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The American Presbyterian and Theological Review.-The first number of this Quarterly is now on our table. It is a union of the Presbyterian Quarterly and the American Theological Review, according to an arrangement which we noticed some weeks ago. The contents of the present number are : I. Hard Matter ; II. Dorner on the Sinless Perfection of Jesus; III. Bulgarian Popular Songs; IV. Laboulaye on the United States of America; V. Baptism for the Dead; VI. Cairnes on the Slave Power; VII. Belief of the Indians in Inferior Spirits; VIII. Politics and the Pulpit. Theological and Literary Intelligence The Review combines the excellences of its predecessors.

Capt. Courtland Saunders.-To note the deaths of all the brave men, privates and officers, who are yielding their life a sacrifice to their country, is impracticable. Their memories will be embalmed by friends and neighbors.

One, a pattern of piety, patriotism, and heroism, was Capt. COURTLAND SAUNDERS. only child of Rev. E. D. SAUNDERS, of West Philadelphia. He fell in the battle of Shepherdstown, the second day after the battle of Antietam. The "Courtland Saunders Cadets" have published a tract for soldiers, giving some interesting facts in the Captain's life, adapted to sustain edify, and guide in the right way, the youthful champions of our country's freedom.

CHRISTIANITY IN WESTERN AFRICA.

The light of revealed religion has begun to shine, and is extending its influence, along the whole of the Western coast of Africa. LIBERIA, which was settled but a few years ago by emigrants from the United States, is now a civilized and Christian country. It is a republic, with schools, colleges, churches, and courts. It has incorporated many thousands of the natives, who have become reduced to order; and it has a large and well regulated export and import trade. The churches are all evangelical; Presbyterians. Methodists. and Episcopalians being the most numerous. SIERBA LEONE is the English settlement. That place, as we learn from an exchange, according to the census taken in 1860 11,418 dwellings, with a population of 41,-624. of whom 15,782 were liberated Africans. and 22,593 were born in the colony; 3,351 were Pagans, and 1,174 were Mohammedans; 15,180 were Methodists, and 12,-954 were Episcopalians; 11,016 children were taught in the schools. The customs receipts have increased to one hundred thousand dollars, and the internal trade is traders naving latterly started in ousiness.

A clerical brother who had recently vis- lows and obeys his Captain. ited Washington, called on us a few days REV. GEORGE MARSHALL, D.D., pub-

ago, expressing the deepest dissatisfaction | lishes, by request, a sermon preached on with the manner of conducting public af- the death of Capt. THOMAS ESPY and of herds of cattle, of property in rational fairs. He is no Secession sympathizer: | others, who fell in the battles before Richbut a genuine friend of the Union, and de- mond. Dr. MARSHALL notes the exalted voted not only to the putting down of the and blissful condition of good men, gone sun, and the sum of all villianies." rebellion, but the removing of the cause of from us to their everlasting home. They rebellion. After noting many of the man- are "Before the Throne"; "Clothed in ifestations of wickedness, he said he was white robes "; ascribing " Salvation to our now convinced that our controversy was God." He then gives a brief sketch of not with the South, but with God. The Capt. ESPY, and of JAMES L. GRAHAM, is by nature the property of another. The expression is liable to criticism; but still and JOHN C. GILFILLAN. OUR FATHER'S BUSINESS, FOR OUR it embraces a very important truth. God has a controversy with us; even with this FATHER'S GLORY, indicates the subject of whole nation. Such being the case, we a sermon by Rev. JAMES W. DALE, preachneed not expect peace until we are very ed before the Brainerd Evangelical Society sorely chastised, and humbled, and made of Lafayette College, Pa. Mr. DALE is an to acknowledge God and to reform. May earnest and practical man, and his character appears in every thing which engages his grace accompany his rod. For this we his attention. In the sermon before us he are authorized to pray. Let every one who has interest at a throne of grace, pray. gives excellent counsel to young men entering upon the activities and responsibil-Pray not alone for victory; nor yet only for ities of life's career. blessed peace; but pray for the grace of CHRISTIANITY AND THE COMMONrepentance, for forgiveness of sin, for a re-

formation, that God may, consistently with at the opening of the Session of the Theohis Word, bestow his blessing. logical Seminary of the Reformed Presby-The national sins are, preëminently, in

terian Church, in Allegheny, Pa. The fidelity, pride, dishonesty, and oppression. Professor, from the Covenanter stand-point, The latter we have been wont to consider presents some excellent thoughts on the as being more peculiarly than the others. the cause of our present calamity. Cirall governmental affairs. Doubtless our cumstances clearly implicate slavery with national infidelity is one of the causes of the evil. We may call it cause, subject, occasion, or what we will; but most manivisited. festly if there were no slavery in the land. this war would not exist.

