CITTSBURGH, WEDNESDAY, MAY 26, 1864

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

NEWARK, N. J. The place of meeting of the highest ju dientory of our Church, for the present year, was chosen just at the close of the last General Assembly. From statements made concerning the condition of our two churches in Boston, that city had been at first selected; but after consideration, it was deemed inexpedient to meet there at this time. Newark is a most thriving city, some seven miles from New-York, many of whose merchants and bankers reside here. This place is celebrated for its extensive manufactories of various kinds, which are conducted on a large scale. Previous to the rebellion, immense sales were made to the South.

Our denomination has only one church, but it is large and flourishing. The New School have three churches; and the Reformed Durch Church have several. The First church, New School, is the one where the labors of that famous preacher and pastor, Rev. Edward Dork Griffin, were so remarkably blessed. The revival in progress for some time past has extended to all these churches, and the good work still continues, especially among the young. Just now there is a very encouraging state of things in Dr. CRAVEN'S church.

The Assembly has among its menbers no less than five who have been already Moderators, vis.: Rev. Drs. Elliott, Krebs, PIGE. BRECKINGIDGE, and BEATTY. The members comprise some of the most aged ministers in the Church, and also some of the most youthful, with an average proportion of all the intervening ages.

But to one who has been a member or spectator of Assemblies of former years, a great change is apparent. The Southern churches, once so important an element in this highest of our Church Courts, are not represented. The faces once so familiar, are not seen; the voices so often recognized, are not heard. THORNWELL, ADGER, SMITH, and PALMER, left us, abandoned our Church, and sought to ruin our country. THORNWELL is dead; and along with many pleasant memories of him before he developed fully the spirit of treason, also remains the injury he did to the Church and the country. God gave him great powers; alas! that he should have prostituted them to such unworthy objects. PALMER was a disciple of his great master, THORNWELL, and was an arch-conspirator. His sermon on Thanksgiving day, 1860, was a part of the machinery put in operation by the leaders, by means of which the people might be seduced from their alles pogiance. He yet lives, to see the ruin he and his condjutors have wrought, and also to reap some of the bitter fruits, the seed of which he sowed so lavishly. Of ADGER and SMITH, but little has been known

since the rebellion broke out. The former was remarkable for the kind and gentle spirit he almost always displayed in his intercourse with his brethren. We remem-/ at Rochester in 1860, he spent the greater part of two successive nights, as Chairman of the Judicial Committee, in trying to induce parties to settle their difficulties ami sably, and not expose themselves to the public view; and what is more, he was succonful. The latter was a noted speaker on the floor of the Assembly; he was ready on every subject and at every time to give his brethren the benefit of his feelings and judgments. It has often seemed strange to us that so noted a talker has never been reported in any of the rebel journals, while many of less note have been frequently mentioned. For a time we hoped that this might be because he was probably less extreme in his views than others in that section, or possibly had some lingering love for that Church and country to which he ewed much. But we believe this hope must be dismissed. It is most probable that his heart and voice have been given to treason. Even the men who in 1861, before intercourse between the North and South was altogether broken off, in the Assembly in Philadelphia, professed such ardent attachment to the Church and country, are no longer with us in sentiment. HOYT, BAKER, RUTHERFORD, and MAR-TYN, have all gone over to the enemy.

Yet this is not all. The Northern men who acted with the South in our Church Courts-who were their defenders, apologists, and advocates-no longer occupy the place or exercise the influence they once did. Those formerly in a minority, or young men lately come into the field of action, are the men who now compose the greater part of our General Assembly. Upon them a great responsibility rests, and they seem to take it upon themselves in the fear of God, and conscious of the great trusts committed to them.

A most excellent spirit has thus far characterized all the proceedings. The devotional exercises have been more than usually interesting. The spirit of the Gospel and the spirit of patriotism breathe in every prayer. Scarcely has a prayer been offered, however short, in which petitions did not go up for the President, for Congress, for our commanders, for our sol diers and sailors, for the complete success of our arms, and for the entire suppression of the rebellion. Wednesday afternoon will be altogether devoted to this purpose.

THE TEST OF PAITH.

When our path is plain and smooth before us, and the heavens are bright above, when God seems to smile upon us, and to presper the work of our hands, it is comparatively easy tatrust in that Providence whose dealings toward us accord so well with our own desires. And yet not in this way only, or perhaps chiefly, is the Divine care manifested. When our anxious hearts inquire into the methods by which God's love is shown for his chosen ones, we are not left without an answer—an answer that has been verified throughout all the history of the people of God in all ages. "Whom in a depreciated currency. the Lord loveth, he chasteneth."

rest under the shadow of the Almighty.

This week we visit many a household affection waits, with agonizing suspense, details from the fields of blood and death. So far as human support can avail to susmay rest assured both of a nation's sympathies, and of the Christian fellowship in their sufferings of those who have learned from their Divine Master to weep with those that weep. Their tears fall with yours, ye stricken ones !- their prayers as-

cend for you to the great Comforter. But there is a consolation unspeakably more precious than all-even the tenderest -merely human sympathy. It is the assurance that a God of love has ordained behind the economy which the women of this very trial. Long before this dreadful the South have practised since the comwar was upon us-nay, far back in the counsels of eternity, your lot, Christian omy, it may be, but the submission to it sufferer! was all ordered, wisely; lovingly, seems to have been cheerful, almost heroic. throughout all your history, and in all its In this respect, at least, we may learn from seemingly trivial particulars. Call it not our enemies; and if they, without a murblind fatalism, nor chilling Calvinism. mur. submit to the severest privations, in We would not for worlds relinquish the conviction that in the Divine government | ment, can we not, and shall we not, for the there is no room for chance—that God will sake of preserving that government, praccause all things to work together for good tise even a more rigid self-denial than the June. to them that love him, and that every step pledge above quoted imposes? in all his ways had been eternally foreseen and chosen.

