakers and actors were "reformed drunkards," and whose great object was the recovery of the fallen. Then it

was found necessary to take higher ground,

and to seek not only to save the drunkard

and to protect the temperate by total absti-

nence, but also to bring in the aid and pow-

erful restraints of the Word and grace of

God. In this phase of the enterprise, Mr.

At this epoch men began to consider the necessity not only of restraining, but also of prohibiting the sale of spirituous liquors, as a common beverage. It was supposed that abundant precedent could be found for THE ECLECTIC MAGAZINE for January is this; that it would commend itself to the common sense and conscience of the people; and that having destroyed the traffic, intemperance and all its attendant evils laws were passed by the legislatures of Maine and several other States. It was hoped that the root of the evil had now been dicted, to which the fashionable yield, around which poetry and song have thrown such luscious charms, and the gains of which are so enormous to the traffickers, is not to be destroyed without long and persistent efforts, and many a reverse. Bright hopes have been disappointed. In some of the States the law was pronounced unconstitutional, in others it was repealed, or so greatly modified istrates and officers has altogether defeated CARROLL COLLEGE, WISCONSIN.—The that undue haste, political management, and try so lately the abode of the uncivilized. cessity of the new heart, have not been

One thing is certain: the whole temper-We place in our news columns a pretty ance movement has been greatly retarded, if extended notice and abstract of the Message not imperilled. Even in the State of Maine of the Governor of Pennsylvania. It is a there has been retrograde action. New matter of interest to the patriot and the York has virtually no restrictive laws at all Christian. Readers are not obliged to ap- in operation. And after all that has been atments; but those who would have their a few counties in which the sale of liquors minds enlightened, and be prepared to act is much impeded by law. The appointtheir part in society, need, and will seek the ment, last Winter, of a "Board of Liinformation. A well informed people will censers" for the cities of Pittsburgh and preserve their liberties, both religious and Allegheny, and the County of Allegheny, political. An ignorant, one-sided and fanat has by no means accomplished what was

verse, to smoke, and to sip wine. At the poverty." annual meetings of the stockholders of banks and insurance offices, the wine, it is said, sometimes flows freely. And again, at some of our large parties and weddings, women, blooming maidens pure and lovely, night pass to their homes reeling and stu- great cordiality. We trust that he will repified with strong drink. If these things spond favorably. He is an accomplished were confined to the avowedly worldly scholar, of much experience in teaching, and they are not there alone. And what him. makes the matter still worse, is the flippancy The Alumni, and other friends of Jefferwith which the whole subject is treated in son, will do well to make this the occasion

family. Now, what is to be done? Must we gain organize the old fashioned Tempernce Societies? Can we arouse general attention to the whole subject? Shall we besiege egislatures for new prohibitory or restricive laws? or shall we depend solely on the ower of moral sussion, and the gradual ffects of the blessed Gospel? Or rather, shall we not employ all these various means?

In the meantime, let ministers, parents nd teachers strive to save those under their care, and upon whom they may have influence, from looking upon the wine when it is red. "Wine is a mocker; strong drink is raging; and whose is deceived thereby is is equally at home amid the stars, or in the

A Visit.

We were gratified, on Friday evening ast, by a visit to our city of Doctors Van Rensselaer and Chester. They were on a our of official duty as Secretaries of the Board of Education. The addresses delivered by them to the students in the Seminary Hall, were well adapted to incite the candidates for the ministry to diligent preparation for their important work, especially in the cultivation of PERSONAL RELIGION, and the cherishing of those emotions which will impel them, with all kindness and fidelity, to discharge pastoral duty with the care of a flock for Christ. Give s ministers of the right kind, and Zion will rejoice; and such ministers will be produced by the right training. Every cause, by God's ordination and with his blessing, produces its appropriate effect. In the education of her ministry, the Church has a deeper interest than she has ever yet seemed to appreciate. Just as she really desires them she will have them, in numbers and in spirituality; and just as they are, so will. she be, in faith, purity, and zeal.

Worthy of Imitation.

