# THE PRESBYTERIAN BANNER AND ADVOCATE.

#### Proceedings of the Synod of Pittsburgh, | might, as an incitement to insubordination and 1857.

Synod met in Monongahela City, on Wednesday, October 21st, and was opened and constituted by Rev. David Kirkpatrick, D. D., the Moderator of last year.

Rev. Joel Stoneroad was chosen Moderator, and Rev. Robert McPherson, Clerk. The Standing band and wife, parents and children, and that Committees were appointed, and the Records of which consists in selling slaves to those who will Presbyteries were committed.

The afternoon of Thursday was spent, mainly, in devotional exercises. The address of Dr. H. R. Wilson, on Foreign Missions, was deeply interesting. Dr. Jacobus was requested to furnish to the Board of Publication his sermon, preached on last evening, to be issued as a Tract. The Rev. W. W. Woodend, on Thursday evening, preached the Synodical sermon on, The Gospel Ministry-Its Positive Adversaries and Encouragements.

On the subject of BAPTISM, Synod, with entire unanimity and hearty desire, adopted the follow ing:

Resolved. That to our certain knowledge the articles on the subject of Baptism, recently pub lished in the Presbyterian Banner and Advocate, over the signature "L. N. D." have been received with great favor by very many; and, in our judgment, are adapted to supply an important de ficiency in our religious literature, if published in a more convenient and permanent form.

Resolved, That this Synod request the Board of Publication of the Presbyterian Church, if in their judgment proper, to endeavor to procure these articles from the author, and publish them in a suitable form for general circulation and permanent use.

On the subject of SLAVERY, which had been introduced by Mr. Jennings, Synod resolved. "That we refer to the action of this body in 1839, together with that of 1841, and order it published, as being in our view, a sufficient deliverance on the whole subject."

The action of 1839, was as follows:

An overture from the Presbytery of Beaver, on the subject of American Slavery, in the following words, viz :

"WHEREAS. The General Assembly of 1818 declared American Slavery 'to be a gross viola tion of the most precious and sacred rights of human nature, utterly inconsistent with the law of God, and totally irreconcilable with the spirit and principles of the Gospel of Christ.' And as this great sin is still cherished and practiced to a

wide extent in our Church ; therefore, "Resolved, That the Synod of Pittsburgh, be earnestly requested, at its next meeting, to peti-tion the General Assembly immediately to adopt measures for the removal of this dreadful evil from our denomination in the earliest possible r and in the shortest possible time."

The Committee, moreover, report, that they have seriously considered the above overture, and are of opinion, that it is at present inexpedient to memorialize the General Assembly on this subject.

They recommend, however, that this body adopt, as expressive of their views, with reference to this great evil, as it exists in our land, the minute of the General Assembly of 1818, on the subject, except so much of it as is found in the Digest, on page 345, recommending the Coloniza-

The minute of the Assembly is as follows:

"We consider the voluntary enslaving of one portion of the human race by another, as a gross of human nature; as utterly inconsistent with bors as ourselves, and is totally irreconcilable the law of God, which requires us to love our | with the spirit and principles of the Gospel of neighboras ourselves, and as totally irreconcilable | Christ." with the spirit and the principles of the Gospel of Christ, which enjoin that 'all things whatso ever ye would that men should do to you, do ye It exhibits them as depe the will of others, whether they shall receive religious instruction ; whether they shall know and worship the true God; whether they shall enjoy the ordinances of the Gospel: whether they shall perform the duties and cherish the endearments of husbands and wives, parents and children, neighbors and friends : whether they shall preserve their chastity and purity, or regard the dictates of justice and humanity. Such are some of the consequences of slavery-consequences not imaginary, but which connect themselves with its very existence. The evils to which the slave is their very worst degree and form; and where all of them do not take place-as we rejuice to say in many instances, through the influences of the principles of humanity and religion on the mind of musters, they do not-still the slave is denrived of his natural right, degraded as a human being, avarice may suggest. "From this view of the consequences resulting from the practice into which Christian people have most inconsistently fallen, of enslaving a portion of their brethren of mankind-for 'God hath made of one blood all nations of men to dwell on the face of the earth'-it is manifestly the duty of all Christians who enjoy the light of the present day, when the inconsistency of slavery, both with the dictates of humanity and religion, has been demonstrated, and is generally seen and former times, and as speedily as possible to efface complete abolition of slavery throughout Christendom, and if possible throughout the world." "We rejoice that the Church to which we be-long commenced as early as any other in this country, the good work of endeavoring to put an end to slavery, and that in the end to slavery, and that in the same work many of its members have ever since been, and now are. among the most active, vigorous and efficient laborers. We do, indeed, tenderly sympathize with those portions of our Church and our country where the evil of slavery has been entailed; where a great, and the most virtuous part of the community abhor slavery, and wish its extermination as sincerely as any others; but where the number of slaves, their ignorance, and their vicious habits generally render an immediate slave. With those who are thus circumstanced, we repeat that we tenderly sympathize. At the same time. we earnestly exhort them to continue. and if possible, to increase their exertions to effect a total abolition of slavery. We exhort the public welfare truly and indispensably demanda "As our country has inflicted a most grievous injury upon the unhappy Africans, by bringing them into slavery, we cannot indeed urge that we should add a second injury to the first, by eman e likely to destroy themselves or others. But we do think that our country ought to be governed honest aud impartial regard to the happiness of the injured party, uninfluenced by the expense or nvenience which such a regard may involve We, therefore, warn all who belong to our denom ination of Christians, against unduly extending this plea of necessity ; sgainst making it a cover for the love and practice of slavery, or a pretence for not using efforts that are lawful and practicable to extinguish this evil. "And we, at the same time, exhort others to forbear harsh censures, and uncharitable reflec tions on their brethren, who unhappily live among slaves whom they cannot immediately set free; but who; at the same time, are really using all their influence, and all their endeavors, to bring them into a state of freedom, as soon as a door for it can be safely opened. "Having thus expressed our views of slavery, and of the duty indispensably incumbent on all proceed to recommend, and we do it with all the earnestness and solemnity which this momentous subject demands, a particular attention to the following points : "We recommend to all the members of our religious denomination, not only to permit, but to facilitate and encourage the instruction of their slaves in the principles and duties of the Chris-tian religion ; by granting them liberty to attend on the preaching of the Jospel, when they have on the presenting of the coupled, much and the synce in 1803 there an opportunity; by favoring the instruction of cient occasion, for an them in the Sabbath School, wherever those Synce at this time. schools can be formed; and by giving them all other proper advantages for acquiring the knowl-edge of their duty both to God and to man We the duty of dedicating our sons to God, for the

nsurrection, would, on the contrary, operate as he most powerful means for the prevention of those evils

"We enjoin it on all Church Sessions and Presbyteries, under the care of this Assembly, to discountenance, and as far as possible to prevent all cruelty of whatever kind, in the treatment of slaves; especially the cruelty of separating hus-

either themselves deprive these unhappy people of the blessings of the Gospel, or who will transport them to places where the Gospel is not pro-claimed, or where it is forbidden to slaves to attend upon its institutions. And if it shall ever happen that a Christian professor in our communion shall sell a slave who is also in communion nion shall sell a shave who is also in communion and good standing with our Church, coutrary to his or her will and inclination, it ought immedi-ately to claim the particular attention of the proper Church judicature; and unless there be h peculiar circumstances attending the case as can but seldom happen, it ought to be followed, without delay, by a suspension of the offender from all the privileges of the Church, till he re-

pent, and make all the reparation in his power to the injured party."-Minutes, 1818, p. 692. To the foregoing was appended the following

esolution : Resolved, That the action of this Synod, in redopting the testimony of the General Assembly f 1818, on the subject of Slavery, is not to be of 1313, on the subject of Slavery, 18 not to be construed at all as implying any want of confi dence in the American Society, for colonizing the people of color. The paragraph in the Assem hly's testimony, approbatory of the Colonization Society, was expunged merely to prevent a pro-tracted debate, in deference to the feelings of several brethren, and because the sentiments of a great majority of this Synod, in favor of coloniztion, are well known to the Christian community.

