Correspondence.

FOR THE PROVINCIAL WESLEYAN. New England Correspondence. SPIRITUALISM.

Considerable excitement prevails in this vicinity in consequence of suspending a stu-dent from Harvard University for his connection with Spiritualism. Some regard the act as inconsiderate and unjust, while others are disposed to look upon it as right, and demanded by the interests of the institution with which the individual was con-We confess ourselves among the efficiently in reference to this popular form reserve a notice of them till my next. of infidelity. The extent of this evil among us may be seen from the tollowing statements from a reliable source :

This new religion is advancing steadily in New England, and is more rife now than in the days of witchcraft. Its mixture of quackery and gim-crackery, the cant of old religions, and the slang of progress, suits the latitude. The believers are claimed to be "respectable in number, far above mediocrity in talent, and found in the most 'exclusive' circles of our upper and literary classes. Men influential in the church, in political life, in literature, and business, are secret or open believers in the intercourse of disembodied with embodied spirits." The editor was formerly a Presbyterian clergyman, which circulates between three and four thousand copies. Another, to be called the Banner of Light, was issued by Luther Colby & Co. early in April. The Banner the conductor of a disreputable journal.

"It is estimated that there are 25,000 secret or open spiritualists in Boston slone. believers, or, as the orthodox phrase is, "professors." They have three places of teaching, open every Sunday. The Melodeon is open twice, and is generally occupied by trance mediums, or celebrated expositors of the creed. The audience there average from 400 to 1100 persons. There are ser vices thrice every Sunday at Horticultural Hall, with an average attendance of 400 every session. Chapman Hall, also, is open thrice a day for the public discussion of spiritualism and spiritual manifestations.

a steady rale. Of his last volume, entitled 'Penetralia,' two thousand copies have been sold. Of Judge Edmonds' first volume. twelve hundred copies were disposed of by one Boston bookseller; of the 'Spirit Minstrel,' a spiritual music book, some four thousand have been sold; while Tiffany's pamphlet publications, are much more readily bought by believers than read by skep-

"The Rev. Mr. Godard has spiritual services thrice every Sunday at Chelsea .-There are two places of assembly at Cambridgeport open on Sunday, where trance mediums, for the most part, try to edify the public. There are occasional Sunday services at Roxbury also."

Several of our professedly religious journals are winking at, or actually encouraging this terrible delusion. The following is from the Christian Register (Unitarian),

out replies, and a controversy would be the Lord, to the extent of their ability, and which flowed to Rome from all parts of the brief time in two other Presidencies, but promoting drunkenness, profligacy, and imparticular objects of our paper; and there on the Circuit during the three years he are other papers especially devoted to spirihas been here. And most cheerfully

in saying that the theology taught by this medium and most others that we have seen or heard of, seems more reasonable than the incredible mythology taught as Christianity in most churches. Its general outline is quite specious. Its particular facts may be true, or they may not. We do not know; for we have never looked behind the curtain which hange before the superna- give. tural world, and are not convinced of the the spiritual phenomena that fell in our way, and are quite willing to see any amount of vestigation through superstitious scruples

"If our correspondent can remove our doubts we will thank him, and will unhesitatingly avow belief. For we have no fear of being driven to any of the nonsense some always identify with a belief in the spirits. It has caused insanity and suicide, it is true; but so will any other thought to which a weak mind abandons itself without restraint and balance. It seems to be saying the least that can be said, when we acknowledge, that spiritualism has done as much good as evil. It has excavated hundreds of fossil souls out of Sadducee materialism, and brought them up into the light of heaven .-Whether the phenomena be natural or supernatural, they seem to imply a capacity above flesh and dust. Strange that a belief in our spiritual nature, or the acceptance of any facts that will strengthen that belief, should be so dreaded by teachers of religion. Are our good Orthodox brethren afraid that men will be too sure of having immaterial souls? The gold is become dim indeed, and the most fine gold changed, when spiri tual has become a word of evil omen in the ears of the churches.'

It is time the church awoke to this subject. There is a hard battle to be fought, but we fear not the result. Truth will

THE CONFERENCES.

The Providence and New England Conterences have just held their annual sessions, and the reports of the temporal and spiritual interests of the Church are truly encouraging. It has been a year of general pros-Revivals had been quite general. and it is believed that there will be a considerable increase in numbers to the member ship, though to what extent is not yet fully ascertained. The finances were never in so good a state. The educational interests are hourishing. On the whole, Methodism was never doing better within the bounds of these Conferences than at present.

THE WORLD SOON TO END.