Is there no comfort in this conviction? Ah! think again. Remember that to the Divine mind were present all possible and conceivable methods of dealing with you and yours-not only your own cherished plans and projects, but ten thousand besides; and out of all these myriad ways; a Father's love selected for you that one in which it was best that you should go-not simply a good one, but the very best-infallibly so-best for yourself and for those you love, and best for his glory.

True, we may not, with our finite understandings, comprehend it now, especially when our hopes are crushed and our hearts are bleeding. Possibly we may never, even in eternity, fathom the depth of the wisdom and love that controlled our earthly pilgrimage. But much that we know not now will be known hereafter, and when we view from beyond the grave our bitterest experience in our journey thither, our testimony to God's directing care over us will assuredly be-he hath done all things

Nor is this thought a comforting one in has received an appointment from the individual sorrow only. When our anx- Board of Foreigu Missions, as missionary ieties for the national cause are greatest, to N. India. when reverses attend our armies, when the progress of victory is slower than our desires and more especially when we review committed, and which are now so palpable that we wonder they could have been suffered to occur-we are too apt to forget that all these events fulfilled the designs of Him in whose eternal records our history is already written. Alike the folly and the wrath of man become his instruments; and processes by which his plans are developed, his mighty arm moves forward, one by one, the events of a pre-determined series. Little can we judge to what the chain will lead, who see it wrought slowly out, link after link; but the test of our faith is that, with unwavering confidence, we commit our country to the care of Him by whom kings reign, and our loved ones and ourselves to His keeping by whom the hairs of our heads are numbered. And if such faith be ours, we shall find that, even when our hopes are crossed and our hearts are smitten, the fruit of perfect trust is perfect peace.

THE ANTI-LUXURY MOVEMENT. The attention of the public has been frequently directed by the press, both secular and religious, to the extravagance in luxurious living which has gradually become so prevalent, especially in our largest cities. The papers have abounded with instances of lavish expenditure in dress, equipage, dwellings, and the gratification, in various ways, of a vitiated taste. Fashion has run riot, and its votaries have vied with one another in the costliness of the decorations by which a lately-acquired wealth is wont to render itself conspicuous. Even amongst those of humbler means, a recklessness of expenditure has been manifest, such as never heretofore has character-

ized us as a people. this is a state of things to be deplored. dissolved by the Presbytery of Allegheny. The waste, at any time, in personal adornsubject that may well sadden the heart of a large portion of whom are young ladies of philanthropist. So much to be done for the Female College. The work of grace so much actually devoted to satisfy the to the people on the hill. cravings of a depraved and pampered appe-

tite: it is enough to make one sad. But more particularly now is this extravagance to be reprehended, when the The Lord bless and save our Church and indulgence of it is draining our country Oriskany, twelve were received into the weekly of the gold which goes, by millions, into foreign coffers, to pay for wines, silks, jewels, and a host of luxuries, imported at exorbitant prices. The depreciation of our own currency, resulting from this drain of gold, is thus continued and aggravated, and in this indirect way a heavy tax is levied on the whole community to gratify those who spend their substance in sumptuous living. The burden imposed upon our its meeting, April 18th, passed resolutions Salvation is all of grace. Scripture and experi-Government, to provide the means for carrying on the war-a burden we must bequeath, in the shape of an immense national debt, to our posterity-is thus largely increased; as all supplies must be

And when our hearts are overwhelmed riss, which appeals to every nobler feeling ceed to Washington, to present to the Pres. Christ is our law of life. Christ level us sinners, and we must do good to all men-

our earthly pilgrimage is suddenly with- silks, and glittering in jewels, and swim- we are with him in heart and soul in drawn, when that which was for us the ming in wine, when sons and brothers and the present struggle for human rights and light of life is at once extinguished, and husbands, among them many of our brayest free institutions." all the way this side the grave seems utter and our best, are struggling, suffering, darkness-how it sustains the sinking soul | bleeding, dying, for us who remain at home. to know that the very affliction under Who, that has a heart, could find sweetness which we mourn was chosen for us, in ev- in the cup of his enjoyment, when purery particular, by infinite wisdom and infi-chased by the lives of our defenders? privilege, not only when we walk in the refused to drink the water of the well of light of his countenance, but also when we Bethlehem, when the price of the coveted luxury was the blood of his friends.

It is with bleasure, therefore, we notice which has, within the past few eventful the inauguration by the ladies—so often days, become the abode of a great sorrow, the pioneers in a good work-of a moveand a still larger number of homes where ment toward reform in this respect. At a large and enthusiastic meeting of ladies in hour after hour, day after day, for the latest | the Cooper Institute, New-York, on Monday, May 16th, of which President KING, of Columbia College, was Chairman, and tain and soothe, these over-burdened hearts which was addressed by various eminent and eloquent speakers, the following pledge was unanimously adopted:

"We, the undersigned, during the continuance of this rebellion, pledge ourselves to refrain from the purchase of imported articles of luxury for which those of home manufacture or production can be conveniently substituted."

It can scarcely be objected to this pledge, that it is too stringent. It might have been more rigid, and still have fallen far mencement of the war-an enforced econorder to overthrow a beneficent govern-

NEWS OF THE CHURCHES AND MINISTERS. PRESBYTERIAN.

