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### Proceedings of the Synod of Pittsburgh.

PITTSBURGH, October 21st, 1862. The Synod of Pittsburgh met, and was opened with a sermon by the Rev. George Hill, Moderator, from Luke vili: 25-" And he said unto them, Where is your faith ?" After sermon, the Synod was constituted by

o'clock.

Member.

prayer by the Moderator.

PRESENT.
OF REDSTONE.
Elders.
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Benj. Junkin, Culbertson Orr, Charles P. Cummins, John Wray, Joseph Mateer, J. Ritchie. John McKean, S. B. Kerr. J. H. M'Clelland. James S. Elder, John H. Sherrard H. K. Hennigh. PRESEVERY OF SALTSBURG. William Colledge, Alex. Donaldson, D.D. Samuel Thompson, Samuel Stuchell, John Carothers, James Rodgers, Joseph Thompson, John Stark, W. W. Woodend W. Johnston, Andrew Kimmel. Andrew McElwain,

W. M. Irwin, Franklin Orr, T. B. Camp, W. M. Morgan, G. W. Mechlin, Labana Townsend



# VOL. XI., NO. 8.

#### The Committee on Devotional Exercises re- the line between the Presbyteries of Redstone port: Having learned that the Presbytery of Ohio desires to occupy this evening in ordaining a young licentiate, under appointment of our young licentiate, under appointment of our Turtle Creek, by the said creek to the Mononga-Foreign Board as a Missionary to Japan, we hela river, thence by river to the line of the recommend that the Synod assent to this ar-rangement, and unite with the Presbytery in Ohio Presbytery.

nese ordination exercises this evening, at  $7\frac{1}{2}$ The other portion of the Memorial, viz., the organization of a church at Irwin's Station, was, On motion, Mr. Wilson was heard in a stateon motion, referred to a committee to report ment in reference to the Presbyterian Almanac. thereon, viz. : Ministers, Alexander Donaldson, Rev. William A. Fleming, of the Synod of Il-W. Hunter, J. Y. McCartney; and Elders, W. linois, was invited to sit as a Corresponding McDaniel and J. B. Finlay.

The following Committee was appointed to report on the subject of Dr. Chester's address, viz.: nod of Wheeling; and Rev. A. Williams, D.D., Ministers-A, O. Patterson, G. Marshall, J. M. Hastings, Jos. Mateer, A. McElwain. . Elderswere invited to sit as Corresponding Members. N. Ewing, M. B. Brown, Dr. C. Sheridan. The Committee on the Boards of the Church, Rev. D. D. Christy, of the Presbytery of as presented in the address of Dr. Chester, re-Saltsburg, gave reasons for late attendance, ported. The report was accepted; and while which were sustained. under discussion on motion for adoption, the Presbyterial Statistical Reports were prehour for devotional exercises arrived, and the

sented by the Presbyteries of Redstone, Ohio, Synod engaged in this service till the close of the Blairsville, Clarion, and Saltsburg, which were session Synod then adjourned till to-morrow morning read.

The Records of the Presbyteries of Redstone. at 9 o'clock. Ohio, Blairsville, and Saltsburg; were presented, Concluded with prayer. and placed in the hands of the Committees for

examination. A collection of twenty-five cents from each member was taken up for the Contingent Fund of Synod.

Rev. J. H. Flanegan appeared, and gave reaions for late attendance. which were sustained. legheny, was invited to sit as a Corresponding ders M. Munson, R. C. McLean, and Dr. J. Rev D. A. Cunningham, of the Synod of Al-Edgar. Member.

Rev. James M. Smith, and elder Jas. Lafferty, of the Presbytery of Ohio, gave reasons for late meeting. attendance, which were sustained. The report was accepted. The Board of Colportage presented their an-The unfinished business was resumed, and the

nual report, which was accepted, and committed report was adopted, and is as follows. viz. : to ministers W. Hughes and D. Harbison, and Elder J. Semple, M. D. into consideration the claims of the different Boards of the Church, as presented in an address by the Rev. Dr. Chester, Secretary of the Board The Committee on the Narrative of the State

of Religion, reported. The report was accepted and adopted, as follows, viz. :

## NARBATIVE.

of the Lord's day, by unnecessary parade drill

and marches which, may we not justly fear, dis-pleases the Lord of the Sabbath day? Our For-

eign population, who have so nobly rushed to the battle field, might law us under additional

obligation, if they, with us, would remember the

harmony in lengthening our cords, strengthen-ing our stakes, and in preparation for dark days

f trial, which may speedily descend upon us.

nave been feared. 🕤

and will not tarry.

nce, which were sustained.

Synod then adjourned.

Concluded with prayer.

entered on the Roll of Synod.

sit as Corresponding Members.

ance, which were sustained.

you all. Amen.

nember.

ffered

Our Theological Seminary continues to pour

Sabbath Schools and Bible Classes have been

though you could do nothing. ' Be thankful for

one loving smile from the Master. The night is

WEDNESADAY AFTERNOON-2 o'clock.

Synod met, and was opened with prayer.

