

religion in the Congo ; and about the efforts being made to-day on behalf of the negroes of the Southern States of North America. As a beginning in practical home mission work, quite a number of neatly made little garments, and other articles both useful and pretty, have been sent away during the season.

AFTER the close of a term of school, when so many pupils have gone away and so few remain, for the vacation, the building is apt to seem unusually large, and its occupants unusually lonesome. One of our young men evidently foresaw this, and determined that all would have sweet remembrances of at least one afternoon. As a consequence, Monday afternoon found teachers and pupils gathered in the dining-room for the purpose of eating some new sugar, the first of the season. The company all seemed well disposed, so that jokes and laughter were not lacking during the time that the sugar was boiling. After tea, all came to the chapel to play games, which they did with so much enthusiasm and good will, that the evening was a very enjoyable one. So pleasantly was the day passed that all were able to begin the new term's work with light hearts and happy faces.

Here and There.

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THE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY.—Henry Ives Cobb has already completed plans for most of the buildings of the American University, work upon which will begin in the near future. The institution, located about four miles from the capitol of Washington, will be connected directly with that building by the famous Massachusetts avenue, which will be extended for the purpose. As planned now there will be twenty-three massive buildings of marble and granite located on a well elevated campus of ninety-three acres. A splendid view of the city, the river and the Blue Ridge range can be seen from any point of the grounds. When completed this will be one of the greatest schools in the world.—*University of Chicago Weekly.*

THE frontispiece on the March number of *Vox Wesleyana*, consisting of an extract from Lowell's "Present Crisis," is indeed aptly chosen to express our country's attitude toward the South African conflict :—

"When a deed is done for Freedom, through the broad earth's aching breast
Runs a thrill of joy prophetic, trembling on from east to west,
And the slave, where'er he cowers, feels the soul within him climb
To the awful verge of manhood, as the energy sublime
Of a century bursts full-blossomed on the thorny stem of time.

For mankind are one in spirit, and an instinct bears along,
Round the earth's electric circle, the swift flash of right or wrong ;
Whether conscious or unconscious, yet Humanity's vast frame
Through its ocean-sundered fibres feels the gush of joy or shame ;—
In the gain or loss of one race all the rest have equal claim."