At the Annual meeting of the Long sland (N. Y.) Bible Society, on the 13th of December, it was stated that the contributions of that Society to the Bible cause for the year had reached \$3,000. Before the meeting adjourned, Mr. George Douglass rose and made a short but earnest speech oncerning the value of the Bible and the cessity of furnishing enlarged means for ts circulation; and as he wished his conduct correspond with his means, he pledged imself for \$3,000 to the Bible cause for the present year. Since last May, another gentleman has contributed \$4,000 to this glorious work. And the Methodist church in Mulberry Street, New York, at its late annual collection for this purpose, secured ing liberality on the part of many in this region, not only to the Bible cause, but also to the several Boards of our Church, and to

Our Own Cities. In our own cities, Pittsburgh and Alle heny, at the present time, there is a most obvious want of additional churches of our lic opinion was not sufficiently strong to en- rapidly, and our Church is not keeping pace courage its execution; while in many with the increase of population. Others men of faith and prayer be found, who will unite in forming at least one new church, and erecting a suitable edifice, free from with it literature. Carroll College is under Without these, every reform of habits and | debt, during the present year? The space, life must necessarily be only partial and tem- the men, and the means adequate to the which I am persuaded both you and your vantage in the end could result to any existing organization.

our midst before whose eyes all these things

The Present Position of the Temperance | Drunkards stagger along the streets, making | tending the Church of our choice, and | He is personally a clever, agreeable man, so night hideous with their yells. Brawls are which we profess to love so much, in the cial, affable, and easily approached, yet with frequent, and murders are by no means few. same locality. Who will be the first to move dignity to command respect. Has large ex-Widows and orphans mourn over the graves in this matter? Who will unite in this work, an enthusiasm well calculated to susof husbands and fathers slain by intemper- good work, and carry it to successful com- tain and carry him forward. His address ance. And strange as it may seem, "the pletion? "There is that scattereth, and was requested for publication, and will be drinking customs of society" threaten a re- yet increaseth; and there is that withhold- scattered far and wide over the land. turn. Young men meet together to con- eth more than is meet, but it tendeth to

Jefferson College. Rev. Joseph Alden, D. D., Professor of Mental and Moral Philosophy in Lafayette reports are true, liquors in abundance are College, has been chosen President of Jefprovided, and old and young partake. Even | ferson College. Our readers are aware that Dr. A. B. Brown, who for many years ably will put the wine-cup to their lips and drink | presided in the Faculty of Jefferson Colthe health of, and in company with young lege, had resigned, some months ago, but men, who might have been restrained by had agreed to occupy the Chair till a succestheir presence, but who, by the fatal in- sor might be obtained. Dr. Alden was cho- dren for the Messiah. For this purpose he

ordinary conversation, and by many of the of their own liberality, and of strenuous efecular newspapers, and reviews, and popu- forts with the public, to have the Instituar lecturers, as if there was to be an effort tion well endowed. The contemplated ento cast ridicule on all attempts in the way of downent of two Professorships, the Alumontrolling this great adversary of the human | nus and the Brown, should be completed at

Testimony to the Worth of the Bible in Scientific Inquiry.

Dible is opposed and rejected by many who know nothing of its precious truths; it is scouted by many possessed of the and correctness of Biblical truth is constantly accumulating from those who know most of the secrets and wonders of nature. is well known; his fame is world-wide; he ocean depths. In a recent lecture in New York, he said: "I have always found in my scientific studies, that whenever I could get the Bible to say anything on the subject, it afforded me a firm platform to stand man good, and to perfect his schemes of useafforded me a firm platform to stand upon, and another round in the ladder by which I could safely ascend."

West Spruce Street Church, Philadelphia. This splendid edifice, as we learn from the Presbyterian, was dedicated on the 4th inst. Mr. Breed, Dr. Leyburn, Dr. Neill and Dr. Krebs officiated. Its cost was about \$90,000; and it will seat, using the galleries, twelve hundred and fifty-two persons. We are pleased to note the progress of Presbyterianism, even though it be not rapid, at that centre of influence. We wish we could speak as favorably of Pittsburgh and Alle-

gheny; not that Philadelphia, by any means, keeps pace with the progress of population. In all our larger cities. Presbyterianism comes short in its proper proportional share of the work of Church Extension. An inquiry into the reason, might be instituted

Young Men's Christian Association.

with the hope of some benefit.

At the annual election for officers of the Pittsburgh Young Men's Christian Association, the following persons were chosen to serve for the year 1857:

President-Benj. R. Bakewell. Vice Presidents-W. W. Mair, E. D.

