#### JULY 8, 1863. PRESBYTERIAN BANNER .--- WEDNESDAY,

# Banner. Presbyterian PITTSBURGH, WEDNESDAY, JULY 8, 1868.

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Degree Conferred .- At the recent Commencement of Mt. Union College, Ohio, the degree of D. D. was conferred upon Rev. T. C. HARTSHORN, Agent of the American Bible Society for Eastern Ohio.

Ordination .- On the evening of Thurs day, July 2d, the Presbytery of Allegheny City ordained Mr. THOMAS X. ORR, and installed him pastor of the Central Church in that city. The sermon was preached by Rev. E. E. SWIFT, Rev. J. ALLISON delivered the charge to the pastor, and Rev. Dr. WILLIAMS gave the charge to the peoaware, almost all Protestant and evangeliple. The church is homogeneous; and has a fine field of labor.

Grateful, Hearty Thanks are due to our Heavenly Father, for the great deliverence wrought for our State, and for the bright tokens he now affords of returning favor. We may well rejoice in the success of the army of Gen. MEADE, and in that of Gen. GRANT. It is both a duty and a privilege to rejoice. But let the praise due to the Lord be hambly rendered. His providence has brought victories. And we need still more victories, and wisdom also to use them aright. Pride, on our part, boasting, self-glorying, becomes us not. LORD, TO THY NAME, GIVE GLORY.

The Theological Quarterly Review.-The July number of this journal appeared promptly, and presents its readers with much valuable matter. The contents are : I. The Heidelberg Catechism; II. The Aristotelian and the Modern Place of Man in Zoology; III. Donner on the Sinless Perfection of Jesus; IV. The Crown of Life in JAMES i: 12; V. Prayer and Medtation; VI. Colenso on the Pentateuch; VII. Examination of the Latest Defence of Dr. Hickock's Rational Psychology VIII. The General Assembly at Philadelphia; IX. Theological and Literary Intelligence; X. Criticisms on Books.

The article, Heidelberg Catechism, is by Professor SCHAFF, and will be read with much interest by those who wish to be informed respecting the doctrines of the Ger-

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND BAPTISM. cause, change his special relations; though The status of our baptised children is a he is bound never to separate himself from o have our Indian system reformed, will the visible Church of Jesus Christ. Hence question of much interest, and that of our be successful. Let it not be said that we the remark above, that baptism "secures to duties toward them is immensely more so. are now too much engaged in other things. the child all the blessings belonging to Now, when God's heavy hand is upon us, Such subjects claim our attention unremitmembership in the Church of Jesus, as is the time for us to turn to rightecusness. tingly. We find the following quoted in the Christian Instructor:

long as it is a child, and yet preserves the power of attaching himself to whatever denomination he thinks proper, when he ar-

# PROGRESS OF ROMANISM.

Roman Catholics are wont to boast great-"The question which we have to deterrives at the mature years of manhood," is iny of their increasing numbers. We think mine here is: Into what Church is a child appropriate and may be injurious. While introduced when it is baptized in infancy? their boast is unfounded and vain. Still, Reference is made to the Shorter Cate- he was a child he belonged to the specific it may be worthy of notice. It may incite chism, and because it is said in ques. 95, denomination where his parents had their Protestants to greater activity. If Roman-'But the infants of such as are members rights and obligations; and his arrival at ism shall get ahead of Protestantism in of the visible Church are to be baptized,' an attempt is made to persuade us that it the years of responsible action finds him this country, it will deserve the triumph. is into some particular visible church chil- there entitled to privileges and bound to Here there is a free course; no State religthe performance of duties ; and the "blessdren by baptism are introduced. But the ion, an open Bible, free schools, no restrie-Shorter Catechism teaches no such doctrine. ings" he has as belonging to a particular tion upon church building, access to the It tells us what the status of the parent church or branch of Christ's family, and ministry for whoever will. must be-he must be a member of the vis-

the "power" of changing his visible con-We see the Boston Pilot quoted as tryabout the church into which the child is nexion, for cause, belong to him as a franing to prove superior progress, by New-England statistics of births. It claims It is wonderful what an effort men will that the "native stock of New-England is make to get clear of their obligations to rapidly diminishing." According to the "Birth Report," which it quotes, there were their Lord and Master. Much as he bless-

born in Massachusetts, in 1861, of American parents, 16,097 children, and of for eign parents 16,125, leaving a balance of 28 on the foreign side.