RACE, is the title of Dr. McGILL'S Dis-And the sin of slavery as a system of op course before the Pennsylvania Colonizapression; and especially in that form of i tion Society. This has been long on our which deprives the laborer of his hire, that table. It was reserved as matter for an is, of the proper fruit of his industry, belongs article in the Banner, but we have not to the North as really as to the South. found leisure to treat it as we would wish. This might be shown in many things. We The discourse is an able vindication of the note but one-the price of cotton. The unity of the race, and a sound plea for worth of this article at the North is now Colonization. sixty cents a pound, whereas we had been paying for it but ten to fifteen cents. The present may be far above its proper cost under a well regulated system of fairly This venerable and venerated father in Israel, died at his residence in Brooklyn, compensated labor, but manifestly its former great cheapness resulted, in part, from N. Y., on the evening of the 10th of Janunrequited slave toil. And in this aspect uary, aged eighty-seven years and three

England and France, quite as much as our months. Northern States, were partakers of the sin. Dr. BEECHER was a native of New Ha-They used the cheap cotton. And they ven, Conn. He graduated at Yale College also now suffer, though not as yet the ca- in 1797. He was settled first at East Hampshire, L. I.; then at Litchfield. Conn. lamities of war. then at Boston. In 1832 he accepted But God's co

BEV. LYMAN BEECHER. D.D.

he who enlists, puts on the armor, and fol-) sents the following sentiments of such, on the subject of slavery :

Bishop WARBURTON, in 1676, denounced, in strong language, those who " talk as creatures. JOHN WESLEY declared. "American

slavery was the vilest that ever saw the EDWARDS the younger, said, "To hold a man in a state of slavery, is to be, every day, guilty of robbing him of his liberty or of man stealing."

Dr. SAMUEL JOHNSON said : "No man rights of nature must be some way forfeited, before they can justly be taken away." PALEY said : "Slavery is a dominion and system of laws. The most merciless and tyrannical that were ever tolerated upon the face of the earth."

MONTESQUIEU said : "If we allow ne roes to be men, it will begin to be believed that we ourselves are not Christians !" BLACKSTONE said : "If neither captiv ity nor contract can, by the plain laws of nature and reason, reduce the parent to a state of slavery, much less can they reduce the offspring.

The learned GROTIUS said : "There are men stealers, who abduct, keep, sell or bny WEALTH, is Rev. Prof. SPROUL's theme | slaves of freemen. To steal a man is the highest kind of theft."

Dr. RUSH said : "Domestic slavery is epugnant to the principles of Christianity. It is rebellion against the authority of common Father."

Dr. SCOTT, the commentator said. "To number the persons of men with beasts. importance of the true religion permeating sheep, and horses, as the stock of a farm; or with pales of goods as the cargo of a ship s no doubt a most detestable and anti the calamity with which our land is now christian practice.

JOHN LOCKE said, "Slavery is so vile. so miserable an estate of man, that it is THE HAND OF GOD WITH THE BLACK hard to be conceived that an Englishman much less a gentleman, should plead for

THOMAS JEFFERSON said, "The whole commerce, between master and slave, is a perpetual exercise of the most boisterous assions ; the most unremitting despotisms, on one part, and degrading submissions on the other." "I tremble for my country, when I reflect that God is just, and that his iustice cannot sleep forever." (Is not the justice of God now awake!).

FRANKLIN said, "Slavery is an atrovious debasement of human nature. The General Assembly said, (1818) "We consider the voluntary enslaving of one portion of the human race by another as a ross violation of the most precious and saered rights of human nature; utterly inconsistent with the law of God, and totally anreconcilable with the spirit and principles of the gospel of Christ."

