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- THE Christian Observer remarks that "it would be a great calamity, if in exalting the work of the evangelist, the pastorate should be pushed out of sight. Just as much as if the harvester of the autumn fruits should despise the work of the sower gest that while there be, so far as possible, proper prestige of the State Church. But it is a moveand of the husbandman. It is only after the faithful sowing of pastor or Sabbath school teacher that the reaping time arrives." O that the Spirit may indite the petitions offered.

- PROVE THE LORD, try him and see if he will not pour out a great blessing ! " Let all the tithes be brought into the storehouse "-says the Advocate

-the tithe of prayer, of faith, of personal effort, of whole-souled consecration, of entire surrender; and given its readers some of the best articles on revivlet Jehovah be proved by his people, whether he als of religion that we have ever seen published in Divine Spirit upon the whole Church !

1 am anxious about it. The note struck then is Holy One of Israel in his gracious desire to bless with intelligence and sympathy, and conduct them likely to give tone to your spirit all the day. Re- and increase his Church : that revivals of religion deem it. Redeem it as much as you can from family duties. Redeem it wholly from "plaiting are not the legitimate and natural outcome of well of hair and putting on of apparel." Redeem it ordered use of the means of grace, but the result of parture, and expresses the conviction that the rewholly from vain conversation. How very much the arbitrary and sovereign will of God ; that when generation of the Russian Empire and society is to the power of the minister's preaching depends on his 'set time' to favor the Church has come, then the preparing of the hearer's heart. If you come up to the church with your mind crowded with he will pour out his Spirit upon us and revive us; trffles, and puffed up with vanity, what can minis- that the Spirit not only breathes where it listeth, leader, into one grand, united reformation, the inters do? They can do nothing but beat the air. but when it listeth, and that it is not for us to seek fluence would be irresistible. It would solve the What else can they do if there is nothing before to move God to do otherwise than his sovereign will them but air to beat at? It will make a sound and that is all. I fear that many of my dear has determined. Therefore, all efforts to promote people spend more time on the Sabbath morning a revival of religion, are not only useless, but they quaintance with the superintendent or bishop of in putting veils on their faces, than in taking the | are wrong.

veil off their hearts; more time in trying to make "Now, in our judgment, nothing could be further themselves appear before men what they are not, from the mark than this idea, and nothing more God what they are.

- AN INCIDENT mentioned by a German man of that it is of no use for a sinner to seek the salvation has a legal status and imperial protection. letters, who has written concerning the Princess of his soul. For if he is elect, when God's sover-Alice, in the columns of the Pall Mall Gazette, shows, eign time for his conversion has come, he will send introducing the Sunday-school, on the American in a very inpressive way, how powerful the influ-forth his Spirit and convict him of his sin and bring plan, into the Northern Empire. This agency, Scripture lesson and speak of the Lord's dealing down at ease, as if the world were getting on well like to return it and take \$14 worth of groceries in 000. Behm and Wagner reduce their estimates for discharge of simple, ordinary duties, takes an op- use for him to seek the Lord at all. portunity of helping others who are suffering in "Before astronomy had advanced to its present "Before astronomy had advanced to its present Orthodox Greek Church, a revival of letters and Last year more than 2,000 persons expressed a every halting and in the work of the world's region. matters of life and character from lack of suitable position of comparative exactness it was supposed of religion. A greater number of priests are desire for salvation and the prayers of God's people every nating soul in the work of t guidance and sympathy. Reference is made to the that comets were lawless in their movements, comcircumstance that, at one time, the Princess became ing and going by no obedience to the laws which greatly enamoured of the views of the celebrated reigned otherwise in the universe of God. But now Bible is more highly exalted and generally read. Strauss, and sank into grave scepticism and dark- we know that they are as obedient to the law of ness. She ascribed a happy change which eventu- their orbits as are any of the planets. So it was May they prove the reveille of a brighter day for oil cloth manufacturer, said to them, "I want you their resources. -Gospel in All Lands. ally came about, "to the death of her child and is still held by some that revivals come according the great Empire of the North ! and to the influence of a Scotchman, who every to no known laws in the spiritual world, but whenmorning gave her lessons in drawing. 'To ever it pleases God to send them. Such theories that man,' she said, 'who exercised so bene- do violence to every law of God revealed in his word ficial an influence on my religious views, of whom for our guidance and use. The set time to favor people said so many bad things, and likewise of Zion is just whenever Zion seeks the Lord with her my relations to him, I owe everything.' I recol- whole heart. In the Psalm cii, where this passage lect her saying to me, "The whole edifice of philo- occurs, it is preceded by a distressed outery to sophical conclusions which I had erected for myself God, in which the Psalmist spreads out his woe and has dwindled down to nothing. Nothing is left of want before the Lord, crying to him for help it; and what would become of us in this life if we . Hide not thy face from me in the day when I am had not the belief, the conviction, that there is a in trouble ; incline thine car unto me ; when 1 mosa : "I regard this year, 1883, an era in the was no complex ecclesiastical machinery then. Is Adventists ... Bantiata God who rules the world, and rules over every one call, answer me speedily.' It is followed by a de- east coast, the Lord has at length opened a large,

