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RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The following action was taken at the General Assembly held in Cincinnati, in 1850, in regard to *The Record*, then called "The Home and Foreign Record."

Resolved, As the action of the last General Assembly has resulted in the establishment of "The Home and Foreign Record," that paper is hereby recommended, and the ministers and churches are urged to *exert themselves to place it in every family*, as the organ, indirectly, of the church, on many important subjects.

The Assembly held in Philadelphia, 1853,

Resolved, That it be recommended to all our pastors to *endeavour to increase the circulation* of "The Home and Foreign Record," the organ of the Boards of the church, in order that our churches may be better acquainted with their respective plans and operations, and be induced to contribute more liberally towards their support.

The Assembly held at Nashville, Tennessee, in 1855,

Resolved, That our ministers and elders be earnestly exhorted to secure a wider circulation to "The Home and Foreign Record," now published at so reduced a price as to make it accessible to the poorest member of our church.

The Assembly held at New York, in 1856,

Resolved, That while the Assembly finds so much cause for gratitude and encouragement in the prosperity and usefulness of this Board, and so much to commend in the energy and economy with which its affairs have been conducted, it cannot forbear to give utterance to the painful feelings which are caused by the fact that there are still very many churches which

have not, as yet, contributed anything to the Colporteur funds of the Board, and that there are still so many families in our church who do not take either "The Home and Foreign Record" or "The Sabbath-school Visitor." The Assembly reiterates its earnest exhortations to our ministers and ruling elders to endeavour to secure a more general circulation of these papers among the members of our church.

The Assembly held at Lexington, Kentucky, in 1857,

Resolved, That while the Assembly is highly gratified at the increasing patronage extended from every part of the church to "The Home and Foreign Record" and "The Sabbath-School Visitor," yet it regrets to learn that there is still a large proportion of its families and members who do not receive these periodicals. The Assembly would therefore earnestly recommend its ministers and sessions to use all practicable means to extend the circulation of these important papers in their respective vicinities.—*Minutes*, p. 25.♦

Moreover, on the first Sunday evening of every month, or on other occasions, and from time to time, let the people hear from their minister a detailed account of our various Foreign Missions in succession, with a description of the religious condition of the people, and the beginning and progress of the church's work among them. That to this end our ministers take pains themselves carefully to read "The Home and Foreign Record" and "Foreign Missionary," so far as to know what is being done by our missionaries; and that they also further the circulation and encourage the reading of these publications in their congregations.—P. 21.

The Assembly held at Indianapolis, Indiana, in 1859,

Resolved, That the Assembly would especially commend "The Home and Foreign Record" to a more general patronage throughout the church; trusting that in its diligent perusal, members of the communion might catch more of the spirit of missions, and of Christian benevolence so richly pervading its columns. They also recommend "The Sabbath-School Visitor" as a most excellent publication to be circulated through our Sabbath-schools and among the children of our charge.—*Minutes*, p. 545.

And the Assembly held at Cincinnati, in 1867,

Resolved, That it be enjoined upon the Presbyteries under the care of this General Assembly, to recommend in the most earnest manner the introduction of "The Home and Foreign Record" into every congregation within their bounds, and that the sessions of churches subtract from the aggregate of their annual subscriptions a sufficient amount to place "The Record" in the hands of all our families and pewholders.—*Minutes*, p. 319.

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No. 1.

BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

**Mission Churches coming up to our
Help--Want of Plan of District
Missionaries.**

Minnesota.

A few days ago I remitted to your address the sum of \$10 00 (in a letter registered,) as the thank-offering of our little congregation (at the Bend,) to your noble Board, for its fostering care over us during the past year, which remittance I hope has ere this safely come to your hands. My object in writing to you this time is to state that the Session and some of the members together with myself, somehow felt that in the present crisis of the "Board" we had not done enough—that we ought to make another effort. So we availed ourselves of a visit of our truly excellent and laborious District Missionary, Rev. D. C. Lyons, to carry our views into effect. So on Sabbath evening (17th), instead of the ordinary preaching service, we held a sort of a missionary conference with a view to stimulate the members to more fervent prayerfulness in behalf of the Board, and in devising more liberal things in its support. Under the influence of the address (before we had quite reached the point of counselling another effort) a member of our little Session—one of the excellent of the earth—arose and said that he felt in his heart to offer

a resolution,—that the church make another attempt (pecuniarily) to aid the Board, and *that to double the sum* we had already sent. Another seconded the motion, which immediately passed by an unanimous vote. We proceeded on the spot to take up money and subscriptions. The money began to come in freely. We had raised \$12 00, and felt confident of raising the whole amount proposed, \$20 00, when a gentleman—a non-communicant, offered to make *one of five* to make up the sum of twenty-five dollars. Four of us immediately responded to the proposition. Our aim is now to make it fifty dollars. Thirty-seven are already subscribed, of which \$12 50 are paid. There will be no difficulty in raising it to \$40 00; so making our entire offering \$50 00 this year. and we will try hard to make it \$50 00, (the whole \$60 00.) This is not bad from a little Welsh missionary church of thirty-six members. The money will be all paid in in a few days, and my object in writing you is to ask you, in what way would you prefer me to remit it.

This is but little, but let every church give in the same proportion to its ability as this little flock, and your excellent "Board" will be soon out of its difficulties. For none of our members are rich, or well-to-do even, only a few

hardworking farmers and mechanics commencing to live in a new country, with whom it is a hard struggle to live. Yet they have raised this in addition to \$400, which they have subscribed this year towards the support of the ministry; and giving one-half of that ministry to Mankato, (which is as yet able to do nothing towards its support,) and allowing one-half of the balance to the American population in this place (who contribute *nothing* toward the salary,) reserving only one-quarter strictly for their own benefit. All this they willingly do in order to realize the idea of a missionary church. Few little churches could be found so self-denying and so liberal, considering their means.

Don't you think God will bless them for it? Really, since I have begun to know them, I deem it an honour to labour among them. Since this last movement of liberality—and it has been quite spontaneous—I have begun to feel encouraged to stay and labour here. It is only population we need here, in order to grow speedily into a self-sustaining and good mission-supporting church. In order to the latter, I am determined that none of the money which they feel disposed to contribute to the Board shall be diverted to the support of the ministry here, (in order, as some suggest, to our becoming self-sustaining sooner). I had rather the church should wait a little longer before getting self-sustaining, than that the money contributed to the Board should be diverted from the Board's treasury into that of the church for the sake of the former object.

Venerable Brother, I feel prompted to say *trust* God, and the grace of God in the hearts of his people to fill your treasury speedily again, and *it will be done*. God abundantly bless you and yours, and prosper beyond all desire and expectation the noble cause which you have thus far so faithfully and success-

fully served, and spare your precious life to serve it for many years to come, to greater success than ever.

Your obedient and sincerely affectionate servant in the cause of Christ. J. M. P.

P. S. Many thanks to you for your kind care evinced in the liberal donation of clothing, from the church of Metuchen, New Jersey, than which, nothing could have been more seasonable, in view of the coming winter. Brother Lyons was present with us to partake in the joy of the "opening." For such acts of care and kindness, may the Master richly reward you.

Again—many deep and fervent thanks from the entire family—and especially from me and my wife. Many such works may you yet be enabled to do.

Touching Incident.

An elder of one of our churches in New Jersey, in forwarding a collection for the Board of Domestic Missions, makes the following statement:—"Embraced in the remittance is two dollars and two cents, with following history, viz: as I entered our church on the morning of our collection, 10th inst., a small box, containing two dollars and two cents (principally in pennies) was, without my knowledge, deposited in my coat pocket accompanied with the following note—

"The treasury of two infant boys, now sweetly at rest in the paradise of God. "With Him who hath loved us and washed us in His own precious blood, is this little *mite* solemnly dedicated: followed with the prayers and tears of sorrowing and bereaved parents."

"Sunday morning, Nov. 10th, 1867."

"May the Good Shepherd who has the 'infant boys' now with Him in heaven, bless the offering. W."

RECEIPTS FOR DOMESTIC MISSIONS IN NOVEMBER, 1867.

SYNOD OF ALBANY.—*Pby of Albany*—Mansfield Central ch 6; Johnstown ch 100 20; Galway ch 6 65; Princetown ch 24 45; Mariaville ch 12; Northville ch 3 85; Northampton ch 1 75; Amsterdam 1st ch 23 25; Tribes Hill ch 17 50. *Pby of Londonderry*—Newburyport 2d ch 39, of which 6 from a friend. *Pby of Troy*—Malta ch 6 50; Park ch, Troy 101 38 \$312 63

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Sab-sch 25) Fairmount ch 8 21; Industry ch 2 15; Emsworth ch 7; Sharpsburg ch 42 21. *Pby of Beaver*—Pulaski ch 14 61; Unity ch 1 10; West Middlesex ch 15; Mahoning ch 1 0; Clarks-ville ch 20; Neshannock ch 58 00 (of which Sab-sch 32 95.) *Pby of Erie*—Westminster ch 7 80; Mercer 2d ch 15; Sturgeonville ch 12 50; Greenfield ch 5 25 642 01

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SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.—*Pby of Burlington*—Tuckerton ch 10 75 (of wh Sab-sch 3 30); Bass River ch 2 25; Columbus ch 10 28; Providence ch 472; Bordentown ch 20 50; Cream Ridge ch 7; Mount Holly ch 50. *Pby of Elizabethtown*—Pluckamin ch 25; 1st ch, Elizabeth, 312 33; Liberty Corner ch 30; Basking Ridge ch 50; Perth Amboy ch

30; New Providence ch 20. *Pby of Luzerne*—Kingston ch 49 35 (of wh Sab-sch 3 93); Mauch Chunk ch 160 01; Mahanoy City ch 46 65; Plymouth ch 5. *Pby of Monmouth*—Tom's River ch 13. *Pby of New Brunswick*—South Amboy ch 40; Pennington ch 53 50; New Brunswick 2d ch 19 78; Princeton 2d ch 77. *Pby of Newton*—Greenwich ch 55 30; Middle Smithfield ch 7; Lower Mt Bethel ch 18. *Pby of Passaic*—Elizabeth 2d ch 140 14; Morristown 1st ch 609 67; Central ch, Orange 294 88; Paterson 1st ch 78 45. *Pby of Raritan*—Lambertville ch. New Hope Sab-sch 5; Amwell 2d ch 10 36; Musconetcong Valley ch 25. *Pby of Susquehanna*—Towanda 1st ch 100. *Pby of West Jersey*—Clayton ch 41 82; Swedesborough ch 9 25; Brainerd ch 8; Salem ch 75, of which 2 02—the treasury of two infant boys, now sweetly at rest in the paradise of God; Waterford ch 4 2518 99

SYNOD OF NEW YORK.—*Pby of Connecticut*—Bridgeport ch 59; Bedford ch 76; White Plains ch 60 37. *Pby of Hudson*—Hamptonsburg ch. add'l 2; Cochecton ch 5 55; White Lake ch 2; Florida ch 8; Hopewell ch 18 56; Scotchtown ch 80 25. *Pby of Long Island*—Huntingdon South ch 12 60. *Pby of Nassau*—Freeport ch 11 35; Ainslie St ch, Brooklyn 24 16. *Pby of New York*—Eighty-fourth st ch N Y 32 48; Fifteenth St ch, N Y 57 72; Stony Point ch 3; Scotch ch. Jersey City 5; Forty-second st ch, N Y 78 71; Alexander ch 11 27; Yorkville ch 31 50; German ch, N Y 9. *Pby of North River*—Hughsonville ch 5; Rondout ch 175; Marlboro ch 41 59; Middle Hope ch 12 16; 1st ch Newburg 50 863 27

SYNOD OF NORTHERN INDIANA.—Synodical Collection 56 33. *Pby of Crawfordsville*—Bethany ch 30; Eugene ch 9; Martin Rhodes, Newport, Ind 1; Green Castle ch 36 30, of which Sab-sch 4 30. *Pby of Fort Wayne*—Wabash 2d ch 27; Bluffton ch 3; New Lancaster ch 2 35; Swan ch 8; Hope-well ch 8; Albion ch 11. *Pby of Lake*—Valparaiso ch 46, of which 1 from Mrs. "T A H." *Pby of Logansport*—Monticello ch 20; Remington ch 7 50 265 48

SYNOD OF OHIO.—Synodical Collection 55 20. *Pby of Columbus*—Lancaster ch 17. *Pby of Hocking*—Athens ch 30; Portsmouth ch Sab-sch 4 50. *Pby of Marion*—Canaan ch 3; Brown ch 5 40; Kingston ch 5; Upper Sandusky ch 7 50; York ch 5; "A Friend" 1 50; Nevada ch 8; Delavan ch 10. *Pby of Richland*—Jefferson and Valley churches 8; Chesterville ch 6 65; Utica ch 10; Perrysville ch 19; Ashland ch, in part 61 34. *Pby of Wooster*—Chester ch 9; Wayne ch 18. *Pby of Zanesville*—Bristol ch 5; Rush Creek ch 6 43; Bethel ch 10 17; Zanesville 2d ch 33 338 69

SYNOD OF PACIFIC—*Pby of California*—Visalia ch 10. *Pby of Oregon*—Olympia ch 10; Corvallis ch 10 15 30 15

SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.—*Pby of Donegal*—Little Britain ch 17 74; Strasburg ch 50 27; Union ch 38 75, less 10 for Record = 28 75; Waynesburg ch 189 20; Columbia ch 207, of wh Sab-sch 20.—*Pby of Huntington*—Spruce Creek ch 155 25; Waynesburg and Newton Hamilton ch 44 50; East Freedom ch 21 50; Birmingham ch 73 40; Shade Gap ch 3 10; Phillipsburg ch 8 23; Morris ch 5; Bradford ch 4 65. *Pby of New Castle*—New Castle ch. Mrs D Couper 30, Miss E Booth 5, Mrs A C Kerr 50, Miss Spruance 5, Miss Scofield 10, Mrs Black 5, Mrs Danforth 3, Mrs Carson 2, Mrs Carpenter 1, Mrs Alrich 1, Miss A Niven 3, Mrs Taggart 1, Miss Taggart 1, Mrs Smith and family 60, Mrs Spruance 5, Master P S Spruance 50 cts, Miss Darragh 5, Mrs Niven 1, Dr Ferris 2, Mrs Gemmill 3, Mrs Kennedy 10, W F Lane 3, Miss Kinkead 1, Miss Matilda Janvier 1, Mrs A C Janvier 1, Mrs Patterson 1, John Janvier 5, = 215 50; Oxford ch 125. *Pby of Northumberland*—Ashland and Gordon chs 10; McEwensville ch 8; Rev C J Collins, Wilkesbarre 10; Sunbury ch 33 35; Mahoning ch, Danville 134; Chillis-quette ch 11 50; Mifflinburg ch 8 21; Bald Eagle and Nittany ch 28 04; Mooresfield ch 10, of which Female Missionary Society 8. Mrs Harriet J Park 2; Linden ch 11; Lycopom ch 33; Grove Hill ch, Danville 83 33, of which 20 from Sab-sch Mis Soc; New Berlin 1st ch 11; Buffalo ch

41 20. *Pby of Philadelphia*—Arch st ch. from Miss "A C M" 5; Woodland ch 120; West Spruce st ch 580 22, of which 100 from GS Benson, Esq; Chester ch 70; 6th ch 80. *Pby of Philadelphia Central*—Alexander ch 50; Princeton ch 134 35; Kensington ch 200; Trinity ch 56 50; Spring Garden ch 773 89, of which Willie R's missionary box 1 25, Mrs E A S 100, Miss A G 100, J C 100, G C 75, G F A 50, J W, jr 25, J C 20, H D G 60, Miss M J G 10, Miss C D G 5, Miss M G 5, Miss H G 5, Miss R P G 5, Miss A G 5, Master W G 5, J N B 10, A R 5, J R 5, W R G 5 in part, Miss H W 1, J H 5; Chocksink ch Inf't Sab-sch 21. *Pby of Philadelphia 2d*—Germantown 1st ch 753; Newtown ch 53 49; Huntingdon Valley ch 16; Port Kennedy ch 23 86 4507 03

SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH—*Pby of Blairsville*—Armagh ch 5 45; Centreville ch 4 55; Unity ch 81; Cross Roads ch 21 40; Union ch 25. *Pby of Clarion*—Leatherwood ch 12 50. *Pby of Ohio*—West Elizabeth ch Sab-sch 10; Bellefield ch 39 40; Central ch, Pittsburg 354; Sharon ch 31 33; Forest Grove ch 6 88; Canonsburg ch 27; Pittsburg 1st ch 1135 78; Pittsburg 2d ch 531 50. *Pby of Redstone*—Tent and Mt Washington chs 26 94; McKeesport ch 31 86, of which Sab-sch 4 33; Sewickley ch 18 50; Long Run ch 26 50, of which estate of Wm Thompson 5. *Pby of Saltsburg*—Parnassus ch 19 51; Washington ch 6 90; Mahoning ch 7 30; Concord ch 17 20 2433 50

SYNOD OF ST. PAUL.—*Pby of Chippewa*—Black River Falls ch 2 50; 1st ch, La Crosse 18; Caledonia ch 6; Sheldon ch 6. *Pby of St Paul*—South Bend ch 10; St Cloud 1st ch 6 50; Central ch, St Paul 76 10. *Pby of S Minnesota*—Ashland ch 2 03 127 13

SYNOD OF SANDUSKY.—*Pby of Findlay*—Arcadia ch 8. *Pby of Maumee*—Delta ch 6; West Bethesda ch 5. *Pby of Michigan*—Plymouth 2d ch, from Jos S Clayton 5. *Pby of Western Reserve*—Westminster ch, Cleveland 20 16 44 16

SYNOD OF SOUTHERN IOWA.—*Pby of Des Moines*—Oskaloosa ch 20. *Pby of Fairfield*—Chequest ch 6; Rev L G Bell 5; Fairfield ch 11; Birmingham ch 8 96; Washington ch 6 50; Bethel ch 3 50. *Pby of Iowa*—West Point ch 7; Pilot Grove ch 1 50. *Pby of Missouri River*—Plattsmouth ch 43 50 112 96

SYNOD OF WHEELING.—*Pby of New Lisbon*—New Lisbon 1st ch 30; Salem ch 43 60; Glasgow ch 4 32; Boardman ch, from Austin B Noble 5. *Pby of St Clairsville*—Bellair ch Sab-sch 22; Mount Pleasant ch 62 38. *Pby of Steubenville*—Centre Unity ch 5; Ulrichsville ch 29; Richmond ch 19 94; Two children of Feed Spring ch 2; Chestnut Grove ch 8 25; Oak Ridge ch 9; Beech Spring ch 17; Steubenville 2d ch, from Mrs "H E B," 100, "C C B" 100, = 200; Minerva ch 10; Still Fork ch 7. *Pby of Washington*—Lower Buffalo ch 21; Pine Grove ch 4; Forks of Wheeling ch 200; Washington 2d ch 70; Claysville ch 52; 1st ch, Wheeling 39 25; Wellsburg ch 10 10; Mt Prospect ch 19 45 890 29

SYNOD OF WISCONSIN.—*Pby of Dane*—Oakland and Cambridge ch 14; Richland Centre ch 3; Richland City ch 3; Fancy Creek ch 4. *Pby of Milwaukee*—Waukesha ch 33 50; Beloit 1st ch 68 25, less 5 for Record = 63 25. *Pby of Winnebago*—Neenah 1st ch 11 25; Field of Rev P Roser 4; Newport ch 20 161 00

Pby of Catawba—Charlotte ch 3; Paw Creek ch 3 6 00

Total receipts from churches, \$16,165 37

MISCELLANEOUS.—"Mary," Muncie, Ind. 5; Jas M Ray, Esq, and H I Coe special contribution towards support of a district missionary 250; six months interest on permanent missionary fund, from the trustees of General Assembly 470 84; Mrs Anna Maria Fitch, New Albany, Ind 50; Mrs "S N" 5; Friends in Ill 100; A Chapman, M. D., Alquina, Ind 5; "Dee" New Orleans, La. 10; "A friend of the Board," Iowa 5; Mrs M E Brown, Valparaiso, Ind 10; "Two friends," Madison, Wis 2; Miss Mary Montgomery, McEllhattan, Pa, 5;

"E M G" Utica, N Y 100; Robert O Colt, Esq, 100; Mrs E E Townsend, Painted Post, N Y 5; Jacob Leyenberger, Orford, Iowa 5; Nehemiah Chote, Esq, Derry, N H 30; "A W G," Phila 2; Alex Constantine, Peekskill, N Y 7; W P Emery, Esq, Flemington, N J 50; Slippery Rock Sab-sch 2 29 1,219 13

LEGACIES.—Legacy of Mrs Hanna Couper, dec'd, late of New Castle, Delaware 100; Estate of Eli Leavenworth, Fulton Co, N Y, 211 50; Patterson Estate, Pittsburgh 119 71 431 21

Total Receipts in November, \$17,815 71

S. D. POWEL, Treasurer,

No. 907 Arch street, Philadelphia.

CLOTHING.

1 barrel from ladies of Bedford ch, N Y, valued at \$125 00
1 box from ladies of Phelps ch, N Y, valued at 73 75
1 box from ladies of Great Valley ch, Pa, value not given.
1 box from ladies of Trenton 1st ch, N J, valued at 160 00
1 box from ladies of 2d ch, Pittsburgh, Pa, valued at 225 00
1 box from ladies of Sewickley ch, Pa, value not given.
1 box from ladies of Park ch, Erie, Pa, valued at 399 27
1 box from ladies of Spring Garden ch, Phila, valued at 176 00
1 box from ladies of Westminster ch, N J, value not given.
1 box from ladies of Sixth ch, Phila, valued at 110 00
2 boxes from ladies of 1st ch, Allegheny City, Pa, valued at 277 93
1 box from ladies of Flemington ch, N J, value not given.
1 box from ladies of South Third St ch, Williamsburg, L I, valued at 264 76
1 box from ladies of Hagerstown ch, Md, valued at 225 00
1 box from ladies of 1st ch, Cincinnati, valued at 131 00
1 box from ladies of N Y Avenue ch, Washington, D C, valued at 177 60
1 box from ladies of Hollidaysburg, Pa, value not given.

\$2,255 31

RECEIPTS FOR DOMESTIC MISSIONS IN THE SYNOD OF KENTUCKY AS REPORTED BY L. L. WARREN, ESQ., TREASURER, FROM SEPTEMBER 1ST, 1867.

Pby of Ebenezer—James M Preston, Burlington, Ky \$50 00

Pby of Muhlenburg—Bowling Green ch 24; Hopkinsville ch 35 59 00

Pby of Transylvania—Ebenezer ch, 3 00

Pby of Paducah—Princeton ch 68; Marion ch 136 00

Pby of Louisville—Chestnut St ch, Louisville 700; College St ch, Louisville 335 50; Collected by J M McDonald 9; Cane Run and Plum Creek ch 12 65; Penn Run ch 6 70; A member of Bardstown ch 3; Walnut St ch, Louisville 32 20 1,119 05

\$1,367 05

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BOARD OF EDUCATION.

THE HARVEST TRULY IS PLENTEOUS, BUT THE LABOURERS ARE FEW; PRAY YE THEREFORE THE LORD OF THE HARVEST, THAT HE WILL SEND FORTH LABOURERS INTO HIS HARVEST.—Matt. ix. 37, 38.

Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near.

For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater; so shall my word be that goeth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.—ISAIAH, Chap. lv.

The Great Hope of Christianity.

The dispensation of the law, throughout its weary ages, looked, tended to, and was all a preparation for, a great and glorious hope—the incarnation of the SON OF GOD, the “Messiah,” the “One who should come,” who would be called “Wonderful, Counsellor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace; of the increase of whose government and peace there shall be no end.” He came; He passed; Judaism was disappointed. His mission was to suffer.

The dispensation of the gospel has its great hope—the COMFORTER, “whom,” said the departing Lord Jesus, “I will send unto you from the Father.” The third person of the Trinity is as much the hope of Christianity as the second person of the Trinity was the hope of Judaism. His mission is to distribute gifts unto men. He will lead a bewildered, doubting church, and a blind, perishing world, “into all truth.” He will sanctify a corrupt world. And that same person of the Godhead who moved upon the face of the waters, and said, “‘Let there be light,’ and there was light,” will again move and speak, and a far brighter glory of the Lord shall cover the earth, as the waters cover the sea,—the glory of universal holiness, love, and rejoicing with everlasting joy.

Blessed hope! glorious hope! Many, even of those who are Christians outwardly, will be disappointed in the fashion of this Divine Comforter. Even sincere disciples will be slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken. The world will openly blaspheme. But as surely as the Father hath given the Son power over all flesh, so surely will that greater Pentecost come when he *will pour out of his Spirit upon all flesh, and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.*

Call when He is Near.

To the learned men of Athens the inspired Peter proclaimed, There is a Lord of heaven and earth, the Creator of all, the Judge of all, who hath determined the great eras of man’s religious advancement, and the boundaries, migrations, and changes of nations, with reference to the establishment of the kingdom of his Son over the hearts of all men everywhere, and also their final account of Him in the judgment. These “times before appointed” are easily to be traced in the history of the ages that have passed since the foundation of the world. The present is generally thought by the Church to be the culminating one preparatory to the happy age when he shall be “King of kings and Lord of lords.” We, then, as workers together with Him, beseech you that ye receive not the grace of God in vain. For he saith, “I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee; behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of

salvation." Let us, as ministers of the gospel, press the offers of mercy to sinners through the blood of Jesus Christ upon all classes and conditions of men, compelling even the friendless outcast wandering on the highway, and the beggar shivering and starving beneath the hedge, to come in. Let us publish them to Jew and Gentile; then, "behold, thou shalt call a nation that thou knowest not, and nations that knew not thee shall run unto thee because of the Lord thy God, and for the Holy One of Israel; for He hath glorified thee." And, now, when by so many tokens the Lord is manifesting to his people that "He is near," let us summon all that wait for the promise of the Father to "call upon Him;" not alone in public assemblies, but "every family apart, and their wives apart." No word of pleading, for Jesus' sake, that we send on high is void; no word of promise, God, for Jesus' sake, sends down to us is void. Each shall prosper in the thing whereto it is sent.

The Power of Three Ciphers.

In the early days of the theological seminary at Allegheny it was often in great need of money. The churches were not fully awake to the importance of the institution. The country was then comparatively poor. And its warmest friends were sometimes bowed down with trouble and fear. It is an instructive legend of that day, that once, in a time of extremity, the Rev. Dr. Francis Herron, president of the board of directors, the Rev. Dr. Elisha P. Swift, also a director, and the pious Rev. Joseph Patterson, met to devise some way of relief. With all their faith, the first mentioned brethren were greatly dejected. "We have no one to help us," said one of them. "No one!" replied Mr. Patterson, warmly, "why, I know of a thousand here." The two looked astonished. He continued: "Is not Dr. Herron a cipher; and is not Dr. Swift a cipher; and am not I a cipher? But JESUS CHRIST is surely *One*. And if we put one *before* three ciphers, does it not make a thousand?" They took new courage, went to that One who is able to help, and did not pray in vain.

