The annual statement should be more full and definite. A question was made whether the Board should not do all its own work. Committee advise against it. No fault found with prices.

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| ĺ | 1862    | 1861    | 1860    | 1859  | 1858   | 1857     | 1856   | 855   | 1854              | 863          | 852   |            | 851       | 1850    |              | 1849        |                        |
|   | 237,387 | 242,587 | 229,4   | 217,2 | 3,112  | 1199,8   | 187,0  | 176,4 | 169,202           | 151,2        | 137,0 |            | 119,003   | 109,689 | ,            | \$84,054    | capital                |
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|   | 135.0   | 140,0   | 130,0   | 120,0 | 18,0   | 12,6     | 108,0  | 0,80  | <del>.</del> 00,0 | 86,0         | 70,0  |            | 69,0      | 63,0    |              | \$60,000    | piates,&c.             |
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|   | •       | 13,6    | 15,8    | 14,11 | 14,0   | 18,0     | 12,79  | 11,8  | 11,18             | <b>10,</b> E | 7,3   |            | 7,099     | 6,595   |              | \$6,229     |                        |
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|   |         | 8,036   | 4,762   | 8,539 | 3,706  | 3,937    | 8,706  | 2,949 | 8,254             | 2,889        | 214   |            |           | 2,515   |              | \$2,950     | o market               |
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|   |         | :       | 10.     | 10.   | 46     | 10.9     | Ξ      | 10.8  | 7.25              | 21.          | 18.6  |            | 17.5      | 14.8    |              | 5           | On cap. Ac. cap Sales. |
|   | :       |         | 16.     | 15    | 7.9    | 16.5     | 14.7   | 17.1  | 11.               | 28.1         | 20.   |            | 20.8      | 15.9    |              | 7.6         | Sales                  |
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" Having before said that the average of profits on the entire capital was 6.8 per cent., we now add that the average per cent. of profits on the active capital as estimated is 11.9: the average per cent. cost of salaries on average sales is 16.4: the average per cent. of total expenses on average sales is 21.3: and the average per cent. of profits above expenses on average sales is 17.5"

The Board is not to be considered as a mere business concern. It is to support the truth, and circulate knowledge. But the benevolent portion of the enterprise is no reason for its doing less business, but rather for its doing more

The sphere of the Board might be enlarged. The work should not, however, be transferred to an individual; nor should distant Depositories be established. But greater attention should be given to Sabbath School books. The Board should now aim at no more additions to its capital, beyond what may be incident to new books. Books should be sent postage paid by mail, when the retail price is advanced. Booksellers in large cities are already, by advice of the Committee, allowed contracts by which they can afford to sell again on terms as favorable as those offered by the Board at its own rooms. Sales of editions, and a system of exchanges with other publishers are recommended.

Colportage is an important topic. The work should be benevolent, missionary; not a mere book agency. An arrangement might be made, to some extent, between this Board and the Board of Domestic Missions. Too much has been expended on agents. Let the work go on. The Home and Foreign Record belongs to all the Boards. No change is recommended. It costs the Boards about \$1.700 over receipts. The Sabbath School Visitor should be made exellent, but not too expensive. It costs from

\$500 to \$800 a year over receipts. The report was accepted, and referred to the Committee on the Board of Publication. The thanks of the Assembly were tendered to the special Committee.

On motion, the unfinished business of the morning, being the consideration of the case of Dr. Breckinridge and others, was then taken up. and the clerk proceeded with the call of the roll.

Dr. DFLANCY wished some information. There was a divided opinion as to whether this was a call for a vote or for an expression of opinion from the members. The chair decided that, in accordance with the rules, this call was to allow each member of the

Assembly to express his views of the case on Rev. Mr. RANKIN proceeded into an argument upon the subject, when he was called to order by the Moderator, who stated that the arguments on both sides were closed, and that nothing but brief expressions of opinion were now admissable. Mr. Rankin therefore resigned the floor, simply remarking that "he was decidedly against the Synod and for the complainants." Rev. Mr. LILLY could agree neither with the Synod nor the complainants. He thought the Book provided for two classes of persons; first.

Church members who did not refuse to submit to discipline: second, baptized persons who contributed to the expenses of the congregation. and he did not know but that the language of the Book was intended to embrace in the first class, persons who were members by birth and baptism: for such were not disciplined by the Session, and hence did not refuse to submit to discipline. He would sustain the complainants

Adjourned with prayer.

FIFTH DAY-TUESDAY, May 26. Opened with prayer.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Committee of Bills and Overtures re-

That it be recommended that all the churches and ministers of the Presbyteries of Greenbriar and Lexington, and other churches in West Virginia South of the Pennsylvania line, be organized into a new Presbytery by the name of West Virginia, and attached to the Synod of Wheeling; and that all churches and ministers in other Southern Prebyteries in the limits of the rebellion which desire to change their relation, are authorized to attach themselves to any accessible Presbytery which continues faithful to the

General Assembly. Adopted.

