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Many British families have every member of them in the male line engaged fighting at the front in Her Majesty's service.

. The British Empire is forty times larger than the German Empire, and sixteen times larger than all the French dominions

Mr. Ballington Booth has purchased ten acres with house and barn near Flushing, Long Island, for a home for discharged prisoners.

Mr. Neil Munro, author of "John Splendid," and "Gilean the Dreamer," be-ganl ife as a herd laddie on one of the Duke of Argyll's farms.

Mrs. C. H. Spurgeon is making satisfactory progress towards recovery. She is glad to have uved to see the completion of the standard life of her husband.

George Glen, an old Crimean veteran, has just died in Leith, aged 75 years. He was one of the eight men chosen to represent the Black Watch at the funeral of the Duke of Wellington.

W. L. Phelps, Professor at Yale of English Literature, has published a new map of England, in which all the towns which are in any way associated with literature are distinctively marked.

Rev. R. E. Knowles, of Galt, Canada, preached at the Second Church, Louisville, on the first Sunday in February and most favorable impression upon made o the people .- Presbyterian Standard

The following was the state of the Free Church Sustentation Fund on Jan. 10th: Total for eight months, 1900, £108,065 15s. 5d.; total for eight months, 1899, £106,093 99, 9d.; increase, £1973 5s. 8d.

An American tourist purchased a mummy in Alexandria. On getting it home to Baltimore he discovered that instead of the swathed figure being a real mummy, the drapery merely inclosed straw and newspapers.

New York City .-- A number of members of the Brick church have presented to Rev. Dr. Henry Van Dyke, the recent pastor, the sum of \$30,000 to be used by him to purchase a home at Princeton, or for any other purpose by may elect.

Dr. John Watson (Ian Maclaren), who will be Moderator of the Presbyterian Synod which meets two months hence in Manchester, has just completed twentyfive years of ministerial life. After labouring in Scotland, he became minister of Sefton-park Church, Liverpool, in 1880.

Lord Pauncefote will remain at Washington for the greater part of this year.

Inverness Presbytery has unanimously resolved to recommend to the General Assembly the petition of Rev. Allan Mackenzie, Bank-street Free Presbyterian Church, to be admitted along with his congregation into the Established Church. Mr. Mackenzie was one of the first of the seceders from the Free Church to form a congregation, and he has since consistently upheld what is known as , Constitutionalism,' which includes ; dherence to the establishing principle.

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