EASTERN SUMMARY. NEW-ENGLAND. THE WEEK OF PRAYER seems to have throughout New-England. At the payera powerful influence in promoting that alluded to. The incident noticed is intergood cause. He was the grand opponent esting and highly suggestive. While stu-He took an active part in opposition to the one with the other. After reading the before, he came to the following conclusion : Dr. BEECHER, though not the most er- "The object of jurisprudence is to punish of the pen. He preached from pretty full | tree. It must have God for its author. A crying sin with us, is the love of money, notes, and his sermons were powerful. His Henceforth I will become an expounder of of justice in business transactions, the cru- the press. Among his publications are convincing to his mind, and through the THE Congregationalist, in noticing the he made the remark to which we have al- His collected works have been published late installation of Rev. Jonathan Edwards luded. Another gentleman, a zealous sup- in three volumes, under his own super- over the First Congregational church of Dedham, remarks : Dr. LYMAN BEECHER was the father of "The charge to the pastor, by the venerable man, who, forty-two years ago, was himself placed over this church, was of special and touching interest. It was affecting to witness the confident and cordial surrender to younger hands of a charge which had been so long and so faithfully held. The occasion was one of those, now becoming so rare, which illustrate the benefits of a long pastorate, and awaken feelings of respect for that spirit of mutual love and forbearance without which such pastorates are impossible." BISHOP WILLIAMS, of Connecticut, has written an able review of Bishop Colenso's rationalistic work on the Pentateuch, in which the scholarship and exegetical skill of the latter are held up in a light by no means flattering. A WRITER in the Observer gives an interesting account of the Centennial Anchurch at Bennington, Vermont. This exceedingly feeble and child-like. He has been like a traveller who had packed his church has erected, since its organization, Blood trunk in anticipation of a journey, and, two houses of worship. The first was comexpecting every moment to start, could not pleted in 1765. It seems to have been used for a variety of purposes, serving not only as a place for worship, but as town hall, court house, and school-house. Seven hundred Hessian prisoners, taken at the battle of Bennington, were quartered here for safe keeping. A trial of two men for the murder of an Indian, was also conducted here. A son of President Edwards is said to have been the counsel for the accused, whom he succeeded in getting acquitted.

head, Mass., lately dismissed its pastor, be-| stock market is active with large transac- | joicing in the bope of peace with God. No cause "it is impossible to sustain a pastor tions, and operators are in a state of feverand pay our interest." We fancy these ish c Marbleheaders will learn before long that daily.

the converse of their proposition is true, namely, that it will be impossible for them to pay their interest without sustaining a pastor. Marblehead must be stony ground.

FROM CHELSEA HOSPITAL, says an exishes some interesting statistics. The change, one hundred sailors have been number of patients under treatment during buried within four years, and in the the year is stated to have been 883. same period about one hundred individuals have been hopefully converted. The Ohio these there have been discharged 126 receiving Ship is still a Bethel, and many cured, 112 improved, and 59 unimproved; weather-beaten sailors have of late found while 55 have died. About 40 per cent. it the place of their second birth. Many of the patients were natives of the United a missionary sailor has gone forth from this ship to preach Christ among his brother sailors. Captain Bartlett from time to time informs us that at the close of the evening services, ten, twenty, thirty, or forty, arise for prayers. and 14 per cent. from Germany.

THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT has 283 Congregational churches, embracing in the aggregate 46,174 members.

DURING the year ending October 1 1862, the Massachusetts Alien Commissioners removed twelve hundred and eighty-five persons from the State, who were liable to become a burden upon the treasury as paupers or lunatics, and whose rightful place of support was in other States of this Union or in foreign countries. During gist for the use of intoxicating beverages." the five years ending 1862, the number thus removed was nine thousand three hundred and eighteen, resulting in a large referred to as special causes. saving to the State.

NEW-YORK.

THE Christian Intelligencer speaks i glowing terms of the Pastoral Association the report. of the Reformed Dutch church, whose or-THE LADIES' AID SOCIETY of Philadelganization we not long since noticed. It phia, during the past six months, furnished represents the attendance as large, and the the following articles, for the relief of the discussions as able, earnest, and practical, sick and wounded in the hospitals: shirts, and eminently satisfactory to all concerned. 1239; drawers, 584; sheets, 210; pillows, 139; stockings, 245 pairs; handkerchiefs, 618; pads, 190; towels, 70; wrappers, Thus far all the topics considered have had a direct bearing upon the pastoral work. 57; overalls, 76; pillow cases, 221; linen

THE MEETINGS in New-York city durcoats, 63. The Society has also furnished large ing the week of prayer, are spoken of as quantities of stores and articles of diet. having been pervaded by an excellent spir-

it, though the attendance was by no means so large as was desirable.

