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Rev. A. Torrence, of Westmoreland County has been appointed Chaplain of the 11th Pennsylvania Reserves, and has left to enter upon his duties. This we regard as an excellent appointment.

An Interesting Narrative .-- We invite attention to an advertisement headed "The Iron Furnace." We have not seen the Narrative, nor are we personally acquainted with the author, but we feel a desire that | and peace. the work should succeed.

The Day of Prayer.-It will be seen, in another column, that the Synod of Pittsburgh has united with other Synods, in asking the President of the United States to appoint a day for National humiliation and prayer. The religious bodies known already to have joined in this request, are the Synods of Allegheny, Ohio, Wheeling, and Pittsburgh, of our own Church; and that of the United Presbyterians. All have agreed that if the President shall decline, then on Synodical invitation, a day will be observed ; and in all the Synods but that of Wheeling, the first Thursday of November is named. This day is near a hand, and may arrive before the President shall have acted. If so, and if he shall afterwards name a day, then good men within these limits will observe both days

ECCLESIASTICAL CORRESPONDENCE - THE DUTCH AND THE NEW-SCHOOL CHURCHES.

A correspondence, by Delegates, has long been kept up between our General Assembly and the General Synod of the Reformed Dutch Church. Since the Dis ruption, in 1837, this correspondence has been conducted by the Synod with only the Old-School Assembly; it being regarded as the real General Assembly. At the late meeting of the Synod, however, a proposition was introduced, to institute a similar correspondence with the New School. This was strenuously resisted, and doubts of the orthodoxy of the New-School were expressed. Finally the following modified intercourse was suggested and approved. viz .:

Resolved, That this Synod send to the next New-School General Assembly a Commissioner, whose office it shall be to assure

This Synod met in the First Presbyte- are conquered. They know that a united tuted government of our country; and that rian church, Pittsburgh, on Tuesday, Octo- North could enforce it. They perceive ber 21st, and continued its sessions till that their slaves are rapidly gaining a Friday. The attendance was about as knowledge of the purpose. They may and would rather bow in humiliation before usual. We never witnessed a more dili- well fear; but still, they are likely to brave our common Father in Heaven for the sins gent attention to business, nor more fra- the trial. We think we see God's mind in this. He gives them up to indiscretion, ternal concord. The Lord was with us. The absorbing and never to be forgotten that one of his deep counsels may, be exesubject, the state of the country, received cuted under the operation of natural Christian community which this Convenattention. Prayer was offered daily, for causes.

our rulers and armies, for the forgiveness The opinion of the people of the North of our national sins, and for a righteous | is also being developed; and we have been peace. The Synod's action on this subject surprised at the general acquiescence in we present in anticipation of the Minutes. the sentiment of the President. We have The paper was adopted unanimously. We already noted that our religious exchanges, have among us life-long Democrats, strong with two or three exceptions, sustain the Republicans, and unwavering anti-slavery Proclamation; and that none violently opmen, (but no Secession sympathizers, and pose it. Also a large portion of the secuno abolition fanatics.) All could and did lar press sustains it most cordially whilst harmonize in their love of country, and in those which oppose it do so very cautious support of their Government, on Christian ly. And in the political contest which principles. Would that the great body of has been waging, the opposition party the people could do so, in all the loyal have dealt with this subject tenderly. States. Soon then would we have victory Sixty members of Congress have been cho sen with, as is said, a gain of only three by

Dr. CHESTER, Secretary of the Board of the opposition. Education, but on this occasion, represent- Since the Proclamation was issued, we ing all the Boards, was present, and ad-, have been present in the meetings of four dressed the Synod. The want of aid, just of the Synods, in each of which the state now, is exceedingly great. The Dr's ad- of the country was a subject of discussion, dress was earnest, affecting, and, we should and in not one of them did we notice a think, effective. Surely but few ministers single word against the policy indicated in and elders could go home to their people the document of which we speak. "It is and navy and yolunteers-we shall gladly and fold their arms in idleness. The need true that our Church courts never tolerate of the Boards was eloquently urged; and party politics; but it is not likely that also the duty of giving, and the benefits four bodies, each of a hundred or more in and blessedness of giving. Ministers telligent ministers and laymen, embracing would take home with them a theme on Democrats and Republicans, would introwhich to speak, and many solemn thoughts duce, discuss, and adopt with unabimity. with which to press it. We trust much resolutions strongly sustaining the Governfruit will soon be manifest, in the aboundment against the rebellion, if a measure so ing liberality of the churches. Let not prominent in the Administration's policy was not regarded with great favore bus ... our benevolent enterprises retrograde. The army also seems to sustain the Pres The endowment of the Fourth Professorident. It was predicted that many officers ship in the Western Theological Seminary, would resign on account of the Proclamawas another subject which elicited some tion. Not one, so far as we have seen, has' discussion, and much anxious concern. That good work languishes. Why is it? done so; nor has a single company entered a protest in 1 allegar in 10 Say, pastors, why is it? Answer, elders, And even the Border States, have no why is it? You are the leaders and in structors of the people. Surely the people been alienated. Some there have comwill give, to such an end, if you, are faithplained loudly. Others have vapproved At Wathout the Street Line ful in your teachings, and if you are kindly cordially. We do not, however, as yet, consider and wisely importunate, and if your own

