Tyrone Ireland, 1794—on the 6th of May last, died at River John, N. S. In 1814 he united aid from Austria. with the Methodists in his native land, where better than life," and testified that through the atonement of Christ, he had a sure prospect of future glory,-died in peace.

brought to the Saviour, he at once identified himself with those among whom he received an immense army. spiritual benefit, nor ever afterward acted as if Napoleon fully intended to make Germaof liberality. He was known among his brethren illness, that death was at hand, calmly replied. bers of our Church in this place.

bors of the celebrated Gideon Ouseley was brought to Christ. Subsequently she removed to meet her last enemy.

River John, Aug. 20, 1870.

Probincial Edeslepan WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31, 1570. THE WAR

We think it certain that the readers of the Provincial Wesleyan are too intelligent to feel indifferent to the progress of the terrible contest going on between France and Germany. We judge it therefore probable that those readers will not be displeased if, turning aside this week from the consideration of Connexional topics, we take a general survey of the developments of this dreadful quarrel from its commencement to the moment of writing, which is, we may observe, necessarily a few days earlier than the hour of publication.

France has already inflicted upon Germany immense injury in the present war. The commercial marine of Germany has been driven from the ocean. The comindustry has been greatly damaged. An unproductive war expenditure of very many millions sterling has been torced upon Germany, which will for many years to come necessitate increased taxation of the resources of the German people. Tens of thousands of German soldiers have been mutilated for life; and many thousands of German patriots have been mangled to death on bloody battle fields or are dving of wounds or of diseases brought on by the exposure and fatigues of the campaign. Throughout Germany widows and fatherless children have been greatly multiplied. Were the war to end before these remarks meet the eyes of the Wesleyan readers it would vet require the recuperative influence of many years of peace and prosperity to remove the traces of the injuries inflicted on Methodists." Germany by this atrocious war.

Notwithstanding, however, the losses experienced by Germany in this war, up to the present hour of writing, the main current of events since Napoleon declared war in the year 1739, the very year mentioned interest and value. with Prussia has run strongly and disas- on our Quarterly Tickets as that of the estrously against the hopes of France. What is no less worthy of note that at the first the French armies, the French fleets, or "Conference" held in London in 1744, the the French statesmen may yet be able to design of obtaining a Seminary for the traineffect we know not. But up to the period ing of the junior preachers, was introduced: at which we write, France has been sub- and the purpose solemnly recorded, to have stantially beaten at all points.

In the first place, France has been de-

struggle between Prussia single handed, Mr. Wesley found in this enterprise, as in weakened by domestic insurrection, and that of Kingswood," all sorts of discourage-fully accurate, he is likely to render Me-France aided by important allies. Napoleon hoped to find South Germany, comprising Bavaria, Hesse Darmstadt, Wur-show the spirit of the man whose name we pied the Conference for several hours. I temburg and Baden, prepared to remain so much delight to honour; and to remind appears that his views are unaltered upon neutral. He also evidently calculated on an those who are tempted to regard the "former his past conduct and writings upon class insurrection against Prussian rule in Hanover, and at least much coldness towards sign for the return of John Hoself conduct during the year of grace which was occasioned regret so that Conferthe Prussian cause in Saxony and Schles- of our Educational Institutions, they may ence was compelled to mark its disappro wig Holstein. He has been grievously dis- themselves begin the work of reformation, appointed in his expectations in these re- and hasten forward the consummation, for down as a supernumerary, and his name spects. There has been no rebellion in Germans have not stood aloof from the tent zeal to carry them out. common cause. On the contrary, with the men of these Lower Provinces, of British greatest promptitude they ranged them- North America, has done most for the work as ever. Many of the principal towns had selves at the beginning under the banner of of God amongst us, was the late Charles F. put in pleas for more than their share of the the Prussian Crown Prince in defence Allison of Sackville. Him we cannot flatof the Fatherland. The French delaration for in his far seeing wisdom, in his ample The second Draft reveals many important of war was greeted from one end of Ger- munificence, in his quiet but indomitable en- changes. and after-discussions in Confermany to the other with a grand outburst of ergy, displayed in his care of the Institutions ence necessitated many more, but at length enthusiasm in behalf of Germany and which he founded, we look to a higher the important document "our marching or against France in its contemplated attempt source, and "glorify God in Him." Yet ders" is ratified by a vote of Conference. at effecting the disruption and spoliation of Germany. In less perhaps than forty-eight yet another—his co-adjutor in the work, sians.

outside of Austria for its opponent.

trusting in Jesus, having spent 85 years in this world.