The minutes of the last session were read.

The Rev. W. G. Taylor, and Rev. S. J. Dun-

ap, were reported as received into the Presby-

tery of Ohio, and on motion, their names were

The Rev. A. W. McClure, D.D, of the Dutch

burg, appeared and gave reasons for late attend-

battle field, might lay us under additional

Beloved Brethren :---We deeply lament that no special ditpouring of the Holy Spirit has been vouchsafed to any part of our territory during of all our churches to save our Boards from serithe past year. As a consequence, the move-ments of the outward machinery have been heavy ous embarrassment; therefore, Resolved, 1st That it be enjoined by the Synod and slow. Contributions to benevolent objects upon the Presbyteries at their Spring meetings, have rather decreased. Where they have in- to call upon each church through their represent

creased, their streams have been poured (prin-tatives, to report what has been doine by said cipally to our army,) through other channels church for the five Boards of the Church, and than our own Boards; thus they do not come so Fund for Disabled Ministers; and if nothing has specifically under our own notice. Many of been done by said church, to give the specific our bravest and best have left us at the Coun- reason therefor; and if no sufficient reason can wicked and formidable rebellions which ever ex-

isted. The tie which binds us to the absent Resolved, 2d. That each' Presbytery appoint ones, is by no means weakened, but their pres-ence is sadly missed from the house of God, the be to superintend this whole matter, (in accordprayer-meeting, and the family altar. Let our churches offer special prayer to God for his by of 1861; see page 349;) and in case any blessing upon the cause for which they peril church be not represented, to write to said, church, and ascertain the cause of said delintheir lives.

their lives. Through Regimental Chaplains and other ap-proved means, our Board of Publication disposed of nearly all the contributions of last year, to of nearly all the contributions of last year, to the strangement adopted by the Assembly, (in Min-the strangement adopted by the Assembly, (in Min-H. K. Hennigh, J. Stoneroad, W. Crawford, Wm. H. K. Hennigh, J. Stoneroad, W. Crawford, Wm. H. K. Hennigh, J. Stoneroad, W. Crawford, Wm. Resolved, 4th. That the Synod, at its annual own sons are found. Our publications have been meetings, will inquire into the action of the thankfully received. and warm expressions of Presbyteries on this subject; and in case of negratitude returned for the gift of love. The cause of Temperance languishes; while gleet, will require the reasons of such neglect. its enemies are lively, and they are strong and skillful to catch the unwary. Our church mem-Resolved, 5th. That the Synod recommend to the Presbyteries, great care in the reception of bers are mostly free from the habitual use of in- | candidates under their care, and a more diligent | and gave reasons for late attendance, which were toxicating drinks themselves, but we would see | and careful supervision of them after their re- | sustained. them more earnest in saving the fallen, and ception. warning youth to touch not, taste not, handle The Committee on the Records of the Presbytery of Redstone, Ohio, Blairsville, and Salts-Sabbath Breaking in the community is fear-fully on the increase, while many of our beloved sons are compelled to cooperate in the violation burg, reported. The reports were accepted, and the records approved.

The following Protest against the decision of Synod on the subject of the Memorial from Blairsville Presbytery was read, and, on mo-

tion, admitted to be entered on the Minutes: The undersigned respectfully protest against the action of Synod in the adoption of the re-port of the Committee on the organization of a hurch at Irwin's Station, and assign the following reasons:

McDaniel and J. B. Finlay. Rev. W. H. Andrews and Dr. S. Finlay, of the U. P. Church; Rev. W. M. Robinson, of the Sy-Run, within one-fourth of a mile of the division and Rev. W. Annan, of the Synod of Allegheny, of Long Run, which we regard as highly irregnlar. 2. Because the organization of a church at

said place, owing to its proximity, will necessa-rily cripple the church of Long Run, deprive it of a pastor, and ultimately lead to its destruc---3. Because when in 1880 the Synod fixed the

boundary line between the two Presbyteries, it was left "optional with those ministers through" whose charges the line ran, to make choice of the Presbytery to which they would belong," [we quote the language of Synod,] and the church of Long Run made choice of the Presbytery of Redstone.

Kedstone.
4. Because if it were at any time expedient to organize a oburch at Irwin's Station, the present is an unsuitable time, inasmuch as the church of Long Run is unhappily in a distracted state, of which the December of Plainer. that they have given leave to Rev. Messrs. C. V. which the Presbytery of Blairsville ought to

McKaig, J. Branch, J. B. McKee, L. Y. Graham, W. W. Campbell, and D. W. Townsend; and El-oridence that of the signers of the petition for the new organization, a large proportion are connected with other denominations, and we believe have no intention to unite with a Presbyte They have also received satisfactory reasons from the Rev. H. W. Biggs, for absence from this rian church, but simply desire to weaken the church of Long Run, that they may strengthen themselves at its expense. A. O. PATTERSON, A. C. BYERS,

ANDREW CHRISTY, A. G. FAIRCHILD, MOSES B. PORTER, SAMUEL WILSON, EBENEZER CALDWELL, J. STONEBOAD. R. M. WALLACE, WM. PARKHILL, JR. J. R. HUGHES. R. F. WILSON W. W. WOODEND.