So say the Millerites. A certain comet about to make its appearance in our heavens, and they confidently anticipate the confirmation of their favorite theory of the conflagration of the world at the period of its visitation. The French astronomer, M. Babinet, takes the common view, that a comet is composed of nebulous vapor, and

philosopher states it as his opinion that the centre of this expected visitant is composed of solid fiery matter, which, he pleasantly assures his readers, will reduce the surface the globe to lava. We think our Millerite friends had better not be too sanguine. It we mistake not, they have been wofully disappointed once, and they may be again It is best to believe the Bible, and leave all doubtful matters where they belong.

NEW PUBLICATIONS. Several of our publishers are busily en-We think it high time to act more attention. But my sheet is full, and I must the initials but succeeding letters.

Revival at Wallace.

MR. EDITOR,-The Wallace Circuit has been the scene of many glorious revivals the fruits of which remain unto this day but I question if ever such powerful manias within the last month.

ple, began holding special services at Wallace Bay about the 1st April, and continued them twice each day for about two weeks. Much good was done,—sinners converted, spiritualists support one weekly paper in backsliders reclaimed,—and the Church revived. After closing the services in that place he immediately began another series of meetings at the Harbour, the stronghold of Satan in this Circuit, and God has been pleased to manifest himself in a very graci-Colby & Co. early in April. The Banner of Light is to be edited by a gentleman and entreating sinners to become reconciled once notorious in the newspaper world as to God, he urged upon the members of the Church the great necessity of seeking a deeper work of grace, even the perfect love of God. The result of these special services souls, between fifty and sixty of whom will Twenty-one of the members of Society on indisputable fact. have professed to receive the blessing of "entire Sanctification," and, we have reason to believe, are now exulting in the "perfec

love" of God. Glory to God. None of the ministerial brethren were here to render aid to our beloved pastor, but very efficient service was rendered by our esteemed brother, Joseph Canfield, and other members of the Church. The meetings were closed, after having been continufollowing beautiful lines:

" My soul through my Redeemer's care," &c. We desire to ascribe all the glory to our Heavenly Father, and earnestly pray that Monthly, the Spiritual Telegraph, and other all may "hold fast whereunto they have attained." Yours truly. Wallace, May 13th, 1857.

Black Head-Newfoundland. the Editor of the Provincial Wesleyan:

We have just had our quarterly mee for the Black Head Circuit, and as it is the last quarterly meeting at which we expect to have our beloved Minister, the Rev. J. S. Addy, to preside—he having completed his third year among us at Conference time-we wish to show the state of the Circuit, financially, numerically, and spiritualwhich most clearly shows which way that ly, at the close of his valuable labors in this circuit. In the way of finances our Circuit "'A Constant Reader' has sent us a long generally has done as much and more than This sentiment of nationality has been sensitive and wonderful account of theological instructive could reasonably have expected, consity alive at all epochs, and the temporal power of of the theology. We do not publish the being wholly a fishing station; yet have two last centuries the general prosperity of the commenced in our columns, which, we know many beyond their ability. Our esteemed world, silenced complaint. But the great the work was left to be prosecuted only in from experience, it would be difficult to Minister has had no defalcation to report to changes which have taken place in Europe during the south-eastern part of the Peninsula, and included in the commiserating sympathies keep within limits compatible with the more the District Board of the required sum laid have the people contributed their mite out of their small means to the Missionary funds. In this their deep poverty has-so to speak-abounded to the riches of their liberality; many of them have given their last Missionary fund here at the last Missionary meeting was £29 6s. 1d. The other Conference collections here have not indeed been much, because we have not had it to

The number of members in Society when authenticity of the revelations made by any our esteemed Minister came into the Circuit was 273, now on his leaving there are 522 accredited members,—showing an increase of 249 members. A blessed revival more. They are astounding often, and we took place in the Circuit in the first year of multiply. At the same time the constitutional have been perplexed exceedingly, though not his coming here, likened by some of the old system, which easily seduces the people, has convinced of their supernatural origin, for members to that which took place here gradually established itself in a majority of none has fathomed yet the depths of the natu- when our respected Co-Delegate, Dr. states. Men ask themselves whether it is conral in man's capacities. We would gladly be- Knight, was on this Circuit in 1830; many formable to the genius of the age, whether it is lieve; for we cannot feel our spiritual of those who were then converted have respectable to obey a priest, and perpetuate a nature too deeply, and shrink from no in- long since been gathered home to God: some few still remain, who testify the against seeing anything that is in God's power of the grace of God then manifested. n this last revival many were savingly converted and joined to the Church, some backsliders restored, and the society so gen- How create a powerful Italy so long as the penerally quickened and stirred up, that we have crowded congregations, and our religious services are delightfully refreshing, especially our prayer meetings and class meetings, and we are still praying and looking out for a large outpouring of the Spirit. We have therefore abundant reason to a sword? Other causes, not less powerful, have

thank God and take courage. At the quarterly meeting above referred to the following Resolution was proposed and unanimously carried, viz: That the thanks of this meeting be tendered to our esteemed Minister, Rev. J. S. Addy, for his valuable services among us; and that this meeting congratulates him on the success that, by the blessing of God, has attended his labors during the three years he has been among us. And we hope and pray that the blessing of God may attend and crown his labors with great success wher ever he may be appointed.

