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General Gleanings from Distant Lands.

EUROPE.

The measure legalizing marriage between Jews and Christians has been rejected by the Upper House of the Hungarian Diet.

The food supply of France is proved by statistics to be seriously curtailed by the prohibition of the importation of pork from America.

The Pope is about to issue an encyclical regarding the Freemasons, in which it is believed a distinction will be made between Continental and English societies.

A letter advising a simultaneous attack upon the Czar and the Emperor of Germany has been found in the lodgings of a Nihilist in London who was in close communication with Irish malcontents.

M. Léon Chotteau sails for America to prevent if possible the United States Government from adopting retaliatory measures on account of the refusal of France to permit the importation of American salted meats.

The French Cabinet is divided upon the Egyptian question. Prime Minister Ferry thinks the present a good time for France to regain her position in Egypt, but some of his colleagues hold an adverse opinion, and deprecate any action in the matter.

The *Morning News* of Paris publishes an editorial severely commenting on the imbecility displayed by the American State Department in the O'Donnell matter. It says a perusal of the correspondence can only lead to the belief that Frelinghuysen is simply "a respectable nincompoop."

A dying sailor on a Russian ship in the Piræus wished to see once more his mother, a very old peasant living in Esthonia. Queen Olga, of Greece, heard of his longing, and sent an aide-de-camp to fetch the sailor's mother, and when all was over, made him escort her back to her Russian home.

A St. Petersburg despatch says a story is in circulation that Jablonsky and the sister of the man who was hanged for complicity in the murder of Alexander II. planned the recent attempt on the Czar, which was given out as an accident to the imperial sledge. It is rumoured that the woman has already been secretly hanged.

A Berlin despatch says it transpires that the real difficulty between Prince Frederick Charles and his wife was his cruel and inhuman treatment. It is said the Prince had been drinking heavily, and beat his wife brutally. It is rumoured that the Princess is not satisfied with a separation and will demand a divorce.

At the trial of torpedoes recently on the Bosphorus, Daoud Bey, a Turk, produced a torpedo invented by himself, the motive power of which is obtained by means of rocket tubes. Daoud's weapon attains a speed of 200 yards in twenty seconds, and is declared by experts to eclipse any torpedo yet invented.

A St. Petersburg despatch says the police have seized documents showing that a revolutionary league exists among students at Moscow. All the officials of the Gatschina palace are under the strictest control. The police have been unable to obtain any clue to the whereabouts of the Nihilist Jablonsky, the principal murderer of Sudeikin.

An eminent French economist demonstrates that the policy of prohibiting the importation of American pork, besides depriving the poorer classes of cheap and nourishing food, will entail an enormous loss on the country, and if the retaliation threatened by the United States is carried into effect, the loss will be nearly one hundred million francs, for the protection of a monopolist ring of pork-packers at Nantes.

American Pork.

The Royalist journal, the *Clairon*, of Paris, devotes to the American hog a spirited leader of three columns. It declares that at the present moment the American hog is of greater importance to the great masses of the French people than the revision of the Constitution. Frenchmen every year eat 40 million francs' worth of American pork, for which they pay the moderate price of sixty centimes per kilogramme. The *Clairon* refers to the reports of Drs. Brouardel and Grancher, who were sent by the Minister of Commerce to investigate the trichinosis in Germany, and who came to the conclusion that there was no reason to prohibit American pork. The *Clairon* concludes by earnestly urging the French Government to revoke the prohibition before the 20th of January, when the Americans, who are furious, propose to retaliate by a terrible blow at French industry. The *Clairon* states that this is also the advice of the French Academy of Medicine.

Our Berlin correspondent had an interview with Professor Virchow. He condemns as utterly illogical, unnecessary, and unjustifiable from sanitary reasons the present prohibition against American pork in Germany and France. He thinks that local control by microscopic examination would be an ample safeguard. No cases of trichinæ in American hog meat have been proved to exist in Germany for ten years. He was asked by the French Chamber of Deputies to give his opinion of the necessity of the prohibition. His answer will be based on the above statement. He will publish a pamphlet embodying his views within ten days.