The following Committee was appointed to answer the Protest, viz.: Dr. McFerran, J. M. Hastings, and elder J. Sloan. Rev. S. F. Grier, of the Synod of Wheeling,

ras invited to sit as a Corresponding Member. On motion, the order to adjourn at 5 o'clock was suspended, and Synod took a recess till 71 clock this evening.

After recess, Synod met and spent a season in rayer, praise, and conference. Synod then adjourned till to-morrow merning, t 9 o'clock. a deastaid

Concluded with prayer. FRIDAY MORNING, 9 0'clock.

Synod met, and was opened with prayer. The Minutes of the last session were read. The Committee on Leave of Absence report that they have given leave to the following mem-bers, viz.: Dr. Marshall, C. C. Cumming, S. Wil-son, M. Shirley, J. L. Lewis, A. Christy, J. Elder, W. Hunter, James Richards, M. Jones, A. Bebiacon, Dr. J. Markle, J. P. Kennedy, B. Junkin, B. O. Junkin,

The report was accepted.

The Rev. R. M. Wallace and Elder Wm. Park-

hill, of the Presbytery of Redstone, appeared

ed at the last meeting of Synod to further the

effort to endow the Fourth Professorship, were

That in the judgment of this Synod, the en-dowment of the Fourth Professorship of the

Western Theological Seminary ought to be com-

That the Synod deeply regret that there is a de-

That in order to accomplish this work during

the year if possible, the pastors and elders of those

churches which have not contributed, be earn-

estly urged to secure the presentation of this im-

portant cause to their people during the current year, and as early as possible.

That the several committees having this mat-

ter in charge within their respective Presbyteries

be continued; and that they be urged so to ar

range as to see that the cause be presented by some means to each of the churches which have

not coöperated as yet, and that this he done

promptly, so as to report finally at the next

The Committee on the State of the Country

The chastising hand of God is upon our

And there is cause for God's anger. God

is never angry without cause, nor beyond

reason. Why is he angry? We are sin-

ners-sinful exceedingly. But a great and

special chastisement may indicate some

special and malignant sin. The people of

Israel were all sinners, but it was the sin

of Achan which brought the discomfitures

before Ai. Jonah sinned in many things,

but it was his disobedience relative to Nin-

evah which caused him to be cast into the

sea. The Egyptians were idolaters, and

otherwise fearfully wicked, but it was their

oppressing the people of Israel, and their

retaining that people too long in bondage,

which brought upon them repeated and

devastating plagues, even to the destruc-

tion of every first born in the entire land.

reported. The report was accepted, amended,

pleted, at the earliest practicable moment.

ficit of \$2,000 in the quota of this Synod.

S. J. Dunlap, J. Kiddoo.

# WHOLE NO. 528

## EUROPEAN CORBESPONDENCE.

Mr. Gladstone's Speech Analysed-The American Conflict — What is said about the South "made a nation"—What the Press says about results. He can heal our dissentions, still-President Lincoln's Proclamation-Visits to Ca-thedrals-Gloucester, Hereford, and Worcestering the tumults of the people. He can make us of one mind. He can give us a A Musical Companion—An "intoned" morning Service—Fat Canons and fat Capons—Contrasts righteous and blissful peace. And for all Service—Fait Cultures and Pastors—An Unlikely Sto-ry About a Heretic Bishop—Worcester, and Crom-well's "Crowning Mercy"—His Dispatch after Battle—Cromwell's Female Relatives. these things he will be inquired of by the people, to do them for them. To this end, and as a definite declaration of sentiment. Synod adopts the following resolutions, viz.: LONDON, Oct. 11, 1862. 1. Resolved, That the President of the

NOT TO ANNOY, still less to express an United States be requested to appoint the pinion, or raise a discussion, but as a faith-First Thursday in November, or some othful reporter of important passing events, er suitable day, as a day of National hu-miliation and confession of sin, and a sea-do I refer to the recent speech, at Newcastle-on-Tyne, of Mr. Gladstone, the Chanson of earnest prayer to God, that his ancellor of the Exchequer, and especially ger toward us may cease; that he will that portion of it bearing on the Amerispare the nation, and that he will direct can war. You will have seen, before this our counsels, and will bless our arms, to letter is in print, a summary by telegraph, the suppression of the existing rebellion. of that statement, but it is well that your and to the restoration of law, order and readers should have before them the exact peace, throughout the land ; to the glory words, although somewhat condensed. Mr. of his name and the happiness of the Gladstone said that there was one topic of such engrossing importance, that he could

whole people. 2. Resolved, That this Synod cordially not help "alluding to it." "I mean. of approves of the action of the last General course, the deplorable, though, in my opin-Assembly on the state of the country. ion not doubtful, struggle now proceeding 3. Resolved. That it is the duty of Christians to sustain the Government in the I have never felt that England had any present-time of trial- to pay their taxes special reason connected with her own in terests for desiring the disruption of the American Union. I can inderstand those onestly and promptly, to give their personal services cheerfully, and to pray daily for their rulers and for their country's arwho say that it is for the interests of nations that no State should swell to the dimensions of a Continent. I can under-