It then comments in this fashion :

"Thus run the currents, the Irish stream flowing in with great health, vigor. strength, and purity; and the old Puritan race slipping rapidly away under the im-pulse of four vices. This is a startling fact. It is impossible to deny it. Our people came here with nothing; look at the grip they have to day of the soil! The settled Puritan and his vices is melting away before the emigrant Irishman and his virtues: This is no invention of ours, I It is a fact attested by the statistics of the ing, care, instruction, discipline? O, why State, and by the statistics of the medical faculty of the State We have then the majority. By the report of 1861, we have it in the clearest manner. If none but purely (Puritan births; were given, in that report, it would appear that we had a surprising majority. Thank God we have not decreased in the land of our adoption b There was, and there is yet, detestable national and religious bigotry before us. But what have they effected against the poor emigrant Catholic of Ireland ? We have spread our faith; we have spread ourselves and nothing can restrain us . We are now greatly predominant in births. How long will it take us to be equally predomi-nant in every thing else? Not long. The Catholicising and Hibernicising of the land, proceeding with swiftness." We are rather surprised at the excess of and yet preserve the power of attaching dians were, they were wronged, and that births from foreigners, in Massachusetts God would yet judge this nation. And births from foreigners, in Massachusetts proper, when he arrives at the mature years never since have we gotten clear of the im- but this fact is not proof that Protestants

We trust that Bishop WHIPPLE'S efforts | Mr. CHARLES D. KELLOGG, a licentiate of |

call to the church of Kirkwood, Missouri. | plete about \$50,000. Rev. WILLIAM MCELWEE was installed pastor of the Fifteenth Presbyterian bath evening, June 21.

## EASTERN SUMMARY. NEW-ENGLAND.

AT THE recent session of the Conference of the Congregational Churches of Maine, Dutch Synod, says: an interesting essay was read on the subject of preaching to children. We make the following quotation :

"When will the church as a body understand that words are not necessarily. thoughts, that elaborate sentences are not always the equivalent of good sense, and that plain, artless, easy to be understood language is not only compatible with but, essential to, clearness, persuasiveness, and force. Can it be doubted that if the oratory of the pulpit were in this respect brought into nearer likeness to that of the platform, the bar, and the halls of legislation, the people would be as well instructed -perhaps more deeply and durably impressed-and the children of our congregations would not have so much reason to complain that grown up people only have any share in the provisions of the sanctuary. Brethren, in regard to this matter. we have very much in our own hands. Let us, in the preparation of our disforms of phraseology, that have nothing to recommend, them but their gaudiness or glitter, and prefer to them, that sound speech that cannot be condemned, because not only as to matter consistent with revealed truth, but level in respect of manner to the comprehension of all who seek to New-York City, says : know and to walk in the way of life."

seasons and special services --- 'services in capacity and comprehension of the child of even five or six years of age."

adults, find it difficult to preach acceptably and effectively to children; still there is no one who is so far disqualified as to be justifiable in keeping out of view, in the ministrations of the Word, the spiritual necessities of the young.

IN A RECENT SPEECH before the Amer- says : ican Congregational Union, Rev. H. W Beecher is said to have uttered the following language :

Ir. CHARLES D. KELLOGG, a licentiate of the Second New-York Presbytery, has accepted a call to the First church, Wil-Delaware. Boston, is 47 feet wide, 18 deep, and 10 high; contains 6,500 pipes, 86 through stops, and has four manuals, it weighs be-25 and 70 tons; and will cost com-Mr. JAMES M. MAXWELL has received a tween 65 and 70 tons; and will cost com-

IT IS SAID that Hon. Thomas H. Seymour, of Hartford, is the recipient, from church, in the city of Philadelphia, by the Presbytery of Philadelphia, on Sab-copies of the history of his coronation. copies of the history of his coronation, lately published in Paris, at a cost of \$250,000.

#### NEW-YORK.

A CORRESPONDENT of the Evangelist, vriting of the late meeting of the Reformed

"A rambling debate sprung up in the Synod on a report which alluded rather depreciatingly to a pastor who had left his charge and joined the army as a soldier. The whole subject was finally dropped, but enough leaked out in the debate, to show that the leading men of the Synod were opposed to that feature of the Conscription bill which made pastors of churches sub ject to draft. Some were in favor of meeting the question squarely and boldly, and it looks as if it might come up before the Synod closes."