A MEETING was held in Rev. Dr. Rice's ness to provide for the hungry operatives church on the evening of the 4th inst., in of England. The barque Archilles, Capt. behalf of the American Sunday School Gallaber, which is loaded with breadstuffs; behalf of the American Sunday School Union, mainly with reference to the mis- for their relief, is now lying near South street wharf. She will carry an immense Brethren, pray for us, that here the Word sionary work which this Society is carrying quantity of provision for the sufferers: on in the great Valley of the Mississippi glorified, in the salvation of souls. and its tributaries. Statements were made Respectfully, yours, Letter from the Chaplain of the 189th Regi showing the great importance of the Insti-ment Penn'a. Volunteers. tution in leading, by means of the Sabbath CAMP NEAR WHITE OAK CHURCH, Schools it establishes, to the organization For the Presbyterian Banner. January 14th, 1863. of churches in communities which must BANNER :- You are a welcon otherwise in all human probability be left Saltsburgvisitor of our camp, though not so regular wholly destitute of the means of grace. as we desire, owing to circumstances over The publishing department of the Union which you have no control, or we would be was represented as self-supporting, and disposed to murmur. Now as many, of following supplies : money was solicited solely for the carrying your readers have husbands, sons, and Warren. other dear relatives in this part of the W. W. Woodend-4th Sab. in January. on of the missionary work. grand army, who are desirous to hear from J. E. Caruthers-2d Sab. in February. Where denominational Sabbath Schools us through the medium of your columns, M. M. Shirley-4th Sab in February. are practicable we greatly prefer them; but we will devote a few moments this evening Dr. Donaldson-2d Sab. in March. in penning a line, which our good brother D. J. Irwin-4th Sab. in March. in many parts of our country there must McKinney may publish if he deems proper. G. M. Spargrove-1st Sab. in April. be Union Schools or none; and we therefor, portant, if not an indispensable Of the marches and counter-marches we W. W. WOODEND, Stated Clerk. and the part we have acted in the might instrumentality in the great work of evanand terrible contest which is now testing A Word for Theological Seminaries.-Peogelization. the strength of our Government and calling ple who are dubious about. Theological forth the energies of the nation, the secular THE SUBJECT of temperance, especially Seminaries and their advantages, are injournals of your city have kept their read- vited to consider Colenso's case, Here is a with reference to the young, appears to be ers well posted ; as we have some able cor- man, a senior wrangler at Cambridge, for exciting some attention in and around New respondents both competent and willing to years a rector in England, and then Colo-York. Several "Bands of Hope," or Judo ample justice to the 139th. Of these nial Bishop, who confesses that he never communications I might call attention to the till of late had critically studied the Penvenile Temperance Societies, have recently spicy letters of "Monitor," published in the tateuch, and who writes a volume showing been formed through the exertions of Mr. Evening Chronicle; but here permit me to great ignorance of what has formerly been Revell, who for many years has been so Revell, who for many years has been so observe, that if long and rapid marches, in printed for or against this part of the Bi-conspicuously identified with the juvenile foul and pleasant weather, by day and by ble. Such a result never could have come temperance work. It is high time the night through the week, and on the Sabfrom a graduate of one of our respectable friends of temperance were everywhere bath, are essential to make efficient soldiers, Seminaries. But alas! in England, notthen may we cherish high hopes of our aroused from the lethargy into which they withstanding the enormous endowments of regiment; for its experience here has not the Universities, they have nothing which seem to have fallen. been very limited, having enjoyed but begins to compare with our Seminaries for THE METHODISTS of New-York city relittle rest till recently. I think I can see the theological and critical training of cently held a fair in aid of the "Old La- now, as once I did not, the beauty and ministers. Men whose professiodal edupower of the Apostle's illustration, when cation is so imperfect as Bishop Colenso's, dies' Home," the profits of which amounthe exhorts Timothy to endure hardness as must be expected to fall into blunders as ed to the handsome sum of \$10,000. We a good soldier of Jesus Christ. We have gross and ludicrous as his. -- Christian Incongratulate our Methodist brethren on often been reminded of Israel's journey their success, and thank them for the si- through the wilderness, as we have attelligencer. their success, and thank them for the si-lent rebuke which, by their dispensing the mass. True, we could see no pillar of with lotteries, raffling and other gambling fire by night, or cloud by day, telling us PRESBYTERIAL NOTICES. practices, they have administered to such when and where to advance, or halt and The PRESBYTERY OF WINNEBAGO will churches and benevolent Societies as allow pitch our tents; yet many of our number meet in the Presbyterian 'church at Neenah, games of chance to be introduced into Wis., on the last Thursday in January, at 7 o'clock P. M. H. M. ROBERTSON, have ebjoyed His presence who directed the cloud and constituted all its glory, and their fairs. No end, however good, can have had their strength renewed, and gone. Stated Clerk justify unlawful means. on their way rejoicing. Like other regi-ments, our career has been diversified with The PRESBYTERY OF ST. CLAIRSVILLE THE FRENCH PROTESTANT Episcopal will meet in Kirkwood, on the First Tuesday of church, "Du Saint Esprit"-of the Holy scenes of joy and sorrow. We have had February next, at 11 o'clock A. M. dark and gloomy days, as well as bright and cheerful ones. And we hope our past JOHN MCFFAT, Stated Clerk. Spirit-was duly dedicated on the 13th

