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REV. ROBERT/BAIRD, D.D.-This veteran traveler and fecturer, is now in Memphis, Tenn., delivering a course of lectures on Europe.

HONORARY DEGREE.-The Trustees of degree of Doctor of Divinity, on Rev. George W. Thompson, of Academia, Pa., and Rev. Sanders Dieffendorf, Principal of Vermillion Institute, Haysville, Ohio.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT .--- The Board of Colportage acknowledges the following contributions : First oh urch, Pittsburgh, Presbytery of Ohio, contribution in part, \$127.50; Congruity church, Presbytery of Blairsville, \$11.25; Boiling Springs church, Presbytery of Blairsville, \$2.10; Ebenezer, Presbytery of Blairsville, \$13.00.

## Ministers Dead.

The list of departed ministers is constantly lengthening. The Rev. John M. in the office here; and since the inaugura-Crabb. of Bryan, Ohio, finished his course on the 17th of March, in the fiftieth year of his sge. He was the oldest minister in the Presbytery of Maumee, and organized almost every church within its bounds. He was a faithful laborer, and had many seals to his ministry. Long will his Presbyterian church at Bennettsville, S. C., died on the fifth of March, in the 55th year of his age. He is said to have been a laborious, self-denying, and faithful minister of Jesus Christ.

## Seminary of the North-West.

Dr. Musgrave and the Presbyterian. The attack of the Presbyterian upon the Domestic Board and its Secretary, has been a wonder to many. It, however, has the effect of bringing facts to light, and will, we trust, work for good to the cause. The Secretary responds in the columns of that journal. We give a few extracts :

"The receipts of the last year, instead of falling below, were above the average of the two preceding years. The following table will not only demonstrate this, but also show how the receipts have varied from 1852-3 to

	1858-9:
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-	"You argue the necessity of an Associ-
1	ate Secretary in the office, from the alleged
	fact that the Corresponding Secretaries were
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broken down in health by their onerous duties. The facts are, that both my predecessors were in delicate health when they entered upon their duties; and the only one. beside myself, who had an Associate, freely expressed the opinion that his services were not needed.\* As to myself, my general health, always robust, is as good as ever, and I have never felt myself overworked. The injury to my sight was not occasioned

by the excessive duties of the office, but, as previously stated, by an indiscreet use of my eyes while in an inflamed state, produced Jefferson Gollege, Pa., have conferred the by a cold. You might just as well argue. that because an Associate Secretary was temporarily disabled by a broken limb, therefore the duties of his office were too onerous, as to argue that because my sight has been temporarily impaired by a cold, therefore the work is too great for one man

to do. "Ought it not to be considered as conclusive on this point, that both the present and former Secretary, together with the Executive Committee, who have the best opportunity of judging, are decidedly of the opinion that an Associate Secretary is not required in the office in Philadelphia The truth is, that after the work of Church Extension had been transferred by the As-

sembly from the Board to a separate Committee located at St. Louis, there was little or nothing for an Associate Secretary to do tion of the Plan of Systematic Benevolence, which was intended to supersede the employment of collecting agents, the main work to which he had devoted himself was no longer necessary; so that the office had become virtually a sinecure. "From your manner of presenting the case. some of your readers, not acquainted with

the facts, might infer that the whole work memory be cherished in the Manmee Valley. is carried on at present by one man ; where-Rev. Pierpont E. Bishop, pastor of the as the Board of Domestic Missions has two Executive Committees, the one located in Philadelphia, and the other in Louisville, Kentucky. At the office in Philadelphia, in addition to the Corresponding Secretary, there is a Treasurer and a Clerk; and the Secretary at Louisville has also the assist. ance of a Treasurer and a Clerk. There is likewise a Receiving Agent at Pittsburgh.

## THE PRESBYTERIAN BANNER AND ADVOCATE.

North-West Seminary. tians have been prayerful, and they have | worshipped in that temple, and sat under the The idea of holding a Convention of the been revived, and eleven have been added ministry of their pastor so long. He mentioned friends of this enterprise, from the region lately on examination, and as many more more immediately interested, in advance of inquiring. As I feel it my duty to labor in the meeting of the Assembly, has been given another field, the church are very anxious up, as we learn from the Presbuter. The to secure the labors of another minister. editor of that paper advises this course, as Address Samuel Savers, Fletcher, Miami another concession to the preferences of Dr. | Co, Ohio."

Rice; and because the Board of Directors, VALPARAISO, IND .- We learn from the which consisted of one member from each pastor, Rev. J. C. Brown, that at a late Bresbytery, will be half as large as the communion, twenty persons were received. Convention when assembled, will hold its The revival progresses, and some twenty to meeting just previous to the Assembly. thirty cherish a hope in Christ. The It is also intimated that the Commissioners Lord's visitation is in mercy, and is rich in from the North-West, after the Assembly blessings.