The action of 1841, was commenced in 1840, as follows:

The Committee of Bills and Overtures, reported overture No. 6., being a memorial signed by nine ninisters and two elders, on the subject of slavery, recommending that those who are guilty of slaveholding should be separated from the com munion of the Church, and that their contributions should not be received into the treasury of our benevolent institutions, and condemning the

course pursued by the General Assembly, in re gard to their treatment of petitions on slavery, and in regard to the letter addressed to them by the Presbyterians of the Church of Scotland.

This overture was committed to "Messrs. M. Brown, McConaughy, J. Graham, R. Patterson and Stockton."

At the next meeting of Synod this Committee, by their Chairman, Rev. Matthew Brown, D. D., reported ; and, after much deliberation, the report was adopted, and is as follows, viz :

That as this overture, consisting of a number of resolutions, offered for the adoption of this Synod, is expressed in respectful language by a number of respected brethren, members of this Synod, the Committee consider it entitled to serious and respectful consideration. Your Committee, however, after mature deliberation, do not perceive the necessity or advantage of any action

f the Synod on the subject. The Synod have already, (1839,) in accordance with the resolutions of the Assembly of 1818, borne their testimony against Slavery, in the strongest terms, accompanied with appropriate counsels and directions, as to the duty of Christians. They have declared, "that the voluntary enslaving of one part of the human race by another, is a gross violation of the most precious, and sacred rights of human nature, is utterly inconsistent with the violation of the most precious and sacred rights law of God. which requires us to love our neigh-

They have declared, "that it is the manifest duty of all Christians, to use their honest, earnest and unwearied endeavors to correct the errors ye even so to them ' Slavery creates a paradox of former times, and as speedily as possible to in the moral system; it exhibits rational, ac efface this blot on our holy religion; by favoring countable, and immortal beings in such circum the instruction of them in Sabbath Schools, by stances as scarcely to leave them the power of attending on the preaching of the Gospel, and by tivina i the knowledge of their duty, both to God and man." They enjoin it "on all Church Sessions and Presbyteries under their care, to discountenance, and, as far as possible, to prevent all cruelty, of whatever kind, in the treatment of slaves, especially the cruelty of separating husband and wife, parents and children, and selling slaves to persons who will deprive them of the Gospel, or who will transport them to places where the lospel is not proclaimed, or where it is forbidden to slaves to attend upon its institutions." A violation of these injunctions they consider as a just ways exposed, often take place in fact, and in ground for the discipline and the censures of the Church While Synod and the Assembly have unequivocally and strongly expressed their views of the evils of slavery, and the duty of Christians in reference to it; they at the same time, express their sympathy with those portions of our Church, and exposed to the dauger of passing into the and our country, where the evil of slavery has hands of a master who may inflict upon him all been eutailed upon them, and especially where a the hardships and injuries which inhumanity and great and the most virtuous part of the community abhor slavery and wish its extermination as incerely as others, but where an immediate and universal emancipation would be inconsistent, alike with the safety and happiness of master and slave. At the same time they warn against "un duly extending the plea of necessity against making it a cover for the love and practice of slavery, or for a pretence for not using efforts that are lawful and practicable to extinguish the evil." While our judicatories have been thus explicit. in relation to the duty and obligation of those acknowledged, to use their honest, earnest and who sustain the relation of slaveholders, they at unwearied endeavors, to correct the errors of the same time exhort others to "forbear harsh censures and uncharitable reflections on their this blot on our holy religion, and to obtain the brethren, who, unhappily, live among slaves whom they cannot immediately set free; but who, at the same time, are really using all their influence and

unable to attend.

On the subject of COLPORTAGE, Synod adopted for next year. he following report:

The Committee to whom was referred the Annual Report of the Board of Colportage, have examined the Report and are gratified to find, that, notwithanding the difficulties the Board have encounter ed, and notwithstanding the present financial panic. hey are able to present so prosperous a state of affairs; and trust that now, at last, this Board, so pe-culiarly our own, is placed on a firm and substantial They feel grateful to the Head of the Church for the success with which he has crowned our efforts, and feel that a door of usefulness is pened for us which calls on us for increased in erest in this important work. We would recommend the adoption of the fol-

wing: WHEBRAS. The Synod of Allegheny at their the same, passed a resolution to change the time of the Annual meeting of the Board of Volport

