A "tempestuous gale" passed over the Eastern States lately, the result of which was great damage to property and considerable loss of life.

N. B.—We hope agents and subscribers will pay up arrears for the RECORD without further notice.

The negotiations between Germany and the Pope for the settlement of existing difficulties failed.

The Manhattan Bank of New York was robbed on Sabbath morning of nearly \$3,000,000.

Bank failures have been extensive and **disa**strous during the past month.

Cardinal Cullen, of Dublin, is num relaring the dead.

Earl Beaconsfield is reported very ill.

A great shadow was thrown over the late meeting of the Synod of Central New York by the death of one of their prominent members, Rev. Thomas Street, D. D., on the cars, while on his way to attend the meeting in Oswego, Oct. 16th. He was conversing cheerfully with his neighbor on the same seat, telling an anecdote, when his voice all at once changed into a gurgling sound. To the inquiry of his neighbour whether he could do any thing for him. he made no response, and it was evident that he was in a dying condition. A physican on board the train pronounced him dead in a very few moments. Dr. Street is stated to have been sixty-five years old, although having the appear-ance of a man of fitty. His ministerial life began in the Methodist Church, but be joined the Presbyterian body and became a member of the Presbytery of Columbia in 1854.

THE Eastern Question seems entering on a phase of peril. Russia ap. pears to have encouraged a fresh insurrection in Roumelia or Southern Bulgaria, Greece is restive. Austria's position is very uncertain; and Furkish rule amounts to nothing. The British Government is about to appeal to the powers who were parties to the Berlin Treaty to unite in insisting on the treaty being carried ont in good faith. Serious fears are entertained of a fresh outbreak of war: and should the conflict be renewed if will be more serious t (an the last; -- The Sultan appears to have given his assent to the British programme for Reform in Asia Minor. The gist of the Reforms appears to be the appointment of English commissioners to aid in the administration of justice.

HABIT is the scape-goat for many · of neglect, of unkindness, of thoughtlessness, as well as worse offences. In the busy seasons of out-door work some farmers have the habit of leaving many hard jobs to the housewifes, which they ought to be ashomed of themselves to put upon them in other seasons. It there are no rural homes where bringing in wood, building fires, "lugging" water, churning, messing and perhaps milking the cows, and doing many other hard and disagreeable things, are not left to the women, then there is more of the millennium diffused abroad than we have reason to suppose. That the imposition of such tasks or any needless work, upot women, comes through habit. is hardly an extenuation-certainly not an excuse. It is a man's duty to corract his bad habits. And one strikingly bad habit is that of acting as though " woman's rights' include the right to all the worry and one-half the work of homelife. If the peragraph means you, good friend, stop and think if you cannot make the way pleasanter' and easier to her who is walking "the long path" with you