JOHN CURTIS, C. S. Black Head, April 16th, 1857

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THURSDAY, MAY 21, 1857.

Ve do not undertake to return rejected articles.

Wesleyan Conference of Eastern British America.

PREPARATORY COMMITTEES.

The members of the different Prepare tory Committees will please to take notice that they will be expected to attend the different meetings at Sackville, N. B., in the week immediately preceding the Conference, in the following order:

. Contingent Fund Committee on Friday, June 19, at 9 a. m.

Education Fund Committee do., do., 6 p. m. Supernumerary and Ministers' Widows Fund Committee, on Saturday, June 20, at 9 am . Book Committee, on Monday June 22, 9 a.m. Sackville Academy Board Meeting, on Tues-

The Conference will meet on Wednesday, June 24, 1857.

MATTHEW RICHEY, D. D. PRESIDENT.

dream when one awaketh THE PRESIDENT Would request of the Chairmen of Districts that at their several meetings they will secure a record of the precise date of birth of each child having claims on Circuit allowances; and also to gaged in furnishing the public with excellent reading matter, in the p

Papal Government.

apparent to themselves. It is interesting, howcrated.

sides of the Atlantic. It comes from the pen of Hons. Judge Wilmot, James J. Rogerson." the French envoy at Rome, and is a report to Count Walewski on the political condition, with has been the conversion of about eighty much indicative of the social state, of the Papal dominions. M. DE RAYNEVAL is a firm and be an increase to our Society, the remain- tast friend of the Court of Rome: his admissions of the Wesleyan Missionary Society an arder were those in a backsliding state, &c. against it may therefore be accepted as founded ticle, which we understand will appear in

At the outset, then, this writer concedes that the Pontifical Government "is undoubtedly vulforeign troops, and it is questionable whether it can dispense with this support." Again, he says, south-eastern Presidency of the great Pe-" It mistrusts, fears, besitates at, dreads responsibility. It is fonder of examining than deciding. It likes alternations and accommodations It is deficient in energy, in activity, in taking District, and Bangalore of the other. Thus for nearly three weeks, by singing the the initiative in firmness." Nor does M. de our Missionaries approach, but do not pass, Ravneval conceal that corruption reigns among the officials. A throne trembling to its fall before an injured and insurgent people, and supported only by the points of foreign bayonets -tribunals that injuriously prolong the duration of lawsuits, and criminally delay justice in the cases of public offenders; and ministers, who shrink instinctively from the discharge of any and its historic cities, are known to him, as duty: an impaired authority, an imbecile govern- to us, only by books. His foot has never mony of their own advocate, are prominent streams with which Arrian, seventeen cenfeatures in the "States of the Church." It is fair to give the writer's explanation of the causes which bave conduced to the present disquietude of the Italian people :-

"The discomfort and discontent of the poputhe fact that the part played in the world by Italy, is not that of their visionary aspirations. ing the last 50 years have dried up the sources of even here, in the Madras Presidency, derived exclusively from its own territory. Hence discomfort which, increasing from year to year, leads the minds of men by an easy process to discuss and attack the acts of their godollar to it. The amount contributed to the vernment. The Papacy, protected all this time by a great prestige begins to sink in the estima-

tion of the people. "The last traces of the ancient ecclesiastical overeignties have disappeared from the rest of Griffith. of these sovereignties, saw nothing singular in them. In the eyes of the new generation one government of this kind, left alone in the world, becomes an anomaly. Criticisms on this score superannuated system. Besides, how would it be possible to establish a system of liberty and free discussion, in presence of a power which lays rests exclusively on the principle of authority? state, neutral from the necessity of its nature, and isolated from all European conflicts? How play a great part when the centre of Italy is in the possession of a sovereign who does not wear ncouraged these bostile tendencies.