"I preached to Myself."

The church of an eminent Presbyterian minister was, a few years ago, in a very cold state. He tried various methods to kindle new life in it. He determined to go to his own soul. He afterwards said: "I sat down and prepared, with much prayer, an earnest sermon *to myself*; I preached it to myself in the pulpit. I was astonished to see how the people listened to it, and the effect that it had upon them." Theological learning, forcible reasoning, luminous expositions of scripture, apt illustrations, fervid oratory, the claims of the suffering and the benighted, all have their place in the pulpit; but more powerful than all these are the pleas drawn from the personal experiences of a soul that has pressed its way within the veil, dwelt "in the secret place of the Most High," and abode "under the shadow of the Almighty"—if indeed that can be called "a shadow" which is only the dimming of the glory above the mercy-seat by the wings of the merciful cherubim, lest that glory may consume us. Such a soul comes forth qualified to cry; "Then will I teach transgressors thy ways, and sinners shall be converted unto thee."

THE NEW YEAR should be to every soul a period of extraordinary thanksgiving for mercies past; self-examination; renewal of the dedication of life, faculties, family, property, and influence to the Lord who gave and preserves them; and of setting apart of grateful gifts for the poor, for deserving charities, and for the various departments of the work of the Church.

A Poor Profession; but making many Rich.

A young man gave, at the Fulton Street prayer-meeting, New York, the following account of God's goodness to him in answer to prayer, and confirming His covenant of blessing upon him when he devoted himself to the ministry of the gospel:

"My dear sainted mother had some time before ceased her praying for me, her impenitent boy, and had joined the blood-washed throng in heaven. I was at the academy, fitting for college. After my own conversion, I felt my heart very much drawn toward the gospel ministry. Like a dutiful child, I wrote to my father, telling him the desires of my heart. He wrote, dissuading me from my choice. He said he had designed me for the legal profession. The ministerial profession was a poor profession—poor pay, poor station, poor honors, poor prospects, poor everything. He said if I persisted in my choice, I must depend upon myself. He would not, could not help me. I did persist in my choice, and was left to depend upon myself. My father's letters began also to fall off. He would write very seldom, and then, when he did do so, his letters would contain only four or five lines, hurriedly written. Many things conspired to make me feel that I was almost an outcast from my father's house and his affections.

"It was in this state of things that I wrote to this meeting, asking those present to pray for the conversion of my father. I prayed for him continually and earnestly myself, and I wished you to help me pray. Now mark what followed. Almost immediately after sending that request for prayer, I received a letter from my father. It was not a letter of four or five lines, but it was a full sheet. It told me that he was in great distress about his soul, and implored me to tell him what he should do to be saved. I am here to-day to tell you that my father is saved through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. I am here to tell you that God answered our prayers. I cannot tell you how thankful he is that I persisted in my choice, and how glad he is that he can give me to the glorious work of preaching the gospel."

The Kind of Men Wanted in the Ministry.

The men the world needs at the present time are well described in the fol-

lowing words from a speaker at a meeting in London.

"We want men of kindred spirit with Milne, of China, who, when he came before the committee, seemed so unlikely to be God's man that they were unwilling to accept him, but consented that he should be sent out as a servant of the mission; and when they asked if he would go, he replied: 'Why, when the Lord's house is building, to be a hewer of wood and drawer of water seems too great an honour for me.' We want men of a kindred spirit with Henry Martyn, who, when he expressed a desire to go out to India, was told that he had not a constitution for the climate, and he had better not go. 'How long do you think I should live,' said he, 'if I went to India to preach the gospel?' 'Why possibly you might live seven years!' was the reply. 'Seven years,' said he; 'oh, how much a man may do for Christ in seven years! I will go.' We want men of a kindred spirit with George Whitefield, who, when in the zenith of his career, when he seemed to be self-consuming in his zeal for Christ, said, 'I want to exist as one of Christ's bees, but I seem to be such a drone that I deserve to be thrust out of the hive.' We want men of kindred spirit with the great Apostle of the Gentiles, who said, 'my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is, that they may be saved.' We want men having in them the mind of Christ Jesus, the great, and first, and chief Missionary, who said, 'I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how am I straitened until it be accomplished!' If we get such men as these, why then there is indeed a fair prospect of the world being won for Christ."

A Calamitous Project.

The higher class of institutions for the education of the young in this country have in general originated with the ministry of the gospel. Their maintenance must depend chiefly upon the effective interest of Christians in them. And the object in view has been, and must ever be, culture in those branches of knowledge which incline and qualify the expanding mind to think upon the great ends for which it was created; its duties to its Creator and its fellow immortal beings; the truths and principles revealed in His word and in His works; and the everlasting destiny which lies before it. Assuming these things for granted, we must regard as calculated

to subvert the designs of Christian education, and most injurious to the best interests of the coming generations of our land, so far as carried into effect, a project, which, it is announced, will soon be brought before Congress in the form of a bill for its adoption. It contemplates the establishment of a bureau of military education in the War Department, under the charge of a Director-General, with the rank and pay of a Brigadier-General. State Legislatures are to designate colleges in which the plan may be carried out, and to each of these colleges the President is to appoint two Military Professors. Students who pursue military studies are to have books and camp equipage furnished free. A limited number of college graduates, showing greatest proficiency in military studies, are to have their names published in the *Army Register*, and one graduate per year from each college will be commissioned as second lieutenant in the army, on the same footing with West Point graduates. The government, we heartily acknowledge, should create and fully equip all the academies necessary to train in the science of war those destined for officers of the army or navy. But the church will watch with great jealousy any attempt to pervert numbers of the institutions which are forming the intellect that will control our country and affect the world, by giving the course of study in them a military cast, and by holding up military rewards to dazzle the minds of their students. We expect our legislators who, not to speak of other considerations of great importance, have at heart the best interests of education, of religion, and of the youth in our more advanced institutions, to guard against efforts to impose a

feature fraught with so much injury upon the educational system of our land.

Carroll College.

Recent statements from this institution inform the Board that there are now *sixty* students connected with its classes. A friend writes, "The institution is manifestly rising in public favour." Its present principal, Professor Walter L. Rankin, has the full confidence of those interested in the institution, and is sanguine of success in planting it upon a firm and permanent basis, if some aid be afforded by those who have the pecuniary means to do it, for a short period. The college was taken under the care of the church in Wisconsin in 1850. It is near the cities of Milwaukee and Chicago, in a beautiful and growing region. It is earnestly commended to the liberality of Christians, both there and elsewhere. Contributions may be sent to Professor Walter L. Rankin, Waukesha, Wisconsin.

Tract to Ministers and Students.

There is sent out to ministers and theological students, by a special contribution for that purpose, along with this number of the *Record*, a tract containing thoughts suitable to this season, and the present posture of the church, which has been compiled from the writings of the Rev. Dr. James W. Alexander, and grouped under the heading of "THE HOPE AND POWER OF THE CHURCH." May it stir many hearts to more fervent prayer, to more entire self-consecration to Christ, and to more zealous and self-denying labour for the advancement of His Kingdom.

RECEIPTS AT PHILADELPHIA IN NOVEMBER, 1867.

I. FUND FOR CANDIDATES.

<i>Pby of Allegheny</i> —Harrisville ch	\$15 00
<i>Pby of Allegheny City</i> —Pine Creek ch	12 00
<i>Pby of Blairsville</i> —Murraysville ch	30 20
<i>Pby of Columbus</i> —Truro ch	10 00
<i>Pby of Elizabethtown</i> —Westfield ch	30 41
<i>Pby of Hudson</i> —Mount Hope ch	8 00
<i>Pby of Hockang</i> —Athens ch	10 00
<i>Pby of Huntingdon</i> —Curwensville ch	8 00
<i>Pby of Long Island</i> —Moriches ch	8 25
<i>Pby of New Castle</i> —Coatsville ch	15 00
<i>Pby of New York</i> —Westminster ch	31 05
<i>Pby of Newton</i> —Stroudsburg ch	9 00
<i>Pby of New Brunswick</i> —Dutch Neck ch	20 00
<i>Pby of Potosi</i> —Ironton ch	9 75
<i>Pby of Philadelphia Central</i> —North ch	39 10
<i>Pby of Rock River</i> —Zion ch	2 10
<i>Pby of Schuylter</i> —Macomb ch 20; Westminster ch 15 9)	35 90
<i>Pby of Sidney</i> —Belle Centre ch	3 00
<i>Pby of Steubenville</i> —Ridge ch	17 10
<i>Pby of Saline</i> —Odm ch	2 88

<i>Pby of Tron</i> —Waterford ch	35 06
<i>Pby of Warren</i> —Lenox ch	5 50
<i>Pby of Washington</i> —West Alexander ch 38;	
Upper Ten-Mile ch 8 97	46 97
<i>Pby of Wooster</i> —Clark ch	6 28
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MISCELLANEOUS.	
"Friends in Illinois" 100; Mrs Eliza E Townsend, Painted Post, N Y 5; Patterson Estate 119 71	224 71
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II. FUND FOR SCHOOLS, COLLEGES, &C.

<i>Pby of Philadelphia</i> —Tenth ch 209 46; (less 5 for Record)	204 46
Total amount acknowledged,	\$959 72

WILLIAM MAIN, Treasurer.

BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Recent Intelligence.

MISSIONARIES SAILED.—The Rev. John Menaul and his wife embarked at this port, New York, for the Corisco mission on the 14th of December. Mr. Menaul is a member of the Presbytery of North River. They go out *via* England, as no direct passage could be obtained. Before they leave England, it is expected that two ladies, who are under appointment as teachers at Corisco, will join them for the rest of the journey. We ask for these missionaries an interest in the prayers of the churches.

THE OMAHA MISSION.—During last summer, the Rev. William Hamilton consented to take the temporary charge of this mission, and the Executive Committee hope he may be able to continue permanently in its service. His experience in former years as a missionary of the Board among the Iowas, and afterwards among the Omahas, peculiarly qualifies him for this work, which he relinquished only on account of the health of Mrs. Hamilton. In a letter dated December 10th, he speaks of most of the Omahas being on their winter hunt, from which it was not expected they would return for six weeks or two months. Amongst the few that remained, religious meetings were held twice a week in one of the villages, and much interest was shown by some of them in seeking the salvation of their souls.

CHURCH AT BOGOTA.—The Rev. T. F. Wallace, under date of November 16th, speaks of a valuable piece of ground in that city, with a building on it that can be adapted to the purposes of the mission, which can be purchased at the very low price of \$10,000, in gold. The brethren are anxious to secure this property; the opportunity of obtaining anything at all so eligible at a price so moderate has not heretofore been within their reach, and may not soon be presented again. We trust the churches will enable the Board to authorize this purchase to be made.

THE MISSION PRESS AT SHANGHAI.—We have received the annual report of this Press, and a very good report it is; we hope to publish it in one of the missionary periodicals. The whole number of pages printed during the year ending October 1st, was 21,374,350 pages.

NEW STATIONS IN JAPAN.—Dr. Hepburn writing at Yokohama, October 22d, mentions the opinion of the mission, that a station should be formed at Yedo and another at Osaka or Hiyogo, as soon as new missionaries can come to their assistance. He gives an encouraging view of the opening field of labour for Christ in Japan.

LETTERS have been received also, to the 16th of December, from the Chippewa mission, November 19th; Seminole, not dated; San Francisco, October 28th; Tungchow, September 2d; Chefoo, October 1st; Shanghai, October 16th; Hangchow, September 19th; Ningpo, October 7th; Canton, October 12th; Bangkok, September 30th; Liberia, November 2d. These contain many matters of interest, and some of them we hope to publish hereafter.

FOREIGN POSTAGE.—Some changes in the rates of foreign postage, and also in some instances in the routes, go into effect on the 1st of January. See the standing notice, on page 16 for the rates hereafter to be paid. It is supposed that letters to U. S. Columbia, Brazil, Japan, and China, can be sent direct; but if sent to the Mission House, they will be forwarded with pleasure.

A Year's Work Ended.

The year 1867 will have ended when these lines reach the eyes of most of the supporters of our Missions. A year's work for Christ and for the unevangelized will have ended. The preaching, teaching, writing, and praying of our missionary friends for a year will have ended. The gifts, prayers, and counsels of our Christian friends in this country, in behalf of this cause, for another year will have ended. But the influence and the results of these varied Christian labours for the cause of Christ in foreign countries will by no means be ended; these will not be fully known until disclosed in the world to come. Yet some of them have become manifest as the last year was passing. We recall a few things, which have been gathered from the twelve numbers of the *Record* for 1867.

In the list of missionary labourers, the issue of January reported the death of two devoted Christian woman—Mrs. Condit and Mrs. Loomis, and of the Chinese minister, Rev. Kyng-Lin-yin. In later months, the death of the Rev. J. L. Mackey, of the Hindoo minister, Rev. Ishwari Das, and of Mrs. Noyes were reported—all of them ranking among the very best missionaries, American and native. Their removal was indeed a heavy loss to the cause, but their work was finished, and they have entered into rest. New labourers have gone out from this country, or have been called into service on heathen ground. Six ordained ministers, three of whom were married, have embarked for different missionary fields. A missionary physician and his wife, and two ministers have returned to their posts. Two unmarried ladies have been sent out as teachers, and two are to embark in a short time. Two Hindus and two Chinese have been ordained as ministers. The native assistants of lower grades we do not now enumerate, but there has been a considerable increase in their number.

In the additions to the churches, encouraging returns have been given. In the Liberian and Corisco churches, twenty-one new communicants are reported—the returns of the former not being complete: in China, 67; in Siam, 12; India, 20; in Brazil, 82; among the Seminoles, 17;—besides a considerable number re-organized as a church, and some also re-organized among the Creeks. Some have been added to the Church in other missions. These statistics may not be altogether accurate, but they must be nearly correct, and they show that our brethren are not labouring in vain.