prompts them cheerfully to obey.

THE generosity of our citizens, says

ish excitement. Prices are advancing ings without feeling the blessed influences of the Good Spirit. We give God the glory for what he has done for us. There PHILADELPHIA.

are many most excellent men in our regi-IN HIS annual report of the Insane De- ment. Many of our line officers are men eminent in prayer, and this is also true of the privates. Their influence cannot fail partment of the Philadelphia Almshouse, Dr. Butler, the resident physician, furnto be of a salutary character. "A little

leaven leaveneth the whole lump." There is great demand-for religious journals by the men-much more than I have Of been able to supply. Will not our friends in the city send us some copies of the different religious papers; they would be very kindly received, and would be the means of doing great good. Through the States, and 60 per cent. were from foreign medium of the Christian Commission, I countries. Of the natives, about 31 per have been able to scatter quite a large number of tracts, papers, and books; but the ers about 38 per cent. were from Ireland, supply is not equal to the demand. While there are also many who are careless about Among the causes of insanity, intem- the one thing needful, whom we hope to perance and its attendant vices are espe- see sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed in their right mind. For this we will labor, cially noticed. Dr. Butler denounces seand pray, and look. My heart has often verely the drinking usages of society, and been pained when I have been solicited for wonders "how any one connected with an more religious reading matter and was compelled to say, I have given out all I had. almshouse, who daily witnesses the amount But shall we appeal in vain for it to our of poverty, wretchedness, and sin, that Christian brethren at home, who have flows from intemperance, can be an apoloenough and to spare 2 For the Master's

The lack of family discipline so sadly sake of our self-sacrificing soldiers, we prevalent, and the war excitement are also trust not. And now, before I close, permit me to whisper a word in the ears of our dear The subject of the employment of the friends who are writing us from home. In insane, both as a curative and economical your correspondence, do all you can to animeasure, receives prominent attention in mate and encourage your friends; they need it. And avoid everything that has the tendency to depress and discourage.

sake, for the immortal soul's sake. for the

The character of many of the letters which are sent to our soldiers is such as to make them home-sick-the most difficult disease to treat. There will always be some, in all possible circumstances, dissatisfied, discontented with themselves, and disappointed in their expectations ever murmuring and repining. I rejoice that we have so few of this class among us. And if we could only inspire a unity of feeling, sentiment, and action, among the people at home, how soon, with the blessing of God, would our Philadelphia exchange, has been again demourning be turned into joy, and our night veloped in an exhibition of their willing- into day; and we would understand what David meant when he sang, "Behold how good and how pleasant a thing it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." May the Lord hasten it in his good time! of the Lord may have free course and be

Supplies Appointed by the Presbytery of The Presbytery of Saltsburg, at their January meeting, 1863, appointed the fol-

The North American gives the following comprehensive statement :

"The success which has attended Christian efforts in Western Africa, mostly put forth within the last thirty years, gives encouraging promise of a glorious future. It is strictly within the bounds of truth to assume that along the west coast of this continent there are one hundred and fifty churches, with twenty thousand hopeful converts, and two hundred schools are open, with twenty thousand children under instruction; twenty-five dialects have been mastered, into which portions of the Scriptures and religious tracts and books have been translated and printed ; and that some knowledge of the Gospel has reached six millions of debased Africans. From the Gambia to the Gaboon, a distance of two thousand miles, there is perhaps not a village where a visitor would not be saluted by the natives in the English tongue !"

RELIGION AT THE SOUTH.