MITCHELL BURNS, born near Dungannon.

The data a base from white flank, while making his main attack in front. It fined either to our own denomination, or Burslem and the towns contigu

for some years he acted as Class Leader and respects too as well as in the other cases the Christian Church who first experienced Local Preacher. Upwards of twenty years ago mentioned. Denmark did not dare to join he emigrated to this Province, where in his old hands with France against Prussia; and, age his heart was made glad, by seeing two of strange to say, the Germans of Vienna its hallowed walls; while in our Public

Seventy-six years ago, George Perrin, was Napoleon by choosing his own time to their sojourn at Mount Allison. born at River John, where he died on the 24th declare war expected to take Prussia at a A question of no little moment, at the of last May, much respected by the community disadvantage for want of due preparation. at large. Upwards of fifty years ago, through He was sadly at fault in his anticipation. the instrumentality of Wesleyan Ministers, he Before Napoleon found himself able to ad- Sackville, and to maintain and increase its rank with any of its predecessors in the Methodist layman, named Hoyle, in the was led to trust in the merits of Christ for salva- vance across the Saar the Lauter or the efficiency in the future? We believe they tion, and quite unlike many others, similarly Rhine, Prussia confronted his forces with can. When a good case is put before

he regretted having cast his lot with the Meth- ny the theatre of the war, to conquer the spect we contrast the present favourably odists. The hospitable manner in which Itin- Rhine Provinces, and hold them. For a with the past. The world is, we are pererant ministers were entertained at his bouse. few days he held one little German town. suaded, steadily, if slowly, growing better together with his contributions towards the support of the Church of his choice showed a spirit been the scene of the struggle, and Alsace these noble and Christian Institutions. school; but best of all, when warned by his last under German control. The Prussians the wisdom of their investments "give "I am going home to die no more." Thus having been able to carry on the war in blest may contribute their offering to this ceased to work and live one of the oldest mem- France. They have saved Germany from good cause. We present it as the cause of the presence of enemies having the reputa- Christ. The training of servants for His Upwards of eighty years ago, Mrs. Thomas tion of being the most skillful plunderers in work, of soldiers for His service, of ambas-HARBARN, was born in the Connty Tipperary, Europe. They have had full command of sadors to go on His behalf to a ruined and Ireland, and while yet young, through the la- all the resources of Germany, they have with her husband to Nova Scotia, settled on the the German armies in France heavy con- who love Him. West Branch of River John, and there contin- tributions on French resources. They ued to reside until her death, which took place have been able to ward off from Southern on the 4th of June last. The Saviour she Germany sufferings and disasters in presought in early life, enabled her triumphantly sence of which the new born enthusiasm of its people in favor of German Unity might ' possibly wilt away.

The French have fought with their accustomed bravery from Weissembourg, to first day of Conference is occupied by an Reizonville. But they have nevertheless thronged by an expectant audience. The been outfought by the persistent, courageous platform is occupied by the newly installed Germans; and hitherto from first to last the officials and the Representatives of the French have been outgeneralled. Had the affiliated Conferences. The proceedings French fought less bravely than they have at Burslem were of the sterotyped characdone, their armies would have been well Representatives of Ireland and France. nigh destroyed by this time.

the French Government from sending military expeditions to the Baltic and North gifted President of the Canadian Confer-Sea to operate against Prussia in those di- ence. The time did not admit of other adrections.

continue without Prussia being called upon se reverses; but it does not at all seem proba- and so on until the time for breaking up; ble that France can gain any such success as will enable her to arrest the work of Ger- from. man Unification, far less to demand the cession to her of the German Rhine Provinces. merce of the chief German ports has been From all the indications apparent as we eagerly welcomed and formed the most almost entirely superseded, through the write, we unavoidably infer that France Conference. operations of the French blockading fleets. may deem itself fortunate if when peace Their official addresses to the Confer among the French Provinces.

SOCIETY.

(SECOND PAPER.)

As a Church, we are not altogether detitute of an Educational History. The Wesley's were men of ripe and ripened scholarship, as well as of high intellectual eclamation of men from the guilt and power of sin, but sought to establish and ex- South Staffordshire Conference. tend the work so well begun, by the erection of Seminaries, especially for the sons of their preachers, and by the diffusion of a cheap and wholesome literature for the improvement everywhere of "the people called and at Wood-House Grove, and the Orphan School at Newcastle attest the earnest desire of our venerable Founder to promote the cause of Christian Education. The construction of the first of these was begun was not carried out, till many years after, feated in the attempt to make the contest a was probably owing chiefly to the fact that ments, "if not" cavillers and prophets of thodism good service for many years to evil on every side.'