that time ; and that from the receipt of this invita- "Stundists" from the German word "Stundee," intendent, Jas. A Van Wart, Esq., with a valuable IS THE WORLD GROWING BETTER? inisery and poverty, we must give a large place to tion onward, all be requested in their secret, family which means an " hour"-an hour with God and book. The gift was expressive of their regard for and public devotions, habitually to entreat the his word. This sect has swept over many provinces him as a Christian gentleman and as a devoted and Lord to pour out upon all his people so much of of the empire, and has made captive village after successful worker in the Sabbath-school of which the Spirit of Grace and supplication as to prepare village. Their gatherings are like our prayer-meet- he has for several years been the worthy Superin-row a collation of facts, or too contracted a survey were ashamed to enter public-houses, and publicans Terms : \$2.69 a Year, in advance. Tow a collation of facts, or too contracted a survey them for such an observance of the time designated in the more of the time designated in the more of the time designated of the field. The world is a big thing to handle, were ashamed to serve them, the better." Upon of the field. The world is a big thing to handle, were ashamed to serve them, the better." Upon the better." Upon the better." Upon the same subject, the Temperance Record remarks :

of multitudes of instantaneous conversions of appropriate speech full of deep feeling. dressed, REV. JOSEFH McL. wob, P. O. Box 351, Frederic- It was a very simple document, but it was all thieves, drunkards, and the most dissolute, and of that was needed. Indeed, if the "programmes" reformation of whole communities. Persecuted, prepared in these late years were more like the they make no resistance but with "coals of fire" original call, they would not be less, acceptable. of prayer and exhortation. In this thoroughness The church has been helped, and we hope the seed The response to the first call was hearty and and extent it is compared to the Methodist revival, | sown will bear fruit This field is so large, and general; and there can be no doubt that great to which it is akin, in the time of Wesley. It is good has resulted from the observance year by year chiefly confined to the peasants. Of a similiar of the prayer-week. Yet it is true, we fear, that character is a wholly distinct work among the aris-

the interest in it has in recent years been declining | tocracy of St. Petersburg. The repeated visits of somewhat. One reason for this is the attempt to the English eminent lay preacher, Lord Radstock, - By LOOKING at the address label on his paper cover so much ground in the arrangement of topics; and others have greatly inspired or aided this each subscriber will know the date to which his then the attempt to keep exactly to the programme movement. A zealous and noble native convert, subscription is paid. Please look ; and if the date makes the whole week one of formal prayers and Count Pashkof, is also an honored instrument. is past, or just at hand, a remittance will be in speeches rather than a season of humble and hearty Evangelistic meetings are held, both in the French

'THE SET TIME."

drawing near to the Lord. We hope next week's and Russian language, in drawing-rooms and public neetings will be seasons of " refreshing from the halls, and masses of the upper classes, as also of presence of the Lord." Very much depends on the working people, receive the Gospel truth. It the manner of their conduct and the interest taken has spread to other cities, but does not find favor in them by Christians generally. We would sug- with the Government, through a jealousy of the regard to the topics prepared for general use, that ment that will not down.

they do not be allowed to interfere with the work- A Lutheran Bible Society and a Bible Society in ings of the Holy Spirit in the hearts of the people. the National Church are in successful operation. The latter was founded with the approbation of

The Independent has, within two or three months, among the unhappy men and women of Siberja. enough to receive it ! O for a fresh baptism of the series--some people might regard it as the very best early reformers. The men, the lives, the feelings,

- CONCERNING THE HOUR before going to church familiar scriptures, among them, "For the time to of the 15th century, from the time of the "first on the Sabbath-an hour which many spend in a favor her (Zion). yea, the set time is come," the readers of Bibles in the vulgar tongue, the Lollards way that dissipates rather than deepens any feeling article says :---- From this passage a theory has of England and the Taborites of Germany. How much to be desired is it that some men of great efforts in the Master's work in a distant land, we good or its evil. It will repeat itself in the ends of of devotion-Rev. Wm. Arnot, of Edinburgh, grown up in the church, which, in our judgment knowledge and good heart should be able to com- thought that not only had one soul been brought to the earth, a blessing or a curse.

be effected by these forces. They are spontaneous,

and in every part of the kingdom. If they could be concentrated, under one grand

earful problem of Nihilism. German population and German Churches abound in Russia. The writer has a personal ac-Northern capital. He is a man of sound mind and good heart. If in these Luther days Lutheranism in Russia shall be fired anew with the faith and

Albert Woodruff, of Brooklyn, through the F

KNOWLESVILLE, C. Co. -- Dear Bro. McLeod : We have closed the special services at Knowlesville. the members of the churches so scattered, that it is

almost impossible to have special meetings. We held a few meetings in Windsor, with good ttendance and blessing. We were the happy recipients of a load of goods

and grain, and some money, for which we take this opportunity to thank our friends in Windsor. Yours, etc.,

S. W. SHAW. Dec. 24th, 1883.

NOVA SCOTIA.

HALIFAX .- The following incident is worth remeeting one evening and gave a brief recital of her but carry more into the regions where they float xperience

the Emperor Alexander II., and received from him years; and the story she told of the Lord's dealings our moral atmosphere. an annual subscription. The Bible in Russian is with her,-how He had led and kept her, was very But whe can well doubt that, taking Europe and widely distributed ; colporteurs and agents assist, interesting. She referred to her conversion under America together, the general average is higher administer government ; for peace and conciliation are curiously illustrated by such a fact. encouraged by many high functionaries and su-the labors of Bro. Minard, saying it seemed to her than it was a hundred years ago. Or, take the between nations; and for popular integrity in the The evangelistic movement in Russia has been Lord with all her heart, found peace in believing, of much less intelligence and a deeper moral abasedeemed of sufficient importance to inspire an article and on profession of faith was baptized and received ment, and they elevate the average as to China and will not pour them out a blessing -such a rich, full, any paper. From two or three of them we have in the eminent French review, Revue des Deux into the church. The instruction of the pastor the island world, taken as a unit. As a matter of overflowing blessing that there shall not be room quoted in former issues. One of the best of the during few weeks she remained in the city after few weeks she

-is on "The Set Time." Referring to the mischief from those times; all are familiar to us; only the attents, and the words an seem to be borrowed attents, and the words an seem to be borrowed attents, and the words att seem to be borrowed attents, and the words attents of Scripture hung upon the walls it was never possible ! Now it can not be stayed that has been done by false exegesis of certain names are new. Before Luther and Calvin, back of the vestry, all these had over been fresh in her if we would. It is the inevitable outgrowth of the aged to labor on amid the difficulties that surround

GEO. E. STURGIS.

town of Limerick, Me., is mightily moved by the power of the Holy Ghost and the Gospei as preached pretentions, they do not even claim to be evange. of preparatory movements indicative of vaster re-

passage of Scripture. Their public services are never seen.