The Christian Intelligencer observes, in egard to this statement :

"The writer was misinformed. The report referred to was the annual report of he Board of Domestic Missions. It made no such deprecating allusion as charged. It simply stated that one of the missiona ries of the Board, while under its nav and without its knowledge, had left his post and enlisted in the army as a private. The courses, reject unsparingly those elaborated debate that ensued was on a motion to strike out of the report all reference to the case. Nothing was said about the conscription of ministers."

of Admiral Foote, who died recently in

"During his illness, and shortly before On the supposition that such a style of his death, he manifested his characteristic preaching is, in many cases, impracticable, nobleness of character by urgently requestthe essayist urges the necessity of special ing that Commodore Dupont should be assured that his appointment to relieve him which all the parts shall be level to the and that he was simply obeying orders in accepting it. He was sustained by a calm and peaceful hope of heaven, and illustrated Many ministers who can preach well to in his death the triumphs of Divine grace, obtaining in his last hour his greatest victory.

> THE INTELLIGENCER takes the following xception to certain views expressed by Dr. Wayland in his recently published work on the Ministry of the Gospel. It

"Dr. Wayland's book is based upon the thinks that in the general taste, elegance,

Sabbath in August. Mr. Bollman, Second Sabbath in September.

Centre-Mr. McElwain, one day at dis

Saltsburg (during the absence of the pastor in the Army of the Cumberland,)-Mr. F. Orr, Second Sabbath of July. Dr. Donaldson, Third Sabbath of July. Mr. John Orr, Fourth Sabbath of July. Irwin, Second Sabbath of August. Mr. Mechlin, Third Sabbath of August. Mr. J. E. Caruthers, Fourth Sabbath in August. Mr. Kuhns, (Ev. Lutheran,) Fifth Sabbath of August: Mr. Morgan, First Sabbath of September; to administer the Lord's Supper. Mr. Townsend, Second Sabbath of September.

At the same meeting, Messrs. John Orr, T. D. Ewing, and B. Sloan, were licensed to preach the Gospel.

. W. W. WOODEND, Stated Clerk.

## For the Presbyterian Banner

MEMPHIS, Tenn., June 24, 1863.

MESSRS. EDITORS :- For more than twelve months past, this city has been occupied by the Union forces, and as it is a point of much importance, the news reported from here, especially if pertaining to military affairs have by your readers no doubt as well as others, been looked after and read with deep interest. May I not hope to awaken the interest of some of them while I make an appeal; not in behalf of the "Army of the Tennessee," but in behalf of a small company of the great Sunday School army stationed at this post. At the breaking out of the rebellion we had four Old School Presbyterian churches in Memphis. Two large and flourishing ones, and two smaller and of later organization-all of which had regular pastors. One of these, at a very early period of the war, went out as a Captain in the rebel army, and was not long afterwards, for bad and unchristian conduct, not only suspen THE OBSERVER, in an obituary notice ded from the ministry, but also dismissed from, or compelled to, resign his position in the army, and is now, I believe, at the head of a company of roaming guerrillas. Another has, within the past few days taken a trip northward; whether for the improvement of his health or the benefit of his political system, I am not able to

> All persons here remaining in our lines. are, in accordance with Gen. Hurlbert's Order, No. 65, supposed to have taken the oath of allegiance to the United States; but in several instances, by some means, passes have been obtained to go North without complying with this order.

A third one (a Northern man, too, by the way,) who from the outset has been an uncompromising secessionist, still remains here, and appears to have a flourishing con-gregation. Whether he has taken the

oath, or whether Gen. Hurlburt has exempted him, I do not know. As a general state of things in the Congregational and rule the most bitter secessionists here are Baptist Churches of New-England. He the ones who receive Federal official favors. Of the history of the other, the Second caruly, alraid of them i literary culture, and a regard for the

thom as aliens. They deal with them as tinctly explains. (See ch. 25, sec. 2.) Says that Confession, it ' consists of all | they do with the children of strangers. those throughout the world that profess And doubly sorry are we to see, even in the true religion, together with their chil- the Presbyterian Church, such a spirit. dren.' It is placed in opposition to all Does she wish to banish the feeling of resects and parties. Particular churches aremembers of this Church, but they are and sponsibility? Would she save herself the trouble of training her children-of watchwhom God has given her, the members

A NATIONAL SIN.

es them, and easy as is his yoke, and ex-

tensive as is the freedom he grants, still,

they will not have him to reign over them.