ASIA.

A Hanoi despatch says the power of the Black Flags has been broken, and they have begun a guerilla warfare.

The French Government is assured England has urged China to accept accomplished facts and arrange terms of peace with France.

Two thousand Annamites attacked a French post held by fifty marines. After hard fighting the enemy retired with the loss of one hundred killed and wounded.

An explosion at the Hanoi on the 28th ult., destroyed two batteries of French artillery. One man was killed and three injured. Several houses and the barracks were badly damaged.

A Vienna despatch says:—It is reported that the members of the Imperial family of China have offered a portion of their private fortunes to assist in the war against France.

There are indications of a speedy advance on Bacninh. The French hold a strong strategic position for the position. The Chinese troops at Bacninh number ten thousand and are splendidly armed.

A Hong Kong despatch says the Chinese authorities have fears of the French entertaining designs upon the city of Canton. The natives are very uneasy. The work of blockading the Canton river is progressing.

A Hong Kong despatch says the Chinese have blockaded the Canton river, between Canton and the Bogue forts, leaving only a navigable passage of ninety feet. Calls have been issued for recruits for the Chinese army.

The French advance forces have already left Haidzuong for the purpose of joining the main body of the French troops from Hanoi on their crossing the Red river. The attack on Bacninh is expected to take place on Thursday.

Admiral Courbet reports that the enemy's loss during the attack by the French forces upon Sontay was four hundred killed and six hundred wounded. The Annamite commander and lieutenant were wounded. Several Chinese officers in the service of the Annamites were killed.

Two transports are loading at Canton with the troops for Hainan. It is now said that three thousand will go to protect the island against the French. M. Tricou has gone to Haiphong, having secured a complete ratification of the treaty of the 25th of August from the new King of Annam at Hué.

The Viceroy of Canton has notified the consuls of his intention to blockade the northern approach to the city, and also to lay torpedoes at the other approach, known as the Macao reach, which is obstructed by a bridge at the south end of Dane island. Steamboat captains are notified by the owners to avoid the northern approach.

The authorities of the province of Kwangtung, of which Canton is the capital, are vigorously preparing for war, and are building a telegraph line between Canton and the Tonquin frontier. The Viceroy of Canton has issued a proclamation summoning the people to prepare to repel the French invaders, at the same time expressing friendship toward other nations.

A Dresden despatch says:—The Marquis Tseng, in a letter received here, declares the capture of Sontay by the French had strengthened the war party in China, and it was impossible for the Chinese Government to accept mediation for a settlement of the Tonquin difficulty. He also says China would perhaps double the tax on foreign goods to cover the war expenses.

A Hong Kong despatch says:—Pirates attacked Nam Dinh on all sides on the night of the 1st and 2nd. A large number were killed and wounded, and many houses burned. On the 4th inst. Batang was attacked, but the enemy were compelled to retire with many killed and wounded. Tuduc, formerly king of Annam, is reorganizing the insurgents. It is reported that the Chinese army is descending from Kwang Si to occupy Bacninh.

A Paris paper says since the arrival of the French expedition in Tonquin Catholic missionaries have been subjected to renewed persecution in the southern provinces of China. A furious mob in the Province of Quang See destroyed the house of Père Pernet, who was arrested, maltreated, and threatened with death. Seven thousand taels was demanded as a ransom for his release. Other missionaries have been arrested at the instigation of the Mandarins, who have ceased to respect treaties.

AFRICA.

The negotiations between the French and the Hovas have failed, the Hovas refusing to accept a French protectorate.

A Varna despatch says the Porte has decided not to interfere in the Soudan. It is stated that the tribes in Tripoli are moving toward El Mehdi.

A great religious sheikh who arrived at Suakim from Cairo has issued a proclamation to the tribes in revolt exhorting them to submit to the Khedive.

El Mehdi demands two thousand pounds ransom for five nuns and four priests he holds in captivity. The Austrian consul is asking merchants to subscribe the amount.

