CITTSBURGH, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 1864.

PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY.

It is not necessary in our day to enter upon prolonged frgument or exegetical dissertation to establish the necessity and efficacy of prayer. All Evangelical Christions will readily admit that the Bible requires prayer, and that this is the great means appointed by God for conveying the blessings of his providence and grace to the children of men. And the efficacy of prayer is too well attested by the history of the Church and the experience of individuals, to admit of any doubt.

The great thing necessary is, to keep the minds and hearts of Christians alive to this duty, that they may not grow weary, and that they may be fully conscious of their responsibility. The objects for which we are to pray are as numerous and various as are human wants and the gifts of God to man. But in this, as well as in many other things, we are greatly liable to forget our privileges, to neglect our opportunities, and to become selfish and contracted in our desires and petitions. We become accustomed to a certain form of words, and permit these to limit the aspirations we send up to God through the Mediator of the everlasting covenant. In this way we fail to be burdened with the wants, woes and sorrows of the world and the Church outside of our own narrow circle. We hardly know the significancy of the petition, "Thy kindom come; thy will be done in earth as it is done in heaven."

Among the many objects for which we are to pray, is our country in all its multifarious relations. Patriotism is not only a civil, but a Christian, duty. To pray for the welfare and happiness of our country, and for its deliverance from calamity, is so often enjoined in Scripture and so obviously consonant with the Christian spirit, that no array of texts or reasoning can be necessary. The people who laid the foundations upon which this Government has been reared, were Christian and prayerful; though we have too often forgotten not only them, but also the God in whom they trusted and to whom they prayed. All the good that is here may be traced to the influence of the Gospel, while all the evil may be traced to the neglect of the Gospel. Had there been more prayer to God as year after year he bestowed upon us his bounties and his mercies, we would long ago have been brought to repentance for our sins and have been led to put away the evil from among us which has now brought down upon us the judgments of God.

people seemed to be thoroughly aroused to this duty, and to feel that all our help must be from God. Rulers, legislators, politicians, and men of the world, united in calling upon the Church and Christians to pray to God for the suppression of rebellion and for the maintenance of the supremacy of the Government and the laws. Most heartily and cordially did the Church and every pious heart respond to this demand; and our country and its people were prayed for as never before. But as the war has progressed, as its theatre has been enlarged, as our armies have increased, and as victories have been multiplied, there has been a manifest falling off in the earnestness of our supplications in behalf of our country at the family altar, in the social meeting, and in the sanctuary. Is this not indicative of trust in an arm of flesh and in the wisdom of man, to the neglect of the help which cometh from God?

When the rebellion first broke out, the

But the necessity for prayer for the country was never greater than now. Wickedness and vice abound to a fearful extent God's name is profaned and his Sabbath is desecrated. Crime stalks abroad. Success in business has led the minds of the people captive. Money is lavished for luxury and fashion, with most prodigal hand. At the same time revivals are few, the love of many waxes cold, and the Word is not in demonstration of the Spirit and of power But this is not all. Just now large numbers are flocking to the standard of our country to unite with those who have gone in advance in destroying this rebellion for ever. They are going out from our churches. our Sabbath Schools, and our families. At once they will be exposed to all the temptations of the camp, to sickness, and to the dangers of the battle field. Let us follow them with unceasing prayers for the preservation of their lives and for the sal-Vition of their souls; and that our armies and fleets may soon secure to us, through the good hand of our God, complete and final victory.

Moreover let not the President nor Congress fail to have a place in our intercessions before the throne of grace. Great burdens rest on them, and still greater responsibilities will devolve on them in the future. Never in the history of the world has God committed such interests to rulers legislators, and people. - When we shall have been led to pray aright for our country, then will all in whose hearts is the love of Christ, be ready and anxious to act their part for the highest good of our country, whether that may be doing or suffering.

THE NEW SENATOR FROM MISSOURI.

The time has passed when the Christian people of this country can look with indifference on the moral and religious character of their legislators and rulers. The bitter experience of the past and the present has corrected the practical error into which we had fallen, in these particulars, in the

stored again to the Union by the advance | NEWS OF THE CHURCHES | the Bible published by that Society. He of our armies, because of the sentiments they will be supposed to advocate, and of the immense responsibilities which will rest on them, and also because of the influence they will certainly wield in our National Councils. The man of this class a friend, he declared that the impressions made upon his mind in the Sabbath School, and through the instructions of a pious