We mention these facts, however, to

which they so devoutly long. The truth is, that the experience of that Hanover. On the contrary Hanover, de- man of God has very generally been that spite its forcible annexation to Prussia, is of his devoted followers. A few have The noble offer of £10,000 made by Sir F as loyal to the German cause in this war everywhere been found in Methodism who as loyal to the German cause in this war as Brandenburg. There is no coldness toward Prussia in Saxony. On the contra
everywhere been found in Breihounsin who have seen the value of Evangelistic enterprise and Educational improvement, and who moreover have clearly apprehended the aggressive movements of the Metropolitan Building Fund upon a wider basis. ry, the Saxons who in 1866, fought most the intimate connection which the one of To carry out this intention Conference has heroically against Prussia, have distinguis- these bears to the other. But the majority ed themselves in this war by fighting on her has failed to grasp these great principle, s or its ablest men as Secretary to the Fund, side with unsurpassed valour. The South at least with proper self-denial, and persis- and to devote his time exclusively to this

The man who of all the Methodist lay who can compute the value of his services and is then as irrevocable as we have ever to the Church of Christ? Or of those of regarded the laws of the Medes and Perhours after war was declared, Napoleon and in many respects his successor-who knew that France would have all Germany now in another department serves his gene- form of new legislation or organic changes. ration by the will of God? Where is the

and shadow of death, on the 25th of April last, land as a base from which to administer to Maritime Provinces that has not been bless- dence of some alterations which will be of year, his conduct to be reported upon by entrusted to Bros. Huestis and Pickles, who that voice, so unlike anything earthly, seemis supposed that he expected some sort of exhaused itself in purely spiritual results. Gifted and useful men there are, minister-He has been bitterly disappointed in these ing in the Sanctuaries of other branches of

titution at Sackville, and received the groundwork of their mental training within his sons, ministers in the Church of his choice. manifested almost as much sympathy for Schools and Colleges, in our professions, in In his last illness he found the "favor of God the Germans of Munich or Stuttgardt in the Halls of our Legislature, and among our "Merchant Princes," are found many South Germany. France could obtain no who obtained their first impulse onward and upward, in the business of life, during

> present time, is, Can our people, generally be brought to form a correct estimate of the importance of our Educational work at them, our adherents, generally speaking, are not slow to perceive it, or unwilling to give it their practical support. In this re and Lorraine are, as we write, very largely The rich may, with assured confidence in have reaped immense advantages from bountifully," and by means of the newly formed "Educational Society," the humtemplate, and for which we affectionately been able to levy towards the support of solicit the sympathy and support of thos

> > ENGLISH CORRESPONDENCE.

· Conference Items—The Continental War -Close of Parliament.

DEAR MR. EDITOR .- The evening of the ter in the accustomed addresses from the The speech of the evening was that of the The splendid successes won by the Ger- Rev. Gervase Smith, just returned from nans in Alsace and Lorraine have prevent- Canada, and brimful of the joy experienced from his visit to the New Dominion and his interview with his beloved friend, the dresses, and it is a pity that some plan can-We make no prediction regarding com- not be devised to abbreviate the routine of ing events in the struggle. One can those meetings. The onican a committee is read in full, and on motion a committee is those meetings. The official addresses are scarcely deem it possible that the war can appointed to prepare the reply; the Repreentative is introduced and delivers his ad in turn to submit to some serious military dress; and then another address is read which generally arrives when about two thirds of the Conferences have been heard

> The visit of Bishop Simpson and his ac complished companion Dr. Foster has been

comes, Alsace shall still be numbered ence were thoroughly good, including not only the statistical information proper to such an occasion, but warm loving reserences to the illustrious men of the church who have been summoned to their rest; and ut-OUR CONFERENCE EDUCATIONAL terances full of deep attachment to the Methodism of the Father Land. The success of the addresses of our distinguished American visitors was eclipsed by their sermons. From all accounts they were delivered with remarkable power, and attended with gra-

ious manifestations of the Divine presence. Under the mighty spell of Bishop Simpn's ministry, the audience was moved a abilities, and of an earnest evangelistic the heart of one man. Ministers and peospirit. They did not rest content with the ple shouted and wept by turns; and it will ong be remembered in connection with this