Old School, Rev. David Waggoner ha accepted a unanimous call to Georgetown church. His Post Office address henceforward will be, Sheakleyville, Mercer County Pa., instead of Pulaski.

Rev. J. A. E. Simpson has removed from Paxton, Ill., to Southampton, Peoris

Rev. A. P. Forman, of Hannibal, Mo. has accepted a call to the church at St. Jc-

Rev. A. J. Winterick has removed from White Haven, Pa., to Jeffersonville, Sullivan Co., N. Y. Rev. John Chester, M. D., has received

Mr. Samuel H. Kellogg, of the last Senior Class at the Princeton-Seminary, was ordained as an Evangelist by the Presby- Luke's church, New-York city. tery of Hudson, April 20th. Mr. Kellogg

A correspondent of a New-Jersey paper, the Presbyterian church at that place, and

"I was happy to find that Rev. J. B Stratton, D.D., has safely returned from his visitation East, to his beloved charge in Natchez. His is the only Protestant pastorate, if I mistake not, that is steadily sustained along the Father of Waters amid the convulsions of the war, from Columbus, Ky., to New Orleans. Many of our officers whilst we ponder and often sorrow over the and soldiers attend the Dr.'s church, and are the amiable and able administrations of his pulpit."

Rev. B. S. Everitt, of Blackwood, N. J., has received a call to the Presbyterian church of Stroudsburg, Pa.

Rev. L. C. Cheney, of the Presbytery of Miami, died at Kenton, O., April 14th, in the 58th year of his age. He was a native of Massachusetts, and passed the greater part of his ministry in the M. E. church. Presbyterian church, and labored as a missionary to seamen.

At a meeting of the Presbytery of Fairfield, on the 13th inst., Mr. Charles Beatty | withdrew in a body. Magill was ordained and installed pastor of the Presbyterian church of Birmingham, Van Buren Co., Iowa. On this occasion the Rev. A. J. Compton preached and presided; Rev. S. C. M'Cune delivered the charge to the pastor, and the Rev. J. M. M'Elroy to the congregation. This young brother commences his career in troublous times; but Providence has cast his lot in the bosom of a united congregation, and

The pastoral relation between Rev. Samuel Ramsey and the Presbyterian church It requires no argument to show that of Tarentum, Pa., has been, at his request,

New School .- In the church at College ment and gratification, of large means that, Hill, near Cincinnati, Ohio, a precious reproperly employed, might spread a tide of vival has been in progress for several weeks. blessings over a ruined world, is in itself a Over a hundred are indulging a hope, a the good of man and the glory of God: has extended also to Farmer's College, and

In the church at Holland Patent a season of marked revival has been experienced. Upwards of forty have been added to the church, others may unite hereafter. At

church, and others will yet come forward. The 2d Presbyterian church of Massilon, Ohio, have paid off a debt of nearly \$2,000, and have added \$200 to the salary of their pastor. It is hoped their example may provoke other churches unto like good

United.—The Big Spring Presbytery, at approving the effort now being made to endow the U. P. Theological Seminary in Allegheny City.

METHODIST.

The General Conference of the M. E. obtained at enhanced prices, when paid for Church, at its session in Philadelphia, May to Christ. Almost all of us have friends. Some 13th, resolved "that a committee of five be But a reason for abstinence from luxu- appointed, whose duty it shall be to pro- or wounded, as done to ourselves. The love of with sorrow, when the support on which our nature, is to be found in the incon- ident of the United States the assurances to our enemies. This may seem a hard saying

we had hoped to lean for the remainder of | gruity-the heartlessness-of flaunting in | of our Church in a suitable address, that

The Address of the Committee was subsequently read, and adopted by a rising and uanimous vote.

When the address of the Bishops was read, a perfect storm of applause ensued nite love. To trust in God is a blessed Not thus felt the grand old warrior who upon the utterance of the following sentence: "It is our solemn judgment that none should be admitted to her (M. E. Ch.) fellowship, who are either slaveholders or are tainted with treason." Some of the delegates shouted, others cried Amen with the voice of Boanerges, and scores put their handkerchiefs to their eyes, from joy that could not be hid or repressed.

Rev. Israel Washburne, a well known Methodist minister, died at Middleboro' Mass., April 24th, aged sixty-seven. He enlisted as a private in a Massachusetts regiment in 1862, and was afterwards commissioned Chaplain of the 12th Massachusetts regiment.

BAPTIST.

The agent of the loyal Baptists has succeeded in getting possession of all the Baptist Church property in the Port Royal district, although, in order to do so, it was necessary to displace a Congregational preacher, Rev. Mr. Richardson, from the

"Praise House," at Beaufort.

The accession to the First Baptist church in Spring Id, Mass., by baptism, being the fruits of the late revival, reaches now the number of nearly one hundred and fifty persons, and a new congregation has been formed.

The receipts of the Publication Society for the past year have been \$30,000 in advance of those of the preceding.

The Pemberton (N. J.) Baptist church will celebrate its centennial anniversary in

CONGREGATIONAL.

John Smith, Peter Smith, and John Dove, manufacturers in Andover, Mass., have pledged thirty thousand dollars for the erection of a suitable building for the library of Andover Theological Seminary, conditioned on the addition of a sum suffi cient to build a new chapel for the Institu-

A disagreement having arisen between the associate pastors of the Centre church Hartford, Conn., Rev. W. Calkins and Rev. Dr. Hawes, the pastorate of the latter being one of the oldest in New England, both pastors tendered their resignations; whereupon that of Dr. Hawes was accepted, and that of Mr. Calkins not accepted.