And sorry are we that many Protestant

members from their bonds. They treat

them as " outsiders," yet to be introduced,

or yet to attach themselves. They treat

It appears to us that the formula of baptism by our Saviour is a substantial proof sins against the Indians and the Negroes.

can be no more. This, then, is the Church into which infants are baptized. It is not into the Presbyterian, the Episcopal, the is it that she would cast off the children Methodist, or the Congregational Church that a child is baptized; but into the universal or Catholic Church-that which is who are her strength, and her hope and made up of them all-that which consti- iov? R. Shirk. See tutes the family of God upon earth. If any

olic (or universal) Ohurch.' Similar churches are so ready to release their born

one should ask for proof of this from Scripture, we are prepared with such proof. Among the most remote of our reminiscenses, relative to national affairs, are our

of this: 'Baptism in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.' Is there Of the former of these, we propose to utter anything denominational here? Could now a few words. there be anything so general, so universal, and yet embracing so much of the Gospe read first the history of our country, and as the Trinity does, and the doctrines when our mind was filled with horror at which naturally and necessarily flow from it? Does it not secure to the child all the the recital of Indian barbarities, the occur- and the disappearance of the Puritan, are blessings belonging to membership in the rence of the thought, that, bad as the In-Church of Jesus, as long as it is a child,

We can trace back to boyhood, when we

dians were, they were wronged, and that

man Reformed Church. The Stagyrite (ARISTOTLE) is made to appear far more correct in his view of man, than is CUI-VIEB, DARWIN, AGASSIZ, HUSSEY, and other Physiologists and Naturalists of modern times. Our Quarterlies do a good work in the defence of truth : and should have a liberal patronage.

College of New-Jersey .- The Annual Commencement took place June 24th. The graduating class numbered fifty-one. This College bas suffered much from the war. many of its students having been from the South. An effort is now in progress to increase its endowment. Dr. ATWATER reported the securing of \$35,000, as part of the \$100,000 desired. The Alumni Address was delivered by Prof. J. S. HART. of Trenton. Among other things, Prof. HART mentioned as a noted fact that up to the year 1830 the Alumni of this College had furnished about one-third part of of those who had formed the chief law officers of the General Government. One of the Alumni and one President of the College were signers of the Declaration of Independence: One had been President and two Vice Presidents of the United States; forty-seven have been Senators of the United States; seventeen, Foreign Ambassadors; eight, Judges of the Supreme Court of the United States; twentysix, Governors of States; thirty Presidents of Colleges, and eighty-eight Professors in Colleges, Theological Seminaries, and Law Schools. ~ Rev. N. WEST, of Brooklyn, N. Y., Rev. DANIEL IRVING, of Morristown, N. J., Rev. CHARLES J. IROWN, of Scotland, received the degree ot D.D.

### AMERICAN METHODISM.

Methodism is now nincty-seven years old. Its progress has been wonderful. It is admirably adapted to the wants of a large portion of society; and its operation upon other branches of the Lord's Zion, is greatly beneficial.

The N. Y. Methodist, in speaking of the approaching Centenary of American Methodism, says :

" In three more years; American Methodism will have completed the first century of its existence. The names of its earliest preachers-WEBE, EMBURY, BOARDMAN, PILLMOOR, ASBURY, and COKE-have be come historic, and will be held in grateful remembrance for generations to come. The completion of the hundredth year of the existence of the Church which, under the blessing of God, they founded, will doubtless be an occasion for the grateful recognition of Divine favor, and of thanksgiving for the spiritual blessings enjoyed, by the thousands of sons and daughters of Methodism in the New World.