The ordination services were of a deeply impressive character and the plan adopted last year of dividing the company and having two services has this year been very suc cessful, and thereby two towns were privi-The schools at Kingswood leged with this deeply interesting sight. The charges were delivered by Dr. Jobson. and S. R. Hall, as the Ex-Presidents nearest to the chair, and were as might be concluded, from the well known ability of the men, deeply practical and of permanent

Under the able management of the vene tablishment of the "United Societies." It rable President, the time of the Conference result. Mr. Farrar is an old man if we judge by the number of years he has travel led and the amount of service rendered to such an Institution "If God spare us till the Connexion, but he is not in the least enanother Conference. "That this design feebled. He is a noble looking man, and judging from the likeness with which the last number of the London Illustrated News favored us and which is said to be wonde

The case of Mr. Hughes has again occu times" as "better" than our own, and to meetings, and there has been much in his sigh for the return of "John Wesley conduct during the year of grace which bation by a severe sentence. He is put only appears in the Journal of Conference Active measures are to be taken for the extension of Methodism in London.

Lycett will be accepted and efforts at once made to secure yet larger amounts and put the aggressive movements of the Metropoliset apart the Rev. Gervase Smith, one of

work. has this year been as arduous and difficult brilliant talent of the ministry and it was

There is nothing special to report in the Every department of Methodism has been

signal benefit in carrying out the multifari-

Burslem and the towns contiguous have nobly redeemed their pledges of welcome B. Pope, Thelogical Tutor at Didsbury and hospitality. The ministers have been was conducting the examination of seventy possible provision made for their convey This point of distance has been really the to the ordination charge of ex-Presiden only question of inconvenience, but it may Jobson was to enjoy a rare treat. The possibly prevent the return of the Confer- same was said by those who listened to Mr ence. Cornwall is not likely again to re- Hall's charge at Tunstall. As both these the same category.

ence have not excited as much attention, or about the other. press. The Conference of 1870 will fairly Burslem. The chair was taken by a

bruck on Prussian soil.

tory into an army fighting for self-preser- when aroused, mightily in earnest. ration and the safety of their own land.

is with alarm.

ship of the French army.

present, but in her name assent was given versation with T. M. Albrighton, who asks ions were now only an unneccessary restraint though we more than doubt if after all their in-Bill and the Education Bill. August 12, 1870.

DEAR MR. EDITOR,—If your request for letter had not been so modestly preferred I might have yielded to the temptation to disregard it. None but those with whom the habit of noting down passing events has become a second nature, can write with comfort when moving rapidly from place to place. Your readers, those especially who may glauce at the "Wesleyan" at the breakfast table, will thank me for the omission of details connected with the earlier part of the voyage, such detail at least, as sience to give. These I quietly label growing less in number year by year, and so much, was discussed with great emphapentance of a certain kind, when felt in the state-room of an outward-bound steamer, is an unpleasant and unprofitable feeling, pass on to more serious themes.

Our first Sabbath at sea came bright and clear. Prayers were read by the Surgeon. and a sermon preached by a Presbyterian old "Duke street" never sounded so pleasantly to the few who from necessity remained on deck, as on that morning when its notes sung by manly voices rose from the saloon and mingled with the gentle wash of the waves, and the less grew the sound of the mighty machinery below.

While landing passengers on Saturday night in Queenston harbor, we first heard the declaration of war against Prussia by France. English sympathies generally Bridgetown Circuit. Yet we had cause of re ean towards Prussia, vet the cartoon of one of the comic papers of the day, representing John Bull weighing the claims of he contending nations upon his favorable regards, and coolly remarking "six of one, and half a dozen of the other" antly describes the feeling of no small part of the to our gratification that the arrangements of nation, since the negotiations between Bis- last Conference, respecting finances, had greatmark and Benadotti have been brought to ly simplified the whole proceedings. light. The English people do not want war; no petitions in their Churches meet the consideration of the spiritual aspects of the with a heartier reponse than those for work of the Lord. It was a season of hallowed peace, but a certain feverish feeling arises religious brotherly intercourse. All seemed rom the fact that any infringement of the neutrality of Belgium may suddenly call for the salvation of souls. Our supernumerraies her armies into the field. English states- Fathers Davies and Bent, refreshed our younger men are wise in remembering Palmerston's hearts by their encouraging statements and idea, "that the best way to keep peace is to be prepared for war," and are quietly

trengthening their defences. In many of the larger towns you may best, followed by a number of strapping the Circuit, Bro. Heartz, had made such arfor inspection. And, day before yesterday rangements in reference to speakers and themes. the Wesleyan Conference now in session at as to cause the meeting to be a success. Breth-

Times" now devotes a column or two tration of thought on the subject. laily to a report of Conference proceedings. The first theme, after some very ful men given by Ireland to American of the Redeemer's Kingdom." Methodism; another proof that John Wesley was right, when found fault with by a friend for devoting so much time to Ire land, he replied "Take care of Ireland and termined efforts of anti-Christian systems t she'll repay you.