Treasurer—A. F. Brooks. Corresponding Secretary-Rev. Geo. B. $\mathbf{Russell}.$

Recording Sec'y-Thos. Bakewell, Jr. Librarian-Robert D. Filson. Chairmen of Committees .- Library and Rooms, R. D. Filson: Finance, William L. Beck; Lectures, Wm. Frew; Statistics, Wm H. Kincaid: Admission of New Mem bers, Wm. G. Johnson; Sick Members, Rev. G. B. Russell; Employment, Jacob Boobyer, Jr.; Boarding Houses, L. C. Wash-

burn; Publication, J. Bakewell, Jr. They cordially invite all, especially young men and strangers, to visit their Rooms, (second story of Reed's new buildings, Fifth \$2,000; one thousand being given by one Street, opposite the Post Office,) where will gentleman. These things promise well in be found a well selected Library, and all the the beginning of the work of re-supplying best magazines and newspapers of the day; all destitute families willing to receive it, in also, the residences of the above named our whole country, with the Word of God. | Chairmen of Committees, should they desire

The Ashmun Institute.

This is a High School, or College, for our Theological Seminary, and the Colleges colored youth, located in Chester County, Pennsylvania, and got up, on liberal principles, by Presbyterians. We have several was added a nice package, by my good friend, Mr. James A. Irwin, of the Presbyterian Bookare now pleased to learn, that good and well adapted buildings have been prepared for occupation, and have been dedicated to as to render it worthless, and in others pub- denomination. These cities are growing God, and to the uses intended, subservient to his glory. The services were had on the last day of December. The inauguration of dear friends not to bestow all their kindness have been more watchful, and it must be Rev. J. P. Carter, as President, took place confessed, more zealous in the work of at the same time. To the Presbytery of its purposes. Nor are we prepared to say Church Extension. While we have remained Newcastle, and specially to the faith, hope, satisfied with the conquests already won, they zeal, enterprize, and persevering industry have been advancing to new triumphs. of a few of its members, are due the incep-The Church, and the Head of the Church, | tion, (so far as we know its history,) and have a right to demand far greater sacrifices, the progress of this great and good work. The following letter will be read with

REV. DR. McKINNEY:-As I am not aware that you have a regular correspondent from Eastern Pennsylvania, permit me to scene I witnessed on the 31st ult., and in work, are all here; and no possible disad- readers will feel some interest. On that day to be a living child-no longer a thing in We are fully persuaded that a comparison Its halls were dedicated to the Lord God, as of the growth of the population of these a central point of labor for Africa and the growth of the churches of our denomination The services were all interesting, and very special encouragement. within their limits, would astonish many in satisfactory to an intelligent and highy respectable audience. The charge to the Prinhave taken place. And we are, at the same solemn. The reply by Principal Carter was mittee of Presbytery was appointed for his intime, greatly afraid that the comparison of indicative of a mind interested in the Afri- stallation. time, greatly alraid that the comparison of the growth of at least three other denomities can race—acquainted with, and confident of all the churches of the Presbytery to take up nations with our own, in the same time, and a will and heart to purpose and execute Presbytery, in behalf of the erection of church would show exceedingly to our disadvant- whatever might be necessary for the thorediffees at Ashland, and at Trevorton, within our expected. Grog shops stare us in the face. age, and to the discredit of our zeal in ex- ough fulfilment of this important scheme. bounds.

The Secretary of the Board of Education of the Presbyterian Church, being present by invitation, was introduced to the audience by Dr. Dickey, and discoursed, most admirably, on the general theme of the day. His special thesis was "God glorified in Africa," and the Ashmun Institute one of the subordinate processes, a link in the chain of providences, by which this great result was to be accomplished. He paid a trib ute to the memory of Ashmun, at once touching and sublime.