Rev. Moses Howe celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of his settlement over the First church at New Bedford, on Sabbath, May

EPISCOPAL.

Rev. Dr. Forbes, who left the Episcopal for the Roman Catholic Church and after several years returned, has become associated with the rector of his old parish of St.

The only church bell remaining in Natchitoches, the oldest town in Louisiana. was a gift to an Episcopal church there in 1860, from Mr. De Peyster, of New-York. All the others have been contributed for writing from Natchez, Miss., thus speaks of | war purposes to the Confederacy, and have been converted into cannon.

DUTCH REFORMED.

The pastoral relation between the Rev. Herman Vedder and the church of Greenbush, Columbia Co., N. Y., was dissolved May 10th, after having subsisted for sixtyone full years. Mr. Vedder is in his 87th year, and retains in a remarkable degree his vigor of mind and strength of voice. highly pleased with his people, and with This has been his only pastorate, and is the longest that has yet occurred in the Reformed Dutch Church. None of those who Rev. Robert Irwin, Jr., has accepted a united in calling him to this field of labor call to the Presbyterian Church in Wave- now remain; the call they gave has been resigned into the hands of their children and grandchildren; and none of his people remember any other pastor. The classis adopted appropriate resolutions of respect, HITHERAN

The 21st convention of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church has just been held in York, Pa. The subject of most exciting debate was the admission Removing to New Orleans, he joined the of the Franckean Synod, as a component part of the General Synod. Upon the admission being effected, the Pennsylvania Synod, after entering an earnest protest,

> PROCEEDINGS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

IN SESSION AT NEWARK, N.J. THURSDAY, May 19, 1864.

The Assembly met in the Third Presbyterian church, at 11 o'clock. Owing to the necessary absence of the previous Moderator, Rev. Dr. Morrison, a missionary of our Church in Northern India, on motion of the Rev. C. C. Beatty, his prospects of usefulness are encouraging D.D., the last Moderator present, the Rev. W. L. Breckinridge, D.D., President of Centre College, y., Moderator in 1859, was appointed to preac he opening sermon. The services were opened with a Voluntary

from the choir and organ—"Beautiful Zion, &c.; invocation by Dr. Breckinridge; singin the hymn, "Come thou Fount"; reading the 2d chapter of Ephesians; prayer by Dr. Beatty, and singing the hymn-

"Grace, 't is a charming sound,"

one of the admirable productions of Philip Dod dridge. The sermon was then preached by Dr. Breckinridge, from 2. Cor. 8:9—"For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ," &c. The preacher said the great lesson taught in this Scripture, was love, and that lesson all God's peopl should learn. This was the main thing in all our services toward God. This was the first and great commandment, to love the Lord with all our hearts, and the second was like unto it, to love our neighbor as ourselves. On these hang the law and the prophets. Under the latter, love to the brethren, the teaching of the text was to be classed. The Apostle desired the people of God every where to manifest and practice a loving spirit. Love toward the brethren for the rd's sake, in contributing to the relief of the the poor and needy for his sake was to be sought after as an essential element in religion. The Apostle made this to be an evidence of the existence of true plety. The example was that of our Lord himself. For our sakes he became poor, that we might be rich. The Apostle en-

their brethren in other places: 2d, by the exam-ple of their Lord; he could go no farther. in discussing the text, he would consider, 1. Grace. "Ye know the grace," &c. The grace of Christ was toward us poor and helpless ence both teach that a man is justified by grace. He has no other hope. His entire salvation is due to the unmerited favor, that is, the grace of God. What have we and what can we render, that we do not owe to him. John declared the spring of love in his own heart and in all believing hearts, when he said, We loved him because he first loved us. And love to brethren is love

not acknowledge a kindness to them when sick

Christ is our law of life. Christ loved us when

reated the Corinthians: 1st, by the example of

to many now, but we will most probably ac- | West Lexington, D. P. Young. .
Ebenezer, J. A. Liggett, knowledge this in death, we certainly will at the judgment. Stephen was cited as an instance of one who, by grace, was able to pray for his ene-mies. A Christian servant once asked his master to buya most repulsive looking negro, offered in the slave-market. The master asked the reason. The slave replied: That is the man who tore me from my friends and sold me into slave. ry. I was a heathen then, but now I am a Christian. I wish for Christ's sake to do him a

kindness who did me so great a wrong. 2. This Scripture reminds us of the power and glory of Christ. He was rich. It does not say in what he was rich; but it gives him the most exalted character, before whom we are to cast our crowns. He is over all. All praise, glory, and honor, are to be given to him. He is full of grace and truth. His person is Divine, and so is his power. That same Jesus who was crucified is made both Lord and Christ. Both the New and Old Testaments are full of the glory Christ. Isaiah saw his glory when he beheld the Lord high and lifted up. And when he shall come with his holy angels we too shall see Our text sets forth the amazing conder

Son of Man hath not where to lay his head. He was made in the form of a servant, and became subject to death. Be ye followers of God as dear children. He was moved by his grace to the unworthy—to sinners. This was the motive which brought him from heaven to earth. A lofty and unselfish spirit runs through the method of grace. In this way he makes his people rich. His two disciples were rich when they said—Silver and gold have we none—and yet they were rich. They fell back on the unsearchable riches of Christ. The Lord has no more need of miracles; they soon ceased. But he requires his people to bring sinners to him, to bring them to the knowledge and favor of God. We must get a sight of Christ, before we can love Christ. No hard-hearted sinner ever came to love the Saviour in any other way. Every intelligent believer has in his own experience found that the grand incentive of love in his heart, is the love of Christ to himself. A little girl was once asked by the speaker, How old are you? She replied, thirteen. I asked her if she thought she loved the Saviour. She said she thought she did. inquired why she loved him. With tears in her eyes she answered; I love him because he first loved me. All saints, the general assembly and Church of the First-born on high, could not give a better answer. One of the principal duties required of us is to love God. From this is to proceed our love to our fellow-men.