Thomas Hughes by the publication of another namphlet on the subject of classneetings as a test of membership, has been of discussion in the Conference. Some dern speaking, brief and to the point. were for immediate expulsion, others making capital of the word "eventually" in last the laity with the ministry indispensable to sucyear's resolution on his case, pleaded for a more lenient course of treatment. After a patient hearing had been given to a long

his Superintendant at the next meeting of

When I entered the Burslem chapel, W. entertained in first rate style and every candidates for ordination. All these were ordained next morning in the Wesleyan ance to and from the places of their abode. chapels at Henley and Tunstall. To listen ceive the honer for many years to come, charges will probably, in accordance with and Staffordshire is likely to be placed in the request of the Conference, be published, it is not worth while for me to attempt t The proceedings of this year's Confertell your readers what I heard of the one of

received the publicity that we recorded last In the evening of that day a large and year. The war has monoplised public atten- most enthusiastic Weslevan Temperance ion and been the one great theme of the meeting was held in the Town Hall of amount of useful solid work transacted, the absence of Alderman Barrow, prevented by power and spirit of its public services, the business from being at his post, and adfreedom of its several discussions; and the dresses were delivered by Messrs. Dicks evidences it afford of the determinate and G. W. Olver, of the Westminster Training aggressive energy of Methodism in Eng- School, who can hit the nail on the head as well as any man we have heard. Nehemiah This letter would be incomplete with- Curnock, Charles Garrett of Manchester, out reference to the deadly strife now ra- and several other members of the Conferging on the fair fields of France. The ence. All the speeches were rich in tacts earlier part of the past fortnight was occu- and in argument, and were characterized by as the man who married Richardson and sages of which were alternately chanted by

pied by the pushing forward of legions of entire freedom from that wholesale denunarmed men to the frontier lines; then came ciation of those who do not see eye to eye a pause for a day or two, and next the ti- which so often mars meetings of the kind dings of a small victory for the French arms in America. In the place of this denunciin the partial possession of the town of Saar- ation, were earnest pleading and overwhelm ing agument, such as must in the end prevail This tempoary invasion was follow- Romilly Hall who on taking his set as Pre ed by a general engagement in which sident two years since, brought the subject the Prussians terribly avenged the in- of Temperance before the assembled Con sult and boasting of the French victo- ference, was absent at a meeting of the ry. The Imperial forces were defeated Stationing Committee. T. Bowman Ste and driven back with fearful loss on both phenson did not speak, but was evidently ides. The victory proved for the time a the moving spirit of of the meeting. This crushing blow to the French army, and year for the first time, the Wesleyan Con well-nigh produced a panic in Paris. It ference sends a respectful answer to the adhas transferred the seat of war from the dress of the National Temperance Alliance frontier line of Prussia, into the very heart Temperance men in England may not b of France, and turned at least for the time, strong in numbers, but they are fast increase the host of the invaders of German terri- ing and are as Englishmen generally are there is need for earnestness. I seldom The position of the Emperor is exceeding- walked the streets of the larger cities and y critical, and he has an arduous if not towns, without thinking of that stinging reesperate game to play. A vindictive and mark made by a foreigner to Dr. Guthrie, powerful enemy is threatening him in front. of Scotland! "It is well that you English ing when the cord of public sympathy seem- THE RELIGIOUS ASPECT OF THE PREand in his rear a disappointed people pas- are a drunken nation, if it were not for ed really to vibrate. That grand cheer told sionately demanding victory and filling Pa- this you would be master of the world."