The rebels have burned and sacked Belouan, and are now marching in great force against Rufaa on the east bank of the Blue Nile, and Musalimia on the west bank. There are small garrisons at both places.

A committee formed to protect commercial interests in the Soudan will address a petition to the Khedive and the consuls general in Egypt protesting against the abandonment of the Soudan by the Egyptian Government. Information has been received that British property and commerce. The recent operations of the French may promise to produce more trouble than the mad acts of Admiral Pierre.

A Khartoum despatch says the people on both sides of the Blue Nile have declared for El Mehdi. All communication with Sennaar has been stopped, and the steamers sent to convey troops and despatches there have returned. Thirty thousand rebels hold Halifeh on the line of the telegraph along the White Nile.

Baker Pasha has been ordered to relieve Tokar and Sinkat, near Suakim, and to withdraw the garrison, but to undertake no operations west of Sinkat. The Government is considering the best means of evacuating the Soudan, a task which will be difficult owing to the guns and large stores of ammunition to be removed.

A Cairo despatch says the Government has received advices from Suakim that an agreement has been effected with several hitherto hostile chiefs on the Suakim and Berber route to Khartoum by which it is hoped the evacuation of the Soudan will be facilitated. It is intended to despatch Abd-el-Kader, the Minister of War, to Khartoum to supervise the evacuation.

"Chinese" Gordon declares that Egypt must abandon Darfour and Kordofan, but should retain the Eastern Soudan. If El Mehdi is allowed to establish himself there the effect will be disastrous. The Arabs on both sides of the Red Sea will be likely to catch the infection of rebellion, and the whole "Eastern question" will be re-opened.

The troops from Berber have succeeded in relieving the garrison at Gesiren with a loss of 64 men. Col. Coetlogan telegraphs from Khartoum imploring orders for a retreat, as a third of his troops are disaffected and the inhabitants are hostile. The Government has telegraphed the Governor of Khartoum to prepare to quit the town at a moment's notice.

The rebels made a night attack on Tokar on December 20th, but were repulsed. They looted the house of one of the principle merchants of the town, carrying off his wife and daughter. The garrison lost five killed and seven wounded. The rebels are entrenched six hundred yards from the town. Letters from Sincat state that the town cannot hold out beyond the 30th. The garrison is suffering severely from cold.

Difficulty of Evacuating the Soudan.

A Cairo despatch says:—The Ministry of War, in a statement regarding the proposed evacuation of the Soudan, shows that there are 21,000 men and 84 guns there. The removal to Khartoum of the ammunition stored at Kassàla would require four thousand camels, or six thousand if the material on the Abyssinian frontier should also be removed. To march from Berber to Wadyhalfa through the desert would be impossible; it would be necessary to make the journey by river, which would take three months and require 1,300 boats. Several Bedouin tribes along the Nile between Khartoum and Berber have declared for El Mehdi.

Orders have been sent to Khartoum for the civil population to quit the town immediately.

What a Well-Known Retired Tobacco Manufacturer Says.

Mr. Joab Scales, of Toronto, writes:—"A short time ago I was suffering from kidney complaint and dyspepsia, sour stomach, and lame back; in fact, I was completely prostrated and suffering intense pain. While in this state a friend recommended me to try a bottle of Northrop & Lyman's Vegetable Discovery and Dyspeptic Cure. I must confess I did not have faith in any patent medicine, but, like a drowning man catching at straws, I thought I would give it a trial. I used one bottle, and the permanent manner in which it has cured and made a new man of me is such that I cannot withhold from the proprietors this expression of my gratitude, and I would advise all that are so afflicted to give it a trial."

UNITED STATES.

A Budget of News from Over the Border.

Florida strawberries have reached New York, but they are held at five dollars a quart.

J. E. Martin, rector of the Episcopal church at Peru, Indiana, has been requested to resign. He was detected stealing books.

The officials of the Post-office say there is no truth in the report that a British spy was permitted to inspect the mails at New York.

