### British and Foreign.

THE PRESBYTERIAN JUBILEE IN VICTORIA, AUSTRALIA.

duct regular religious worship. In are a fine body of respectable and days at Banbridge, has been most suc-1839 a humble edifice was creeted on warm-hearted men, and the people are cessful. a site of two acres given by the Crown. distinguished for their love of evan-In 1850, gold was discovered, and in gelical preaching and for Christian the year after, licenses were issued for liberality. mining. A great influx of population created.

158,000 of the whole population, nearly college built by the liberality of one New Zealand, and is expected in the gentleman, the late Mr. Ormond, within Australian colonies after the Jubilee in the University, and a theological hall, with three professors, two lecturers, and twenty students. There is a minister for every 790 of the Presbyterian people, and the average attendance on public worship tanks highest of the Protestant communions. In their Sab-2,800 teachers, while first-class High Rentoul, M.A., of Sandymount, Dub- fear of revolution seldom come back, Provident Life and Live Stock schools have been provided for both sexes. The funded money contributed byterian Church in Ireland has lost glory. Charles I. went to the scaffold, amounts to \$800,000, and the annual one of its most prominent and most and his family enjoyed his hentage. income is \$475,000. The Stipend popular members. Mr. Rentoul died James II. fled, and there was an end Fund last year was nearly \$300,000.
The ministers receive from \$6,000 to the Stuarts. Napoleon fled after was received from \$6,000 to the Stuarts. Napoleon fled after was an end to the Stuarts was \$1,125. It is now proposed to bring has left a widow and three children to all stipends up to a minimum of \$1,500 mourn his loss. Mr. Rentoul was one and a manse. A Jubilee Fund was of five brothers, four of whom entered initiated a few years ago of \$300,000, and it has been nearly all subscribed.

vember, 1888, resolved to invite several tendant at church courts. He was a distinguished ministers and olders from graduate of the University of Glasgow, the churches of Great Britain and Ire- and took his theological course at the and. The negotiations failed to secure more than three, and one of these, the Rev. R. J. Lynd, ex-Moderator of the Irish General Assembly, was at the last moment prevented from starting by the death of his wife's either after the part death of his wife's sister, after the passages had been taken for him and his wife. The Rev. Robert Rainy, D.D., Principal of the New College, Edinburgh, came as a deputy from the Free Church of Scotland, to visit all the Presbyterian Churches in the Australian gation.

On the death of the former minister of Sandymount, he accepted a call from that congregation in 1881, and laboured in Dublin with much acceptance till gives an account of the conversion was highly esteemed by his co-presbyterian Churches in the Australian gation.

A THIRD edition of the pamphlet entitled "Hear the Other Side," which gives an account of the conversion of the Rev. Thomas Connellan, late Roman Catholic curate of St. Peter's, Athlone, has been published. To in the death of his wife's sister, after the passages had been taken for him and his that congregation in 1881, and laboured in Dublin with much acceptance till gives an account of the conversion was highly esteemed by his co-presbyterian Churches in the Australian gation. Presbyterian Churches in the Australian | gation. colonies, and to take part in the Victo-Queen's chaplains, came from the united communion took place. The Christ's Temptation with great spiritual

large meeting was held in the Town to the 10,000 of the population. Hall in the evening. At the latter a report of the Jubilee Fund was read. It appeared that \$265,000 had been subscribed, and only \$35,000 was wanted to complete the fund. Six gentlemen that night offered \$20,000, if the congregation would give a golden offering on the Jubilee Sabbath. Drs. Macgregor and Rainy spoke at length, and amid much applause. On August 2nd, a meeting was held in connection with theological education, when an with theological education, when an fashion, a light strong string being at admirable address was given by Prin- tached to the ball. One decided adcipal Rainy. Dr. Macgregor also spoke.
On the 3rd, a Saturday, a great gathering of Sunday school scholars took place, and Jubilee medals were distri-buted. On the Jubilee Sunday the that almost all were acquainted with fund was completed. One congregation gave a collection of \$1,500, a second \$1,500, and from fifty came a total of \$10,000. The remainder was more than made up. Altogether it has been a most liberal offering. On August 5th, after a reception by the Moderator at the Grand Coffee Palace. Moderator at the Grand Coffee Palace, conducted by Messrs. Barclay and a missionary meeting was held, and the Rev. J. H. Davies, M.A., was ordained made up for my silence that day by and several Chinese catechists among their countrymen there. A liberal missionary spirit prevails, promoted chiefly by the fervent appeals of the low I.C. Paton of the New Hebridge. The sermons and addresses of the dis- morning. Montreal is much improved tinguished deputies have been very after these nine years, some portions of histly appreciated, and it is believed it being scarcely recognizable.

