

Mission. In his latter capacity Mr. McClure has done very much for Canada and the colonies generally. He was licensed in 1823, and ordained as junior pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Londonderry, in 1825. The brethren of the Irish Presbyterian Church feel that in the removal of Mr. McClure they have lost a tower of strength. Mr. McClure, in company with the late Prof. Gibson, visited the North American colonies several years ago.

PRESBYTERIAN MINISTER IN PARLIAMENT.—The Rev. Prof. Smyth of McGee College, has been returned as one of the representatives of the county of Londonderry. His return has given rise to a good deal of discussion among Episcopalians.

DEATH OF REV. DR. BINNEY.—Dr. Binney, who for many years has been regarded as one of the leading and most influential Ministers of the Congregationalist body, lately died at the age of 76. He began his pastoral work in Newport, Isle of Wight, and in 1829 was settled as Pastor of the "King's Weigh-house Chapel." His pastorate was one of remarkable success. He was the author of several popular works.

THE EMPEROR OF GERMANY AND ROME.—In a letter from the Emperor of Germany to Earl Russell there are noble sentiments expressed in simple and dignified language. He says:—"It is incumbent upon me to be the leader of my people in a struggle maintained through centuries past by German Emperors of earlier days against a power the domination of which has in no country of the world been found compatible with the freedom and welfare of nations,—a power which, if victorious in our days, would imperil, not in Germany alone, the blessings of the Reformation, liberty of conscience, and the authority of the Law." There will be a hearty response from Protestants generally to such sentiments.

CRUELITIES IN COOMASSIE.—Mr. Kuehne, the German Missionary, who was lately released by the King of the Ashantees, gives a most horrible account of the barbarism in Coomassie. The slaughter in the streets of innocent slaves and freedmen is a thing of constant occurrence. As many as 200 persons have been cruelly sacrificed in one day. It is to be hoped that one effect of the war will be to open the way for the introduction of the Gospel, which alone can improve and elevate the social, moral and spiritual condition of the people.

THE OLD CATHOLICS IN GENEVA.—Three more *curés* of the National Catholic Church have been installed. Father Hyacinthe presented two of the priests to their respective charges, and Curé Hustault, the third. A copy of the Bible was presented to each by the Parishioners.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION OF MADRID.—A Young Men's Christian Association has been formed in Madrid. The members have issued an address to similar associations in the United Kingdom, asking their sympathy and prayers.

TEMPERANCE MOVEMENT IN THE STATES.—A very remarkable movement has recently been begun in Ohio and other States, having for its object the closing of Saloons, and all places for the sale of intoxicating drinks. It is carried on mainly by Christian women. The authorities of the Roman Catholic Church are also exerting their influence on behalf of temperance.

REFORMED EPISCOPAL CHURCH.—The newly organized Reformed Episcopal Church in the United States, is receiving several accessions in different parts of the country. We observe that in Ottawa a Congregation has been formed in connection with it.