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REV. A. W. BLACK, D.D., of Sewickley, Pa., sailed for Europe in the Indiana, on Wednesday last week. He is accompanied by his wife. The Dr. is a delegate from the New Side Covenant Church of this country, to the Evangelical Alliance, to meet at Berlin, on the 10th of September.

WASHINGTON COLLEGE, PA.—The Catalogue for 1856-7, gives us, in the usual form, the list of students: Seniors 19, Juniors 23, Sophomores 26, Freshmen 23, Preparatory or Irregular 15; Total 106. The Annual Commencement occurs on the third Wednesday in September.

WESTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.—The next Session of this Institution will commence on the Second Monday of next month. We are happy to say that Prof. Wilson has formally accepted. The Faculty is now complete. Students, whose funds are short, will find satisfactory arrangements for supplementing them, on application to the Faculty.

EVIDENCES OF REGENERATION.—Our Correspondent, under this head, writes Scripturally, plainly, and in a manner greatly to edify the honest inquirer. He furnishes good reading for the young Christian; and the aged also may find much benefit from the precious truths presented. That important subject, "Union with Christ," is well treated.

The Young Men's Christian Association, Pittsburgh.

The Young men of this place are making laudable efforts to render their Association the means both of enjoyment and usefulness, to both themselves and others. They have handsome Rooms, an entertaining Library, and pleasant meetings. They invite all well disposed young men to unite with them. They also invite strangers who may be in the City, and especially Christian ministers, to visit their Rooms.

Donations of good books to this institution, would be contributions to an excellent cause.

A Sermon by a Lady.

"Zen," this week, in the midst of his description of the things seen in his rambles, tells us of a portion of what he heard—the substance of an excellent sermon preached by a poor woman to two ministers. Jesus often abides, sweetly, in places from which we would fly. He is no respecter of persons. He distributes his consolations with such a judicious adaptation to circumstances, that his poor and sickly children enjoy about as much of happiness in this world, as do the rich and healthful. True joy is from a heavenly fountain. The wise draw thence, and receive according as their day is, and as their needs abound.

Theological Seminary of the North-West.

The Board of Directors of the Presbyterian Theological Seminary for the North-West is called to meet in the South Presbyterian church, Chicago, on Tuesday, September 1st, 1857, at 8 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of preparing the Annual Report of its doings to the Synods, as required by the Constitution, prior to their meeting in October.

Also, to attend to other important matters of business.

The meeting is an important one and a full attendance is greatly desired.

The Executive and Financial Committee will also meet at the same place, and on the same day, at 5 1/2 A. M., to prepare its report to the Board, previous to its meeting in the evening.

A full and punctual attendance of this committee is urgently solicited.

S. T. WILSON, President of Board, and of Ex. and Fin. Committees.

Lafayette College.

The Annual Commencement of this institution occurred during the last week in July. We have had information from several sources, that the occasion was one of much interest. The graduating class numbered twenty-seven. This was the largest ever sent out by the College.

Rev. Dr. Smith, of Baltimore, preached to the Brainerd Evangelical Society, and Hon. Isaac Fowler, of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., addressed the Literary Societies.

The degree of D.D. was conferred on Rev. J. Leighton Wilson, of the Foreign Board of Missions; on Rev. Alfred Hamilton, of Chester County, Pa.; and on Rev. A. H. Hand, of New Jersey.

Mr. F. A. March, a Tutor in the College, was recommended to the Synod of Philadelphia, as Professor of the English Language and Philology. The Collegiate year was divided into three Sessions. Rev. Mr. McPhail was re-elected provisional President, till the next meeting of Synod. The prospects of the College are spoken of very favorably. The Synod of Philadelphia has, in this School for young men, a charge which both demands and deserves her wise counsels, and her large-hearted liberality.

Commencement at Jefferson College.

