

FROM LATE ENGLISH PAPERS.

SLAVERY.

TO THE UNITED STATES OF NORTH AMERICA, ON
THEIR STRIPED AND STARRED BANNER.

UNITED STATES, your banner wears
Two emblems, one of fame;
Alas! the other that it bears
Reminds us of your shame!

The white man's liberty in types
Stands blazon'd by your stars—
But what's the meaning of the stripes?
They mean your negroes' scars.

THOMAS CAMPBELL.

RELIGIOUS EQUALITY.—The Dissenting body in London have issued a plan of a General Union for the promotion of Religious Equality, which proposes that, in order to secure a cordial understanding and effective co-operation between all parties in this country, concerned for the general objects of this Union, a Central Committee be formed of persons annually chosen by Local Committees or Associations, according to certain regulations; to hold their meetings in the Metropolis; having power to select a Chairman, Treasurer, and all other necessary officers. The plan gives a summary of the objects of the Association, which are, briefly,—co-operation among the friends of religious liberty—stringent watchfulness of proposed legislative measures affecting the rights of conscience—the registry of all legal cases affecting religion—the affording legal advice to parties exposed to prosecution for consciences' sake—furtherance of the public business in this country of missionaries of religious communities abroad—and in returning members to Parliament attached to religious liberty—and the promotion of religious liberty everywhere.—*Bath and Cheltenham Gazette.*

SHEFFIELD.—WESLEYAN PROPRIETARY GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—The fifth of November was observed with great enthusiasm in this interesting Institution. On the afternoon of the day, the students were assembled in the hall, when appropriate addresses were delivered by the Governor and Masters, the Rev. S. D. Waddy, one of the Secretaries, and Henry Longden Esq. The interest of the day was heightened by the presence of Monsieur Bally, the French Master, who furnished some affecting details of Papal persecution in France; also by the circumstance that one of the scholars is the descendant of an eminent Scottish Minister, who suffered Martyrdom for Protestant truth in the Grass Market of Edinburgh. The several addresses inculcated a spirit of good-will and charity to all; but set forth at the same time, in honest old-fashioned style, the unspeakable advantages conferred upon England by its deliverance from the Papal tyranny. A splendid display of fireworks out of doors, and a series of electrical experiments within doors, concluded the day, which will long be remembered with pleasure and profit by all who partook in its services.—*Sheffield Mercury.*

On Wednesday a Court of Directors was held at the East India House, when Major-General Sir William Casement, K. C. B., was appointed provisionally member of the Council of India, to take his seat therein on the 16th of June, 1839, when the term of Colonel Morison's service in the council will expire, or upon the death, resignation, or coming away of Colonel Morison, should any of these contingencies occur previous to that date.

ACADEMICAL HONOUR.—The College, at Amherst, at its recent commencement, conferred the degree of D. D. on the Rev. John Harris, the author of "Mammon," and Theological Tutor of Cheshunt College.

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