ige to the First Tuesday of September in each ear; therefore, Resolved, That we accede to the action of the ynod of Allegheny, and that the time of meeting said Board be changed to the First Tuesday (

eptember. Resolved. That Synod earnestly recommend to he churches, within our bounds, increased liber lity in their contributions to that Board. Resolved, That it be recommended to the Presyteries within our bounds, to appoint and susain suitable Colporteurs to labor in their bounds, to be commissioned by the Board of Colportage, vith a view to disseminating the works of th Soard of Publication and other religious works

anctioned by the Board of Colportage. Resolved, That it be recommended to our hurches to purchase books needed for Sabbath chools and other purposes, from our own Board. To fill the vacancies which have occurred in the loard, your Committee would nominate as folows: Ministers, Rev. D. cKinney, D. D., Geo. Marshell, D D., and John M Hastings; Elders, 3. Lawson.

of "The Divine Sovereignty, Doctrinally and Rev. Messrs. Irving and Cook. For SYNODICAL SEBMONS, next year, the subject Practically Considered," was assigned to Rev. Samuel Wilson, D. D ; and "Brotherly Love," to Rev. Samuel Fulton. Also, in view of Mr Paxton's failure to preach at this time, he was appointed to deliver, at the next meeting of Synod, a discoure on the subject formerly assigned him. On AGENCIES, the following resolution was

dopted. viz: Resolved, That as the plan of the Boards o ommittee of Church Extension, of having a Reiving Agent in the City of Pittsburgh is very

fficient, and also very economical; and as the resent incumbent of that office, Mr. J. D. Wilams, has devoted himself with so much zeal and access to this work. this whole management has the approval and confidence of this Synod. The condition of our MISSIONS IN INDIA called

forth the deep sympathies of the Synod. The following paper was adopted :

which involve the remnant of our missiouavies on hat field.

This Synod would first of all recognize in this lispensation the hand of God, who hath set his King upon his hely hill of Zion, and who hath said to him. "Ask of me and I will give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the utter most parts of the earth for thy possession;' therefore, Resolved. That the voice of this afflictive deal-

The Presbytery of Ohio reported the Rev. Jos. | appointed at the meeting of one year for that of | naries are settled by the side of a man of age and Alden, D. D., L. L. D., President of Jefferson the next, and that reports shall be sent to the experience, so well calculated to be a counselor College, as received by them as a member. Dr. Committee's Chairman, by the Stated Clarks Alden preached on Friday evening, in place of of Presbyteries, at least two weeks previously ing prospects May the mantle of the retiring Ray. Mr. Paxton, who had been appointed to to the day to which Synod stands adjourned. deliver one of the Synodical sermons, but was Ministers Fairchild, Hamilton, and Gillett, and Elder H. Campbell were appointed the Committee

It was ordered that the Minutes be published

Thanks were cordially tendered to the good people of Monongahela City and vicinity, for brethren. Ministers and elders who are kept away from such a feast of fellowship in Christ, are deprived of a great joy.

For the Presbyterian Banner and Advocate.

### Synod of New Jersey.

NEW JERSEY, October, 1857. MR. EDITOR :- The Synod of New Jersey met at Scranton, in Penna, on October 20th. The last Moderator, Rev. Aaron H Hand, D. D, being absent on account of sickness, the opening ser-mon was preached by Dr. Wilson. The Rev. John Hall, D. D., of Trenton, N J, was unanimously chosen Moderator, and the Rev. R. K. Rodgers, D D., and the Rev. G. Hale, Clerks. There were about one hundred and fifty members present. The Rev. Elijah S. Craven, of Newark, N. J.

The Rev. Elijah S. Graven, of Newark, N. J., preached the sermon on Foreign Missions, from Josh. vii: 11, on Wednesday evening, and was followed by an address on the state of our Mis sions in India, by William Rankin, Jr., Esq., Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions. At the Synodical prayer meeting, on Thursday evening, the Narrative of the state of religion was read by the Rev. G. Hale; addresses were delivered by the Rev. S. M. Hamill, and the Rev. W larshell, D. D., and John M. Hastings; Elders, H. Hornblower; prayers offe ed by the Rev P. amuel McMasters, Josiah McJunkin, and James O. Studdiford, D. D., the Rev. A. Gosman, and the Rev. J. G. Symmes; and the other parts of