4. Resolved. That it is also the duty of stand those who say-and confess it to be Ohristians to pray for the enemies of the my own opinion-that it is greatly for the sountry, that God would grant them reinterest of the negro race, that they should pentance, and forgiveness, and a peaceful have to do with their own masters alone, spirit.

and not as hitherto has been the case with 5. Resolved, That this Synod deeply detheir masters, backed by the whole power plores the situation of the oppressed in of the United States. The laws by which our land, and especially that of the four slaves have been governed, have not been millions of the African race who are held. laws, made by the Federal Government, by State laws under a cruel and degrading but by the owners of slaves themselves, bondage. That people we recognize as a while for the enforcement of those laws, portion of the human family, entitled to the slave owners have, under the Constituthe rights of men and Christians; espetion of the United States, had a right to cially to family rights, religious rights, the call in the aid of the whole American Unright, of mental improvement, and, a right ion. (Hear, Hear.) I can understand. to an adequate compensation. in return for therefore, the argument of those who think honest industry; and that we hope for the that it is not particularly to be desired in speedy coming of the day when they shall the interests of the negro race, that the American Union should be reconstructed. be enlightened, free, and happy, to the common, benefit of themselves, and our My own private opinion is, that it would whole country. 6. Resolved, That the Stated, Clerk be

be rather for the interest of England that the Enion should be maintained." Mr. Gladstones then referred \*to the lirected to forward to President LINCOLN. copy of the first resolution of this series. course of "strict neutrality," and the "honest observance of it," which, in spite 7 Resolved, That in case no day of humiliation; and prayer shall be appointed by the President, then this Synod appoints of present irritation, would be acknowlthe day above named; for the purposes edged and recognised. Some people have said that the inevitaspecified Sec. 25 (1999) ble result of the pronounced opinion of

The Committee on reasons of absence from Mr. Gladstone will be the early recogniformer meetings would report that the Revs. G. tion of the Confederate States. But I am Marshall, A. G. Fairchild, Joseph Smith, W. F. well persuaded that, he was not commis-Hamilton, J. B. McKee, I. N. McKinney, Thos. sioned by the Cabinet to aunounce any Martin, J. H. Flanegan, H. O. Roseborough, J. such issue; and further, I know that the

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being led by political reasons virtually to reinstate slavery, and to endorse and carry out Fugitive Slave Laws. Surely, if he is not Governor who sitteth King upon the floods, you, and all good men and patriots. might despair. May he shorten these "days of vengeance," and make them the stormy pioneers-after a night of tempest -of the halcyon calm of that Millennial, long, bright, peerless Millennial, Summer day, whose stainless sky, whose lakes and seas, all unruffled save by the prow of inno-

cont gladness, or of commercial and Christian intercourse, shall mirror the heaven of heavens itself-the Man-God, supreme. enthroned, "our Lord and Governor," looking down well pleased!

CATHEDRAL CHURCHES-no less than three of them-have come under my personal visits and examination within the last fortnight. These were Gloucester, Hereford, and Worcester. To the first, if I remember rightly, I referred last week, or possibly to the second. As to Gloucester, I may mention that its present Bishop is Dr. Wm. Thompson, of Oxford University, and one of the authors of Replies to "Essays and Reviews." There is being prepared for him a new and improved palace," on the site of the former Episcopal residence, and in the rear of the cathedral itself. The latter has been un-dergoing a thorough renovation. in the interior, and there are church local funds to the extent of £1,100 per annum, for these improvements. Outside of the cathedral, and in front of the old cloistered cell-like apartment over the gate, where the Romish priests of Mary's day looked forth grimly glad on the slow fires that consumed the holy Protestant martyr, Hooper-the monument intended to honor his memory is almost completed, and will by-and-by be inaugurated