God's providences, direct and indirect

were shown to indicate most clearly his in-

tention to claim that Continent and its chil-

fluence of this baleful example, will that sen, as we learn, with entire unanimity and permitted, and is now overruling the accursed slave trade; for this purpose, a free republic, a Christian government was estab lished on the Western coast of Africa, by the children of that country originally the case, would be bad enough; but, alas, well qualified for the position tendered to brought hither as slaves, but now sent back to plant the standard of the Cross and rear the institutions of freedom in that dark land -for this purpose Christian Missions, composed of white men, have been sent to Afri ca: and when it was found that the white man could not long labor there in health, the idea of schools to prepare and train colored young men for the work of the Gospel there, was awakened; a vigorous and healthful development of which, we have before us in this Institution. The Doctor was eloquent and gave great satisfaction. The press will soon also, by special request, spread his address before the great reading community of this country. Some sturdy abolitionists were in the audience; some so called "Free Church people;" Some who thought it a very wild scheme to attempt anything of merest superficial attainments in philosophy | the kind for negroes; but so far as I could and science. But testimony to the value learn all were pleased. One man who regards the Presbyterian Church as the palladium of slavery in this country, and has left it on that account, told me that he was disappointed; for he found he could agree and who have reached the proudest heights with the speakers on many more points of science. The reputation of Lieut. Maury than he had supposed. A number of persons since, have spoken of the scene as deeply interesting, and of the Doctor's address as being specially so. One man said he liked it because the speaker "seemed to feel what he said." And I must confess the Doctor throws a heavy metal from a mortar

> The old year was expiring, but yet witnessed this scene, and left its parting benisons upon it. May the dying smiles of many a year rest upon it, and witness not only a vigorous childhood, but an active youth, a powerful manhood and a mature old age, full of usefulness and honors.

I may give you some further items at an other time, but must now close. Let me respectfully subscribe myself by great and well known name, even though be neither. Yours, &c., Jan. 9th, 1856. HAMILTON.

For the Presbyterian Banner and Advocate

A Card.

The undersigned hereby very gratefully acknowledges the receipt of a purse of two hundred dollars in gold, as a New-Year's present from the generous and faithful congregation he serves in the ministry of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. My earnest prayer is, that one and all participating n this expression of Christian kindness and confidence, "May receive manifold more in this present time, and in the world to come, life ever Glancing at the past seven years of my labors

n this community, and reflecting upon the future, I thank God, and take courage.'

Davenport, Iowa, Jan. 5, 1857.

For the Presbyterien Banner and Advocate "Passing Away."

Yes, the red man of the forest is passing away. To-day you may do him good; to-morrow, pernaps, you cannot. "Say not unto thy neighbor Go and come again, and to-morrow I will give, when thou hast it by thee." Almost fifty dollars one-fourth enough,) has been contributed for the purchase of church-bells for our Indian Mission. re there not a score of persons with a surplus of eight dollars each, who can easily make up the deficiency? The editor will kindly receive, and faithfully

urpose.
Shall these poor children of want be left to say, "No man cared for my soul?" And will the excuse of any for not helping them be, "As thy servant was busy here and there, he was gone?" "For they shall soon be cut down as the grass, and wither as the green herb." tribute, then, and accept as your reward, "the blessing of him that was ready to perish."

apply, any money given or sent him for this

Yours truly, H. W. GUTHRIE.
Indian Mission, Little Traverse, Mich., Nov. 27.

For the Presbyterian Banner and Advocate Acknowledgment.

REV. DR. McKinney: - Dear Brother: -- I have lately received a donation of fifty dollars from that charitable man, Francis Spies, Esq., of N. Y. This handsome amount came through the bands of my excellent friend, Dr. Jacobus, to which the kind Dr. added twenty dollars in money, his Notes on the Gospel by John, and certain articles of clothing.

We have also received a box of clothing, from the ladies of the Presbyterian church in Monongahela City, valued at forty-two dollars; to which

We have also received a handsome box of clothing from the ladies of the Presbyterian church at Mansfield, Pa., which, at least, is

worth sixty dollars. While we express our gratitude to these numerous friends for their lavished kindness, and to God, the giver of all good, let me intreat my upon us. We wish no more; but there are others who I know would very thankfully accept of such aid as we have received; and if I have any friends n the East who would like to send such aid here it would be appreciated, write to me, and will give the names and address.

Walcott, Iowa, January 2dt 1857.

