THE PRESBYTERIAN BANNER AND ADVOCATE.

Literary Notices.

BOOKS sent to us for Notice, will be duly attended to. Those from publishers in Philadelphia, New York, &c., may be left at our Philadelphia Office, 111 South 10th St., below Chestnut, in care of Joseph M. Wilson, Esq.

LECTURES—Delivered before the Young Men's Christian Association, in Exeter Hall, from November, 1857, to February, 1858 12mo., pp. 522. New York: *Carter & Brothers.* Pittsburgh: *J. S. Davison.* 1858.

This is an excellent course of Lectures, and we are glad to see it reprinted, and offered to the young men of our country. The Social Influence of Christianity is discussed by W. E. Baxter, Esq., M. P.; Manliness, by the Rev. Hugh Stowell Brown. Social Responsibilities is the theme of John B. Gough, Esq.; while a condensation of Modern Geographical Researches in Africa is given by the Rev. George Smith. The next Lecture is an admirable one, by the Rev. J. C. Miller, D. D., on The Silence of Scripture; and The Lessons of the Street, is ably treated by the Rev. William Landells. The Dean of Carlisle reviews Hugh Miller's Testimony of the Rocks, and the Influence, Duties, and Hopes of the Church, are ably and judiciously examined by the Rev. Samuel Coley. Pulpit Eloquence in the Seventeenth Century, is the subject of the Dean of Canterbury; and the Rev. John Stoughton treats of the Varieties of Spiritual Life. Progress, as illustrated in the Life of George Stephenson, is well handled by Edward Corderoy, Esq., and the Series concludes with a Life Story and Comments, by the Rev. Norman McLeod. Our readers will perceive that this is a really valuable course of Lectures.

CHRISTIAN HOPE. By *John Angell James.* 18mo., pp. 388. New York: *Carter & Brothers.* Pittsburgh: *J. S. Davison.* 1858.

Like all the productions of James, this little treatise is characterized by great clearness, beautiful order, simplicity of diction, and Evangelical unction. It will, we doubt not, attain a deservedly great circulation.

THE VOICE OF CHRISTIAN LIFE IN SONG: Or Hymns and Hymn-Writers of Many Lands and Ages. 18mo., pp. 303. New York: *Carter & Brothers.* Pittsburgh: *J. S. Davison.* 1858.

This is an exceedingly interesting volume: indeed, one of the most so that we have seen for a long time. The title fully describes its character. In order that our readers may have an accurate idea of the nature of the work, we shall give the headings of the different chapters into which the book is distributed: 1. Hymns of the Bible; 2. The "Tersanctus," the "Gloria in Excelsis," and the "Te Deum;" 3. The Anonymous Greek Hymns; 4. Clement of Alexandria, Ephraim Syrus, and Gregory of Nazianzem; 5. St. Ambrose, and the Ambrosian Hymns; 6. Gregory the Great, Venantius Fortunatus, and the venerable Bede; 7. St. Bernard; 8. Medieval Hymns; 9. Medieval Religion; 10. The Hymns of Germany; 11. Swedish Hymns; 12. English Hymns; 13. Hymns of the Church of Rome, since the Reformation; and, 14. The Conclusion. Apart, altogether, from the matter of the glowing and intensely spiritual character of the Hymns contained in this book, the antiquarian and critical information annexed is worth more than the cost of the volume. We give an extract on our second page, in reference to the Scottish attachment to the Book of Psalms.

THE TWO PATHS, AND OTHER STORIES. By *A. L. O. E.* 18mo., pp. —. New York: *Carter & Brothers.* Pittsburgh: *J. S. Davison.*

This is a delightful volume, of the series known as "Carter's Fireside Library." It is well suited for the young.

Obituary.

DIED—On the morning of August 11th, SAMUEL NEWELL, only son of Rev. J. L. and Ellen G. Wilson, of Scotch Grove, Iowa.

