BRITISH AND PORBIGN.

DR. WAYLAND HOYT, the popular American Baptist divine, is running over Britain at present on his bleycle.

MR. SPURGEON'S church at Auckland has sent a ton of clothing for the Maoris made destitute by the volcanic crurtion. THE German Lutheran synod in recent session in St. John's church, lironklyn, represented 207,000 com-

municants. THE Irish Presbyterian Mission Board have appointed Revs. R. W. Sinclair, M.A., and Thos. M'Aulis, M.A., to the Indian mission field.

A NEW Presbyterian church opened lately at Bast St. Kilda, Melbourne, for the congregation of Rev. S. Robinson, cost \$70,000. It will seat eight hundred

THE Arabic Hible, for which the United Presbyterian Board of Publication made the grant of \$2,000, is completed, and is selling in Alexandria, Egypt, at a good rate.

JOSEPH RAMMINOVITCH, the Jewish reformer in South Russia, continues his work at Kischieness, where his Sunday services are crowded with men and women of Israel thirating for the Gospel. DR. STORRS, of Brooklyn, celebrated

appropriately celebrated in November.

THE Second Presbyterian church of Carlisle, l'a., has obtained portraits of all its former pasters and hung them on the walls of the session room. The idea is an excellent one and should be adopted by other churches.

In Tunie, Africa, there are from 150 to 200 Protestants, and a Protestant chapel is to be erected shortly. The Bey has made a gift of a beautiful lot of land, and the people have collected 5,000 francs; about 1,500 more are needed.

LAST year 218 Roman Catholic missionaries were sent into heathen lands, the largest number from the Paris seminary, whence 130 young men were despatched to Bastern Asia to fill the places there made vacant, by persecu-

DR. SOMERVILLE has delivered thirtyfive addresses in his Highland tour which began at Campbeltown and ex-tended to Islay and Muli. He is now visiting Skye, Lewis, and Barra, and afterwards will go to the Fort-William

In accordance with the will of an old lady who disliked the noise of the rustics' boots in coming into service, the nave and aisle of Old Western [English! Church was covered recently on ten.' feast day, with grass cut from land T; bequeathed for the purpose.

REV. G. W. M'CREE, of London, describing a three weeks' holiday tour in Scotland, makes special note of the "very remarkable fact" that in all his journeys by coach, rail and steamer he never saw a single sherry bottle or brandy flask used by lady or gentleman.

Ar the Wesleyan Conference it seemed to be the prevailing opinion that the class meeting is not now the power it once was. One speaker said it "did not bite as it used to do," and that whilst they were making members faster than ever, they were losing them faster than ever.

THE Board of Foreign Missions of the U.S. Presbyterian Church has among the Indians eight boarding and nine day schools, with a total attendance of 635. We have 1,706 communicants in twenty organized churches. Two hundred and forty Indians were added to the churches in the year.

TIIB Wesleyans have resolved to mission that plague-spot of London, the district within a quarter of a mile, limit of Piccadilly-circus. Revs. M. Guy Pearce and Hugh Price Hughes are to lead the onslaught on this central strong-hold of metropolitan vice, and £25,000 is needed to meet the cost.

POR six years after the missionaries entered Kioto, Japan, they could find no place in which to teach the Word of God except their own houses. Last year at the tenth anniversary of Kioto Training School the governor of the city, the governor of an adjoining province and other officials sat upon the platform, interested spectators.

MADAME SOFIA BOMPANI, of Rome. declares that " the chief torch-bearer in Italy is the British Bible society." Through its agency there has been an enormous diffusion of the Scriptures in Italy during the pas, twenty-five years. The Bible, or a portion of it, is much more readily accepted or bought by the people than is generally supposed.

TILE Wesleyans of Great Britain report a net decrease of 779 members during the past year. 'A discussion on the present state of Methodism in England brought out the fact that conver-sions were numerous, but the difficulty was that the church could not keep its members. The startling record was made that in the last year, 27, 135; persons "ceased to be members.

TILL Glasgow Christian Leader says Hon. Alexander Mackenzie, ex-premier of Canada, who is spending the summer in Scotland, is very much improved in health, being now able to walk, a considerable distance every day. Of his eleven trips across the Atlantic this has been the most favourable, nothing un-toward having occurred during the voy-age beyond the losing of his sealskin

out of politica because the saloons have taken possession of the politics of the greatest and wealthlest communities. Indeed the rumsellers aspire to rule the whole land, and that with a rod heavier than iron. Their own greed in attack-ing Sabbath privileges and habits, national oustoms and traditional decencies, has precipitated the conflict.