MATTHEW NEWKIER, Esq., of the Finance Committee, reported: That they had examined the Report of the Treasurer, and compared the statement of the accounts therein presented with the books kept by him, as also the items of interest received unon the several investments, and find them correct as stated. The amount received by the Treasurer from all sources during the last financial year, viz., from May 1st, 1862, to May 1st. 1863, was \$25,672.73; making, together with \$7.893.56, the balance in the hands of the Treasurer from the last year, the sum of \$33,-566.29. The expenditures during the year have amounted to \$18,517.32, leaving a balance in the hands of the Treasurer, at the close of the

The Report of the Treasurer embraces the following statements: 1. Abstract of receipts and expenditures. 2. Balance sheet of ledger. 3. The items which compose the cash balance on hand. 4. Statement of income derived from bonds and mortgages. 5. Statement of permanent funds, showing a balance uninvested of \$3,939.50. 6. Tabular statement of investments held by the Assembly, amounting to \$127,387.50. This amount is all invested in first mortgage bonds, except \$2,000 in a Camden and Amboy railroad bond, all of which is believed to be perfectly safe and worth the full amount as above stated. The Committee being limited by the General Assembly to bonds and mortgages in making investments, have found great difficulty in obtaining such securities, in consequence of the large amount of capital now seeking first-class invest-

The Committee would suggest that the General in such securities as Trustees, Executors and Guardians are by law in the State of Pennsylvania permitted to invest in, which are, the public loans of the United States, the State of Pennsylvania, the city of Philadelphia, and in bonds

and mortgages. They also present the following Resolved, That the Trustees of the General Assembly are hereby further authorized to make investments in the public loans of the United States, the State of Pennsylvania, and the city of

Philadelphia, and in bonds and mortgages. WHEREAS, The amount of matter now published in the Minutes of the Assembly has greatly increased the expense of the same, and the falling off in the collections for the contingent fund leaves this account deficient \$400, which indebt-

edness it is desirable should be promptly can-Resolved. That the Assembly urge upon all the Presbyteries the necessity of increasing the amount of their annual collections for the purhe current expenses. The resolutions were adopted.

Rev. Dr. WALLACE appeared as a Delegate rom the U. P. Church. Dr. WINES, from the Committee on the Board of Education, reported. The report was accepted, and put on the Docket. Dr. CHESTER. Secretary of the Board, ad-

testify to the increased attention on the part of the Presbyteries to the obtaining of suitable men. Rev. Dr. Manon, Delegate from the Reformed Dutch Church, addressed the Assembly. Fortytwo years ago the General Synod of the Dutch Church proposed to the General Asssembly terms of intercourse, which were adopted According to these, ministers and private members pass from one Church to the other, on certificate of membership, as freely as they would pass to different particular organizations in their own connexion. He also recounted briefly the history of the Reformed Dutch Church, thanking the Pres

byterian Church for the many pastors and leading men it had afforded them. He thanked God too, and he could bear his personal testimony to the great worth and piety of the many members of the Presbyterian Church; and that the fraternal relations existing between the two Churches were growing stronger.

The Moderator expressed to the Delegate the kind and cordial regards of the Assembly. Rev. Dr. WALLACE, of the United Presbyterian Church, took the stand and expressed his joy at

the friendly reciprocation of counsels and courtesies between the Churches. The United Presbyterian Assembly embraced 60,000 communicants, in 7 Synods and 44 Presbyteries. The Moderator expressed a hearty welcome t the Delegate, and to the body he represented. The wall between our brethren and us had been too high to shake hands over: now that wall had come down greatly. He took this as a premoni-tory symptom of its passing away. Adjourned with prayer.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Opened with prayer. A report from the Committee appointed, las year, on the Home and Foreign Record, was read. No improvement suggested. The work is good, and should be circulated. Good writers should contribute. It has never paid expenses. A modification was suggested: use smaller type-take pamphlet size-this will give the same amount of matter, and save press-work and paper. It might be done on about half the present expense.

Ur. BEATTY reported the New Book of Discip-Dr. CLARK said the Committee had made the work as perfect as was in their power. He proposed that, on questions of phraseology, no mem-ber should speak more than three minutes; and on a question of principle, not more than fifteen minutes. The rule was adopted.

The First Chapter was adopted without amend ment; also the Second, also the Third. The Fourth Chapter was amended so as to restore the old rule, that is, that no professiona counsel shall be admitted in cases of trial. The Fifth Chapter was amended so as to ex clude professional counsel, in cases of trial, and

The Sixth Chapter was adopted withou amendment. Concluded with prayer.

SIXTH DAY-WEDNESDAY, May 27.

Cpened with prayer. Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Committee of Bills and Overtures r ported several items of business. Judicial Committee have before them twelve judicial cases; three had been reported; four were now presented, all of which but one were dismissed for informality, and that one was put on the docket, and made the third order for Friday.

A report from the Committee of the last Assembly, on Church Corporations, was read and put on the docket.

Domestic Missions Rev. Dr. McFARREN, of the Committee on Domestic Missions, reported, urging that the Domestic work was not duly appreciated. Wants

Rev. Dr. JANEWAY, Secretary of the Board, addressed the House. The Board had been under the necessity, owing to the debt previously incurred, and to the small contributions from the churches, to keep down the appropriations to the missionaries to the low scale to which they had been reduced in 1861. Dr. J. spoke of the in migration from foreign lands, and of the given up, unless help is sent speedily. The natural increase of our population, and hence missionaries die from over labor. The brother urged the need of a large increase of funds. The Board needed, and could well appropriate double the amount of last year's receipts. Comparative as well as real Christianity, required this. We ought not to permit other denominations to outstrip us in this work. The

front rank was our appropriate place.