Prayer was then offered by the Rev. David Elliott, D.D. LL.D., who had been Moderator in After singing: "What shall I render to my God?" &c.,

the benediction was pronounced by Dr. Breckinridge.
The Assembly was then constituted with prayer by Dr. Breckinridge.
Upon motion of Wm. Rankin, Jr., the Assem bly adjourned until 3 o'clock. Closed with prayer by Rev. George W. Musgrave, D.D.

AFTERNOON SESSION .- 3 o'clock. The Assembly met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator pro tempore, Dr. Breckinridge. The Permanent Clerk, Rev. Dr. Schenck, stated that several persons were present having no commissions, or irregular and defective commissions. Rev. Drs. Krebs. Backus, and Mr. Van Renssalaer, were appointed a Committee on were referred. The Permanent Clerk then announced the following Commissioners: ROLL.

I. SYNOD OF ALBANY.

PRESETTERIES. MINISTERS. A. H. Backur,
A. M. A. Thorburn,
J. T. Backur, D.D.,
David Tully,
Isaac N. Rendell, II. SYNOD OF BUFFALO. errill Miller Jas. M. Harlow, Edward Crosby.
Arthur Burtis, D.D., Daniel Kelly.
Belville Reberts, Wm. Shepard. SYNOD OF NEW-YORK. S. D. Westervelt,
Thomas Owen.
Wm. B. Reeve.
John M. Krelts, D.D., Filijah Houghto
N. L. Rice, D.D., Wm. Walker,
Jas. K. Gampbell, D.D., A. B. Belknap,
D. X. Junkin, D.D., Robert Carter.
J. Greenleaf, D.D., J. C. Cook;
J. McDougall, Jr., J. P. Wallace. Long Island

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J. G. Carnahan, Samuel F. Colt, John Johnson, Samuel Miller, V. SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA. Philadelphia, W. E. Schenck, D.D., J. Andrews. James W. Dale. Phila. Central Hiram B. Essic

Phila. 2d, New Castle, N. Dodge.
Samuel Linn,
James Parker.
J. S. Furst,
John McCormi Huntingdon, VI. SYNOD OF BALTIMORE. Wm. R. Marshall, Thomas Archer Carlisle, H. M. Graydon

G. H. Nimmo, Rob't. Patterso Septimus Tustin, D.D., C. E. Lathrop. VII. SYNOD OF PITTSBURGE. James U. Carmen, John Wray, Andrew McElwain, VIII. SYNOD OF ALLEGHENY:

IX. SYNOD OF WHEELING. Alex. McCarrell, Wm. Mercer. Wm. H. Lester, James Rankin, Chas. O. Beatty, D.D., J. G. Allen, Wm. W. Laverty, E. T. Beall. A. S. MacMaster, D.D., J. Dildine. T. A. Grove, J. H. Flanagan, E. B Hall X. SYNOD OF OHIO. Wm. C. Roberts, James M'Creary Thomas Olcham Thomas Smith. Zenos Z. Crane.

John Robinson, Andrew Virtue, John H. Pratt. XI. SYNOD OF SANDUSKY: J. W. Baynes, Moses A. Hoge. E. B. Raffensper N. Morrow, T. W. Lockwood XII. SYNOD OF CINCINNATI. E. Grand Girard, S. F. Scovel, N. C. Burt, D.D.,

J. H. M. Grew. XIII. SYNOD OF INDIANA. Thos. S. Crowe, D.D., A. J. Hary.
J. D. Paxton, D.D.,
James Wood, D.D.,
G. R. McIn Wm. H. Van Doren, SYNOD OF NORTHERN INDIANA. ROD OF NORTHERN ADJANA.

E. W. Wright, D.D.,
S. O. Logan,
John M. Lowrie, D.D.,
Charles K. Thompson,
J. H. Nixon,
Thos. MacIntyr

XV. SYNOD OF ILLINOIS. Thos. W. Hynes. James W. Allison, XVI. SYNOD OF CHICAGO. [I. N. Candee, D.D. Joseph Platt, Josiah Milligan. Willis Lord, D.D., L. M. Stevens, James H. Wilson Wm. K. Oat. XVII. SYNOD OF WISCONSIN

John Ogden

XVIII. SYNOD OF ST. PAUL. William Speer. XIX. SYNOD OF IOWA. S. M'O. Anderson, C. O. Waters. A. A. R. Taylor, Thompson Bell.

Iowa, James G. Wilson,
Des Moines, J. M. Batchelder,
Missouri River, W. M'Candlish,
Fairfield, F. A. Shearer. J. H. Whiting. James Welsh. J. C. M'Candles XXI. SYNOD OF UPPER MISSOURY. J. M. Chambers T. A. Steele, XXII. SYNOD OF MISSOURI.

J. F. Fenton, A. A. Wilson.

XXIII. SYNOD OF KENTUCKY.

XXIV. SYNOD OF VIRGINIA.

XXV. SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA. XXVI. SYNOD OF NASHVILLE. XXVII. SYNOD OF SOUTH CAROLINA. XXVIII. SYNOD OF GEORGIA. XXIX. SYNOD OF ALABAMA. XXX. SYNOD OF MISSISSIPPI. XXXI. SYNOD OF MEMPHIS. XXXIII. SYNOD OF TEXAS.