There are those who insist that it is not; that the drunkenness of women. It is painful to see we only go from bad to worse. We however would boldness with which they enter public-houses. women almost rivaling men in the frequency and the data for striking a general average, we have no is a greater proportionate increase of drunkenness doubt but that we should find it higher than a smong women, but that in their case the habit is hundred years ago.

When states and nations were isolated from each it exceedingly vulgar to dispense hospitality withthese relations, and facilitated the getting of know-

ledge and the fact of communication, and with the increase of wealth tempted an inundation of travel. o and fro, it was possible, at least theoretically, to carry up to a high pitch of moral culture the isolated state or people. But now, isolation is huknown.

It follows that immigration and the mingling ot peoples, on the face of the whole earth, will change cording. We were interested and encouraged in raising it in some and lowering it in others, as iceour work as a good sister came into our prayer- bergs moving south leave less of frost at the north,

and melt away. This nation has given to Europe She had not been privileged to attend a prayer- some thicgs that have been uplifting, and taken early devotion in educated youths; and for the meeting in our little vestry for three and-a-half thence some things that have been depressing to divine blessing in winning the worldly.

that it was her last call. She listened, sought the Chinese, and the islands of the Pacific into which they largely emigrate. They displace a population hymns often sung in the prayer- respect to some, higher in respect to others, was

GRAVEYARD INSURANCE -A short time agomemory and a means of encouragement in times of close proximity into which remotest parts are drawn by the name of graveyard insurance was practiced trial and difficulty. As she spoke of her humble to the central fires, by the changed methods of in Buffalo and in some parts of Pennsylvania. intercommunication. No nation can husband its Another group of infamous wretches have been dis-

> light into darkness ; whatever breaks down walls in a graveyard insurance scheme. Broken-down Brunswick. of separation ; whatever shames barbarism and re- drunkards, consumptives, and unhealthy persons, veals to savage and secluded peoples the elements

word to the church of our day is " Forward: Lo, 1

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of power in civilized lande ; whatever diffuses the have been insured for sums ranging from \$1,000 to word of God in the many tongues of the world ; \$5,000, and physicians, agents, and others would even commerce and exploration, often at first more | hold policies till the death of the insured and pocket | to Chma of fourteen missionaries, which involves a a corse than a blessing ; must be regarded as ulti- the insurance, or sell the policies to rumsellers, cost of two thousand guineas. DEAR BRO. MOLEOD:-By the Morning Star we learn of a remarkable religious awakening in con-world better; not, of course, by reason of a virtue nection with the labors of Bros. Allen and Jones, that is in them, but because of what is certain to death, and then collect the insurance. A suspected attending Conference, was asked by a stranger to of whom we wrote you a week or two since. The follow, where they do not attend or even go before physician and agent have fled. -the evangelizing spirit of the gospel and the min-

sters of peace and good will. Fairly to deal with these congregations, who holds his residence in the by the two brethren mentioned. They make no selves to facts achieved, but embrace a great variety lar store a table castor, which he took home with held while the confederate robbed him of \$400 in ins great question, we should not even confine our- the city a few days ago, and purchased from a dollists, they say "we are simply helpers in the Lord's sults, sure, if it is safe to interpret the teachings of made a present of it to a Methodist preacher, whose Divine Providence by history and by the sure word church his family attended. The reverend gentleof prophecy, to issue, in the near future, in such man took the package home, opened it and examinmanifestations of power and grace as the world has ed its contents. The next day he took the castor

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- ALL SORTS. [BY PEN AND SCISSORS.]

The four great Bible Societies of Great Britain and America last year issued 4,999,284 copies of the Scriptures.

and its moral condition, as a whole, is not a theme "The growth of female intemperance is one of the Texas. He is 21 years old, 7 feet 8 inches high, upon which to dogmatize. That it is growing worse most discouraging features of our time. Recent and weighs 291 pounds. He has six brothers all in spots it would not be safe to deny, but had we judicial statistics clearly show not only that there over seven feet in height.

Besides all its other losses, France paid about \$1,707,200,000 for its less than six months' wan more inveterate then in men. There are still a larger number of most estimable ladies who think with Prussia, or about \$10,000,000 a day.

Some English insurance companies charge twenty other, commercial interchange limited, and the out the aid of intoxicating drinks, and until that is per cent. less premium to total abstainers than to interest in each other's welfare, in consequence, shall not get back to the time when women were perieuce with high death rates among the latter thoroughly changed there is reason to fear that we moderate drinkers. This is the result of an ex-

> The Universalists are progressing backwards. At WEEK OF PEAVER .-- Monday, January 7th a recent State Convention in New York they re-Praise and Thanksgiving .-- For God's special Proported a loss during the past ten years in the United vidence, Christ's marked favor, and the Holy States and Canada of fifteen parishes and 3,504 Spirit's gracions work. Tuesday, January 8th : Humiliation and Confamilies

fession. - For personal failings ; for social vices, as Though there are less than 100 miles of railway intemperance ; for the secular spirit in the church ; in Japan, and there is difficult transit over its irregufor prevailing skepticism and religious indifference. lar and mountainous country, letters are carried Wednesday, January 9th : Prayer for Families over the empire for 2 sen, or about seven-tenths of the moral and intellectual temperature of localities, and Instructors of Youth .- For parental fidelity in a penny, making it the cheapest postal service in household training; and for early conversions in the world. Sanday-schools.