" Italy has always wielded the scentre, not in deed of war or politics, which are not exactly in its line, but at least of civilization, science and art. All felt that this sceptre was falling from her hands. The hundred views of the press daily informed the Italians of the progress their neighbors, and proved to them that they had been outstripped in many points. If-thanks to the blindness of national self-love-this sentiment has not yet become universal, at least a ed in the last entrenchments of its legitimate pride—a new and terrible grievance for which to hold the government responsible. In the meanwhile, the loudly avowed tolerance of several cabinets for the complaints made by the population was not, it must be confessed, one of their least encouragements. At present it is the most active of all, and the one, to which the hopes of all those turn who wish for something

different from what they possess. "On a soil thus prepared insurrection and revolution could not fail to germinate with facility. They turned the country topsy turvy, and left deep traces. The momentary victory obtained over the Papacy completely stripped i of all its prestige. It was no longer the sacred ark against which no effort could prevail. In vain it heaped concessions upon concessions the very principle of its existence was called in question. The idea of its ceasing to exist became familiar. Hostile passions derived new strength from the consciousness of a probable success, where till of late success would have seemed impossible; more than ever the national vanity attributed its wounds to an administration marked out for an attack by the popularity of its charity. The prejudices against what is called a government of priests reached their ulminating point."

The reflection which the foregoing statements naturally induce is that the power and prestige of the Papacy is rapidly waning. It is thoroughmust crumble, and the enchantments which have Teacher is to be found. surrounded his temporal sovereignty be as a

Mount Allison Weslevan Academy.

some of which are attracting considerable prepared correctly alphabetical, not only in inst and 1st proximo; and on Tuesday morning, been evident for years, to all men with morning was of a very extraordinary character. have been permitted to enjoy as much peace as will open at nine o'clock. The President of breaking up. In the Arctic seas, before the steps, was erected at one end of the church. It among another nation. We are here enjoying the Conference, we understand, is expected to ice cracks, a low steady murmur is heard, was surmounted by a large brazen cross, and as yet, favour in the sight of rich and poor, the of speculation and defence which the most ardent tendance in good season and throughout the is doomed; and what Hindu knowing all event, and behind that again an immense figur-

> for which they contend, and generally enough to make apparent the reasons why, among the same and that "hook-swinging is still practised to make apparent the reasons why, among the same requesting to day, showing the fanatic caste prejudices of the Company's sepoy troops, and that "hook-swinging is still practised to the church was a large cross of the contend with a cross. At strom Hong Kong. He passed as we were speak the other end of the church was a large cross of the contend with a cross. At strom Hong Kong. He passed as we were speak the other end of the church was a large cross of the contend with a cross. At strom Hong Kong the fanatic caste prejudices of the Company's sepoy troops, and that "hook-swinging is still practised with a cross that "hook-swinging is still practised with "hook-swinging is still practised with "hook-swing to make apparent the reasons why, among the people on whom its crushing power most severe
> and to notice generally in Mysore, as a Correspondent writes us wrought on white velvet, and which being placed some interest, and then invited us in to take tea people on whom its crushing power most severely falls, it is becoming almost universally exethe state of the Institution in all its departwho saw what he describes. In a letter
> against a deep red cloth or curtain presented a
> and converse with him, not only about the quar-A document of considerable importance, to Thomas H. Davies, Charles Churchill; Mat- "native prejudices" no longer stand in the placed upon the altar, had rich lace coverings. which we design for a few moments to refer, has thew H. Richey, Ralph Brecken, William K. way of interest or convenience, that he saw lately drawn the attention of writers on both Dudman, Joseph Salter, Nathan Tupper, Esqs.,

Weslevan Mission to India.

the Notices of May, proposing at least the planting of Methodist Missionary churches nerable on one side; its territory is occupied by levan Missions in the East Indies are conmost of our readers may be aware, the Wesfined to the Island of Ceylon and to the ninsula opposite. We have two Districts in Ceylon and two in Continental India .-Of the latter, Madras is the centre of one the Western Ghants; and while we have a few stations in the Carnatic and Mysore, we have none on the Malabar coast, none in the Deccan, none in Bengal or any other part of Hindostan Proper. But little comparatively of what is most distinctive of India, is seen by the Wesleyan Missionary. Its limitary rivers, its noblest mountains, turies ago, was probably better acquainted than he, or paused beside the "sacred' Himalaya. His eye has never beheld "holy" Benares, or Delhi, the old Mogul capital, or the modern "city of palaces," lations," he says, "arise more especially from Calcutta, perhaps the future capital of Asia. The principal languages in which our Missionaries proclaim the Gospel in Continental India are the Tamil and the Canarese, neither of which can be placed in the first rank of Indian dialects. The Tamil is said to be