SYNOD OF WHEELING.

liberality is a lucid example.

This Synod met in Washington, Pa., on gress is also yet to meet. The matter is of Friday, October 17th.. The attendance vast magnitude, and there are forebodings was good. An appeal occupied a portion of evil. The public heart may yet faint: of the Synod's time. A noble paper on the state of the country was adopted, nem and unity, and the favor of the Eord. con. The subject which occupied more time than any other, was the Synodical College. Some years ago, this Synod en-

ALDEN. tered into an arrangement with the Trus-Rev. JOSEPH ALDEN, D.D., President of tees of Washington College, by which Synod was to endow the Institution and Jefferson College for six years past, has possess its control. A subscription of tendered his resignation. This step was \$60,000 was obtained, but only a small part rendered indispensably, necessary, by the of it was actually paid, the subscribers state of health of a part of his family: We deeply regret the event. We knew Dr giving their notes and promising to pay the interest annually. This arrangement ALDEN while he was a Professor at Easton, not being carried out promptly, gives Pa.; have enjoyed intimate intercourse with him since he has been at Canonsburg; Synod no little trouble. The College, howhave had two sons under his care as stuever, flourishes. It is well worthy the dents, and one associated with him as a confidence of parents, and it should enjoy the benefactions of the friends of a good Professor; and we regard him not only as religious education, in connexion with a Christian, a scholar, and a gentleman science and literature. The internal state but also as one of the very best educators of the College was deemed highly satisfac- with whom we have ever been acquainted: Dr. ALDEN'S educational powers' are, tory, and a project was initiated of endowhowever, as we are pleased to learn, not ing the Presidential chair to the amount of likely to be lost through inaction. He is \$20,000. about to be engaged in a highly important The Minutes of Synod are received, but enterprise, in the city of New-York, where too late for this week. The action on the

that it may be practicable; and if so, they armed resistance to the regularly constiwhile, in a spirit of Christian forbearance, we refrain from employing toward them spirit. any terms of condemnation or reproach.

which have brought his judgment on our land, we yet feel bound to declare our, sol emn sense of the deep and grievous wrong which they will have inflicted on the great tion represents, as well as on the country within which it has been so happily and harmoniously established, should they persevere in striving to rend asunder those vivil and religious bonds which have so

long held us together in peace, unity, and oncord. Resolved, That while, as individuals and s citizens, we acknowledge our whole duty n sustaining and defending our country in the great struggle in which, it 'is engaged we are only at liberty, as deputies to this ouncil of a Church which hath ever renounced all political association and action, o pledge to the National Government-a te now do the earnest and devout prayers f, us all, that its efforts may be so guided y wisdom, and replenished with strength, hat they may be crowned with speedy and complete success, to the glory of God, and he restoration of our beloved Union.

Resolved. That if, in the judgment of the ishops, any other forms of occasional prayer than those already set forth, shall be deemed desirable and appropriate - whether for our Convention, our Church. or our Country

for our rulers or our defenders, or for the sick, and wounded, and dving of our army receive them, and fervently use them. Resolved, That a certified copy of the foregoing report and, resolutions be transmitted to the House of Bishops, in evi dence of the views and feelings of this body n, reference to the afflicting condition of our Church and of our country. man to ods

WILLIAM COOPER MEAE. stuck out ED. Y. HIGBEE, JU 16W interne') in W. D. WILSON, same lait SILAS TOTTEN. ent le eer S. G. THRALL, ST HI MENT anendment ROBERT C. WINTHBOP, - 10 V (3200 WASBINGTON HUNT, JOHN Y. CONYNGHAM,

CHARLES P. GODDARD. New- York," Oct. 9, 1862. nlequ Bishop MCILVAINE's concluding address was still more patriotic. or Hat1

SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH ON THE STATE OF THE COUNTRY-DAY FOR HUMILIATION AND PRAYER. -conseigtb.