Dr. Delancy urged the importance of the must go forward. cause. He wanted not only doubled contributions, but a beneficence increased fourfold . Dr. how urgent. Two distinct Protestant nations more efficient cooperation in this noble work. cannot exist between the Lakes and the Gulf; and the South being impoverished by the war, Dr. Beatty, Mr. Sheddon, Mr. Hays, Mr. Speer, we must send to them the Gospel. Four millions of people, subjugated and wasted, will have

Rev. A. Scorr presented the wants of California, as a missionary field. In the State there are no vacancies. There is but one church withare there, where churches can be gathered, if missionaries in that large State. Large means least one cent per week for each scholar. are needed to send out men to California; but if

in the country. Rev. Mr. SPEER, of Minnesota, regarded that part of the country as the sanitarium of the hear them at 4½ o'clock P. M. North American Continent. Invalids hence flock The House resolved, hencefor there. This increases the population who need missionary aid. Minnesota also is to be the great wheat region of the country, and should have the good seed of the Word.

good men are sent, they will soon find a support

MR. OSMOND, of Penna., thought the Board expended an under proportion of its funds in the Eastern States.

Mr. GILTNER, of Nebraska City, saw and knew the wants of the West. He had preached to the earliest settlers, as the first missionary, and rejoiced in his labor still. But he wanted many laborers. Our sons and daughters from the East were the immigrants, and the church and the minister should be there to receive them. Many of the people of Nebraska are returned emigrants from Salt Lake, and some of the most active citizens and Christians are from that

Mr. BENEDICT, living on the confines of Conary work was needed. Dr. Morrison (Moderator) thought that Presbyteries should be more careful in recommend-ing churches for aid. He had found many churches receiving aid, that ought to be ashamed of ic. They had abundant ability to sustain their own minister. Much money was wasted

by appropriations to such churches. Presbyteries should withhold recommendations. The report was adopted, the resolutions being as follows:

Resolved, That the report of the Board be ap-

proved and published in an abstract of the apnendix to the minutes. Resolved. That the Assembly feel themselves called upon to give thanks to God for having put it into the hearts of his people to furnish the Board with the means of liquidating the debt incurred in former years, which amounted at the commencement of the year which has now closed, to something like \$5,000 retaining in the treasury a balance with which to commence

the operations of the current year.

Resolved, That it would have been still more satisfactory if this result could have been achieved by increased contributions from the churches, instead of continuing the reduction of the scanty allowance to missionaries and avoiding new fields. We regret to learn from this re- \$1,000 per annum. port that instead of an increase there was a considerable falling off in the amount received from the churches, as compared with the year preceding. The Board acted wisely, we have no doubt, in making the liquidation of the debt an caused much discussion. object of primary concern; but we can find no

circumstances, and ascertain, if possible, why

they are not advancing.

Lesolved. That the Assembly once more request the missionaries of the Board to be prompt dressed the Assembly, urging the importance of ; in transmitting their annual reports to the Secsustaining the Board. More ministers are need- | retary as required, that the report of the Board ed—men well qualified—and he was happy to to the Assembly may show the results of the testify to the increased attention on the part of year's labor. Also, that they give a new and earnest attention to the duty of supplying full and particular statements and narratives as t the condition, wants, trials and encouragements of their several missionary fields, for publication

in the Home and Forcian Record. Nominations were made to fill vacancies in the Boards of Domestic Missions, Church Extension, Education, Foreign Missions, and Publica-

Adjourned with prayer.

AFTERNOON SESSION. Opened with prayer.

Mr. T. H. NEVIN moved the appointment of Committee to have the United States flag raises over the church. After a few remarks, a motion was made to lay the motion of Mr. Nevin on the able. The yeas and nays were called, and the vote stood, for laying on the table, 90; against laying on the table, 129; non liquit, 2. The discussion was continued for some time, when it was moved by Dr. J. M. Lowrie, that the whole ubject be referred to a committee of seven. Dr. Beatty hoped a committee would be ap-pointed. He did not doubt the loyalty of any man in this house. He loved the flag. It floated over his house. His father had fought under it, for the independence of the country. But he did not wish it to be raised on a church. That was not its place. He claimed that the proposi-tion placed him and others in a false position. The previous question was called and carried, and the motion of Dr. Lowrie was carried.

The unfinished business, viz., the New Book of discipline, was resumed. The Committee on Correspondence reported a esolution desiring that the intercourse with the

Synod of the Reformed Dutch Church abide as

t present arranged. Adopted. The Assembly spent a half hour in devotional

Adjourned with prayer.

Adjourned till 74 o'clock. . EVENING SESSION.

Opened with prayer. The Moderator announced the Committee of seven, viz.: Drs. J. M. Lowrie, Humphrey, Young, and Browson; and Messrs. Leavitt Clark, and Carter.

The unfinished business was resumed.

The Seventh Chapter was amended and adopt-The Eighth Chapter was taken up and dis-

SEVENTH DAY-THURSDAY, May 28. Opened with prayer. Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

On motion of Dr. Goodall, the whole subject of our relations to the country was committed to the Committee of seven, appointed yesterday.