HEREFORD is rich in its tombs of Knights of St. John-the famous Templars. I attended a morning service here, accompanied by a blind minister, the Rev. Mr. Waite, a first-class musician and teacher of sacred song, who for years (deprived of sight,) has formed large singing classes over the kingdom-leading them with a voice remarkable for its commanding power and richness, and skillfully and successfully advancing the interests of that "service of song in the house of the Lord," which is at once an indication and a stimulus of a nevived Christianity. From. first to last, the prayers were intoned. There were about twenty persons, present, besides the Dean, the Precentor, and a few Canons: The Dean was raised to his present dignity by his zeal in the cause of education, but neither he nor another dergyman are readers, in the sense of elocution, or even earnestness, in the right sense. This Cathedral system has its advocates, as furnishing to each diocese a central seat, and as the symbol of unity. "The fretted roof and long cathedral aisle," the solemn lifting up the soul, of the boy choristers, the chanting of the psalms in harmony by all the voices needed to make the singing perfect-1 see no reason why these should not be regarded and . used as means of, help and, grace to devout minds. But while the Puritan mind has largely rejected these, and goes to the opposite extreme, making the service too often bare and bold, and ignoring the sthetic nature, of man, which God himself implantedy and which he means to be ennobled by religion, yet the defect of cathedral service is that the æsthetic overwhelms the teaching element. It takes a full term to get through the Morning Service, when it is intoned, and there is no sermon, no feeding of the flock of God, no warning or appeal to sinners ignorant and perishing. And what an evil effect, or tendency at least, on these clergy and choristers themselves. Day after day-twice every week daythey come to the cathedral, go through the same round of service-only varying the lessons read, the psalms sung, (according, to the day of the month,) and the "Anthem," which is the chef d'oeuvre of the musical performance. Add to this the large sums of money spent thus-while there are myriads to whom clergy could be sent with the living, warm, pure old Gospel, if but the money were consecrated to that end. Oh ye American pastors, as well as ye Scottish parish ministers, Free-Kirkers, and U. P's, what a contrast in the fine, easy berths of these Cathedral corporations of "Dean and Chapters." See those fine oily-old, or demi-old gentlemen - not a wrinkle in those rotund, well-fed, " caponlined" forms-no terrible weekly getting up of two sermons apiece. Wait till they all troop out of the church after the service, and then read the gold-leaved titles above the seats where each has sat-" Episcopus," (a "throne " and canopy for him,) "Decanus," (a minor throne and canopy for him)-then along the stalls, "Precentor." the leader of the choir, who knows church-music well, and can "intone"-'Cancellarius," "Thesaurius," &c. What a contrast, my reverend brethren, in your scanty pay and hard labor, to these comfortable, somnolent, ingot-saving dignitaries The Daily Telegraph comes out with a sensation" announcement, that one of the Bishops is busy-is about to come out with a new work, which will be far more daring than "Essays and Reviews," and is even prepared to lose his position in the Church, rather than forego the announcement of the conclusions at which he has arrived. Well: I know something of most of the Bishops on the Bench. I find it hard to believe—as they have (long since) swallowed the Prayer-Book-including the lesson out of the Book of Tobit, which I heard gravely read the other morning at Hereford Cathedral, as the "lesson for the day "-that any of the Bishops, much less Deans and Canons, Chancellors or Treasurers, is about to become an arch-heretic, to walk out of his "palace," vacate his "throne," or evanish from his "stall." Ah! what a suggestive word, that last: no empty crib, but a bovine, bucolic Canon. (rosy Rector also in his parish,) in his "stall," the silver bridle out of his jaws, and fed to the full! Worcester is famous, both for its Cathedral, and for the battle field in the neighborhood, where Cromwell achieved the "crowning mercy," in the final discomfiture of Charles IL, who, after losing, 4,000 men, fled through the town on foot, hid himself in his flight in the Biscobel oak, and at last, as a penniless, throncless fugitive, got across the Channel into France. A bright sun shone on the hill and plain, near the town, where this fierce conflict. He that wants love to his brethren, wants then, 8dly. They believe that God is in one of the sweetest springs from whence this storm, and that he is preventing the took place. I went, afterwards, to the The hearts of man ave in God's thands is assurance flows. In most in some the form of a very ancient, beautifully carved.

# PITTSBURGH, SATURDAY, NOV EMBER 8, 1862.

J. M. Jones,	James L. Lewis,
John Rice,	Wm. Martin,
John P. Kennedy,	Samuel Marshall,
D W. Townsend,	Jacob M'Cartney.
James E. Caruthers,	
M. M. Shirley,	
D. J. Irwin.	

#### MEMBERS ABSENT.

Presbytery of Redstone .- A. G. Fairchild, D.D., Samuel Wilson, D.D., Thomas Martin, H. W. Biggs, R. M. Wallace, Wm. F. Hamilton, J. H. Presbytery of Ohio. -W. Joffery, D.D. W. Smith, D.D., A. B. Brown, D.D., J. J. Marks, D.D., Jos. Alden, D.D., John M. Smith, Samuel Fulton, James M. Smith, Robert McPherson, Wm. Ewing, C. G. Braddock, I. N. McKinney, Wm. Greenough, B. M. Kerr, F. J. C. Schneide Presbytery of Blairsville.—A. Torrance, J. P. Fulton, Thos. F. Wallace, Wm. Cunningham. Presbytery of Clarion-Jas. Montgomery, W. McMichael, W. P. Moore, Thos. S. Leason, B. O. Junkin, Samuel P. Kinkead.

O. Junkin, Samuel P. Klukeau. Presbytery of Sallsburg-Joseph Painter, D.D., John H. Kirkpatrick, L. M. Graves, S. P. Bollman, R. McMillan, D. D. Christy, G. M. Spargrove.

Synod then took a recess till 74 o'clock this evening.

After recess, Synod met.