The chastising hand of God is upon our nation. A rebellion, most extensive and public sentiment as being fully indicated. powerful, exists. War, terrible war, spreads Possibly the South may yield, but this is abroad destruction and slaughter. God not probable. In the North there are yet frowns upon the land. God is angry with nine States to hold their elections. Conthe people. III .* second

And there is cause for God's anger. God is never angry without cause, nor beyond ners-sinful exceedingly. But a great and special chastisement may indicate some special and malignant sin." The people of JEFFERSON COLLEGE-RESIGNATION OF DR. Israel were all sinners, but it was the sin of Achan which brought the discomfitures

efore Ai. Jonah sinned in many things

country, that God would grant them repentance, and forgiveness, and a peaceful

5. Resolved, That this Synod deeply deplores the situation of the oppressed in our land, and especially that of the four millions of the African race who are held by State laws under a cruel and degrading the rights of men and Christians; especially to family rights, religious rights, the right of mental improvement, and a right to an adequate compensation in return for honest industry; and that we hope for the

speedy coming of the day when they shall be enlightened, free, and happy, to the common benefit of themselves, and our whole country.

6. Resolved, That the Stated Clerk be directed to forward to President LINCOLN, a copy of the first resolution of this series. 7. Resolved, That in case no day of humiliation and prayer shall be appointed by the President, then this Synod appoints, the day above named, for the purposes specified, and at He en ab any new

EASTERN SUMMARY.

NEW-ENGLAND. THE PORTLAND, MIRBOR notices and interesting sword presentation from the Sabbath School of State St. church, to Capt Savage, its late Superintendent. Patriotism is a Heaven-sanctioned sentiment, and the young of the Church may, well be en: calls, to evince it boldly. Dorive sales mAr Mosta Touching, Scene, was lately witnessed at High street church, Portland. Mr. Edward B. Eurbish, a graduate of Yale

College, and a member of Andover, Semi-nany, had been myried by his early friend; Col. Fessenden (son of, Senator F.,) of the 25th Regiment, M. V., to become, their, chaplain, Ordination being necessary, under the regulations, it was decided to have the council meet in the morning in the lecture, room, where, the young, candidate had commenced his theological studies in the Sabbath School, and the public servithe sanctuary, above where his first vows, of consecration had been made. ... The council were deeply interested in the examination, and hoped much from a spirit so earnest and yet so tender, and humble, when brought into contact with a thousand young men, hundreds of whom were his townsmen. In the afternoon, the, bulk of the regiment marched into, the city from

Camp Lincoln, and, with the staff officers utmost capacity areas one I bie need THE FOLLOWING extract from Governor

pel, and as females were the topic of consideration, he may have thought it right to termination to the word.

HENRY WARD BEECHER'S series of recent contributions to the Ledger have just Boston, in a duodecimo volume, under the title, "Eyes and Ears." It comprises one hundred and three essays on the most diportion of the human family, entitled to verse topics, including the tamous "Dog view the immediate future as unsettled and extensively copied.

GENEBAL JOHN H. GAGE, of Franklin, New-Hampshire, while on a hunting excursion on Tuesday, shot himself accidentally in the face. The wound is supposed to be mortal.

THE PORTLAND COMPANY have been shipping to Boston, during the past week, quite a large lot of shells designed for the 11 inch cannon they are engaged in casting for Government. These shells are 38 inches in circumference, and weigh, before filled, 129 pounds.

NEW-YORK.