A converted priest writes from Illinois that, Thursday, January 10th : Prayer for the Church " although almost left alone, Mr. Chiniquy has of Christ. --- For a prayerful and laborious ministry ; already wrenched more than 25,000 Roman Catholics from the Church of Rome, and 'among them 18 priests.

Friday, January 11th : Prayer for Nations .--The Mayor-elect of Boston, General Martin, was For legislators, that statutes may be conformed to divine law; for rulers, that they may conscientiously The condition of American political and social life

The total number af sailing vessels in all the world is 48,704, gauging 30,647,377 tons. Of these Saturday, January 12th : Prayer for Home and Foreign Missions .-- For missionaries, that they be more than a third carry the English flag, and less sustained in trials and prove efficient in labors; than a twentieth that of France, which ranks seventh, being below America, Italy, Germany and for heathens, Mohammedans and Israelites, that Russia.

According to the Brooklyn Union the Board of Education of that city has voted to furnish free says the Canada Presbyterian-the swindle known books to all the children attending the public schools The Common Council has appropriated \$75,000 to supply the requisition.

In Denmark farmers are compelled to destroy all covered playing the same game at Fall River where permits woods to go to seed that may endanger the has done much to hinder revivals and limit the prehend these elementary forces, manage them Christ but one faithful worker had been added to Nor is the missionary the only agent helping to it is said there has been collusion between the ind of his neighbor can be prosecuted. It would bring about a general moral uplift. Whatever takes medical examiners, agents, and others for two years be well if a similar law could be enforced in New

> The missionary spirit is evidently growing in England. It is stated in a London paper that the Baptist church in Bristol of which Rev. R. Glover is paster, offers to provide for the outfit and passage

A Methodist minister at Statesville, N. C., while go to pray with a dying man. He was taken to a back street where the supposed dying man was

THE BITER BITTEN .- A country merchant visited lying in the street. Upon kneeling to pray at him, and after putting a tag on it marked \$14," money which he was taking to the Conference and what valuables he had. In that case it would be better for the priest to have " passed by on the other side.

European statisticians are generally revising and Peterson reduces his estimate by 75,000,000, making the present total 350,000,000. Dr. Happer, A TESTIMONY. - This is what Judge Davis, the missionery, believes this can be safely reduced an other 50,000,000. Mr. Hippisley, acting commissioner of customs, thinks 250,000,000 more nearly correct than 350,000,000. The losses by the Tacp ing and Mohammedan rebellions and by the famin and pestilence which swept the provinces of Chili, Shantung, Shansi, Shensi and Honan, are variously

resolutely to the new ideal toward which they are the army of the living God, and we were encour-A German magazine also chronicles this new de- us in our pathway

THE LORD'S. WORK. DEAR BRO. McLEOD :- By the Morning Star we

disastrous to the Church than that we should act zeal and courage of its founder, it will prove a work." They commence their work by visiting on this theory. It is akin to another false idea, mighty factor in the regeneration of the nation. It from house to house, offering prayer, and reading a

THE NEW YEAR.

After writing 1883 for twelve months, the tigure 1884 look strange. For many days in the early part of this new year people will unconsciously put down the numerals of last year, and then correct the mistake and try to get used to the new departure. So, in spite of ourselves, we live partly in the past, and the old and the new are always interweaving | their memories and forecasts.

Some one has given the following good rule : " Resolve, and pray God to help you keep your resolution, never, if possible, to he down at night without being able to say, 'I have made one human being at least a little wiser, or a little happier, or a little better this day.' You will find it easier than and put away vanity and folly from their lives, you think, and pleasanter. Easter, because if you ! wish to do God's work, God will surely find you work to do ; and pleasanter, because in return for the little trouble it may cost you or the little choking of foolish, vulgar pride it may cost you, you will have a peace of mind, a quiet of temper, a cheerfulness and hopefulness about yourself and all around you, such as you never felt before ; and over and above that, if you look for a reward in the life to come, recollect this : What we have to hope for in the life to come is to enter into the joy of our Lord. If you wish to enter into the joy of our Lord, be sure that his joy is now, as it was in Judea of old, over every sinner that repenteth, avery mourner that is comforted, every hungry mouth that is fed, poor soul, sick or in prison, who is visited.'

If every one should observe such a rule, what a

attention and more abundant patronage, and th These are all hopeful signs on the eastern horizon.

MISSIONARY NEWS.

- The work of evangelization is making steady, not rapid, progress in France. The results that have been attained in the last ten years are an occasion of thankfulness on the part of all Christians. There is promise of still more abundant fruitage The fields are ripe for the sickle.