Two weeks short of one year from the time of his birth, this sweet child breathed his last. One week of disease, (diarrhea,) notwithstanding the most attentive medical and parental care, reduced from joyous health to cold death. His fond parents hoped that it would be for the glory of God that their Samuel might live to serve him in the Gospel on earth. But the Lord knows best. O how much higher employment there must be in the courts above! Little Adella, a twin sister, now alone, is too young to know her loss. Precious boy! he seemed to promise well on earth, but is soon transplanted to bloom in heaven. It is well. "Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not." **

DIED—On the evening of August 14th, at the house of his father, in Scotch Grove, Mr. THOMAS SUTHERLAND, in his 19th year.

The ways of Providence must often vary from our short-sighted views. We might have supposed that this young man would live, as it seemed he was so much needed. His parents, who expected to be removed first, now mourn his death, but not as those who have no hope. Dedicated in infancy to the Lord, and trained in a Christian family, he early became a subject of saving grace. In April, 1857, he made public profession of his faith in the Saviour, by connecting with the Scotch Grove Presbyterian church. His sickness continued through several months, and his sufferings were at times severe, but were all borne with marked patience and resignation to the will of God. With humbling views of himself, he expressed his firm trust in the atonement, and confessed himself "a sinner saved by grace." He loved religious conversation, and found much comfort in reading and hearing the Word of God. He is gone! The community, the Church, and especially the bereaved family, miss him, though we trust our loss is his unspeakable gain. Providence thus unites with the Word in calling on us all, and especially the young, "Be ye, therefore, also ready, for in such an hour as ye think not, the Son of Man cometh." Let it be regarded.—"Write, blessed are the dead who die in the Lord, from henceforth."

W.

DIED—At Eagleville, Wells County, Ia., on the 6th of July, Mrs. FLORINDA, wife of Allen Clark, aged 45 years.

Mrs. Clark was born in Wayne County, Ohio, where, in early life, she "first gave herself to the Lord," and then to the Church, by the will of God. She was one of the early settlers in this county, and one of the original members of the first Presbyterian church organized in this region. Her piety was of an elevated character; she was a fervent, earnest, cheerful, active, prayerful Christian. She loved to hear and speak of Christ and his cross. Her last sufferings were great, but she died in peace, trusting in Jesus.

D.

DIED—At Martinsburg, O., on the 29th of August, Mrs MARY E. DAWSON, wife of John B. Dawson, in the 22d year of her age.

Mrs. D. was a daughter of Rev. Henry Hervey, of Martinsburg. In January, 1851, she made a profession of religion, in connexion with five others, all of whom survive her. To the close of life, her conduct was uniformly consistent. Death came unexpectedly, and took her in the midst of life, and in the bloom of youth. During her last illness, she bore her sufferings, which were painful, without a murmuring word. Hopes were entertained of her recovery until within a few hours before her death. When told that she must die, and asked by her husband if she was prepared to go, she replied that for his sake she would desire to live, but if it was the will of the Saviour to take her, she was willing to go, and that she had assurance that he was ready to receive her. Those who were present at the death bed scene, and who were most intimately acquainted with her, express the belief that, although the call was sudden and unexpected, she was prepared to go. Mrs. D. was unusually mild, amiable, and unobtrusive, in her intercourse with others. She has been called away in early life, leaving a husband and a large circle of friends to mourn her loss. May her young friends listen to the solemn warning which comes to them from her grave. May Christians hear the voice of God, "Be ye also ready, for in such an hour as ye think not, the Son of Man cometh." T.M.F.

DIED—At Eagleville, Wells County, Ia., on the 9th of July, MARY ELLEN, third daughter of Allen and Florinda Clark, in the 16th year of her age.

Mary Ellen had not publicly professed her faith in Christ, but in an interview with her pastor, she very freely expressed her abhorrence and renunciation of sin, and her entire dependence on Christ alone for salvation. Thus leaving us to hope that she has been permitted to join the general assembly and Church of the first born, whose names are written in heaven. She was of mild, sweet, winning temper—a lovely daughter, sister, and friend. Hence it was with no ordinary emphasis that we sung at her funeral:

> "Sister, thou wast mild and lovely,
> Gentle as the Summer breeze," &c.