The commencement exercises of literary institutions of note and worth, must be interesting to every lover of humanity, learning, and religion, because of the associations stirred up, the hopes excited, and the fears awakened; and because of the agents for great good, or lasting evil, then sent forth into the world. Therefore, our numerous readers all over the land will be especially anxious for an account of the fifty-fifth commencement of Jefferson College, Pa., the oldest and most widely-useful literary institution West of the Alleghenies. To say nothing of its graduates engaged in mercantile and other business pursuits, and in the professions of law and medicine, it was stated by an Alumnus, at the late Anniversary, that one-eighth of the ministers of the Old School Presbyterian Church, a large proportion of the ministers in the Seceder, Union, and Covenant Churches, together with many in the New School and other denominations, were graduates of this College.

We presume it will scarcely be denied that there is no other institution of learning in the country, which has dispensed blessings so liberally to the Church and to the world, for the last half century, that has received so little, in a pecuniary way, from both. Long, carefully, earnestly, and successfully, have its presidents, professors, and teachers, toiled, and but poorly have they been recompensed. Nevertheless, the present satisfaction felt in the faithful performance of duty has been their, and their final reward is sure.

The anniversary services of the present year, were held last week. On Sabbath morning the Annual Sermon before the Society of Inquiry and the Brainerd Evangelical Society, was delivered by the Rev. John Douglass, D.D., pastor of the First Covenant church of Pittsburgh. His text was 2. Tim. ii: 15—"Study to shew thyself approved unto God;" from which was deduced the duty of earnestness in doing good, and seeking the Divine approbation. In the evening the Baccalaureate Sermon was delivered by the President, the Rev. Joseph Alden, D.D.L.D., from Acts xx: 35—"It is more blessed to give than to receive;" from which he illustrated and enforced the doctrine that man's fullest development and highest happiness is found in benevolent activity. Both discourses were well suited to their respective objects, and were considered worthy of their authors.

On Tuesday afternoon the usual "Valuedictories," and "Responses," were delivered before the Philo and Franklin Societies, and a large and interested audience, in Providence Hall. In the evening the address before these literary Societies, was delivered by the Hon. James Pollock, L.L.D., Governor of Pennsylvania, on the responsibilities and duties of the American scholar. The appearing of the Governor called forth the most rapturous applause, and it is praise enough to say that his address did not disappoint the expectations that had been entertained. It will be a happy day for this great country, when all the States of the American Union will have governors in their literary, moral, and religious character, equal to the present Governor of Pennsylvania.

The exercises of the commencement proper were introduced on Wednesday morning, with prayer, by the Rev. A. B. Brown, D.D., late President of the College. This gentleman, beloved not only for his father's sake, but also for his own sake, has a strong hold upon the affections of the sons and patrons of the College, and earnestly do they desire his entire restoration to health, and his long continuance for extensive usefulness in the world of the Lord.

Addresses were delivered by twenty-one members of the graduating class; after which, the degree of A. B. was conferred on the following young gentlemen:

John Hancock Arnold, Bloomfield; William Ballantine, Canonsburg; Wm. Wirt Ballard, Princess Anne, Maryland; Andrew Wilkinson Boyd, Mechanistown, Ohio; James Penrose Burnfield, Pine Grove Mills; William D. Butler, James Ewing Caruthers, Rural Valley; Hugh Boyd Craig, Welch Run; Wm. Van Alstede Dederick, Jonesborough, Tenn.; Samuel Clark Tait Dodd, Franklin; Caleb Bracken Downs, Brownsville; Silas Glenn Duanal, Edinburg, Ohio; Richard Benjamin Evans, Edinburg; Alex. Ballantyne Fields, Shirland; Daniel Webster Fisher, Arch Spring; James D. Fitzgerald, Chambersburg; Joseph Miller Foster, Pittsburgh; Alex. Scott Foster, Allegheny City; Daniel Houston Harsha, Adams County, Ohio; George Price Hays, Canonsburg; David Hutchinson Henderson, Shelton; Alex. Brown Hogg, New York City; James Woods Jenkins, Newton Hamilton; Francis Herron Kennedy, Sacramento City, Cal.; Joseph McCarney, Armagh; Noah Abram McLean, Shade Gap; Edward M. Donald, Union, Noblestown; Samuel Vigo McKee, Vincennes, Ind.; William Postlethwait M'Nite, Huntington County; James Bunnet M'Nerran, Spruce Creek; Moses Martin Marling, Valley Grove, Va.; David Oshorn Marquis, Palisai; James Abram Marshall, Sidney, Ohio; Calvin Wilson Master, London; James Peebles Matthews, Shippenburg; Robert Heaton Moore, Pennsylvania; William Cowper Neely, Sewickley, Pa.; Samuel Jack Nicolls, Westmoreland County; Thomas X. Orr, Orrstown; Thomas Venter, Northampton, Pa.; William Henry Reeves, Mt. Pleasant, Iowa; William Marshall Ritchie, Mansfield, Ohio; James Wallace Robb, Albion, Iowa; John Byers Robb, Okaloosa, Iowa; John Jay Shutterly, Iowa City, Iowa; James Smith, Eldersridge; James Power Smith, Greensburg; Robert Dunlap Spronk, Allegheny City; Cyrus Townsend, West Manchester; Thomas Freeman Wallace, New Alexandria; William Lockhart Wallace, Allegheny City; Robert Ross Westling, Middletown, Pa.; Lowrie W. Wilson, Morgantown, Va.; William S. Wood, De Witt, Iowa.