A WRITER in the Watchman and Rei of which Rev S! De Witt Talmage is pas- was placed in his hands, and when he had "The times are auspicious for the rais zenship, and the duty of allegiance, in civil enormity of this guilty Indian system, I tor, nineteen persons were admitted to the passed through the usual trials with aping, in 1866, of such a monument of liberconfined by sickness. He was a good man, with the American Bible Society: privileges of the church-fitteen on certifis probation, Presbytery appointed his ordi affairs, are determined by lineage, birth. pray you help me. It is now three years place and residence. The child who is since I first asked for its reform. It will a good preacher, and a good pastor if He ality of Methodist laymen as will be a per cate and four on confession. The most of nation, and installation as pastor of Plains "This were a consummation, certainly, most devoutly to be wished; and it is well. petual witness of their devotion to and love rests from his labors, and leaves many connever be reached until the people demand these were heads of families, and very church, tostake place on the Second Tnesfor their Church. Bishop SIMPSON closes born in France, of French parents, regisit. They will never demand it until they verts to his Master, who will revere his known that a large number of most influ-ential brethren; Pedobaptists and Baptists, prominent people of the eity size a his well-considered address to the Laymen's tered there, and still resident there, is a fear God. If I should tell you all I know day of September. Convention in these words : We are apmemory. LENG STANLING 633 citizen, without any specific act of his own of its iniquity, you would hardly believe Thespastoral relation between Rev. J. proaching the hundredth year of Method-ism in America. Oh! I wish it could be 111 V. Miller and Westminster church, was For the Presbyterian Banner. have their hearts set on its accomplish. So is it in the Church where the parents me. I shall work, and if God spares my Home and Foreign Becord.-The receipts Supplies Appointed by the Presbytery of ment. May there be no too nice stickling for life this system shall be reformed. In the dissolved. are members, and have consecrated and that just as the hundredth year was clos-ACLAND HERE . acknowledged, during the month of May, terms, and standing out for first overtures. The following report on supplies was Saltsburg. mean time, God being my helper, I shall trained their child, be it in the Presbyteing, and we were winding up the first cenon either. In such endeavors to heal aliensdopted : carigora ont carif At the June meeting of the Presbytery In Leesburg-Leave to obtain supplies till continue to work and pray for the salvation tury of American Methodism; I do wish ations among brethren, they who move first rian Church or elsewhere; there the child Domestic Missions. \$ 2.901.54 of Saltsburg, the following supplies were next meeting. dealed activity accide of one of the most hapless heathen races on it were so that the doors of the General and farthest, toward retinion, where prinhas his rights and privileges, and there his the earth." Education. 4 - ----- 2.187.14 appointed : it is the set of the sources Conference would be thrown open to you, ciple is not sacrificed, are most praise-Foreign Missions. 11.094.85 Warren-Mr. Graves, Fourth Sabbath Mr. McRherrin Third Sabbath of July, allegiance and service are due, as he ad-Our sins against the Indians are to be and you could come in and sit down beside worthy." Publication-Sales, - - 4,683.93 of July. Mr. F. Orras Second Sabbath of Mr. J. S. Boyd . Third Sabbath in August, 4,685.93 THE REV. CHARLES CLEVELAND, who August. Mr. J. E. Caruthers, Fourth Mr. Jackson: Fifth Sabbath in August, vances to manhood. But neither the born A Charles Sec. 19 your brethren. I would hall you most cordially.; I would say to you, Now laymen, build a monument worthy of the centenary, of Methodism ; bring your money, and endow your theological schools and universities, and let-there be one grand-triumphant jubilee over the completion of the first century of American Methodism.""

of manhood ? O, blessed Gospel, thou hast pression. Our fathers drove the Indian are perishing before Papists. Many of bestowed on us many privileges and blessings, but thou hast not forgot to give a portion to the in ant and suckling ! Thou sides, if we suppose that baptism is an introduction into a denominational church. would involve the change of a practice this day, treaties with the Indians are not common to Protestants. Baptism is ad-ministered only once. Where a man passes from one denomination to another, no one thinks of administering baptism anew to are, by wrongs done them, provoked to evil him. A Presbyterian becoming an Episcopalian would require to be baptized again, because he had only received a Presbyterian sprinkling. So with other denomina tions. Hence it is that Roman Catholics, and perhaps some Baptists, act consistently

"INFANTS AND THE CHURCH.

