

is being published in *El Christianismo*, that it is purely Presbyterian, five-eighths of it being taken from the 'Westminster Confession.'

The *Messenger* of the English Presbyterian Church says: "The opposition to Dr. Temple's appointment to the See of Exeter, as most people foresaw, has ended in smoke. The Church of England, as a corporate body, is bound hand and foot, and is absolutely at the mercy of the state. Signs multiply of an approaching dissolution of her State connection. As a great national institute for the religious and moral education of the people, which was Dr. Chalmers' idea of an Establishment, she has been an egregious failure. In London alone, it is computed, there is about a million of heathen."

From the same magazine we take the following:—

"While the great Papal council is sitting, there is a small but important work going on in the city of Rome, as a protest against the arrogant assumptions of the Vatican. The foundation of a building for evangelical worship, in connection with the Free Church of Scotland, was laid a few weeks ago. For ten years this Church has kept up a service in Rome, at first in a room in the city, and afterwards in a hall outside of the gate, to which they were driven. Mr. Lewis, late of the Free Church of St. John, in Leith, has charge of the services in Rome, and to his exertion much praise is due. The building will be finished in the course of next summer, and as a sum of only £400 is yet required to pay its cost, there is no doubt that the visitors at Rome this winter will readily contribute that amount.

The *Central Baptist* of St. Louis, Missouri, protests against the organization of more Baptist Churches in that State. It has 800 Churches and 60,000 members, an average of 75 members to a Church, even supposing that all these members could be found, which is very doubtful. Not one Church in twenty is supporting a pastor, and many are doing absolutely nothing outside themselves. Were these scattered bodies consolidated, they might raise \$50,000 annually for State evangelization, but the Baptist Church, like others of congregational form, has no power of consolidation.

It will doubtless be new to most readers of the *RECORD* to learn that the Lutheran Church in the United States stands third on the list, as regards membership, unless, indeed, the united rolls of the Presbyterian Church be found to outnumber it.

The *Alaska Times*, among other institutions of that far-off region, calls special attention to the Sitka Sabbath School, under Presbyterian auspices.

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CALLS, &c.

It has been resolved by the congregation of *Cote Street, Montreal*, to call Dr. R. F. Burns, of Chicago. The Rev. John Lees, of Ancaster, has been called to *Biddulph* and *Lucan*, and the call has been sustained. The Rev. J. Calder has declined the call given by the *Seaforth* congregation; Mr. Calder has received a call from *West Church, Kincardine*, and *Pine River*. The Rev. J. Pritchard, of Camden and Sheffield, is to be translated to *Parkhill, &c.* The Rev. Dr. Cameron, of Lochiel, is called to *Beaverton*; and the Rev. J. Anderson, of Lancaster, to *Tiverton*.