AN EXCHANGE says of the Fulton Street prayer-meeting : "It is now in the full tide of its sixth year of prosperity, the intensity of interest being nearly as strong as ever. The room is crowded from day t day, and the impression upon minds is that there is a peculiar influence felt here which can be resolved into nothing else than an influence from on high." of on motors THE GENERAL CONVENTION of the

Episcopal Church adjourned last week. Much interest was felt in the fate of the couraged to cherish it, and, when duty report of the Special Committee of nine, in the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. We are glad to learn that, after a protracted

and obstinate debate in the Convention the patriotic resolutions reported by the Committee, were adopted by a majority of over. two-thirds; 13 clerical and 11 lay votes. having been cast in the affirmative, and a clerical and 4 lay, in the negative. The Pastoral Letter addressed to the churches by the Bishops, breathes forth a ces, in the presence of his future flock, in lutions adopted by the General Convents Standard says that in a meeting Rev. Dr. ition. and all sure of anex guillind or dud THE FRIENDS OF THE SABBATH will be gratified with the disposition manifested by the German emigrants of New-York, 1'to" conform to the laws of our country on the New-York Observer remarks:

in front, nearly filled the spacious church, sures us that there is a marked change in which was immediately after packed, to its the views and habits of his emigrant coudtrymen on the Sabbath question. The reaction was quite general from the lawless

Holbrook's annual message to the legislature of Vermont, must cheer and inspire anew with patriotic ardor every friend of read, and pondered over, and acted on, by resorting the the alexandre the the state of Dr West says : but it was his disobedience relative to Nin-"Grave and weighty responsibilities rest evah which caused him to be cast into the upon us in this great crises. Let us show! ourselves equal to our duties. Whatever sea, The Egyptians were idolaters, and we have to do, let us do it with one heart its diatribes against the Sabbath and those plan and specifications are prepared, the and one mind, Howeyer humble, we are who revere and defend it." a part of the American Union, and have a vital interest (in, its preservation. It is a writing to the Independent, mentions an Union consecrated to freedom, and it falls to our lot and that of our generation to prove the ability of freemen to defend and the soldiers in the hospital on David's ernment has been so eminently manifested preserve their birthright of Our institutions Islands He says the surface another will surely give her sick, and wounded a are passing through a baptism of blood Anumber of hopeful conversions have They must and will be maintained, at what taken place; and at a prayer-meeting, held ever sacrifice; and in the momentous issue on Monday evening last, at which about four which is upon us, neither temporary re hundred men were present, in response verses will discourage, nor partial successes to an invitation given to those who wished unduly elate us. In Relying upon the incon- an especial interest in the prayers of Christrovertible justice of our cause, the bravery, tians, at the close of the meeting appar patriotism and intelligence, of the soldiers ently every man present rose. of the Union, the unconquerable deter-A genuine work of grace may, or may mination; and the spirit of American libnot, be here indicated. God's Spirit can, erty, actuating the loyal people of the coun-try, we may confidently look forward to and however, accomplish wonders: patiently await the time when our beloved WE QUOTE FROM a letter of Rev. Dr. E. Republic, under the providence of God. C. Wines the following notice of the conshall be recstablished in unity and power victs' prayer-meeting in Sing-Sing prison : and afford a triumphant vindication of the The meeting is regarded as an expericapacity of a free people to govern themment, and none are permitted to attend but appen to know that even the periods apples THE CONTRIBUTIONS of the Boston those who have completed their work for the day..... The meeting last Monday was Congregationalist churches for Home Mis- the third of the kind that had been held sions, this, year, speak well for their inter- | So far; every thing has gone satisfactorily. est in this important object. The list is as Rarely, if ever, have I attended a religious follows: Old South church wand Society; service more solemn, interesting, or touching. Some thirty or more convicts gathered \$900'; Park street, \$471; Essex street, in the chapel, and spent an hour together \$1,004; Mt. Vernon, \$600; Winter street, in prayer, and religious conference. The \$248 : Shawmut, \$245 ; Bowdoin, \$371 ; Chaplain presided, and took a general oversight and direction of the meeting. But Salem street, \$37; Berkley street, \$41; the prayers and addresses were made by Springfield street, \$50; Phillips Tchurch, the prisoners themselves; and, considering South Boston, \$208; Maverick church, the character and culture, or rather the want, of culture, of the persons offering East Boston, \$46. Total, \$4,221. them, they were quite remarkable. Prob-IT IS GRATIFYING to note the zealsmanably a half-dozen short prayers were ofifested by Christian philanthropists in profered, and as many brief addresses made. widing for the spiritual as well as the bodily interspersed with the singing of hymns. some gave evidence of deep emotion. Sevan exchange the following in regard to the eral mentioned; that their attention had Deaf Mute service in Boston : been but recently turned to the subject of "The Boston Deaf Mute Christian personal religion. A marked peculiarity of Association having leased a hall for the prayers was, that in almost every inreligious worship, at 221 Washington Street, room 14, held their first public stance, confession, was made in the first person singular. 11 One convict; who was not able to attend, sent in a request for the prayers of his fellow prisoners. It is immorning and afternoon, two earnest and possible, of course, for man to read the vstirring sermons, to a good and deeply inheart; but the whole tone and spirit of the terested andience. Through the aid they have received from the public, the deaf meeting were significant/ of sincerity in those who took part in it ... The hour spent mutes have been able to make arrangements in the "".convicts", prayer, meeting,", was United States be requested to appoint the ofor services each Sabbath, which will, for truly one of the most intense interest, and First Thursday in November, or some oth- othe remainder of the year, be conducted by has left, a record upon the memory which nothing can efface. I hat boredu "York Deaf and Dumb Institutions." "GIVE THIS TO MOTHER MALA Writer

