

WESTMINSTER.—The Rev. A. Simpson was on the 30th July ordained and inducted as Pastor of the Congregation at Westminster. Mr. Simpson is settled with cheering prospects of success.

PARIS.—We noticed briefly in last number the ordination of the Rev. James Robertson as Pastor of River Street Congregation, Paris. It took place on 23rd July. There was a large attendance of the members of Presbytery on the occasion, and Mr. Robertson enters on his labours with the most encouraging prospects of success. In the evening there was a large social gathering of the Congregation and their friends, which was addressed by several members of the Presbytery and by the Ministers of the various Evangelical Churches in the town.

OSHAWA.—The new Church recently erected in Oshawa by the Congregation hitherto under the pastoral charge of the Rev. Dr. Thornton was opened for public worship on Sabbath 24th. The services were conducted by the Rev. D. Inglis of Hamilton, and the Rev. Dr. Thornton. A fuller account may appear in our next number.

General Religious Intelligence.

EVANGELICAL ALLIANCE.—Sir Culling Eardly has resigned the office of President of the Evangelical Alliance. He has taken this step on account of the many and onerous duties devolving upon him as President.

DEATH OF THE LORD PRIMATE OF IRELAND.—Recent papers announce the decease of the Hon. and Rev. Dr. Beresford, Archbishop of Armagh, Primate of Ireland. The deceased prelate died at a very advanced age. He was highly and very generally respected.

THE CARDROSS CASE.—It will have been observed by our readers that the action against the Free Church in the Cardross case has fallen to the ground, the majority of the judges having decided that the General Assembly was not a body against which an action could be brought. It is stated that a new action will be raised against the individuals forming the Assembly.

NEW FREE CHURCH AT CRATHIE.—The foundation of a new Free Church at Crathie was lately laid by the Earl Dalhousie, who gave an eloquent address on the occasion, after a sermon had been preached by the Rev. Dr. Guthrie. Crathie is in the immediate vicinity of Balmoral.

ROMAN CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY IN IRELAND.—The Roman Catholics of Ireland lately laid, with great demonstrations, the foundation of "St. Patrick's University" at Dublin. We rejoice to see that their application for a Royal Charter has been promptly refused by Lord Palmerston, who spoke decidedly against denominational colleges in Ireland.

DR. GUTHRIE'S CONCLUDING ADDRESS.—The Irish General Assembly have resolved to distribute gratuitously 50,000 copies of Dr. Guthrie's address at the close of the General Assembly of the Free Church, as bearing on the question of Ministerial support.

NEW WAR IN CHINA.—In consequence of the advances of the Taepings, and their attacks on the property of Europeans at the five ports open for commerce, the British have been led forcibly to resist the rebel forces, and to co-operate with the Chinese Government.