The Ministry of M. Ollivier has been ence was engaged principally in routine overthrown, and it is fully expected that business, I had an opportunity of hearing now satisfy the aspirations of the human as one between Protestants and Roman Catho-Marshal Bazaine will assume the leader- a few words from some whom I have long soul. It had accomplished its purpose as lics, and to regard the triumph of the former wished to see and hear. I made myself Judaism, Paganism and Mohammedanism power as identical with the victory of Protes-The Houses of Parliament were proro- known according to your request, to Dr. had done before it. The educated mind had tantism. Arguments not without ingenuity gued on Wednesday. The Queen was not Scott, and had the pleasure of a short con- outgrown all creeds. The orthodox religo a large number of bills, chief among to be remembered to his friends in the E. on free thought. A man once owned a which must be placed the Irish Land Tenure B. A. Conference. I met Bro. Peach, who mare, which would do anything the owner is enjoying himself as usual. He kindly wished except one thing, she would not cross volunteered to point out to me all the lead- a bridge. Hence he decided to sell the aning men present. A finer, healthier, more imal, and advertised her after the following contented looking body of men one seldom ingenious fashion :- "For sale, a fine bay looks upon. Indeed Englishmen generally mare, five years old, gentle in harness, tenare a contented looking race. Those whom der to the bit, &c., &c., and sold only be- wide of the mark to represent the religious you meet in the streets remind one by way cause the owner wishes to leave the city!" question as either causing or in any measure of contrast of the care-worn looking men The orthodox creeds resembled this marewho hurry through Broadway as if every- they were excellent in every way, but they thing depended upon the moment.

ant when once he knows to whom he is speaking. The clean, as some are pleased er attitude of faith and worship. The same to call the closely shaved faces such as used germ of the Divine in man, of which we had I am best prepared from personal experi- to appear in the Magazine portraits, are heard both Unitarians and spiritualists make there are not a few still living, still work- sis. Indeed it would be difficult for any ob I always loved English Methodism-the

little I have learned since crossing the tact, the scholarship, the zeal, the subtel- Roman Catholic, but between German and ocean, leads me to like it still more. And ty of these men might well put many Frenchman; and the Roman Catholic Germans may say the same of England herself. There is life in the old land yet, vigorous, hearty life. But you will be getting wea- of mind and advantages of culture are but minister from Philadelphia. The music of ry. It is just possible that I may write poor antagonists for the soul-confidence and you again.

Glasgow, Aug. 5th, 1870.

ANNAPOLIS DISTRICT.

EINANCIAL MEETING All the Brethren of the District were in at tendance at the time appointed; in our neat and commodious church at Upper Granville, on the gret because so few of the Circuit Steward was rapidly yet effectively accomplished under the wise and agreeable supervision of our ex cellent chairman Bro. England. It was found

The afternoon session was largely devoted inspired by the one important desire, to labou earnest exhortations.

In the evening a public meeting was held in order to bring before the attention of our peoneet the recruiting sergeant dressed in his ple, the nature and claims of our "Conference Education Society." The Superintendant of Burslem, made provision for the appoint- ren were not called upon without an hour's prement of a Chaplain to move with the army vious intimation to address the people on the in the event of war breaking out during the important subject of education, as conducted by Weslevan Methodists. The following themes The growing importance of Weslevan were presented to the speakers, in sufficient movements is marked by the fact that the time before the meeting to allow some concen-

We reached Burslem just "in time to be appropriate remarks by our beloved chairman. too late" to hear Bishop Simpson's sermon was presented by the Brethren Taylor and on "None of these things move me." The Brown. It is scarcely necessary to say that members of the Conference some of them "men wondered at" seem to have been they performed their part in a most pleasing horoughly electrified by the Bishop's discourse. We hear it spoken of on the plat- tion of the scheme, and well sustained arguform, and at home, and in the train, as if ments, for an educated ministry must have caraltogether above criticism. An ex-Presi- ried conviction to every mind. The marked dent, one of the most elegant of that able attention of the audience, indicated a pleasing group on the Conference platform, remark- interest in the subject expressed in the theme ed yesterday that since the Bishop's sermon | before them. Namely .- "The Education So-

2nd Theme, "The signs of the tim nection with the conflict of nations and the deundermine the Church of God, should stimulate all who love the Saviour, to increased interest in the cause of education.

Bros. McCarty and Johnson sustained this again put under dicipline by his District theme in an admirable manner. Their remarks Meeting. His case excited no small amount took well, having the essential elements of mo The third theme, viz., "The co-operation

cess in every great movement, earnestly re quested in the cause of education, so that we

endeavored to impress the importance of the ed to rise and fall and echo marks with some amusing anecdotes of the the powers of nature in the

whole affair

the kind held in our Conference since the Inession of Conference. The collection at this ence. neeting was considerably in advance of the Boston is sedate on the Sabbath. Tha whole amount raised on the whole Circuit last city of churches holds a good reputation for year for the former Education Fund. ONE PRESENT

NOTES OF A PLEASURE EXCUR-

SION NUMBER V.