Here we may see how the faith and prayers of the godly are rewarded in their old. descendants. The paternal grandmother of Mr. BROWN was Miss MARGARETTA Mason, daughter of the Rev. John Mason, pastor of the Scotch church in Cedar Street, New-York, and sister of the eminent Rev. Dr. JOHN M. MASON, pastor of the church | ing of his Spirit, reviving the graces of his in Murray Street, probably the greatest pulpit orator this country has ever produced. Her husband was the Hon. John Brown, the first United States Senator from Kentucky after it became a State, in 1791. She was a woman of extraordinary mental gifts and force of character, and also remarkable for her deep-toned and earnest piety. It is said that she taught the first Sabbath School ever established in the Valley of the Mississippi. Her oldest son, MASON BROWN, father of the present Senator Brown, graduated at Yale in 1820. It was from this grandmother that Mr. BROWN received in early life those lessons which have at length borne such precious fruit. In his hour of sorrow and triumph he fled to that Saviour of whom she had so

often told him. Mr. Brown, at the very beginning of his public life, took an active part in the discussion of the slavery question, which was even then agitating Missouri. The Missouri Democrat, of which he was for where the presence of God was so graciousseveral years editor, was the earliest and ly felt. The pastor did all the preaching, ablest advocate of emancipation in the Hanna, until Tuesday of the fourth week, slaveholding States. His speech when when he took his horse with the intention almost a boy in appearance, in the Legisla- of going to see a lady who was in trouble ture of Missouri, urging the prospective about her soul. The horse not having been and gradual abolition of slavery in that State, has never been answered. And from to unfit him for preaching. He was kindly the beginning of the present rebellion he and well assisted, however, in the time of has been unflinehing in his championship his affliction, by the Rev. Messrs. Wm. of the Union and the Constitution, and in Hanna and W. B. Faris, and Prof. Brough support of the Government.

in the prayers of all the lovers of our communicants were added to the church, country and all who love our Lord and 19 of whom were baptized. This is the Saviour Jesus Christ. We have prayed of the present pastor. Three years ago 40 too little for our public men-we pray too were received as the result of an outpourlittle now. Let every Christian awaken to ing of God's Spirit at that time. The his duty in this particular, and soon again | Lord hath done great things for this peowill this become a delightsome land.

NEWTON AND LOCKE.

The very able communication on our first page, concerning these two eminent philosophers, in answer to an inquiry by "R" published by us some time ago, will be read with surprise by some. But it must be borne in mind that Socinianism and lief which now bear these names in this country. And justice to the memories of NEWTON and LOCKE should lead us to keep in mind that they never made known any formal statement of their views with regard to the vital doctrine in question. All that gether incidental. However, nothing is now being made in Philadelphia. gained to the cause of any truth by claiming as among its adherents those who do not really adopt it, though their claims to our admiration in other respects may be great. The essential Divinity of our Lord and *Saviour Jesus Christ is so firmly estab. lished, that the testimony of any number

gives the following contributions to the Boards of our Church in January: Domestic Missions, \$13,498 62; Education, \$4,-319.28; Foreign Missions, \$28,073.85; Publication, \$9,793.56; Church Extension, \$2,031.39; Disabled Ministers, \$2,134.51.

The American Agriculturist.—This journal advertised in another column, is vastly suin this country.

that ilk," that prevails so extensively. It acter; and penny-a-liners and some-editors | mation whatever of the compliment. (Cheu!) say: "John Smith, the ruffian, and others of that ilk," or "the dirty politician, Jones, and some others of that ilk." Now the simple meaning of the work ilk is same, and the phrase "of that ilk" is lotte, North Carolina, May 22, 1801. He unchanged. surname and title of his estate are the same. Thus instead of saying Mackintosh of Mackintosh, a Scot would say Mackintosh of that ilk. See Johnson's Dictionary on the word ilk. In Boswell's Life of Johnson, Vol. III., p. 353, John Spottiswoode of Spottiswoode is called John Spottiswoode of that ilk. Scorus.

AND MINISTERS.

PRESBYTERIAN.

ester, N. Y., enjoyed the pastoral labors of the late Rev. Dr. Pease for only fifteen Seminary shows an attendance during the now most prominent before the public, is months previous to his death. But in ad last year of eighty-eight students, classified certainly the new Senator from Missouri, dition to paying the full salary of the rethe Hon. Benjamin Gratz Brown, a maining nine months of the second year, to 32. Among them are the graduates of native of Kentucky and a graduate of Yale his widow, the congregation have purchased twenty colleges. The faculty is composed college. At the time the report reached and given to her a comfortable home, and of Rev. Drs. T. H. Skinner, H. B. Smith, him of his election to the high office he will also pay her \$900 per annum for three R. D. Hitchcock, and W. G. T. Shedd, and now fills, he was holding his dead son in years. Such a church as this will not fail his arms; and at that solemn moment he to receive a suitable pastor. And its conresolved, from that time forth, to become duct is worthy of imitation in other a personal, living Christian, consecrated to places. The Rev. Cyrus Dickson, D.D., God, that he might be fitted for his public who was formerly pastor of the church in Herron, one of the faithful missionaries labors and duties. But this was only the Franklin, Pa., then of the Second church of this Church. She fell asleep in Jesus, developing of a germ long concealed in his of Wheeling, and now of one of the churchheart; for, in a familiar conversation with es in Baltimore, has been called to the pastorate of this church, but has declined.