Foreign Missions. Rev. Dr. NEVIN presented the Report of the Committee on Foreign Missions.

Rev. J. Lowrie, D.D., one of the Secretaries of the Board, made a very instructive and cheerng statement, considering the circumstances of e country

ROBERT CARTER, Esq., followed on behalf of the Board, and made some statistical statements. He spoke feelingly on the necessity which com-pelled the Board to refuse applicants for the offered themselves, and when heathen lands cried for help. That painful necessity was, the want of funds

Rev. Dr. Morrison (the Moderator) regarded this as the last opportunity he was to have of pleading this cause before the General Assembly. It is easy to pass resolutions. The important matter is to act. Will the Church go forward, or backward? The cause is declining in Africa. It has been for years declining in India. Nine issionaries have been removed thence, by death and by sickness, and but four have been sent to occupy the places. There are ten stations, and out one man in each; while some of them need really four men-the boys' school, female asylum, printing press, translations, conversation, preaching. It is painful to listen to the appeals made for help—appeals to which the Church has not responded. A part must be at Lodiana cannot possibly carry on all operations. There are young men here who offer to

go and help, but the Church fails to furnish the means of sending them. Must the retrograde movement continue? The Church is to answer this question. There is a going back; it must be stopped, and we

Mr. A B. Congen offered a resolution that, tions, but a beneficence increased fourfold. Dr. relying for support in this our declaration upon D. spoke eloquently of the destitutions of the the great Head of the Church, we humbly call South. Previously to the rebellion the wants upon our Board of Missions to go forward, and were very great; but now, alas! how much pledge ourselves to urge immediate action in this greater. And when we shall have conquered matter upon our respective Pressytenes, and to the rebellion, what demands will there be, and renewed efforts in bringing our churches to a This resolution was sustained by Mr. Ainslee,

The resolution was adopted, unanimously, the Assembly rising. While the members were standing, Rev. John Fleming, by request, led the Assembly in prayer. Mr. Goodale then offered the following, pre-

out a pastor. Every man who goes there must collect and organize a church for himself, and there are people enough. Hundreds of places

facing it with a few remarks. He thought it would yield an annual revenue of \$75,000.

Resolved, That our pastors and superintendents be urged to endeavor to secure from all of the right men should go. There are but six our Sabbath Schools a contribution equal to at The Committee on Correspondence reported that Rev. Dr. Patterson and Mr. Brown, Delegates from the New School General Assembly were in the House. An order was adopted to

The House resolved, henceforth to meet at 81 o'clock in the morning, and at 2½ o'clock in the

Adjourned with prayer.

AFTERNOON SESSION. Opened with prayer.

Rev. Dr. Condir, from the Committee on heological Seminaries, reported. The repor was adopted. Rev. Dr. BEATTY nominated Rev. Dr. Lyman A. Atwater for the Chair of Didactic Theology, in the Western Theological Seminary.

Rev. E. P. Shields, of New-Jersey, nomina ted Rev. E. D. MacMaster, D.D. Hon. Judge LEAVITT nominated Rev. Dr. Charles Elliott, Professor of Languages in the Miami University, for the Chair of Biblical Literature and Exegesis, in the North-western

Rev. Dr. A. NEVIN nominated Rev. Dr. Black-Dr. BEATTY, from the Committee on Bills and Overtures, reported: Overture No. 10, from the Presbytery of Cincinnati. When persons apply for membership, bringing good certificates from other churches

in our connexion, have the Sessions the right to reject such applicants, for what they deem good The Committee report: One Session cannot sit in judgment upon the action of another, and a dismissal in good standing should be received except where immoralities have been committed or transpired since their dismissal in such cases, inasmuch as they are under the jurisdiction of the Session whose certificate they hold. That said Session, when notified of the member's defection, should exercise discipline; but in

cases of great inconvenience, because of dis-

tance, they may request the Session to whom he

applied, to receive him, and to have investigation or trial as the case may be. The Committee also offered the following resolution, which was adopted: Resolved, That the General Assembly recom mend the Second Presbyterian church of Nashville, Tenn., to the Board of Domestic Missions, for an appropriation of a sum of not more than

Dr. Humphrey, of the Judicial Committee, reported the remaining judicial cases. Three of them were summarily disposed of. The fourth,

At 41 o'clock, Rev. Dr. PATTERSON and Mr | odical Department under the charge of one indiapology for the churches withholding in a year of so much pecuniary prosperity, the means which are needed for the vigorous prosecution and extension of the work.

Brown, Delegates from the New School Assembly widual; making him responsible for that Department under the charge of one interpolation and in the means of the work.

Brown, Delegates from the New School Assembly widual; making him responsible for that Department under the charge of one interpolation. The means of the work of the churches here represented the not exceeding thirteen hundred dollars (\$1,800)

pose of discharging the said balance and meeting every effort made to induce them to aim at self- | They found themselves progressing toward this sustentiation. And we recommend to Presby-teries in all cases where churches receiving aid &c. They were growing in numbers, and beappear to be making no progress in that direction, to send a committee to inquire into their have passed through trials. They now enter fairly upon the work of spreading the Gospel.