The Presbyterian has gotten hold of a copy of the North Carolina Presbyterian. We quote a few items from its summary of contents :

The Synods of Alabama and South Carolina, at their Fall meetings, passed resolutions approving of the proposed transfer of the Theological Seminary at Columbia to the General Assembly of the Confederate States, and of the employment of Dr. PALMER as temporary occupant of the chair left vacant by the death of the Rev. Dr. THORNWELL. The Secretary of the Committee of Foreign Missions reports that four young men are in correspondence with him, who are only awaiting the war to close, to go forth to the heathen, and that four young ladies have answered his appeal for female teachers among the Indian tribes.

Mr. GEORGE THEW, Treasurer of the Confederate States Bible Society, acknowledges the receipt, since the establishment of the Society, of \$26,000. We believe this institution has been in existence about a year, and the Rev. M. D. HOGE, pastor of the Second Presbyterian church, Richmond, Va., has lately been dispatched to Europe, to purchase Bibles for its use. The Rev. Dr. STILES gives quite an extended account of revivals in the Confederate army, in which he seems to be laboring as a revivalist. He writes that he had been preaching for a month or two, twice a day, and that many had been converted, and many backsliders reclaimed.

The Rev. J. W. MOSBY, of Louisiana, recently a visitor, in some way, to Washington Uity, reports to the Christian Obserrer, which is still alive, that he was informed by a Ruling Elder in one of the churches in that city, that "religion was dead in the churches, the prayer-meetings having been converted into abolition conclaves, and the best class of attendants having ceased to come." He avers, of his own knowledge, that "he who attends the church of Dr. SUNDEBLAND, or Mr. No-BLE. or Mr. BROWN, who fills the place of Dr. BOCOCK, will hear tirades upon the wickedness of the South, and harangues upon the glory and power of the North."

If this last paragraph, as we happen to have some little knowledge on the subject, is a specimen of the truthfulness of the others, we cannot confide in the statements.

people, is not alone for our system of op. | professorship at Lane Theological Seminapression. The other sins to which we al. ry, Cincinnati, where he continued seven- been generally observed by the churches luded are deeply causative. And that teen years.

God's anger should wax hot against a peo- A well written Life of Dr. BEECHER meeting on Friday morning, in the Old ple, it is not needful that the people should would possess much historical value. He South church, Boston, during the discusexcel all others in the extent of their infi: was one of the first of the prominent and sion of the topic, "The Word of God," the delity, and the hatefulness of their pride, able advocates of Temperance, and exerted case of Dr. Cox when a law student, was and the grossness of their dishonesty. The aggravation of a nation's sins is measenjoyen, and by the lavors they have tarian controversy, and was more encledi. drive. Rhad at wouth a then the occurred to abused; and in this aspect no nation since | probably, than any other man, in checking | nexion with this standard law book, the that of ancient Israel has exceeded the the progress of that soul-ruining heresy. statute book of Jehovah, and to compare people of these United States.

And we may note, still further, that God slavery, though he was not of the GARRI- New Testament, which he had never read having a controversy with a people, though son school of Abolitionism. an evidence that they are wicked, is not a proof that they are more wicked than all roneous, nor the most able of the advocates all overt acts for depredations committed other people; and much less is it an evi- of the Semi-Pelagianism which, from New on lives, liberty, or property of men. The dence that God means to destroy them. England, invaded the Presbyterian Church, object of the Bible is to prevent crime, to "Whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth." was yet very extensively influential in dis- change the heart so that no wrong acts can He would correct and reform them, that he turbing her peace, and in producing the proceed from it. This is consummate wismay bless them. We trust it is so now rupture of 1838. He was fond of the use dom. It lays the axe at the root of the

with this nation. and the fruits of this love-the bribery. sermons on Intemperance were popular, Jehovah's statute book." the peculation, the frauds, the perversion and are perhaps the best of his issues from The internal evidence of the Bible was elty to the poor, cruelty even to the sick the "Plea for the West," "Sermons on agency of the Holy Spirit, he was led exand wounded of our soldiers. This was Various Occasions,"" Views of Theology," perimentally to rejoice in the Truth. specially in the mind of our friend when "Skepticism," "Political Atheism," &c. porter of the Administration, said to us vision.