We learn that a precious work of grace has been in progress for some time, in the grandmother, had never been altogether church of Beaver, Pa. Between twenty and thirty inquirers are reported, and among them two persons of four score years

> The following account of a precious revival in Washington County, Pa., will be

read with interest: "It has pleased the Lord to bless the following churches with a gracious outpourpeople and bringing many souls to Christ. iz., the M. E. church of Mt. Zion, the C. P. Church of Bethel, and the Presbyterian church of Upper Ten Mile, in Washington Presbytery. The writer cannot give you a correct history of the revival in either the Methodistor Cumberland church, not having been in any of their meetings, but from re ports, both of the above named churches were greatly blessed, large accessions having been made to them. The pastor and Session of Upper Ten Mile resolved to observe the week of prayer appointed by the General Assembly. During this week there were some tokens of God's presence among those who met for prayer, which gave encouragement to protract the services. But it was not till the meetings had been over two weeks in progress, that sinners began to inquire what they must do to be saved. The Gospel invitation was fully given, and the righteousness of Jesus Christ was held forth as the only justifying righteousness before God. Sinners were warned of their danger, and told of Christ's willingness and power to save; earnest prayers were offered by the members of the church, and men and women felt that it was good to be of Washington College. The meeting continued over four weeks. The Sacrament of Such a man, in the high position to the Lord's Supper was administered on the ple, whereof they are glad. It is good at all times to enjoy God's favor, but to be blessed at such a time as this, calls for special gratitude. May God pour out his Holy Spirit on all the churches, and upon our

beloved country, and bring all the people under the influence of the Gosnel Arianism in England at that time were of the Christian Commission: "The reli- dent of the College and Professor of Natuvery different things from the forms of be- gious interest in the army and in the forts | ral Theology and Geology from 1845 to is now working most wisely and efficiently

everywhere in the field of my observation.' The Presbyterian church at Gettysburg Pa., which was badly damaged during the famous battles there in July, is about to be we have from them on this point is alto | repaired. Contributions in its behalf are

> Rev. James M. Shields, of the Presbytery of Erie, has resigned the pastoral charge of the churches of Fairfield and Georgetown, with the view of accepting the call to the church of Bridgewater, Presbytery of Allegheny City.

Rev. T. McRae, formerly pastor of the Presbyterian church in Lavacca, Texas, has of philosophers will neither confirm nor been appointed post chaplain at Indianola, Texas.

Rev. Thomas S. Vaill has removed from Home and Foreign Record - This monthly Knoxville, Illinois, to Newton, Jasper county, Iowa, to take charge of an exten-

sive missionary field. Rev. C. B. H. Martin having entered upon his labors in the Presbyterian church

of Miami City, desires correspondents to address him at Dayton, O.

New School,-The Rev. Howard Crosby, pastor of the Presbyterian church corner of Fourth Avenue and Twenty-second street, recently gave an account of his labors for perior to any other agricultural publication the past year, together with a historical this appointment, the Board have acted in in this country.

In this country. forty years ago. His congregation recently will not in his lectures inculcate upon the surprised him by presenting him with the students his peculiar views on the subject Have you observed, Messrs. Editors, the sum of \$1,200, as an anniversary gift at of Preëxistence. shocking abuse of the Scotch phrase "of the close of the first year of his pastorate, for which he expressed his thanks with has come to be used as descriptive of char- evident emotion, having received no inti-

This branch of the Church and the nary (already well endowed) to that city. Church at large, has met with a great loss We learn from another source that there i in the death of Rev. James Woods Mc. a disposition to remove this Seminary to Lane, D.D. Dr. M'Lane was born in Char- New Haven, with its general organization used for short, when speaking of one whose came North in 1819, entered Phillips Academy (Andover, Mass.) and was graduated in 1822; entered Yale College in 1825, and was graduated with honor in 1829. He taught in New London and at Phillips Academy, entered the Theological Semi nary at Andover in 1832, and finally graduated in 1835. He was for eight years pastor of the Madison street Presbyterian church in N. Y. In 1845 he received

was also a Director in the Union Theological Seminary of N. Y., and recorder of the same; and Secretary of the Church Erection Fund of the Presbyterian Church of Old School .- The First church of Roch- the United States.

The catalogue of the Union Theological as follows: Resident Graduates, 3; Senior Class, 26; Middle Class, 27; Junior Class, Rev. H. H. Hadley.

Reformed.-A late arrival from India brings us the sad intelligence of the death of Mrs. Herron, wife of the Rev. David on the morning of the 25th of last month. She was one of the most amiable of women. She was a martyr to feeble health, but she bore all her sufferings with a calmness and fortitude truly wonderful. In the midst of all her trials her cheerful smile never forsook her. As a missionary there were few like her. Her heart was in the work, and she counted no toil too great if undertaken in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Her boarding school at Debra is a monu-ment that will long speak her praises, and unborn generations will rise to bless her for the instruction there given to the present pupils.