It was a sad week to that bereaved husband and father, and to his motherless family; yet they were happily remembered by the God of the Covenant, who kindly spared another daughter, that was then thought to be near to death. His providences are wonderful, but his promises are faithful. D.

DIED—Of dysentery, on September 7th, at his residence in North Huntingdon Township, Westmoreland County, Pa., WILLIAM BLACK, Esq., aged 64 years.

The Presbyterian church of Long Run has been sorely afflicted for the past six months, some nine or ten of its members, including this individual, a deacon, having died during that brief space of time. May these sad bereavements be sanctified to the living. The death of Mr. Black, under the circumstances, must be regarded as a great calamity to his family, and both the community and the church, of which he was an acceptable member, and an active and useful deacon, have sustained a loss which, some of us at least, will feel. He was a strong-minded, energetic, honest, reliable man. He was above all meanness, nor would a charge of intentional injustice have obtained credence from any who knew him. Hence, in an unusual degree, he enjoyed the confidence of all. He was a man of warm affections; a sincere, abiding friend. Such his pastor invariably found him, and such he proved to others. His piety no one doubted, for he was a living epistle of Christ, known and read of all men. He loved the house of God, and did not forget to assemble himself with others, as the manner of some is. The interest of his own church enlisted his deepest feelings, and called forth his most earnest efforts. For several years he held the office of deacon, and in this capacity he sought to do his whole duty, regardless of his own personal interests and convenience. The Boards of our Church received his active and liberal support, and in his sphere (and he never tried to go out of it,) he was as useful as any that have borne his church-honored name. Sustained by the promises of God and portions of our beautiful Hymns, with which he desired his son, the Rev. James Black, to refresh his memory, he departed this life in hopes of a glorious resurrection. His deportment in the near prospect of death, connected with his previous character and life, emphatically says to a lonely wife, bereaved of "the guide of her youth"—to sorrowing children, relatives, friends, nay, to all, "Mark the perfect man and behold the upright, for the end of that man is peace."

DIED—Of dysentery, on the 30th of August, at the residence of his father, North Huntingdon Township, Westmoreland Co., Pa., ASA HOWARD WESTON, in the 11th year of his age.

The deceased was the third child of Mr. William Weston, Ruling Elder in the Presbyterian church, Long Run. He was a boy of great promise, possessing talents far superior to most others of his age. Gentle and affable in manners, and in his intercourse with society, he was firm of purpose, never sacrificing the right to the expedient. No one could have been more endeared to a family than he was. One of his leading characteristics was an entire unselfishness of disposition, which always led him to prefer the feelings, comforts, and conveniences of others, to his own. He was a most affectionate and dutiful child, and a loving and lovely brother. Exceedingly fond of books, the Book of Books, the Bible, was not by him overlooked or forgotton; being, at the time of his demise, engaged in reading it through for the fifth time. The sanctuary and the Sabbath school were his chief delight; and his desire to read God's Word and learn his will, his zeal for his worship, his attention to the instructions of Christian parents, and his conscientious discharge of every duty, gave the most satisfactory evidence that he was not only a child of the Covenant, but a child of God, and has gone ever to be with the Lord. Let these Christian parents, who had dedicated their child to God from infancy for the work of the Gospel ministry, and a bereaved family, feel that their loss is his everlasting gain; and whilst it is our ardent prayer that the Lord would bind up the wound his own hand has made, we would inspire them with the cheering hope of being re-united where they will never endure the pain of another separation.

> "Though all earthly ties are riven,
> Let thy spirit not despair;
> Raise thy downcast eyes to heaven,
> And behold thy treasure there."

Young man, young woman, "Remember thy Creator in the days of thy youth."

DIED—On August 30th, at her residence, North Huntingdon Township, Westmoreland County, Pa., Mrs. MARY M'CORMICK, consort of Mr. Calvin M'Cormick, aged 36 years.

