

A petition to the parliament of Canada, in opposition to the bill to legalize marriage with a deceased wife's sister, has been drawn up by the *Ottawa Clerical Union*. It is to the following effect:—"Whereas a bill has been brought before your Hon. Houses, proposing to legalize marriage between a man and his deceased wife's sister, or a woman and her husband's brother, and whereas such marriages have been declared by the Christian church from the earliest ages to be contrary to the laws of God ascertained in the Holy Scriptures; * * *; whereas the proposed bill, if passed, will lay a burden on our consciences by bringing the laws of the country into conflict with the laws of God; whereas we believe such marriages would be subversive of morality, and would lead to serious social evils, therefore we do earnestly beseech you, to refuse your consent to the said proposed bill."

LITERARY NOTICES.

A Third Reformation Necessary: Or, the Piety, Principles, and Patriotism of Scotland's Covenanted Martyrs; with application to the present times. A sermon preached in connexion with the Bi-centenary Commemoration of the Covenanting struggle. By Rev. James Kerr, Greenock, Scotland.

This is an appropriate and loving tribute to the memory of those who, in life and at death, witnessed a good confession for Christ and His cause, two hundred years ago. It was first preached at the Old Grey-friars Churchyard, Edinburgh, and was repeated in various places in Scotland, during the past summer. The *piety, principles and patriotism* of the sufferers under the bloody house of Stuart are most triumphantly vindicated. We wish for the discourse an extensive circulation, and hope that all its readers will ponder its weighty truths, "with application to the present times."

Scripture Warning Words Leaflets, for inclosure in letters, Sabbath Schools and general distribution. Published by R. A. H. Morrow, St. John, N. B.

The first series of these little messengers of mercy has just been published. The leaflets—24 in number—contain some of the most solemn appeals of the Holy Scriptures to the heart and conscience. They are singularly suitable for Sabbath Schools, and cannot fail to be an important agency for good wherever they are circulated. We hope that the enterprising Publisher will be encouraged to go on in the good work, and that the second series will soon be forthcoming.

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