THE first stone of the new Poreign Mission House at 102, Boulevard Arago, Paris, was faid on July 28th, by the venerable Dr. G. Monod, after an advenerable Dr. G. Monou, after an address by pastor Appia, the vice-president of the society. At the close of the ceremony prayer was offered by M. de Pressense. Copies of the New Testament, "Ami de la Maison," "Petit Messager," etc., were distributed to the workmen employed on the building.

DR. DOWDEN, the new Church of England bishop of Edinburgh, took his B.A. degree at Trinity College, Dublin, in 1861. He was ordained and appointed curate in Sligo in 1864. In 1870 he held the office of chaplain to the lord lieutenant of Ireland, and in 1874 was appointed l'antonian professor of theo-logy and Bell lecturer. He was appoint-ed one of the canons of St. Mary's cathedral, Edinburgh, in 1880.

THE Nock deplores Lord Salisbury's appointment of a popish home secretary as "suicidal" and entreats its readers his sixty-fifth birthday on the 21st ult., as "suicidal" and entreats its readers and his fortieth anniversary as pastor to "fall back at once to a position of of the Church of the Pilgrims will be complete independence of political parties." A correspondent of the Church-man expresses his belief that " the Con-servative party will become the Roman Catholic political party of the near-future," and thinks it most unfortunate that the election has given it so much

IN June last a conference of pastors was held to consult as to the best means of reviving a more general attachment to the church. On this occasion Herr Stocker, court preacher, declared with considerable force and power his con-viction that the members of the Church would feel much more interest in it if they could choose their own spiritual guides, and that this could be done only by making the Church Independent of the State.

DR. CORBETT, a returned missionary from China, says that "the heathen never go to their temples to worship without carrying an offering of some kind as a proof of their sincerity. When they become Christians this conviction is not rooted out, but rather it is heightened in proportion as Christianity is regarded as superior to heathenism. I have seen them give to such an extent that I felt it a duty to remonstrate, and remind them that they owed duties to their homes which must not be forgot-

THE triennial synod of the Moravians was brought to a close on July 21. It appears from the report read that there were 36 ministers, 5,682 attendants, 5,256 communicants; and that the Sunday schools had 599 teachers, with 4,135 scholars. The revision of the liturgy was concluded, and it will be published about the consequence. shortly. One deacon and three presbyters were set apart by ordination. The synodical meetings were held at Fullneck, and the presiding bishop was the Rev. W. Taylor, of London.

DR. CHAS. A. BRIGGS, the eminent American professor who is at present acjourning in Britain; regards the projected Mansfield college at Oxford as "in some respects the most important movement since the British Revolution."

He thinks it is most in which American He thinks it is a work in which American Congregationalists might lend a helping hand. It is the first opportunity they have had for repaying in any way the debt of gratitude they owe to those ancient universities that trained the Please meation this paper. majority of the leaders among the founders of the American nation. Prof. Briggs hopes the Presbyterians will plant a college at Cambridge.

MR. EVAN EVANS, formerly quarter-master-serjeant on the staff of the Royal Lanarkshire militia, and who was long connected as elder and Sunday school teacher with Auchingramont church, Hamilton, has died at Kensington, near Liverpool. At Aldershot camp, after leaving Hamilton, he did much excellent volunteer evangelistic work. As a young artilleryman he had the honour of being selected from the battery in the tower of London to form one of the signalling party who were, by means of flags, to flash word to the garrison at the tower the instant the crown touched the brow of Queen Victoria on her coronation

TitE inhabitants of the Ellice Islands, over which a British Protectorate has just been proclaimed, are all Christians, having been brought to a knowledge of the Gospel by native missionaries from Samoa. These islanders are themselves of the Samoan branch of the Malay race, and are described by visitors as fine stalwart men. They are simple, docile, and very hospitable. For years they have been familiar with the name of Queen "Vitorria," as they call it; and probably not one will, be found among them who is not pleased to be ! brought under the shield of British power. The islands are nine in number, and lie a little south of the equator. The step taken by England may be regarded as an indication of a determination on the part of this country to keep other European nations from making further annexations in the Pacific.

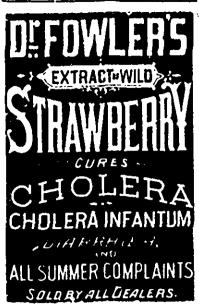
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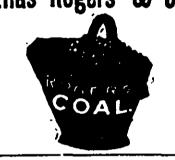
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