Christians to pray for the enemies of the less thinking of the centurion of the Gos- was 1,027,000 pounds of navy bread furcost of about \$55,000. To do this business in a more economical way, the Departgive a *feminine* rather than a masculine ment at Washington is about to erect, in the Yard at Brooklyn, an immense bakery, at an expense of \$225,000.

THE EXPANSION in loans and net depos been published by Ticknor & Fields, of its by the New-York City banks has reached a point which creates uneasiness and approhension in the minds of our and experienced merchants, and the fact that they Noble" story, and others which have been liable to a collapse at any day, must necessarily exercise a wholesome check on the tide of speculation, which is rolling in upon the community from the immense paper expansion of the currency by the banks and Government.

The rates for call loans range from 5 to 7 per cent;; according to the standing of the borrower and the class of collaterals offered. Gold fluctuated from 1271 to 133 during the week, and closed on Wednesday at 1321. The old demand notes also ranged irregularly from 122 to 1291, and on Wednesday they closed at 127 1 bid. Foreign exchange sympathized with the changes of gold, and ranged from 140 to 146³.

The produce trade has been active, arising from a large foreign demand for xport

The chief topics discussed in financial circles are the enormous premium on gold and the rates of foreign exchange, with the robable chance of a change in the finanial policy of the Government, leading to a eturn to the specie standard for currency. The exports of produce for the week ending October -21st, were the largest in mount ever shipped from the port of New-York : the following is a statement of the fficial figures : For the week, \$5,077,436; previously reported,"\$113,962,601; since January 1st; \$119,040,037." While our xports of produce are thus increasing, the imports have declined.

PHILADELPHIA.

WE LEARN that "the" Business Men's Prayer Meeting, in the Sansom Street church is still kept up, with comparatively unabated interestant sweetland m

THE WEEKLY PRAYEP. MEETING of the Presbyterian churches in this city, continues to be observed, and we trust with great spirit of even more lofty and devoted pa- benefit to all concerned, as well as to the triotism than is characteristic of the reso- Church in general. The Presbyterian Jones remarked that a short time since. when a call was made for 600,000 more troops, he met an Israelite in the street, a loyal man, having several sons in the army. who said to him that he thought our nation observance of the day of sacred rest. The, would be benefited by reading carefully the history of God's ancient people-that we At well-informed German lawyers as-? are relying too much on ourselves, and that only when we feel our dependence upon

God, and return penitently to him, may we expectathe restoration of his favor." REV. NATHANIEL WEST. D.D., chaplain

policy of the Sunday theatre proprietors; and, when the opinion of the Supreme of the West, Philadelphia Army Hospital, Court, was declared, sustaining fully the has issued an appeal in behalf of the conconstitutionality of our Sunday laws, the struction of a hospital chapel. The cost of the American Union: alt deserves to be great body of law abiding Germans ac such a building he estimates at \$1,500.

resorting, to the play-house and the beer- "All in anthority, the general commandarden for Sunday diversion. has given way

that body of our fraternal affection and interest, and to propose to it a yearly inter change of kind expressions by letter.

The New-York Evangelist, the leading paper of the New-School, rejects this with much indignation, and predicts that it will be repelled and reproved by the body.

PRESBYTERY OF OHIO.

The Presbytery of Ohio held several brief sessions, last week, during intervals of sessions of Synod.

Rev. WILLIAM G. TAYLOB was received from the Presbytery of Allegheny. He accepted a call from the congregation at Mt. Carmel, and is to be installed on Monday, November 17th.

Rev. S. G. DUNLAP was received from the Presbytery of Baltimore. He accepted a call from Monongahela City, and is to be installed at such time as may be found convenient.