Hon. Mr. Brown presented the Christian salutations of the body he represented. He hoped for harmony, peace, and brotherly love between the two bodies. He said: Brethren, pray for us. between the two bodies, but not a union in one Rev. Dr. HUMPHREY (Temporary Moderator,

regretted the absence of the Moderator, who had been twenty-five years a missionary in India. We had appointed two brethren to attend the Philadelphia Assembly. This Assembly is a great missionary body; and be hoped that one result of this fraternal intercourse would be a united effort in spreading the Gospel. The union had been too long delayed. Brethren, pray also

The Judicial case was resumed, and the report of the Committee sustained. A fifth report from the Judicial Committee was l offered, and put on the docket. The Report of the Finance Committee was taken up. The Trustees of the Assembly were authorized to invest money in stocks of the United States, and of the State of Pennsylvania.

Concluded with prayer. In the evening the members attended a meet-ing of the U. S. Christian Commission, which was an occasion of much interest. That organization was heartily endorsed by speakers appointed by the Assembly.

Assembly occupied a half hour in devotional

EIGHTH DAY-FRIDAY, May 29. The Assembly opened with prayer.

Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The name of Rev. — BAIRD was announced, as a Delegate to the Assembly, from the General Assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterian

Church. Overture No. 12-From the Central Presbytery of Philadelphia, asking the Assembly to decide whether in no case of sickness or conversion however peculiar, the Session of a church is not at liberty to adminster the Lord's Supper in

private house.

The Committee recommended the following: The Standards of our Church are clear in their teachings that the Lord's Supper is not to be received by any one alone; yet, in cases of pro-tracted sickness or approaching death, when the desire is very strongly urged by a member of the church to enjoy the administration of the Lord's Supper, a pastor, having duly admonished the applicant that such ordinance, however a source of spiritual comfort, is not in such cases an imperative duty or a means of salvation, may, with a member of his Session, and such communicants as may be appropriately permitted to partake in such solemnit, proceed to administer this sacrament-a minute of every such act to be entered upon the records of the Session. It was enjoined on Presbyteries to use efforts

Dr. CONDIT submitted the report of the Committee on a proposed union with the New School Presbyterian Church. The report was adopted, and is as follows: Resolved, That in the judgment of this General Assembly, it is not deemed expedient to take at

o increase the Contingent Fund.

this time any decided action with reference to a eunion of the New and Old School Presbyterian Churches. Resolved, That in the fraternal correspondence lections just made by the Assembly. now happily inaugurated, the General Assembly would recognize an initiative in the matter of se ouring a better understanding of the relations which subsist between the two Assemblies, and the means of promoting that mutual charity and that just apprehension of the true grounds of

Christian union and fellowship, which may serve

to prepare the way for a union that shall be harmonious and permanently promotive of the interests of truth and vital godliness. Resolved. That as a still further preparative to such a desirable union, the General Assembly deem it important—and this in reference to both these branches of the Presbyterian Church-that the ministers, elders, and such as have the care and instruction of the young, be increasingly careful to exhibit clearly the distinctive principles of Christian doctrine and Church polity as held by the Presbyterian Church. That the ministers of these two branches of the Church cultivate fraternal intercourse, a free interchange of views and feelings, and in all suitable ways encourage and aid one another in the appropri ate work of the ministry; and that the members, of the one of the other branch connect themselv with existing congregations of either rather than cast in their influence and aid with bodies whose principles and form of government are foreign to

The report was accepted and placed upon the Docket. This is respectfully submitted to the Assembly as having been unanimously adopted by the Com-

Rev. Mr. BAIRD, Delegate of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, addressed the Assembly. He had just come from the meeting of his Assem bly. It was probably the last united assembling of that body. He regarded the Presbyterian Church as their example, with esteem. His Church followed ours, in its organization and means of propagating the Gospel—adopting the system of Boards, &c. In the Northern States the Cumberland Presbyterian Church is truly loval. Declarative evidence of that had just been promulgated. The large majority of their brethren had been driven from them, (the Southern portion,) but still they were a numerous sembly would be continued.

The Moderator responded, receiving the proffered good fellowship most cordially, and wishing all blessing upon our brethren.

The Overture from the Synod of New-Jersey relative to family training, was referred to the

next General Assembly.

The Committee on Mileage reported that there and been paid into the Treasury \$212. There had been \$4,429 miles travelled by Commission ers coming to the Assembly who claim mileage which, at  $4\frac{3}{4}$  cents per mile, amounts to \$210.37 eaving a balance in the Treasury of \$1.63. The ommittee recommend that the Trustees be diected to draw an order on the Treasurer for the sum of \$210.37, and that he pay it out in sums

Rev. Dr. HICKOK, from the Committee on the Annual Report of the Board of Publication, reported. The report was accepted. Rev. Dr. SCHENCK, Secretary of the Board.

addressed the Assembly. Mr. CROSBY sustained the report. The accon panying resolutions were adopted.

AFTERNOON SESSION. Opened with prayer. The unfinished business of the morning, viz., teport on the Board of Publication, was taken up.

