

CHINA—THE REBELS.—Mr. Roberts has been appointed Minister for Foreign Affairs at Nankin. He gives a most favourable account as to the moral condition of that city.

MADAGASCAR.—The Rev. W. Ellis has, at the request of the Directors of the London Missionary Society, consented again to visit Madagascar, now so providentially opened up to the Gospel.

CHRISTIAN LIBERALITY.—The Baptist Missionary Society in England has received from an unknown friend the very handsome donation of twenty-five thousand dollars, as a "thank-offering."

SUPPRESSION OF NEAPOLITAN MONASTERIES.—It is understood that a law has been sanctioned for the suppression of the monasteries in Naples. The Benedictine monasteries of Monte Cassino and La Cava are to be spared, as the national archives are preserved in them. The work of reformation thus advances in Italy.

PROCEEDINGS AGAINST THE ESSAYISTS.—It is stated that legal proceedings have been commenced by the Bishop of Salisbury against Dr. Rowland Williams, the author of the 2nd essay in the volume. Judgment was lately pronounced by Dr. Lushington in the case of Mr. Heath, a minister of the Church of England, who promulgated doctrines at variance with the Articles of the Church.

COLONIAL AND MISSIONARY BISHOPS.—Of late various Colonial bishops have been consecrated, and there have been at least two for parts beyond the British Territories. There was to be a third for Honolulu, in the Sandwich Islands. But difficulties have sprung up, and the matter is now in abeyance. So close is the connexion between Church and State in England that the Church is liable to be checked at every turn. How long will the Church submit to these restrictions?

THE MAYNOOTH ENDOWMENT.—The Maynooth Endowment is again attracting attention in consequence of the energy of Mr. Whalley, M.P., who has taken the place of Mr. Spooner as the determined opponent of Maynooth.

TRANSLATION OF REV. DR. MCFARLANE, OF ERSKINE CHURCH, GLASGOW.—The Rev. Dr. McFarlane, of Erskine (U. P.) Church, Glasgow, has been translated to London. Dr. McFarlane's ministry has been eminently useful in Glasgow.

AFFAIRS IN HUNGARY.—The Emperor of Austria has taken away all semblance of self-government from the Hungary, and the country is under military law. A crisis is evidently approaching.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH—GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN THE SOUTH.—A meeting of delegates from Southern presbyteries has been held in Augusta, Georgia, for the purpose of forming a Southern General Assembly. Dr. Palmer, of New Orleans, preached the opening sermon.

UNITED STATES—RELIGION IN THE ARMY.—A general order has been issued by General McClellan, commander-in-chief, for the purpose of giving increased facilities to chaplains for conducting the exercises of public worship, and for attending to the moral and religious condition of the soldiers.

THE REV. MR. CHINIQUY.—We observe that at a late meeting of Synod, Mr. Chiniquy has been acquitted of the charges which were brought against him.

SLAVE POWER NOT YET DEAD.—Rev. George Gordon, a minister of the Free Presbyterian Church, and President of Iberia College in Ohio, has been convicted of violating the Fugitive Slave Law; and being denied a new trial, has been fined \$300, sentenced to six months' close confinement in the county jail, and to pay the costs, amounting to \$1,600 or \$1,500. We had supposed the day for such things had passed by.