meets, can convene together, if necessary, to be pursued by them. A full expression of The February and March numbers of opinion at the Spring meetings of the Presthis valuable monthly, came to us in company. They are always welcome, whether

semblage slowly dispersed. one by itself or two together; howbeit, we The February number contains the pro- will offering of \$2,000 to their pastor, a piano posed new Book of Discipline, as set forth | valued at \$400, and many other valuable articles. Mr. Hamill was ordained and installed thir. by the Assembly's Committee of Revision. The whole occasion was a most delightful one, The March number contains a comment, by favored with three revivals of religion, and the editor, on one of the alterations which with an ingathering to the communion of the Committee recommend; that is, a de-

the church, of some three hundred and fif. claration that while all baptized persons are not only in his private opinions, but also in his ty persons. During the last Winter, inter. members of the Church, are under its gov- public ministrations. He has not besitated to esting protracted meetings were held in ernment, and are, on arriving at years of declare the whole counsel of God, however opboth parts of his charge, and some seventy discretion, bound to perform all the duties posed by men's hearts, and however unwelcome to itching ears. But yet he has built up the strongpersons gave hopeful evidence of conversion. of members, yet, only those who have made est, most active, and most liberal of the Boston He is now gathering a portion of them into a profession of faith in Christ are proper churches. During his ministry, eight hundred the company of the faithful, at the table of subjects of judicial prosecution. the Lord. On last Sabbath, twenty-seven

and twenty have been added to the church ; the This alteration is stoutly opposed. It is present number of communicants is five hundred united for the first time in partaking of the regarded as unscriptural, unpresbyterian and and sixteen. This church has sent out thirty-Supper, in the church at Spring Creek. injudicious. We are glad to see the Maga. eight of its members to become the pastors of other churches ; and at present, eight of its young members are in Colleges or Theological Semi-New have joined in other places, and a few members has been long and sadly neglected; try. And it is a fact worthy of notice, that Dr. naries, in a course of preparation for the minisre absent from home, or, by sickness, pre- but let us not abandon the true theory of Lowell Mason, now so famous in the musical rented from taking part in the sclemn but God's Word on the subject. Rather let us world, commenced his career as a member of the oyous service. Of the converts, three are stimulate each other, till our Church prac. choir of this church. The faithful pastor will uite advanced in life. A majority of the tice shall correspond with our declared doc- have his reward in the end; the faithful preaching of the Gospel will never be in vain.

We noted this proposed change, and that on the employing of professional counsel, on the first publishing of the Committee's work. There are some other things which may require careful attention. The Church journals have been very silent on the subject; ductive of great loss to the owners. But the and we fear that the churches have not duly daily arrivals from all parts of the world, are estimated its importance.

The Magazine suggests, wisely we think, that a hasty decision should be avoided. during his earlier ministry, it was to him an Possibly the Presbyteries, at their April meetings, may investigate the matter. It Astor, the Metropolitan, the St. Nicholas, New will be-well to have a document of such im- | York, Everett, Clarendon, Brevoort and Gramwill be well to have a document of such im- York, Everett, Clarendon, Brevoort and Gram- of the large class on this occasion, admitted to portance, go down to the Presbyteries for mercy Park, are scarcely equalled. Yet they are the final honors of the institution. their official approval, with a good degree of now crowded, and their success is beyond a perperfectness.

> EASTERN SUMMARY. Boston and New England.

manufacturers, and others, for subscriptions on the pooling Aucesuay (the 12 m) of April, at 11 o'clock. toward defraying the necessary expenses, on the plea that a large concourse of strangers from a distance, will be secured, who will thus, be distance, will be secured, who will thus, be -1st. Their love and respect for their pastor as a Christian man. 2d. Because he was a man of true and old religion. 3d. Because he advocated brought to see the manufactures of the city, and the true religion, the only religion, and made the Gospel proclamation, his great business. He be led to become buyers of its various commodconcluded with expressing the hope that their ities. children and their children's children, when they

The Losses by Fire are beginning to be felt as came in there, might find nothing but the religion a very serious matter in the economical arrangeof Christ proclaimed there; and that if he or ments of cities. During the last month, the those who heard him, failed of salvation, their losses by fires in this city alone, amounted to the pastors might be able to say in their last words, sum of \$50,000. 'We are innocent of that blood." An original

The Passenger Railway business has becom poem adapted to the occasion, was then read by onite a mania with the people. There are already the Rev. C. C. Beaman ; after which, the Hon. sixteen lines in operation, and it is most proba-H. K. Oliver, of Lawrence, Mass., the old teacher ble that charters will be obtained for ten more of the pastor, was introduced, who entertained before the Legislature adjourns. There are now the audience with some pleasing reminiscences of laid down in Philadelphia about one hundred and Dr. Adams' early life. The Doctor then delivered thirty miles of these tracks, and in a few months a happily conceived and effective address, which there will be at least two hundred. awakened many tender feelings. And after the The Sale of Pews in Dr. Vinton's church,

singing of an original hymn, and prayer by Dr. (Episcopal,) has realized the sum of \$50,000. Blagden, of the Old South church, the large as-The Doctor has but lately commenced his labors in this city, and has already met with much Just before the beginning of the exercises of encouragement. Monday evening, the congregation made a free-

The Methodist preachers connected with the different churches of that denomination, delivered their Farewell Sermons on last Sabbath evening, their period of two years having exand will be long remembered. And the history pired. The Methodist pulpit of this city has been of this church is full of instruction. Dr. Adams filled with unusual ability for the last two years. has always been distinguished for the most rigid adherence to the strictest Scriptural Orthodoxy, From present indications, it is probable the next General Conference will extend the time from two

> to three years. Additions are reported in almost all the different Presbyterian churches.

### Ecclesiastical.

Mr. JOHN E. ANNAN, of the Western Theological Seminary, has received a unanimous call to the church of Xenia, Ohio.