After much discussion the report was adopted The resolutions are as follows: 1. That the Assembly approve of the principles expressed by the Special Committee, touching the character of the Board's publications, and commend the efforts of the Board to furnish eading more and more attractive, acceptable

and useful to the Church. 2. That the Assembly highly appreciate the faithful services of the Rev. Dr. Wm. M. Engles, as the Editor of the Board, from the beginning until now; but as in our view the duties of the Editor should belong to the Corresponding Secretary, for the sake of economy and propriety, the Board is hereby directed to assign these duties to the Secretary, and to discontinue the

separate office of Editor. 3. That the salary of the Corresponding Secretary should constitute his sole emolument for ervices rendered to the Board; that therefore the amount deposited with the Presbyterian Annuity Company be withdrawn, and that the Board is hereby directed to withdraw it, and to establish this principle in regard to that officer.

4. That the Board is hereby directed to add the duties of the Treasurer to those of the Superintendent of Colportage, without any increase of the present salary of the latter: That adequate security be still required for the proper fulfil-ment of his trust; and that the office of Treasarer, as a distinct one, be hereby dispensed with.

5. That the Board is hereby directed to assign the duties of Publishing Agent to the Superintendent of Depository, without any increase of his present salary.
6. That the Board is now directed to discon-

tinue the office and salary of Solicitor, and to continue the office and salary of Book-Keeper, being an Appeal from the Synod of Sandusky, as at present.

7. That the Board be directed to put the Peri-

their wisdom may suggest; still keeping in view this one matter, that no further accu capital from their business, except as set forth in that Report, are expected by the Assembly. 9. That the Assembly now approves of the

theory of Colportage, as expressed in the Reports of the Special Committee: That the Board is hereby directed to consider carefully the matter of District Superintendents of Colportage; the suggestions of the Committee respecting the employment of Colporteurs; and that this whole natter be renewedly commended to the confidence, liberality, and prayers of God's people. 10. That the Board be directed to discontinu payments for matter furnished to the S. S. Visitor, until they can be made from the income of

paper less expensive to the Church. 11. That the Executive Committee be directed to publish the whole Report of the Special Committee, in the Annual Report of the Board. also adopted, relative to the Home and Foreign

That after the completion of the present volume, the whole edition be issued in a pamphlet form, (with covers similar to the pamphlet edition already issued,) at the same price as the suitable character, enough at least to pay the dditional expense of the pamphlet form, be ject to the discretion of the different Secretaries, Home and Foreign Record, the Committee recommend: That this be rather increased, by en-larged gratuitous distributions, than diminished

by restricted circulation. Judge Leavitt moved that \$75 he paid to Rev. Dr. J. M. Lowrie, for extra labor in writing

Dr. Lowrie opposed the appropriation.

A half hour was occupied in devotional exerses. Adjourned. The evening was occupied in hearing an address by Rev. Dr. HALSEY, of Chicago, before the Presbyterian Historical Society, of which this Assembly is one branch.

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PITTSBURGH. WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3, 1863.

Election of Professors.—We are pleased to state, as the result of the General Assembly's election on Monday for Theological Professors, that Prof. LYMAN H. ATWATER, D.D., of Princeton College, was chosen to fill the vacant chair in the Western Seminary; and that Prof. CHARLES ELLIOTT, D.D., of Miami University, was elected to the vacant professorship in the Seminary of the North west.

have reason to rejoice in the excellent se-

NEW SCHOOL ASSEMBLY.

In our last week's issue, we gave a brief report of the first three days' proceedings of the New School General Assembly now convened in the city of Philadelphia.

Monday, the 25th inst., was devoted mainly to the reports and addresses of delegates to and from corresponding bodies; the report of the Standing Committee on Foreign Missions; the consideration of the progress of the missionary work among the Indians; and the discussion of a report of

the Judicial Committee. A large portion of the morning's session of Tuesday was occupied with the reading of a detailed account of the moneys received from the different churches throughout the country for missionary purposes. From this list it appears that not more than one half the churches contribute anything for this work. It was, therefore, thought probable that, with proper exertions, the contributions might be increased a third more than at present, and perhaps the sum

of \$75,000 could be raised annually for missionary work throughout the world. One of the daily papers furnishes the following notice of the reception in the

afternoon, of the Old School delegate: " Rev. Dr. Tustin, from the Old School Presbyterian General Assembly, proceeded to address the body. The substance of his remarks was that the bi-section of the 1837, no longer existed. The severed parts submitted by the Board, shows a slight inare now reunited, and he now came before this venerable body bearing the olive branch of peace. Loud applause, a demonstration very unusual in such bodies, followed these of the field entrusted to our care. In every

to the same effect, and with great acceptance.

"A letter was read from Judge Sharswith his co-delegate. "The Moderator now rose and, in touching but hearty terms, expressed the reciprocation, in the part of the Assembly and himself, of the fraternity expressed by Dr.

"On motion of Rev. Dr. Skinner, the intense fervor, the hymn:

"Blest be the tie that binds

Our hearts in Christian love." The principal event of Wednesday's sessions was the discussion and adoption of the report of the Committee on the State of the Country. The report contains a reiteration and confirmation of the previous patriotic action of the General Assembly. and urges strongly upon every citizen the support of the Government, as a duty required of him by God.

