BRITISH AND POREIGN.

THE Sustentation Fund of the Free Church of Scotland is about \$5,000 ahead of last year.

DR. BFGG of the Established church Falkirk, has entered upon the fiftieth year of his ministry. REV. JOHN DUNIOP, Dundee, has

been nominated for one of the vacant chairs in Aberdeen college. Miss Rainy has resigned her seat on

the Edinburgh school board in consequence of her visit to India, PAPAL Rome has witnessed the laying

of the foundation of the twenty-second Protestant house of worship within her THE Rev. H. P. Parker, has been

consecrated as bishop of eastern equatorial Africa in succession to the late Bishop Hannington. An influential committee has been

appointed to institute a memorial to the late Dr. Currie, principal of the Edinburgh Training College. AT a meeting of Roman Catholics at

Dumfries the Scottish Protestant Alli-

ance was denounced as "a club of venomous and envious bigots." At the last meeting of the Breadalbane Free Presbytery, notice was given of an overture to the General Assembly

to discontinue the Free Church College at Aberdeen. THE following ministers are candidates for the vacant church history

chair in Glasgow University: Dr. Story, Rosneath; Dr. Sprott, North Berwick; and Mr. Hunter, Partick. A VERY large majority of the presbyteries of the southern church endorse the action of their last general assembly

in the Woodrow evolution case, and against Dr. Woodrow and his evolution theories. MR. W. T. STEAD, editor of the Pall Mall Gasette, preached on Sabbath evening in Clifton-park church, Belfast.

He took as his text a poem entitled "A Parable," written forty years ago by J. Russell Lowell. A COMMODIOUS hall is to be erected at Bridgewater, England, in memory of George Williams, the originator of the Young Men's Christian Associations,

the was converted at that place nearly filty years ago. THERE are eight divinity halls in connection with the three great Presby-terian Churches in Scotland. The Free Church has seventeen professors, the Established sixteen, and the United

Presbyterian four. THE Rev. Mr. Dewar, of Kingussie, Scotland, says his manse is far too large and grand, but, "it was presented by Mr. George Mackenzie, of New York, and people must not look a gifthorse in the mouth."

On the subject of Disestablishment 100 books were published in Britain in 1880-85. That they take matters more quietly in France, is shown by the fact anat only ten publications were issued there on the subject of the expulsion of the religious orders by the decrees of

DR MULHALL has compiled statistics which show that America leads all in congregational worship. Of this countries in the commission of crime. Commenting on the awful record of murder and suicide, a New York journal the convenor. On the last Sunday in finds the threefold cause in infidel September the Revised Psalter, pointed the convenor of the last Sunday in finds the threefold cause in infidel September the Revised Psalter, pointed the convenor of the last Sunday in finds the threefold cause in infidel September the Revised Psalter, pointed the convenor of the last Sunday in finds the convenor of doctrines, fictitious sentimental litera- for chanting and set to music by Mr. ture, and the decadence of family Murray, was introduced into the service

special permission is given for Roman Catholic pilgrimages to Westminster Abbey, but save it is not the Paster proved Abbey, but says it is not the practice to discourage any visitor from offering private prayer, or to question those who assume the attitude of devotion as to the nature and object of their personal

THE new Barony church in Glasgow is to cost £13,000, and the money has all been raised except £2,000, towards which the congregation has agreed to contribute one half, the balance being promised by friends. The church is to be erected in Cathedral Square, opposite the present building, and will be proceeded with at once.

"THE Treasury of David," by Mr.

TRULY it is like the lurid flash of argued, was Lord of the conscience, lightning, says the Christian Leader, to and its dictates should be obeyed read the divorce statistics of the United regardless of men's commandments or States. At the present hour there are 650 applications for divorce before the courts of Chicago, upwards of 700 in the Presbyterian city of Philadelphia, and there were 250 last year in Louisville-nearly one-sixth as many suits for divorce in the last named town as there were marriages

THE manuscripts of Calvin's letters and homilies in the university library at Geneva are beautifully written and well bound. The letters have been carefully copied by Professora Reusa, Ilaum and Cunity, and fill ten volumes of their standard edition of Calvin's works, which has now reached thirty volumes. Dr. Reuss states that the homilies and commentaries will require twenty additional volumes.