- Rev. Dr. Mackay writes from Yamsui, For of us? I weary for prayer; I love to sing hymns with my children, every one of whom has his favor-with my children, every one of whom has his favor-with my children, every one of whom has his favor-sure in her (Zion's) stones, to favor the dust thereof. It is at such a time that 'He will regard the prayer now, when I declare that upwards of 2,000 have of the destitute, and not despise their prayer ;' and thrown their idols away, and wish to follow the sion of men. It is true that we need mind-power, Methodists ... * hear the groanings of the prisoner, and loose those Lord of Hosts.

that are appointed to death ; to declare the name - Recently in New York Rev. Mr. Truve, pastor power of the Holy Ghost or we fail in our mission New Jerusalem of the Lord in Zion, and his praise in Jerusalem, of the Baptist Church, at Gothenburg, Sweden, and a guilty world is not saved. when the people are gathered together, and the gave a graphic account of the mission work now in kingdoms, to serve the Lord. progress in his native country. Mr. Truve came "From the foregoing we hafer that the time to to this country when a boy, received his education

favor Zion is when his people cry out unto him here, and returned to Sweden more than lifteen because of their sins, lie down before him in years ago. A vast improvement has been made in their helplessness, take pleasure in the interests of Sweden during the last ten years, and there are

his Church, and begin to declare his name and now 27,000 Baptists in that country. The Sunday-While friends are wishing each other "A Happy sing his praises in presence of the people. In other school work has so increased that there are at pre- will doubtless be asking, What is the Soudan? New Year" and every pleasant thing, it is well to words, the Lord's set time is when his people seek sent about 200,000 children in the various Sunday- The name bears different meanings, according as it keep in mind the fact that the only way to be happy him with their whole hearts, and turn away from a schools. A Sunday-school Union has been in is used by the Arabs or by the Egyptians. The Communicants, including the Catholic population,

is in accordance with the entire history of God's It is good if we can begin the new year with the dealings with his people, from the earliest times W. M. Pattersou, from Aguascalientes, Mexico. Phers of Europe have given this name to all the millions we have in round numbers 10,500,000 Pro-millions we have in round numbers 10,500,000 Pro-terson all the termination of the seventeen millions we have in round numbers 10,500,000 Pro-terson all the termination of the seventeen millions we have in round numbers 10,500,000 Pro-terson all the termination of the seventeen millions we have in round numbers 10,500,000 Pro-terson all the termination of the seventeen millions we have in round numbers 10,500,000 Pro-terson all the termination of the seventeen millions we have in round numbers 10,500,000 Pro-terson all the termination of the seventeen millions we have in round numbers 10,500,000 Pro-terson all the termination of the seventeen millions we have in round numbers 10,500,000 Pro-terson all the termination of the seventeen millions we have in round numbers 10,500,000 Pro-terson all the termination of the seventeen millions we have in round numbers 10,500,000 Pro-terson all the termination of the seventeen millions we have in round numbers 10,500,000 Pro-It is good if we can begin the new year with the composure, the confidence, and the gladness of when the prophets and judges had, by preaching W. M. Patterson, from Aguascalientes, Mexico. (The name of the place anglicized means Hot countries along the southern edge of the Great hand." The future is with God. By His mercy and grace it shall be ours. But should He order it otherwise, it is well." Happy every year that be. otherwise, it is well. Happy every year that be-shall seek me and find me when ye shall seek me intervation and the Arabic name Balad-us-Sudau, "the leaving the Jews, Mormons and other classes be-

that he cannot hear, nor his arm shortened that it say in Aguascalientes that 'he has neither lear of cannot save, by reason of any arbitrariness of the devit nor respect for the saints.' When he besovereignty in his will, but by the fact that our sins inreatened by many, and would have been taken at Soudan" means not the immense tract of Africa have separated us from him. Whenever his people once, but for the providential presence of Federal just described, but a tract to the east of it, which are disposed to turn to Him with their whole hearts soldiers. He told the people they would not deteast the cause by killing him-ne was ready to die anyconsider the transcendent importance of spiritual to Bit his place. where and at any tune, but some one would come things and seek after them, then will his 'set time' -A note from a missionary in Wrangel, Alaska,

have come to them says there are cheering signs of progress. " If we are to have a harvest of spiritual bless-"The hideous dance, the war-song and dog-eatings, then must we sow in tears and plant in peni- ing are given place to Unristian nymns and earnest tence before Him, breaking up in the meantime prayers; the harrowing scenes of the pyre, which consumed the dead with the sacrificed nying, is bethe fallow ground of our hearts, and gather out the have choked the grace that is in us and prevented many a cance and camp nre. New nouses, with it from bringing forth any fruit to perfection. The cares of this world, the deceitfulness of riches, the Some of the people are beginning to read and speak

enced by singing for about twenty-five min-

educated, and Christian theological seminaries and in the various towns where they labored. They quished foe. There are tough battles to fight, but believe in the Lord's promises and their prayers of the Captain of our Salvation is with us, and His faith are answered.

Bro. C. M. Bailey of Winthrop, Me., the wealthy that fight for the truth are multiplied, and so are to labor with me in the work of the Lord. Go out

into the highways and by-ways and I will pay you 1,000 dollars each per annum and your travelling expenses." Bro. Bailey visits every place where they iabor if possible, when they close their labors. | In view of these facts are we not warranted in saying that the church with her hosts of members, pages of statistics carefully prepared for the Inde-

pendent Almanac: simplicity of Pentecostal-days and means. The early disciples told the people of Jesus, and wit-Congregationalists.... 3,936 cease to trust in intellectual power for the conver- Lutherans and heart-power, but above all we must have the Mennonites

Presbyterians..... Yours sincerely, Protestant Episcopal. 3 109 3,664

G. S. HILL. Parker's Head, Me., Dec. 28, 1883.

WHAT IS THE SOUDAN ?

