

CHURCH NEWS. BRITISH AND FOREIGN.

It is said that three-fourths of the Highland ministers are now total abstainers.

THE receipts at the recent bazaar in aid of Donegall Pass church, Belfast, reached nearly £900.

THE General Assembly of the Irish Presbyterian Church was attended by 465 ministers and 295 ruling elders, a total of 760 members.

PROF. HARPER's summer Hebrew school, whose sessions are held at Morgan Park, has opened with over sixty in attendance.

THE decrease in the membership and congregational attendance in the Irish Presbyterian Church, which has been reported for several years past, seems to be stayed.

AFTER a pastorate of sixteen years, on the 27th ult., Dr. Kuttredge, of Third Presbyterian Church, Chicago, preached his farewell sermon.

A SINGULAR complaint is made by the clergymen of St. Louis, to wit, that they are delayed in the return from funerals by the carriage drivers stopping at the beer houses to get their beer, and drawing up in procession in front of the saloons, and so near that the inmates of the carriages can hear the clink of glasses within.

REV. A. A. CAMPBELL, Catholic, recently conducted service at Balmoral in presence of the Queen and court.

AT the conference of the Irish Methodists at Dublin, it was resolved after a four hours' debate, by 137 to 22, to uphold the action of the committee on privileges in opposing Mr. Gladstone's home rule scheme.

BUDDHISM in Japan has been virtually disestablished since 1874. While there were 392,087 Buddhist temples in 1714, there are now but 57,824.

A CONVENTION of representatives of the Psalm-singing Churches is to be held in Holland during the coming autumn.

THE number of students of theology in Prussia has so increased during the past four years that the Church is threatened with a plethora of pastors.

REV. ERSKINE N. WHITE, D.D., for several years the pastor of West Twenty-third Street church, New York, has accepted the secretaryship of the Board of Church Extension, made vacant by the death of the lamented Dr. Wilson.

WE learn that the number of applicants for admission to Princeton College is much greater than it has been in any previous year of its history.

THE senate of Dublin University has conferred the degree of LL.D. on Prof. Kennedy of Cambridge, Jowett of Oxford, and John Tyndall, F.R.S.

DR. STOCKER, of Berlin, writes and prints one sermon each week. When he began this work four years ago only 600 copies were distributed.

DR. J. A. WYLIE, author of the "History of Protestantism," has issued

a pamphlet on the Irish Question in which he says we stand on the brink of an abyss, where a single step forward will precipitate us on the partition of our empire, giving such a shock to the fabric of our power as will be felt to the very ends of the earth.

THE New Haven Journal makes the following statement as to the members of the present Congress: Of the 408 senators, members and territorial delegates who compose Congress 72 are Methodists, 63 Baptists, 41 Episcopalians, 37 Presbyterians, 36 Catholics, 15 Unitarians, 8 Lutherans, 10 Christians (Campbellites), and 2 Quakers.

THE American Sunday School Union offers a premium of one thousand dollars for the best book, written for the society, upon the Christian Obligations of Property and Labour.

ON June 1st an event of remarkable interest took place in Cairo, being nothing less than the unrolling, in the presence of the Khedive and a distinguished company, of the mummy of the greatest of the Egyptian kings, Rameses II., the Sesotris of the Greeks, who carried his victorious army into Asia about fifteen hundred years before Christ.

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