Brother Herron was a friend and comanion of our boyhood, and to him we tender our sincere sympathies.

EPISCOPAL.

The publishers announce that the "great work," as they term it, of Bishop Hopkins in defence of Slavery, has been delayed on account of the large orders sent in. What this work can accomplish since the Herald, The World, and Hon. Mr. Brooks have so emphatically repudiated the dead carcass of Slavery, it is difficult to discover.

A Wisconsin paper says: The North College building at Racine was entirely destroyed by fire, Jan. 15th. Loss \$15,000 insurance \$5000. Racine College is now under the direction of the Episcopal Church, and of the High Church Branch, we should suppose. We are told, however that some subscriptions were originally obtained with the distinct understanding that it should not be denominational. Carefulness to do exactly right in such things is important.

METHODIST.

The Rev. Dr. McClintock will soon return to this country and resume the charge of St. Paul's church on Fourth Avenue, N. Y. He has already resigned the pastorate of the American Chapel in Paris, nd after a few weeks spent in traveling will sail for America about the middle of April. During the earlier months of the rebellion, Dr. McClintock held several interviews with the French authorities, and contributed not a little toward the healthy reaction of French sentiment as regarding American affairs. He published and distributed at his own expense, Alexander H. Stephens' speech, declaring slavery to be the corner-stone of the Confederacy.

The Baltimore Conference of the M. E. which God has called him, deserves a place | fourth Sabbath of February, when thirty | Church met at Altoona last week. More than two hundred members were in attend-

CONGREGATIONAL. Edward Hitchcock, D.D., L.L. D., late President of Amherst College, died at Amherst, Mass., on Saturday, Feb. 27, in the 71st year of his age. He was born in Deerfield, May 24, 1793, and with but little external aid, succeeded in obtaining an education by his own efforts, which enabled him to take a prominent rank among the literary and scientific men of the day. He was principal of Deerfield Academy from The Rev. Dr. Marks, author of "The 1815 to 1818, pastor of a Congregational Peninsula Campaign," and at present agent church in Conway, from 1821 to 1825, proof the Boston Tract Society, writes as follows to George H. Stuart, Esq., chairman Amherst College from 1825 to 1845, Presiaround Washington is unprecedented and 1854, when he resigned the Presidency, most cheering. The Christian Commission and resumed his Professorship in his favorite branches of natural science. To his influence, Amherst College is indebted for a large share of the prosperity which after a succession of struggles and embarrassments, it has enjoyed for many years. He was a fertile author, although it is doubtful whether any of his productions contain the promise of a lasting reputation. More than twenty volumes from his pen have been given to the public on vanious topics of cience and theology, beside numerous occasional discourses and contributions to the periodical press.

A powerful work of grace has been in progress for some time in Mt. Holyoke Seminary. Already over thirty conversions are reported. The prayers of Mary Lyon are still being answered though she has ceased from her labors.

Some remarks having been made prejudicial to the Congregational Theological Seminary at Chicago, of which Dr. Ed ward Beecher is one of the lecturers because of his views on preexistence, the following resolution passed by the Directors has been published:

Resolved, That our President communicate to Dr. Beecher the fact that in making

Hartford, Ct., papers state that the erec tion of a church on Asylum Hill is talked of and that \$50,000 have been subscribed to secure the removal of East Windsor Semi-

A New-Hampshire clergyman who has more sympathy for the rebels than some, recently found among the proceeds of a donation visit, fifteen Confederate dollars. BAPTIST.

We see it reported that the noted, Rev.

Mr. Spurgeon, of London; is to visit New York during the May anniversaries.

teen of those young men have already gone from his moulding care to be the pastors of German Baptist churches, and thirteen others are now pursuing their studies under rapidly from year to year.

UNITARIAN.

Rev. Thomas Starr King, one of the most popular of the writers and speakers in the Unitarian ranks, died of diptheria, on the morning of the 4th inst., in San Francisco. Cal.

Rev. A. D. Mayo, of Cincinnati, has been appointed Professor of Church Polity and Administration in the Meadville (Pa.,) Theological School, and has accepted the appointment.

Personal. The Rev. Dr. Alexander Black, formerly Professor of Exegetical Theology in the New College, Edinburgh, is numbered with the dead. He was a man of great erudition, but so modest and retiring in his disposition as to be less known than other prominent members of the Free Church. Dr. Guthrie once said of him, that he could have spoken his way to the wall of China; and it is related of him, that in the two last years of his life he began the study of Ohinese, and made so much progress, that it was his daily habit to read a chapter in the Chinese Bible. It is said that his great stores of learning have perished with him, as he left no works of any value.