A few days ago we received a beautifully printed Report of the "Madras Auxiliary Wesleyan Missionary Society." The Mission has suffered by the temporary absence, owing to the failing health or the removal, of several Ministers, and has sustained an afflicting loss in the death of the Rev. R. D But Madras, and India generally, Europe. Our fathers, accustomed to the sight will, we have no doubt, receive ultimate compensation for the absence of Missionaries who come home for awhile and advocate on English platforms the great evangelical cause with zeal and eloquence like that of the Rev. E. E. Jenkins. In fact, the Madras Auxiliary is not declining but making progress. We turned with much interest to the statistics of its " Anglo-Vernacular Institutions, in which, if anywhere, we may look for the rearing and training of Native evangelical agency; and though we see the institution still in its infancy, it is an infancy of much promise. The studies of the first class comprise theology, English claim to infallibility in spiritual matters, and literature and history, Indian history, geo graphy, and mathematics The teachers give public addresses on those portions o insula is divided into two distinct parts by a the Scriptures which have been studied in the Institution,-which thus becomes, in its higher department, a theological as well as Who can say but here the anticipation may be fulfilled which is expressed by the Friend of India?-" Our schools and colleges, among the thousands they turn out, may yet produce a Native Apostle: he will ring the knell of Hinduism

teacher.'

Now this Report of the Madras Auxiliary gives every encouragement to the design of commencing a Mission at the other Euro pean capitals of India, Calcutta and Bom-What is called "the English work at Madras has ceased to be "mainly degreat part of the population feels itself threaten- pendant for its support on the Parent Society, or to divert from their more legitimate work the attention of our Missionaries to the heathen." At St. Thomas Mount the English congregation maintains its own chapel, supports a Catechist, and presents a fair contribution to the general Missionary fund. It will be the same in Bombay and Calcutta. and the English Societies which Methodism may gather there will be the basis of Mistrust, prove to have been a Providential one. The letter which will be found in another column, addressed to Dr. Hoole by a soldier in that city, is a very noble and affecting one; and it would appear from the European journals published there that the absence of Methodism was at least a surprise to the Indo-Britons of the Western Presidency. At Calcutta, our Missionaries whence, ere long, further opening would be discerned, on the one hand towards Upper

is consequently harmless; but a German 6. Auxiliary Missionary Committee, on Tuesday leans upon the arms of Austria and France, and have an area and population greater than given by their incumbents that they would whenever in the mutations of national affairs the largest English counties, than the three adopt them or some of them-and in Loudon

There is surely room for us all, for Anglicans and Presbyterians, for Dr. Duff and like peace had been secured. the Free Church, for the Baptists, the Me-

deliver an address, and we have every reason never ceasing, springing no one can tell deliver an address, and we have every reason never ceasing, springing no one can tell close to it stood two large candles in golden can rulers and the ruled. In connection with the beautiful of the libertity of the start was covered with elabours of Pr. Delivert who The Papal Government in its present state and prospects is an object of deep solicitude to its friends. They note in anguish the symptoms to be confident that the exercises throughout whence, yet always, in the midst of the destricks. The altar was covered with elaborate-will be such as to afford high gratification to all wish on the foreign shipping station twice a week, we have a large number of visitors to whom the of senility, and strive in vain to conceal from trust that very many will avail themselves of it. is on the air. Who believes in Hinduism? able space in the church was covered with flowof senility, and strive in vain to conceal from others the progress of decrepitude so painfully apparent to themselves. It is interesting, howfestations of God's presence, to his assem bled people, have been witnessed among us, as within the last month.

apparent to themselves. It is interesting, however, and not less instructive, to mark the line ference to the great desirableness of their at-

> "a Parsee, a Brahmin, a Mehter (scavensame seat in the railway the other day, and room. It consisted of ten or twelve choristers Lord be with us, be able to make known that their respective superstitions." Whether the "Englisman" was the writer himsel'. We have received from the Secretaries

> > and a saving faith .- London Watchman.

Unitarianism and the Theatre Should we state that a distinguished clergyman of this city had recently made : speech in favor of dissipation, licentiousness, and general popular demoralization, we would probably be thought by many guilty of slander; and yet we do not see advocacy of theatres by a noted Unitarian divine can, in effect, be regarded as any thing else than an attempt to recommend in all lands, has uniformly proved detrimental to morals and inimical to virtue. For kindness. Many of them have been emistood on the brink of any of the five classic nent for private moral worth, and more might be, in spite of their profession. No will we do so much injustice to Dr. Bellows as even to intimate that he would favor the Ganges, or scaled the passes of the mighty attendant vices of theatrical attainments.— He. doubtless, wishes a drama so free from taint, that he and other clergymen might occasionally visit it, and, probably, take part in its performance. But whatever his ideal drama may or may not be, his speech is interpreted as a defence of the theatre as it the worst passions of the populace are jubi- and the muisc, which was certainly very spienlant in praise of the Unitarian smile demit- did, was in strict accordance with that with The actors have found themselves of the "All Souls" pastor, and they seem Rome's affluence. The church has been compelled to remain contented with the revenue "large cities and popular villages, never gether. But as one swallow does not make see the face or hear the voice of a Christian a summer, it may be well to obtrude a warning word upon the reluctant ears of those who have undertaken to persuade the public that clergymen all should make haste follow the saltatory performance of Dr. Bellows, and leap into the pit with him, to encore half-naked artists, and profane jesters, and mimic mockers of virtue and piety We have not the slightest expectation of seeing a very general competition among clergymen for a share in that bubble of