The disease which, in the mysterious providence of God, hurried this estimable lady out of life, was dysentery. Her sufferings, which were brief, she endured with patience and resignation. Of this event, we have just grounds for the assurance that, "though many fall as sudden, few as safe." She was a consistent, exemplary Christian. Brought early into the covenant, in connexion with Long Run Presbyterian church, she adorned the doctrine of her Divine Master by an amiable, quiet, unobtrusive piety. But her work on earth was done, and Jesus has taken her ransomed spirit to himself in heaven; and whilst her friends are weeping over their loss, which is unspeakably great, she is, we trust, rejoicing before the throne. This affliction has fallen with peculiar weight upon a bereaved husband, sister, and three motherless children, not only because of the many virtues and excellences of the deceased wife, sister, and mother, but also because of its suddenness, and the peculiar domestic habits and attachments of the family. In short, as a member of the Church, she was truly consistent; as a wife, words would fail to express the estimation in which she was held by a bereaved husband; as a sister, conciliatory, kind, and attentive; as a mother, affectionate and faithful, always gaining over her children by her sweet and amiable disposition; and no one could visit her in her sickness, or stand around her dying couch to witness the closing of her earthly career, with any other sentiment upon the lip, or feeling in the heart, than, "truly this was a friend of God." May the Lord sustain and comfort a bereaved brother, be a friend to a lovely sister, and a God to motherless children. The great lesson taught by this distressing providence, is this: "Be ye, therefore, also ready, for the Son of Man cometh at an hour when ye think not."

DIED—Near Mt. Gilead, Ohio, August 19th, of consumption, Mrs. MARY J., wife of Mr. James L. Morrison.

The deceased was a native of Jefferson County, Kentucky, and on her marriage, in July, 1857, she removed with her husband to Ohio; but even before this, that fell destroyer, consumption, had marked her with his fatal signet. During the last year of her life, owing to a complication of disorders, she suffered very greatly, but bore it all with Christian fortitude. She was conscious of the approach of death, and the call of the Master found her waiting, and in humble confidence she commended her spirit to his hand.

DIED—April 13th, 1858, at the residence of her son, Maj. Joseph Jack, near Pleasant Unity, Mrs. NANCY JACK, in the 95th year of her age.

Seldom have we to record the death of one so full of years, so much esteemed, and mourned by so large a circle of friends and relatives. Her descendants number in all one hundred and fifty-seven; thirteen children, seventy-two grand-children, and seventy-one great-grand-children; of whom more than one hundred are still living. In the eleventh year of her age, and two years before the Declaration of Independence, her father, Mr. M'Coy, emigrated from the Middle and Northern part of Virginia, and settled near Mt. Pleasant. Her youth was necessarily passed in the trying scenes of the Revolutionary War, and in the more trying ones of frontier life and the Indian depredations. Well did she remember the burning of Hannahstown by the Indians, and how the following night was spent in continual alarm, as they all expected to be massacred before the morning. Toward the close of the Revolutionary War, she was married to Mr. John Jack, who was dismissed from the army on account of a severe musket-ball wound, received in the leg, which had unfitted him for service. Afterwards, although a cripple, (the musket-ball remaining in the wound some thirteen years,) he was called as an officer into the Indian War; and at one time, for more than six months, his whereabouts, likewise that of his company, were unknown. She, in the meantime, with Spartan-like courage, made her house the refuge of those more on the frontier, gathered the harvest, and planted the Fall grain. In her death, another witness of Revolutionary times and Indian troubles, is gone. She, as an eye-witness, could tell us of the dangers and trials of our forefathers; how they left home and family to purchase their own and our rights as freemen; how our grandmothers were left without protection in their log-cabins, within sound of the war-whoop, and on the confines of the blood-thirsty savage. How little have we to experience of their trials and dangers! Her remarkably temperate habits gave her a fine and healthy constitution, and a fresh and youthful complexion, such as is rarely possessed by any one of so advanced an age. Her unusual vigor of mind until her last moment, and likewise of body till a few months before her death, bear ample testimony to her mode of life. Her appearance indicated that she might live years yet; but, unhappily for her, when, some seven months before her death, rising in the night, she fell, as it is supposed, from a stroke of apoplexy, and injured her limb and other parts of her body. This caused her much suffering until her death. She was remarkably careful and regular in her diet, never indulging her appetite. Likewise in her rest at night, she was regular, and required but little sleep. Besides, in her daily employment, moderation seemed to control her whole affairs. She was calm and deliberate, accomplishing, even in her old age, a surprising amount of labor. Few have such an evenly temper of mind. Apparently without much exertion, and certainly without hurry and bustle, she moved along with the least possible confusion and noise. Her great care was lest she might give trouble to some one else. Her dignified manner, and meek expression of countenance, beget respect wherever she went. None, old or young, could approach her without feeling the influence of her kind and genial manner. Her visits were always a source of much pleasure to her grand-children and great-grand-children. In their welfare she took a deep interest—especially in those that were left fatherless and motherless. A number of these she reared with a mother's care.