A number of pigs, dogs, and cows have recently died near Chatham, N.J., from hydrophobia. Farmers think they were bitten by a skunk.

The son of a millionaire has been gaoled in Chicago for forging a cheque. He stated that he was driven to the deed to escape starvation.

The jury in the suit of Bridget Cronyn against Rev. Florence McCarthy for $30,000 for alleged assault recently gave the plaintiff six cents.

The president of the United States Creditors' Association says that there are 4,000 persons in the country pledged to have their bodies burned.

Archbishop Gibbons has received the brief appointing him apostolic delegate to preside over the National Council at Baltimore. He left Rome last week.

The body of the missing Charles Delmonico was discovered in the woods of Orange mountain, New Jersey, on Monday morning. He had evidently perished from exposure.

An orphan asylum in Ohio, in which one hundred and twenty children were in bed, caught fire on Thursday night. Fortunately the children were rescued without any mishap.

Henry Stephens, a prominent farmer of Newcomerstown, Ohio, has been made insane by religion. He chased his wife around the house and frightened her so badly that she died.

The Association for the Regulation of the Production of Kentucky Whiskey has ordered the production for this year to be reduced 668 per cent. of the production of 1881 and 1882.

The Fenians of Brooklyn on Sunday night passed a resolution declaring that the perfidy of James McDermott had been established, and that he merits the fate which befell Carey.

Fifty Indian maidens are attending a Philadelphia school. The march of civilization is shown in the fact that they chew gum and write sentimental poetry with as much gusto as some of their paler sisters.

News has been received at Milwaukee that the severe weather of last week played havoc with cattle on the plains in the Western States and Territories. In some sections entire herds were frozen to death.

The National Academy of Sciences of the United States has reported that glucose is equal to cane sugar in healthfulness, and that it is harmless to the human system even when taken in large quantities.

The report of pork packing in the West shows for all points to date from November 1st a total of 3,845,000 hogs, being a deficiency of 180,000 on a year ago. Estimated packing for the season, 6,085,000 hogs.

The Board of Directors of the Philadelphia Zoological Society have decided not to accept the gift of $50,000 offered by Joseph E. Temple on condition that the garden be open free to the public on Sundays.

Chief of Police Webster, of New Haven, was yesterday served with the papers in a suit brought by Captain Johnson, of the Salvation Army, in which she claims $10,000 damages for her recent alleged unauthorized arrest.

O. W. Leland, a leading merchant and church member of Mesopotamia, Ohio, borrowed large sums from friends and eloped with a strange woman. He leaves a wife and three children. The sheriff has seized his property.

David Charlesworth was recently buried at Fort Plain in a coffin he manufactured thirty-five years ago for his burial. Whenever he changed his place of residence he always moved the coffin with his household furniture.

There were 345 failures reported in the United States during the past week. This exceeds the record of any one week during the past five years. About 69 per cent. were those of small traders whose capital was less than $5,000.

The city of New Orleans is in a filthy condition. The streets are dirty, garbage is accumulating, and the draining machines are worn out. The Sanitary Association has passed a resolution denouncing the authorities for their neglect.

Concerning the ten thousand persons who went to see William Fox hanged, the Kansas City *Times* says:—"Many women fainted. The men did not faint, for the probable reason that the most of them were buoyed up with ten-cent whiskey."

The orange groves of Mobile have been killed by the severe frost, and the growers of garden truck have lost everything. The damage in that section is estimated at two million dollars. In southern Georgia the sugar cane has been destroyed by the freezing weather.

Monsignor Corcoran, who recently returned to Philadelphia from Rome, says the Pope has determined to appoint fewer Italians to the Cardinalate and more of other nationalities. Another American Cardinal or two may be created after the holding of the Baltimore council.

A sensation has been caused in Troy by the marriage of Frank Conde, of West Troy, aged 18, and Belle Ferguson, of Amsterdam, aged 15, pupils of the Mechanicsville school. They left the school quietly on Wednesday night, and got married. Their parents have been telegraphed for.