peared in the daily papers, many of our readers gan work there the priests raged, and his life was ous telegrams lately received from Egypt, "the

comprises the countries, except Abyssinia, on both sides of the Nile, south of the second eataract, which have during the last sixty years been formed

into an Egyptian province bearing that name. The of the People, a revolutionary journal which has

dependent province or empire-for, be it understood | again appeared in St. Petersburg. They give some the Soudan is not Egypt, any more than Algeria is horrible details of savage treatment on the part of France-comprises much of Nubia, all Sennaar, all the officials and others. The introdution of the whip in prison for certain political prisoners ; the Kordofan, and all Darfur, and has really any voyage down the Volga of seventy-four men and ing saperseded by Caristian burial. Saboaths are length and any breadth that the Pashas can women packed together on a foul and filthy barge ; thorns and weeds of carnal things that we have remembered and rengiously kept where the day reach. A report recently made to the British For- the further journey by road from Ekaterinburg, allowed to grow with unchecked liberty until they was unknown. The incense of praise goes up from eigh Office gave its length from north to south, or eight men in each smail cart, while the officials from Assoun to the Equator, at about 1,650 miles, probably pocketed the money assigned for pro

doors, windows, floors, stoves, tables and beds, are but this makes it begin at the first and not at the viding more vehicles ; how innocent women, fol giving family homes instead of the communal bodge. second cataract of the Nile; its width, on the lowing their husbands, and even a child two years same authority, from Massowah, on the Red Sea, old, were chained hand and foot with the rest; sealed their faith in Christ by their blood; but, sent for goods. All parties any way interested in love of pleasure, and the lust of other things-have English, which means elevation, as it could never to the western limit of the Darfur Province, is not so difficult a thing this subject should send at once to James Vick, not all these served to hinder the free operation of nave come to them in any way with their limited from 1,200 to 1,400 miles. It probably, therefore, trary to the rules for political prisoners; how the as to live for Christ. The glory of martyrdom con- Rochester, N. Y., for the "Floral Guide." the gracious life-giving spirit, not only in our own line story of the cross, which does not fall far short, if at all, of the dimensions of India. It is inhabited by two totally distinct female convict from Odessa, and an inspector struck of devotion in a life which has been lived for God; lives, but in the life of the Church, through which it is God's pleasure to bless the world? God's time are seeking annance in Christian marriage, of them nomed tribes professing some form of the convector struck the base of the convector struck another woman on the breast with a boot, and by the souther base of the convector struck the base of the convector struck another woman on the breast with a boot, and by the souther base of the convector struck the base of the convector struck another woman on the breast with a boot, and by the souther base of the convector struck the base of the convector struck another woman on the breast with a boot, and by the souther base of the convector struck the base of the convector struck that act of its highest significance. It is not with that act of its highest significance. It is not with that act of its highest significance. It is not with that act of its highest significance. It is not with that the base of the convector base of the c is now. It remains for us to decide whether the the only hope of circumventing a lamentable and Muhammadanism, and the southern half by negroes, down by the hair and tore off her clothes, which out reason that it has been said that "men will

So, let everybody that loves Christ and his king- and said to him-: "I am too poor in this world's The great famine a few years ago swept away midom take courage. There is just enough of truth goods to afford to display so valuable a castor on lions, and there is good reasons for believing that with them personally, and of what the Saviour has enough. There is abundant reason in the progress its stead." The merchant could do nothing but China and Corea from 434,500,000 to 379,500,000. done for many others in their various fields of labor. of these last ten years and in the outlook of the acquiesce, but fancy his feelings .- Watch Tower.

Chief Justice of New York sava :

"There is an average of more than two persons rdered in New York City weekly, that there are 57,000 persons arrested annually for crime, and that nine-tenths of the crimes committed were traced directly to the grog shops." He says further : " I have sat on the bench twenty-six years, and have sentenced to death many, and the poor

wretches had no other excuse but 'I was drunk.' table which follows, giving the statistics of the re- while it legalizes the drunkard-makere. 'How be had, as they have been extracted from four judgment !'

> JOURNALISTIC .- The Yarmouth Times issued a mother were sitting in the lighthouse, when they vary neat and attractive Christmas Supplement. The Union-Signal of Chicago, organ of the from two men in the river. Her mother being un Woman's Christian Temperance Union, celebrated able to assist her, Miss Boyd determined to make the attempt to save the drowning men harrolf, and Minis- Communicunts. 91.769 the tenth anniversary of the woman's orusade by a hastily taunching the boat, she leaped into it and 3.336.553 notable issue of the paper. The mechanical work rowed to the rescue. Fearing lest in their excite 387.619 was nicely done, and the contents-all of crusaders ment they would upset the boat, she backed her 387,619 was nicely done, and the contents—all of crusaders 96,000 and crusade-work—were greatly interesting. The mind succeeded in saving the lives of both men. Signal is a good paper all the time, and must be The keeper of this lighthouse has saved more than 785.937 .41,271 24,485 3,943,875 doing good work. 80.000

TEA MEETING AT CLARE'S HARBOR. -On the 18th 9 928 3,994 and 19th ult., the ladies of the F. B. Church held 966,437 a tea meeting and sale of fancy articles at Clark's 351,699 Harbor, Cape Island, at which they realized up- fail, we think, to gratify its numerous readers. The 243.825 wards of four hundred dollars. This, of course, leading sermon by Dr. A. T. Pierson, on "Super-6,546 6,832,954 700 was the gross proceeds, but it certainly was quite a natural Answers to Frayer," is eminently timely 20,000 handsome sum. It is to be devoted towards de- and effective. Dr. Holme's on Poe's " Raven ;" or

The Independent makes the following estimate, POLITICAL NEWS .- Sir Richard Cartwright was the "International Sunday school Service," we are

west, to Darfur on the east. Etymologically, Sou- the Protestant population is 42,000.000, to which this month, -- nomination on the 22nd. The candi. Daryea, and in future numbers by Profs. Francis country of the Blacks." As employed, however, sides the non-religious to make up the small balance with the F. B. Church, Barrington, hold their ments are crowded with able and varied matter

of a state of things in other lands, which should great success. Amount realized \$301.00. - Yar. number, except a portion of the sermons, is original, make us thankful that we enjoy liberty and the Times.