In other kinds of missionary work progress has been reported—such as the English and Japanese Dictionary finished and published, the Creek Primer revised and reprinted, the Creek Hymn Book revised and in press, and numerous tracts and treatises on Christian topics, especially in India and China.

In the pecuniary support of this cause by our churches, and especially by our Sabbath-schools, there is much in the review of last year to encourage every Christian heart. The gifts of our beloved children are on a far more liberal scale than in any former year, and many touching examples of their love and zeal for Christ have these gifts furnished. We trust their interest in sending the gospel abroad will continue to increase, so that they may become a generation of devoted missionary Christians, such as the world has not seen since the first age of the church. Nor must we omit to refer to the noble gifts of many of the adult members of our churches; some of these have been seldom surpassed or equalled. In many cases, we feel assured, they have fully given as the Lord has prospered them. Many have been the liberal offerings of the poor. A few days ago we learned from his pastor that the good man, to whom a brief reference was made in these columns several years ago, who supports himself and his wife by his hard work as a day labourer,

still gives his fifty dollars a year to foreign missions—his gift not being known to his brethren in the church. Similar examples of piety among both rich and poor are doubtless known to Him who took notice of the gifts cast into the treasury at the Temple in Jerusalem.

In other kinds of support—in faith, sympathy, prayer, self-denial, love, hope—who can measure the service which has been rendered to this cause of Christ by his people? We do not doubt that in these respects the last year has been a year blest of God. That we have come far short of our duty in these respects, no one can doubt; that we should deplore lukewarmness, unbelief, and neglect of duty towards the heathen is very evident; on this we do not here dwell. We trust that the Spirit of God is prompting his people to engage in this work more generally, and with greater earnestness; and in the promises of his abundant influences is our hope placed for the time to come. This slight review will not be made in vain if it leads any of our readers to thank God and take courage.

Another Year's Work.

With the new year we may well renew our purpose of serving God in the work of missions. This work remains unfinished. Years pass away; the workmen may be called from their labours; but the work itself still claims the earnest attention of all the people of God.

In general, our missions are going on well. Gradually they are spreading the knowledge of salvation among tribes and nations, whose aggregate population must be not less than eight hundred millions. Our missionary friends make but a little band of workmen among such multitudes, and the missionaries of all Protestant churches in the whole foreign field would not equal in number the ministers of the gospel in one of our Western States—Indiana or Illinois, for instance, which are not yet old-settled States.

Small as their number is, far too small indeed on any theory of missions, our missionaries are engaged in a work of vast magnitude. They are preaching Christ where he is not yet known, or known to but few. They are educating some of the youth, and training some of their converts to become teachers or ministers. They are translating the Holy Scriptures, and preparing works of instruction for people who have no Christian books. They are using such means as are approved and employed in our own Church for the spread of the gospel; and they are so doing this as to prepare the way for transferring the work of evangelization into the hands of native churches and ministers, when these shall, by the blessing of God, be ready for such and so great a work. The work is great, immeasurably beyond our common conception of it, and well might we feel discouraged if we were required to perform it in our own strength; but it is the work of God.

We need enter here into no minute statements of the fields and labours of the missionaries; these are often brought to the notice of our readers. Nor need we enter upon any argument for this cause, or any reply to objections which are sometimes made. We are writing for those chiefly who recognize the cause of missions as the cause of God.

Amongst such, we apprehend, the chief difficulty is in really feeling the truth and power of our own belief on the subject—that our Lord commands us to do this work, and that it should be done out of love to him, zeal for his glory, and faith in his blessing the work of our hands; that the souls of men in Africa, China, and

other countries abroad where our brethren preach the gospel. are to be lost or saved ; and in order to their being saved, their knowledge of Christ and faith in him are indispensable ; that Providence is opening many doors for engaging in this work ; that sympathy should be deeply felt with those who have gone out to do their part of it, who are also in a degree the representatives of their Christian brethren at home, and that sympathy should be felt also for the native Christian converts, often weak and imperfect, exposed to great trials of their faith, and placed where it is greatly important that they should let their light shine clearly ; that the gift of money is needed for supporting this work ; that more labourers are surely needed in these harvest-fields ; that prayer should be continually offered in behalf of all these great interests. It is in view of considerations of this kind that we should enter upon another year, perhaps our last year, of work for our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ—among many nations. The Lord enable his people to fulfil all this work, with proper intelligence, thoughtfulness, and earnestness ! Very many of our Christian brethren, we rejoice to believe, are thus devoted to the promotion of this cause of Christ ; if others are not yet fully enlisted in its behalf, we wish they could be induced to consider its claims upon them. And what we do, let us do quickly ; for the time is short.

The Children's "Foreign Missionary."

This little newspaper yields to few papers of its class in its attractive appearance, and excels most of them in the value of its information. We fully believe that a year's reading of this newspaper will do much to enlarge the minds of our children, and to draw their hearts to Christ and his cause,—far more indeed than would be readily believed by those who may not have considered the subject. This newspaper, and also the pamphlet periodical of the same name, edited by our colleague, the new Secretary of the Board, can be commended in warm terms, and we would gladly see them widely circulated. The newspaper is sent free, one copy to the children of each family, in Sunday-schools that make regular collections in aid of the Board.

The "Week of Prayer."

The last General Assembly "*Resolved*, That in accordance with the practice of previous Assemblies, and also in grateful recognition of the blessings with which the Lord has been pleased to accompany such seasons of prayer, the Assembly would recommend the observance of the first week, commencing with the first Sabbath in January, 1868, as a week of prayer for the outpouring of the Spirit of God, that his promise to the church may be fulfilled, that all flesh shall see the salvation of God. And the Assembly would exhort the people of all our churches to a general and earnest attendance upon prayer during that period."

It will be remembered that the observance thus recommended was first suggested by our missionaries in India, and that its chief reference was to the work in which they and other missionaries were engaged, the conversion of the world. We observe with regret that in a list of topics for each day respectively, which has been published by the *Evangelical Alliance*, and widely printed in our newspapers,

this original object of its observance is not clearly kept in view. In this list we do not see any reference to *the preaching of the gospel* as the means of converting the heathen, nor to *the outpouring of the Holy Spirit*, as the great agent in their conversion. This list of topics is in other respects open to remark, but the Assembly's Minute, as reprinted above, will possess much greater weight with our readers.

Mission to the Chinese in California.

Thoughts in the Night and in the Day.

SAN FRANCISCO, October 8th, 1867.

Dear Brother,—Though living in this nervous, bustling, growing town—the town which some of its self-complaisant inhabitants predict is ere long to be the centre of trade, and the great radiating point for travellers for all this little globe—though living in such a place yet have I nothing especially important to write. We have had no earthquakes for a long time, (but no man knows when the next one may come.) Two rains we have had, which furnished me with means for discovering where were the leaks in our roof, and gave me timely warning to prepare for the long and rainy winter, and gave me also a text for profitable meditation, as I lay in bed hearing those water-drops striking the ceiling over my head, “Ah yes,” said I, “the day shall declare it.” Only a few days previous I had called a mechanic, who made, what he termed, a thorough examination and pronounced the roof in good condition. “But now,” said I, “we see how it is when the rains descend and the floods come. Many who think they have tight roofs over their heads may wake up some night to find they have provided no shelter from the coming storm of Divine wrath: many who presumed their houses were built on enduring foundations will live on unconcerned till the day of death, and then be startled to find their houses without foundations, and already the storms are coming, and no time left to build anew. Many who supposed they had built with gold, silver, and precious stones may be greatly surprised in the last day, when the fires are trying every man's work—they will be surprised to behold the amount of wood, hay, and stubble they had used. Therefore, while I am going about warning men to build on the right foundation, and also to take heed *how* they build even on this true foundation, let *me* also be looking to the foundations of my own house, and careful that when that storm comes which will sweep away the wicked, I may be found safely sheltered, free from

fear, and altogether at peace.” Thus I meditated.

. . . I send you a few lines that you may keep in your mind some connected history of this little mission; and it does me a great deal of good to think that you are fully as much interested in everything relating to this mission as I am, and not you only, but all the Church. It is not my mission, but yours; nor yet is it your mission; it is the Church's mission; and better still than that, it is the property, the peculiar care of the Great Head of the Church—the vineyard of his planting; therefore, what interests are centered on it!—how many are watching its progress! The work swells in importance, and what a few moments ago was appearing rather diminutive in comparison with the larger missions under your care, now assumes greatly enlarged proportions. Consequently, I may presume that almost anything I can tell you of our every-day duties and experience will be acceptable.

The Chinese going and coming.

On last Monday the magnificent steamship *China*, sailed for Yokahama and Hong-Kong. She is 378 feet long. The *Great Republic*, which sailed September 3d, is 360 feet in length, both splendidly finished and furnished. The *Republic* carried home 750 Chinese, at \$40 each, finding them in everything. The *China* carried 917, at the same rates; a sailing vessel yesterday left with upwards of a hundred more. The receding tide is strong this fall.

Many are now returning who have been waiting to hear of more peaceful and prosperous times in their native districts than has been their lot to hear for several years past. The favorable news recently received, causes them now to visit homes from which they have long been absent. Many also who have the means to spare, are embracing the opportunity afforded by these splendid steamers to visit parents and friends at home. They will return, if all be well, after an absence of a few months.

I stated that 750 went home on the *Great Republic*; on the steamer which next returned to this port from China,

there were only 300 Chinese passengers, and half of them were old California residents. This may furnish some notion of the migratory waves.

A man in whom great interest is felt.

Amongst the passengers of the *China* on Monday last, was a man in whom we feel great interest. It is four years since he first entered this chapel, having been introduced to it by a man who had long been accustomed to come occasionally, who professed to *believe* our doctrines, but confessed that he did not conduct himself according to them—he loved this present life, though a long time ago in China (as he told us) he had united with a mission church—of him I have little hope, while of the man to whom he first explained some of the doctrines of the Christian faith, and whom he brought to the chapel, I have much hope.

This latter person soon became quite regular in his attendance on the services. He began at once to attend the Sabbath-school, and applied himself with untiring diligence to study, improving every leisure moment at home for adding to his fund of knowledge. He always carried with him pencil and paper, and noted down every new word he heard, and which interested him. In this way, and by copying from other books, he is now in possession of a neatly written pocket

vocabulary, quite complete in its way, and alphabetically arranged. He has learned to read, so that the New Testament in English is not a sealed book to him; he also reads Chinese well. For this knowledge of English he is indebted mainly to our Sabbath-school. In church he has been a close listener, and apparently, a devout worshipper. He has attended many of the prayer-meetings, and has seemed glad of the privilege of worshipping the true God, and praying to him in these meetings—he hesitates not to confess in public that he believes in the "one God in three persons," that he trusts in Jesus for salvation, that he receives the Old and New Testament as the word of God.

He has not been baptized and received to the communion, but expresses the hope that he may be perhaps in China, or (if he returns) when he comes back to this country. We gave him letters to our brethren in Canton, and hope he will report to them when he arrives. Should he remain in China he may be a means of carrying a light and setting it up in his native village. He belongs to the Hak-Kah people.

Those who have become connected with our little church are from different districts in the province of Canton, and should they return, and should they remain faithful, the good seed may by them be spread very far.

DONATIONS TO THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, IN NOVEMBER, 1867.

SYNOD OF ALBANY.—*Pby of Albany*—Gloversville Sab-sch for debt 20 10; Boston Spa ch E W Lee 5; Mrs Lee 5; Miss Gellet 5; Sab-sch for debt 14 50; Hamilton Union Sab-sch for debt 13 50; Windsor Sab-sch 22 78. *Pby of Londonderry*—First ch Newburyport 182 46. *Pby of Mohawk-Park* Central ch Syracuse for debt 40; ed girl at Tunchow 60; Sab-sch Missy Soc'y for debt 62 51; Oneida Sab-sch 30; a family 76c; Oneida Valley Sab-sch 7, for debt 2 10. *Pby of Troy*—Second st ch Troy 341 92; Phebe Vail's little savings 3 25; Mechanicsville and Stillwater Sab-schs 10; 3d ch Troy 6. 827 38

SYNOD OF ALLEGHENY.—*Pby of Allegheny*—Butler Sab-sch for debt 22 50; Plaingrove ch Female Missy Soc'y 74 61; Sab-sch 7, for Mr Matteer's sch China 10 83; Harrisville ch 15; Sab-sch for debt 21; Amity ch 12; Sab-sch for debt 43 83; New Salem Sab-sch for debt 8. *Pby of Allegheny City*—Claremont Mission Sab-sch for debt 8; Emsworth Sab-sch for debt 6 52; Beaver Sab-sch for debt 19 15; Industry Sab-sch for debt 6. *Pby of Beaver*—Slippery Rock ch 3 16; Sab-sch for debt 14 20; Westfield Sab-sch for debt 91; Pula-ki Sab-sch for debt 87; Hopewell Sab-sch for debt 10 55. *Pby of Erie*—Sturgeonville Sab-sch for debt 28 80; Petroleum Centre ch 43 25; 2d ch Mercer Sab-sch for debt 30; Westminster Sab-sch to con James L Reed *Life Member* 45; Harmonsburg Sab-sch 4; Conneautville Sab-sch 4; Georgetown Sab-sch for debt 19 25; Greenfield Sab-sch for debt 6 80; Cool Spring Sab-sch for debt 9; Luna Sab-sch

for debt 6; 1st ch Mercer Sab-sch for debt 60 716 54

SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.—*Pby of Baltimore*—Ellcott's City Sab-sch for debt 40; con Porter R Alger *Life member* 30; Churchville Sab-sch 6 25; 2d ch Baltimore 50; Harmony ch Baltimore 64 32; Westminster Sab-sch Baltimore for debt 800; Aisquith st ch Baltimore for debt 33. *Pby of Carlisle*—Millerstown Sab-sch for debt 8 56; Fayetteville ch 24; Dickinson Sab-sch for debt 12 50; Big Spring Sab-sch for debt 60; 2d ch Carlisle Sab-sch for debt 46; Barton and Lanaconing Sab-sch for debt 11 36; Mouth of Juniata ch 8; Williamsport Sab-sch for debt 11; Lower Path Valley ch 56; Burnt Cabin ch 16; Monaghan ch 10. *Pby of Leves*—Monokin Sab-sch 28 31; Snow Hill Sab-sch 6. *Pby of Potomac*—New York Avenue ch Sab-sch Youth's Missionary Society for debt 250 60 1,568 89