that he had wondered how so much wickedness could be collected together as was nine children, among whom are Rev. HEN. to be found about the conducting of our RY WARD BEECHER, of Brooklyn; Rev. public affairs. The people must see to CHARLES BEECHER, pastor of a church in this. The press must speak. Voters have Newark, N. J.; Rev. Dr. EDWARD BEECHin their hands the curative power. ER, now pastor in Galesburg, Ill.; CATH-

ERINE ESTHER BEECHER, who was a prin-But, while we deplore the evil, we may, if we do what in us lies to remove it, yet cipal of a female college in Cincinnati, and ask and hope for mercy. We are not yet HARRIET BEECHER STOWE, of "Uncle near to the dreadful state of moral depray-Tom's Cabin " fame. At the close of public worship, on the ity which prevailed in Sodom ; and if a

few righteous men might have availed evening after his father's death, HENRY there, may it not be so here? And have WARD BEECHER thus announced the death we not the requisite number. For their of his father:

"Liast night, at 5 o'clock, at the ripe sake God will defer the execution of his age of eighty seven, my venerated father wrath. They may prevail with him to went to his eternal rest. His life was sinspare the nation, though he should reserve gularly blameless-simple, constant, full of the guilty for individual punishment. the noblest Christian heroism, faithfulness, Christians are the "salt of the earth," the | and devotion to the cause to which he early conservators of a nation. Let not the salt consecrated his powers. For about a year niversary of the First Congregational and a half his mental condition has been lose its savor.

SERMONS.

THE HAND OF GOD, AS SEEN IN THE PRESENT GREAT REBELLION; and, OUR journey has been made. He has reached DUTY IN THE PRESENT CRISIS, are the ti- the place where, all his mental powers untles of two sermons preached by Rev. F. SE- locked, not as here on earth, but with ev-NOUR, of Rockford, Ill. Mr. SENOUR sees ery faculty brightened, and every sense ground for hope, in the midst of our perils, glorified, he can employ them as never be-fore in the service of his Divine Master. believing that God means good for the na- He had long been ready to depart. Altion. Our duty he finds in the line of susmost the last sentient act of his life octaining our rulers. curred about two years ago, when, on his REASON AND FAITH, or The Right Use recovery from a severe sickness, he called

of Reason with regard to Revelation, is a for ' that passage.' After reading a multitude of passages, for he was unable to subject treated by Rev. JOHN V. REY. designate the particular one he desired, the NOLDS, D.D., of Meadville, Pa., in a pam- reader opened, by the good providence of phlet of 35 pages. It is difficult for the God, to these verses : ' For I am now ready preacher to make his people understand to be offered, and the time of my departure what is the precise province, and what are is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the the limits of reason. What God teaches is faith : henceforth there is laid up for me to be received unhesitatingly; but reason a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, is to be employed in ascertaining what are the righteous Judge, shall give unto me at the Divine teachings, both in revelation | that day."" and providence. The treatise of Dr. REY-

SENTIMENTS ON SLAVERY.

Every year since the organization of the church, some have united with it on profession of their faith ; and during the revivals of 1803, '31 and '32, and '56, it shared extensively in the gracious visitations of the Holy Spirit.

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inst., by Bishop Potter, assisted by various experience will fit us all the better for enclergymen of the Episcopal Church." during what remains for us in the future.

REV. DR. NOTT, President of Union College, is dangerously ill at his residence in Schenectedy. He is paralyzed, and cannot long survive.

fast devotion to the welfare of his men, he THE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSO- refused to be separated from them, impru-CIATION of this city have arranged for a dently, at the peril of his own life, atcourse of lectures, to be delivered during tempting to march with us, when he should the present month; in the Calvary Baptist have kept his bed; and as the natural rechurch (Rev. Dr. Gillette's,) by Rev. Wm. sult, was subjected to relapses, which made H. Milbarn. The first of the course was him a great sufferer for a long time. But given on Monday evening, 12th instant. now he has so far recovered as to be able to Subject-" Age of the Martyrs who Sealed be at his post, for which we feel thankful. the Testimony of the Cross with their It is not, every one who possesses or can acquire the qualifications requisite to the

DURING THE PAST YEAR the number of emigrants which landed in this city, according to the records of the Commissioners of Emigration, was 76,306; exceeding by over 10,000 the number which arrived last year. Of this number 32,217, or nearly one-half, came from Ireland, and 27,740, or over one-third, came from Germany. Of the remainder there came from Eng land, 7,975; Denmark, 1,689; Switzerland, 1,254; France, 1,187; Wales, 1,062; Scotland, 692; Sweden, 663; Italy, 487; Hol-land, 456; Belgium, 195; West Indies, 156; Spain, 124.