Mr. James Coleman, of Canonsburg, Pa., has given six sons to the service of the country in the present war. Their names are as follows: David C. Coleman, Colonel 8th Missouri volunteers; John P. Coleman, Lieut. Coleman 29th Missouri volunteers; Samuel M. Coleman, Assistant Surgeon 29th Missouri volunteers; Joseph C. Coleman, - regiment Ohio volunteers-all in the Army of the Cumberland. Frank Coleman, 2d Lieutenant 10th Pennsylvania Reserves, and Addison A. Coleman, 140th Pennsylvania volunteers, in the Army of the Potomac.

General M'Clernand has arrived in New Orleans, and been assigned to the command of his old corps, which received him with much enthusiasm. He has commanded this John Parks, corps almost from its organization up to the time his disagreement with Gen. Grant resulted in the order relieving him during Mrs. Nancy Vance, Frankfort Springs ... the progress of the siege of Vicksburg.

Ex-Governor Wright, who presided over the Indiana Union State Convention, closed his speech with the prediction that when the war was over there would never be another negro put on the auction-block and sold into slavery on the American continent.

Parton's Life of Gen. Butler is elaborately reviewed in the London Spectator. The writer acknowledges that the book has entirely changed his opinion of Gen. Butler, and compares him, in versatility and energy, to Frederick the Great.

The brain of Lord Byron weighed sixtythree ounces, that of Thackeray fifty-eight and a half. Both were much above the average, which is forty-nine ounces for man, and forty-four for woman.

"Charles Dickens' second son, an officer in India, is dead. While his father stood as chief mourner at the grave of Thackeray, almost at that very moment his son was dving on the other side of the world. A Sword, just completed at Chiconee.

a present to Gen. Grant, has cost \$1,000. and is probably the most elegant weapon of the kind ever made in this country. Brig. General Seth Williams, Adjutant

General of the Army of the Potomac, is now at home, in Maine, for the first time since the commencement of the war.

Mr. A. T. Stewart the millionaire dry goods merchant of New York, has given \$90,000 for the erection of new buildings for Yale College.

Varieties.

The Stated Meeting of the Board of Mana-

gers of the American Bible Society, was

held at the Bible House, Astor Place, New-York, on Thursday, the 3d inst., at 31 P. M. Seven new auxiliaries were recognized, of which two are in Ohio, four in Kansas, and one in New-York. Interesting communications were received from various parts of the world, in regard to the spread of the Holy Scriptures; from the Rev. A. P. Happer, of Canton, and the Rev. H. P. Happer, of Canton, and the Rev. H. Creek, Merrittstown, Rayette county.

Blodget, of Tientsin, as to the means of extending the circulation of the Scriptures dried fruit, 1 keg of whiskey, 1 pkg of books, in China; from the Rev. Dr. King, and 51 pairs drawers, 72 pairs socks and 1 box of in China; from the Rev. Dr. King, and the Rev. Dr. Hill, Athens, as to printing the modern Greek Testament in New-York city; from the Rev. E. W. Clark, of Honolulu, as to making electrotype plates for Hawaiian Bible. Encouraging statements were received from Mexico, Brazil Chili. Turkey and India, which we have not room to particularize. Grants of books were made, in all making 16,136 volumes, for freedmen, for soldiers in camp, in hospitals, and new regiments; to the American Missionary Association, for New Mexico, Brazil and Buenos Ayres, and the Sandwick Islands; with four volumes, in raised letters, for the Blind. Appropriations for the year, for the foreign work, were made, amounting to \$64,177.46, to be paid from time to time as needed, and as the state of muslin rags and bandages, fresh peaches and to-

other demands. An English Missionary, after a tour of five months in Russia, says that within two vears not less than twenty-theee millions of intelligent, active peasantry have been raised from the state of chattels to the condition of securing their own independence and comfort. One million have already bought the land on which they were formerly located. borrowing the money from the government. More than 8,000 new schools have sprung into existence through individual efforts among the peasantry, and they are rapidly on the increase. The general results of this vast change are beyond estimate. Property Pads is everywhere advancing, and Prince Gortschakoff gives it as his opinion that the development of Russia during the next two years will astonish the world.

The annual report of the public schools in New-York city, for the year ending the 1st of October, shows that the total expenses were \$1,433,314.06. The ward schools minds of all reflecting pious men. Ungodliness in high places has been one of the causes, which has brought down the wrate of God upon this nation.

Attention will be particularly given to the character and former history of the men who are to represent the boarest of the character and former history of the men who are to represent the boarest of the character and former history of the character and adaptation to the resolution of the character and adaptation to the resolution of the character and adaptation to the resolution of the character and adaptation to the creative for colored to the christian Commission work to be supplied, in the Rochoster Theological to the Christian Commission work to be supplied, the wholl the successary, that

Enited States Christian Commission.