The "first honor" was divided between Messrs. Mateer and Pierce, and the second between Messrs. Fisher and Marquis. The degree of A. M. in course, was conferred on the Rev. Jacob Doll, Rev. T. B. Wilson, Rev. Wm. E. Hunt, G. S. Rounde-bush, B. T. Myers, Joseph L. Bitner, Robert D. Clark, Julius A. Smith, and Robert Carothers. The honorary degree of A. M. was conferred on Mr. Frew, principal of the High School of Birmingham, Pa. The degree of D. D., was conferred on the Rev. James Alexander, of Martinsville, Ohio; Rev. G. W. McPhail, of Lafayette College, Pa.; Rev. Mr. Gearhart, President of Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa.; Rev. E. D. G. Prime, of N. Y.; Rev. Joseph Soroggs, of Ligonier, Pa.; Rev. John McNair, of N. J.; Rev. Donald McLaren, of Caledonia, N. Y.; and Rev. Alexander Donaldson, principal of Elder's Ridge Academy, Pa. The degree of L.L.

D. was conferred on the Rev. Thomas E. Vernilye, D.D., one of the pastors of the Collegiate Dutch Church, N. Y., and on the Hon. James Pollock, Governor of Pa.

This institution has always been highly favored in the ability and character of its Faculty. The present members of the faculty, are unsurpassed in skill in imparting instruction, in devotedness to their work, and in attention to the temporal and eternal well-being of those placed under their care. The qualifications of the new President, Dr. Alden, admirably fit him for the post to which he has been called. The impression made by him upon his fellow-laborers, upon the students, upon the citizens, upon the Trustees, upon all who have come in contact with him, has been of the happiest kind. It is admitted by all, that a better selection could not have been made.

At this meeting the Board of Trustees made important and valuable additions to the Faculty. The Rev. Alonso Linn, a graduate of the class '49, was elected Professor of Political Economy and History, and Principal of the preparatory department; and Matthew Brown Riddle, son of the Rev. Dr. Riddle, late of Pittsburgh, but now of Jersey City, and grand son of the late Rev. Matthew Brown, D.D., was elected adjunct Professor of Greek. Mr. Linn was, for some time, a Professor in Lafayette College, and Mr. Riddle has been a Tutor in this institution; and both have given great promise of superior ability and efficiency as College officers.

The Trustees also appointed the Rev. L. R. McAboy, of the Presbytery of Allegheny City, their Agent for the completing of the endowment fund, and also for the completing of the endowment of the Brown, and the Smith, or Greek Professorships. The Trustees and Alumni present, earnestly hoped that Mr. McAboy would see his way clear to accept the appointment, believing firmly that with the co-operation of the friends and patrons of the institution, he would soon be able to accomplish the important object in view.

The institution was never in a more prosperous state than at present, in the number, character, and diligence of the students, or in the number and ability of the members of the Faculty. Therefore, she can urge with the greatest confidence, her claims to increased liberality on the part of her own sons and patrons.

It has been determined to make the Preparatory Department a model of its kind, where students entering at the beginning of their course, may be thoroughly trained, and where students more advanced may repair what has been neglected in the earlier part of their course. To this department, Professor Linn will be especially devoted.