Thursday was occupied mainly with the reports of committees and the celebration of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. The greater part of Friday was taken up with the consideration of the cause of Home Missions. The overture from the Synod of the Reformed Dutch Church. (which was objected to as seemingly inimical to the interests and dignity of the New School Assembly,) was on the same day

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 1863. THE NEXT PLACE OF MEETING.

The city of Boston, Mass., has been appointed as the place of meeting for the next General Assembly. This is as near to one extreme of the land as New Orleans was to the other. Presbyterianism is not so strong in the Northern capital as in the \$1,081.88. These mistakes may be cor-Southern, but it is good seed to sow in ei- rected before the report is mailed to the ther, and possibly the colder soil may yet churches. prove as fruitful as the former. It is not, the paper: That communications be invited from the Church at large, or selected from various sources; and that efforts be made to make this he a sorry thought. But there is in Box ton and its vicinity a fine field of usefulness: Notwithstanding all the Christian The recommendation of the Committee was influences there put forth, there are still myriads of people unconverted; and the rospect is, that religion being presented in a varied form, might have attractions for some who never yet perceived its beaunewspaper edition; and that advertisements of a ty nor yielded to its power. Every new church which is started with energy, finds allowed to fill the spare pages of the cover; sub- its converts; and our own presenting truth, as we believe, in its excellence, its chilof whose Boards this pamphlet is the organ.

With respect to the expense to the Boards of the dren are sons and daughters of the Lord Almighty. It is then our duty to spread its influence; and our Evangelical brethren in the East will be pleased to see us accomplish some work which they find that they cannot of themselves fully accomplish. Our doctrines and order have their adaptation to minds which are not attracted by Congregationalism, Episcopacy, Methodism, or the Baptist peculiarities. A few members of the Assembly speak of the delicacy of the proposal to meet where we had not families enough in our own connexion to entertain the Assembly, as though it would be casting ourselves upon the constrained hospitalities of others; but they were met by the most ample assurances, that the brethren of the Evangelical churches there would rejoice in the opportunity of manifesting their Christian cour-

The First Presbyterian church of Boston is a society of moderate strength. It owns one of the finest church edifices in the city. It is served now by Rev. Dr. DELANCY, who was, when our National troubles commenced. Secretary of our The friends of these institutions respect- South-western Committee of Missions, in ively, as well as Presbyterians generally, New Orleans, and who hopes yet to be permitted to return to that field of labor. Dr. DELANCY assumed the debt of that church (\$27,000) and is collecting money to liqui-The Presbyterian church of East Boston

is also a respectable society. Then there are thousands of persons in the city an its surroundings, of Scotch and Scotch-Irish origin, who have still their family attachments to our doctrine and order, and who demand our care. It may also be a benefit to Boston to know more than it does of Presbyterianism; and it can hardly be otherwise than useful for our Assembly to see the Yankees at home. Our ministers and elders will certainly not love them the less for it. We do not consider Boston to be exactly the centre of creation. but there is in that city a literature, refinement, sociability, and evangelism which it may be well for our people to see and know. We trust that in the good providence of God, there may be a full Assembly in Boston, and that the Spirit of the Lord may be there.

At this writing, the first three days of the Assembly have closed. The meeting has been very harmonious. The Moderator presides with great dignity. The order of the House is all that could be desired. The debates are able and dignified. The devotional exercises are earnest. God's

Spirit is present.

CHURCH EXTENSION. The order of the day for Saturday fore-Presbyterian Church, which took place in | noon was, Church Extension. The Report country, churches are needed, but in ours own household. "Mr. T. M. Harper (layman) followed to the need is peculiar. In the older-settled wood, announcing his inability to be present | congregations which were poor. Now the | affecting. And well may we be urged to tions are still poor-poor not because of in. The war will end; and end as we trust in activity, but because of removals. The the full restoration of the Government in hive may send off vigorous swarms, and every part. But then we shall find a coun-Tustin. Both associations were alike true | yet be feeble—feeble from the very amount | try wasted; wofully wasted. Its fund for to the cause of religion and loyal to the of its increase in producing. So it is with seminaries, colleges, education, missions, land that protected it. Again was heard many a church. Hundreds of sons and all lost by investments in Confederate daughters have been there borne and nur- loans. Agriculture, planting, business of whole assemblage then arose and sang, with tured; but they are gone to new homes, every kind, prostrated. The people poor, congregation, still feeble, needs help to re- need all the kindness of the deepest and small portion of the consideration it de- churches will come back to the fold they serves. A comfortable edifice is an indis- must be administered to with all care and pensable to worship. There can be no suc- cheerfulness. If they should choose to be cess in extending Zion, without churches. a separate body, we must still lend a helplast year, were \$19,225.22; and the actual The past must be forgiven and buried. expenditures were \$9,474.93. The bal- The Gospel must furnish us with the limiance in the Treasury per previous report,