XXXIV. SYNOD OF THE PACIFIC. Benjamin I. Lowe.

XXV. SYNOD OF HORTHERN INDIA. Lodiana, Furrukhabad, Allahabad John J. Walsh.

CORRESPONDING BODIES. General Assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church.
General Synod of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church—
David D. Demarcat.
Associate Reformed Synod of New-York.
General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of
North America—John T. Pressley, D.D.
General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.
Znow sitting in Dayton, Ohio—James P. Wilson, D.D.

of our Lord, that he might save us. He said, Foxes have holes, birds of the air have nests, but the Rev. Dr. Krebs reported that sufficient evilence had been given to satisfy the committee that the persons having defective or irregular comnissions, and also those without commissions. had been properly appointed; and were entitled to their seats. Report adopted. Dr. Krebs also reported, that Rev. Walter F. Clark, of the Presytery of Corisco, Africa, had been appointed by committee of that Presbytery, it being impos-ible to obtain a quorum. Mr. Clark was ad-

nitted to a seat. The Assembly then proceeded to the election of a Moderator. Dr. Beatty nominated Bev. Dr. James Wood, President of South Hanover College, Ind.: Dr. Krebs, nominated Rev. Dr. John Maclean, President of Princeton College. Rev. Dr. Musgrave, Rev. A. Nevin, D.D., and Rev. D. X. Junkin, D.D., were also nominated. Drs. Musgrave and Junkin asked to have their names withdrawn. The request was granted. Dr. Juncin nominated Rev. Isaac N. Candee, D.D., of Illinois. Rev. Willis Lord. D.D., was also nominated. Determined that in all elections by this Assembly a majority of the votes be necessary to election; also that when it is necessary to take several ballots, the person having the smallest number of votes be dropped each time. This latter part passed by a vote of 90 to 88. The folowing was the vote for Moderator :

First Ballet. Dr. Nevin .. Dr. Wood. r. Nevin's name being dropped. Dr. Lord.

Dr. Candec. Dr. Wood having received a majority of all the votes, was declared elected. Dr. Wood, upon taking the chair, said that he had twice declined a nomination; and had he consulted his own incliations, he would have declined this time. The Assembly had his thanks for the honor conferred on him. He solicited the assistance of the Assembly in the discharge of his duties.

Rev. Dr. Rodgers, Rev. Dr. Crowe, and Rev.

A. E. Taylor were nominated as candidates for Temporary Clerk. Rev. Messrs. Crowe and Taylor were granted leave, upon their own request, to withdraw their names. Rev. Dr. Rodgers, a grand-son of the first Moderator of the Assembly, was unanimously elected Temporary

Rev. Dr. Schenck moved that the reports of he Boards be handed in to-morrow at 10 o'cleck. The consideration of the revised Book of Discipline, was made the second order of the day to-Rev. Dr. Backus, of Schenectady, N. Y.,

the committee had unanimously agreed to the recommendations of this report, which affirmed recommendations of this report, which affirmed then fail to agree. The sooner we transfe that there was a manifest desire on the part of this Book to a Committee, with full power, of the Church to have a book of praise including many psalms and hymns not in our present col-It was also evident that a small book rather than a large one, would be preferred. And it was suggested that a book of about five hundred psalms and hymns would be of the proper size. The contents, however, must be well selected. Two objects must be provided for: 1. The worship of God. 2. The collection must be. properly expressive of Scriptural religious experience and desire. Such a work would meet all easonable demands, and a Psalmody thus improved would be attractive and beneficial to the oung. The report recommends, 1. A selection f psalms and hymns from our present book, and also from all other proper available sources, and that these be numbered so that the New Supplement may be used in connection with our present Book. 2. That a selection be made from le Scriptures of passages suitable for chanting. . That a table of Indices be provided. 4. That committee of five be appointed to take the whole atter of the selection and publication of this Supplement in hand, and that the Board of Pubication be directed to defray all expenses. That the Board of Publication pay the personal expenses of the present committee. The report

was accepted and placed on the docket. It was then resolved that the Assembly meet at 9 A. M., adjourn at 121; meet at 3 P. M., and adjourn at 54 P. M.; and that the first half hour of the morning session, and the last half hour of the afternoon session, be spent in devotional Adjourned with prayer by the Mederator, Dr.

Second Day.

FRIDAY, May 20: First half hour spent in devotional exercises The Moderator led in prayer, read the Scriptures, and announced the Psalmody; and prayers were offered by Rev. Mr. Tully and Judges Linn and Ryerson. The minutes of yesterday were read. dditional delegates were announce The Stated Clerk presented a letter from the leneral Assembly of the Church of Ireland, re-

Rev. John H. Pratt, of the Presbytery of Hockng, and Rev. G. P. Hays, of the Presbytery of Saltimore, were recommended to be admitted as nembers. Their commissions had been lost, but vidence of their election was present. They were admitted.

Rev. Mr. Walsh, a member of the Presbytery

Furrukabad, was admitted to a seat, though e had not been appointed to this Assembly by The Moderator then anneunced the following BILLS AND OVERTURES.

Ministers-W. L. Breckinridge, D.D., J. M.