Rev. JAMES CAMPBELL'S Post Office address is changed from Highland, Kansas, to Anderson, Madison County, Indiana. Rev. JAMES YOUNG was installed pastor of

Sidney. Rev. Alex'r Telford preached the installation sermon; Rev. Wm. B. Spence proposed the constitutional questions, and gave the charge to the pastor and people.

Some years ago it was predicted that the Hotel For the Presbyterian Banner and Advocate. The Steubenville Female Seminary. Business was altogether overdone in this city, that MESSES. EDITORS :- The late annual examinathe means for the accommodation of strangers were altogether too extensive, and that some of tion of this widely known institution, has just been brought to a close. I have not, in any the new and costly hotels must in the end be proquarter, seen any notice of these exercises by any of the editorial corps. This very much sur prises me, inasmuch as the knights of the quill might have found here ample materials for an excrowding the hotels to their utmost capacity, and traordinary good leader. You will allow me to say, in justice to this well strangers complain greatly of the flights of stairs

to be ascended, before their sleeping apartments established and flourishing institution, that have for many years attended its examinations can be reached. The city already boasts of over and this year, with unusual satisfaction, from thirty large hotels, and some of them, such as the the high order of scholarship indicated by the performances of the young ladies in general, and

The fact is, with the Rev. Dr. Beatty as super intendent, possessing the accumulated experience of about one-third of a century; Prof adventure. And another hotel, the most costly A. M. Reed, as principal, a most successful and accomplished educator, with the soundest and commodious in this city, and probably in the world, is rapidly approaching completion on oreed as to what properly enters into the curri-culum of female education ; and with Prof. Agnew Madison Square. This immense building is seven stories high, and has three marble fronts. When

nual fair. Application is made to merchants, [ The PRESBYTERY OF HUNTINGDON will hold its next. manufacturers, and others, for subscriptions stated meeting in the Prestylerian church of Huntingdon, on the Second Tuesday (the 12th) of April, at 11 o'clock

The PRESBYTERY OF BICHLAND will hold its shoush The PRESBYTERY OF RICHLAND will hold its snnnal meeting in Shelby, commencing on the Second Tneeday (the 12th) of April, at 7 of clock P. M. Statistical Reports, Narratures on the State of Religion, and Congregational Settlements, will be called for, from all the churches The PRESBYTERY OF WOSTER stands adjourned to meet in the church of Jackson, on the Third Tnesday (19th) of April, at 11 of clock A. M. "Statistical Reports will be called for the first day of the session. Churches are expected to rend up contributions for Commissioners' Fund and Presbyterial expenses, at the rate of about eight cents per member. B BABR, Stated Clork.

The PRESEVTERY OF WESTERN RESERVE meets in sandusky City on the Third Tuesday of April, at 7 o'clock P. M. FREDERICK T. BEOWN, Stated Clerk.

The PRESBYTERY OF HOCKING will meet (D.V.) at Barlington, on Tuesday, April 12th, at 7 o'clock P. M. J. H. PRATT, Stated Clerk.

The PRESENTERY OF COSHOOTON will meet in the church of Millersburg, on the Second Tuesday of April, at 2 o'clock P. M. Statistical Beports, Narratives on the State of Religion, and settlements with pastors, will be called for, from all the congregations. J. E. CARSON, S. C.

The PRESCYTERY of SALTSBURG will meet at Kit-tauning on the Second Tuesday of April, at 2 o'clock P. M. Sessional Necords, Statistical Reports, Written Narra, tives, and certificates of settlements with pastors, will be called for. W. W. WOUDEND, Stated Clerk.

called for. W. W. WODDEND, Stated Clerk. The PRESEVTERY OF ZANESVILLE will meet in M'Connelisville on the Second Tuesday (the 12th day,) of April, at 2 o'clock P. M. N. B — lst. Let the Clerk of every church Session make it a matter of conciscince to send up, with the Sessional Records, an accurate and full statistical report. 2d. Let the proper officers be prompt in sending up the Commissioners' and Contingent Fund, which is, by a stand-ing rule of Presbytery, five cents per member, as reported in the last Minutes of the General Assembly. Persons going to the meeting are informed that the boat o'clock, which will land us in time for the meeting at 2 o'clock P. M. WM. M. ROBINSON, Stated Clerk. WM. M. ROBINSON, Stated Clerk.

Wai. M. RUDITION, Stated Gera. The PRESBYTERY OF ROOK BIVER will hold its stated Spring meeting in the Presbyterian church at Albany, on Tuesday evening, April 12th, at 7 o'dock. Ses-sional Records will be examined, and the assessment upon the churches for the Commissioners' Fund, which is at the rate of ten cents per member, will be called for. S. T. WILSON, Stated Clerk.

The PRESBYTERY OF ERIE will meet at Meadville, Pa on the Second Tuesday (12th day,) of April, at 7 o'clock P. M. Statistical Reports, Narratives of the State of Reli-gion, and Commissioners' Fund, will be called for. S. J. M. EATON, Stated Clerk.

The PRESBYTERY OF BLAIRSVILLE will hold its next tated meeting at Johnstown. on the Second Tuesday of April, at 2 c'elock P. M. Statistical Reports, Congrega-tional Settlements, and Narratives on the State of Religion, will be called for from all the congregations. During the Sessions of Presbytery, a sermon will be preached by the Rev. Joseph Smith, D.L., on the subject of Sarly Piety. JAMES DAVIS, Stated Clerk.

tev. JAMES YOUNG was installed pastor of the church of New Salem, O., on the 12th ult., by a committee of the Presbytery of Sidney. Rev. Alex'r Telford preached

The PRESBYTERY OF SCHUYLER will meet in Quincy, 11., on Triesday, April 12th. at 2 o'clock P. M. Statistical teports, Commissioners' Funds, and every member will be xpected. THOS. S. VAILL, Stated Clerk.