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in repeating the rite to every one who joins were cruelly massacred. The Indians, howtheir communion. They consider themselves the only true Church. We think, then, it is plain, both from Scripture and reason, that the Church into which an infant is introduced by baptism, is the Church universal, and not any denominational and a large number are still retained under church.-Hal. Wit."

is also some error; or, it is truth improp- There are still indications of spiritual ben. erly stated. By the language used, the efit. implication is very strong, if the thing is not fully asserted, that the child born of letter dated may 8th, which we see quoted three years ; all slaves between the ages of believing parents, is, by baptism, made a in the N. Y. Observer, says : ) member of the church, while, by the Scriptures, and by the Presbyterian Standards | ers who were condemned to die have been of Faith, the child of believing parents is, regularly visited at Mankato by Mr. Hinby his birth-right, a member of the visible Church That this is so by our Standarda aries. Many of these prisoners, I believe Church. That this is so, by our Standards, are innocent. There were officers who the sentence quoted above affirms: "The were present at the trial, who do not hesivisible Church consists of all those through- | tate to express their belief that there were out the world that profess the true religion, together with their children." And such Scriptures as this prove it: "Else were prisoners have learned themselves to read your children unclean; but now are they and write without any teacher, except a holy": "The promise is to you and to your | fellow-prisoner. They take great delight children." And the law of circumcision in prayer. They are constantly singing evinces the same blessed doctrine. Baptism, then, does not, introduce believers'

confirms their membership. Baptism is properly denominated the ini-

converted from the world. The Spirit of God convinces, enlightens, and renews men, to learn them the arts of civilization, the Gospel. Being thus introduced into the invisible, the true and spiritual Church, they have a right to membership in the I do for the red men. For the guilty murvisible Church; which right is acknowl- derers who massacred those I love, I could edged, and they are introduced to its privi- not plead. They, deserve only death... But leges by baptism. And if they have infant surely we must speak out plainly of our children, those children are, according to the covenant, brought in with their parents, will hold this. nation accountable for its and have a right to the same sign and seal. Church does the baptized child belong? the answer is easy. He belongs to the

tempted to defend it, they took his life. also of the immigrant Papists, especially of art on the one hand a conservator of his Much has been said in palliation of the immigrants from the continent, abandon privileges while a minor, and thou art on conduct, and much even in justification, their religion when they come to where the other a defender and protector of his but yet the impression of an invasion and freedom gives them the choice of a better. liberties when arrived at manhood. Be- a wrong, remains. Conscience is not satis: Many also of the children of even Irish fied. The law of love was not kept. The Catholics, abandon, practically, the Romish and not into the Church universal, this Golden Rule was not observed. And to Church a beaution and distance equal; and when made, are not faithfully executed. The people are defrauded, and ty. God's providence is bringing, to our

> deeds. at a defendant of salars dants. The most horrible outbreak of the In- all proper instrumentalities to operate updians, in recent times, was that in Minne- on them and their children. Duty is plain. sota, about a year ago. Several hundred of our citizens, men, women, and children,

ever, were soon conquered, and many of sentence. Some time ago, we spoke of a There is much truth in this, but there revival of religion among the prisoners.

"During the Winter the Indian prison-

innocent men among those who were hung. I was not present at the trial, and only speak of what officers have told me. These

men, and in that state of mind where they children into the Church ; it but seals and | would be docile and teachable. The Gov

ernment proposes to incarcerate them in some prison at the South. It will only be tiatory ordinance, in reference to adults I have written to the Department to urge them to create a reform school for these

blessing to their people. Whether my prayers will be heard or not, I coanot. tell. The people here think me mad to plead as own guilt. I dare not be silent. I know

this Indian system. I believe that God robbery and blood. The day will come of these things which are now glossed over Rev. ROBERT C. MATTHEWS by lies, as will appal those who read it. Pray for me, and if you can say one word

from his valued home; and when he at these foreigners are Protestants. Many.

The whole subject is worthy of much notice; especially in view of Christian dushores, myriads of people who need conversion; and he has given as the full use of

PROGRESS OF FREEDOM.

