

THE PASSING YEAR.

But a few days remain to us of 1871. Ere it passes away from us entirely it not prove uninteresting to note the chief events that have characterized its progress.

ENGLISH CORRESPONDENCE.

Failure of justice in Ireland.—A Brever upon the Temperance question.—The Bishop of London's Charge.—Murder of Missionaries.—Illness of the Prince of Wales.

DEAR MR. EDITOR.—There has been a sad failure of justice in Ireland. Some months ago, a policeman was deliberately shot in the streets of Dublin.

Unhappy, too, 1871 has been a dreadful famine year for one most miserable country. Thousands upon thousands, men, women and children, have perished by starvation during the year in Persia, and the end we fear is not yet.

But the sky has not always and everywhere during the year been darkened by the storm-cloud. The wars that have raged have been confined within comparatively narrow limits.

The picture drawn of the state of parties in the National church, and the prevalence of ritualistic folly and excess, is dark and painful in the extreme.

Much satisfaction is felt that there is a marked improvement in the health of Mr. Bright, and that he is likely to reappear in Parliament, if not in Official life again.

peoples, will melt away in the presence of friendly negotiation.

The British people are rejoicing that the painful illness which brought the Prince of Wales down to the very gates of death, has not, as was feared, terminated fatally.

Christian influences have in many lands been vigorously and successfully at work throughout the year.

PROTESTANT PATRONAGE OF ROMISH SCHOOLS.

REV. AND DEAR SIR.—In your issue of the 13th inst., you publish an account of the protest to Romanism of a Protestant young lady who was attending school at a Roman Catholic convent in the Province of Quebec.

It was only because of the failure of Mr. Lockhart's health, that he at length retired from his much-loved Sunday school work.

While, however, we are compelled thus to state the case, we remember that there are many alleviating and encouraging circumstances.

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The German Street Methodist Church, St. John, was dedicated Christmas day, for nine years, in the year 1808.

Two of the most interesting and important features of the year were the annual meeting of the Wesleyan Missionary Society, and the annual conference of the Wesleyan Conference.

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A public meeting of the Association will shortly be held in one of the city churches, when the various reports will be submitted.

It is reported in Newfoundland, that after the expiration of the Human Company's contract, the mail service will be performed by one of the Quebec and Gulf Ports Company steamers, and that Panton will be substituted for Halifax during the greater part of the year.

A MUSICAL TREATY.—Peter's Musical Monthly for January comes to us in a new dress. It is printed on thicker paper, and it is in every way superior to its many predecessors.

A PRINCELY GIFT.—The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church has come into possession of a long-needed and very valuable piece of property adjoining the missionary premises at Barley, India.

THE PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY.—The Philharmonic Society had the first practice in their new home, Argyle Hall, on Monday evening last.

AN ENTERPRISING PAPER.—The Telegraph & Journal, published at \$5 a year in advance, has attained a circulation and influence not heretofore reached by any paper published in New Brunswick.

THE ONTARIO GOVERNMENT.—The following is the composition of the new Ontario Cabinet:—Blake, President of the Council and Premier; McKenna, Provincial Treasurer; McKellar, Commissioner of Agriculture, Immigration and Public Works; Adam Crooks, Attorney General; R. W. Scott, Commissioner of Crown Lands; Peter Gow, Provincial Secretary.

FATAL RAILWAY ACCIDENT.—On Saturday evening a man named Owen Gidday, residing near Rocky Lake and employed in inspecting the railway track in that locality, was run over and instantly killed.

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