Tremont Temple to hear the champions of we found our way to that of Grace Church Free Religion, who celebrated their anni- While looking at the system of management versary in common with other sects. Some here, a man of middle stature, pale, calm otable speakers were on the platform, and of highly intellectual appearance, entermong them Anna S. Dickinson, admitted ed the basement. We were introdued to to be the most finished female orator as him as Mr. Chapman, the popular pastor well as one of the most beautiful women in He began the service at three o'clock by the United States. Frothingham, notorious reading a lesson from the prayer-book, pas-Mrs., McFarland and thanked God in a good choir. At Dr. Hare's Church th prayer for what these two had been to responses were made by the congregation, each other and what they yet would be," Mr. Chapman's subject was-the Bible. He was the President and leading orator of the had been represented to us as an orator of occasion. He used a manuscript, from classical finish; we were not prepared which he read, deliberately and with free find him full of sparkling genius and fire and elocution, for an hour and a quarter. He impulse. But such he is. After some most wears spectacles, is near-sighted, and seems brilliant passages, he walked the pulpit with to be gazing into the far future with head the air of a man who had been wounded inclined unusually forward. There is a by an enemy, and poured out such righteous deep line between his eyebrows, indicating invective on the heads of the Bible's opporthe student and thinker. His address was ents who paraded their opinions in Horrithe most subtle, philosophical and finished cultural Hall and the pages of the Akantic which we heard in Boston. He defined Monthly, as called out an audible response Free Religion, its principles and aims : paid all through the church. Dr. Hare helped the most elegent tribute to Christ and us to look our responsibility as God's stem Christianity and showed its infinite superi- ard, calmly in the face. Mr. Chapman stirority to all religious which had ever appear- red our hearts like the blast of a bugle and ed on the earth. With the closing words filled us with a passionate desire to confront of that thrillingly beautiful paragraph- and conquer the foe. · Christianity is the Queen of the world's Faiths"-a tremendous response came back from the assembly in every kind of applause. It was the only time in the meet us the feeling of Boston was with Christ The next morning, although the Confer- more than with Frothingham. But Christianity, he asserted, did not

would not permit their votaries to pass be-And frosty though the Englishman may youd a certain limit. Free Religion was ter are quite as bitterly hostile to free speech eem to a stranger, he is genial and pleas- coming to the rescue, was emancipating numbers and preparing the world for a highserver to decide where these three classes is, the embittered feeling which has at last re of thinkers differed in the main. Yet the sulted in war, is not between Protestant and Christian disciples to the blush. They are not a whit behind their Protestant countryneed it all to effect anything; their powers scriptural argument of an ordinary believer in the atonement of Christ and the energy of the Holy Ghost; but it is shameful that all this array of brilliant talent and refinement should not be met on its own ground and thoroughly whipped!

Why are these multifarious enemies the faith permitted to luxuriate in the very heart of sanctimonious New England publican. It is highly democratic to allow every man the privilege of thinking for him-and cardinals, were all in all. self and deceiving others. The days of corcion are for ever past, forsooth! and even the truth of God itself must not obtrude its indignant protest against refined and specious skeptieism. Yet New England can admire righteous antagonism when bitter, unreasoning national jealousies-the it finds it thoroughly waged by a stranger. Dr. McCosh came across the Atlantic with manipulated by ambitious and unscrupulous sturdy notions of human rights which would tyrants, who still, as of old, seek to pave their not brook a single smile from the skeptic way with human hearts to what is, quite as giants. All the churches stood by, and much as ever it was, a dream. Whichever where they dared, applauded, as he dealt may have been specially to blame for the imblows to infidelity which resounded from mediate rupture, it is past all doubt that both Maine to the Pacific. Our neighbors seem were anxious to precipitate a conflict; and the to have almost forgotten the aphorism that there is a point beyond which forbearance ceases to be a virtue.

It was laughable to hear Frothingham's gradation of knowledge spiritual as the other. Human happiness and general wellworld had been receiving it. First came being were not in all the thoughts of those who the rudest Paganism; then Paganism in a call themselves Protestants any more than better type; then Judaism; then Christian- with those who glory in being true sons of the ity; then Mohammedanism; then Christi- Church, yea, even the eldest born of the Holy anity refined; then Unitarianism; then the Father. One cannot but mourn over the terrecent developments of religious thought as rible slaughter, needlessly gone about. But seen (1) in Beecher, (2) in Chapin, (3) in there is no use in embittering and widening the Bellows, (4) in-well he did not say who, contest by giving it a religious aspect, when but the audience inferred he meant J. B. everything goes to show that it is as earthly. Frothingham!