A contemporary mentions that two letters from WHAT THE PAPERS SAY. convicts transported to Siberia appear in the Will

estimated at from 61,000,000 to 81,000,000. An Ottawa despatch says that the Department of Marine and Fisheries has decided upon presenting Our laws make that an aggravation of the crime, to Miss Boyd of St. Croix River, a handsome tesligious denominations of the United States. We long, oh Lord, how long !' until the drunkard- life. Miss Boyd, who lives with her father and suppose the figures are as reliable as any which can makers, the crime manufacturers, are brought to mother in the lighthouse at Spruce Point, on the

St. Croix river, is a veritable Grace Darling. On a dark stormy night during last summer she and her were startled by hearing cries for help proceeding a dozen lives

LITERARY NOTES.

THE HOMILETIC MONTHLY for January cannot 36,238 fraying the debt upon their church and burying- suggestive. The short sermons, as usual, give variety to the sermonic department, The four ermons from as many distinguished preachers, on

last week elected, by acclamation, to represent sure will not be passed by. The Prayer Meeting Service is by a new contributor, well known to the

religious public, in whose hands this department is Mr. Allison recently elected to Parliament in Len- and the papers by Dr. Schaff, Dr. Ormiston and

> L. Patton, Alexander Winchell, and J. P. Gulliver, and Dr. Backly and others, is sure to attract un-

bazaar on Dec. 18th and 19th. Notwithstanding adapted to stimulate thought and help our ministers LIFE IN SIBERIA - We sometimes catch glimpses that the weather was stormy both nights it was a in their work. We note that all the matter in this naving been especially prepared for this work, which is growing fast in the estimation of the public. Price \$2.50 a year; 25 cents a single number. FUNK & WAGNALLS, 10 and 12 Day Street, New

> The Religious Telescope: Steadfastness in holiness, VICE'S FLORAL GUIDE .- Here'it is again, brighter in consecration, in every Christian duty, is the and better than ever; the cover alone, with its lies in the lives of Christians who are wholly and tions, printed on the best of paper, and is filled ontinually consecrated to the service of Jesus with just such information as is required by the gardener, the farmer, those growing plants, and

A petition has been fyled against the return of not likely to suffer. "Best Methods of Preaching, Dio Lewis, M. D., are fully up to the mark. A The election in York County to fill the vacancy tion," opened in this issue by President McCosh, caused by the death of Mr. Pickard is to be held who will be followed in the next by Dr. Jos. T

Lelach ventive Capt. J A m in the ! ment i some 1 ties he again, throug AS & 88 A co North steame Bras d \$15,00 Sydne will be

great need of the church of our times. There is delicate tinted background and its dish of gracevasily too much wavering, too much that is spas- fully arranged flowers, would entitle it to a permodie, too much that is transient in Christian manent place in every home. The book contains character and work. The strength of the church | three beautiful colored plates, is full of illustra-

The Sunday-School Times: It is a right 'en. every one needing seeds or plants. The price, only thusiasm which holds in high honor those who have ton cents, can be deducted from the first order

universe vice of the country. They seek, also, em-ployment with the whites. Employment means are really pagans, and are, roughly speaking, all her exhausted and naked before a crowd of men_ for it; anything but-live for it." Living is, after THE NEWS OF THE WEEK reason why we should be diligent in that harder SAINT JOHN, N. B., JANUARY 4, 1884. calling of living for Christ. **RENEW NOW!** The Morning Star: The preacher who possesses

Here we have seventeen million and a quarter | South Huron, Ont., in the Commons.

protection of law in our free country.

former apply it to designate the interior of in a total population of 50,000,009. If we sub-

Reformed.

Unitarians .

Universalists .

Schwendfeldians ...

world of happiness there would be

THE WEEK OF PRAYER.

be overgrown with thorns and weeds ? We speak it Next week will be observed by the Christian reverently ; but God's time is limited by our atta-Church generally as a week of prayer. We publish, tude toward him. Shall we have revivals throughin another column, the programme of topics sug- out our churches this Winter or not !' It is for gested by the Evangelical Alliance. This custom us to decide. Or shall the season pass away again

of devoting an early week in the year to united and auother year of barrenness and death be added On Sunday, 16th uit., he had to remain at home, prayer has been observed for twenty-five years. to those which have gone before? How many years the first Sunday he had been kept at home by sick-The idea originated with some missionaries of the has it been since your church has been visited ness for thirty years. He was able to attend his Lodiana Mission in India. They had but just with a great wave of spiritual blessing from the appointments as usual the next Sunday, however. the Soudan (in the stead of Ala-ud-din Pasha, who the Rev. J. B. Gidney, and received to the mem-

REVIVALS IN RUSSIA.

the Indian mutiny. There was just reaching them, too, news of the gracious revival on this continent. in 1857-58. They were moved to send forth a call The National Greek Church, lifeless and cold, has to the church everywhere to a season of humiliation no hold on the Russian peasantry. It is a foreign and prayer, and they issued the following : product, transplanted from Constantinople, and

Resolved, That we appoint the second week in has no friendly rooting in Russian soil. Its priests, January, 1860, beginning with Monday, the 8th, for the most part, are illiterate and spiritually as a time of special prayer that God would now pour blind. Many minor sects, however, are energetiout his Spirit upon all flesh, so that all the ends of cally prosecuting evangelistic work, and reaping and that on the last day, that is, Sabbath, the 14th, They had a place in Norway and Sweden many pect of a revival. He adds : " I rejoice in the sucbe a holy convocation for thanksgiving and praise; years preceding the advent of Methodist and cess that is attending some of the brethren in their that the intervening time be spent in private and Baptist missionaries. One of the most striking work, and hope that there may be during the year of attempting, at the present time, to be able to say as the dear departed said, "Mourn not for me." Such a request is equivalent to saying not for me." Such a request is equivalent to saying E N Werder. God's people of every name and nation, of every men, women, and children eagerly looking up to

continent and island, be cordially and earnestly him, or rather to it, for the bread of life, and, with FREDERICTON. - Last Sabbath the teachers of the have voted to accept the propositions for settlement says : invited to unite with us in a similar observance of tears of joy, satiating soul-hunger. They are called Fredericton Sabbath-school presented the Super- made by the firm.

fall. Of what use is the sun and rain to an un-

DENUMINATIONAL. NEW BRUNSWICK. REV. JOS. NOBLE has not been very well lately.

