

The Provincial Wesleyan.

to her condemnation. "The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few."—Pittsburg Christian Advocate.

Religious Intelligence.

SAN FRANCISCO BIBLE SOCIETY.—The fifth anniversary of this society was held last Monday evening in the first Congregational Church. It appeared from the Annual Report that during the past year there had been issued 2,660 Bibles in the English language, and 2,865 Testaments; 212 Bibles in foreign languages and 275 Testaments—making a total of 5,812 copies of the Scriptures issued during the past year.

ROMANISM IN FRANCE AND SPAIN.—While Romanism thinks to raise itself by ostentatious charities, on the other hand it is degraded by the selfishness of its clergy. In Spain the priests who are so numerous, and even Bishops have fled at the approach of the cholera, so much so that the minister has been obliged to address to the people a public rejoicing. In this connection I must inform you that a letter, which I have just received from Madrid, gives little hope of any good from the new revolution. Already they forese the repetition of what has happened to France—first anarchy and then despotism. For my part, I am convinced that it will be so.

Movements Among Mahomedans.

The aspect of Mahomedanism at the present time is such as to arrest the attention of every thinking mind. The crescent seems to wane to its setting. The mighty stream of the Euphrates, which had so long irrigated the Mahomedan regions from their fellow men, is being rapidly dried up. As a politico-religious system, which once lorded it over extensive regions, including some of the richest and fairest portions of our earth, its prestige is gone, and it is waning away to its icy resting place.

THE BISHOP OF CHESTER ON THE ECUMENICAL CONTROVERSY.—In an eloquent address, delivered at a recent Meeting in Manchester, his lordship said:—"I do not think this country will ever submit to the dictation of a foreign prince or foreign power; but I do believe we may be led away from the simple and sincere truthfulness of our glorious, and, I may say, all but inspired reformers, to adopt errors the most deadly and a doctrine the most baneful. We have lately had within the Church a discussion which has involved the doctrine of one of our sacraments—how now a discussion of this nature, and I do say with all the earnestness and sincerity of the deepest conviction, after the most prayerful and anxious consideration of the subject and the most minute investigation of every point connected with it, I do obtain from the slightest notion of obligation or offering in the doctrine of the Eucharist. I am prepared on a proper occasion, if it be necessary, to say not only that the Church of England has ever repudiated that doctrine, but I am also prepared to show that when it was suggested to her she deliberately rejected it. Believe me, however much an Episcopalian sect in Scotland may alter our liturgy and make its own obligation for himself offered, that we believe in the same, we believe that in whatever point of view you regard that doctrine the danger is not imminent. Whoever embraces it is on the second or third round of the ladder which leads inevitably to Rome."

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM IN FRANCE.—Two spirited and firm letters have been addressed to Louis Napoleon by English Christians, requesting that religious liberty might be granted to his Protestant subjects as well as to the Catholics.—Queen Victoria has also addressed him an original letter on the same subject. No returns have yet taken place, as he wishes neither to disappoint the English nor the Jesuits. In one of their letters the English Christians quote the memorable words of Napoleon Bonaparte, addressed to Protestants at his coronation. After stating that it was his firm purpose to maintain freedom of religious creeds, he adds, "If any of my race hereafter to succeed me should disregard the oath which I have taken, and which, inspired by the inspiration of perverted conscience, he should come to violate, I devote him to public anathemization, and I authorize you to give him the name of Nero."

BIBLE SOCIETY MEETING.—The Annual Meeting of the New Brunswick Auxiliary Bible Society took place according to appointment on Wednesday evening at the Centenary Chapel.—That spacious building was densely filled—the aisles being occupied as well as every other part, and many persons were obliged to leave, being unable to obtain entrance. An increasing interest in the great object of this Society is very manifest, which is a source of much encouragement to the friends of the Bible. No subject we believe will call together so many persons at one place in our city as the meetings of the Bible Society. In his Honor Judge Parker, (President of the Society) and whose ready co-operation with it, and with other good works, affords him equal honor with his judicial office, occupied the Chair. Nearly all Protestant congregations in the city were represented on the platform by their respective Ministers, the Bible Society affording an opportunity for mutual labor in a single object, (whatever minor differences may exist) by all the friends of religious progress and truth. The object of the meeting was introduced by a brief address from the Chair, in which the progress of Bible distribution in different parts of the world was referred to. Facts of deep interest were presented by the President in the course of his remarks. A short portion of the Word of God was read by the Rev. Mr. Hennigan; when James Patterson, Esq., L. L. D. the indefatigable Secretary of the Society read an extract of the Report. This was principally drawn from the Parent Report, and is full of deep interest. The Report of the Parent Society is the most interesting and important ever published, and is full of cheering facts for the friends of religion. The Report of the Auxiliary shows an increasing interest in its object

General Intelligence.

Domestic.

THE PATRIOTIC FUND.—A Public Meeting, convened for the purpose of contributing toward this praiseworthy object, was held yesterday, at Temperance Hall, His Worship the Mayor in the Chair. The meeting although not very large was in the highest degree respectable, and fairly represented the intelligent, wealthy and public spirit of the community. The speeches were patriotic, some of them eloquent, and the proceedings throughout marked with a cordiality and unanimity worthy of the object for which our Citizens were assembled. We append the Resolutions with the hope that all our Citizens will contribute toward the Patriotic Fund, every one in proportion to his means and ability.

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European News.

The Very Latest by Telegraph.

THE CRIMEA.—Constantinople, Dec. 29.—It is confidently asserted that the resolution has been formed to despatch a deputation to the Turkish reinforcements coming to the French. It is said, will furnish the storming party, which the British and Turkeash must make. There is a report that Omar Pasha has written to the Sultan, making it a condition of his accepting the command, that he shall have two votes in the Council of War, in order to prevent his being out-voted by Lord Raglan and Gen. Canrobert.

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Halifax Markets.

Corrected for the "Provincial Wesleyan" to 4 o'clock, Wednesday, Jan. 17th. Bread, Navy, per cwt. 8/9. Pilot, per bbl. 2/8. Beef, Prime, Ca. 52s. 6d. Butter, Canada, 45s. a 47s. 6d. Coffee, Laguayra, 1s. 8d. Flour, Am. spd. 33s. Cornmeal, 30s. Fat, 18s. 6d. Hops, 18s. 6d. Mackerel, No. 1, 8s. 6d. Pork, Primal, per lb. 1s. 2d. a 1s. 3d. Sugar, White, 11s. 6d. Bar Iron, com. per cwt. 18s. Hoop " 20s. Sheet " 30s. Colich, large, 18s. 6d. " small 16s. a 17s. Salmon, No. 1, 8s. 6d. " 2, 7s. 6d. " 3, 6s. 6d. Mackerel, No. 1, 8s. 6d. " 2, 7s. 6d. " 3, 6s. 6d. Herrings, " 1, 12s. 6d. Almonds, 13s. Haddock, 40s. Coal, Sydney, per chald. 27s. Fire Wood, per cord, 27s.

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WILLIAM NEWCOMB, Clerk of Market. To AGENTS AND SUBSCRIBERS.—We earnestly request all parties discontinuing their subscriptions to return the numbers of the paper which they have been sent to their respective agents, in order that we may be enabled to give notice to new subscribers from the commencement of this volume is already beginning to be greater than we can readily supply.

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