

SOCIETY FOR PROMOTING CHRISTIANITY AMONG THE JEWS.

(From the London Ecclesiastical Gazette.)

Jerusalem—Journal of the Rev. F. C. EWALD. Our monthly correspondence from the members of the Jerusalem Mission contains most satisfactory accounts of general progress and improvement in every department of the Mission.

The building of the church was progressing rapidly; 30,000 cubic feet of masonry had been laid under ground, from the laying of the foundation-stone up to the 31st of May.

We select from the various communications before us, the following extracts from Mr. Ewald's journal, as having reference to the friendly relations subsisting between the Anglican Bishop and the heads of other churches in the Holy City.

The Bishop's Visit to Bethlehem. May 4.—His Lordship had long ago intended to pay a visit to one of the most interesting spots in the Holy Land, to the place of which the prophet says, "But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall come forth unto me, that is to be ruler in Israel, whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting," but had been hitherto prevented.

The Patriarch, a noble-looking gentleman with a long beard, may be about sixty years of age; his Lordship said to him, "The dress of the Bishops is the common oriental flowing one, of black-colour; that of the Patriarch was of the same cut, but of a brown colour, which was the only distinction I could perceive."

The Armenian convent at Jerusalem is of very ancient date; the Patriarch said, that it was built on the very spot where the apostle James had dwelt.—It is very spacious; it has room for 2500 pilgrims. During the last Easter there were 2000 pilgrims lodged within its walls.

It cannot say what were the feelings of the rest of our party when beholding the spot whence the salvation of the world proceeded; I felt overpowered with the thought that here I was on the very place where the Son of God entered into the world, which was then a mere stable, and had nothing of the ornaments of which it is now full.

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English Ecclesiastical Intelligence. ODD FELLOWS' FUNERALS AND ORATIONS. Sir, I wish to call the attention of the Clergy, through your excellent paper, to the subject of Odd Fellows' Society. The members of this Society have twice attempted to read an address in my churchyard; the first time I put a stop to it by the aid of the friends of the deceased, who was a member of the Church; the second time, when the deceased was also a member of the Church, I had to call in the police, before I could get them to desist.

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FOREIGN TRANSLATIONS OF THE LITURGY. The attention of the committee of the Society for Promoting Christianity among the Jews has been directed during the present year to the preparation and completion of several new versions of the Liturgy. The first of these is a version of the Liturgy of the Church of England into the Amharic or modern Ethiopic—the language of a great tribe in the country of Abyssinia and adjacent countries, translated by the Rev. C. W. Isenberg, a clergyman of the Church of England, in the service of the Church Missionary Society. During his residence as a missionary in Abyssinia he found a great want of such a translation, and he has endeavored to supply it. He has now completed the work. It may be hoped that copies of the Liturgy may be useful, not only in affording to Christians in Abyssinia a clear view of the doctrine and discipline of the Church of England, but also in advancing Christian knowledge among the Mohammedans and heathen tribes by whom the Amharic is spoken.

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