The PRESENTERY OF REDSTONE will mest at Reho-both, on the Second Tuesday of April, at 11 o'clock A. M. From all the churches, as well vacent as those supplied, written reports of cougregational settlements with pastors and supplies, statistics of membership and benevolent operations, contributions to Commissioners' Fund, and Nar-wittee of Reliebion. are remired to be firwarded. erations, contributions to Commissioners' Find, and Nai tives of Religion, are required to be forwarded. By order of Presbytery. JOHN M'CLINTOCK, S. C.

The PRESBYTERY OF DES MOINES stands adjourned to meet at Albia, on the Second Thursday. (14th) of April at 7 o'clock P. M. J. M. MCELROY, Stated Ulerk.

Hews Pepartment. DISEASES OF THE EXE .- See card of Dr. Speer Carpets. Messrs. W. D & H. McCallum have on hands a arge supply, at favorable terms.

Groceries.

Wm. H. Kirkpatrick & Co., offer a large and well selected assortment of groceries. Buyers -thorough, enthusiastic, carnest and inde ble-not to speak of the excellent company of and dealers in country produce will find the ladies associated with the persons named-we have | young gentlemen of this new firm accommodating, a right to expect the most creditable results. In and worthy of their entire confidence. this. I feel very sure that no one of the large

are expected to unite at Sinking Creek. A Presbyterian Church toward her baptized

heart is in the work, and whose labors are

young person connected with the Acad-

On next Sabbath about the same number zine take this ground. The duty of the

whole number are males. And in the trines. charge there are ninety persons who will engage in leading the devotions of their families and brethren at a throne of grace. This is truly encouraging to a pastor, whose

abundant. The senior editor was at Spring Creek, last Sabbath, and participated in the communon services; and having been himself the

pastor of that loved people for seven years, ceasion of peculiar joy. PINE GROVE, PA.-A gentleman writes :

God has been gracious to the little church of Pine Grove in again pouring out his Holy Spirit in their midst. Nineteen persons expressed more of acceptance with

their Saviour majority of these were

byteries is also suggested by the editor. Revivals. SPRING CREEK AND SINKING CREEK, prefer the former mode. PA -These congregations constitute the astoral charge of Rev. Robert Hamill.

teen years ago. Since then he has been

-It is but just ANOTHER DIRECTOR. to sid this writer in presenting to the seven salaried Executive Officers, and this c burches considerations which should re- the office work to do, is amply sufficient." ceive attention in deciding the when and "You say that it has been seriously prowhere, relative to the North-West Seminary. posed, to employ an amanuensis, and inti-For ourselves, we wish to see the Seminary, mate that there is no difference, except in not prematurely, but speedily-as soon as it name, between the employment of such help can be wisely had.

little differently. Things look not very temporarily, and at his own expense, an favorable for speedy action, on the part of amanuensis; and the employment of an the Assembly. We still trust, however, , that the way will have become plain for prosecuting, energetically, the great and good work. To wait till all will agree, would be about equal to an indefinite postponement. No "lion in the way" should be a fright this I reply, that if we had to commence when the Lord says, "onward."

Jefferson College--Annual Contest.

The annual contest took place March 30th. A large audience was present, and it was pay them. By having a sufficient amount frequently remarked that the exercises were characterized by better order on the part of borrowed money, and realize about \$700 of those assembled, as well as on the part of interest on the balance they have in bank; the exhibitors, than on any former occasion. The speaking was natural, energetic, and are punctually paid. You might prefer commanded attention. The style was unusually free from all inflation and false taste. and the mode of argumentation was clear | year, and pay them promptly. and direct. All the pieces were characterized by a deep reverence for religion, and this pervading characteristic.

students have entered the College since the it has been increased between forty and fifty last commencement, and the term just closed is certainly a very great advance in the was one of great order and industry.

### Advertisements,

large increase in our advertising depart | Board will enable them to do all that the ment. As a matter of course, this addition to our patronage can only be expected to continue to the same extent during the Spring business; so that in a few weeks our columns will be somewhat relieved. Moreover. advertisements are useful to readers, as well as to those who insert them. There are scarcely any of our friends who cannot find some article among those advertised that he wishes to have, and the places where they can be had. One class of advertisements will be useful to some, and another to others, so that in this way the columns." wants of all are supplied. Just as in reading the contents of any journal, it is not ex- | jeot, nor any other great subject which bepected that every article will suit all tastes, but that in the multitude of articles, the demands of every taste among the readers will be met. Our readers will also notice that during the press of advertisements we use a much smaller type, so that the actual amount of reading matter is very little less than usual. We are willing to compare our amount of reading matter with that of any other respectable journal published on a sheet of the same size. Moreover the char- us that improvements are advancing, and acter of our advertisers shows the high estimate placed upon it. They are not men byterian Church should keep fully even with who will patronize an inferior journal.

We may also state that the demand for congregation as sites for a church edifice adventising space being continued; we shall and parsonage, and \$400 are subscribed toenlarge our sheet, without increasing the ward the church. Help from the States is price. Our friends may be assured that our much needed, and would, be joyously recolumns shall present them a due amount of ceived.

and trust that they will do well by us. founding churches are also needed.

