

as a river; the peace of a reasonable being who has made a deposit in a secure place, and who does not agitate himself about it.

"Wherefore, let them that suffer according to the will of God commit the keeping of their souls to him in well doing, as unto a faithful Creator."

Our Own Church.

The regular meetings of the PRESBYTERY OF QUEBEC are appointed to be held but twice a year. That which should have been held last autumn seems to have been omitted, owing to the absence of Dr. Cook, who at the time was attending the meeting of the Evangelical Alliance in New York. To this cause must be mainly attributed lack of information regarding our Oriental friends for some time past. We count ourselves happy, however, at this time to be able to present a few details of a pleasing kind, based on the testimony of "our own correspondent." And we know that our readers will unite with us in thanking the minister of St. Andrew's Church, Quebec, for the valuable counsels contained in the sermon which we have the privilege of publishing in other columns.

In years not very long gone by a mid-winter journey from Montreal to Quebec was not to be thought of, save upon urgent business. Now a days, thanks to the best abused railway in the world, and especially to Mr. "Pullman," it is quite different. It is a luxury worth paying for, this trip of one hundred and eighty miles. Think of it! tumbling into a nice roomy bed in the Bonaventure station at "Elders hours." Such beautiful white linen! such splendid soft blankets!—of Canadian manufacture too—such civility and good attendance! and, to be gently awoke next morning at nine, by the words, "Please sir, Point Levi, will you wash before you go up town?" Really, with such facilities we ought to become better acquainted with the people of the ancient capital, and they with us.

A social meeting of the members of

the Kirk in Quebec was held in Morrin College buildings on the evening of the 5th ultimo, the first meeting of the kind held by this congregation within the memory of the oldest inhabitant. It was therefore specially interesting, and the success which attended it was so gratifying that it is not likely to be the last. The rooms of the college, which are well adapted for a reunion of this kind, were handsomely decorated. The attendance was large. The refreshments provided by the ladies were of the most recherché description, and the programme prepared by the committee of arrangements was carried out to the evident satisfaction of all present. The introductory address of the minister was followed by readings and vocal and instrumental music, with frequent intermissions for conversation. The cream of the whole thing is this kind of "communion of saints."

From the annual report of the managers, just published, we are happy to notice that the finances of the congregation are in an improved and improving condition. By means of liberal subscriptions from members of the congregation, they have been enabled to pay off the debt of the Church, which at the beginning of the year was \$2000. Besides this, there had been subscribed \$270 towards repairs on the church, and \$229 had been contributed towards the Keay fund in New Brunswick. The Congregation adheres to the schedule system, by means of which \$540 were raised last year for the schemes, the Sustentation Fund receiving \$250, the Widow's Fund \$80, while \$175 went for Bursaries in connection with Morrin College. The total expenditure for 1873, was \$5729.

The College staff consists at present of five Professors—including Principal Cook, who attends to the theological department. In addition to the classics, taught by Professor Weir, a good deal of attention is given to modern languages—French, German, &c. Dr. Douglas lectures on chemistry and other scientific subjects. Professor McQuarrie has charge of mathematics and, if we remember aright, of moral philosophy. The number attending