The Army Committee of Western Peansylvania presents the following report of its operations during the month of February:

Rev. J. P. Caldwell, of Florence, Pa; Rev. J. from ten to sixty, with a membership of 3,300 in thirteen years, and the number must continue to increase more and more rapidly from year to year. Rev. Benj. Waddle, of Kenton, Ohio, and Rev. W. H. Jeffers, of Bellefonteine, Ohio; have gone to the Army of the Potomac, as delegates of the Christian Commission. Rev. E. Small, of Mercer, Pa; Rev. T. S. Kennedy, of Jamestown, Pa.; Rev. P. G. Bell, of Tarentum, Pa.; Hon. J. B. Lawson, of Lawsonham, Pa.; R. M. Brown, of the U. P. Seminary; Rev. H. B. Taylor, of Ev-ans, N. Y.; and Rev. W. A. M. Connell, of Ohio, have gone to the Army of the Cumberland.

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The Treasurer acknowledges the receipt of \$13 from the U. P. congregation of Lower Chanceford, York county, Pa., credited in the January report to Mr. Thomas M'Allister.

The Treasurer acknewledges the receipt of the following contributions. following contributions:
Festival at West Middleton, Pa......\$206.86 Exhibition by Dugan and Young, Wash-

ington, Pa..... Ladies' Aid Association, Buffalo tp., Wash-25.50 Ten Mile Village Association, Pa

\$328.90 Ladies' Soldiers' Aid Society, Mill Creek, Presbyterian church, Pa.

Presbyterian church, Nottingham, Ohio...

Aid Society of Christian Commission,
Egypt, West Virginis...

Soldiers' Aid Society, Harrisville, Pa....

Ladies of Dunlap's Creek,

Mount Albion Sabbath School, ".... 22.65

Soldiers' Aid Society, Elder's Ridge, Pa., Amity and Ebenezer Soldiers' Aid Society, Pa..... Hickory Grove School No. 2, Westmore-Hanover Literary Society, Paris, Pa..... First U. P. church, New Castle, "...... School District No. 7, North Sewickley...

Rev. Trevett, Mrs. Louisa Clow, Miss Emily Hamilton, E. Palestine, Ohio Mrs. Elinor Stoller, Penn tp., Pa...... U. B., Pittsburgh...... Mohawk Valley School, Allegheny co. Pa.

Public School, Monongahela City, Pa..... Cash, Washington, Ohio..... Sam," Hartstown, Mrs. E. Leason, Scrubgrass, " Robert Allen Cochran Allen, Balm, Mercer co., Pa.....

Samuel Allen, Jas. M'Clelland, " Jas. M'Gowan. M. J. Bowman, West Newton, Pa....... Mrs. Sarah Fitch, Poland, Ohio...... Cash, sundries.....

U: P. church, Morning Sun, Iowa...... Amount received from April 1, 1863,

During the month the expenditures for stores religious publications and expenses of fifteen delegates sent to the army, have been \$2,618.10.

The following contributions of stores have been received during the month of February:
1 box of hospital stores, from Ladies' Aid Soci-

ty of Somerset. 1 box of hopital stores, from Soldiers' Aid Society of Washington. 180 pairs of woolen socks, from Ladies' Aid Society of West Alexandria, Washington county. 8 boxes of hospital stores, from Ladies' Aid So-

58 pairs of woolen socks, from Ladies' Aid Society of Hickory.

4 boxes of hospital stores, from Soldiers' Society of New Galileo, Beaver county.

10 barrels of vegetables, from Soldiers' Aid Society of New Galileo. ciety of New Castle.

1 box of fruit, from Ladies' Aid Society of Saltsburg and vicinity.

1 box of clothing, from Mt. Jackson Ladies' Aid Society, Lawrence county.

1 box, from Juvenile Aid Society of Mt. Jack-

1 box. from Juvenile Aid Society of North Range No. 2 , Mt. Jackson. 1 box of clothing, from Ladies' Aid Society Washington.
2 boxes of hospital stores, from Jersey Union Aid Society of Elizabeth township, Allegheny

county.

2 boxes of clothing, from Ladies of Union Hall, Elizabeth township.

3 boxes of hospital stores, from Ladies' Aid Society, Blairsville, Indiana county.

1 box, from Ladies' Soldiers' Aid Society of

Saltsburg.

1 box do., from ladies of Ebenezer, Indiana 1 box and 1 barrel of stores, from Ladies' Solliers' Aid Society of Erie. 1 box, from Bethel Christian Commission. In

diana county, Pa.

2 boxes of hospital stores, from Soldiers' Aid 1 box do., from Ev. Lutheran church, Millersown, Butler county.

1 box of stores, from Soldiers' Aid Society of Rimesburg, Clarion county.

1 box do., from Ladies' Aid Society of Sharon Beaver county.