Dr. A. G. Fairchild, Dr. S. Wilson, and W. F. Hamilton, and Hon. N. Ewing, elder of the Presbytery of Redstone; James Montgomery, T. S. Leason, and B. C. Junkin, and Alexander Guthrie, elder of the Presbytery of Clarion ; and Dr. Painter, of the Presbytery of Saltsburg, appeared, and their names were entered on the roll. Rev. W. D. Howard, D.D., was unanimously chosen Moderator, and Rev. John M'Clintock, Clerk.

Synod resolved to meet at 9 o'clock A. M., and adjourn at 12 M.; meet at 2 c'clock, and adjourn at 5 P. M., during its present sessions.

Resolved, That Synod spend half an hour in, devotional exercises at the close of each session. The Rev. W. Chester, D.D., of the Synod of New-Jersey, Rev. Mr. Barnett, of the Synod of St. Paul, and Rev. Mr. Dunlap, of the Synod of Baltimore, were invited to sit as Corresponding

Mambers. Resolved, That the next meeting of Synod shall be at Johnstown, on the third Tuesday of October next, at 7 o'clock P. M.

On motion, the Rev. Dr. Chester, was invited to address Synod in relation to the interests of the Boards of the General Assembly.

Synod then adjourned till to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Concluded with prayer.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, 9 o'clock. Synod met and was opened with prayer. The Minutes of the last session were read. Elder Wm. M'Crea, of the Presbytery of Redstone; elders M. B. Brown and Hugh Morgan, of the Presbytery of Ohio; and Rev. R. Mo-Millan, of the Presbytery of Saltsburg, now appeared, and their names were entered on the roll.

The Moderator announced the following Committees, viz.:

ON BILLS AND OVERTURES .- Ministers-G. Hill, A. O. Patterson, G. Marshall, S. McFarren. Elders-W. Bakewell, D. Robinson.

JUDICIAL COMMITTEE. -- Ministers-D. M'Kinney, Watson Hughes, Jos. Smith, W. W. Wood-

end. Elders-John Res. Thos Aiken. MINUTES OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY. - Ministers. D. Kirkpatrick, S. M. M'Clung, R. Les. Elders

-Benjamin Junkin, W. Johnston. ON GRANTING LEAVE OF ABSENCE. - Ministers A. O. Patterson, Samuel Wilson, N. H. Gillett.

Elders-L. Loomis, R. C. McLain. REASONS OF ABSENCE FROM FORMER MEET-INGS-Ministers-James Davis, C. P. Cummins, Alex. Donaldson. Elders-Jesse Kilgore, Samuel Thompson.

NARRATIVE FOR NEXT YEAR. Ministers.M. W. Jacobus, A. C. M'Clelland. Elder-William Crawford.

DEVOTIONAL EXERCISES .- Ministers -- Wm M. Paxton, J. R. Hughes. Elder-David Robinson. RECORDS OF THE PRESEVTERY OF REDSTONE .--Ministers-A. O. Rockwell, J. M. Heatings. Elder-Dr. C. Sheridan.

Or OHIO-Ministers-J: Stoneroad, J. Wray. Elder-O. Orr. OF BLAIRSVILLE-Ministers-T. S. Leason, F.

Orr. Elder-T. B. Camp. OF CLABION-Ministers-S. C. Jennings, W.

F. Hamilton. Elder-James Sloan. Or SALTSBURG-Ministers-Jas. Montgomery,

called upon to report what had been done; when The Committee on the Minutes of the General it appeared that but little has been accomplished Assembly report that they can discern nothing during the past year. requiring the special attention of the Synod. The following action was then taken, after a The report was accepted, and the Committee very free and full expression of opinion and feeldischarged. ing, viz.:

THURSDAY MORNING-9 e'clock.

Synod met, and was opened with prayer.

The minutes of the last session were read.

The Committee on Leave of Absence reported

The Committee appointed by the Synod to take

of Education, beg leave to present the following

report : WHEBEAS, Many of our churches do not contri-

Sabbath day to keep it holy, not doing our own work, or finding our own pleasure. One Presbytery deplores that the circulation On motion. Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to repare a report on the State of the Country. of Religious Newspapers has materially decreased. This we regret, for a sanctified Press is a powerful ally of the Ministry. We should be rejoiced to hear that a good religious paper was The following persons were appointed, viz .: Dr. McKinney, Dr. Fairchild, and Dr. Kirkpatrick; and elders S. Marshall and George Kirker. received weekly by every family within our The Committee on the Memorial on the subject bounds. Then would the advances of the kingf the organization of a church at Irwin's Stadom of our Redeemer be noted, and the labors

of our pastors in the missionary cause be lighttion, reported as follows: The Committee on the Memorial from the With devout thankfulness we record that, Presbytery of Blairsville, suggest that Synod refer the subject back to the Presbytery, with a recomgenerally, peace dwells in our churches and Presbyteries. "It is a good and pleasant thing nendation that they act in the whole case with for brethren to dwell together in unity," esperudence, and becoming courtesy to the Presbycially when that peace is not purchased with the tery of Redstone and the congregation of Long surrender of any doctrine or practice founded upon the Word of God, but it is the gift of the Run. The report was adopted. Prince of Peace. Let us wisely use this time of