V ODC. Increiore. there are force, in the judgment of those who have

and an Associate Secretary. I think there is a very material difference between allow. "PEACE" presents the same question a ing a Corresponding Secretary to employ, Associate Secretary, permanently, at an annual expense to the Board, of one thousand eight hundred dollars, to say nothing of his traveling expenses."

"You object to our having so large a balance at the close of the fiscal year. To the year with an exhausted treasury, one of two things would be inevitable-either the missionaries would be' compelled to wait for

months for their salarias, or the Board would be obliged to borrow the necessary funds to on hand at the commencement of the year. the Board save at least \$800 of interest for while, at the same time, the missionaries that the Board should either borrow, or keep the missionaries waiting for their money; we think it better to save \$1,500 a

"You say the smallest possible allowance is doled out to the missionaries. In reply to this, I will state that during the past appeared not by formal statements, but was a year, the average salary of the missionaries was increased, as compared with the pre-Jefferson was never in so flourishing a vious year; and during the present admincondition as at present. Ninety-nine new istration of the Board, a period of six years,

right direction. "In closing, I heartily unite with you in the wish that the time may soon come when Our readers have no doubt observed a the means placed at the disposal of the exegencies of the country and the obligations of the Church require."

> To these important facts our contempora. ry makes a very feeble effort at a reply. It thinks that "perhaps" the Secretary has "more zeal than discretion." It is troubled because the Secretary's articles prove its mis-statements, and show that the "Banner and Advocate" presented facts correctly. It regrets the necessity of reviving the subject; but concludes with the declaration. We here dismiss the subject from our

> For our part we cannot dismiss this sublongs to Zion's interests. We trust that we shall be found ever ready to plead for Domestic Missions, and to defend those who faithfully labor in that cause.

\* During the latter part of Dr. McDowell's time, he was aided in the office by Mr. Happersett, though at that time Mr. H. had not the title of Assistant Secretary. And further, the main difficulty with Dr. McD. was deafness.-Eps.

Steilacoom. Washington Territory. Rev. G. W. Sloan, missionary, writes to expresses a very strong desire that the Presthe times. Lots have been given to the

reading matter. We will do well by them, Helpers in the work of preaching and

NEW SALEM, PA .--- A private letter says : "We have had a season of religious privleges and encouragement at New Salem, Redstone Presbytery,) continued for eight days, and terminating on last Tuesday a years, and in this way has given a Unitarian week. The Lord appeared to be with us, and has given us a little reviving in the house of our pilgrimage. The Lord's Supper was administered on the Sabbath, and poses by no other in the whole country, is regard. nine were added on examination and two ed as belonging, both legally and actually, to this on certificate, since which seven more have | denomination. Owing to this, its influence has been received on examination making in all been greatly crippled, or at least has been much sixteen on examination." SPRUCE CREEK, PA.-Rev. A. P. Hap-

per, writes us, under date of March 29th, as follows :

"A few months ago, I spoke of the racious blessing which had been enjoyed by the little church at Birmingham. Huningdon Co., Pa. It is now my privilege to speak of yet more abundant grace manifested in that church. As the result of the gracions outpouring of the Holy Spirit, ninz. teen persons were received into the communion of the church, on profession of their faith, at the communion which was celebrated on the 20th inst. Five of these were members of the Seminary for Young Ladies. of which Mr. L. G. Grier, an elder of the in that event, the proposed separation will be church, is Principal. This Institution has carried into effect. shared largely in the Divine blessing, as some eighteen of its pupils have been numbered mong the hopeful converts during the year.

"The whole number of additions to the church. within the year, has been forty five; of which number twenty eight were received year without tasting water, for the purpose of on profession of their faith. To the riches establishing his theory that water was not neof God's grace be all the praise. To that grace, the church and all its members, are rayerfully commended, in the hope that hey may be soon supplied with the regular ministrations of the Gospel." ROCKVILLE, PA -A gentleman, "W. F.

," writes under date, Venango, March 16, 859 :

"We have just closed one of the most interesting meetings known in the Presbyterian church here for a number of years Many souls were brought to feel as they never felt before on the great subject of relecture by the same parties. ligion. The Spirit of the Most High

eemed to permeate the large and anxious ongregations that assembled both day and posed building for its use. Already \$15,000 of night for more than a week; and we have the \$20,000 needed, have been secured. good reasons to hope that the seed thus sown will be the means of bringing many more to serious reflection on the subject of their eternal welfare. " The meetings were conducted by our

own pastor, Rev. J. W. Dickey, assisted by Rev. S. J. M. Eaton, of Franklin, Pa.

"On Sabbath morning, 12th inst., the crament of the Lord's Supper was adminstered in the church at Rockville, (Gravel Run) by the above named gentlemen. wenty three persons were received into the communion of the church. These in conpexion, with seven that were received at a nissionary point, ten miles distant, and eleven that were received into the communion of the church of Washington, at again assembled in their former place of worship, Edinboro', make the whole number forty- to lift up their hearts to God, and recall the one that have been added to the church within this nastoral charge since February 13th. Thirty six of this number were received on profession of their faith.