the service were conducted by the Moderator, and The complaint of a minority of the Presbytery of Elizabethtown, against the action of the majority, was tried, and decided against the com

plainants. A number of the members of the Synod entered a protest against this decision, on constitutional grounds, and the complainant gave notice of appeal to the General Assembly. The church of Pleasant Grove was transferred

from the Presbytery of Raritan to the Presbytery of Newton. The Synod recommended to the churches to oh

serve the last Thursday of February, 1858, as a omestic Missions, and of Education, and of the | day of prayer for Colleges, agreeably to a resolu tion of the last General Assembly. The Rev. John Maclean, D. D., gave some ac

count of the present state of the College of New Jersey, and of the Theological Seminary at Prince-The following resolutions were adopted by the

Synod: Resolved, That while the aspect of the Foreign Missions of our Church is indeed dark, and some

In view of the grievous tidings which come to us from our Missions in India—of several of our missionaries shaughtered, and our Mission prop erty destroyed—and in view of the fearful perils that "the wrath of man shall praise" him, and the remainder of wrath shall he restrain.'

Resolved. That we record our deep and heartfell sympathies with our missionary brethren in India, in the straitened and trying circumstances, in which, in the providence of God, they have e made to the great Head of the Church, for | for them in the house; and it is not pleasant their relief.

Resolved, That in this peculiar crisis, we have ng is to us, calling to special prayer, and that unabated coufidence in the wisdom, prudence, there are as yet no groves, nor shade trees, we turn from mere human dependences to God, and general management of our Board of Foreign to shelter the head from the burning sun. Missions and that our church members in the necessary retrenchment consequant on the great only be accommodated. Such, however, is but embarrassments of the times, be urged not to the history of many other infant churches forget "the tithes and offerings" that should be in this vast West The congregation is cast into the treasury of the Lord. Resolved, That in view of his dispensations to- made up chiefly of families from those good ward the Foreign Missions of our Church, it be- old hives, West Alexander and Forks of omes us to examine our short comings, to con. Wheeling, which have sent out so many fess our sins, and to "humble ourselves in his good working swarms to the West. The sight that he may lift us up."

as this worthy father, in the ministry. Mr De Veuve enters upon his field of labor with flatter. be greatly blessed.

#### Ordination and Installation.

At an adjourned meeting of the Presbytery of in a pamphlet, and collections and pledges were taken toward the expense. At an abjourned meeting of the Freshird, Sangamon, at Petersburg, September 28th, 1857, Mr. John A. Pinkerton, a licentiate of the Presbytery of Beaver, was received. A call for the ministerial services of Mr. Pink

beople of Monongahela City and vicinity, for their kind attentions to the members of Synod. Synod adjourned on Friday night, after a delightful session, to meet in Blairsville, on the on the various subjects required by our forms, lightful session, to meet in Blairsville, on the third Thursday of October, 1858, at 7 o'clock P. M. The meeting was large and harmonious. It is part of trial, in all of which he was approved. lelightful to attend such unions of Christian The call was put into his hands, and he having declared his acceptance of the same, the following arrangements were made for his ordination and installation, this 29th September, at 11 o'clock A. M.: Dr Bergen to preside and preach the ser mon, and Dr Brown to give the charge to the pastor and people; when Rev. J. A. Pinkerton was solemply ordained to the work of the Gospe ministry, by the laying on of the hands of the Presbytery, and declared to be pastor of the church of Petersburg. J. G. BERGEN, S. C.

### For the Presbyterian Banner and Advocate.

Presbytery of Dane, and Mr. S. Holmes-

The Presbytery of Dane met in Horicon on the 9th of October. The case of Mr S. Holmes, a licentiate of this Presbytery was called up, and

the following action taken; that WHEREAS, Mr. S. Holmes has not complied with the injunction of Presbytery with regard to pursuing his studies; and whereas this Presby tery has abundant evidence that he has been guilty of gross and repeated drunkenness since

his licensure ; therefore, Resolved, That this Presbytery do hereby with draw his lice se to preach the Gospel. Resolved, That the Clerk of Presbytery causes Winute of this resolution to be published in the Presbyterian Banner and Advocate, and St. Louis Presbyterian, and requesting other Presbyterian papers to publish the same notice.