The Committee on the Report of the Board of Colportage would report to Synod, that the success of the Board in accomplishing an important work with so small a capital, deserves the high- and adopted, unanimously, as follows, viz. :

ts living streams through the land; while our Colleges and Academies have not suffered as est commendation; and that the Committee auch from the peculiarity of the times as might would recommend the adoption of the following: nation. A rebellion, most extensive and Resolved, That while we would urge the Board powerful, exists. War, terrible war, spreads to prosecute their good work earnestly, we would diligently conducted through the past year; some of them being largely blessed with increased knowledge of the Bible, and some of them furabroad destruction and slaughter. God recommend to the churches generously to con-tribute to this Board, which affords so many adfrowns upon the land. God is angry with vantages for the supply of Sabbath Schools, and affords the only channel of direct communication the people.

Prayer-Meetings, including the days set apart between the Synod and the members who have gone out from us for the defence of the Governby the Church and recommended by the State, seems to have been generally observed, and earnest prayers for a general revival of religion nent. The report was accepted and adopted, Above all other instrumentality we record On motion, the following persons were chosen

with special pleasure, that the Gospel has been members of the Board of Colportage, viz. : Min faithfully preached to attentive congregations, isters, W. D. Howard, R. Les, and R. F. Wilson; and the public ordinances of God's house ad-Elders, James Carothers, M. D., L. Loomis. and ministered faithfully. Thus has the seed been widely and plentifully sown. Paul planteth, Richard Bard.

Apollos watereth, God giveth the increase. Con-tinue to sow beside all waters. Preach the The Judicial Committee reported the complaint of Samuel Craig and others against the Presby-Word in season, out of season. Pray without tery of Clarion, in the case of James Stewart. ceasing. Watch and be sober. Stand fast. Buy the truth and sell it not. Work, as if you M. D. could do all yourselves. Trust as entirely as

The Committee report this case to Synod, as being brought up in order, and recommend that it be issued in the manner prescribed in our far spent, the day is at hand. He will come, Book of Discipline, under the head of Appeals.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with The report was accepted, and the case made the order of the day for this afternoon, at 2 The Rev. W. G. Taylor, of the Synod of Alleo'clock. theny, was invited to sit as a corresponding The Committee on Religious Exercises re-Rev. I. N. McKinney, of the Presbytery of

)hio, appeared and gave reasons for late attendwas accepted and adopted. The Synod then engaged in devotional exer-Synod then engaged in devotional exercises ercises, after which Synod adjourned till 2 'clock this afternoon. Concluded with prayer.

THUBSDAY AFTEBNOON, 2 O'clock. Synod met and was opened with prayer. The Minutes of the last session were read. The Rev. L. W. Conrad, of the Synod of Alle-

gheny, was invited to sit as a Corresponding Member. Elder W. Boyd, of the Presbytery of Redstone, appeared, and gave reasons for late attendance, which were sustained.

Reformed Church, and the Rev. David Elliott, The reasons for the absence of Dr. Jeffery D.D., of the Synod of Allegheny, were invited to were stated, and on motion were sustained. J. B. Finlay, Elder of the Presbytery of Salts-

The order of the day was taken up, and the Moderator reminded the Synod that they were about to proceed to judicial business, and called on the members to remember and regard their high character as members of a Court of Christ. lighten men's understandings and affect

The Committee on Bills and Overtures reported Overture No. 1, viz.: A Memorial from the resbytery of Blairsville. The report was ac. The papers in the case were read in order, after their hearts. We must call to repentance, cepted, and the subject was taken up, and the which the following Minute was adopted, viz. papers were read. WAfter discussion; on motion; (Wunter As; It appears that [ the . complaint day

have assigned satisfactory reasons.

They would also report that the Revs. H. W. Biggs, A. McGaughey, J. Martin, W. W. Campbell, W. Smith, A. B. Brown, J. J. Marks, John ers, and not of England and France only. M. Smith, S. Fulton, R. McPherson, C. G. Braddock, J. Kirkpatrick, and S. P. Bollman, have received special consideration, from the

assigned no reasons. The subject of the Western Theological Semi-The report was accepted. nary was taken up, and the committees appoint-

Patterson and others, present the following report, viz:

The Committee appointed to prepare an answer to the Protest of Dr. Patterson and others, pre- time treats it as a mere political manceusent the following report : Our protesting brethren assign five reasons for

their opposition to the action against which they protest. Of these reasons, the second, fourth, ried out 3. and fifth are intended to show that the organiza tion of a church at Irwin's Station, at this time. would be inexpedient, improper, and injurious to the interests of the church of Long Run. However true and weighty the facts and consid-