Three million tons of ice have already been stored away in New York this winter. This is an average of over two tons for each man, woman, and child in the city, and the question naturally arises, what is done with it all? A large quantity of it could be used to advantage in cooling the heated brains of the more pronounced Anglophobists.

Mrs. Hasalbach, of San Francisco, has been a much married woman. She has had nine husbands, and as she is now seeking a divorce from Hasalbach she evidently wants another. She claims to have forgotten the names of some of her earlier husbands, but says four are dead, three are divorced and one is missing.

Amongst a number of convicts from New York for Sing Sing recently was one who before arriving there on the train took off all his outer clothing and handed it to a friend, and said the State should not have it. He walked from the railroad station to the prison, more than a mile, in his under-garments only.

A wood chopper's wife, Mrs. Hannah Barnes, started from Ashland, Wis., on December 2nd, and arrived at Milwaukee, January 8th, having walked the entire distance, 300 miles, carrying her 14-months-old baby strapped to her back. Part of the time the thermometer was 50 degrees below zero. The next day she started out again cheerfully on her long tramp to meet a sister in Davenport, Ia., 200 miles further on. Her funds amounted to $2.

The cutting of a diamond believed to be the largest cut in this country has just been completed in Boston after more than three month's labour. The stone was found in South Africa, and its weight in the rough was nearly 125 karats. The gem is not perfect in colour, a yellowish tinge prevailing. When cut it weighs 77 karats. It is nearly a full inch across and a little more than five-eights of an inch in depth. It is about two-thirds as large as the Kohinoor.

Another railway horror occurred near Bradford, Pa., on Tuesday morning. A passenger train ran into a quantity of oil on the track, which ignited, enveloping the cars in flames. To make the catastrophe still more complete, the burning train after running half a mile was derailed. Three passengers are reported burned to death and many others are so severely injured by the flames as to be beyond hope of recovery. The engine-driver, with noble fidelity to duty, stuck to his post in the face of almost certain death.

Theft of Four Bodies Under the Nose of a Sleeping Watchman.

CHICAGO, Jan. 11.—On the night of January 2nd the bodies of four paupers were stolen from the Cook county infirmary morgue at Jefferson. The matter was kept quiet by the officials until to-day. While the watchman was asleep the thieves drove up with a waggon and stole the coffins, bodies, and shrouds. A reward of $1,000 is offered for the apprehension of the thieves.

A Duel Over a Fourteen-Year-Old Girl.

ERIE, Pa., Jan. 14.—During a riot among Italian labourers last evening one was killed, one fatally wounded, and several injured. Two of the contestants were rivals for the hand of a 14-year-old girl, and one had challenged the other to fight a duel. The parties and their friends met and a general fight resulted.

A Supposed Corpse Seen to Move—The Burial Postponed.

JEFFERSONVILLE, Ind., Jan. 15.—Mrs. Neely, prominent in religious and social circles, was taken ill a few days ago and pronounced dead in two hours. While the funeral services were being held the undertaker noticed a movement of the body. The burial has been postponed, and efforts are being made to bring the lady out of her trance.

A Prize Fighting Professor.

ITHACA, N.Y., Jan. 14.—Prof. Edward Hitchcock, jr., of Amherst, has been appointed by the trustees of Cornell University professor of physical culture and hygiene. The new large gymnasium will be placed under his direction. It is probable that compulsory gymnastics will be required in the lower classes.

It is stated that the engagement of Prof. Pete McClelland, of New York city, appointed to the chair a year ago, was broken because within a week after his appointment he accepted a challenge to a prize-fight for the light-weight championship of America, a proceeding not tolerated by the trustees of the university.

Sent to a Reformatory for Robbing His Father—Fifteen Hundred Dollars Stolen.