In early life, she united with the Presbyterian congregation at Mt. Pleasant, then under the pastoral care of the Rev. Dr. James Power. Her husband was among its early elders. For more than four-score years she attended the same place of worship. But during this time many changes had taken place. Four church buildings had been erected. The little log-cabin had been succeeded by a good log meeting house, it again by a comfortable brick church, and now it again has been superseded by a more substantial, neat, and tasteful church edifice. Of her generation, she was going down to the grave the last and alone. She had seen all her early companions precede her. Of those that occupied the house of God in her youth, none now remained. The third and fourth generations have taken their place. Many pastors have come and gone. She seemed to have out-lived her time. God, in his providence, seemed to have spared her, that her children's children, to the fourth generation, might rise up and call her blessed. F.H.P.

For the Presbyterian Banner and Advocate.

Washington Territory.

STEILACOOM, Pierce Co., W. T., August 10, 1858.

REV. D. M'KINNEY:—*Dear Sir:*—I have succeeded in organizing a church in Steilacoom. Our number is small, but there are quite a number of persons residing in this country, who belonged to the Presbyterian Church when in the States, who will unite with us. I preach every Sabbath morning in town, and expect to preach in the evenings in the country. I also teach school during the week, and Sabbath School in town. We organized a Union School on last Sabbath week. The church was organized on last Sabbath. The congregation was large and respectable. Brother Whitworth, of Olympia, assisted me. The proprietor of the town has promised to give us a donation of ground for a church. I am so throng, that I have very little time to write letters.

We need at least four additional missionaries in this Territory. Could you not use your influence to have us supplied? We need school teachers very much, and good wages are given. The country is fast settling up, and if the schoolmaster would come this way, he would find it to be to his advantage.

We greatly need families in this land. There are enough single men for the present. Let all who come to this country get married, as women are quite scarce on this coast. Tradesmen of all kinds do well here. This will be a great country in a few years. There is such a vast emigration pouring in, that its resources, to some extent, will be developed. This is perhaps the best timbered country on the globe. Spars are shipped from Puget Sound to nearly every part of the world. It is also a fine farming country. Only four weeks of Winter, and that like Fall weather in Pennsylvania. Stock live in the woods all the year. I consider this country far superior to Pennsylvania, in climate, soil, and productions.

Yours, in Christian fellowship,
GEO. W. SLOAN.

For the Presbyterian Banner and Advocate.

A Pleasant Trip Briefly Narrated.

How pleasant for a pastor after years of absence, to visit again the field of his former labors; to look upon faces and scenes still dear to his mind, to take by the hand tried friends, and to hear voices still familiar to his ear! Neither time nor circumstances have power to erase impressions made by a kind and affectionate people upon the heart of a young pastor. This I felt to be true in a recent visit to the church of Deerfield, Morgan County, Ohio, where I spent the first six years of my ministry—a church once few in number, and enfeebled by dissensions, but now strong in both number and unity.

It afforded me no ordinary degree of gratification to be allowed in the good providence of God, to spend a communion season in this church, and break once more there the bread of life. Joyful as this occasion was, it nevertheless gave rise to some feelings of melancholy. Death had made some sad changes. Two beloved elders were no more; their mortal remains were sleeping in the graveyard near by. Some that were fathers and mothers in Israel, when I left a few years ago, were gone to the narrow house appointed for all living; and quite a number, then in life's prime, are now among the dead! How well I remember them all! Can it be that I will see them no more in this world!