For the Presbyterian Banner and Advocate

JACOB SCHWARTZ, Clerk of Presbytery.

## Mansfield Church, Illinois.

HENRY CITY, Marshall Co., Ill., September 2d, 1857.

MR EDITOR :--- As it is always interesting o the friends of Zion to go "round about her; tell the towers thereof," etc -- Ps. xlviii :---we have thought that a short sketch, retrospective, present and prospective of the church of Mansfield, in Marshali County. Ill., might be well received, otherwise should not write.

This church was organized about three years ago, by the Presbytery of Peoria, with only six members Since then the congregation has enjoyed, most of the time, the stated ministrations of the Gospel; and now, of our missionary brethren are suffering under by the blessing of God, the church numbers adverse providences, and their efforts for the fifty-six members. This rapid increase has been mostly by emigration from Eastern churches. They have labored under serious disadvantage for want of a house of worship. School houses in the different portions of the congregations have, in their measure, supplied this want, but very inadequately Wagons loaded with people have come to the place of worship, on Sabbath morning, been placed, and that special and earnest payer and gone away, because there was no room

> in this country, to stand out of doors, where there are as yet no groves, nor shade trees,

congregation is now united and harmonious,

and each endeavoring to merit the commen-

dation of our Saviour, in regard to the loving

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In these views, which have been presented, an important distinction seems to be implied, which, we think, is not properly regarded by the advo-cutes of immediate emancipation. While it is admitted that slavery is an evil, a very great evil, political and moral, and that wherever it exists there is guilt somewhere, it is not admitted that in every instance the guilt rests on the individual who is a slaveholder.

The existing state of society, and the laws of their visious habits generally render an inmediate the State, may render inmediate enancipation and universal emancipation inconsistent alike impracticable, and inconsistent alike with the duty with the safety and happiness of the master and of the master and the welfare and desire of the slave.

In such cases and where the individual has used his best efforts, as a member of society and a citizen of the State, to have slavery abol the sin may rest, not on him. (the slaveholder.) them to suffer no greater delay to take place in but on the State and on those who use their influthis most interesting concern, than a regard to ence to perpetuate slavery, and, perhaps, not a small part of it rests on those advocates of emancipation, whose imprudent measures and indis

riminate denunciations have only increased the evil which they propose to remove. The Committee are of opinion that on a subject of such magnitude, difficulty, and exciting interest cipating them in such manner as that they will and with regard to which there ever has been, in our country, among the wisest and best men and the decided friends of emancipation, a diversity in this matter by no other consideration than an of opinion as to the means of removing the evil of Slavery, there ought to be much more caution, mode-ty, charity and forbearance than has been sometimes manifested.

Whilst, therefore, we would cheerfully recoguize the right of discussion, petition and remon strance on this subject, and consider every violation of this right inconsistent with Presbyterian and Republican liberty, we would recommend to our brethren to discountenance all violent meas-ures, all harsh and indisoriminate denunciations which tend only to irritate, and not to persuade. And also, to stand aloof from those affiliations, which no longer confine their influence to moral suasion, but have mingled in political strife ; and, also, such associations as combine elements at war with domestic order, lawful authority and our

most sacred institutions. At the same time, we would earnestly recommend to all who may disagree with the advocates Christians to labor for its complete extinction, we of immediate abolition, the avoidance of every thing calculated to irritate. all violent recrimination tion, harsh epithets, and, especially, personal abuse, terminating in riots and lynching mobs, disgraceful to our country and destructive of liberty

and tow. In conclusion, the Committee recommend the doption of the following resolution, viz: Resolved, That in consideration of the resolu-tions of the General Assembly in 1818, on the subject of Slavery, and, also, the action of the Synod in 1839 there does not appear to' be sufficient occasion, for any additional action of this

are perfectly satisfied, that it is incumbent on all, work of the ministry. The paper was adopted, Christians to communicate religious instruction to those who are under their authority; so that the doing of this in the case before us, so far from | Publication to give it to the churches in the form operating, as some have apprehended that it of a Tract. (See the report on our first page.)

who has said, " for all these things I will be inuired of by the House of Israel to do it for Resolved, That we take shame to ourselves at

our want of self-sacrifice and energy in prosecuing our India Missions' while we were able, and in forestalling thus, these heathen atrocities by the teachings of the Gospel of Christ. Resolved, That this dispensation, however dark, listurbs not, for a moment, our confidence in the great issue, but makes us rather look for events by, which "the way of the Kings of the East shall be prepared," the Euphrates dried up, and the power of the false prophet be destroyed.