For the Presbyterian Banner and Advocate Presbytery of Northumberland-Ordina-

tion. &c. At a meeting of the Presbytery of Northumberland, in the North church, Danville, Pa., on 31st December, ult., Mr. Charles J. Collins, licentiate of the Presbytery of Luzerne, was re drop you a line, or more perhaps, about a ceived, and upon a unanimous call, was ordained and installed as pastor of said church. The Rev. John Dorrance, of Wilkesbarre, by invitation, preached the sermon, the Rev. D. J. readers will feel some interest. On that day Waller gave the charge to the pastor, and the the Ashmun Institute was declared and seen Rev. J. C. Watson, D. D., Moderator pro. tem., presided, proposed the constitutional questions, offered the prayer in ordination, and gave the charge to the people. The field of usefulness opening before the pastor and this newly organcities for the last twenty years, with the African race; and its Principal inaugurated. rianism, in this region, is one of interest and zed church, upon an original site of Presbyte-At the same meeting, the Rev. H. L. Doolittle,

was received from the Presbytery of Susque-hanna, and upon a unanimous call from the cipal, by Dr. Dickey, was simple, earnest, newly organized church at Mill Hall, Pa., a Com-

Revival at George's Creek.

New Geneva, Pa., Jan. 2, 1857. Mr. Editor:—You will be pleased to aunounce in your paper, that the church of George's Creek has recently been much refreshed. God's people have been strengthened and comforted, and sinners quickened and saved. Thirteen were added to the church on profession of their faith in Christ, and obedience to his commands. Nine of these were heads of families. Our Communion was on the Second Sabbath of last month. A general desire being then felt and expressed to continue the meeting, it was continued till the evening of the 24th ult. Neighboring ministerial ethren rendered very prompt and valuable as-

For the glory of Christ, and the encouragement of his friends, I with a grateful heart, write you H. O. R. this notice.

For the Presbyterian Banner and Advocate

Testimonial. At a meeting the congregation of Scrubgrass Venango County, Pa., convened in the church at Scrubgrass, on Monday, the 3d day of November, 1856, Rev. Ebenezer Henry, pastor of the above named congregation, having stated his inability, from impaired health, any longer to discharge his pastoral duties, asked the congregation to unite with him in the application he was about to make to Presbytery, to be released from his charge; whereupon the following reso-

lutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That in so doing, we contemplate the roposed separation with regret; yet, believing that he has given the subject his prayerful con-sideration, and that he feels it his duty to take this step, we feel constrained to unite with him

n his request to the Presbyterv. in his request to the Presbyterv.

Resolved, That in thus parting with our pastor, so long loved and honored by us; who has for a long time gone in and out before us, declaring to us the precious Gospel of Christ; administering to us, during sickness and bereavement, the consolations of religion; bapunder whose ministry we have greatly increased and prospered; we desire to express our deep regret at the necessity which in the providence of God, demands the separation, our unimpaired conidence in, and affection for him, and our earnest hope that, with restored health, he may yet have many days and years of life for labor in the service of his Lord and Master, and then, when done with the toils of this present life, that he and we may meet around his throne above, forming a part of the great congregation when assemled, among whom partings will never be known.

Resolved. That these proceedings be published in the Presbyterian Banner and Advocate.

JAMES CRAWFORD, President.

A. B. Curtes, Clerk.

Ecclesiastical.

Rev. J. H. Brown, D. D., has been called to the First Presbyterian Church, Springfield, Ohio.

Rev. E. K. LYNN, of Urbana, Ill., has removed to Keithsburg, Ill., and taken charge of the church in that place. Rev. A. W. MILLER has accepted the call

from the Tabb Street Church, Petersburg,

Rev. A. WILLIAMSON'S Post Office is

Grove, N. J. Rev. W. W. PHARR, JR.'s Post Office address is changed from Kirkland to Tay- day is consumed in rest or recreation. The

lorsville, N. C. Rev. T. P. GORDON has had tendered to him. a call from the Sixth Presbyterian Church, declined.

Eastern Correspondence.

Wall Street and its Practices-The Park and its lights of home; to burden mothers with the Offices - Social Habits - Extortion-Slavery to Business—New Year's Day—Presents. New York, Jan. 10, 1857.