A call was presented for Mr. LEVI. RISHER, a licentiate of this Presbytery, by the congregation of Montours. He is to be ordained and installed on Tuesday, November 11th.

Mr. DAVID THOMPSON, another licentiate of Obio Presbytery, having offered himself as a missionary to Japan, and being accepted by our Foreign Board, asked for ordination. The request was cheerfully granted. The ordination took place on Thursday evening, in the presence of the Synod. Rev. Dr. MARSHALL preached the sermon. Rev. Dr. JENNINGS presided, put the constitutional questions, led in the ordaining prayer, and gave the charge. The occasion was one of much solemnity, and of deep interest to the assembled Synod, and to a large congregation.

PATBIOTISM OF NEW BRUNSWICK PRESBY-TERY.

Patriotism among our ministers and elders is not so scarce and hidden that resolutions in Church courts are needed to bring it to the light. But still, it is well known that "out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh ;" and that a very strong feeling will always and often find utterance. Hence it is but natural that a Presbytery which embraces such historical places as New Brunswick, Trenton, Monmouth, and Princeton, and in which are located our oldest Theological Seminary and the venerable College of New Jersey should give a strongly patriotic, utterance This was done at the late meeting, on the occasion of noting the action of the General Assembly of May last, on the state of the country. President MACLEAN presented a paper which was adopted and ordered to the published by The following is one of the paragraphs :

"In view of the present condition of our Church, and the relation of brethren in different parts of our country, caused by the existing rebellion spainst the National Government, the members of this Presbytery deem it their solemn duty to declare tery uccur their full conviction that all en gaged in upholding this rebellion are guil of a crime against God and his Church, and that it is the bounden duty of all memand that it is the bounden usey of all mem-bers of our Church, as officens of the com-monwealth, to relider allegiance to the law-fully constituted authorities of our country and to give all the aid in their power for the suppression of the rebellion.

state of the country is as follows: is due to talents, industry, and enthusiasm Upon the State of the Country, Synod "re-affirming her attachment to our Federal in one's calling Government, and that it is the imperative Jefferson College has met with a great loss,

duty of all our people to maintain the but not a loss irreparable. We have already same," and holding that " the united heard mentioned the name of a well known prayers of God's people might be prevalent with the Most High to remove from our and highly esteemed clergyman, as likely beloved dand and nation the chastening to be invited to occupy the vacant chair; hand with which he is so severely afflicting and we hope soon to hear of areall and an us : thereforemention and burgers acceptance. Jefferson must be sustained?

" Resolved 1. That the Synod of Wheel We cling to our Alma Mater." The reing do respectfully but earnestly ask His Excellency, the President of these United tiring of a beloved son, some time ago, and of a cherished friend now does not recall States, to appoint a day of humiliation, fasting and prayer, to be observed by all our affection. The College is a handmaid the people of this land, in view of the disto religion; a blessing to the land. An tracted state of our country is "Resolved 2. That if EisExcellency, the orthodox Church, and an intelligent public

will know how to appreciate this oldest, and President, should fail to appoint said day, most extensively useful of Western Colthen the Synod do appoint the first Thursleges the most clother of honorhymotic day of December next, as a day of humiliation; fasting and prayer within our THE EPISCOPAL CONVENION: ON THE STATE bounds; on which our people be recommended to meet in their respective church-OF THE COUNTRY. " A more than

es and confess their individual and national sins, and pray to Almighty God in behalf of our beloved and bleeding country-its government, its army and navy, and its people-that armed rebellion may be over-thrown and cease, and that the constitutional authority of the Government may be vindicated, and that we may obtain a speedy, honorable, and permanent peace."

THE PROCLAMATION OF OCTOBER 22D.

The purpose of the President, in conducting military operations against the enemy, to declare freedom to all slaves in the rebellious portions of the country, was vention, that, assembling as we have been issued more than three months before it called to do, at a period of great national was to be put in execution. Two things meet and proper that we should have called were intended by this; one was, to give to mind, distinctly and publicly, that the the South time to deliberate, to become Protestant Episcopal Church of the United obedient to the laws, and avoid the event; the other was, to ascertain the mind of the people of the North, whether they wished fessors of the Gospel to pay respectful obenected with the great event, and their indications may well be noted.