Resolved, That the raging of the heathen has been predicted, and is no strauge thing, but rather belongs to all the history of the Church t its best crisis, and to that system of delays and disappointments by which God would try the faith of his people, and rouse them to lay hold of his strength. Resolved. That Apostolic tribulations in the nissionary work ought to revive the Apostolic spirit of Missions, and though we be scattered and discomfitted in one place, we ought to "go broad every where preaching the Word."

Resolved. That this Synod return sincere thanks to God in view of the heroic Christian faith with which our missionaries-both men and womenoth American and native-have met these fiendsh barbarities, "faithful unto death." ish barbarities, "faithful unto death." Relative to the BIBLE SOCIETY'S movement lage, on which occasion an eloquent and impresoward emendations, the following action was

had: Overture No. 3. viz., a paper signed by certain

nembers of the Presbytery of Blairsville, was aken up and adopted, and is as follows: It is well known that much dissatisfaction has een expressed in various quarters, on account of

he changes which have been made by the Board f Managers of the American Bible Society, in the received translation of the Euglish B ble. Without calling in question the purity of the motives which prompted those changes, or under taking to decide whether they are or are not improvements, this Synod are fully persuaded that evil has already resulted from the agitation of the public mind on this subject, and that divi-sion amongst the friends of Bible distribution, year. nd unnecessary and upprofitable strife between

brethren, must be the consequence of adherence on the part of the Board of Managers, to the ground which they have taken. We do, there fore, most earnestly request the Board to restore

he old headings of the chapters, and the old translation and punctuation, in those cases where there is an admitted change of the sense. We trust that the peace of the churches, and the mion of evangelical Christians in the Bible cause, will be considered by the Board more imortant than any thing that could be gained by dhering to the changes referred to. Whilst we most earnestly prefer the above reuest to the Board, we do no less earnestly reuest those amongst us who are dissatisfied with that the Board have done, to refrain from every hing that would tend to weaken public confidence in the Society, and to labor for it as here-tofore. We exhort them to guard against rashly

make for peace, in hope that the Board will re nove the cause of offence. The proposition from the Synod of Allegheny.

ojuring the cause, and to study the things that

for a CONVENTION of the members of the Synods

of Pittsburgh, Ohio, Wheeling, and Allegheny, n the city of Pittsburgh, to take into consideration the state of religion among them, with a view to its revival and spread, was cheeringly entertained, and was adopted with unanimity. The time suggested, November 24th, 25th, and 26th, inter fering with the day of Thanksgiving nominated by the Governor of Pennsylvania, the Committee of Arrangements was authorized to change it. Rev. E. F. Gooley, D. D., presided, proposed (The 1st, 2d, and 3d of December have been appointed.) Synod also recommended that, during he sitting of the Convention, all members of our churches employ an hour each evening in seeking by prayer, the great object contemplated by the neeting. The Committee of Arrangements are: Drs. Swift and Howard, Mr. Paxton, and Elders

Cameron, M'Cord, and M'Knight. On the present state of MISSIONS AND EDUCA TION, Synoil adopted an excelient report from a Committee, of which Dr. Howard was Chairman. Friday, the 20th of November, was appointed as a day of Fasting and Prayer, and a Special

Collection was ordered on the following Sabbath, as a donation extra to the Boards. The NARRATIVE on the State of Religion was presented by Dr. Samuel Wilson. This paper we pastor who remained among them after long years must defer, as also the paper on Missions and

Education. Synod adopted, as a standing rule, that the est sensibility in the congregation. It is seldom Committee on the Narrative shall henceforth be that the young men from our Theological Semi-

A copy of Mr. Bankin's address was requested for publication, and it was ordered that the Narrative of the State of religion be published in | the Presbyterian, New York Observer, and Bannes and Advocate.

le-ground.