I rode several miles one evening, to see another elder, who was confined to his room by the infirmities of old age. He has lost the sight of one of his eyes, and become almost as physically helpless as a child. He received me with all the tender feelings of a father for a son, and asked me to repeat to him the synopsis of the discourse that I had that day delivered in the church, from the text, "Wherefore, he is able to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him." He said he was fully persuaded of both the ability and willingness of Christ to save all that come unto him in the appointed way, yet, as regarded himself, he said he never had had that rapturous assurance of acceptance with God of which he had often heard others speak. I asked him to state his feelings fully on this subject. He said that for years he had been at the feet of Jesus, saying, "Lord save or I perish," and there he expected to die.

In the morning I left him sorrowing that I should doubtless see his face no more. He was one of my first and best friends.

The congregations at the church were very large during all the days of our services—especially was this true of the Sabbath. And I am sorry to say that some who attended, seemed to have come as a mere matter of amusement, for their deportment was anything else than devotional. But, strict decorum characterized the great mass of all that assembled in and *about* the house, for *all* could not get in. And perhaps some allowance is due to such young people as really do not know how to behave on such occasions, never having been taught it by parents, or school teachers, or ministers, or any body else; and whose highest idea of the celebration of the Lord's Supper, is such as the vain and ignorant in all communities have of a camp-meeting, an Association or some other so-called "big meeting;" for I do hold, and can prove, that such nominally religious meetings have often, if not always, a very demoralizing and corrupting influence on the minds of many of the persons who attend them.

On Monday an election for elders was held in this church, and resulted in the choice of four excellent men to fill this highly responsible office. Of these, two were men of middle age, and two were comparatively young; one of whom was one of the first seals to my ministry. O, that God would give me many such.

If these brethren see fit to accept the office to which they have been chosen (as I trust they may,) then will this church be blessed with an eldership as efficient as any other church in our Presbytery. It is rumored that one of the former elders has been left, by the death of a friend in Ireland, an estate of over two millions of dollars. It is to be hoped, if he gets it, he will use it in the promotion of the glory of God and the good of men.

This people greatly need a new church edifice—one of large dimensions, and more in keeping with the spirit of the age, than that in which they now worship. After the election of elders on Monday, the incipient steps to such an enterprise were taken, and doubtless before long the work will be under contract. I know of no brother that has more reason to be encouraged than Rev. W. Reed, pastor elect of this church.

On Monday evening I came down to McConnellsville, a town of some note on the Eastern bank of the Muskingum river. Here I was detained until Thursday morning, awaiting a boat to Zanesville. The uneasiness and ennui incident to such delays, by no means beset me on this occasion; for I was comfortably domiciled with my good brother Grimes, who, at the same time that he covered me with unaffected kindness, gave me plenty to do in the way of visiting, lecturing, and preaching. His church is much revived. A number of interesting persons have recently been received into it, on examination; one half of these were young men, two or three of whom are about far enough advanced to enter College, and who told me they were studying with a view to the ministry. McConnellsville is what might be called a "hard field," but the Divine blessing on faithful labors must make the most barren spots of Zion become a fruitful garden. The soil here has been soured by the blighting influences of secret associations; and many have loved, practiced, and boasted of a charity that has no real connexion with the grace of Christ. And I pray God that the rising generation may no longer follow the delusions of their fathers, but follow Jesus into the Church, where they will find works of charity enough to do, and objects of charity enough to love, without following empty vagaries.