And 1st. there are no symptoms of yielding on the part of the South. The leaders there know that they have forfeited not only a right to their slaves, but also all right to life. To protract the war, even parts of its prescribed ritual." against hope of success, is, in them, wise. They thereby defer the execution of that which is due to conspirators and rebels. But the people manifest a great degree of alarm. It is evidently the most dreaded the commencement of the war. They fear which have arrayed themselves in open and 1. 4. Resolved, That it is also the duty of

otherwise fearfully wicked, but it was their, oppressing the people of Israel, and their retaining that people too long in bondade: which brought upon them repeated and devastating plagues, even to the destruction of every first born in the entire land. What then is the sin of our nation? We have no prophet of the Lord to tell us. But still we may learn. God's Word gives us principles; and his, providences direct ns to facts. Is then oppression our sin? Is slavery the great national wickedness, for which God is punishing us? Slavery is certainly the great agitating questionin the North ; in the South ; at the centre n the Cabinet; in Congress; in politics; we wish for him the eminent success which in the Church. Providence points to it as a cause, if not the cause, of the war, and hence the cause of the calamities which he in-

flicts. Is it not so it are not a start in the start in the start in the start in the start is t we ameliorate the condition of the slaves; ir emancipate them gradually; or at once et the people go? Politicians claim this as their question. We say, No. It is the people's question. It is a question of duty to Gody and duty to man; and we cannot turn the people over entirely to politicians. in such a case. We also have our part to perform We must study and apply God's Word ; we must note and interpret, God's providences; and we must seek for the influences of God's Spirit, that he may enlighten men's understandings and affect their hearts. We must call to repentance,

and direct to reformation. and have "It

The hearts of men are in God's hands. He can turn them-turn us-turn our en-In the late General Convention of the emies-give wisdom to our rulers-bless Episcopal Church, which sat in New-York, our armies, bless all means and bring about there was much opposition made to the utterance of any sentiment on the state of the results. OHe can heal our dissentions, stillcountry. The professed objection was, that ing the tumults of the people the can that was an ecclesiastical body, and must make us of one mind. He can give us a righteous and blissful peace. And for all not speak of civil affairs. Patriotism, how- righteous and blissful peace. And for all meeting, on a recent Sabbath. Professor ever, prevailed., Thefollowing resolutions, these things he will be inquired of by the David E. Bartlett, of Hartford, preached, were adopted, by the vote noted in iour people, to do them for them. To this end,

and as a definite declaration of sentiment. Summary: and the example tradesar with Synod adopts the following resolutions, viz. 1. Resolved, That the President of the Resolved, By the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of this stated triennial Coner suitable day, as a day of National Ku- Professors from the Hartford and Newmiliation and confession of sin, and a season of earnest prayer to God, that, his angerjutoward us may neese; that he will States hath ever held and taught, in the language of one of its articles of religion, spare the nation, and that he will direct that "it is the duty of all men who are proour counsels," and will bless our arms, to for such a measure. Both these thoughts dience to the civil authority, regularly and the suppression of the existing rebellion, were wise and important. Both are con-legitimately constituted, and hath ac-land to the restoration of law, order, and cordingly incorporated into its liturgy " a peace, throughout the land ; to the glory prayer for the President of the United of his name and the happiness of the States, and all in civil authority," and "a whole people. and the happiness of the prayer for the Congress of the United whole people.

2. Resolved, That this Synod cordially, States, to be used during their session ;" approves of the action of the last General and hath bound all orders of its ministry to the faithful and constant observance, in Assembly on the state of the country. letter and in spirit, of these and all other 3. Resolved That it is the duty of Chris-Resolved, That we cannot be wholly blind rtians to sustain the Government in the to the course which has been pursued, in present time of trial-to pay their taxes their ecclesiastical as well as in their civil honestly and promptly, to give, their perrelations, since this Convention last met in sonal services cheerfully, and to pray daily

bers of the ministers and members of this for their rulers and for their country's arblow which has been aimed at them since Church, within certain States of our Union, mies. " To pruthin deab at

EXERCISES of as very interesting; nature ook place ton the evening of the 16th, at . hei Bunker Hill Baptist church, Charleson apprevious to the departure of Rev. George Constantine and lady, of Greece, issionaries elect for the American Board Gommissioners for, Foreign Missions. Mr. Constantine is a native Greek, but has been educated in this country.