erations alleged may be, they cannot with pro priety be alleged against the action of the Synod; because the expediency or propriety of such an organization is neither affirmed nor denied in that action. Synod did not investigate that question, or express any opinion in relation to lt, except in so far as the recommendation of deliberation and caution in the decision of it, implies that it is a delicate and difficult question. The brethren allege in their first reason, that the act of which they complain authorizes the Presbytery of Blairsville to organize a church at Irwin's Station; and in the third, they seem to allege that the boundary line between the Presbyteries leaves the turnpike, and passes round North of Irwin's Station. Synod have, in the action complained of, affirmed, and do now. affirm, that the boundary line between the Presbyteries is not the uncertain, irregular, and variable line which may at any time separate the congregations of one of the Presbyteries from those of the other, but the turnpike. By this we do not intend that the Presbytery of Blairsville has any jurisdiction over those members of the church of Long Run who reside North of the turnpike, but simply that if it is now expedient and proper; or should at any future time become expedient, and proper, to organize a church North of the turnpike, however near to it, the authority to do so, and jurisdiction over the church so organized, is in the Presbytery of Blairsville, subject, of course, to the review and

control of Synod, and can never be taken away from that Presbytery, except by a change of the boundary line. This authority was not given by the set of which the brethren complain, but by the act of 1830, which makes the turnpike the dividing line between the Presbyteries.

The report was accepted and adopted. The Treasurer presented the following report, which was accepted, viz.

J. M. Hastings in account with the Synod of Pittsburgh. DR.

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On motion, Synod adjourned.

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What then is the sin of our nation? By Cash to Stated Clerk 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 ported, recommending that Synod spend this us to facts. Is then oppression our sin? evening in conference and prayer. The report Is slavery the great national wickedness, for which God is punishing us? Slavery Balance in Treasury, \$24.07. October 25, 1862. is certainly the great agitating question Dr. M'Kinney and the Permanent Clerk were in the North ; in the South ; at the centre ;

in the Cabinet; in Congress; in politics; 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? But what would God have us do ? Shall we ameliorate the condition of the slaves: or emancipate them gradually; or at once 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 in-

tion. fluences of God's Spirit, that he may enand direct to reformation.

M. Hastings, B. L. Agnew, and W. D. Howard, Commercial world of London is dead against any thing of the kind, or "intervention," unless in some great crisis, and that only by a majority of the great Pow-THE, PRESIDENT'S PROCLAMATION has British press. The Morning Star hails the "emancipation" document, lamenting The Committee to answer the Protest of Dr. | that it has been so long deferred. The Times strongly denounces it as suggesting and instigating a servile war with all its atrocities and horrors, and at the same vre to influence the elections, and a policy which the President knows cannot be car-The Morning Post says : " It is scarcely

possible to treat seriously such a singular manifesto. Mr. Lincoln must be well aware that his Proclamation will be a mere rutum fulmen." As to the South and slavery, many peo-

le think that if there was established a Southern Confederacy, the pressure of European public, opinion, together with the prospect of free trade and freedom from Federal high tariffs would inevitably lead to a policy of gradual emancipation. Others see and believe that "property" in man is likely to make the Confederacy, if established, as insolent as before in making slavery the "corner stone" of its constitution. The skill and successes of Stonewall Jackson, as well as the conviction that the South can only be ruled if conquered, at the cost of Constitutional liberty, are urged as reasons for admiration as well as sympathy. But the Daily News remarks that there is nothing more surprising in the state of British opinion about Confederate affairs, than the coolness and readiness with which many people assume that when Southern independence is once achieved, Southern society will set about the abolition of slavery. Such an impression ought to be removed not only because it is false, but because it misleads persons whose hearts are in the right place, and who are favoring the wrong through a failure of knowledge and reflection. Instead of idly assuming that the Slave States will betake themselves to free labor of their own accord, we ought to understand that they expect and intend to annex to their Confederate nation in time, every country on the American Continent

and to introduce slavery into them all; and, moreover, that to assist the process, they are prepared to quarrel with every Govern ment in Europe, as it may suit their pur pose, and above all, with Britain, as the \$43.47 anti-slavery nation of the world. 8:00 A very large body of Christian people who have no sympathy with aristocracy at 6.00 home, or slavery abroad ; who think the 6.00 North right in rising up in defence of their outraged flag at Fort Sumpter ; who know \$19.40 the wicked and long-pursued policy of the Southern statesmen when in office, of bullying England itself, and who hailed with ppointed'a Committee to publish the Minutes of joy the election of Lincoln as the proclamation of freemen to the South and to On motion, the thanks of Synod are tendered slavery, that "Hitherto and no further

should they come;" who moreover do n't admire Wendell Phillips, Henry Ward o the Trustees of the First church, for the use f their house of worship; and to the citizens of Beecher, Dr. Cheover, and rabid abolition-Pittsburgh and Allegheny cities, for their genists; yet who feel strongly about two things: erous hospitality to the members of Synod during their present sessions; also, to the Directors 1st. The awful loss of life and the misery to let 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 God, and duty to man, and we cannot to the members of Synchronic to the second t to the crushing out of national prosperity The Minutes of the morning session were read. and happiness. The guilt of all this, they believe, lies at the door of the South, and Concluded with singing, prayer, and benedicits triumph to-morrow would be no plea-W. B. MCILVAINE, sure to them, but rather disgusting, because Permanent Clerk. they have no faith in the alleged willingness of the South to abolish slavery. But