"At Edenboro', as at Gravel Run, and the missionary point, a goodly number were brought to indulge a hope in Christ, who, we trust. at no distant day will be numbered with the people of God. "Thus the work goes on. May it long continue. May the Spirit of God still con-

tinue to 'move upon the face of the great deep? of the hearts of those who are yel without a hope in the atoning merits of the religion of Jesus."

five years ago, and to some of the great events NEWTON, OHIO -- Rev. J. A. Campbell that had taken place in this country and Europe says : "We have been made glad by the within that period. From this, he proceeded to cultural Society are now in this city, endeavoring, descent of some mercy drops lately. Chris. give some of the reasons why he and others had to make arrangements for holding the next an-

ompleted, and fairly under way, its precedence For some time the propriety of a formal sepaover all others is inevitable, not only on account ration of Harvard College from all connexion with of its size and magnificence, but also from its the Divinity School, has been under discussion. negualled location.

New York.

The Divinity School, as is well known, has been The Trial of Stephen's for the murder of his altogether Unitarian in its teachings for many wife, by arsenic, after continuing for eighteen character to the whole University. So that by days, has resulted in a verdict of guilty. This many, this literary and scientific institution, case is so peculiar, and so clearly illustrates the certainty of the punishment of crime, however excelled in all its appointments for these pur long delayed, as to be worthy of more than ordinary notice. Stephens and his wife were originally from Ireland. More than a year ago the wife died, and no suspicion seemed to be entermore limited than it would have been with the tained at the time, that she had been foully dealt with. But gradually one discovery after another cordial co-operation of other denominations. was made, suspicion was awakened, and at length Its best fricads feel the necessity for freeing it, he was apprehended, and put on trial for the at least ostensibly, from all ecclesiastical conmurder of his wife by poison. The evidence on nexion with Unit rianism, that it may depend for reputation and usefulness on its literary and the part of the witnesses was altogether circumstantial, and would not, if unsupported, have done scientific character. At length, notice has been much to secure a conviction. But the chemical given, that all persons having, or pretending to

analysis made by Dr. Doremus, proved conclusivehave any interest in the matter of the Theologily that arsenic had been gradually introduced cal School of Harvard University, shall appear beduring life, until it pervaded the whole system. fore the Supreme Court on the second Tuesday of April, to show cause why the petition of the Pres - and thus produced death. The conclusive evidence had been hidden for a whole year, but was dent and Fellows of that College, to be allowed then dragged forth from the cold, dumb clay, and to resign their trust concerning Theological edumade to tell its fearful tale. "Be sure your sin cation; should not be allowed. It is not probable will find you out." that much, if any opposition will be made; and

One feature connected with the Book Busin of the Appletons, is the contract to supply the

State of Ohio with its School libraries, for the The well known author and physician, Dr. present year. This State appropriates annually Wm. A. Alcott, is dead. He was a most rigid about \$82,000 for the purchase of School livegetarian, and lived for many years upon vegebraries and apparatus. This sum is raised by a tables and fruits, abstaining altogether from the tax of one mill on the entire property valuation use of meats. At one time he passed a whole of the State. All the free space in the immense year without tasting water, for the purpose of sales-room at Appleton's, is now occupied with these books, ready for packing and shipment. cessary to the support of the human system. They measure over twenty-five solid cords, and The spiritual food served up to the Congregation weigh seventy-eight tons. If piled on end, in the of Theodore Perker, from time to time, must be of usual manner, on a single shelf, they would exa very miscellaneous character. One Sabbath, tend over two miles. The binding is neat and Ralph Waldo Emerson, ministers; the next Sabsubstantial, and each volume is marked "Ohio S. bath he is followed by George W. Curtis ; and he Library, 1859 " An arrangement has been made is followed by the noted Henry James, and so on by which the entire lot will be taken to Columbus, throughout the whole catalogue of itinerant venin a special freight train, to be run through from ders of theological heresies. At most of the sevthis city. vices there is no reading of Scripture, prayer, or

Scribner has in press a new book that will at singing. And there is scarcely anything different tract attention among those who can relish satire from what may be seen and heard at a week-day and sentiment. It is called "The Pasha Papers," and consists of letters said to have been The Young Men's Christian Association has been written by the Rear Admiral of the Turkish holding a fair to aid in the erection of the pronavy, during his visit to this country last Spring, to a high dignitary in the Turkish Government. The Rear Admiral professes to communicate to The Twenty Fifth Commemorative Anniversary his friend, in successive confidential disclosures. of the settlement of Dr. Nehemiah Adams as his observations and experiences of life in New pastor of the Essex Street church, was held on York. The publication of a few of these letters Sabbath and Monday, March 27th and 28th. On in the Evening Post, called out various replies, the morning of the Sabbath, Dr. Adams preached which will be interspersed through the work as a from Gen. xxxi: 12, reviewing the history of sort of commentary. The same house will soon his pastorate. In the afternoon, previous to the issue a new edition of the works of Dr. John M. communion, he continued the subject embraced Mason, that "prince of American preachers," in in the text, in its application to individuals. In 4 vols. 8vo. . This will be a valuable addition to the evening, a social religious meeting was held the literature of the younger portion of the minin the vestry, and although the room is very istry, and will be highly valued by many intellilarge, hundreds were obliged to stand. Dr. gent Christians. The name of Dr. Mason will Adams presided ; 'and after prayer and singing, continue to live in the American Church. short, touching, and effective addresses were