But Frothingham did not reach the height of absurdity-that was reserved for one or two other speakers. Pantheism seemed to have revived in all its force on that day. One man shouted among other blaspheimous things-" People talk of going to God, I street.-Toronto Globe. am God. They speak of seeking religion, am religion." There was a tinge of crimon in the cheeks of even the bravest of the The newly appointed Governor of Paris, seems other orators at the occurrence of these words. Yet they seeemed to us a most legitimate consequence of all their own rea- or himself, in case such a step should be con onings; and they gave the finishing blow ered necessary. In the proclamation he issued o all the prejudice and indignation which on Monday every thing seemed dry. ciety of the Conference of E. B. America, an had been gathering in honest breasts from said he, to the National Guard, "I depend upon Bishop Simpson is another of those power-ful men given by Ireland to American of the Redeemer's Kingdom."

The commencement of the meeting. It was only fitting that no devotional exercise should clamation in the "name of the Emperor:" be have been introduced in the exercises of the did not at its close exclaim, "Vive l' Empe day; prayer would have been a burlesque | eur!" He made no appeal to popular loyalty and sacred song a mockery from such lips.

was then starring it in Boston. A visit to of half a dozen bayonet thrusts at the Emperor he great city would have been incomplete He opened with the remark that the "idea of vithout hearing the heroine of the Peace maintaing order in Paris by force"-which is Jubilee. She appeared in a performance and always has been the idea of Louis Napo of wonderful variety; not fewer than thirty leon—was "horrible and disgusting" to Guingray were engaged accompanied by sear. Trochu; and he closed by saying: "The etc. singers were engaged, accompanied by near-ly as many musical instruments by accom-sider force the ultimate power; the only decolished performers. Music Hall was brill- sive power in the moment of danger is more iantly illuminated with 500 jets of gas, force. This is a blow at the very heart of des-running in horizontal lines along the ceiling. The popular Madame was introduced person and government of the present Emperwhen the performance had reached its height. Her voice joined in at once with

leading thoughts of the theme upon the minds building at once, now contin. of the audience, while the one spiced his reder subduing strain till one wild think all blunders of ignorant ministers, the other in a have been nearly exhausted, the man must few remarks, wisely seasoned, or Pickled the with an impassioned burst of se brought down thunders of applause om the It was a good meeting—probably the first of delighted audience. We wondere even those classical singers, rare art ts in auguration Meeting at Yarmouth during the the audacity to attempt a note in her page

devoutness. We attended Trement Street and heard Dr. Hare in the morning. He preached a Home Missionary sermon, the style of which was massive, polished, but more impressive to intellectual than emo tional hearers. His collection was much like his congregation-namely, highly re speciable. It reached the figure of \$850 There were perhaps three thousand people After visiting two or three Sunday Schools

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A good many are inclined to make the present war between Prussia and France appear have been adduced in tayor of this view, genuity they are entitled to much weight. The victory of Prussia over Austria in 1866 is now regarded as having done not a little indirectly for the weakening of the Papal power, and it is possible that the same thing may result from the present struggle; but it would be very giving a character to the contest. If possible Prussia is at present even a purer despotisu than France, and King William and his Minisand free thought in Church as in State, as ever were Napoleon and any Ministers he has ever had. If freedom of thought and action, the great characteristic of Protestantism, be advanced by the struggle no thanks to the House of Hohenzollern for such a result. The fact men in eagerness for the fray; though, by the very extent of their victories, they may constitute and consolidate a great iron tyranny which may make some coming distinguished literary parasite address his countrymen with as good reason as one in the past did-" You may clank your chains, but you can't break them." In that case, William the First and his terrible Major of the Landwehr, as well as Frederick William Fifth, as far as anything is as yet known of him, will be quite as impatient Why are they not met publicly with skilled of any expressed opinion, on either civil or weapons and beaten back from their self- ecclesiastical matters, that has not received vaunting ground? There are two or three their imprimatur, as ever were Pope and answers to this question. America is re- Kaiser in the brave days of old, when peoples were nothing, and kings and courtiers, popes We wish we could see the mighty collision

> of two great opposing principles in this fierce onslaught; but as far as things have as yet gone, not much is visible on either side but accumulated grudges of a century-skillfully advancement of civil and religious liberty, the cause of free thought and free speech, was certainly as little desired by the one as by the selfish and secular a struggle as ever was waged; and one which, however it may event ually be over-ruled for good, has in its present phase as little to dignify and ennoble it as the rough-and-tumble fight of two bull dogs in the

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