that the Presbyterian cause has got a new impulse from them for years to come. An historical sketch of the fifty years has been prepared by the Rev. Alexander J. Campbell, D.D., and has been dedicated, by permission, to Queen The colony of Victoria was a part of and full information, and contains some separates from their polygamous hus-New South Wales till 1851. A few illustrations of the architecture of the settlers established themselves there in churches. One in Melbourne, which 1835. In 1836 the population con now occupies the site of the first humsisted of 224 persons. In 1837 the ble building erected fifty years ago, was site of Melbourne was laid out, and rebuilt lately at a cost of \$150,000. two land sales held. In January, 1838, Presbyterianism has taken a high posi-the Rev. James Forbes was sent by the tion in Victoria. The ministers are

Fifty years ago the Presbyterian minfollowed. The new colony got responsi- isters in all Australia did not number ble government in the same year. Progress then became very rapid, and a six hundred. The time may soon come populous and wealthy State has been when a meeting of the General Council will be held in Melbourne. It may be established in Hartford Theological At the end of fifty years there is a added, that Principal Rainy has visited Seminary by a bequest of \$20,000 from population of one million in the colony, all the Australian colonies, and has just the late Rev. A. C. Baldwin, of Yonkers, and Melbourne is a city of 400 000 gone to New Zealand, from which he N. Y. The interest of this sum is to be people. The Presbyterian Church has sails in September by San Francisco devoted to helping the members of the and New York, on his homeward route. graduating classes in starting their 200 ministers, 172 pastoral charges, a The Rev. Dr. Macgregor has visited working libraries.

> THE membership of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Scotland is only 4,800.

Victoria is over.-N. Y. Evangelist.

the Church. His father, two uncles, and his grandsather were all ministers. To celebrate the jubilee in a worthy Mr. Rentoul was a most active and manner, the General Assembly, in No- successful pastor, and a constant at-

"THAT the 'Ulster Plantation' has rian Jubilee. The Rev. James Mac-gregor, D.D., minister of St. Cuthberts' and materially," says the Irish corres-parish, Edinburgh, and one of the pondent of the Presbyterian Messenger, imust be evident to any one who will Established Church of Scotland. The take the trouble of comparing it with Jubilee celebration began on July 30th, the rest of Ireland. What was the when a special meeting of the General poorest and most uncivilized province Assembly was held in Melbourne. Of Ireland stands now in the foreground There were deputies present from for education, respect for the laws both Presbyterian Churches of New South of God and man, and that industry and Wales, South Australia, Tasmania, and thrift which characterise the Scotch-New Zealand. A conversazione was Irish wherever they go. The counties held in the large Town Hall of the of Derry, Antrim, Down, Armagh, and city of Melbourne in the evening, to Tyrone pay two-thirds of all the incomewelcome the delegates. Sir James tax derived from Ireland, while the Machain, K.C.M.G., President of the City of Belfast ranks after London and Legislative Council, and an elder of the Liverpool as to Customs revenue. If Church, presided, and 3,000 people were present. On the 31st, special religious services were held by the dense and in the evening a God-fearing people have made Ulster what it is, and what it will, we hope, Rev. Dr. Macgregor preached from continue to be. In the counties reterred to we have only eleven policemen to power, and Principal Rainy assisted the 10,000 of the population, while in the Moderator. The great Jubilee day was August 1st, twenty-nine to the 10,000, and in West when congratulatory addresses were de-livered by colonial delegates, and a and Tipperary, it reaches thirty-seven

DR. MONRO GIBSON, of London, for Korea, where he will co-operate giving addresses later on to the boys, with American Presbyterian mission who listened with interest and answered aries. The Victorian Church has five with intelligence. They seemed to be missionaries in the New Hebrides, one under admirable management and control, and were all delighted with the Rev. J. G. Paton, of the New Hebrides, was the last day of the voyage to Mont who has visited all the congregations. real, which was reached on Monday

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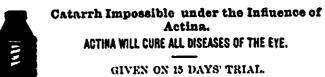
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