I box do., from Ladies' Aid Society of Dunlap's

sundries, from 1st U. P. church, Pittsburgh. 1 box of sundries, from Monongahela City Unon School, Washington county. 1 box of do., from Soldiers' Aid Society of Noblestown and vicinity, Allegheny county.

1 box do., from Dayton Union Aid Society

rmstrong county.
5 pkgs books, from J. B. Canfield.
15 pairs of socks, from Mrs. S. Musser, Can-

10 pkgs, from Mrs. A. M. Wallingford. 1 box of clothing, from Soldiers' Aid Society of Buena Vista, Allegheny county. 18 boxes from U. S. C. C. Philadelphia

Also, contributions of clothing and books from Mrs. Biddle Roberts, Mrs. Cole, Mrs. Laverty, Mrs. O Rippey, Mrs. Curling, Grace M'Cutcheon, Miss L. Craid, Mrs. Kennedy, Mrs. Denny, Mrs. W. S. Haven, Mrs. Edw. Rahm, Mrs. George Black. Woolen shirts, drawers, and socks, linen and

the treasury may permit, consistently with | matoes in cans, are most needed at present. The following articles have been shipped to armies during the past month: Shirts, flannel,.... . 410| Fruit, in cans.....

muslin..... 175 " dried, lbs... 497 Drawers, woolen, prs, 310 Butter, 1bs..... Socks, prs...... 863 Farina, lbs. cotton, " 115 Cond. milk, qrts... 236 Corn starch, lbs... Housewives..... Arm-slings...... 166 Sago, Ibs..... Towels...... 51 Hoarhound, Ibs..... Rolls of muslin.... 175 Gelatint, lbs..... Bandages, yds,.... 1,500 Extracts, lbs...... Mittens, prs...... 73 Chicken soup, lbs.. Handkerchiefs 285 Honey, lbs.... Dressing-gowns... 22 Potatoes, bus..... Pillows.... 27 Onions, bus..... Slippers, prs..... 183 Pickles

Psalm-Books,..... 2,400 Sugar, 1bs... Testaments..... Hymn-Books..... 1,785 Prunes, lbs..... Soldiers' b'ks,sm'll8,400 Wine, qts..... " large, 120 Brandy, qts..... Papers, pages.....72,075 Whiskey, qts....... 16011,680 Crutches, prs..... 100 Writing paper,rm. 35 Crutch tops......

Envelopes The demand for stores and reading matter, and departments number one hundred and continues extremely urgent from every part of ninety-four, including twelve for colored the army. Not only have the regular fields of remember in his behalf Stonewall Jackson

76 Smithfield Street, Pittsburgh. Cash contrib tions to Joseph Albree, Treasurer, No. Street, Pittsburgh.

Presbyterial

The PRESBYTERY OF SCHUYLER willing in Prairie City, III., on Thorsday, April 14th 1864, at 2½ o'clock P. M. Commissioners' Fund 2864, at 24 0 crock 1. In.

ime cents per member of each charch.

THOMAS S. VAILL, Stated Clerk The PRESBYTERY OF ALLEGHENT CITY

stands adjourned to meet on the first Tuesday of April. The place of meeting is the Crang April. The prace of meeting 18 the Central church, Allegheny City, the hour 10 A. M. Pastors and the Sessions of vacant churches are required to present full statistical reports for the past year; as these are the materials from which he Stated Clerk forms the Presbyterial Report the General Assembly. WM. ANNAN,

The PRESBYTERY OF KASKASKIA meet in the Pleasant Ridge church (near Chester Ill.,) April 7th, at 2 o'clock P. M. ALFRED N. DENNY, S. C.

The PRESBYTERY OF ERIE will meet West Greenville on the second Tuesday (12th) of April, at 7½ o'clock P. M. Narratives of take the factor of the State of Religion, Statistical Reports, and Com-State of Kellgion, Scaled for Missioners' Fund, will be called for.
S. J. M. EATON, S. C.

The PRESBYTERY OF BLAIRSVILLE TO meet according to adjournment, at Congruing, at the second Tuesday of April, at 2 o'clock P. M. JAMES DAVIS, 8

The PRESBYTERY OF DUBUQUE will me Dec Volente) at Epworth, the Second Tuesday of April (12th) at 3 o'clock P. M. Assessment on the churches, for Commission rs' Fund, at the rate of ten cents per member JOHN M. BOGGS, Stated Clerk

6.25

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Current Hews.

