

In a constant dependence on the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, who openeth the understanding to see the wonders that are in God's Law; that gradually, under his teaching, we shall learn to discern the things that differ, and, as by a new sense, or, if you will, by a sort of spiritual intuition, to harmonize scripture with itself, and to repel the inference or deduction from its occasional expressions, which is opposed to its tenor, and revolting not only to the spirit of Scripture as a whole, but to the deepest instincts of our moral nature.

DAY OF HUMILIATION AND PRAYER.—We would direct attention to the circular letter addressed by the Moderator to the ministers of the church. We trust that his recommendation will be unanimously adopted, and that the day mentioned will be observed, unless some other should previously be named by the Government of the Country.

We would, with all due deference, suggest that on the day observed for humiliation, thanksgiving and prayer, there should be collections taken up. True there may be great scarcity of money, but there is no reason why we should not, according to our means, contribute to some of the many objects which have a claim on our support. Some congregations known to us have in similar circumstances made collections for the Bursary Fund, or rather the Fund for assisting young men while pursuing their studies at Knox's College. Other congregations have taken up collections for the sufferers in India. Either of these objects would be appropriate. It will be borne in mind that very few congregations send in ordinary collections for the Bursary Fund.

Items of Religious and General Intelligence.

DR. FREDERICK MONOD.—This venerable and highly esteemed servant of God, is at present in this Province. His immediate object is to collect money, for the erection of a mission church in Paris. Dr. Monod made a great sacrifice in 1849 for conscience sake, having given up a comfortable position in the National Reformed Church of France. We wish him all success, both on the ground of his personal character, and the importance of the cause which he is advocating.

WOOLWICH.—Rev. Geo. Cuthbertson has been ordained as Pastor of the congregation in Woolwich. The Rev. John Irvine preached and presided, and the Rev. J. Middlemiss, and the Rev. A. C. Geikie, severally addressed the newly ordained Minister, and congregation. The Church was filled with an attentive congregation, and the happiest results are looked for from the settlement of Mr. Cuthbertson in this place.

DR. LIVINGSTON.—In Edinburgh, Glasgow, Dundee and several other places both in England and Scotland, meetings have been held for the purpose of hearing Dr. Livingston, and testifying their high approval of his character and services. At Glasgow Dr. Livingston was presented with £2000.

INDIA.—The latest accounts from India, were by no means encouraging. Lucknow was not relieved, and Delhi was still in the hands of the rebels. There had been slight manifestation of mutiny both in the Bombay and Madras armies, but it was hoped that there would be no serious outbreak.

PROTESTANTISM IN RUSSIA.—There are at present more than three millions and a half of Protestants in Russia, in a population of sixty-five millions. The strength of Protestantism is in the Province of Finland, with a population of 1,636,000 most of whom belong to the Lutheran Church.

GENERAL HAVELOCK.—General Havelock, who sustains at present such an important and interesting position in connection with affairs in India, is known to be a decided Christian. During the residence of himself and family at Bonn, he was a member of the mission church connected with the Irish Presbyterian Church.

OPENING OF DIVINITY HALL, U. P. CHURCH.—The Divinity Hall of the U. P. Church, was re-opened on the 20th ult. The opening address was delivered, by Dr. Taylor, Professor of Divinity in the U. P. Church. The Rev. W. Ormiston also took part in the opening services.

PRAYER FOR INDIA.—Prayer meetings are being held in many churches with special reference to the position of things in India. A day of fasting and humiliation has also been appointed and observed in Great Britain with reference to the same circumstances.

CHURCHES AND CHAPELS IN IRELAND.—In Ireland there are 1,397 established churches, and 534 Presbyterian, and 132 registered buildings for public worship belonging to Methodists, Reformed Presbyterians, Baptists, Independants, and Moravians.

PRESBYTERIAN CHAPLAINS FOR INDIA.—Four Ministers of the established church of Scotland, viz: the Rev. H. Dretnan, the Rev. W. Ross, the Rev. W. Ferguson, and the Rev. C. Morrison, have been appointed Chaplains to Her Majesty's forces in India.

CONTINENTAL TRANSLATION OF SCOTCH WORKS.—Dr. McCrie's address entitled "The primitive Puritanism of England" has been translated into German, his "Sketches of Scottish church history" have been translated into Swedish.

CARTWRIGHT AND MANVERS.—The Rev. W. Windell, having accepted a unanimous call from the united congregations of Cartwright and Manvers has been ordained as Pastor over these congregations.

NEW COLLEGE GLASGOW.—The inaugural services in connexion with the opening of the new college, Glasgow, are to take place on the first Wednesday of the current month.

FREE ST. JAMES' CHURCH, GLASGOW.—The Rev. D. Guthrie of Gilmerton has been called by the Congregation of Free St. James', Glasgow.

WALPOLE AND JARVIS.—The Rev. John McRobie, has been ordained as Pastor of the congregation at Walpole and Jarvis.

FUND FOR THE SUFFERERS IN INDIA.—The Sultan has sent a contribution of five thousand dollars to the fund for the relief of the sufferers in India.

FREE ST. MARY'S CHURCH EDINBURGH.—The Rev. T. Main of Kilmarnock, has received and accepted a call to Free St. Mary's Edinburgh.

COLBORNE AND BRIGHTON.—These congregations have presented a harmonious and cordial call to the Rev. P. Duncan.

RAILWAY ACCIDENT—DEATH OF MISS BROWN.—We regret to announce the death, by a Railway accident, near Syracuse, on the 15th ult, of Miss Brown, of Toronto. Miss Brown was present at the opening of Knox's College on the preceding day. The deceased was highly esteemed, and was always ready for every good work. A more full notice will appear in next number.

REMOVAL OF OFFICE.—We beg to direct attention to the removal of the Office of the "Record" and of the Schemes of the Presbyterian Church, which will now be found in King Street, two doors west from Toronto St., over the book store of Mr. Bain.

Communications, &c.

LANCASTER.

DEAR SIR,—

The Minister of Dalhousie Mills, in the Presbytery of Montreal, gave you, a month ago, a very pleasing account of the energy and liberality of his congregation, in erecting a new Church in the place of one that had been consumed in the burning of the neighbouring bush. Such prompt activity is a very pleasing feature in the people of that district, and gives evidence that they value for themselves and families the public services of the sanctuary.

Permit me to bring under the notice of your readers another very gratifying instance of alacrity and determination in the erection of another Church under the pastoral of the same minister. This Church it is proposed to raise in the village of Lancaster, which has for some years been associated as a joint charge with that of Dalhousie. Hitherto public services have been held in such temporary accommodations as could be obtained in the village, much to the inconvenience of minister and people. This evil they are now about to remedy. A short time since the congregation purchased a good piece of land with a house, as a manse and glebe for the minister. This property is beautifully situated on the banks of the St. Lawrence, and commands an extensive view of the river and surrounding scenery. On a corner of this land fronting the main road the church is to be erected. The congregation have already subscribed about £400 for the purpose; they have also been aided by kind friends in other places both east and west. To further this object the ladies determined to hold a Bazaar of useful and fancy articles to conclude with a public soiree in the evening. The Bazaar was accordingly opened on Tuesday the 6th October. Not having a splendid hall at their command, such as city people have on these occasions, they fitted up their own barn for the purpose, and adorned it most beautifully with evergreens, flowers and mottoes. These proceeding were, I assure you, conducted with great spirit. This day was very fine and large number of people came from the surrounding districts. The ladies were very ac-