

they do not allow their poor—except in excessively rare instances—to come upon the parish for relief. Another fact to their credit should also be mentioned: they are among the most liberal contributors to our Christian charities, hardly one of any importance being without the names of some of the Jewish community among its supporters.—The "London Review" Church Commission.

Items of Intelligence.

THE Presbyterian General Assembly (Synod of Ulster, Ireland.) have decided, by a majority of 72 to 21, that no professor in their new Magee College at Londonderry shall be installed until he has subscribed the Westminster Confession of Faith. The Rev. Mr. McNaughton, of Belfast, would have restricted this condition to the theological professors, and moved an amendment to that effect, but was opposed by Dr. Cooke, and defeated.

MEETING OF SYNODS.—The Synod of Nova Scotia and P. E. Island in connection with the Church of Scotland meets in St. Andrew's Church, Halifax, on the last Wednesday of the present month, at 11 o'clock, A. M. The Canadian Synod meets at Ottawa on Wednesday the 7th inst.; and that of New Brunswick, in St. Paul's Church, Fredericton, on the second Wednesday of August.

The new buildings which are about to be erected for the University of Glasgow, will be the finest in Scotland, and probably the most magnificent Educational Institution in Europe. The buildings are to cost £250,000. The site is some distance from the old University, and commands a noble view of the city, the Clyde, and the distant mountains.

At the monthly meeting of the Established Presbytery of Glasgow, held lately, an overture was adopted, praying the General Assembly to consider the subject of instrumental music in churches, and give a deliverance stating distinctly the law on the matter.

About eighty funeral sermons were preached in London on the Sabbath following the decease of Mr. Richard Cobden.

THE CHURCH IN NOVA SCOTIA.

Young Men's Christian Association of St. Andrew's Church, New Glasgow.

The lectures delivered during the past winter in connection with the above Association, have lately been brought to a close. This society affords opportunities to the young men of the congregation of meeting and discussing the teaching of the Word of God, upon topics suggested by any member, which may be of personal or public interest. Besides the benefits derived by members from the private meetings of the society, the community are interested and instructed during the winter, by lectures delivered by gentlemen from a distance, and members of the society. The course of lectures during the past season has been more than usually interesting.

The first lecture was delivered by the minister of the congregation, and was entitled "Prophecy, as fulfilled in the case of the large cities of antiquity," in which he pointed out the striking manner in which the declarations of the prophets concerning Damascus, Nineveh, Babylon, Tyre, and Jerusalem had received fulfilment, in the providence of God; and how prophecy was, unlike miracles which are past, an ever present evidence,

to the end of the world, of the divine origin of the Word of God.

Mr. Herdman lectured on "Nephrilism," or total abstinence from intoxicating drinks, and pointed out the dangers of the use of strong drink, the safety of abstinence, and concluded by an eloquent description of the virtues of cold water.

Mr. Goodwill, in lecturing upon "the influence which one mind exerts upon another," pointed out the influence of young men upon each other in society, the powerful impressions received from the conduct of others, and the wisdom of adopting proper maxims of conduct. His lecture was interspersed with many valuable practical advices.

Mr. McCunn chose as his subject "The Body," and referred to the mistakes entertained as to our duty in the case of the bodily tenement in which the soul dwells. He minutely described the bodily functions essential to health, and pointed out various ways in which people inadvertently injure themselves by improper food, want of cleanliness, and by breathing impure air in sitting-rooms and bed-rooms. The Rev'd gentleman described a simple and inexpensive plan, whereby pure air can be safely introduced into all our rooms, through the window. He enforced these duties by referring to the fact that the body of the believer shall share in his future glory.

Mr. Grant, whose subject of lecture was "The Moon," referred to the superstitions connected with this heavenly orb, and remarked that her connexion with the tide was doubted by some. He described the processes of observation and reasoning by which we have attained to our present knowledge of the moon. He referred to what we know of its geological formation, and presented to his hearers many striking and interesting facts.

Mr. McGregor lectured upon "Manliness," in connection with the life of Hedley Vicars. He pointed out the mistakes to which young men are liable in regard to true manliness of character. He showed its compatibility with tenderness of disposition and piety. These points were admirably illustrated by passages from the life and death of Hedley Vicars.

Mr. Cogswell, the present master of the New Glasgow Grammar School, lectured to a large audience upon "Luther," and made his subject very interesting by the admirable manner in which he presented the most striking incidents of a stirring and important life, and the most salient points of the character of a great man. Mr. Cogswell made a very favorable impression, and gave promise of much usefulness.

John McKay, Esq., closed the course by an admirable and judicious lecture upon "Geology," with reference to the Scripture account of creation. Mr. McKay showed how extensively he had read upon this and other subjects. He pointed out some of the geological proofs of the antiquity of the world, and of the recent creation of man, and rebutted the theories of sceptics as to man having lived upon the globe long before the time of Adam. His lecture closed a most interesting course. In affording which, the lecturers have laid the Young Men's Christian Association and the community under great obligations.

Barney's River---Bazaar.

At a meeting of the congregation, held some weeks ago, it was resolved to get up a Tea-meeting, the proceeds of which should form a part of a fund to be raised to pay a debt on the Church. On reconsideration, it was seen that they could not realize much money by a tea-meeting, consequently they came to the resolution of trying a