It will be seen in our news columns, that the Missouri Constitutional Convention has passed an ordinance of FREEDOM. The them were captured. The prisoners were Ordinance has to be accepted by a majority tried by a military commission, and con- of votes, at a State election, before it bedemned to death. Thirty nine were hung, somes a part of the Constitution. Of this approval by the people, there is but little doubt. Then, all persons born in Missouri after July 4th, 1870, will be absolutely free. All children of slaves who may be

at that date, under twelve years of age, will Bishop WHIPPLE, of Minnesota, in a be servants till they reach the age of twentytwelve and forty, will be servants till the Fourth of July, 1876; and all slaves, over forty, will be servants for life. No servant may be sold out of the State after 1870 and no slave not now belonging to a citizen of the State, may hereafter be introduced. The entire slave population in Missouri was, in 1860, nearly one hundred and fifteen thousand it is the start of

An immense responsibility is thus laid upon Christians in Missouri. They are bound, at once, to institute wise means, and to use them diligently to prepare the slaves for freedom; and to prepare public sentiment so to regard and treat them, that freedom may be to them a benefit, both temporally and spiritually mode comment

Church, of Fairview .- This recent organyears in existence, gives evidence of vigorous life. On the 6th inst., a call was them. They receive Christ as offered in so that, when discharged they may be a made out for the pastoral services of Rev. JOHN EWING, who has been preaching there for some time: They have erected a fine church edifice, are free from debt, and have upwards of one hundred communicating members, with a fine prospect for growth and comfort.

Hanover College, Ind .- At the late Commencement the degree of D.D. was con-As to the question : To what particular when history will write such a plain story ferred on Rev. WILLIAM BRUNDLE and

Bev. A. B. Clark died at Altoona, Pa., on Church of his parents. The right of citi- to awaken the people of America to the the 5th inst. Mr. CLARK had long been

intolerable inquisitiveness which they had ern. States we do not know, but it is cerquestions which I never could answer."

The Vermont Chronicle, commenting on the above extract; remarks : most sit "We wish to know if Congregationalism

has fallen so low as to fellowship, as even to applaud a man who thus vilifies and ridicules her once favored standard of doctrine? Has she no voice of protest to raise against the deformation of her Catechism by the merry-making minister of Plymouth pulpit? Plymouth and Beecher! What an incongruous association of names law Plymouth points us to our forefathers, whose earlier descendants/revered the Catechism. Beecher, to the man who stigmatizes it as a set of "vile questions."

If Congregationalism has thus prostituted herself to the low rank of vilifying the doctrinal standard of her fathers, we do not wonder she is in bad odor. out of New-England. She deserves to be so among all true defenders of the faith once delivered. to the saints. But we do not believe she has yet sunk so low; we believe that a t may be, but none the less real,) every such, vile assault, upon her, standards of faith as that made by the reverend gentleman from Brooklyn His orthodoxy has long been questioned. His want of it can no longer be doubted." in star in yd fe

A CORRESPONDENT of the Congrega tionalist, writing from New-Hampshire. gives the following instance of systematic | letin, in regard to the patriotic demonstraliberality inter den z 112 - zisiosnem bue to "Having for several years noticed the ac-

"The clergy of Philadelphia, of all deknowledgment of large donations from an in- nominations, to the number of over one dividual in this States to our various benevo- hundred, held two meetings in the church lent societies, a note was recently addressed lof the Epiphany, on Monday, 29th ult. to his pastor making some inquiries con- Rey. Dr. Nevin was called to the chair, and cerning him, to which an answer has been addresses breathing the warmest patriotism recived communicating the following in and courage were made by a number of Di-teresting facts : He is a bachelor, lives in a vines . The feeling as gathered from the common family, and pays a small price for speeches was that, in view of the present his board itaking care of himselfd princicrisis, the clergy of the city desired, not officially but as citizens and men, to tender their services to the Mayor of the city, to pally, even to mending his own stockings. All his habits are of similar kind, "Hesis not a member of any ohurch; and makes work in the trenches, shoulder the musket, ization, in Ohiol Breshytery; now sthree in pretension to religion; yet he is a man or in any way which his judgment should of sound morals and of religious principle. dictate, render the most efficient aid in de As to his property; no one knows but him - fending, the city, from a cruel and malignant self how much he possesses, but he is not foe, and preventing the longer desegration "supposed to be wealthy. In the matter of of the soil of the State by the tread of the giving he is one of ten thousand / There invaders. They feel that they could not are several, benevolent societies to which ask members of their congregations and he regularly gives | one hundred dol. other, citizens to rally, to the defence of lars touces every six months for there their homes, unless they should first lead abouts. Besides, the mass always, ready the way. They declared they, were not the Presbytery of Washington. Calls from to give to every good cause. His charities moved primarily to this demonstration by the churches of Portersville and Mt. Nebr often amount to \$1,200 annually, and some the moral influence it, might exert in arous, were placed in his hands, and a Committee times more than this were placed in his manus, and some ing others to patriotic and manly exertion, were placed in his manus, and a committee times more than this were placed in his manus, and a committee to install him over these pastor, a very peouliar man, and this is but from the deep conviction that it was churches. abent all I can say of him, except that he their duty as it was their desire, not only Mr. Josian Mcr. nerrine was needed to preach and pray, but to pledge their preach the Gospel. about the muscle to the service of their country." Mr. John W. Potter, a licentiate, was contributions. and the said these deserves

