

Banner and Advocate.

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PITTSBURGH, MARCH 19, 1859.

TERMS.—\$1.50 in advance or in three \$1.00 bills, delivered at residences of Subscribers...

DEATH OF A MINISTER.—The Central Presbyterian informs us of the death of Rev. Joseph E. Curtis...

MINISTERIAL CHANGES.—Some remarks on this vitally important matter we place on our first page.

DOING GOOD.—An Elder in feeble health, who can do but much personal service in the cause of Christ...

UMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF PITTSBURGH.—This church has with great unanimity and cordially invited its former pastor...

Commissioners to the General Assembly.—The Commissioners to the next General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church...

The Home, the School, and the Church.—These are the three great blessings with which God favors the people of the United States...

North-Western Seminary.—The Indianapolis Journal informs us that the Rev. Wm. A. Holliday has offered one of the best quarters...

Revivals.—PHILADELPHIA.—The attention paid to the subject of religion in this city, is greatly in advance of the condition of things...

Condition and Prospects of the Domestic Board.—The financial condition of the Domestic Board, which we stated last week, is truly gratifying...

Ecclesiastical.—Rev. T. V. MOORE, D. D., of Richmond, Va., has declined the call from the First Church, Louisville, Ky.

Rev. HENRY BROWN's pastoral relation to the church of Alligator, Florida, was dissolved by the Presbytery of Florida...

Board of Domestic Missions. PROBABLE RETIREMENT OF REV. DR. MUGRAVE.

At a meeting of the Board of Domestic Missions, held on Monday, the 14th of March, 1859...

“MISSION ROOMS, PHILADELPHIA,” March 14, 1859. “To the Board of Domestic Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.”

After the reception of the foregoing letter, the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted, viz:

“WHEREAS, The Corresponding Secretary has informed the Board, that in consequence of his impaired vision it is his purpose to decline a re-election at the next annual meeting of the Board, unless, by that time his sight should be improved; therefore...

Dr. Mugrave is in the vigor of life. His general health is excellent. His capability of endurance is great. His arduous career in the cause is beyond any common attainment.

The injury under which the Secretary suffers, was caused by labor too protracted, under the glare of gas light. It is now of nearly a year's standing. There is, we believe, no organic disease.

We have no doubt of the practicality of this work, in that Synod; and of a similar work in every section of the Church, if earnestly entered upon, and if sustained, as it doubtless would be, by pastors.

The total income of the Board was less by some five or six thousand dollars than it had been during the previous year.

The donor's means, and their feelings, both vary, and God, even in his most direct bestowments, gives with variations.

Rev. WILLIAM J. HOGG, Professor in Union Theological Seminary, Va., has, in said, accepted the call to become associate pastor with Dr. Spring, of the Brick Church, New York.

Rev. J. H. CALVIN, of Bolivar, Ala., has accepted the chair of languages in Austin College, Texas.

The Presbyterian Expositor.—The March number of this monthly, is, like its predecessors, rich in thought and sound in theology.

“I have thought it proper to give this reasonable notice, in order that there may be time to make such arrangements as may become necessary.”

It is not the discussion as to the proper locality for the Seminary, nor as to the best time for commencing operations, nor as to whether it should commence small, like most of God's works...

It is said, constantly bring to mind the condition of one who has just been treated to a plunge in the river on a very cold day.

Mr. Charles Sampson, of the eminent publishing house of Phillips, Sampson & Co., died last week, at the age of forty-two.

The strength of Unitarianism, at least, in a distinct and tangible form, cannot be a thing much to be feared, if the circulation of newspapers be any correct index of its true state.

The “Trumpet” is the organ of Universalism for the Eastern States, and according to the pretensions of the editor, of the world.

An objection occurs, that this would put whole Synods under the teaching of one journal. Well, so much the better, for peace and unity, provided that teaching be right.

Rev. JOHN DU BOSE, has received and accepted a call from the church of Tallahassee, Florida.

Rev. A. C. McLELLAN's pastoral relation to the church of Peru, Indiana, was dissolved by the Presbytery of Logansport, on the 16th ult.

Rev. W. B. CORRETT's Post Office address is changed from Adam's Run, S. C., to Cheraw, S. C.

Rev. E. O. PETERSON's Post Office address is changed from Madison, Fla., to Pikes, East Florida.

PRESBYTERIAN SENTINEL, MEMPHIS, TENN.—In last week's issue, we welcomed this new enterprise to our list of exchanges, and we are sorry to have to state that the office from which the paper was issued, has been destroyed by fire, and consequently, its publication has been suspended.

“Prof. Hadley's New Grammar of the Greek Language, will soon be issued. The author has adopted the European 'continental' pronunciation, which is quite different from that in common use in the British Isles, and in most of the schools of this country; and this is to be hereafter the standard at Yale College.”

“The Statute of Daniel Webster, by Powers, now standing in the Athenaeum, does not, by any means, give general satisfaction. On the contrary, the general opinion is almost unitedly in opposition to it.”

“The subject of a Consolidation of the different benevolent Societies of the Baptist Church, so as to carry on its great schemes by the employment of fewer Agents and Secretaries, and consequently at a great reduction of expenses, has been warmly agitated in that denomination for some time.”

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“The Boston Branch of the American Tract Society has determined to establish a Branch in New York. What effect this may have upon its prosperity, remains to be seen. And it has been intimated that the New York Society has the same right to establish another Branch in Boston, that the Boston Society has to establish one in New York.”

“The Foreign Importations mark a large increase on the importations of the same period last year. The total imports for the last two months were \$38,296,832; while for the corresponding months last year they were only \$17,814,762.”

“The Trade with the Interior has been very large, indicating a great reaction from the depression of last year.”

“The Graduate of the medical department of the University of New York, for the present season, number one hundred and twenty-eight, of whom sixty-three were from the Southern States.”

“Great Complaint” is made of clergymen giving certificates to persons supposed to be in necessitous circumstances, without a full examination of all the facts in the case.

in behalf of a particular individual, often passes into other hands, and thus a sort of mutual trade is carried on between the holders of such papers, for their mutual benefit.

“Mr. Spurgeon seems to be in doubt about the propriety of visiting New York and this country, during the Summer. The causes of this seem to be the necessity felt for being at home during the erection of his new chapel, and especially the report that has gone abroad that the object of his visit would be merely a pecuniary one, together with the division existing among the Baptists in this country as to his open communion views.”

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of the country, Messrs. Lindsay & Blakiston, of this city, hold a very prominent place. Their own list of publications, as will be seen by reference to their advertisement, is large and valuable; while their general trade in theological, religious, and miscellaneous books, is very extensive.

“Messrs. Challen & Son have, in a short time, secured for themselves an excellent reputation as book publishers, in the character of the works they publish, in their mechanical execution, and in the manner in which their business is conducted.”

“The subject of Physical Education in the Public Schools of this city, has been attracting much attention. A cruel system has been pursued, of keeping the children shut up in the school rooms six hours every day, with a single intermission of half an hour.”

“The second course of Lectures on Astronomy, by Prof. Mitchell, at the Academy of Music, was equally successful with the former. The Professor is the great interpreter of the results and technicalities of this sublime science, to the popular mind.”

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Report of J. D. Williams, Treasurer of the Boards of Domestic Missions, Education, Publication, and Fund for Superannuated Ministers and Their Families, for February, 1859.

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