LOWER QUEENSBURY, Y. Co .- Of the work at

weeks. The church has been helped very much.

REV. T. O. DEWITT Writes (Dec. 24th) that the

Five were baptized on Wednesday, 20th.

was divided into a number of petty kingdoms and arrests are mentioned ; and the celebrated Nihilist never, in all human probability, be called to die chieftaincies ; but in that year Muhammad Ali, the and author Tchernishefsky is said to have been al- for Christ as the martyrs died, there is the more then Khedive, sent his son Ismail to conquer the lowed to go to Astrakhan. country. From that time to the present the Egyp-

tians have gone on extending the borders of their OBITUARY .- EMMA F., daughter of the late Capt. nominal sovereignty, but have never yet managed John S., and Sister Hannah M. Kelly, died in Bur-

to obtain an undistarbed footing in any part of the nett, Wis., Dec. 8th, 1883, aged 25 years 6 months is called to deliver will impress his hearer more by vast territory they claim. The seat of the provin- and 12 days. Bro. Kelly and family came from his earnestness than by mere prettinesses of speech cial government is at Khartoum, at the confluence Maine to Wisconsin when Emma was an infant. or tricks of manner whose object is sometimes, to of the Blue and White Nile, and it is there that When at the age of 18 years, she gave her heart one who is not ignorant of human nature, most was with General Hicks when the recent disaster bership of the Rolling Prairie Church. Her sickoccurred, and has probably shared his fate), is ness and suffering was very brief. She was at the of some sacred hymn in which admiration of the endeavoring to concentrate the few thousand avail- church on Wednesday evening and gave her last performance is evidently more sought than attenable troops left in the province. Khartoum can be testimony for the Master. Sister Emma has been vion to the sentiment of the piece. If the preacher Lower Queensbury, Rev. J. E. Read writes (Dec. able troops left in the province. Knartoun can be reached from Cairo, from which it is some 1,500 faithful in attending all the means of grace, ever declares a gospel from which Christ is at all elimimiles distant, by the Nile,-the railway stopping expressing a wish to be remembered in the prayers nated, perhaps it is as well that his preaching be Special meetings have been held for the past two short at Assiout, less than 300 miles from Carro, - of God's people. Our young sister has goue to join artificial rather than natural. If, however, he but the quickest route is by the Red Sea from Suez the society of her dear father, who left this church knows " nothing save Christ and Him crucified, to Souakim, which may be regarded as the seaport and society some eight years since. She leaves a the only manner which can become him will be of the Soudan, and thence by a caravan route of sorrowing mother and two sisters, (members with that in which simplicity, directness and unaffected about 280 miles to Berber, where the Nile is her of this church), also two young brothers, who fervor are predominant elements. We feel free to touched, and from that point southwards for about deeply feel the loss of their sister. The funeral cite Dr. John Hall, Rev. Phillips Brooks, and Mr. meetings held in Knoxford resulted in good. He the same distance to Khartoum. Recent events in was attended at the church by the writer. Text : Moody as conspicuous illustrations of the point.

the earth might see His salvation ; that on the first much fruit. From the Christian Advocate we get baptized three converts, and thinks there are others the Soudan, have suddenly brought this fittle-known Psalm 88 : 15 : "I am afflicted and ready to die These men in the pulpit are modest in manner, day, that is on Monday, the 8ch, be a holy convo-some particulars of the work being done. Chiefly that will follow. He is now holding special meet. Sin Second Babes, then where the special meet. Sin Second Babes, then where the special meet. Sir Samuel Baker, than whom no one is better and all seemed to deeply sympathize with the sud- effective than they could be as mere rhetoricians or Light, Grand Manan. qualified to give an opinion, states that he fully anticipated a disaster such as has happened, and We little know what one of our dear members be a holy convocation for thanksgiving and praise; years preceding the advent of Methodist and cess that is attending some of the brethren in their himself warned the Khedive and Lord Dufferin of may be called next from our charge. May we all

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a sense of the importance of the message which he With the last number of the INTELLI-GENCER hundreds of subscriptions expired. From all these subscribers we are expecting renewals, and we trust they painfully apparent. Some sermons impress the will be forwarded promptly. Those who hearer, and indeed they are deliberately designed have not already paid will do us a great favour by remitting their subscriptions by the first mail that leaves their Post offices after receiving this paper. Be kind enough not to delay.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Messrs. James Harris & Co. have just completed two new passenger cars for the Intercolonial Rail-

The exterior of the new post office at Carleton is completed and the interior work will be commenced right away.

The Local Government, through the Department of Public Works, has called for sealed tenders for building a bridge across the river at Fredericton. Tenders will be received until February 5th next, the bridge to be constructed according to plan and has been pronounced of unsound mind, and is now specification to be seen at the office of the depart-

E. N. WRIGHT. hope he does. He can afford to.

20 Rev. Wm. Mitchell, formerly of St. John, When we are taking stock of the causes of in a private asylum for the insane.