But Thursday morning, the boat comes—on we get, and off we go for home. The boat was comfortable, although not *quite* equal in strength, size, and magnificence, to the ever-memorable *Black Warrior;* and the Muskingum was beautiful, although no larger than a mill-pond when compared with the Mississippi. The day, too, was lovely, so that our trip up to Zanesville was truly pleasant. I spent my time on deck, and viewed, with much interest, the narrow road that meandered along the Eastern shore of the stream, well remembering how that, ten years ago, I knew a young minister, just licensed, that rode sad and lonely down this shore, on a borrowed horse, with a borrowed saddle and saddle-bags—with a thread-bare coat and an old hat—patched boots and a soiled shirt—two sermons, no books, and one dollar in money in his pocket, and *that borrowed;* and when I remember where God was then leading him, what work he was then preparing him to do, what he has since enabled him to see and to accomplish, I did feel that no young man ought to be afraid of the ministry, or of poverty, after this. Grace and energy are omnipotent. While reflecting on this young minister's career, I thought of the place where he was born—of the society in which he was brought up. I found, that from a single school district of that community, not less than seven Presbyterian ministers had gone forth to preach the everlasting Gospel, within a comparatively short time; and besides these, this district could boast of five more regular graduates, all of whom will doubtless, before long, be the public ambassadors of Christ. Then will twelve families, in one small district, have given to the Church twelve ministers! All Calvinistic ministers, too, and yet, there never was a Sabbath School in the district, or a public prayer-meeting either, so far as I know; but there was always *family worship,* and *strict family discipline in every family;* for there was not, so far as my memory serves me, either a non-professing, or an Arminian family, in the whole district. The Sabbath was strictly kept, and the Shorter Catechism carefully learned, by all. This community was a kind of little Scotland, where each father was a John Knox, and the day-school a kind of a Kirk! Would to God we had more such places. Modern Macaulayites may laugh at, and lie about, the *effect* of such domestic discipline, but still it is just what our Church and nation needs, notwithstanding.

In Zanesville, I shared the hospitalities of brother Platt, of the First Presbyterian church. I found him deeply engaged in arousing his people to the duty of repairing his church, and from what I could learn, he is sanguine of success, although among a people so financially depressed, as are the people of this city, to raise two thousand dollars to repair an old church edifice, is no small matter. But brother P.'s tact, energy, and popularity, will doubtless succeed, if success is possible. I was informed that the Second church (brother Hoge's,) has recently undergone a refitment, in the form of frescoing and painting.

On Friday I got home, and learned that three Sabbath Schools connected with my field of labor, had had a celebration the day before, and although the pastor was unavoidably absent, all passed off finely, there being no lack of either the provision or orations, common on such occasions.

By what I send you, you will see I did not forget the cause of the *Banner,* in my travels. So endeth my narration.

W.M.F.

Forms of Bequests.

When bequests are made to the Institutions of the Church, let the following forms be carefully observed. Legacies are often lost to the cause which the testator designs to aid, by a defect in the will. When real estate or other property is to be given, let it be particularly described.

Board of Domestic Missions.

To the Trustees of the Board of Domestic Missions of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, and to their successors and assigns, I give and bequeath the sum of ——, (or, I devise a certain message, and tract of land, &c.,) to be held by the said Trustees, and their successors for ever, to and for the uses, and under the direction of the said Board of Domestic Missions of the said General Assembly, according to the provisions of their charter.

Board of Education.

I give and devise to the Trustees of the Board of Education of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, the sum of ——, to be applied by said Board to the Education of pious and indigent young men for the Gospel ministry.

Board of Foreign Missions.

I bequeath to my executors the sum of —— dollars in trust to pay over the same in —— after my decease, to the person who, when the same shall be payable, shall act as Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, to be applied to the uses and purposes of said Board, and under its direction, and the receipt of the said Treasurer shall be a full and legal acquittance of my said executors for the same.

Board of Publication.

To the Trustees of the Presbyterian Board of Publication, and to their successors and assigns, I give and bequeath the sum ——, (or, I devise a certain message and tract of land, &c.,) to be held by the said Trustees, and their successors for ever, to and for the uses and under the direction of the said Board of Publication, according to the provisions of their charter.

Church Extension Committee.

The Church Extension Committee of the General Assembly is not incorporated, but the following form of bequest, it is supposed, would be valid.

I bequeath to my executors the sum of —— dollars, in trust, to pay over the same in —— after my decease, to the person who, when the same shall be payable, shall act as Treasurer of the Church Extension Committee of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, located in the city of St. Louis, Missouri, to be applied to the uses and purposes of said Committee, and under its directions, and the receipt of the said Treasurer shall be a full and legal acquittance of my said executors for the same.

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