Trenton, New Jersey was chosen as the place of next meeting. The Rev. Allen H. Brown was appointed to preach the sermion on Foreign Misions, and the Rev. H. Reeves to prepare the Narrative.

bers to this church sbout a year ago The thanks of the Synod were tendered to the a few months an effort has been making to Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad secure a lot and build a house of worship. Company, the Lackswapps and Bloomsburg Rail-A beautiful lot of ground, very eligible as a road Company. and those of the Warren and New Jersey Central, for courtesy to members of Synod. Through the liberality of the two first site for the church building, has been in part secured, or we might say, wholly secured; mentioned, the Synod was favored with an excurfor the price of the lot is two hundred dolsion through the romantic and beautiful valleys of Lackawanna and Wyoming. A portion of the

For the Presbyterian Banner and Advocate.

Presbytery of Iowa.

The pastoral relation existing between Rev.

Rev. D V. Smook asked leave to resign the

charge of the church in Birmingham at the close

of this year. The congregation were cited to

appear at our next meeting to show cause, if they

It was enjoined on all the Sessions to bring

T. STEARNS, Stated Clerk.

up hisstories of their churches at the next

For the Presbyterian Banner and Advocate.

Presbytery of New Brunswick

On the 15th of October the Presbytery of New

Brunswick met to ordain to the work of the min-

ng was spent in the examination of the candidate

in the presence of the congregation, and hearing

his trial sermon for ordination. At half-past two

o'clock P. M , a large audience assembled to wit

the constitutional questions, and made the ordain-ing prayer. The Rev. Charles K. Imbrie, of

Jersey City. by invitation, preached the sermon from 2. Cor. iii: 5, 6.; "But our sufficiency is

of God who hath made us able ministers of the

New Testament." An able ministry, was the

theme of this excellent discourse, and the closing

appeal to mothers to train their sons with a view

ongregation to present the call for his successo

istry, Mr. A. Prentiss de Veuve, and install him pastor of the church of Ewing, N. J. The morn

have any, why this resignation should not be ac-

Dr. J. Harrison and the First church in Burling

meeting were entered on our coll.

ton, was dissolved:

eeting.

lars, and about two hundred and eighty dollars have been subscribed for its purchase, Synod sropped at Wyoming to attend the dedicawhich will be due the 1st of October, when the deed is to be made, and the lot secured sive discourse was delivered by the Rev. Nicholas Murray, D.D., of Elizabeth, New Jersey. The fully The congregation intend to put up a house if worship thirty-four by fifty feet, or ther portion of the Synod proceeded to the thereabouts, and have it completed for use Southern extremity of the valley of Wyoming, this Fall. The building is to be of brick, and on their return visited the monument and batwhich is deemed the cheapest, and will cost It would not be proper to publish all the pleas

about two thousand dollars. The congregaant and flattering commendations of the noble hos-pitality of the people of Scranton, which have been uttered by the members of the Synod, tion will raise about one thousand six hundred, and hope to raise the balance elsethough it is but just to say, that, on this point, they were all of one mind. The Synod adjourned on Friday morning, well where. Now, this congregation is not rich in this

world's goods, but whilst they are struggling pleased that they had accepted the invitation of to secure comfortable homes for their lamithe excellent pastor and people of this thriving ies, have the cause of Christ at heart, and town, to make it the place of their meeting this have resolved, confiding in the promised aid of the great Head of the Church, to build him a house in which to inquire and chant his praise. May the Lord build the house, for except the Lord build the house, they The Presbytery of Iowa met in Fairfield Octoabor in vain that build it." They cordially per 7. Two churches, organized since our last invite all who wish to aid them in forming a Rev. L. B. Crittenden was dismissed to the Cegood society and a useful church in this dar Presbytery, and Mr. John Anderson, a licengoodly land, to call and see for themselves on tiate, was dismissed to the Des Moines Presbytheir way West. Yours, truly,

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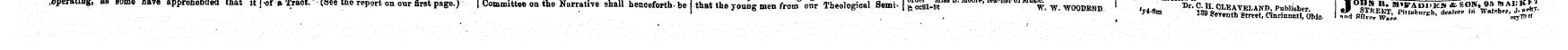
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