notoriety in which the "All Souls" luminary is now swimming alone. Nor do we think that any considerable proportion the Christian community will be drawn int any fervent admiration of those schools of vice which have now put themselves under the wing of the Unitarian Apollos. If he wants to go to the theatre, they must allow him the quiet indulgence of his tastes; but so long as thousands of young men, and as many women, are annually initiated into courses of vice and subsequent ruin through the voluptuous enchantments and corrupt ing accessories of our theatres, there w a deep conviction among thoughtful people that a clergyman ought not to allow himself to become a decoy for those moral

slaughter-houses. The most significant feature of Dr. Bel ws' position is the incidental exhibition an educational college; -and about half a affords of the nature and genius of Unitadozen of these native youths are believed rianism. His speech shows what his notion to have been truly called to labor in the of religion are. It is a tasteful culture of art, of the softer sciences, and a gentle sen timentality, floating along azure skies, borne by zephyrs, and waited on by pleasure. How strange that a religion so agreeable to human nature should be so slow in winning its confidence !- N. Y. Christian Intelli

Religious Intelligence.

A Tractarian Easter.

We find the following in our English Ex-

Committee of Privy Council, in the case of Westhey would revive a series of ecclesiastical symbols which for many years past have fallen into at the time of the Holy Communion.

about one hundred and eighty millions of formance of his most solemn and mysterious du- if I can only induce him to pray in secret, I will human beings-a full sixth of our race,- ties at the altar. In several parishes in the trust God with the result. He comes again to and that it is too easy to point to districts, diocese of Oxford and Exeter these novelties us to-merrow, meanwhile Joel will see and con-

these empiressee fit, or find it necessary, to withdraw their support, the throne of His Holiness cipality of Wales, yet in which no Christian anticipation of renewed strife upon subjects Church in England :in reference to which it was hoped something

thodist Episcopal Church of America, which has lately opened a mission in Northern India, and for British Methodism too.—

At All Ssints district church, St. Marylebone, which is Mr: Alexander which you will be receiving of war and massacre at Canton and Hongkon, you will naturally be respected by the state of the supporter of the chief supporter of which is Mr: Alexander at Canton and Hongkon, you will naturally be receiving the chief supporter of the ch Much, however, has been already accom-The annual examination of classes in the plished, and, as the Friend of India says, in especially since the secession of Mr. Oakley, not only in China, but in the province of Can the 2nd of June, the usual anniversary exercises eyes, that the old fabric of Hinduism is A high altar, which was approached by several if we had been in a different country, and Our estimable pastor, Rev. R. A. Tem
deposition of the Papacy pursue. There is examination and succeeding exercises. We this raised a hand! There is no heart left ed red cloth, extending, with two other cloths and from the military efficer in the charge of enough to be found in their own writings, where they injudiciously commit their thoughts to publicity thrrugh the press, to condemn the system

| examination and succeeding exercises. We enough to be found in their own writings, where they injudiciously commit their own writings, where they injudiciously commit their thoughts to publish to-day, showing the fanatic caste publish to-day, showing the fanatic caste credence table, surmounted with a cross. At from Hong Kong. He passed as we were small. men's, and to present their views both to the from Calcutta, published yesterday by the very striking appearance. The vessels for the rel at Canton with the English, but about the Trustees, and to the Conference, viz. Revs. Times, the writer states, as a proof that celebration of the Holy Communion, which were Gospel of Christ. Let the people of God, than

> all profoundly indifferent, to the outrage on and four priests, including the Rev. W. Upton way of life. Richards, the incumbent of the district. Three and what in that case was his own peculiar of them being Oxford men, wore the red hood, superstition," he does not certify to us; and the fourth, a Cambridge man, wore the nor is it material. The railway and the black hood with the white silk lining. All of telegraph will revolutionize Hinduism, edu- them were a metal cross on the back of their cational colleges will explode it, and Chris-necks. The procession was headed by a chorisin Calcutta and Bombay. At present, as tianity will replace it with a benign law ter in a surplice, who held up a large silver cross, with which on approaching the steps of the altar, he knelt, holding it up until the priests and choristers had finished the anthem in which they had been engaged while passing down the middle of the church. He then placed the cross pear to the incumbent, where it remain ed during the remainder of the service. Prayers having been chanted, the time arrived for the commencement of the pre-communion service, and the three priests who were to take part in it retired. During their absence an official ascended the altar steps, and lighted the two form of amusement which, in all times, and huge candles, which remained burning until the congregation dispersed. When the priests reentered they bowed reverently to the altar as actors, as a class, we have no words of un- they ascended the steps, and then knelt before the cross until the Easter Hymn, which the people were engaged in singing, was finished. They then went through the service, standing on the steps of the altar, with their backs to the people, except during the epistle and gospel when they turned round. After this Mr Richards preached from the 24th verse of the 118th Psalm, "This is day which the Lord hath made," but there was nothing in the sermon to call for any remark. The whole of the proceed ings resembled, as closely as circumstances per now is. The papers that pander most to mited the services of the Roman Catholic Church