was \$10,756.29. The balance now on hand is \$20,506.58. There are, however, unpaid liabilities, being appropriations sub- Missions was unusually interesting. The ject to call as soon as the buildings are greatness of the field, the urgency of the completed; \$14,172.66; leaving an unap- wants, and the assurance afforded by God's propriated balance of \$6,333.92. These Word, of ultimate and complete success, amounts seem to be large in the hands of afford topics such as the Christian orator the Treasurer. But it would be wrong to delights to seize. The presence of Rev. disposed of, after a good degree of exciting not got; and wrong also to pay out the years of experience, and who made use of appropriate money which the Board has Dr. MORRISON, who has had twenty-five a correspondence with the Synod, "on house is finished. The calls for aid, how- ary life, added greatly to the interest of the terms according to those existing with ever, being very numerous and pressing, occasion. The Doctor told us of what he other bodies," and a Commissioner was ap- we think the Board might safely and prof- had seen, and heard, and felt. His infer-Saturday was spent in an excursion to or nearly all, the money it has. One thou- knowledge. Will the enthusiasm of the Atlantic City, by invitation of the Directors of the Camden and Atlantic Railroad. or nearly all, the money it has. One thoutons of the Camden and Atlantic Railroad. would be entired to the camber of the camber o would be sufficient to retain, of unappro- will ministers and elders go-home, preservwhich are needed for the vigorous prosecution and extension of the work.

Resolved, That it be enjoined on all our Presibilities of churches applying for aid, and to refuse to recommend to the Board any but the really necessitions. Let a careful watch also be preserved over those that are receiving aid, and to refuse served over those that are receiving aid, and to refuse served over those that are receiving aid, and to refuse served over those that are receiving aid, and to refuse this body and the churches here represented the churches here represented the hot exceeding thirteen hundred dollars (\$1,800)

The June number of this excellent monthly will be found rich in interesting and instructive magazing.

S. That the first sentence of the Resolution of the Assembly of 1842 (Digest, p. 421,) is hereby revealed, and the Board is directed to proceed on the principle recommended in the Report of the Eclectic cannot well do without it. For sale by Heury Miner Fifth street Pittsburg. priated funds. The most economical and ing it fresh and glowing, and make it to fullest use of the funds given, will encour- light up every Presbytery, and to animate age the churches to give the more bounti- every church? fully. The Treasurer's statement shows a It is painful to know that our foreign of the Eclectic cannot well do without it. For great economy; our remark hence applies work has been declining for some time;

The Report of receipts from Strawls leaves out the name of Pittsburgh, as though we had given nothing; whereas our donations, as appears by credits to Presbyteries, were \$710.00. Baltingore Synod which, as per statement by Preshy. teries, gave only \$375.89, has credit for

It is painful to find that only 566 of our

loudly demanded. DISABLED MINISTERS The interest manifested in the Vividing for superannuated and dia and for the helpless widows to and for the helpless widows and ministers, was, in this Assembly been in many preceding Assemb praise-worthy. Rev. Joseph F it had Tuly D.D., presented an able report, sta the contributions from the church the last year had been great in those of any previous year and a there had been more bequeate than

There had been also more aid, and all had been favoral aid

and a balance still remained in

This subject was first made promin the Assembly at Pittsburgh, in 1849. discussions; and there is no subject wheelicits more ferver. work has languished. The plan add in 1849, and which still is continued, i have the churches take up annual co tions to meet immediate demands: an receive bequests and donations to be inve ed as a permanent fund, of which only t interest shall be used. The money is pr to the Trustees of the General Assembl and is appropriated on the recommend tions of Presbyteries. Two years ago, few benevolent persons proposed to Dr Jones to give him a salary if he would de vote his energies to this cause. This being told to the Assembly, the Doctor was appointed its Superintendent. Since then the work has been prosecuted with energy, and with fair indications of success. It is well worthy of the love and benefaction of the churches, and deserves to be favorably remembered by those who, having served themselves from their wealth as long as wealth could be made to serve them, would then distribute it to others.

The principle upon which this claim rests is, that the minister consecrates himself to the Church, in her spiritual services, without any arangement for the accumulation of gain It is for a support, from year to year. This support he needs while he lives, and the Church which he has served in his youth and vigor, should continue the support to the extent of his needs, when he becomes old and feeble. The claim is first upon the particular congregation which reaped the benefit of his labors; then upon all the Church connexion; and when the whole arranges to meet it, the particular congregation being relieved, is enabled to call and sustain another servant of Christ to continue to them

the ministrations of the Word. DOMESTIC MISSIONS. This Board is steadily pursuing its work. Next to the Board of Education, it is the most important of all our benevolent enterprises. A man who provides not for his

own, is worse than an infidel. Our whole country is our own. It is "the field" which the Lord of the harvest has entrusted to us. The whole world is the field belonging to the whole Church of Christ; and the United States are the portion of that field which is specially entrusted to the General Assembly. We say specially, crease over the previous year's work; but because we recognize our duty, in common still it comes immensely short of the needs | with others, to send the Gospel to the heathen; while in these States we find our

The discussion on this subject possessed parts, the edifices were mostly adapted to more than usual interest. The appeal to suffice only for a few years, being built by the Assembly on behalf of the South, was churches need renewal, and the congrega- be largely ready with men and means. to form new churches. Hence the old and alienated in their feelings. They will new its temple, and the congregation new- the highest charity, and laborers and funds ly formed, in a new country, also has its beyond all that has yet been witnessed. need for aid. This subject receives but a Let the Church be ready. If the erring The total receipts by the Board, for the ing hand in accordance with their needs. tations of love.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The discussion of the subject of Foreign

that its falling off the last year has been