The War. Gen. Sherman has returned with his entire force to Vicksburg, after having spread consternation throughout the entire part of the country in which his march was conducted. Great damage was done to the enemy's railrag). and line of communication. The return of the expedition after having reached Meridian and approached Selma, is attributed to the failure Gen. Smith's cavalry to unite with this fore-Last week Gen. Kilpatrick led a most daring es valry raid from the army of the Potomac, which destroyed 40 miles of railroad in the rear of 6c. Lee, and penetrated within the defences of Ric. mond. The expedition was divided for the purpose of attacking Richmond on two sides, at the pose of attacking the control of the control of the control one of them, being led out of the way by a negro, who was at terwards hanged, was unable to make his attac at the same time with that of Gen. Kilpatric. Thus both failed, and the result of the whole a fair was a want of success. About 150 of cm men belonging to Dahlgren's command were ken prisoners, and it was supposed that this has been the fate of Col. Daulgren himself, but he escape is now reported. Great consternation prevailed at Richmond, and had the attacks both sides of the city been simultaneous, our pri

soners would in all probability been freed. to December 1, 1863........\$22,732.56 Colonel Streight and three other officers were Amount received in January, 1864...... 2,275.48 Indden in Richmond a week after their creates Colonel Streight and three other officers were Amount received in February, 1863... 1,033.80 from Libby Prison, in the house of Mrs. Gree-Since that time she herself has arrived at Wash Total acknowledgments to date.....\$26,041.84 ington, having fled for fear of arrest. Color Streight has made a statement to the Millia Committee detailing the cruelties and privately to which our poor prisoners are subjected, which will excite intense feeling throughout the which

country.

Gen. Seymour's deplorable defeat in Florida resulted in 750 killed and badly wounded, in sairtion to several hundred slightly wounded, and

Some apprehension was felt a few dars and lest a sudden rebel attack should be made Norfolk. But nothing of the kind has yet trans A letter from the army in Texas, says the inabitants of Indianola and Old Town, above ix

hundred in number, have voluntary come ward and taken the oath of allegiance. Jeff. Davis has assigned Gen. Bragg, the meunfortunate of all his officers, to duty at Riesmond, charged, as the order says. "with in-conduct of military operations in the armies of the Confederacy." The post is only created bim as a sort of refuge for one of the rebel Proident's personal favorites; and the rebel papers are all busy grinning at the appointment, in going over the "melancholy bead-roll" of teats of which Bragg has been the hero, and which he has been crowned with such honors to Jeff. Davis can give. But let Bragg rejoice at his new field of inaction. He has made his las retreat; he has had his last defeat. The Secretary of War has appointed Commisioners to visit camps where rebel prisoners

confined, for the purpose of administering the oath of allegiance under the Amnesty Proclams Gen. Hunter has arrived in Washington from the West, with the finding of the commission inquiry into the conduct of Gens. Resecrate M'Cook, Crittenden and Negley. Although the first three mentioned officers are not pronounce altogether blameless, the commission does no recommend any further proceedings against

them. Nothing was found to sustain the charged against Gen. Negley.

Our advance has been withdrawn from Tunn.

Hill to Ringgold. The rebel furnaces at Atlanta have stopped running for want of coal. Advices from Kararilla of the State of t from Knoxville, of the 5th inst., say that Lon-street is supposed to be at Greenville. It is stated that an order to retreat from Ge-

ysburg after the first day's fight was proved before the Committee on the Conduct of the War to have been given by General Meade before reached Gettysburg, upon the supposition that the enemy advanced upon him for the purpose giving him battle. General Meade had selecte favorable ground some miles East of Gettysburg upon which he meant to await the approach e rebel army, and directed troops in advance to fall back to it. Upon reaching Gettysburg however, he satisfied himself of the superiority of the position held by our troops, determine to give battle from it, and countermandel

previous orders. In Louisiana the whole Free State ticket has been elected by an overwhelming and an unexpectedly large vote was given. The election passed off without tumult of any kind, although the interest and enthusiasm manifested surpass any previously exhibited here, and presented a striking contrast to those held under the Thu:

regime before the war.

The result is a great triumph for the Free-State party and for the Administration. The vote will be nearly three-tenths as large as the one cast at the last Presidential election, while only one-tenth was necessary to bring back the State into the Union. Congressional.—The bill creating a Lieuter ant General, as soon as passed, was signed the President, and afterwards Gen. Grant was

nominated to this high office, and confirmed the Senate. Gen. Grant is the only one, exer-Washington, ever elevated to this grade in country. Gen. Scott is only Lieutenant General by brevet. Gen. Grant's pay will be between 000 and \$14,000 per annum. The remarks of 150 New-York Tribune on this appointment, are withy of being heeded by all the people. It says "Now that the work is done, we most respectively." fully suggest that the conduct of the war, not the President, be committed absolutely to Lieutenant General, and that we all-Constitution Cabinet, and the Press—Republicans and Decreats, Conservatives and Radicals—take helian strengthen his hands for the immense respons bility devolved upon him. Let him not be in peded nor embarrassed in his work, either speeches or articles, advice or criticism, un we shall have given him a fair trial. I proves a do-nothing, a hang-back, a mistake. us in due time unite to get rid of him; but the let him have a fair chance to prove that be the man for his work. Let him not he conde ed for one miscarriage, if there shall be one generously trusted and sustained until he

have decisively shown that he can or cannot