Great Opposition is manifested by the leading made by former members of this church, who had eligious journals, against a bill now pending be fore the Legislature, at Albany, giving permission to vote by proxy in all the meetings of church memories of former times. |On Monday evening, orporations, and of religious and benevolent Soan immense assembly of the present and former ieties holding a legal charter. The abuses to members of the church convened. Many of the which this system is liable, are very many, as is latter had been specially invited, and among them continually seen in the use made of it in excluwere many of the most distinguished ministers sively moneyed corporations ; and the passage of of New England. John Tappan, Esq., presided; such a law, applicable to the cases above menand after singing and the reading of Scripture. tioned, should be stoutly resisted. It is unforprayer was offered by the Rev. Dr. Worcester, of tunate that in all our Legislatures, men can be Salem. Then the chairman made a brief and apfound, who, either for gain or notoriety, are ever propriate address of welcome to all the guests. ready to bring forward and support the most and closed by introducing the orator of the evenradical innovations, without any thought of the ing, the Hon. Rufus Choate, who is a member of ultimate injurious consequences to which they the congregation. In the introduction, the speak-

may lead. Call the the set i distance and Philadelphia 🖓 🤌 👯

The President and Secretary of the State Agri-

and interested audience present was disappointed Excelsior is the practical motio of this institu

tion. Few Seminaries can boast a larger and better library, and chemical and philosophical apparatus. The prominence of the Bible and true Christianity in this School, is such as all would expect, where they educate for IMMORTALITY. The providential failure of Prof. Jacobus to be present and make the closing address, was much regretted. It is hoped however, that his thoughts may grow riper and richer for the instruction and delight of even a larger set of graduates, and an increased number of young ladies, at the next annual examination. A. SPECTATOR.

## Presbyterial Notices.

The PRESETTERY OF DUBUQUE will hold its next stated meeting, Providence permitting, in the Presbyterian church of Independence, commencing Tuesday, May 3d, at JOSHUA PHELPS, Stated Clerk.

7½ P. M. JOSHUA PHELPS, Stated Clerk. The PRESEVTERY OF WASHINGTON will hold its next stated meeting in the church of Fairview, Va., commencing on the Third Tueeday of April, (the 19th.) at 3 o'clock P. M. Pastors and Sessions are hereby reminded of their daty to send, by mail, written Nariatives of the State of Reli-gionum their respective churches, in advance of the mee-ing of Frest-ytery, to the Rev. Sichard V. Bodge, at Wheeling, Va., the Chairman of the Committee on the Nar-rative. JAMES L. BROWNSON, Stated Clerk. The PRESBYTERY OF MAUMEE stands adjourned to meet at Hicksville, Ohio, the Second Tnesday of April, at

7 o'clo k P. M. The PRESEVTERY OF NORTHUMBERLAND will hold its nert stated meeting in Berwick, on Tuesday, April 19th, at 11 o'clock A. M. Seesional Records, Statistical Reports, and the assessment. for the Commissioners' Fund, will be called for. ISAAC GRIER, Stated Clerk.

ISAC GRIER, Stated Clerk. ISAC GRIER, Stated Clerk. The PRESEVTERY OF NEWTON will hold its next f stated meeting in the church of Blairstown, commencing on the Fourth Tucaday (26th) of April. Contributions to the Commissioners' Fund of one and a half per cent. upon the salaries promised by the respective churches, will be called for. The usual Seasional Narra-tives of the Fiste of Religion should be forwarded to Rev. J. Y. Mitchell, and the annual Statistical Reports returned to the Stated Clerk at least ten days before the meeting. The pastor and the intervening time in devotional exer-cises, The Gessions of Presbytery will be opened with a sermon by Rev. James Y. Mitchell.

The PRESBYTERY OF OHIO will meet in the Sixth Presbyterian church, Pittsburgh, on the Third Tuesday of April, at 2 o'clock P. M. Narratives to be sent to Rev. S. Finley, ten days pre-

vious to the meeting of Presbytery. W B. MCILVAINE, Stated Clerk. The PRESBYTERY OF ALLEGHENY will meet at But-ler, on the Second Tuesday of April, at 11 o'clock A. M. NEWTON BRACKEN, Stated Clork.

The PRESEVTERY OF OEDAR stands adjourned to mee in Liebon, on the Second Tuseday of April, at 2 o'clock F M. F. A. SHEARER, Stated Clerk. The PRESBYTERY OF STEUBENVILLE will meet, agree-

ably to adjournment, in Steubenville First church, on the Second Tuesday, 12th of April, at 10 o'clock A.M. ROBERT HEBRON, Stated Clerk.

ROBERT HERRON, Stated Clerk. The PRESEVTERY OF NEW LISBON stands adjourned to meet in the church of Balem, in the town of Salem, O., on the Second Theeday (12kl) of April next, at 12 of lock M. The churches, according to a standing rule of Presbytery, will be called on for Sessional Records, Statistical Reports, pastoral settlements, and the assessed fund mecesary to de-fray the expenses of the Commissioners to the General Assembly. ROBERT HAYS, Stated Clerk.

The PRESBYTERY OF ST. CLAIRSVILL® will meet in Oadiz, on the Third Tuesday of April, at 11 o'clock A. M. Sessional Records. Statistical Reports, Congregational Settlements, and the Commissioners Fund to the General Assembly, will be called for. JOHN MOSFAT, S. C.