A PASTORAL letter from the Romish Scottish hierarchy says that the Church now emerging from the obscurity to now emerging from the obscurity to "I saferel with emplions on my face for over which centuries of legal disabilities had condemned her, is no longer compalled to limit her sphere of action to those of theory, Beauerjour, Manitola.

her own Immediate household. Whether to goard or to spread the faith, sho must make her presence known and her power to save felt in the actual world of which she forms a part.

OF the books added to the British Museum in 1880 85 there were seventy-two on Christianity and science, including the religious aspect of evolution; 120 on missions, 29 on the salvation army, and 78 on spiritualism. By far the majority of these are English; the salvation army Interature is entirely so with the exception of one volume in Welsh. Eschatology furnished a subject during the same five years for 92 works, 30 of which are concerned entirely with Archdeacon Farrar's views on everlasting punishment.

THE union of the Waldensian Church and the Free Italian Church has been virtually accomplished. Dr. Gray, of Ronie, who was present at the Synod which met last month at Torre Pellice, writes that of the seventy members of synod present when the final vote was taken on the proposed articles of union, sixty-seven voted in favour, the remaining three abstained from voting. The result which was hardly expected, is highly satisfactory to the friends of the United Church in Italy. The United Church conserves the name of the Waldensian Evangelical Church, leav-ing, however, the power to individual congregations to take the name of Evangelical Church of-, if they

THE Rev. Wm. Balfour, of Holyrood, proposed in Edinburgh Presbytery that a remonstrance be sent to the govern-ment against the appointment of a Roman Catholic to the office of home secretary. Principal Rainy opposed the motion on the ground that it was out of the question to take political securities against popery. If they securities against popery. If they objected to Mr. Matthews they must also object to the Act of 1829, by which their Roman Catholic fellow subjects were entrusted with political functions. The amendment was adopted by 25 to it refusing to approve Mr. Balfour's motion, but recommending ministers to enlighten the people on the errors of Romanism.

A LARGE audience gathered in Pardee Hall at Lafayette College on October 27th to celebrate Founder's Day. It is twenty years since Mr. Ario Pardre, of Hazleton, Pa., established the scie tific department, to which he has given nearly a half million dollars, and sixty years since the college received has charter. The Rev. Dr. Francis L. Patton, professor in Princeton Theological Seminary, was the orator of the day. His theme was "Rational and Philosophical Doubt." The tenor of the address was a lucid examination of the claims of Christianity and a warm and dispassionate appeal to thoughtful young men to devote to religion the same thoughtful consideration and careful investigation that they would give to any other subject of importance.

A COMMITTE of the English Presbyterian Church has been engaged for some time in preparing the revised version of the Psalms of David for use of the Brunswick Street church. It is to be a great success. There was but one opinion as to the relative value of the old and new versions, while the simplicity of the pointing, the easiness of the chants, and the purity of the harmonies came in for general praise. It is expected that the new Psalter will be adopted and used by most of the non-conforming bodies.

THE National Convention of United declaration prepared by the Committee on resolutions. The document is a strong one, and sets forth in detail the that his edition of Norcott's "Baptism Discovered" is working powerfully in various parts of Roumania and Turkey, while his latest book, "All of Grace," has been translated into German and issued at Bonn.

TRULY is to be the second also states most formidable arguments in opposition to the use of the organs in the church. A discussion followed the reading of the paper, and the resolutions accompanying it. It was urged by all, however, that they should stand by the first principles regardless of the mishes. regardless of men's commandments or church majorities. A conference committee, consisting of seven clergymen and four laymen, was appointed. The committee on resolutions presented a plan of organization for those United Presbyteriana opposed to instrumental music. The plan provides for the formation of a permanent association to be known as the United Presbyterian Association of America, the object being to maintain and promote purity in doctrine and simplicity in worship in the United Presbyterian Church. The members of the association shall be members of the United Presbyterian Church in sympathy with the objects of the association, and meetings shall be held annually at a time and place fixed by the association.

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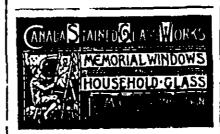
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