Norwithstanding the increased de- We have at this time about fifty invalids, mand for stock speculations, the supply of some twenty in the hospital; and it may money seeking temporary employment with be a matter of interest to those who have first-class borrowers is largely in excess of relatives or friends here, to be assured that first-class borrowers is largely in excess of the demand at 5 to 6 per cent., while our sick are well cared for. There is no out il certain expeditions, effect the destruction of a relived and control of a relived and con

preparing themselves for disastrous event- compare favorably with that of most others. ualities. Prime commercial paper is soarce, Since my lot was cast amongst them, we has but twenty-nine students in attend-ance. It embraces in its Faculty some of prudent merchant will either give or take and evening, except when on the march or had inst been isoned direction of the students.

The PRESBYTERY OF SUSQUEHANNA is to meet (D. V.) in Merry All, the last Tuesday (20th) of January, 1863; at 7 o'clock P. M. Our highly esteemed and greatly beloved Col. Collicr was, in the providence of God,

Important from Tennessee.

soon after I joined the regiment, stricken down with fever; and owing to his stead-NASHVILLE, Jan. 16.-A rebel force of about 4,000 men and twelve pieces of artillery, at-tacked our relief and store boats coming up the Cumberland river, and succeeded in capturing five steamboats' laden with valuable commissar stores, and the gunboat Sidell. Several of the boats contained wounded sol-

diers, who, in juming from them while, burning, were shot in the water. The negro crews were stripped of their cloth-

ing, tied to trees, cowhided and left to starve on Shore.

The boats were all anchored in mid-channel and burned, after being robbed of valuables. and ourned, alter being roobed of valuables. The officers and soldiers were stripped of their clothing, placed on shore and paroled. Nineteen deserters from various Tennessee regiments, came into this city to-day. healthful government of a regiment so large as ours; and without any disparagement

of others, in the estimation of the entire regiment, our Colonel has these traits, which at once secures the respect, confi-

An entire rebel regiment, numbering about 800 men, deserted and came into our outpost, fifteen miles beyond Murfreesboro, yesterday. Ninety thousand dollars of Confederate States dence and good will of his men, and

funds were seized from brokers in this city, Disease and death have gradually lesand confiscated yesterday, by order of General sened our number. Both in Maryland and Virginia, there are spots sacred as the

Gen. Longstreet has arrived at Shelbyville places where some of our companions rewith thirteen brigades from Lee's army, and has superseded Gen. Bragg in command of the rebel pose. Of these, it is comforting personally army in Tennessee.

to know that some of them fell asleep in Reliable information has been received from Jesus, and are now waving the victor's scouts that efforts are being made by the rebels to cut Rosecrans' army off from supplies and repalm and wearing the conqueror's crown. treat, and then crush it.

Gen. Lougstreet will attack us, it is said, next week, with his entire force, which is thought to the demand at 5 to 0 per cent., while our sick are well cared for. There is no of a railroad and capture for energy the destruction of a railroad and capture Forrest and his men of drive them off.

NOLDS can be read with great advantage. So far as we know, it is a very rare thing, THE CHRISTIAN HERO, formed the theme Merely human opinion is not admitted and is worthy, we think, of a more extenat the North, to deal in "tirades" against of Rev. W. Y. BROWN, in a sermon to be the final arbiter of questions of mor- sive patronage from this flourishing denomthe South, or in anything to influence unpreached in Washington, D. C., Aug. 3d, ality, but when the opinions of sober, learn- ination. holy feelings. Our ministers, ordinarily. 1862. The Christian is presented in the ed, wise and good men correspond, there is THE New-York Chronicle has the folpreach the Gospel of peace, dwelling on its Scriptures as a warrior. He has his con- a strong presumption in favor of their rec- lowing : flicts, his victories, and his crown. Happy titude. A writer in the Presbyter, predoctrines, graces, duties, and hopes. " The Congregational church in Marble-

and is likely to become still more so, as no prudent merchant will either give or take credit while the money standard of settle-ment is fluctuating two to three per cent. a day, and about ten per cent. a month. Geld ranges about 142 per cent.; demand notes about 139, and bankers 60-day ster-ling bills about 157. These are all rapidly devancing, owing to the immense daily in-crease of issues of paper money. The iter or case of issues of paper money. The