The PRESEVENT ON BEAVER will meet in Neshau-neck. on the Third Monday of April next. at 2 o'clock P. M nock, on the Third Monday of April next, at 2 o'clock P. M The first day of the meeting is to be spent in religious exercises. At this meeting, the churches will severally be called on for Statistical Reports, Sessional Records, and re-ports of settlement with pastors. D. C. REED, 8. C.

ports of settlement with passors. D. G. MERD, G. G. The PRESSTERT OF ERIE will meet on Tuesday, April 12th, at 7/5 of the R.M., in Mtadville, Pa. Congregations will please be purcitual in sending up their rististical reports. Narrätives on the Siste of Religion will be forwarded, it is hoped, immediately, to Rev. J. R. Find-ley, Mercer, Pa., Chairman of the Committee on Narratives. S.J. M. EAT'N, Stated Clerk.

The PRESEVTERY OF ALLEGHENY OITY will meet at Manchester, on the Second Tuesday of April, at 10 o'clock A. M. JAMES ALLISON, Stated Clork.

A. m. The PRESBYTERY OF PEORIA will hold its stated Suring meeting at Lewistown, on Friday, April 15th, at Spring meeting at Lewistown, on Friday, April 7 o'clock P. M. "At every stated Spring meeting, the Session of each church shall present to Presbytery, separately, written re-ports on the state of religion, on statistics, and on settle-ments with Uleir minister during the year."-Standing knie VII.

nle VII. Sessions are required to anbmit, at this meeting, their scords for review, and to pay in the amount assessed for he Commissioners' and Contingent Funds. JSAAO A. CORNELISON, Stated Clerk

JSAAO A. CORNELLSON, Stated Clerk That part of the Presbytery of Peoria, which was ap pointed by the Synod of Illinois to be creating a new 1 Presbytery, to be called the PRESBYTERY OF BLOOM-INGTON, will meet at Bloomington, in the First Presbytes rian church, on Tuesday, April 12th, at 7 oclock P. M. The Sessions of churches within the boundaries pre-isaribad for the Presbytery of Bloomington, should send the amount of their assessment, their reports, and records, to the meeting at Bloomington. I.A.O. The PRESBYTERY OF DONEGAL will hold its next

## Pittsburgh Gazette.

Mr. S. Riddle, for several years at the head of the business department of that old and wellknown journal, the Pittsburgh Gazette, has retired from the station he has filled with so much acceptance. In our frequent intercourse with Mr. Riddle, we have found him to be at all times a high-minded, courteous, and honorable Christian gentleman. He has our best wishes for success in whatever business he may engage. His successor, Mr. D. B. Ferguson, has been connected with the concern for ten years, and has always discharged his varied duties with great faithfulness. The patrons of the Gazette will find him pleasant, prompt, and reliable. The title of the firm is changed from S. Riddle & Co., to R. Errett & Co.

### Retrograde Movement.

Some time ago, we spoke in commendation of the course of the Pittsburgh Councils in agreeing to have their meetings opened with prayer. But at the meeting of Select Council, on last Monday. evening, the proposition to insert a proviso in the ordinance granting the right of way along Penn Street for the projected passenger railway, prohibiting the running of the cars on the Sabbath. was defeated by a majority of three votes. The subject will be brought before the Common Council on next Monday evening, and we hope this branch will not only insert the proviso, but adhere to it, and that if the ordinance with this proviso becomes a law, the city authorities will attend to its proper execution. In a city such as this, it would be utterly disreputable for the Councils to permit such a flagrant violation of holy time, and at the same time, take away from the employees their inalienable right to rest one whole day in seven.

The Crops,

We give below, from our exchanges, some acount of the appearance of the coming crops. The reports so far are encouraging, as will be seen, from every part of the country heard from, and we think we can safely predict a plentiful yield. We are glad to be able to do this, as the prosperity of the country depends upon the countiful crops of the forthcoming season : NEW YORK.

In the Western part of this State, the growing wheat looks well. It has suffered little or none from the Winter exposure, and it is so promising now, that hopes are entertained that there will be more than a general yield. Winter barley seems to be attracting considerable attention from the farmer, and a considerable quantity was sown last Fall. This crop now promises well. The Rochester Union, says that Winter barley yields fifty to eighty bushels per acre, and commands

PRNNSYLVANIA. Blair Co.-The farmers speak encouragingly of the appearance of the wheat and rye crops.

Green Co .- The accounts are most flattering of the growing crops of grain. The quantity sown is much larger than usual. The clover meadows

Lawrence Co -The wheat looks as well as usual, and the farmers think there will be a good

Union Co.-The farmers in this County are the fields, as a general thing, all look well. Premuch pleased with the prospects. Winter grains. and especially wheat, appears with great luxuriance. Grass is springing up finely, and a

. Lancaster Co .- Oats have been sown in this

The Scalars of Aurace of Bolevan, will hold its next
Stated meeting in the church of Bellevan, on Tuesday, April 12th, at 11 o'clock A. M. The Moderator, the Rev. J.
M. Ritenhouse, will preach at the opening of the Sessions of Aurace will be reports on the state of reliation of the Next of the South Western part of this State never looked better. There was more taken up for the Presbyterial and Commissioners' Funds.
JOHN FARQUHAR, Stated Clerk.

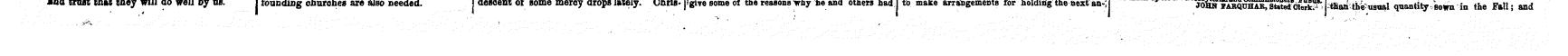
barley.

about one shilling per bushel more than Spring

The indications are good. There will also be a very large yield of maple sugar.

also look promising.

pleasant and prosperous season is anticipted.



er referred to his own coming to Boston twenty-