MR. EDITOR :- " The morals of Wall

Street" have been for years a synonym for knavery and rascality. Their reputation certainly has not improved by recent derelopments. Forgery, or, as it is technically | Christian men to break away from its thralcalled, "making paper," to the tune of dom, and to "use the world as not abusing millions of dollars; passing it with impunity, and for years; worse still, with the connivance of some of the parties whose names were forged; "gambling in stocks," with all its consequent and unscrupulous efforts served here with undiminished spirit to inflate or depress their value, and thereby to dupe the ignorant and defraud "the them on that occasion, received their friends widow and the fatherless:" the formation of in the usual manner. Less intoxication was bogus Banking, Insurance, Mining or Manu- apparent in the streets than on some previfacturing Companies, whose fictitious stock is puffed into notice by bribed newspapers, freely provided by those who deem them inand rendered plausible by the appointment dispensable to hospitality. There is said, of men to office without their consent, or by the gift of a large number of shares; to say nothing of "note-shaving," and receiving "presents" instead of usury—these are among the schemes and practices that recent trials, failures and discussions have made prominent and netorious. These may be said to be excresences, and altogether distinct from the legitimate business of the street. It is undoubtedly a fact that honest and even godly men are to be found in its Babel, and concerned in its extended and paid; while it also indicates a disposition in honorable transactions. But if the half be true that is published of its nefarious operathat "the laborer is worthy of his hire" tions, it has become not only a "place of merchandise," but a "den of thieves." The crimes of a few ought not, indeed, to condemn the whole body of its frequenters, but villainy and corruption enough find the light to distinguish it as the seat of fraud, dishonesty and danger.

bad pre-eminence" for intrigue and peculation. The numbers who enter office, under after a short service with abundant wealth; the enormous and increasing taxes which are made way with, without effecting the security and comfort of the people, or the permanent improvement of the city, prove that there are methods of acquiring money more readily than by patient drudgery, and with such secresy and success as hitherto to baffle all attempts at exposure, detection or reform. Indeed, the facilities for speculation and fraud, as well as for more glaring | from it. crimes; the sudden, though often transient fortunes thereby acquired, are a strong temptation to multitudes to forsake the slower and safer paths of lawful trade or labor, that they may share in the golden public, have for the last twenty-five years deveprizes which the unscrupulous or the fortunate occasionally win. The extravagance and excesses in which the successful indulge are a further lure to the unprincipled and unstable, who squander their own or their employers means in a foolish rivalry of a College at Jacksonville, which was sustained their expensive tastes and habits. If the policy or lottery offices which still abound in the city, drain the poor and the vicious of their earnings or pilfierings, the rage for display or chances of a fortune, by questionable methods, tempt numbers of higher character and station to habits and expedients that render them in the end hardly less degraded and criminal. Looking on society here in them. Messrs Gale, Camp and others came into some of its aspects, it would seem that "the the then untrod wild, and with Eastern further love of money," with its endless evils, had become its ruling passion. Success in its for the few who had faith to labor and to They founded the College, with Eastern fund acquisition gives character, position and in- they purchased lands at government price. With fluence, while it affords the opportunity for the utmost luxury and indulgence. The young utmost luxury and indulgence. The young are taught by word and example to covet it with an avidity which soon becomes idolatry; while it is made the standard by which

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respects. The Park, with its public build-

ings, offices, and agencies, has acquired "a

other interests and objects must be measured. The young man, for example, cannot marry because the expenses of a family will him to sustain them in the style of catravagance in which he previously indulged, and which he finds prevalent among his acquaintances. The young lady cannot na 1y a suitor of her own age and tastes, becar s he has no fortune, and must consent, ther .. fore, to receive as a husband one who wa'd be esteemed, except for his wealth, a mine suitable companion for her grandmother! Ill-assorted matches, splendid but cheer'es; homes, bachelor quarters with habits which too often will not bear inspection, or lift in hotels and boarding houses, if marriage is indulged, are among the evils of this state

Nor has the virus of this passion failed to infect many of the laboring, or lower classes. Hard work is shunned for occupations which require less toil, and promise larger returns. But this is not so much to be deplored as the spirit of extortion which often manifests itself in their plans and bargains. The impression seems to prevail, that these who are well housed and dressed, must be made to pay according to their ability, rather than to the value of the services rendered. What they can get, rather than what they earn, is, in many cases, the measure of their charges. Where prices are fixed by law as in the case of backmen, the grossest impositions are practiced, when there seems a chance of obtaining money, and escaping detection. Double the value of a piece of work is demanded by mechanics, if there is a prospect of deceiving the inexperienced. On a larger scale, we constantly hear of contractors and employers violating their engagements, by substituting inferior work and material for those specified, or by dismissing their men, and refusing their wages. tizing our children and training our youth; and The idea is, to get money in as short a time as possible, and with as little regard to principle as is compatible with safety. Money is made by many, and spent, too, with lavish profusion; and why may not others share in its enjoyments? The state of things may not be worse here, in this respect, than in other cities; but it explains, in part, the prevailing ungodliness, while it is anything but agreeable to feel, that you are constantly liable to extortion in the smallest

