

INTELLIGENCE.

PEACE SOCIETIES.

AMERICAN PEACE SOCIETY.—Misses Sarah M., and Angelina Grimké, have presented to this Society, three hundred copies of Grimké's *Dymond on War*, which have been received by the Treasurer.

The Treasurer also has the pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of donations and life memberships, from gentlemen in Philadelphia and New-York, to the amount of four hundred dollars, to be expended in distributing the publications of the society under the direction of the Executive Committee.

It appears from communications and reports of the different agents, as well as from other sources, that the object of the society is exciting more interest and receiving more attention than at any former period.

LONDON PEACE SOCIETY.—The Society for the Promotion of Permanent and Universal Peace, held its twentieth annual meeting at Exeter Hall, London, on the 25th of May last. George Bennett, Esq., presided. After alluding to the design of the Society, the worthy Chairman read an extract of a letter, from J. H. Wiffen, Esq., commending the object which the society had in view—and also read some stanzas from a poem, entitled "Farewell to War," by James Montgomery, Esq., of Sheffield. The Rev. J. W. Wayne, Secretary of the Society, read the Report. It stated that a large number of the publications of the Society had been put into circulation—that the agency-fund, designed for the support of lectures had been increased—that a new series of the "Herald of Peace" would be commenced in July, and be issued in monthly numbers, instead of quarterly—and that lectures on the subject of peace had been delivered in various parts of the country. It then adverted to the death of the late Secretary, Mr. John Bevans, to whose exertions it paid a high tribute.

Several Gentlemen addressed the meeting. We have room for only the following extracts from their speeches:—

The Rev. J. HARGREAVES, Honorary Secretary to the Society, in the course of his remarks, said, That he had yet to learn what were the charms or gains of war. He thought Britain, France, and America, could speak feelingly of its losses. War reminded him of two boys, who once found a box, and quarrelled respecting it, till they came to blows, and after they were exhausted and could fight no longer, they agreed to divide the contents; they opened the box, and lo! it was empty. He had heard of a lawyer, who was applied to enter an action against a person in his neighbourhood. The lawyer was reluctant to proceed, but nothing would dissuade his client from it; the legal gentleman then said he would do the best he could, but observed:—"You have now a coat with two sleeves; if you win the cause, you will have only one sleeve, and if you loose it, none at all." So it was with regard to war.

GEO. BENNETT, Esq., the chairman, remarked, that in his voyage round the world, as one of the deputation from the London Missionary Society, the deputation had taken no weapons of any kind. He remembered the case of a vessel which was wrecked off the Malay coast. Sixteen seamen with two mates, took to the long boat, which soon struck on a rock, and they were all lost. The captain, doctor, and four passengers, embarked in the jolly boat, and after two days sailing, reached the coast with nothing but their clothes;

the Malays who made a point of killing all who were found upon their shores, surrounded the party, but seeing they had no weapons of any kind, took compassion on them, supplied their wants for some months and allowed them to depart in a vessel which afterwards touched there.

PEACE SOCIETY IN AMHERST COLLEGE.—A Peace Society has been recently organized at this institution. A meeting of the students and officers of the college was held on the evening of the 15th ult., for the consideration of the subject, President Humphrey acting as presiding officer. After some appropriate remarks from the president, a constitution was read and unanimously adopted. The object of the society as expressed by the constitution is to be, the "Promotion of Peace on earth, and good will to men." This constitution having been circulated for signatures, it appeared, at a subsequent meeting, that one hundred and forty individuals had signed their names, thus constituting themselves members of the Society. Professor Hitchcock was elected president, Dr. Humphrey having declined on account of the pressure of other duties.—*New-England Spectator*.

RESOLUTIONS OF ECCLESIASTICAL ASSOCIATIONS.

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF MAINE.—Augusta, June 21st.

PEACE.—Mr. Ladd presented this subject to the Conference, in an address, in the course of which, he alluded to the Indian war on our southern border, and showed that it was unnecessary—that the provocation to hostilities was on our part; and spoke with more confidence on this subject, in consequence of his personal acquaintance with the Seminole Indians. He had lived among them five years, and related anecdotes illustrating their inoffensive character, as well as their honesty. The following resolutions were adopted:—

Whereas the conversion of the world can never take place while wars continue; and whereas the world is to be converted in answer to prayer, therefore,

Resolved, That it is the imperious duty of Christians to pray that wars may cease, and peace, with all its hallowed influences, overspread the world.

Resolved, That it is the duty of the ministers of the Prince of Peace to preach in favour of the cause of Peace, as a prominent part of the gospel.

Resolved, That the cause of peace is entitled to our contributions, as well as our prayers.

The resolutions were sustained by Rev. Messrs. D. and C. Thurston, Prof. Pond, S. L. Pomeroy, and C. Hurd.

GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF CONNECTICUT.—Norfolk, Conn., June 24th, 1836.

Statements were made by the Rev. George C. Beckwith, agent of the American Peace Society, in relation to the efforts now in progress for the advancement of the cause of Peace, and the prospects of success. Several hundred ministers in New-England were under engagements to preach on the subject once a year—and if Christian ministers and the Christian church would do their duty, war might be made to cease from the earth.

When Mr. B. had concluded his remarks, Messrs. Hall, Carrington, and Kirk, were appointed a committee to prepare a minute in relation to the subject.

Mr. HALL, in behalf of the Committee, reported a series of resolutions, which, having been amended so as to read as follows, were adopted:—

Resolved, That the gospel of Jesus Christ in its universal diffusion, will se-