It is also the determination of the Faculty to raise the standard of scholarship for entering the College classes, and for passing from one class to another. At the late examinations, no less than ten were prevented from passing from lower to higher classes, in regular course, because of defective scholarship. Every lover of sound learning will rejoice to know that this institution is in a position to take such a stand as this. Nor will the size of the classes be any longer in the way of special care being devoted to every member. Each class is now divided into sections, for recitation, so that the same opportunity for ascertaining the diligence and acquirements of each student exists, as if the classes were each reduced to a score in number.

It is gratifying to know that a first-class telescope is in course of construction for this College, having an object glass of seven inches, with ten feet of focus; and that important additions are constantly being made to the chemical and philosophical Apparatus.

The Alumni Association held several meetings, during which the following resolutions proposed by the Rev. Dr. McGill, of Princeton, were adopted:

Resolved, That the Alumni of this meeting would be gratified with the discontinuance of the plan to endow the College with scholarships, at the present low rate, as soon as the Trustees shall deem it expedient.

Resolved, That we recommend to the agent, appointed by the Board of Trustees, to direct his exertions first, and especially, to the completion of two Professorships—the Brown and Smith Professorships.

Resolved, That it is the sense of this meeting that the salaries of the Professors are too low, and the utmost exertions should be used to advance them to one thousand dollars, and a house for each full Professor. Resolved, That we are gratified with the increase just made in the number of Professors, and desire that the force of Professors and Tutors be still further increased. Resolved, That each Alumnus now present, who has not already done so, contribute, if it be convenient, ten dollars to the Smith, (or Greek) Professorship.

Resolved, That we greatly rejoice in the present prosperity of our Alma Mater; and congratulate the Trustees on the happy selection, again, of a President, in the present incumbent.

The Alumni also appointed the Rev. Dr. A. B. Brown, Prof. S. R. Williams, of Louisville, Ky., Rev. Isaac N. Hays, and Prof. Linn, a committee to appoint an agent from each class of graduates, for the purpose of securing contributions for the Brown Professorship. Arrangements have been made to have a large and interesting meeting of the Alumni next year. The Rev. Loyal Young, of the class of 1828, has been appointed to prepare a historical sketch of his class, which will be read at that time. The Rev. Alfred Nevin, D.D., late of Lancaster, Pa., of the class of '38, has been appointed orator, and J. McDowell Sharpe, Esq., of Carlisle, Pa., has been appointed alternate.

The whole impression made by the late anniversary exercises, was most favorable, and a bright future seems to open before this noble institution. The breadth of constituency which she now has, may be inferred from the fact, that in the Senior Class, which has just left her halls, are found the representatives of ten States of the American Union. Probably a similar instance will not be found in any of the commencements of American Colleges for the present year.

THE YOUNG MEN'S MAGAZINE.—This interesting Monthly is conducted by R. C. McCormick, Jr., New York. It is an octavo of forty-eight pages, at \$1.50, and is now in the fourth No. of the first volume.

Temperance.

Unhappily the Friends of Temperance, like those of many another good cause, have expended much precious time in contest, with each other. They have spoken harshly of each other, injured each other's credit and character, destroyed each other's work, injured the cause they all love, and made their foes laugh in derision and for joy. So it has been in this country, and so it is, just now, in England. Out of three lines in a letter of Mr. Gough to a friend in England, the whole Temperance and Anti-Temperance men there have been thrown into most violent collision. The moderation party clapped their hands for joy at the anticipated triumph of moral suasion, while for a season Mr. Dow was compelled, to the greatest effort, to sustain his position. The following short article in the British Advocate, touches the true point with great keenness:

WHAT IS IT ALL ABOUT? GOUGH vs. THE ALLIANCE. To the Editor of the British Temperance Advocate. DEAR SIR:—Gough says the Maine law has failed; the Maine law friends say moral suasion has failed; and teetotalers say the Gospel has failed. And we go on telling the people, who are glad of an excuse for wrong-doing, that all good is a lie, and the world is given up to work its own destruction. Now I submit that none of these things have failed. The Gospel is what it always was, and has failed in no man's hands. It is the power of God to salvation to them that believe, and never has nor never can fail. Men fail to preach its truths and practice its precepts; but to them that believe it is the power of God, and under its influence men denying ungodliness and worldly lust, live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present evil world. Moral suasion has failed in cases where there is no moral power; and where men drive a bargain with Deity for the retaining of every indulgence for which the slightest excuse can be made; but not where there has been a willingness to receive the truth, and a determination to pay the price that abstinence has involved. The Maine law has failed in cases where it has not been enforced, just as any other law would fail for the same reason. If Mr. Gough's statement be true, the fault lies not at the door of the Maine Law, but at the feet of lazy teetotalers; and by the same rule, Mr. Gough's visit to this country was a failure, for I know several societies by whom he was sold at a price, that are now fast asleep, and in which better men have had to beg their bread and pay for a night's lodging. And indeed what has not failed? Sunday Schools have failed, Bible Societies have failed, Education has failed, Mechanics' Institutions have failed, the Reformation has failed, Missionary Societies have failed, all nature and truth have failed. But is it so? The sun shines, though darkness and clouds occasionally gather, and a storm threatens; the earth yields forth her fruit in abundance, though there be barren rocks and uncultivated soil, seed-time and harvest are never failed, because Nature is true to herself, and God is faithful. So it is in all righteous and legitimate action. "A thing of beauty is a joy for ever." Virtue brings its own reward, and the diligent hand maketh rich. Let us talk about success, and labor and live for it, and it will come. Temperance men who cannot go for a Maine law, let these alone who can, and do not your own work. Surely it will do no harm for teetotalers to shut up a public-house, though it be as by fire. To the Maine law men let me say, Tough the temperance advocate gently, if you touch him at all. Though he walk not with you, he is not to be knocked about like old boots. He has walked many a weary journey, and fought many a hard battle, single handed, and carried light and joy to many dark and desolate homes; and though no press greeted the deed, nor rapturous applause cheered his presence, the barrel of meal failed not, and the widow's home sheltered him from the storm. Verily they had their reward.

Comparative Statistics.

The following Comparative Statistics of the two General Assemblies, furnish the following figures:

General View. Old School. New School. Synods, 31 26 Presbyteries, 155 114 Candidates for ministry, 462 248 Licentiate, 2,267 1,079 Ministers, 3,261 1,566 Members added on examination, 18,296 5,658 Members added on certificate reported, 9,719 4,960 Whole No. of communicants reported, 244,825 189,116 Adults baptized, 2,375 1,856 Infants baptized, 18,007 8,798 Contributions. Foreign Missions, \$110,828 \$65,767 Domestic Missions, 108,485 96,908 Education, 226,081 68,747 Publication, 28,992 68,148 Congressional purposes, 1,953,300 Miscellaneous, 210,602

This statement embraces the Southern portion of the New School, as well as the Northern, that is, the whole Church as it existed at the opening of the late Assembly.

The Ashmun Institute.

Attention is requested to this important means of advancing the welfare of the colored race. The sad intelligence of the death of Mrs. De Heer, of the Corisco Mission, and the return from that island of Mr. and Mrs. McQueen, adds to the previous overwhelming testimony, assuring us that Africa is the home of the black man and not of the white man. God will not let white men possess it, especially the Western coast and the interior. It is made most manifest that we can not keep up, of our countrymen, an adequate missionary force, to instruct and convert the natives of that vast and populous country; not even a force sufficient to man a few good schools to teach and train native laborers for the Gospel's work. The teachers and preachers must be colored men, and for a long time,

they must be trained at a distance, and sent.

Now, God has given us the colored people, in large numbers. He has given us the Bible and true religion. He has bidden us preach the Gospel to every creature. He has given us learning, and great wealth. Clearly he says to us, Do your work of Christianizing Africa, by training and sending out as laborers the young Africans, whom I have sent to you. The Presbytery of Newcastle, in obedience to the command, have established this School, and they seek Christian co-operation.

We ask the benevolent if they can not, one by himself, or a few uniting, find some talented youth, favored for THIS SPECIFIC WORK, with a dark skin, and send them to the Ashmun, and send also the means of feeding and clothing them, while they are being fitted to serve the Lord in teaching their long neglected and needy brethren?