Krebs, D.D., J. Greenleaf, D.D., J. Kirkpatrick, D.D., J. V. Reynolds, D.D., A. S. MacMaster, D.D., J. D. Paxten, D.D., J. J. Perter, J. A. Steele. Elders-R. Carter, T. Charlton Henry, A. G. M'Candless, S. Matthews, J. Y. Allison. JUDICIAL COMMITTEM. Ministers-J. Maclean, D.D., N. L. Rice, D.D., D. Elliott, D.D., H. H. Hopkins, D.D., T. L. Crowe, D.D., J. H. Nixen, B. J. Lowe, T. W.

inn, H. Graydon, A. J. Hay, W. Shepard. THEOLOGICAL SEMINARIES. Ministers-D. X. Junkin, D.D., W. E. Schenck, D.D., S. Miller, W. C. Roberts, W. H. Van Doren, T. H. Cleland, C. K. Thompson. Elders

-B. Disbrow, A. Christy, W. K. Oat, J. P.

BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS Ministers—W. Lord, D.D., A. Nevin, D.D., M. A. Hoge, D.D., J. M. Batchelder, E. W. Wright, D.D., W. W. Robertson. Eldors—A. Eldridge, W. P. Van Rensselaer, J. Morehouse, C. O.

BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS. Ministers-I. N. Candee, D.D., W. S. Rogers, Millikin, W. Hughes, J. T. Lapsley, R. P. ubois. Elders-D. Kelly, E. Heughton, J. C. fateer. T. Bell. BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Ministers J. M. Krebs, D.D., S. M. Templeton, A. DeLancey, W. Bailey, J. H. Flanagan, W. R. Marshall. Elders-T. W. Lockwood, J. Wallace, E. Crosley, J. C. Cook. BOARD OF PUBLICATION. Ministers-J. T. Backus, D.D., C. C. Beatty:

D.D., A. A. E. Taylor, S. C. Logan, S. F. Scovel, S. M. Andrews, D.D. Elders C. N. Todd, J. H. Whiting, J. P. Wallace, J. O. Merritt. BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION. Ministers-G. W. Musgrave, D.D., S. Tustin, D.D., J. A. Pinkerton, J. McDougall, Jr., A. Paylor, L. M. Stevenson. Elders—J. M. Cham-

DISABLED MINISTERS' FUND. Ministers-N. L. Rice, D.D., A. Burtis, D.D., Dale. Elders-A. Beyea, P. Davis, F. W. Hastings, T. Archer. NARRATIVE OF THE STATE OF RELIGION. Ministers N. C. Burt, D.D., T. N. Haskell, R.

ers, J. Ogden, C. E. Lathrop, J. Webster.

H. Beattie. Elders-H. Gilmore, H. B. Essich. W. CORRESPONDENCE. Ministers J. K. Campbell, D.D., S. F. Colt., . H. Johns. Elders-W. Allen, S. M. Ross. STATEMATIC BENEVOLENCE. Ministers J. M. Lowrie, D.D., A. McCarroll, P. Hudson, W. Speer. Elders J. White, J.

a ones privat DEVOTIONAL EXERCISES. Ministers E. R. Graven, D.D., E. Kempshall, Dr. J. M. Lowry said that it was perfect G. C. Bush. Elzers W. Rankin, Jr., W. Annin. ident that we were not in a condition to enter

FINANCE. Elders-S. D. Powel, W. Walker, J. W. MILEAGE. Elders-A. B. Belknap, C. N. Todd, G. R.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE. Ministers.—M. L. M. Miller, E. B. Rassensper, J. S. Grimes. Elders.—W. P. Pearson, M. Burchfield. COMMITTEE ON SYNODICAL RECORDS

Albany-Revs. A. P. Colt, W. B. Sign Rder C. Futter.

Buffalo—Revs. R. B. Moore, T. G. Cartel. Elder J. Van Horn. New-York-Revs. J. Johnson, E. Ra Elder S. Sution. New-Jersey—Revs. A. M. Thorburn, B. h. erts. Elder R. McDowell. Philadelphia—Revs. G. Lane, D. P. Y. Elder W. Ernst. Baltimore—Revs. J. M. Harlow, J. John

Elder H. Stevens.

Allegheny—Revs. L. M. Stevens, W. H. C. Wheeling—Revs. B. S. Everitt, J. D. Ress. Elder J. S. Furst.
Ohio-Revs. W. B. Reeve, S. D. Wester Elder J. Andrews. Sandusky-Revs. O. Lawson, J. Y. Cowhi Elder J. M'Cormick. Cincinnati—Revs. B. Johnson, E. Kul Elder J. H. Wilson.

Indiana—Revs. F. A. Shearer, A. O. Recky

Pittsburgh—Revs. W. M'Candlish, II. L.

Elder James Patten. N. Indiana—Revs. W. W. Laverty, W. H. er. Elder W. Mercer Illinois—Revs. C. V. M'Kaig, A. R. Hamile lder F. A. Foster. Chicago—Revs. C. Carson, J. Wray, ames Brown. Wisconsin-Revs. Wm. F. Kean, T. A. Gr llder E. T. Beall. St. Paul—Revs. Wm. H. Lester, A. E. Th. on. Elder John Dildine.

Iowa-Revs. Andrew Virtue, John Robins Elder Thomas Oldham. S. Iowa-Revs. J. W. Baynes, N. N. Morr Elder-Z. Z. Crane. W. Missouri-Revs. W. B. Spence, S. H. S. vens. Elder James Ayres.

Missouri—Revs. J. H. Johns, E. G. Girar S. Whittlesey.

Kentucky—Revs. J. W. Allison, J. S. Gorda Elder, W. Helphinstine.

· Pacific-Revs. J. A. Leggett, A. McElwin Elder W. Searight.

Northern India—Revs. M. L. Wortman, 6. [Nimmo. Elder Joseph Govrall. It was made the first order of the day to re ceive Synodical Records; and the first order of the day on Monday afternoon to receive report mittees on the same. The Reports of the Boards were then receive

and referred to the appropriate committees.