and wonderful account of theological instructions received from spirits through the medium of Mrs. Hatch, and asks our opinion
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of Bengali is the mother tongue of twenty-five millions. Hard of the mother tongue of twenty-five millions at least, and Hindui of forty millions. Weiss street; St. Peter's Chapel, Pim- ordinances of religion are administered, amount millions. with the establishment where High Church Ministers are assisted by numerous lay agents, views are inculcated, a form of worship similar who form an important element in the aggressive n its general character, but differing in some of character of Methodism. No less than 1,358 Loits minor details, was adopted. At St. Paul's cal Preachers render their valuable aid in con-Knightsbridge, and at St. Barnabas. Pimlico, nection with both the colonial and Mission work which have lately been brought so much under. The pupils attending the day and Sunday schools public notice, there were no material changes in number 35,153; 21,425 persons, are enrolled the service, the ornaments, and vestments sanctioned by the Judicial Committee of Privy Coun. schedules of the various Districts, which are care il having been retained. It does not appear that the alb, the chasuble, and the tunicle have ants on public worship is 122,620. The field up to the present time, met with any marked occupied by the Australasian Weslevan Church avor in the metropolitan churches.

Rev. Mr. Butler, Missionary of the M. E. Church, writes to the Mission Rooms, Feb. 23: I have just been engaged for nearly two hours in conversation, through my native preacher Joel," with a Mohammedan. He came more than 100 miles to seek information about Christianity. He is as noble and handsome a Pagan as I have ever seen; his black lustrous eye indicating an energetic soul. He found Joel, and Domestic. Joel brought him to me, and we conversed with him. Joel interpreting for me. So far as I can ifax, May 8, 1857 .- His Excellency the Lieutjudge, he seems to be a sincere enquirer. He has read the Christian Scriptures, but feared to avow his doubts and convictions among his friends, and states that his reason for coming here was to enable him to do so. I tried to be McNab, Chairman, Commissioners for the con as judicious as I could in my intercourse with struction and management of Railways-Wm inn. He seemed very humble and very sincere, Pryor, Jr., and John H. Anderson, Equis. and declared his only object was his salvation O! how my heart glowed! Was God really going to give me a convert before I speak the lan- K. Patillo, Joshua N. Freeman, Robert Roberts. guage. Well, we talked; I urged heartfelt religion on him, made necessary by our fallen state, to which he consented. I then explained what experimental piety was, and told how I was converted, and then urged him to leave God to settle all difficulties, and to go to him for a change of heart, and to do this at once. I urged him to let us pray with him there and then, and P. Christopher, Peleg Murray, Richard Kemthe consented, and had you, or our committee ton, John Smith, Jr., Allan T. Freeman, and looked in upon my study just then, and seen us three on our knees-Joel pleading earnestly with God; I helping, as tears and mental prayer could; and the poor dark Mohammedan between us both on his knees, occasionally uttering the J. Payzant, and Allison Smith, Eggs groan that evidently came from the heart, and all this in the midst of my books and pavarious newspapers, and have been confirmed pers piled on the floor in confusion, waiting

by the organs of the High Church party, that for my book-cases to come, you would have certain Tractarians, encouraged by the Judicial thought us really in earnest and would have blessed God on our behalf. O praise the Lord terson v. the Hon. and Rev. R. Liddell, incum- for experimental religion! I do believe in the sionary operations among the surrounding bent of St. Paul's Church, Knightsbridge, and blessed agency of the Holy Spirit, even over the heathen. The call from Bombay will, we St. Barnabas, Pimlico, had resolved that Easter darkest mind. O! if God will give us this preci Sunday—the high festival of the Church— ous soul, how happy and encouraged we shall be-He evidently felt, felt deeply, and when he rose from his knees even went so far as to state disuse; and it was added, that in some cases it that he was ready for baptism, and asked me to had been determined that no less an aggression baptize him. I told him it would not be prudent was meditated than lighted candles on the altar for either myself or him to do so at once, unless I were in the position of Philip as a traveler, The precise articles of ecclesiastical vestments and met him in "the desert," and had to leave would find themselves set down among a which it was said to be the intention of the clergy him. I then urged him to take the Divine word, Cunningham, Antigonishe, Donald McDonald, population of not far short of half a million to introduce were the alb, "a surplice worn close which I put into his hands, the Epistle to the Brouche,) Esqrs. ouls, the capital of a province containing at the wrists, like the lawn sleeves of a bishop;" Romans, and go and read it, and engage earnestfifty millions; they would be at the seat of the chasuble, "that part of a priest's habit worn ly in private prayer with God for light and salva-Government in the proper centre of India, over his alb when he says mass;" and the tunicle tion, and that he would surely be led right. He missioners for the County of Sydney.—The Rev. which is a general covering, which would give is gone, I believe, to do so. This, to the worldly-Bengal and the North West Provinces, on the officiating Minister of the English Church wise, may seem a singular way to convert Mothe other towards Pegu and Birmah. Let the officiating Minister of the English Church wise, may seem a singular way to convert Moit be remembered that in India there are Priest when in full canonicals, and in the per-