"MELANCTHON" had prepared a reply to the first article of "One Out West;" but the second communication of the latter is satisfactory, that the reply intended is withdrawn. Those who really love Zion may generally be brought to see "eye to eye," or so nearly thus, that they can agree peacefully to pass by their minor differences in judgment, and devote their energies to far better purposes than the damaging conflicts which are waged by spirits less kindly in their emotions.

EASTERN SUMMARY.

BOSTON AND NEW ENGLAND.

The Puritan Recorder has of late manifested great dissatisfaction at the course pursued by the New York Independent. The latter journal, recently, published a long Editorial, concerning Congregationalism in New York, its slow progress, and the difficulties in the way; also assigning various causes for its slow growth in that place. The former, in noticing this article, and the causes assigned, expressed the opinion, that the peculiar views, and course of the Independent and its friends, was no small hindrance in the way of the success of the denomination. But, still more recently, a new cause of difficulty has sprung up between these journals. The Rev. N. Munroe, who has been for many years the esteemed and faithful Secretary of the American Sunday School Union, for Massachusetts and New England, wrote to the New York papers, some time ago, stating that the Resolution of the General Association of Massachusetts approving the action of the American Home Missionary Society, was not so unanimously passed as appeared; and that this fact would have been made apparent, if opportunity for an expression of views had been given. The truth of the statement is not denied. But the wrath of the Congregationalist, of Boston, and the Independent, of New York, has been wondrously aroused against the furnisher of this fact to the papers, and they demand the appointment of another officer in his place, more conformable to their own views.

The Puritan Recorder dissents altogether from the tyranny proposed by the two journals, in the name of freedom; and deprecates any such interference, as will place the great benevolent Societies in subjection to the dictation of any newspaper or class of newspapers.

In this connexion, the Editor repeats a conversation had with the proprietor of the Independent, more than a year and a half ago, which made a deep impression on his own mind at the time, and which the Editor affirms, tends to explain the peculiar animus of the Independent. The proprietor is represented as saying:

"It is astonishing to see how the Independent goes ahead! We have now 20,000 subscribers, and they are rapidly increasing. I got up this paper to put these Benevolent Societies right. We have already put the American Board and the Home Missionary Society right; and we have taken in hand the Tract Society; and shall straighten that for as long as dry goods will sell, this paper shall go."

The Unitarian character of Harvard College, must soon experience some decided change. There is a vacancy in the Hollis Professorship, which according to the original bond, must be filled by a "sound and orthodox" man, and the income of the Henchman legacy can only be given, according to the terms of the bequest, to one who "shall profess and teach the principles of the Christian religion, according to the well known Confession of Faith, drawn up by the Synod of the churches of New England."

The Unitarians welcome Miss Beecher, since the publication of her last work, as one of their number, and rejoice that the daughter of the gifted preacher brought to Boston, forty years ago, to put down Unitarianism, has repudiated the views concerning native depravity, which the father then advocated and defended.

The commencement exercises, at Dartmouth College, closed on the evening of the 30th ult.; sixty-seven young men received the degree of Bachelor of Arts, and twelve the degree of Bachelor in Science from the Chandler Scientific School. The Baccalaureate address of President Lord was from Acts xxiv: 16. Professor Park, of Andover, delivered the address before the Theological Society, on the Harmony between Taste and Religion. The Rev. Wm. H. Lord, of Montpelier, addressed the Phi Beta Kappa Society, on Faith, the only Foundation of Human Knowledge, and the Means of Moral and Philosophical Progress. The Alumni elected for their orator next year, the Hon. Rufus Choate, and the Hon. George P. Marsh as alternate. The picture gallery has been enriched during the year, by an addition of six marble slabs, from the excavated palaces of ancient Nineveh. These were obtained through the Hon. Henry Rawlinson, Bart., upon whom the degree of L. L. D. was conferred at the late commencement.

During the last year there have been two hundred and fifty-two pupils in the American Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb, at Hartford. Information of the most favora-

ble character has been obtained concerning one thousand and eighty-one former pupils of the Institution.

The Astronomical Prize at Yale College was received in 1853, by Hiram Bingham; in 1855, by W. D. Alexander; and in 1857, by D. D. Baldwin. These young gentlemen were born in the Sandwich Islands, and still have their homes there.