Judge Ryerson offered, by permission, a resolution for a committee of five Ruling Elders t report what action may be proper concerning the aising of the salaries of pastors on accoun the increased cost of living, amounting to at les lifty per cent more than formerly. Dr. Krebs moved that it be referred to Committee on Bills and Overtures. Judge Ryerson said it was his desire to have he committee composed entirely of the Eider. ship. The movement originated with the lair,

and they should be permitted to carry it our Resolution adopted unanimously.

The order of the day, the consideration of the Revised Book of Discipline, was then taken up.
Dr. Beatty moved the adoption of the Eight Chapter of the Revised Book. This is the chapter of the Revised Book. ter on Evidence It was moved by Rev. G. P. Hays, that the rules

of debate of the last General Assembly, on the Book of Discipline, be adopted by this Assembly, Mr. De Lancey said, that after an experience Rev. Dr. Backus, of Schenectady, N. Y., from the Committee on Psalmody, reported that the size of this, to make a book such as we could be size of this. all agree on. We might sit here until July, an turn to the old Book, the better for this Church Dr. Nevin said, that the rules worked well at Peoria; and the Assembly had showed its win dom in proceeding slowly. He was in favor the old Book, and altogether opposed to the pri posed Book. Let our speeches be short;

thing is worth nothing more. Dr. Backus suggested that this discussion by delayed nine or ten days, until the House would get thinner. Then those who remained can in lieve the Church could ever be brought to agree

Dr. Rice moved that the whole matter be po oned. Seconded. He did not think the Church or the Country now in a condition to consid this matter properly. He believed that to pro-Dr. Beatty said this matter had now been fore the Church for seven years. The General Assembly had felt the necessity of a change

It had appointed a committee of experience, cluding eight ex-Moderators, and some of ablest jurists in the country. The Assembly Columbus had referred the matter back t committee. That committee had met at P burgh, twelve members present-nine mini and three elders-and after full discussion port had been agreed on. The committee comprised such men as Krebs, Hodge, Mag Hoge, Swift, Paxton, and such lawyers as Jud Sharswood, Clark, Lord, and Allen. And if Assembly could not trust such men, there but little hope of the Assembly ever agreein Jurists who had not been on the committee, h involved themselves and the Assembly in gr trouble, by taking exceptions to the report. vote for or against, with as little discussion circumstances will admit. He cared not whether er the Assembly proceeded with the discussion or postponed the whole affair. He would glad submit to any decision of the House in this fair. The committee could never meet togethe

again as it did in Pittsburgh. Dr. Musgrave was exceedingly gratified at the metion of Dr. Rice. The Central Presbytery, Philadelphia, had taken up the Revised Book, and it was surprising to see how tenaciously Presbytery had adhered to the old Book. changes desired were but few, and not esse esumed this was the general state of fee ing in the Church. The committee admitted t hanges were few and not essential. Why, the disturb the old Book ! He admitted that the vised Book was superior in some particulars, changes could be introduced in another wa There might be some force in the argument, f the state of the Country. Some loyal Presby teries could not meet and deliberate properly As for the Presbyteries who had revolted again he Church as well as against the Country did not care to wait for them. They would p ably never return to us. Some of the chang he was utterly opposed to. That Book was made by great men. There were giants in those day We had tall men now, but the fathers were talk As to limiting speeches to three minutes, he was surprised. That boiler must be small which

minutes. (Laughter.)

Dr. Elliott said he had not been a member the Assemblies in which this Revised Book had een considered, but had not been an inattentive bserver of the debates. He accorded entirely with the sentiments of the previous speaker. Nothing could be gained from the new Book. The old one had worked well since before the ime he had any position in the Church. The ifficulties concerning the old Book had been brought about by men who had not studied of understood it. The new Book would involve us

could be heated and put in full operation in three

in new troubles. Rev. A. E. Taylor had witnessed the disc sions in the Assembly, and was convinced that the old Book was best. We did not want a new look, but an exposition of the old one. The fathers were in favor of it, and so were the soul In the West they had no men of experience They were young: Not a single member of their Synod was a D.D. If some College did not take pity on them, he did not know what would be came of them. Cases were continually arising which required an examination of the Book, and also of Baird's Digest; and after all, Session also of Baird's Digest; and after all, Presbytery, and Synod, were often compelled to go it blind—right through the woods—and as consequence often got stuck in the mud. Dr. Macmaster liked the old book-had ga along well with it. But there might be improve ments. There were decided improvements.

count of which there had been interminal liscussions, and would be so long as the ch book was continued.
Dr. Junkin would regret to lose the labors the able Committee on Revision. Nor was necessary that they should be. The time would come when they could be used. In our pression circumstances he preferred postponement.

ficulties had been taken out of the way, on a

intense anxiety concerning the baitle field, such a work as this. Dr. Rice said that after having made the mo-Dr. Rice said that after having made the mition, the house would indulge him in a few remarks. It was not necessary for him to express his high opinion of the committee. An abler and more pious committee could not be found But the old book had done well. The difficulties connected with it had originated from not studying it. He had seen the old Synod of Philadelphia in as much confusion in trying cases as polia in as much confusion in trying cases as could ever be seen in the Synod of Iowa. The could ship was a noble one. It was bad policy to

ould ever be seen in the Synod of the old ship was a noble one. It was bad policy to go to mending it in the storm. The old vessel would still outride the storm.

Dr. F. M. Lowry said that it was perfectly every said that it was pe