Missionaries in China

The following letter from the Rev Wm.

At All Saints district church, St. Marylebone. My Dear Sir, - Amid the harrowing accounts while they cease to feel unduly anxious on our account, abound continually in prayer for this At eleven o'clock, everything being in rediness, the organ struck up, and a procession of important and interesting sphere of labour, and ger) and an Englishman, all sitting on the priests and choristers emerged from the vestry- the many precious souls to whom we may, if the Ever yours, &c.,

WM C Ross

Sad Apostasy.

The late venerable Dr. Sharp was one of the nost influential Baptist preachers in Bostonrevered there through half a century by all classes. Several of his children have deserted his religious instructions and become papists. A paper of his own denomination, the Southern Baptist, referring to the lately announced apostasy of "Miss Sharp," says: "This case is only one of several, making up now a majority, we believe of the children of Dr. Sharp, who have passed over to the fold of the papal Church. Three successive instances we have traced of such apostasy in this family, so interesting to us from personal recollections. It only illustrates the unhappy effects of inter-marriage with Romanist families, knowing beforehand the politic and unprincipled expedients which are resorted to by such people to gain their proselyting ends. The alliance once made, by the first of the family who took such a step, led on to acquaintance which ultimately involved other members of the the family. It also illustrates the tendency in a family where mere taste takes precedence of eligious principle and knowledge, and with persons of great sensibility and religious enthusiasm, the appeals of the apparatus and the ritual of the papal system lead the judgment captive to

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"The present number of chapels belonging in Church membership; and it appears from the fully compiled, that the total number of attendis extensive, comprehending not only the several colonies of Australia and Tasmania, but also, as Missionary ground, New Zealand and the Friendly and Feejeealslands, in the South Paci-

General Intelligence.

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PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Hal-Governor, by the advice of the Executive Council, has been pleased to make the following as

To be in conjunction with the Hon. James

To be Justices of the Peace: In Queen's County-Wm J. Jacobs, Wm McLearn, Thomas Augustus Knaut, Francis W. Collins, James De-Wolf, Thomas Fleiger, Philip Fancy, John Shiriff, Suncon Sullen, George T. Parker, Chas Allison, Jr., John Douglas, Luther Ledbetter, Stewart Freeman, Wm. Mortimer, Henry Gardner, Enoch Stedman, Wm. Allen Freeman, John Mulhall, Edward McLeod, David Minard, Geo. Lawrence N. Young, Esqrs.

In the County of Hants-Daniel Terhune Geo. Parker, Isaac Lake, James Greeno, Robt. Allison, Wm. Davidson, George Wolaver, Lews

In the County of Pictou-John Crerar, Pictou. Roderick Fraser, River John, Robert Doull, Henry R. Narraway, Pictou, Donald McDenald, New Glasgow, Roderick McLellan, Roger's Hill, John Cameron, New Glasgow, George Denoon, Pictou, John Holmes, River John, Adam Gordon, Edward F. G. Kirkwood, and George M. Johnston, Pictou, Esqrs.

In the district of Argyle-Michael Surette, Leon Porter, Wm. D'Entremont, Esque. In the County of Lunenburg-Nelson, Ches-

In the County of Sydney-Wm. Chisholm, Wm. Gerrior, (Tracadie.) Edward Gorman, Little River, Charles Cameron, Upper South River, John McDonald, Duncan Chisholm, Wm. R. (St. Andrew's,) Edw. Corbett, (Harbour au

To be members of the Board of School Com-John Cameron, the Rev. John Shiell, the Rev. Ronald McGilvray, the Rev. Mr. Morris, and Archibald McGilvray, Esq.

To be a Health Officer for Piotou :- Edw. F.

G. Kirkwood, Esq. His Excellency by the advice of the Council,

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