The Anniversary exercises of the Bangor Theological Seminary were held the last week in July. The graduates numbered twelve, one of whom, Mr. E. P. Roberts, of Dorset, Maine, and a graduate of Williams College, Massachusetts, was ordained a missionary to Micronesia, under the auspices of the American Board. The address before the Rhetorical Society was by the Rev. Dr. Hickok, of Sohenetady, New York. His object was to answer the question, What is the kind of interest under the ministrations of the Gospel, that can be trusted as lasting? At the close of the exercises, a beautifully wrought pitcher and silver, were presented, with appropriate ceremonies, to the Rev. Dr. Pond, who has been for twenty-five years connected with this Seminary.

The Rev. Sabin Ainsworth came to Jaffrey, New Hampshire, to preach as a licentiate, in the Summer of 1781, and was ordained pastor of the church in that place in December of the following year, so that he has been the accredited pastor, of a single congregation, for more than three-quarters of a century. A few Sabbaths ago, on the anniversary of his birth, he was able to walk to the church, and listened to a sermon from his colleague.

PHILADELPHIA.

The Mean Temperature for July has been 75 degrees, being 1 degree below the average for the same month for thirty-two years, and 4 degrees cooler than July, 1856. The highest temperature was 90 degree, on the 19th and 20th, and the lowest 34 degrees, on the 8d. The amount of rain fallen in the same time has been 3.91 inches, only 0.32 of which fell previous to the 23d.

In the United States Mint is an old Jewish coin, bearing date 140 Years B. C. On one side is a censor; on the other, Aaron's rod, budding. At one time, last Winter, the bullion vault contained fourteen tons of gold in the form of bullion.

The managers of the School for Idiotic Children, which has been in existence for some time at Germantown, have purchased a tract of fifty acres of land, near Middletown, Pa., where suitable buildings are to be erected, with all convenient dispatch, for the permanent accommodation of the School. The building previously occupied, had not been constructed for this purpose, and the situation did not afford sufficient room for additional buildings and other improvements. In January last, there were twenty-six children under the care of this School, and great success has attended the modes of training and instruction adopted. A school under proper control for the benefit of this unfortunate class, is one of the glories of the present age.

The Episcopians have organized a new church in the Twenty-Second Ward, (Germantown,) and a church edifice will be speedily erected. The Rev. J. McKnight, late Secretary of the Committee of Publication of the New School Presbyterian Church, and at one time editor of the Philadelphia Christian Observer, died in that city on the 30th ult.

A Jewish Sunday School has been organized in the Crown Street Synagogue, with the children of Jewish parents flock to learn the Hebrew language. The school was formally opened on the 19th of July, with an address by Rev. Dr. Solomon Jacobs, late of South Carolina, on Jewish Education. The discourse is said to have been eloquent and thrilling; indeed, we do not know how a description of the thorough training given in well conducted Jewish schools, could be otherwise.

The Episcopalian Recorder has been publishing a series of articles on the incompleteness of the Hymnology of the Episcopal Church, in which it boldly and manfully points out the meagreness of the collection of Hymns attached to the Prayer-Book.

The Publication Committee of the New School Presbyterian Church, has purchased the Church Psalmist, compiled by Dr. Beaman, about which so much was said in the Assembly of that Church, at its meeting in New York. It has been proposed to add an appendix to the original work.

Rev. D. A. MURKOCK'S Post Office address is Oton Mission, Marshall County, Kansas Territory. Correspondents and others are requested to address him accordingly. Rev. W. P. CARSON'S Post Office address is Winnebago Depot, Winnebago County, Illinois.

Rev. J. S. DICKEY'S Post Office address is changed from Rock Run, Illinois, to De-kota, Stephenson County, Illinois; his residence, and relation to the church of Rock Run, continuing as heretofore.

Rev. THOS. D. LEA has removed to Greenville, Washington County, Mississippi, where he has commenced labor with the prospect of building up a Presbyterian church.

Rev. RALPH HARRIS' Post Office address is changed from Grindstone Point, to Cameron, Missouri.