HARTFORD, Conn., Jan. 12.—Joseph Hubbard, aged 11 years, was yesterday sentenced to the Reform school until he is of age for robbing his father. He confessed that he had stolen almost daily for the past year sums ranging from $1 to $5. Smith, Northam & Co., millers, for which concern the boy's father is agent, and who are the losers directly, place their deficit at $1,500. The boy was in the habit of entering his father's bedroom and taking money while Hubbard was at breakfast. Several waggon-loads of playthings, trashy literature, etc., were found at his home. He received the sentence with indifference. He is a bright, intelligent boy, and his parents thought he obtained the money by doing chores for parties about town.

One Hundred Girls Panic Stricken in a Seed Store—A Groundless Alarm.

DETROIT, Jan. 14.—The immense seed store of D. M. Ferry & Co. was the scene this morning of a panic. A boy employed in the finishing room on the fourth floor dropped a lighted piece of paper in a pot of shellac, which instantly ignited. The blaze created a stampede among fifty girls employed there, and they rushed down stairs in great confusion shouting "Fire!" This caused alarm among fifty girls working in the bean room on the first floor, who rushed to and fro screaming frantically for help. Before they could be quieted down three girls jumped through one of the windows, breaking the glass, and precipitating themselves into the street, where they fell unhurt by almost a miracle. The fire was quickly extinguished.

A Whole Family Burned to Death with their Dwelling.

RALEIGH, N.C., Jan. 9.—Saturday night, on the plantation of W. G. Taylor, Lenoir county, an entire family of negroes, William Croom, his wife, and six children, were burned to death. That night the weather was the coldest for twenty years, and it is supposed a large fire was made before retiring, and the house caught fire from blazing brands rolling on the floor. No news of the event reached the neighbours until noon on Sunday; then a neighbour visiting the family found nothing but the ashes of the house and the remains of eight human beings. The father and mother were found near together, and an infant between them, where the bed stood. The skeleton of one child was between this spot and the door. The others were in their usual places of rest. It is supposed nearly all died of suffocation.

A Bridegroom Locked in a Vestry while His Bride is being Married to Her Father.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 15.—A few days ago a fashionable throng gathered at the Church of the Epiphany to witness the marriage of Wilson Mitchell to Fanny Elizabeth Kessler, daughter of Jno. Kessler, jr. The lady was conducted to the altar by her father, but Mitchell failed to appear. The clergyman, not understanding the situation, proceeded with the ceremony, supposing Mr. Kessler was the bridegroom. The excitement among those present was intense, but no one spoke. Finally Mitchell rushed into the church and informed the minister he had got into the vestry and was locked in. The ceremony was then properly performed. The affair has just been made public, and causes a great stir.

Exploits of a Fifteen-year-old Negro—Confession of Murder and Arson.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—W. L. Benjamin, a coloured man, appeared in court with his nephew, Elphonso Kell, a 15-year-old lad, and asked that he be committed for incorrigibility. He told the court the boy had made several attempts to poison members of the family by placing vermin poison in milk and in water which they drank; that he had poisoned cattle belonging to him and had attempted to set the house on fire; also that just before Christmas he had attempted to cut the throat of one of the children in the house while she slept. The boy acknowledged his uncle's story was true, and confessed that while living in Baltimore he had administered poison to his mother and aunt, who both died from the effects; that he had attempted to poison other people and cattle while in Baltimore, and had set his mother's house on fire. He was committed for examination as to his mental condition.

Hanging of a Murderer—His Penitence and Sympathy.

NORFOLK, Va., Jan. 11.—John Jarvis, the murderer of Claudius W. Bonney, was hanged at half-past one this afternoon at Princess Anne Court-house. He said last night he felt at the time of the murder an uncontrollable desire to kill Bonney which he could not resist, and expressed sympathy for his victim's widow and children and regret for the deed. He went to the scaffold calm and collected. When asked if he had anything to [illegible] "no," but asked the by[illegible] Gov.-Gen. Cameron to do so, which was done. His neck was broken, and death was painless. The murder for which Jarvis was hanged was the malicious and cold-blooded act of a morose and intemperate man, who fancied himself and family wronged in a business transaction. During the trial the murderer maintained a sullen and stolid indifference; all he would say was that he remembered nothing about the crime. He was fifty years old, and but recently married. His victim was of middle age, esteemed in his county, and left a wife and six small children.

