

friends, who, while on their own account they deeply regret his approaching departure from among them, will follow him in his future course with deep interest and with their prayers that he may be abundantly blessed in the noble work to which he has devoted himself. We hope that it may be found practicable ere his departure to hold an evening meeting, as which his friends of other denominations as well as his own may have an opportunity of bidding him a final farewell.—*Com.*

### MISCELLANEOUS.

The late Mr. R. Stephenson was interred in a vault in the centre of Westminster, beside the spot where lie the remains of the late Mr. Geo. Telford.

The ministers and laymen of all denominations have commenced a daily Union Prayer Meeting in Glasgow.

There are premonitory symptoms of a religious revival in India, and four daily prayer meetings are held in Bombay.

The State of Missouri will soon be emancipated: it is thought that great changes imperil the Union.

The Hungarian Protestants have remonstrated against the late decree.

At the Banquet given to Lord Brougham in Edinburgh lately 1,200 persons were present. He made an instructive speech.

**SACRED TRAGEDY.**—On Tuesday the Rev. Mr. Waddell, of Girvan, read from his own pulpit a poetical tragedy, of which he is the author, entitled "King Saul," illustrating the power of madness, superstition, and jealousy combined. It is a five-act tragedy, adhering throughout to the narrative as it appears in Holy Writ, and containing on every page delineations of character and fine dramatic taste, which would not disgrace the pen of the greatest dramatists.—*Ayrshire Express.*

The 78th Highlanders, numbering 700 men, with their officers and Lieutenant-Colonel Campbell McIntyre, have been entertained at a banquet, given by the citizens of Nairn in honor of the gallant deeds of their countrymen in India.

Lord Brougham has been elected Chancellor of the Edinburgh University by a majority of 235 over the Duke of Buccleugh.

**VILLAGES IN BOHEMIA LEAVING THE CHURCH OF ROME.**—The *Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung*, a paper which enjoys a deservedly high reputation in Germany for the general correctness of its information, and the caution it exercises in the insertion of any startling or doubtful intelligence, states, in one of its recent numbers, that a very powerful religious movement is now taking place in the northern parts of Bohemia, where (it is believed from disgust with the oppression exercised under

the Concordat) whole villages are going over to Protestantism!

**ADDRESSES TO THE POPE.**—The Roman Catholic clergy in Ireland have lately been instrumental in establishing young men's societies all over Ireland—ostensibly for the purpose of cultivating literary tastes among their followers, but in reality to gain political power, and to further their attempt to get the education of the people entirely under their own control. These institutions have lately excited some attention, and as an example of the organization that exists in them, it may be mentioned that each society is about to present an address of sympathy to the Pope. As a branch of the agencies, these priests are employing to ultramontanise the people, these semi-political combinations ought not to be overlooked.

There can be now no want of Protestant church accommodation in Paris. *Galignani's Messenger* of Saturday contains eight distinct advertisements of divine service which were to take place on Sunday—viz., at the Rev. A. Gurney's "English Church," the Church of Scotland, "Wesleyan Chapel," "Congregational Worship," "Church of England," "English Church," (Rue d'Aguesseau), "American Episcopal Church," and the "American Chapel."

**LORD BROUGHAM.**—Thursday being the Sacramental Fast-Day in Edinburgh, Lord Brougham in the forenoon attended divine service at St. Andrew's Church, occupying a seat in the pew he was accustomed to sit in when resident in Edinburgh. In the afternoon, desirous of visiting the place of his birth and the scenes of his early youth, his Lordship proceeded alone to 21, St. Andrew's Square, now occupied by Messrs. D. M. & H. Black, W. S., and in which his Lordship was born. His Lordship went through every room in both flats of the house, and looked out of the window at which more than seventy years ago he was wont to sit and gaze on the scenery of the Forth. The emotion of the noble Lord was great as the associations of his childhood crowded upon his memory, and it was pleasing and touching to find that the veteran statesman had through the vicissitudes of a stormy political life of more than half a century preserved undiminished by age and honors so vivid and cherished a recollection of his boyhood. His Lordship left Edinburgh yesterday for the North of England.

**THE NEW AFRICAN BISHOPRIC.**—It was mentioned in the *Times* of Wednesday, that the venerable Archdeacon Mackenzie had accepted the offer which had been made to him to lead the newly formed Oxford and Cambridge mission to Central Africa. Arrangements will be made for the elevation of the rev. gentleman to the episcopal office, but he will not have any territorial jurisdiction. Mr. Mackenzie, who was a student of Caius College, graduated at Cambridge in 1848, when he was second wrangler, the senior wrangler