Rev. ISAAC B. MOORE, of Indiana, has become the Stated Supply of the churches of Shiloh and Bushnell, in the Presbytery of Schuyler.

Rev. J. K. LARGE has commenced labor in Webster City and Beech Grove, Iowa.

Rev. W. W. COLMEY, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, Lafayette, Ia., has, in consequence of feeble health, asked and obtained a dissolution of the pastoral relation.

Rev. JOHN MONTGOMERY has been released from the pastoral charge of the Harrodsburg church, by the Presbytery of Transylvania.

Rev. J. G. REASER, late Teacher of Hebrew, in the Theological Seminary, at Danville, has received and accepted the appointment of President of the Harrodsburg Female College.

Rev. S. C. PHARR, D.D., late Professor in the East Tennessee University, has accepted a call to become pastor of the Presbyterian church in Tuskegee, Alabama.

Rev. JACOB WINTERS' Post Office address is changed from Brownsburg, Va., to Louisville, Missouri, whither he has removed to take charge of the Woods Academy, located there. Correspondents and others will please note the change.

Rev. A. P. BOYTSFORD was installed pastor of the church of Port Byron, New York, by the Presbytery of Rochester City, on the 24th ult.

Jacob, and the second is to be completed by the liberality of the son, William B. Ainsworth. In the last six months, fifteen hundred volumes have been added to the Library. The Library will be closed during the month of August, in which time, Dr. Cogswell, Librarian and Superintendent, expects to make important additions.

The Evangelist states that the West is beginning to inflict serious injury upon the East, in calling away so many of the popular and promising ministers, and that almost daily, written or verbal applications are made at that office, for pastors for Western pulpits. Congregations having popular pastors are beginning to tremble lest they may receive a call to the West, which it is almost certain they will accept. Not a little solicitude is felt, in many places, about this very thing. But in the end the West will amply repay all she may obtain in this way. Many pastors full of faith and of the Holy Ghost, are needed in every quarter of the land and the world.

The Mean Temperature for July has been 75 degrees, being 1 degree below the average for the same month for thirty-two years, and 4 degrees cooler than July, 1856. The highest temperature was 90 degree, on the 19th and 20th, and the lowest 34 degrees, on the 8d. The amount of rain fallen in the same time has been 3.91 inches, only 0.32 of which fell previous to the 23d.

In the United States Mint is an old Jewish coin, bearing date 140 Years B. C. On one side is a censor; on the other, Aaron's rod, budding. At one time, last Winter, the bullion vault contained fourteen tons of gold in the form of bullion.

The managers of the School for Idiotic Children, which has been in existence for some time at Germantown, have purchased a tract of fifty acres of land, near Middletown, Pa., where suitable buildings are to be erected, with all convenient dispatch, for the permanent accommodation of the School. The building previously occupied, had not been constructed for this purpose, and the situation did not afford sufficient room for additional buildings and other improvements. In January last, there were twenty-six children under the care of this School, and great success has attended the modes of training and instruction adopted. A school under proper control for the benefit of this unfortunate class, is one of the glories of the present age.

The Episcopians have organized a new church in the Twenty-Second Ward, (Germantown,) and a church edifice will be speedily erected. The Rev. J. McKnight, late Secretary of the Committee of Publication of the New School Presbyterian Church, and at one time editor of the Philadelphia Christian Observer, died in that city on the 30th ult.

A Jewish Sunday School has been organized in the Crown Street Synagogue, with the children of Jewish parents flock to learn the Hebrew language. The school was formally opened on the 19th of July, with an address by Rev. Dr. Solomon Jacobs, late of South Carolina, on Jewish Education. The discourse is said to have been eloquent and thrilling; indeed, we do not know how a description of the thorough training given in well conducted Jewish schools, could be otherwise.

The Episcopalian Recorder has been publishing a series of articles on the incompleteness of the Hymnology of the Episcopal Church, in which it boldly and manfully points out the meagreness of the collection of Hymns attached to the Prayer-Book.

The Publication Committee of the New School Presbyterian Church, has purchased the Church Psalmist, compiled by Dr. Beaman, about which so much was said in the Assembly of that Church, at its meeting in New York. It has been proposed to add an appendix to the original work.