SYNOD OF BUFFALO.—*Pby of Genesee River*—Caledonia Sab-sch 6 61; Duncan McPherson 12 50; Children of D C McPherson 5 28; Bath Sab-sch for debt 26; Moscow Sab-sch for debt 20; Groveland Sab-sch for debt 19 29; Infant class 4 05. *Pby of Rochester City*—Webster Sab-sch 14; Phelps ch 20 127 73

SYNOD OF CHICAGO.—*Pby of Bureau*—Andrew Sab-sch 5; Rock Island Sab-sch for debt 31 80; Beulah Sab-sch for debt 13 10. *Pby of Chicago*—Earlville Sab-sch for debt 10; Orchard st Mission Sab-sch Chicago 3 10; Zion ch 2; Sab-sch 10; Manteno Sab-sch for debt 20. *Pby of Rock River*

—Morrison Sab-sch 18 56; 2d ch Freeport 32. *Pby of Schuyler*—Fountain Green Sab-sch for debt 12; Macomb Sab-sch for debt 20 75; Dardolph Sab-sch 16 50; Perry Sab-sch for debt 8 94; Mt Sterling Sab-sch for debt 3. *Pby of Warren*—John Knox Sab-sch 10 45; Oneida Sab-sch 9 80; Oquagua Sab-sch Ada Gordon 60c, Charley and Minnie Hanson 1 228 60

SYNOD OF CINCINNATI.—*Pby of Chillicothe*—Concord ch 15 85; Union Sab-sch for debt 5 50, Mission Sch for debt 5 25; New Holland ch for debt 5 50. *Pby of Cincinnati*—Montgomery Sab-sch for debt 23 10; 7th ch Cincinnati mo con 12 72; Findlay Mission Sab-sch for debt 4 20; Somerset Sab-sch for debt 22 15; Feesburg ch for debt 9; Reading ch for debt 12. *Pby of Miami*—Second ch Springfield Sab-sch for debt 33 60; Washington ch 20 20; Bellbrook ch 5 50; 1st ch Springfield Sab-sch for debt 22 53. *Pby of Oxford*—Harmony ch 1 50; 1st ch Oxford Sab-sch add'l for debt 16; Venice Sab-sch for debt 5 70. *Pby of Sidney*—Piqua Sab-sch for debt 27 10; Troy Sab-sch 20 267 40

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS.—*Pby of Bloomington*—Paxton ch 3 55; El Paso Sab-sch 7; Chenoa ch and Sab-sch 116 75; Waynesville Sab-sch 1 25; Clinton Sab-sch for debt 42; Maekinaw Sab-sch 5 53; Cheney's Grove ch 3; Onarga Sab-sch 15; Jenny Wilson 60c, Oscar Stanley 22c, Richie Amerman dec'd 68c for debt. *Pby of Kaskaskia*—Moro Sab-sch for debt 10; Greenville Sab-sch 4 45. *Pby of Peoria*—Prospect Sab-sch for debt and to con J Howard Parks *Life member* 30; French Grove Sab-sch 25; 1st ch Peoria Sab-sch for debt 17 17; Delavan Sab-sch 7 15; West Jersey Sab-sch 2 40. *Pby of Saline*—Friendsville ch 17, Sab-sch for debt 15; Richland Sab-sch for debt 6; Shawneetown ch 18 50; Odin ch 3 50, Sab-sch 3 83. *Pby of Sangamon*—First ch Springfield Sab-sch for debt 371 70; 2d ch Jacksonville Sab-sch for debt 17; North Sangamon ch 32 Sab-sch 53; West Okaw ch and Sab-sch 18; Sab-sch 5; Bethel ch 8 23 860 51

SYNOD OF INDIANA.—*Pby of Indianapolis*—Hopewell Sab-sch for debt 13 60; Bloomington Sab-sch for debt 25; Knightstown ch 4 19, Sab-sch 7 48, Sab-sch dist No 2, 3 03; Bethany ch for debt 7 75. *Pby of Madison*—Pleasant Sab-sch 5 05; 1st ch Madison Sab-sch for debt 81. *Pby of Vincennes*—Washington Sab-sch Helphinstone Missionary Association 13. *Pby of White Water*—1st ch Richland Sab-sch for debt 85 245 10

SYNOD OF IOWA.—*Pby of Cedar*—Davenport Sab-sch 29 63, Infant sch 10 37; Walcott ch 10, Sab-sch 6 50. *Pby of Dubuque*—McGregor German ch 10. *Pby of Fort Dodge*—Clarksville ch 4; Unity ch 5. *Pby of Vinton*—Big Creek Sab-sch 7; Blairstown Sab-sch 4; Shiloh Sab-sch 6 92 50

SYNOD OF KANSAS.—*Pby of Highland*—Atchison Sab-sch for debt 12 00

SYNOD OF KENTUCKY.—*Pby of Louisville*—Walnut st ch Sab-sch Louisville 12 85. *Pby of Transylvania*—First ch Danville Sab-sch for debt 60 12 72 97

SYNOD OF MISSOURI.—*Pby of Lafayette*—Pisgah ch 8; Knob Noster ch 3 30. *Pby of St Louis*—Bethel ch 19 75. *Pby of Southwest Missouri*—Ebenezer ch 12 60 43 65

SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.—*Pby of Burlington*—Tuckerton ch Missionary Conference 7; Cream Ridge Sab-sch 15. *Pby of Elizabethtown*—Metuchin Sab-sch for debt 34 86; Basking Ridge and Franklin Sab-schs for debt 16; Westfield Sab-sch for debt 87 35; Willow Grove Sab-sch 4 67; Union Sab-sch for debt 3; 2d ch Rahway Sab-sch 66 45, Infant class 15; 1st ch Rahway 73, Infant class for Miss Beatty's sch 30; New Providence Sab-sch for debt 20. *Pby of Luzerne*—Hazleton Sab-sch for debt 21 15; Kingston ch 46 34, Sab-sch 20 29; Wyoming Sab-sch for debt and to con Miss Ella Reeves *Life member* 30; 1st ch Tamauqua 7 70. *Pby of Monmouth*—Port Washington ch 5 20; Squan Village Sab-sch for debt 14 32. *Pby of Newton*—Stillwater Sab-sch for debt 21 14; Marksboro Sab-sch for debt 6; Yellow Frame Sab-sch for debt 3 20; Schooley's Mountain Sab-sch 5

Blairstown ch 45. *Pby of New Brunswick*—South Amboy Sab-sch for debt 40; Morrisville Sab-sch 7 25; Stony Brook Sab-sch 6 35; Bound Brook Sab-sch for debt 62; Lawrenceville ch Brick Sab-sch for debt 5; 1st ch Trenton Sab-sch for debt 50; 3d ch Trenton for debt 75. *Pby of Passaic*—First ch Morristown 100, mo con 109 55; Wickliffe Sab-sch for debt 34 18; 3d ch Newark mo con 26 50; Chatham Village Sab-sch for debt 34 20; Ridge Sab-sch for debt 3 50; Central ch Orange a friend for debt 100. *Pby of Raritan*—Bloomburg ch 20 96, Sab-sch 31. *Pby of Susquehanna*—Towanda ch mo con 18; Troy Sab-sch for debt 17; Wysox Sab-sch 7. *Pby of West Jersey*—Williamstown Sab-sch for debt 23; Swedesboro Sab-sch for debt 5; Greenwich Sab-sch for debt 50; 1st ch Cedarville Female Missionary Society 18 1,441 16

SYNOD OF NEW YORK.—*Pby of Connecticut*—Deep River Sab-sch 12; Yorktown Sab-sch for debt 17; Rye ch mo con 28 19. *Pby of Hudson*—White Lake ch 2; Florida ch mo con 5; Hopewell ch 11 70; Cochection Sab-sch 3 45. *Pby of Long Island*—Huntington South Sab-sch 15. *Pby of Nassau*—South Third St ch Williamsburg mo con 33 72; Astoria ch mo con 41 20; Genevan ch in part to con Daniel O Calkins and Curtis L North *Life members*, 49; 1st ch Brooklyn mo con 63 77; German ch Williamsburg a member 2 50; Ainslie st ch Wmsburg mo con 11 55, Sab-sch 50; Hempstead ch 5 37, Sab-sch 23 38, Orphan gift 1, col'd boy 25 cts, to con Richard Smith *Life member*; Jamaica Sab-sch 1 20. *Pby of New York*—Chelsea ch 70; Annual col'd 61; Brick ch 97 1 42 for debt; Sab-sch for debt 55 70; Mission ch mo con 12 80; 1st ch New York 3,068 60; Fortieth St ch 56 66; 4th ch New York Sab-sch for debt 109 42; Alexander ch 2 61; Yorkville ch mo con 24 27, Sab-sch for debt 30; Nyack Sab-sch 13 16; University Place ch mo con 58; Palisades ch Dr C R Agnew 20. *Pby of New York 2d*—Canal St ch mo con 30; 1st ch Delhi 33; South Greenburg Sab-sch to sup native preacher at Ningpo 50. *Pby of North River*—Calvary ch Newburg 22; Bethlehem ch for Rio chapel 17 50; 1st ch Newburg for debt 50; Cold Spring Sab-sch 2 20. *Pby of West Africa*—First ch Monrovia B V R James I, Mrs James 2, Miss A Douglass 1, Masters B V R and Charles S Melville 2, Sab-sch 1 50 5,142 62

SYNOD OF NORTHERN INDIANA.—*Pby of Crawfordsville*—Warren Sab-sch 1; Poplar Springs ch 6. *Pby of Fort Wayne*—First ch Fort Wayne Sab-sch for debt 56; Wabash Sab-sch 50 cts; Kendallville Sab-sch 10 25; Warsaw Sab-sch 15. *Pby of Lake*—South Bend Sab-sch 49; Crown Point ch 8, Sab-sch 19 50. *Pby of Logansport*—Logansport Sab-sch for debt 20; Bethlehem Sab-sch for debt 2; Muncie Sab-sch for debt 13 200 25

SYNOD OF OHIO.—*Pby of Columbus*—First ch Lancaster for debt 24 13; Blendon Sab-sch for Siam 10; Circleville ch 113 35. *Pby of Hocking*—Gerch Portsmouth 5. *Pby of Marion*—Kingston ch 5; York Union Sab-sch 3 25; Radnor Sab-sch for debt 6; Sandusky ch 5. Delaware Sab-sch 4, for school at Tungechow, China 16. *Pby of Richmond*—Lexington ch 13, Sab-sch for debt 83; Olvesburg ch 8 92, Sab-sch for debt 13; Ashland Sab-sch for debt 75 57. *Pby of Wooster*—East Hopewell and Nashville chs 50; Dalton Sab-sch 12 85. *Pby of Zanesville*—Rock Creek Sab-sch for debt 6 80; Bethel Sab-sch 8 85; 1st ch Zanesville Sab-sch 22 60 486 32

SYNOD OF PACIFIC.—*Pby of Benicia*—Duncan Mill Sab-sch 48; Valego Sab-sch for debt 21. *Pby of Oregon*—Portland ch 47 18, Sab-sch for debt 20 70; Clatsop Sab-sch for debt 8 25. *Pby of Stockton*—Sacramento ch 25; Amador ch 7; Jackson ch 6; Stockton ch 15, gold 100 298 13

SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.—*Pby of Donegal*—Little Britain ch 17 74; Chestnut Level Sab-sch 14 41; Strasburg Sab-sch for debt 6 00; Pega ch 92. *Pby of Huntingdon*—Bethel Sab-sch for debt 13; Rio chapel 1; Alexandria Sab-sch for debt 32; Little Valley ch 22 50; Bald Eagle ch 11 40; East Kishacoquillas Sab-sch, add'l 7 23; Lower Tuscarora ch 163 75; Spruce Hill Sab-sch for debt 19 05; Birmingham Sab-sch 30; Beulah Sab-sch

for debt 1 50; Perryville Sab-sch 5; Spruce Creek ch Coleraine Sab-sch for debt 6 14; East Freedom ch children of Thomas Wilson 2 41; Shirleysburg Sab-sch for debt 8 80. *Pby of New Castle*—Kennet Square Sab-sch 10 64; Newark Sab-sch for debt 10; Oxford ch. add'l for debt 10; Downingtown Sab-sch for debt 100; Upper Octorara ch 103 70, Sab-sch for debt 46; 1st ch. Wilmington 22 48, Sab-sch 13 73. *Pby of Northumberland*—Bloomsburg Sab-sch for debt 14 12; Jersey Shore Sab-sch for debt 41 89; Mahoning ch Danville Sab-sch for debt 39 25; Bald Eagle and Nittany Sab-schs for debt 12 87. *Pby of Philadelphia*—Bensalem Sab-sch for debt 11 20; 10th ch Philamo coll 142, Sab-sch for debt 125; 9th ch A W Gayle 20. Annie W and Samuel M Gayle 5, E W 1; West Spruce st Sab-sch for debt 184 32; G W Benson, Esq 100. *Pby of Philadelphia Central*—Kensington ch Sab-sch add'l 18 52; West Arch st ch for debt 2. *Pby of Philadelphia 2d*—Neshaminy Sab-sch add'l 1; Falls of Schuylkill Sab-sch for debt 6 50; Bridesburg ch contents miss'y box Young Men's Prayer Meeting for debt 7; Huntingdon Valley Sab-sch 17 65 1,520 40

SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH—*Pby of Blairsville*—Washington School House Sab-sch for debt 3 06; Poke Run Sab-sch for debt 18 50; Wilkinsburg Sab-sch for debt 11. *Pby of Clarion*—Beechwood Sab-sch for debt 30; Perry Sab-sch for debt 8 66. *Pby of Ohio*—Mt Washington ch 6 30, Sab-sch 7 70; 2d ch Pittsburgh Young Men's Bible class for debt 44; 4th ch Pittsburgh Sab-sch for debt 40 11; Central ch Pittsburgh Sab-sch for debt 55 43; Sharon and Missionary Ridge Sab-schs for debt 16 15; Temperanceville ch 14; 1st ch Pittsburgh Sab-sch. add'l for debt 582 20; Bethany Sab-sch for debt 3 30. *Pby of Redstone*—Brownsville Sab-sch for debt. and to con Rev Jos H Stevenson, Wm Parkhill, and Miss Ella Slocum *Life members* 90; Laurel Hill Sab-sch for debt 7 84; Rehoboth ch Fem Miss'y Soc'y 13. *Pby of Saltsburg*—Glade Run Sab-sch 10, Willie Avner 35 cts; Kittaning ch 122 56; Warren ch 50 60; Pine Run ch 40; Saltsburg Sab-sch for debt 25 1,199 76

SYNOD OF ST. PAUL—*Pby of Chippewa*—La Crescent Sab-sch 4; North Bend ch 8; Caledonia ch 7; Sheldon ch 4. *Pby of St Paul*—First ch St Peters Sab-sch for debt 10; 2d ch Stillwater Sab-sch for debt 2 35; White Bear Lake Sab-sch for debt 2 66; Vermillion Sab-sch for debt 10 70; Farmington Sab-sch for debt 3 30; Empire Station Sab-sch for debt 1; Westminster ch Minneapolis mo con 5. *Pby of S. Minnesota*—Ashland ch for debt 2 50; Plainview ch for debt 10 70 50

SYNOD OF SANDUSKY—*Pby of Findlay*—First ch Lima Sab-sch 7. class No 3 2; Enon Valley Sab-sch 6 40; West Union Sab-sch 2 60. *Pby of Maumee*—Delta Sab-sch for debt 2; Mt Salem ch 14; Union Sab-sch 3, for debt 5. *Pby of Michigan*—Westminster ch Detroit Sab-sch for debt 10 16; Lyon Sab-sch 3 50, for debt 9 50. *Pby of Western Reserve*—Westminster ch Cleveland Sab-sch for debt 18 81 83 97

SYNOD OF SOUTHERN IOWA—*Pby of Des Moines*—Indianola Sab-sch for debt 3 05; Hartford Sab-sch for debt 1 20; Albia ch 7. *Pby of Fairfield*—Birmingham Sab-sch 6 95; Bloomfield ch 5. *Pby of Iowa*—Round Grove Sab-sch to con Wm Joy *Life member* 30; Wappello Sab-sch 7 90; 1st ch Burlington Sab-sch 50; Round Prairie Sab-sch for debt 20 06. *Pby of Missouri River*—Glenwood Sab-sch for debt 2 59 133 66

SYNOD OF WHEELING—*Pby of New Lisbon*—Deerfield ch for debt 79; Salem Sab-sch for debt 25; Bethesda ch for debt 17 75. *Pby of Steubenville*—Waynesburg and Bethlehem Sab-schs for debt 5; Two Ridges Sab-sch for debt 20 25; Evans' Creek Sab-sch 18; Linton ch 14; 1st ch Steubenville Infant Sab-sch earnings of Ella Robb 50c. *Pby of St Clairsville*—Belle Air Sab-sch 33. *Pby of Washington*—Frankfort Spring Sab-sch for debt 9 75; New Cumberland Sab-sch for debt 42 50; West Liberty Sab-sch 15, for debt 12 50; Lower Ten Mile ch for debt 10 60; Waynesburg Sab-sch 20; Upper Buffalo Sab-sch for debt 34 52; Mt Prospect ch 43 28, Sab-sch for debt 8 75; Upper Ten Mile ch add'l for China 6 55; Cross

Creek Sab-sch for debt 86 84; Hookstown Sab-sch for debt 17 04. *Pby of West Virginia*—Grafton Sab-sch 5; Parkersburg Sab-sch 55; Morgantown Sab-sch for debt 36 79; Hughes River ch 17 75 634 37

SYNOD OF WISCONSIN—*Pby of Dane*—Vernon Sab-sch 9 44; Oakland Cambridge ch 10; Belleville Sab-sch. family of R Wallace 1 10. *Pby of Milwaukee*—North ch Milwaukee Sab-sch 39 50; Janesville Sab-sch for debt 60. *Pby of Winnebago*—First ch Neenah Sab-sch for debt 11 10; Kilbourn City ch cent Society 2; 1st ch Portage Sab-sch 35; Winnebago Sab-sch 3; Beaver Dam and Dodge Centre Sab-schs 11 25; Missionary field of Rev P Roser 2 184 39

SYNOD OF MISSISSIPPI—*Pby of New Orleans*—First Ger ch New Orleans 32 00

Total received from churches, \$16,490 80

LEGACIES—Estate of Polly K Boughdon, dec'd, Lysander, N Y, less tax 470; Estate of Eli Leavenworth, Fulton co, N Y, less tax 117 50; Legacy of Mrs Hannah Cooper, dec'd, New Castle, Del 100; Estate of Wm Thompson, dec'd, Long Run, Ohio 10 697 50

MISCELLANEOUS—N P Mix, Columbus, Ohio 33; Annie Smith 8 years old 5; savings of little girl 25c; Gen'l G Loomis 10; Charlie and Birdie Kemper, Preston, Minn 1; James C Pigrove in part to con self *Life member* 10; St. John's Sab-sch Mich for debt 5 30; Widow's mite 1; Little Ella Cooper's savings 29c; Mr Hutchinson, San Francisco 2 50; Mattie, Jemmie and Sammy savings 2; M L S for outfit 500; Children's miss'y box, West Sparta, N Y 5; Mrs Eliza Porter, Sandy, O 5; Alex Constantine, Peekskill 7; Sherman A Spencer, Irondeau, Mo 1; Mrs T A H, Valparaiso 1; Miss M H Froy, Kittanning, Pa 10; Anstin Sab-sch Nevada for debt 20; Mrs C Williamson's family, Lewisburg, Pa 5; A lady, by Mrs Berrien 10; Earnings of Frank Schabile, dec'd, aged seven years 1 95; A mother, for two deceased children 100; Rev W Hunting 1; Dr Wells Williams, Peking 150; A friend 3; Friends in Illinois 100; Mrs F E Townsend, Painted Post, N Y 5; Thomas K Hanna, Platts-moud, Neb 7; W S Tulleneder, Waveland, Ind 1; J S Brown, Iriquois, Ill 1; Children, Irish Ripple, Pa for debt 7 60; Ell River Sab-sch for debt 5 40; Wm Jeffers, Cool Spring, Pa 5; Austin P. Noble, Boardman, O 5; Dying gift of Miss Ada Van Deman, Delaware, O 6; New Village Con'ch Sab-sch 3 77 1,039 06

Total Receipts in November, 1867 \$18,227 36
WM. RANKIN, JR., Treasurer.

NOTICE.

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LETTERS relating to the pecuniary affairs of the Board, or containing remittances of money, may be sent to WILLIAM RANKIN, JR., Esq., Treasurer—same address.

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BOARD OF PUBLICATION.

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All communications, reports, remittances of money, donations, and orders for books, to be addressed to Mr. WINTHROP SARGENT, Superintendent of Colportage, Business Correspondent, and Treasurer.

Subscriptions to the *Home and Foreign Record*, and the *Sabbath-School Visitor*, and payments for the same, to be addressed to Mr. PETER WALKER.

DEATH OF DR. WILLIAM M. ENGLER.

It is our afflictive duty to announce to the readers of the *Record* the death of the Rev. WM. M. ENGLER, D. D., President of the Board of Publication. This event occurred on the night of Wednesday, November 27th, at his residence in Philadelphia, after an illness of a few days. Dr. Engler was in the seventy-first year of his age.

The Presbyterian Board of Publication is probably more largely indebted to Dr. Engler than to any other one man for its existence and its usefulness, especially during the first twenty years of its history. He was one of the first half-dozen men who clearly perceived the necessity for such an institution, and who met to take counsel together in reference to its formation. In all the incipient measures which led to its organization, and afterwards to its adoption and re-organization by the General Assembly, he took a prominent part. He was appointed at the very beginning a member of its Executive Committee, and continued to serve uninterruptedly in that capacity until June, 1863. He was likewise appointed the first Editor of the Board's publications, and every one of them passed under his eye and hand until the same date. In the following year, after the death of the Rev. Dr. Phillips, of New York, President of the Board, Dr. Engler was elected to fill the vacant chair. This he continued to do with dignity and Christian courtesy and warm devotion to the Board's interests, until his removal by death.

His usefulness in connection with this Board, the Church can never fully appreciate. His sound judgment rarely allowed him to fall into a mistake. His extensive reading, and his thorough and discriminating orthodoxy placed upon the Board's catalogue a large variety of the most approved Calvinistic books, both of our own country and of Great Britain, yet kept its list to a remarkable degree free from all admixture of error. A large number of old and valuable works which had become nearly extinct because of their cumbrous style, were revised and abridged by him, and have had an extensive circulation and usefulness in every part of the land. He was also himself the author of a large number of valuable books and tracts, nearly all of which were published anonymously.

Among these, his "*Sick-room Devotions*" has carried life and comfort to thousands of chambers of sickness. His little work, "*The Soldiers' Pocket-book*," of which about three hundred thousand, in English and German, were circulated among our soldiers during the war, achieved an untold and unspeakable amount of good.

In the death of its former Editor and recent President, the Board of Publication has lost a wise and devoted friend. May the Lord, whose resources are infinite, raise up and strengthen others to carry forward and enlarge the work he so well began.

Our Distribution Fund.

In the last two numbers of the *Record* we have stated the necessities of our Distribution Fund, and the kind of applications then waiting for donations of books, tracts, &c., &c. We have since received several liberal donations from individuals, but are yet far from having enough to meet the exigencies of the case. A number of interesting and urgent appeals for donations are before us. We trust that other liberal donors will follow the example a few generous individuals have just been setting, and give us the means to scatter without stint the publications of the Board among the poor and the needy, whenever they are asked for from any part of the land.

The Sabbath-School Visitor---Semi-monthly.

The General Assembly of 1866 passed the following resolution:

"That as soon as the Board can find it financially prudent to publish *The Sabbath-School Visitor* twice a month instead of once, the importance of that paper requires that it shall be done."

Numerous Sabbath-schools in various parts of the church, and several Presbyteries have also expressed their desire to have the paper oftener than once a month. Its general popularity and largely increased circulation have also led to the hope that a more frequent issue would be sustained and useful. At its last monthly meeting the Board therefore resolved that after the first of January the *Visitor* should be issued both monthly and semi-monthly.

We now appeal to pastors, Sunday-school superintendents and teachers, and all others interested in the Sabbath-schools of the Presbyterian church, to aid the Board by exerting their influence to introduce the semi-monthly issue into their respective schools. The honest and earnest endeavour is put forth to make the *Visitor* as attractive, as instructive, and as cheap as any child's paper published in the land. Will our churches appreciate and encourage the effort?

Each subscriber will have the privilege of taking the paper once a month, or twice a month. When over eight copies are taken, and sent to

one address, the price is *one cent for each paper*, payment invariably in advance.

Any subscribers of last year who may desire to have the semi-monthly *Visitor* sent to them will please give notice at the earliest possible day, so that the Board may know how many to print.

Subscribers whose current term of subscription extends into the next year can be supplied with the semi-monthly paper by remitting for its numbers during the months of the year 1868, through which their subscription extends.

Orders for the *Visitor*, and money in payment for it, should be addressed to PETER WALKER, No. 821 *Chestnut Street, Philadelphia.*

"Children's Praise."

Our little volume of hymns and tunes for Sabbath-schools, bearing the above title, continues to grow in popularity and to extend its circulation in every part of the church. Among the numerous letters commending it, the following was received a few days ago from a pastor in Iowa:

"I have a testimony in favour of the "*Children's Praise*" which I wish to communicate. There is in my part of this State a settlement of Eastern Congregationalists, who have cultivated music a good deal. Lately I was at the house of their chief singer, and found there the "*Children's Praise.*" He told me they had tried a variety of the most popular books of this kind, (naming several of them), but they regarded the "*Children's Praise,*" as far superior to any of them, and are now using it in their Sabbath-school with great acceptance."

We are glad to have this *outside testimony*, and hope that such of our Presbyterian Sabbath-schools as do not use the book, will be encouraged to procure copies and give it a fair trial.

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

I. **Old Vigilance and his Pet.** 18mo. Price 60 and 65 cents.

A delightful volume for young readers. The scene of the larger portion of the story is in the western part of Texas; and the pictures of wild prairie life in that far-off part of our country are fresh and exhilarating. Old Vigilance was a shepherd's dog of extraordinary sagacity, whose character and doings will greatly interest the children. Little "Dew-Drop" was the pet. She was a little girl who loved Jesus early, and led many others to do likewise. The book

abounds with religious instruction as well as with entertainment.

