CHURCH NEWS.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN. BARON ROTHSCHILD has surprised the Londoners by pinning on the blue ribbon of total abstinence.

THERE are nineteen Sunday Schools connected with Dr. Newman Hall's church in London having a membership of 5,600.

THE Rev. James Bell Cox, of Liverpool, has been suspended six months and condemned to pay costs for Ritualistic practices.

MR. W. T. RUSSELL, a Scotch gentleman formerly resident in Calcutta, has given \$95,000 recently for Christian female education in India.

At the annual meeting of Mr. Spur geon's Fabernacle, London, 265 were reported received by haptism during the year. The present membership is

THERR is not a single heathen to-day in Piji. Out of a population of 112,000 no fewer than 102,000 are adherents of the Methedist Church; the others belong to the Roman Catholic Church.

SEVERAL young students from Edinburgh University are holding evangelis-tic services in different parts of Scot-land. News comes of deep interest aroused through the visits to Pountainbridge and Inverness.

DR. ROBERT KERR has just arrived in Morocco, where he is to begin work as a medical missionary among the Jews, under the auspices of the English Presbyterian Church and of the United Presbyterian Church of Scotland.

As an illustration of the gradual weakening of the long established habits of Indian society, it is remarked that many more respectable native women unaccompanied by men now use the street cars in Calcutta than even a year

A NATIVE of Madagascar who studied medicine in Edinburgh and returned home, now has seventy young men studying under him, and a large class of women whom he is training for nurses. He is in great favour with his Queen, and is about to marry the Prime Minister's daughter.

DR. S. G. GREEN, the accomplished secretary and book editor of the Religious Tract Society, has been on a visit to Scotland, and went as far north as Aberdeen and Strathpesser, being engaged on a new edition of his "Scottish Pictures," one of the finest and also most successful works ever issued by the

In the month of March the oldest Sabbath School superintendent in the world passed away to his test and re-ward at Spring Mills, Pernsylvania, Forty-eight years ago he organized a Presbyterian Sabbath School of which he was superintendent at the date of his death, eighty-nine years of age. Though an elder in the Presbyterian Church for more than thirty years, yet his Christtian work began thirty years before that. Mr. Wilson's remarkable record has perhaps never been equalied. To one Sabbath School he gave his continued services for nearly sixty years.

AT the seventieth anniversary of the American Bible Society, the Rev. Dr. Joseph D. Wickham, of Manchester, Vi, who was present at the constitution of the Society in City Hall, read a psalm and offered prayer. He subsequently gave many interesting reminiscences of the early work and workers. Or. Wickham is ninety years of age but would compare favourably with many men of only seventy for activity and intellectual force. The Society reported the year's receipts at over half a million dollars, but they were more than \$60,000 behind those of the previous year. A great deal of activity in the matter of translation and revision was reported. About six hundred colporteurs have been employed in distributing God's Word, two thirds of the number abroad and the remainder at home. The total number of copies of the Scriptures, in whole or part, published during the past year was over a million and a quarter.

TIIL question of what is a sufficient stipend for a minister of the Church of Scotland was recently debated at the Synod of Aberdeen, when Dr. Hutchison, convener of the Assembly's Committee on Endowments, made a statement of the work of his committee. The endow-ment scheme was launched in 1845, and since that date no fewer than 351 quoad sacra parisher have been instituted. From 1845 to 1870 they were formed at the rate of six per annum; from 1870 to 1876 the pace was accelerated to seventeen per annum; and during the last ten years new parishes have averaged ten per annum. Such an amount of activity would be very gratifying to the Church but for the fact that the endowment of these parishes is of a beggarly description. One hundred pounds with a manse, or £120 without a manse, is all that these poor ministers possess apart from voluntary contributions, Such parishes lack staming and fibre; and some of the hard-headed men in the Aberdeen Synod think that before the Church propagates more of these plants she should endeavour to reinvigorate some of those already in existence. At any rate, it is considered that no freah charges should be formed, unless they have forty per cent, more substance in the shape of annual income than those constituted hitherto. A minister with only £140 per annum is certainly not

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DOMINION BANK REPORT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIFTEEN HE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

OF THE STOCKHOLDERS, HELD AT THE BANKING HOUSE OF THE INSTITUTION IN TORONTO, WEDNESDAY, MAY 26TH, 1886.

THE annual general meeting of the Dominion Bank was held at the banking house of the institution on Wednesday, May 26th, 1886.

Among those present were noticed Messis. James Austin, G. Boyd, Walter S. Lee, James Scott, R. S. Cassels, Anson Jones, Wilmot D. Matthews, R. H. Bethune, E. Leadlay, Aaron Ross, Geo. Robinson, William Ince, E. B. Osler, J. Mason, J. K. Dingle, J. Foy, T. Walirsley, etc.

It was moved by Mr. R. S. Cassels, seconded by Mr. E. Leadlay, "That Mr. James Ince do take the chair."

Mr. Wm. Ince moved, seconded by Mr. E. B. Osler, "Resolved, that Mr. R. H. Bethune do act as secretary."

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The secretary read the report of the direc-

tors to the shareholders and submitted the annual statement of the affairs of the bank, which is as follows :-Balance of Profit and Loss acc't

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A resolution will be proposed to the shareholders, asking them to authorize a payment of \$5,000 to a Guarantee and Pension Fund for the officers of the bank, which it is thought advisable to commence.

JAMES AUSTIN, Prendent. Messrs. Walter S. Lee and R. S. Cassels

were appointed scrutineers.
The report was adopted.
Messrs. James Austin, Wm Ince, Edward Leadlay, Vilinot D. Matthews, E. B. Osler, Jas. Scott and the Hon. Frank Smith were duly elected directors for the ensuing year. At a subsequent meeting of the directors Mr. James Austin was elected president, and the Hun. Frank Smith vice-president for the ensuing year.

GENERAL STATEMENT.

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