Fiftieth Anniversary of Cardinal McCloskey's Ordination.

NEW YORK, Jan. 12.—The golden jubilee of Cardinal McCloskey was celebrated in St. Patrick's cathedral to-day, this being the fiftieth anniversary of his ordination as a priest and the seventy-fourth of his birth. The ceremonies were most impressive and were witnessed by one of the largest gatherings of Roman Catholic bishops and other clergy and laity ever drawn together in this city. Within the chancel were Archbishop Corrigan, Bishops Loughlin, Conroy, Spalding, McQuaid, Ryan, Bigger, O'Farrell, McNierney, and Wadhams, and a hundred and fifty priests. The Cardinal did not appear until after the communion. He showed marked signs of feebleness, but pronounced the benediction in clear tones. Replying to an address, he referred to the time when he was ordained priest, at which time he was in feeble health, and remarked upon the unusual length of time that Providence had permitted him to work in the fold. He said that what success had attended his efforts must be attributed to the good-will, zeal, and generous co-operation of the clergy and laity.

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the Cardinal attended a banquet given at the Catholic Orphan Asylum to the bishops and clergy. The Cardinal's health was drank, and the Cardinal proposed long life and health to the Pope, which was drank by all standing. No other toasts were offered. Later the Cardinal was waited upon by a committee of St. John's College alumni association, of which he was the first president. They presented him with an address, to which he made a response. The Cardinal received numerous gifts during the day, among which was a crucifix ten feet high, made of olive wood grown in the Garden of Gethsemane.

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London Bible societies have given away 4,989,660 copies of the Scriptures last year.

Dr. Carberry, the new Roman Catholic bishop of Hamilton, leaves Rome for that city on February 17th.

The new Calvary Baptist church, New York, which was opened recently, was erected at a cost of $500,000.

Rev. Dr. Cauler has raised $2,000 in Sarnia for the endowment fund of Knox College, and $400 more will probably be contributed.

In Germany, owing to the May laws, the number of candidates for orders in the Church of Rome has so diminished that there are not priests sufficient for the vacant parishes.

Rev. Dr. Rice, general superintendent of the Methodist Church of Canada, is a deputation to the Wesleyan, Primitive Methodist, and Bible Christian conferences, which meet in England in June and July next.

Dr. Wood, Mayor of Southport, having recently attended a meeting of the Chester branch of the Salvation Army, was so satisfied with the work accomplished that he forwarded to General Booth a cheque for £1,000.

The Bishop of Montreal recently held a general ordination at the Grand Seminary, Montreal. Among those who received subdeacons' orders were Revs. Michael J. Gearin and Peter F. McCabe, of the Archdiocese of Toronto.

A proposal to build small Wesleyan chapels in London has been hopefully inaugurated by Sir W. McArthur, M.P., subscribing £10,000, his brother £5,000, and others £10,000 additional. It is calculated that £50,000 will be required.

The revised Swedish translation of the New Testament has been sanctioned by the King of Sweden. It will now be used in churches and schools throughout the country, as was decided by the Synod which met in Stockholm in September.

Among the writers on the Reformation called out by the Luther commemoration is Principal Tulloch. Calvin, he exalts as the theologian of the Reformation, and says:—"To raise thus a coherent front of scriptural dogmatism in opposition to the old ecclesiastical dogmatism, and thereby at once save the principles of the reformation from license and strengthen and consolidate them against Popery—such was Calvin's great work as a theologian."

Fenianism v. Parnellism.

From the New York Sun, Jan. 7.

Michael F. O'Crowley addressed the meeting of the Fenian Brotherhood in Columbia hall, Brooklyn, last night, on "Scientific Warfare; or the Quickest Way to Drive the Redcoat Robbers out of Ireland." He said:—"I am a peaceable man, and would hope to gain my ends in life by peaceful arts. But in Ireland all peaceful arts are at an end. Its freedom is to be gained