AN EXCHANCE has the following in and "The hundredth birthday of Mrs. East and a noble spirit passed into a world free nan, of Salisbury, N. H., was celebrated from care and pain. He was of the 10th ast Spring. Another lady in the village, New-York Volunteers. National New-York Volunteers, National Zouaves. Mrs. Fellows, is now a centurian, and the wo propose to spend Thanksgiving day to-brave soldier, named Ferguson, who re-ceived this trust has returned to his home, 'Mrs. Fellows, is now a centurian, and the

Our contemporary will caused in adverting to may. The little picture hangs in the win-talicizing "centurian," and adverting to dow of No. 945 Broadway, under the above inscription. Oh, what a depth of tender-

of the New-York Post tells the following

weeks ago, with a gasp and a moan, were

these words whispered from the white lips of

an heroic soldier as he drew from his bosom a

locket, and passed the revered memento

ng, the medical director. to the American usage of seeking such | ters, the surgeon in charge the chaplains pleasures, on the other evenings of the and all concerned, heartily concur week. The German press, too, has ceased project of erecting a hospital chapel. site is selected, and nothing but money A BAPTIST CLERGYMAN of Brooklyn, writing to the Independent, mentions an intering to the Independent in the second second second second whose devotion to the army has been so interesting state of religious feeling among largely proved, whose loyalty to the Gov-

'house for God,' that it may prove 'the gate of heaven to their souls.' Nothing can be done, however, until the sum re-quired is secured. "I'll the sum re-guit is an even and the sum re-

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LAST JUNE the filong pending Girard law-suit was decided in the Court of Schuylkill County .- The plaintiffs in an action of ejectment against the city were fifteen of Girard's Heirsen The matter fin dispute was 14,000 sucres 10 coak lands, 106 immense value, sidur ed in Schnylkill County. The verdict was for the heirs of The City Solicitor of Linladelphia has takent agwrit of error to the Supreme Court, where, in the last, results the case will be again tried in next February, and the final decision pronounced. The :14,000 acres i of coal lands have been leased by the city in such a way that, should the result be favorable to the public, \$200,000 annually will accrue from them, by the year; 1863. Instheydistrict where the property dies, a dittle city is being erected for the boccupancy of the miners; and, it is supposed that five or six thousand of these will eventually inhabit it.

ECOLESIASTICAL.

Rev. J., B. STEWART; of Oincinnati, Ohio, has accepted a call to the North Presbyterian church; Chicago; and will immediately enter upon his labors there.

Mr. HENRY WOODS, late of the Western Theological Seminary, was ordained by the Presbytery of Steubenville, on the 22d Tinston and installed in the First Presbyterian church of that place. Rev. Drs. Jacobus and Beatty, and Mr. A. M. Reid, conducted the services of the occasion es tos est vas tos generation and and se final and se first and se first and se first and and se fi

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statainin Church of Mansfield. Supplies for the church of Mansfield in e absence of their pastor, as Chaplain of heil39th Regiment of Par Volunteers: First Sabbath of Nov., udlr. McKaig. Second doing a doi hMr.uHazlett. Founthardd. araw lidorse Mr. Leal. a First duidoging Dec. in Mr. Hunter-Third; o'do: suoite do:geDr. Marshall. Firsti ado.bolla Jan., 180 Mr. Jno. Ewing. Third indoial oll douisDr.oMcKinney. First biedone to FebhonMrosRisher. Third to do.d.ong . dond dir McCartney. touching incident: 31 tor at sid: 718 i. On, the bloody field of Manassas, a fewi

Firstel edo. aum March, Dr. Jennings. Thirdot (do.b. 1990do:sv Mr. Braddock. Fifth? odo: sit 1/do. atMr. B.M. Kerr. If any of the persons named above, wish to change their day, they can confer with the Session. Main usu rolling since

into the hands of a comrade near in Those loving lips never moved again to tell his And Accession - Rev. Dr. CaBe Davidson, name or home ; instantly he fell back dead; who is reported, min sanother column, as having been received from the Methodist Episcopal Church, by the Presbytery of New Albanyinis Asson of the late Rev. Andrew Bi Davidson, of Lexington, Va., an houored) and Bseful minister (of our Church in Dr. D. has been for many years and fulfils the sacred legacy as best he a popular and successful preacher in the M. E. Church, having occupied some of the inseription." Oh, what a depth of tender has recently filled the pulpit of the Union inseription which the best of papers cannot be this to mother will have few words. And by Methodist chapel in this city. We have this to mother will be and the birth and the birth and be and be and the birth and be and be and the birth and be and best pulpits in that denomination. He rom which the best of papers cannot be this to mother it a stand of stand of stand of stand of the month of September there ship. Presbyteri stand of fellow-