flector says of the reunion of the Baptists

pro- Presbyterian church, and its pastor. Dr [the clergy], with their venerable wigs, with prieties of life, have supplanted the faithful Grundy, your readers are perhaps all more their immense, gold-headed canes, with preaching of the Gospel, and the preacher or less familiar. Suffice it here to say, that their ponderous corporosity (for they had has become, or aimed to become a polished owing to polisical and other differences, the the fulfilment of the promise of the life essayist rather than an earnest herald of church became divided, and by the action that now is, in those days,) and with that the cross. How this may be in the East of a committee of the Presbytery, Dr. G. ceased to be its pastor; and since the occuabout the Catechism, asking me those vile | tainly not the case in the Dutch Church. | pation of the city by the Union army, it is We are glad to know that our, ministers, as a Presbyterian church, entirely broken whatever other faults they may have, are, up, and is now claimed by no particular as a body, faithful to the commission they bear. The Gospel is proclaimed with fideldenomination; but goes by the name of "Union Chapel." Services are conducted ity and simplicity, and if sinners perish, in it regularly, principally by the chaplains they perish without excuse. Of course, among hundreds of preachers there must pretty well filled. Many officers and solbe some who protest about the things con- diers attend; also, a few old resident Unnected with religion, rather than teach. ionists, and more that have lately settled warn, exhort, and entreat, according to the here. There is also a Sabbath School con-New Testament idea of an ambassador for nected with it; and though I have di-Christ ; but these are exceptions. The gressed, it was for the purpose of speakgeneral rule is the other way." ing of it that I undertook to write this THE Christian Intelligencer has the folcommunication.

The School has lately been organised, oflowing in regard to the recitation of the ficers elected, &c. Quite a number of chilcreed in the Reformed Dutch Church : dren are gathered here; and also a goodly "The General Synod, during its recent session, gave a spontaneous expression of its opinion respecting the propriety of re-citing the creed aloud by the body of com." a sufficient number of good and earnest municants at the Lord's table. As the men and women to teach; in fact we think Rev. Dr. Gordon, who read the form of ad we have all the necessary material for doing ministration, began the Apostles' Creed, a good work, except books. We have no the members of Synod began with him its library, and but few books of any kind, and vast majority of her clergy and ther mem and ble recitation, according to former cus- no funds to buy them with. All our montom, and in compliance with the language eyed people have been swallowed up in the of the established form. We suppose that Maelstrom of secession. Will not some few will be disposed to question the high one who may read this, and who has of authority of this"befitting precedent, and this world's goods " enough and to spare,' hope that ere long it-will come to be the buy and send us a small library? We usage in every church within our bounds." want a few books for very small children, and some for those farther advanced. The PHILADELPHIA. soldiers would also welcome some suitable WE QUOTE the"following from the Bulreading matter. A paper which could be distributed to the children every Sabbath, tion lately made by the clergy of this city

would be a great help. This is a Union Sabbath School. We do not claim it as Presbyterian ; but as far as the writer's influence may go, that par-ticular faith shall not be ignored. And we hope yet at some future day, to see the Second Presbyterian church of Memphis. again constitute a member of the great amily of Presbyterians of the U.S. A.

We want the books and papers, not money. We could not buy them here if we had money. Any package or other article iddressed to the undersigned, care of A. P. Burditt and Co. will be thankfully reeived and faithfully appropriated ANGUS CAMPBELL

For the Presbyterian Banner. The Presbyiery of Allegheny Metat Bull Creek, on the 23d of June. At this meeting, Mr. G. W. Jackson was; ordained, and installed as pastor of Bull Creek church. theerd and

AT THE recent communion of the Second received from the Presbytery of Allegheny Reformed Dutch church of Philadelphia, City A call from the church of Plaine

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