II. **Words of Truth and Love.** By the Rev. W. S. Plumer, D.D. 18mo. Price 40 and 45 cents.

The little volume abounds with weighty words of tender warning, and of invitation to come to Jesus, while it is also interspersed with striking and appropriate anecdotes, illustrative of the truths presented. It is written in Dr. Plumer's happiest style, and will be a valuable addition to the Board's Sabbath-school library.

III. **Gathered Blossoms.** 18mo. Price 55 and 60 cents.

IV. **Nellie's Neighbour.** 18mo. Price 55 and 60 cents.

Each of these two volumes contains several stories, each intended to illustrate some important religious lesson. They contain pleasant as well as profitable reading. Each has several handsome pictures.

V. **One Baptism:** as found in the Bible. By George Junkin, D.D. 18mo. Price 15 cents.


A masterly argument on the much controverted subject indicated in its title—chiefly upon the *mode* of baptism. It presents some aspects of the argument not dwelt upon in the other publications of the Board upon this subject, and will probably be preferred to them by a certain class of readers. This tract was called forth by the appearance of a little immersionist publication entitled "*The True Baptism*," whose statements are here met and effectually disposed of by our venerable author.

VI. **The American Sabbath.** By the Rev. Robert Patterson, D. D., of Chicago, Ill. 18mo. Price 5 cents.

This is an impressive and timely treatise upon the warrant and relations of the Sabbath and the importance of its due observance for the good of the state

and its people. The following are the author's main positions: 1. The Sabbath is a *primeval* and *Catholic* institution. 2. Sabbath-rest is necessary to preserve the lives of the people. 3. The state has the right to *prevent crime* and to *forbid provocations thereto*. 4. The Sabbath is *necessary to the preservation* of republican institutions. 5. The state has a right to protect the Sabbath as an *essential part of the religion of the people*. These positions are ably argued and established. It will be seen that this tract differs greatly in its scope and structure from the little volume entitled "*The Sabbath*," by Dr. Charles Elliott, not long since published by the Board. All persons interested in maintaining the observance of the Sabbatic institution in our land, ought to aid in circulating both these admirable works.

VII. **Seth Mead.** A 12mo. tract of 8 pages, containing a solemn remonstrance against a reliance upon infidel principles for support in a dying hour. Well worthy of circulation by pastors and others.

 A single copy of any publication of the Board will be sent by mail, pre-paid, on receipt of the catalogue price. Address orders to WINTHROP SARGENT, Esq., 821 Chestnut Street, Phila.

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<i>Pby of Allgheny</i> —Pine Creek ch	12 00	<i>Pby of Steubenville</i> —Ridge ch	10 00
<i>Pby of Buffalo City</i> —Central ch, Buffalo	26 55	<i>Pby of St Louis</i> —St Louis German ch	7 00
<i>Pby of Carlisle</i> —Gettysburg ch	14 79	<i>Pby of Troy</i> —Waterford ch	31 65
<i>Pby of Chillicothe</i> —Chillicothe German ch	2 50	<i>Pby of Winnebago</i> —Oxford ch	3 00
<i>Pby of Fairfield</i> —Lafayette ch	3 00	<i>Pby of Wooster</i> —Dalton ch 37 15; Jeromeville ch 4 40; Apple Creek ch 11 50; Wooster 30 46	83 51
<i>Pby of Hocking</i> —Athens ch	10 00		
<i>Pby of Huntingdon</i> —Lower Tuscarora ch 85; Curwensville ch 8	93 00		
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<i>Pby of New York</i> —Chelsea ch, per Mr W. Ran- kin	70 00		
<i>Pby of Newton</i> —Newton ch, Mrs Isabella Mott, 50; Stroudsburg ch 6	56 00		
<i>Pby of Peoria</i> —Mansfield ch	10 20		
<i>Pby of Philadelphia</i> —West Spruce St ch, a member	50 00		
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<i>Pby of Rock River</i> —Zion ch	1 80		

MISCELLANEOUS.

A Friend, Pittsburgh, Pa 6 44; Friends in Mis-
souri 100; W G Bell, Warrensburg, Mo 2 60; W
Hunting 25 cents; W R Forsythe 25; Mrs Mary
A Hodges, member of Pres ch Chester, N Y 5; Fair-
view Sab-sch, Pa, per Wm Potts 11 50; W S 50;
A member of the Board of Publication 500; Sab-
sch, Lehigh Gap 2

\$1355 51

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BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

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The Young Pioneer's Credentials.

The following letter from an esteemed brother, who, in self-denial, has laid the foundations of our Zion in an important Western city, is well worthy of perusal.

Our brother says: "In my last I forgot to tell you of an occurrence which rebuked keenly my own timidity, and its mention may cheer you as the fact did me. In our straitness of time for worship on Sabbath, and of means in the beginning of our work, we had no *regular* occasions for presenting the several benevolent agencies of our church, and had asked for no contributions for most of them. The monthly concert for prayer we observed on Wednesday evenings. But recently I stated at a prayer-meeting the reasons of our course, and then asked the wishes of the members regarding regular contributions; and their expression, one after another, was unanimous for a regular contribution to every one of the objects; and this without any intimation of a wish or judgment from me. And you may depend on it, I will not be heard again offering pleas for neglect. In our special work of building, we are still cheered as ever. The plasterers finish to-day, the sash-makers and carpenters this week, or early next. Then we expect our glass daily; after that we will carry our chairs for seats, and we are in it, a rejoicing people.

"But already we feel authorized in passing beyond this. We have secured means to cancel all bills to this point, and already we have lifted the last great burden—the provision for the pews and the brick work. I *must* lay aside the brick and mortar service and serve in the sanctuary, and must do all my part at getting funds before we enter the house; so I am doing it thoroughly and systematically. Along with the subscription book, which I wear about me as regularly as my coat, the Western Minister's '*Vade Mecum*,' the young pioneer's '*Credentials*,' I carry a list very carefully made out from the Directory, and reviewed in conference with the best advised friends—a list of every man to whom it can be of any use to apply for a contribution. And I will not desist until every one is tried. And then I think, coming back to our members the *third* time, they will carefully take up what remains.

"Pardon the length at which I write, but I am privileged to walk amongst a people whom the Lord hath so greatly blessed."

DONATIONS TO THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION IN NOVEMBER, 1867.

<i>Pby of Lake</i> —Crown Point ch 8; Millersburg ch 8 50	\$16 50	<i>Pby of New Lisbon</i> —Madison ch 7 20; Hubbard ch 12; Canfield ch 9	28 20
<i>Pby of Huntingdon</i> —Mt Union and Shirleysburg chs	12 00	<i>Pby of Susquehanna</i> —Troy ch	17 21
<i>Pby of Dane</i> —Blue Mounds ch, refunded, 75; Rock-hill Ger ch 3 50	78 50	<i>Pby of Monmouth</i> —Tom's River ch	13 43
<i>Pby of Dubuque</i> —Dubuque Ger ch, special, 55 00		<i>Pby of Genesee River</i> —Portageville ch	5 00
<i>Pby of Iowa</i> —Burlington 1st ch, special, 50; Burlington Ger ch, special, 76; Franklin Centre ch, special, 98; West Point ch, special, 17; Fort Madison ch, special, 32; Keokuk ch, special, 1 95; Kossuth ch, special, 32 50	464 50	<i>Pby of Fairfield</i> —Libertyville ch 1 80; Bentonsport 7 65; Birmingham ch, special, 31	40 45
<i>Pby of Luzerne</i> —Mahanoy City ch 19 91; Mauch Chunk, special, 200	219 91	<i>Pby of Albany</i> —State Street ch	126 00
<i>Pby of Philadelphia</i> 2d—Easton 1st ch, special,	20 00	<i>Pby of Wooster</i> —East Hopewell and Nashville chs 10; Jeromerville ch 7 13	17 13
<i>Pby of Raritan</i> —Amwell 2d ch 10 74; Milford ch, special, 50	60 74	<i>Pby of Steubenville</i> —Ridge ch	16 75
<i>Pby of Newton</i> —Greenwich 1st ch 36; Asbury ch, special, 100	136 00	<i>Pby of Rock River</i> —Zion ch	2 05
<i>Pby of St Louis</i> —German 1st ch	7 00	<i>Pby of Hocking</i> —Athens ch	10 00
<i>Pby of St Paul</i> —Stillwater 2d and White Bear Lake chs, special,	30 00	<i>Pby of Blairsville</i> —New Alexandria ch 15 60; Union ch 10	25 60
<i>Pby of Michigan</i> —Westminster ch, Detroit 33 19		<i>Pby of Chillicothe</i> —Chillicothe 1st ch	51 71
<i>Pby of Chicago</i> —Aurora 1st ch 8; Mendota ch 22 50	30 80	<i>Pby of Richland</i> —Waterford ch 3 23; Olivesburg ch 11	14 23
		<i>Pby of Ohio</i> —Long Island ch	5 00
		<i>Pby of Beaver</i> —Slippery Rock Sab-sch	1 63
		MISCELLANEOUS.—Friends, special, 506; Friends in Ill 100; Mrs E E Townsend, Painted Post, N Y	5
			611 00
		Total receipts in November, 1867,	\$2,149 53
		DAVID KEITH, Treasurer,	
		St. Louis, Mo.	

FUND FOR DISABLED MINISTERS, AND THE NEEDY WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED MINISTERS.

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<i>Pby of Fort Wayne</i> —Pleasant Ridge ch 3; Warren ch 10 60; Lagrange ch 5 30	18 90
<i>Pby of Lake</i> —Valparaiso ch 16; Union Mills ch 2 76	18 76
<i>Pby of Logansport</i> —Indian Creek ch 3 50; Rensselaer ch 20 20	23 70
<i>Pby of Muncie</i> —New Castle ch	4 35
<i>Pby of Hocking</i> —Decatur ch 5 30; Barlow ch 4 55	9 85
<i>Pby of Marion</i> —York ch	3 00
<i>Pby of Richland</i> —Fredericktown ch	13 50
<i>Pby of Zanesville</i> —Zanesville 2d ch	28 00
<i>Pby of Wooster</i> —Chippewa ch 14 20; Chester ch 1; Millersburg ch 13 75; Jeromeville ch 2; Jackson ch 1; Canal Fulton 1st ch 3 60	35 55
<i>Pby of Donegal</i> —Chestnut Level ch 40 07; Strasburg ch 15; Cedar Grove ch 6; Slateville ch 31 90; Slate Ridge ch 25 46; Waynesburg ch 21	139 43
<i>Pby of Huntingdon</i> —Alexandria ch 33 25; Upper Tuscarora ch 5 25; Fruit Hill ch 9; Williamsburg ch 16; Lewistown ch 107 40	170 90
<i>Pby of New Castle</i> —White Clay Creek and Head of Christiana chs 25; Forks of Brandywine ch 25; Downingtown Central ch 12; Oxford ch 54 17; Fagg's Manor ch 28 27	144 44
<i>Pby of Northumberland</i> —Washington ch 11 75; Sunbury ch 24; Lycoming Centre ch 10; Bloomsburg ch 27	72 75
<i>Pby of Philadelphia</i> —Sixth ch 53 50; Seventh ch 121 44	174 94
<i>Pby of Philadelphia Central</i> —Alexander ch 22; North ch 49	71 00
<i>Pby of Philadelphia 2d</i> —Bensalem ch	6 75
<i>Pby of Blairsville</i> —Cross Roads ch 15; Beulah ch 20 36	35 36
<i>Pby of Clarion</i> —Mt Pleasant ch 3; Mt Tabor ch 4; Licking ch 10; Leatherwood ch 16 90; Clarion ch, add'l, 8 50; Rehoboth ch 1; Concord ch 5; Callensburg ch 10	58 40
<i>Pby of Ohio</i> —Pittsburgh Central ch 153 40; Bellefield ch 30 50; Monongahela ch 29 95; Racoon ch 20; East Liberty ch 199 27	433 12
<i>Pby of Redstone</i> —Mt Washington ch 9 67; Rehoboth ch 45 70; Mc Keesport ch 20 31; Connelville ch 28; Sewickley ch 6	109 68
<i>Pby of Saltsburg</i> —Plum Creek ch 32 07; Ebenezer ch 17 16; Gilgal ch 4 75; Elderton ch 6 87; Rural Valley ch 10 52; Mr and Mrs Henry Clark, of Clarksburgh ch, 1	72 37
<i>Pby of St Paul</i> —Westminster ch 29 48; Stillwater ch 6	35 48
<i>Pby of Maumee</i> —Union ch 3 75; Hicksville ch 3 43; Toledo 2d ch 6 45; Toledo 1st ch 23 50; Gilead ch 8 19	45 29
<i>Pby of Missouri River</i> —Bellevue ch 8; Council Bluff ch 27	35 00
<i>Pby of New Lisbon</i> —Newton ch	5 93
<i>Pby of Steubenville</i> —Bloomfield ch 9; Steubenville 1st ch 8 25; New Hagerstown ch 22; New Cumberland ch 5	44 25
<i>Pby of St Clairsville</i> —Martinsville ch	12 00
<i>Pby of Washington</i> —Wheeling 1st ch 53; Forks of Wheeling ch 34; Fairview ch 6; West Liberty ch 15; Upper Buffalo ch 17; Frankfort ch 8 50; Mill Creek ch 11 30; Burgettstown ch 11 50	156 30

<i>Pby of Winnebago</i> —Juneau ch	2 55
	\$3,920 14
Rev Joseph Hervey, D.D., of Hervey, Mich	\$5 00
Rev Dr Taylor, of Princeton, N J	10 00
David D Wood, Esq. of Phila	10 00
Jas Russell, Esq. of North Jackson, Ohio	5 00
D Shoemaker, Esq. of Slippery Rock, Pa	1 00
"A Friend"	10 00
"Nameless"	\$2 00
	\$3,963 14
GEO. H. VAN GELDER,	
Treasurer Trustees of General Assembly, Office, No. 320 Walnut Street.	
Philadelphia, October 4th. 1867.	

