

the stated ministers of the Church at Rome. Rom. xii. 6-8. to exercise their spiritual gifts in the duties of their several functions. But as he had none of the stated ministers of the Church in his view here, I have translated the word *kubernesis*, by *directors*, rather than by *governors*, lest the reader might have thought the Apostle, by the name, meant the ordinary Bishops and Presidents." These latter officers as contrasted with the others we shall attend to in our next.

RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

EXTRACTS FROM LETTERS.

From a Member of the G. S. Baptist Church in this town—now in England.

PLYMOUTH, Feb. 1st. 1837.

"The Providence Church is increasing rapidly, I believe I told you in my last, there are in it, persons of education, talent, rank and fortune, but their fortune is spent in the service of Christ; I do think they act more like the church in the Acts of the Apostles, than any church I ever met with; their love to every member evidences what they are, and it is said, by all, of every denomination, of them, 'if there are saints on earth, it is the Providence people.' They have three Pastors, Sir Alexander Campbell, Mr. Harris, brother of Col. Harris, and Mr. Newton—Captain Hall, Sir William Parker, and several others speak; they have four or five Clergymen of the Church of England, who have left it—they have the Lord's Supper every Sabbath morning, generally three chapters read and explained; two prayers and singing, the morning is for believers—in the afternoon there is a sermon—and always Sunday evening a sermon, to the unconverted. Prayer meeting every morning—Chapel open every evening for some religious services—besides private prayer meeting—they literally live to Christ. They have been established near ten years, and are increasing rapidly. I assure you to join them you must not in any way be of the world—they carry self-denial further than appears to me necessary."

From the Millennial Harbinger.

"BERLIN, Maury County, Tennessee.—The reformation is still moving onward in this section. I have *planted* another congregation this year. They number about fifty, mostly new converts. The Churches at Berea and Cedar Creek are doing well. They come together on the first day of *every week* to sing praises, offer up thanksgiving and prayers, to read the Living Oracles, break the loaf, and remember the poor."

JOSHUA K. SPEER.