This rage for money, or for success, affects unfavorably those who are superior to the tricts and dishonesty often resorted to for its attainment. Multitudes of upright, and even Christian men, are the merest slaves to their business, which they must watch with "eternal vigilance," and prosecute, without respite, as the condition of its prosperity. They neglect their families, and hardly see or recognize their children, except on the Sabbath; and then sometimes are so much occupied in labors for the children of others, as to have no leisure or strength to instruct their own. More frequently, however, the excessive labor of the week is the apology for absolute idleness on the Sabbath, If changed from Chester, N. J., to Walnut | public worship is not neglected entirely, attendance upon it taxes them to the extent of their ability, and the remainder of the health of numbers fails through their excessive application, long abstinence from food, and consequent exhaustion or over eating. Gray hairs and manifold infirmities render Pittsburgh, where he has been for son e them prematurely old; and if they escape time a stated supply. [Mr. Gordon has death, or acquire a fortune, many have not the vigor to enjoy it. What does this manner of life profit, either for the present or the future? Is it well to sacrifice the de sole responsibility of children; to impair health, and forego almost all attempts at usefulness, for the sake of speedier success in business, perhaps for the fortune that will occasion contention, dissipation, and disgrace after their decease? If custom demands these sacrifices, is it not time for it, knowing that the fashion thereof passeth

away ?' If the allusion is not too late, it may be mentioned, that New-Year's day was ob-Ladies, and ministers, who are classed with ous years, though wines and liquors were however, to be a growing tendency toward simplicity in the entertainments provided on this day; while there was, this year, a commendable liberality displayed by many congregations toward their ministers. The first of January seems, in this region, indeed, to have been more fruitful in substantial presents to them, than Christmas day. May we not hope that this liberality proceeds in part from the growing conviction, that ministers, of all men, are most poorly the churches, to acknowledge more readily, Yours, &c,

Western Correspondence.

DR. M'KINNEY :- I stated, in my last, that God was opening up in this great Western valle; a wide field for the display of an enlightened Christian philanthropy, and mentioned as worthy the consideration of Christians with ready means, the two matters of Church Extension, and the establishment of institutions of learning. To the last of these I wish to devote a part of this

I hope your readers understand that I am the city government, in poverty, and retire writing more particularly for Old School Presby terians, as I write for a paper which is to fall principally among such; and if I speak earnestly and urgently, I feel that I am addressing those of my own family according to the faith. hen, I say, brethren, we are not, and have not been doing that for this great Western region. educationally, which either its necessities have demanded, or its prospective influence has invited us to do; nor have we done what, as a deomination, the West has had a right to expect of us. This may be thought a serious charge, but let us consider it for a moment before we turn Other denominations of Christians have acted

with a wisdom and a forethought from which we night have taken an important lesson. Our Congregational brethren, knowing that this rich and fertile valley is to be the great centre of our Re ed much energy, and manifested a most commendable zeal in the establishment of institutions of learning of a high order. Near thirty years ago, before the territory now sustaining such vast multitudes was anything more than a unclaimed waste of verdant soil, they established almost exclusively, for years, by the generous contributions of the far-seeing and unselfish of Castern States. So exclusively was this institu tion thus established, built up and sustained by Eastern funds, that it was regarded by Southern Illinoians with a prejudice and jealousy from which it has scarcely yet recovered. A few year later the College at Galesburg was established as a joint effort of Congregationalists, and those is the Presbyterian ranks who sympathized with built, far from other human habitation, dwelling time sustained, pupils were raised up for it, classes were formed, and it now stands a notion monument of the wisdom of its founders, and it part of its surplus funds have been lately scal into the South Western part of Iowa, to founders, under the south was to found there, under the south was to found the south was to so the south there, under the same denominational contri-another and a similar institution. And so the edifices at Ashland, and at Trevorton, within our hinder his accumulation of, a fortune, or better will feel its important scheme. Sounds in ex
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