The following amounts have been received since last report, viz.

<i>Pby of Albany</i> —Dr Sprague's ch 175; Mariaville ch 8; Hamilton Union ch 8 05	\$191 05
<i>Pby of Allegheny</i> —Buffalo ch 7; Westminster ch 6	13 00
<i>Pby of Baltimore</i> —Annapolis ch 34; Aisquith St ch 20 25	54 25
<i>Pby of Carlisle</i> —Bedford ch 40; Hagerstown ch 20; Gettysburg ch 18 87; McConnellsburg ch 14; Green Hill ch 7	99 87
<i>Pby of Potomac</i> —Alexander ch	8 77
<i>Pby of Genesee River</i> —Portageville ch 8 05; Wyoming ch 11 50; Sparta 2d ch 4 25	23 80
<i>Pby of Chicago</i> —Oswego ch	6 15
<i>Pby of Rock River</i> —Zion ch	1 75
<i>Pby of Schuyler</i> —Perry ch	5 00
<i>Pby of Chillicothe</i> —Cynthiana, Marshall and Rocky Spring chs	11 70
<i>Pby of Cincinnati</i> —Springdale ch 46; Glendale ch 52 10; Cincinnati Central ch 82 40; Cummins-ville ch 12 84	193 34
<i>Pby of Miami</i> —Middletown ch	23 00
<i>Pby of Sidney</i> —Buck Creek ch 22; Belle Centre ch 5	27 00
<i>Pby of Bloomington</i> —Onarga ch	9 00
<i>Pby of Palestine</i> —Grandview ch	10 00
<i>Pby of Saline</i> —Friendville ch	8 70
<i>Pby of Indianapolis</i> —Bethany ch	3 50
<i>Pby of Madison</i> —Lexington ch 4; Pleasant Township ch, add'l 1	5 00
<i>Pby of New Albany</i> —Sharon ch	3 00
<i>Pby of Cedar</i> —Muscatine ch 13; Tipton and New York chs 26	39 00
<i>Pby of Highland</i> —Achison ch	12 00
<i>Pby of Louisville</i> —Walnut Hills ch	11 85
<i>Pby of West Lexington</i> —Lexington ch	29 40
<i>Pby of Palmyra</i> —Kirksville ch	5 00
<i>Pby of Burlington</i> —Cream Ridge ch	4 85
<i>Pby of Elizabethtown</i> —Liberty Corner ch	15 00
<i>Pby of Luzerne</i> —Mahanoy City ch	14 13
<i>Pby of Monmouth</i> —Tom's River ch 10 13; Shrewsbury ch 12; Red Bank ch 20	42 13
<i>Pby of Newton</i> —Stewartsville ch	48 00
<i>Pby of New Brunswick</i> —Trenton 4th ch 37; E Fuller, Esq. and wife 40 00	77 00
(To be continued.)	

GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S COMMITTEE ON FREEDMEN.

Rev. S. C. LOGAN, *Corresponding Secretary*, A. CAMERON, Esq., *Treasurer*, Box 224 Pittsburgh, Pa.
 WM. MAIN, Esq., *Receiving Agent*, 907 Arch street, Philadelphia.

Prayer does Help.

The favour of the Lord has been signally shown in many instances in the history of the efforts of Catawba Presbytery to establish an institute to educate coloured teachers and ministers. One of recent occurrence has greatly strengthened the faith of the brethren, and encouraged them to persevere. The Presbytery had located the Biddle M. Institute in Charlotte, North Carolina. For two months the building committee had laboured to secure an eligible site, but the difficulties seemed insuperable. At a prayer-meeting of the students, these difficulties were briefly stated by one of the instructors, and they were requested to make special prayer that the Lord would provide a suitable location. They were reminded that it was the Lord's work, and the hearts of men were subject to his control, and he had bidden us ask in faith for all things necessary for human happiness and the Divine glory. Still the way seemed closed. A small lot in the suburbs of Charlotte was contracted for, and the carpenters were taking down the house designed for the central portion of the Institute. The committee had laboured faithfully, but had finally been compelled to locate the institution in an unsuitable portion of the city, on insufficient ground. *While the carpenters were busy at work, and the wagons were loading up to start in one direction, a gentleman came by, and after expressing his cordial approbation of the enterprise, offered as a donation eight acres of a beautiful grove, on a ridge overlooking the city, and declared his intention, if his offer was accepted, to lay out one hundred acres around the Institute in acre lots for sale to the freedmen under the superintendence of the committee.* Here has been a signal instance of the power of prayer and the goodness of the Lord our God. He has exceeded our expectations, and surpassed our hopes. We prayed for a few acres to be paid for at their full value. He has given us the *best* location, ample grounds, and a town where the best of the freedmen can be collected and brought under elevating influences.

The Biddle Memorial Institute will be commenced with every condition fulfilled necessary to complete success.

1st. It is in the centre of a large coloured Presbyterian population.

2nd. It is one and a half miles from the centre of Charlotte, the most flourishing town in the Carolinas, with *five* Railroads diverging from it.

3d. The grounds secured will furnish ample space for the erection of all the buildings necessary to a first-class college.

4th. The freedmen's town is near enough for the citizens to prosecute their callings in Charlotte, while they are relieved of city taxes, and shielded from many temptations.

Additional funds are necessary to complete the building, but these the Lord will supply. We are praying for it, and they will be provided. Those wishing to aid in the elevation and evangelization of four millions of a semi-Christianized people, are requested to address the Rev. W. L. Miller, Secretary of Board of Trustees of Biddle Memorial Institute, Charlotte, North Carolina, who will cheerfully answer all inquiries, and fully explain the plan, objects, and advantages of the

Biddle Memorial Institute enterprise. Contributions earnestly requested, to be addressed to Rev. S. C. Alexander, Treasurer of Biddle Memorial Institute, Charlotte, North Carolina.

DONATIONS TO THE COMMITTEE ON FREEDMEN FOR NOVEMBER, 1867.

<i>Pby of Albany</i> —Amsterdam Village ch 20; West Milton ch 5 95; Hamilton Union ch 10; Gloversville ch 38 65	\$74 60	<i>Pby of Oxford</i> —Oxford ch	\$12 00
<i>Pby of Allegheny</i> —Worthington ch 13; Butler ch 47 05; Scrubgrass ch 16; New Salem ch 16; Bull Creek ch 5; Union ch 11 05	108 10	<i>Pby of Philadelphia</i> —Penn Square ch 123 38; Ridley ch 3	131 38
<i>Pby of Allegheny City</i> —Central ch	52 00	<i>Pby of Potomac</i> —Seventh St ch, Washington	3 25
<i>Pby of Beaver</i> —Unity ch	15 00	<i>Pby of Palestine</i> —Grandview ch	10 80
<i>Pby of Buffalo City</i> —Alden ch 7 50; Calvary ch 10	17 50	<i>Pby of Redstone</i> —West Newton ch	15 00
<i>Pby of Benicia</i> —Napa ch	10 00	<i>Pby of Richland</i> —Perryville ch	19 30
<i>Pby of Bloomington</i> —Waynesville ch 12; Towanda ch 16	28 00	<i>Pby of Steubenville</i> —Carrollton ch 11; Kilgore ch 6 50; Feed Spring ch 2 50; Beech Spring ch 14; Two Ridges ch 28 40	62 40
<i>Pby of Blairsville</i> —Poke Run ch	22 41	<i>Pby of Sangamon</i> —Third ch, Springfield 20; Farmington ch 27	47 00
<i>Pby of Burcau</i> —Princeton ch	13 00	<i>Pby of Sidney</i> —Buck Creek ch	29 00
<i>Pby of Clarion</i> —Licking ch 27 50; Greenville ch, add'l, 3	30 50	<i>Pby of Susquehanna</i> —Canton ch	10 00
<i>Pby of Cedar</i> —Long Grove ch 6 50; Summit ch 12 50; Marion ch 25 40; Linn Grove ch 5 49 40	49 40	<i>Pby of St Louis</i> —Salem ch	9 00
<i>Pby of Carlisle</i> —Fayetteville ch 11; Paxton ch 23 20	34 20	<i>Pby of Saltsburg</i> —Saltsburg ch	17 13
<i>Pby of Chicago</i> —Manteno ch	31 63	<i>Pby of Vincennes</i> —Upper Indiana ch 6 40; 1st ch Evansville 30	36 40
<i>Pby of Cincinnati</i> —First ch Cincinnati, Sab-sch special, B M I 20; 5th ch Cincinnati 21 19; 7th ch, Cincinnati 111 05	152 24	<i>Pby of Wooster</i> —Dalton ch 33; Dalton ch Sab-sch 11 39; 1st ch Canal Fulton 8 05	52 44
<i>Pby of Crawfordsville</i> —First ch, Terre Haute	11 00	<i>Pby of Washington</i> —Cross Creek ch 50; West Liberty ch 8 50	58 50
<i>Pby of Connecticut</i> —First ch Hartford	20 00	<i>Pby of West Jersey</i> —Salem ch	35 60
<i>Pby of Dane</i> —Madison ch	40 25		
<i>Pby of Dubuque</i> —Scotch Grove ch	12 00		
<i>Pby of Erie</i> —Cool Spring ch 10; Salem ch 6	16 00		
<i>Pby of Findlay</i> —Rockport ch 1 60; Vanwert ch 12; Findlay ch 23	36 60		
<i>Pby of Fairfield</i> —Bentonsport ch	7 80		
<i>Pby of Genesee River</i> —Wyoming ch	15 60		
<i>Pby of Huntingdon</i> —East Kishacoquillas Sab-sch	17 69		
<i>Pby of Indianapolis</i> —Hopewell ch 19 10; Shiloh ch 3 75	22 85		
<i>Pby of Kaskaskia</i> —Nashville ch	10 00		
<i>Pby of Londonderry</i> —Newburyport ch 56 62; Windham ch 16 08	72 70		
<i>Pby of Logansport</i> —Logansport ch 16; Rensselaer ch 3	19 00		
<i>Pby of Lake</i> —Valparaiso ch Sab-sch, special 50 60			
<i>Pby of Muncie</i> —Union ch 2; Hartford City ch 2; 1st ch, Indianapolis, add'l 7	11 00		
<i>Pby of Madison</i> —Hanover ch, add'l, 5; 1st ch, Madison 60	65 00		
<i>Pby of Miami</i> —Dick's Creek ch	4 60		
<i>Pby of Mohawk</i> —Park Central ch	83 00		
<i>Pby of Missouri River</i> —Omaha Mission ch 25; 1st ch Council Bluffs 15 95	40 95		
<i>Pby of Monmouth</i> —Tom's River ch	9 47		
<i>Pby of Milwaukee</i> —First ch Beloit, special, 57 50			
<i>Pby of New Lisbon</i> —Long Run ch 12 75; Poland ch 110 60; Deerfield ch 25 75; Yellow Creek ch 25	174 10		
<i>Pby of Newton</i> —Pleasant Grove ch 8; Stewartsville ch 33 85	41 85		
<i>Pby of New Albany</i> —Sharon ch	2 00		
<i>Pby of Ohio</i> —Central ch, bal 4; Temperanceville ch 11 50; 4th ch, Pittsburgh 20; Mingo ch 69; Miller's Run ch 4 23	108 78		
		MISCELLANEOUS.	
		Little Davie 1: Rev A C Alexander, N C 15; A Chapman, Alquina, Ind 5; Mrs M Robinson, Kittanning, Pa 10; Nehemiah Choate, Derry, N H 40; Mrs Louisa Nichols, New Britain, Conn, special, B M I 5; A friend, Nicholasville 1	77 00
		<i>Received at Philadelphia.</i>	
		<i>Pby of Bloomington</i> —Onargo ch	\$8 00
		<i>Pby of Carlisle</i> —Gettysburgh ch	23 97
		<i>Pby of Luzerne</i> —Mahoning City ch	17 75
		<i>Pby of Newton</i> —Lower Mt Bethel ch	16 00
		<i>Pby of North River</i> —Rondont ch	40 00
		<i>Pby of New Castle</i> —Oxford ch	37 61
		<i>Pby of Potomac</i> —First ch Alexandria	7 60
		<i>Pby of Raritan</i> —Second Amwell ch	6 00
		<i>Pby of Rock River</i> —Zion ch	2 45
		<i>Pby of Sangamon</i> —First ch Springfield	39 60
		<i>Pby of Saline</i> —Odin ch	8 50
		<i>Pby of Susquehanna</i> —Barclay ch	9 00
		MISCELLANEOUS.	
		Rev George Ainslie and wife, Rochester, Minn	5 00
		Total receipts in November,	\$2,436 00
		A. CAMERON, Treasurer.	
		The Committee would acknowledge the following gifts received:	
		1 package new books from Messrs Evans and Linn, through W. T. & B. Society, Cincinnati, Ohio. Not valued.	
		100 copies "Freedman" for Sumter school, S. C., from Boston A. T. S.	
		From Tract Depository, Richmond, Va., books for Sumter. Valued at 11 35	
		1 box of clothing from First Presbyterian ch, Allegheny City. Not valued.	
		1 package books from Rev. J. F. McLaren, D.D. Not valued.	

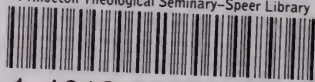
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