

CHURCH NEWS.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN.

MRS. VAN COTT has been conducting revival services at Denver, Col., where between 500 and 600 persons have been converted.

THE coloured General Assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church began its session at Danville, Ky., on May 20th.

THE King of Belgium has decided to open an African Seminary in connection with the University of Leyden, at which young men will be prepared for missionary work in the newly opened districts of the Dark Continent.

ALL the arrangements have been completed for holding the fifth annual conference of the societies of Christian Endeavour at Saratoga Springs on July 6th, 7th, and 8th next. It is intended to make the occasion one of unusual interest.

TWENTY-TWO students connected with the Kioto Training School were to be received in March by the second church in Kioto, Japan, on their confession of faith, while the third church was to receive eighteen persons from the city.

THE total receipts of the Methodist Missionary Society during the first six months of the present fiscal year, from November 1st to April 30th, 1886, were \$462,746.72. This is an increase over the corresponding six months of the previous year of \$83,617.04.

LAST year eleven new Methodist churches were dedicated in Chicago district. Western Avenue church was built at a cost of \$40,000, and on April 18th Wesley Church was dedicated free of debt at a cost of \$36,000. Most of the churches were mission churches.

THE British and Foreign Bible Society was organized in March, 1804. From that time to March 31st, 1885, it has issued 32,779,643 Bibles, 49,306,105 New Testaments and of portions of the Scriptures 22,111,118, making nearly 205,000,000 complete copies of the Word of God.

THE Presbyterian churches of N. S. Wales, Victoria, South Australia, Queensland, West Australia, and Tasmania, have been formed into one body, and will hereafter be known as the Presbyterian Church of Australasia. The first Federal Assembly will be held in Sydney next month.

IN a Chinese village, during a time of drouth, a missionary saw a row of idols put out in the hottest and dustiest part of the road. He inquired the reason, and the natives answered, "We prayed our gods to send us rain, and they won't; so we've put them out to see how they like the heat and dryness."

BETWEEN four and five thousand Chinamen, it is said, are instructed in the Sunday Schools of the New York Chinese Mission. The Celestials are getting quite numerous in all our large cities, and the Sunday School, modified to meet their needs, has been found quite an effective agency in reaching them.

WE sometimes see the expression "Mohulla work," in articles on missions in India. Mohulla means a ward in a city; and, in this work, the missionaries go into an open square in the city, and preach the gospel to all who will hear. The women missionaries go at an hour when most of the men will be away at their work, and often have a large audience.

THE London Times' Madrid correspondent writes that the feeling against the priesthood in Spain is being aggravated by frequent outrages on the part of the Romish clergy. He says:—"It has long been felt by all true Roman Catholics in Spain, that the immorality which has reached an almost incredible point in their religious teachers must be swept away. The fear of damaging the apostolic church has kept them so long silent. Now that events have broken this treacherous calm, a storm that will shake the Church to its foundation appears imminent."

THE Methodist Episcopal Church South has 3,385 effective traveling preachers, 177 on the supernumerary list, 344 supernumerary; total, 4,406. Local preachers, 5,943; white members, 957,260; coloured members, 527; Indian members, 4,858; total preachers and members, 999,994. Increase during the year, 52,507. Infants baptized during the year, 29,546; adults, 58,755. Sunday Schools, 10,622; teachers, 71,973; scholars, 567,747. Collected for conference claimants, \$39,177; for foreign missions, \$163,211; for domestic missions, \$80,739. Total for missions, \$243,950.

THE School of Religious Science established some time since in Paris under government patronage seems not to be a success. Lectures according to the plan were to be delivered by prominent men connected with both Roman Catholic and Protestant theological academies. The object was to liberalize the minds of the rising generation of teachers, and it was hoped and believed that it would be a great success. It appears that only some 60 students have inscribed their names. Professor Sabatier, a distinguished Protestant divine, has commenced his course of lectures with only sixteen students, and of these fourteen are of his own faculty of theology.

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AN OPIUM EATER'S STORY.

CRAWLING OVER RED HOT BARS OF IRON IN HIS SEARFUL FRENZY—A SCIENTIFIC INVESTIGATION AND ITS RESULTS.

"OPIUM or death!" This brief sentence was fairly hissed into the ear of a prominent druggist on Vine St. by a person who, a few years ago well off, is to day a hopeless wreck.

One can scarcely realize the sufferings of an opium victim. Dr. Quincy has vividly portrayed it. But who can fitly describe the joy of the rescued victim? H. C. Wilson, of Loveland, O., formerly with March, Harwood & Co., manufacturing chemists of St. Louis, and of the well known firm of H. C. Wilson & Co., chemists, formerly of this city, gave our reporter yesterday a bit of thrilling personal experience in this line.

"I have crawled over red hot bars of iron and coals of fire," he said, "in my agony during an opium frenzy. The very thought of my sufferings freezes my blood and chills my bones. I was then eating over 30 grains of opium daily."

"How did you contract the habit?" "Excessive business cares broke me down and my doctor prescribed opium! That is the way nine-tenths of cases commence. When I determined to stop, however, I found I could not do it."

"You may be surprised to know," he said, "that two fifths of the slaves of morphine and opium are physicians. Many of these I met. We studied our cases carefully. We found out what the organs were in which the appetite was developed and sustained; that no victim was free from a demoralized condition of those organs; that the hope of a cure depended entirely upon the degree of rigour which could be imparted to them. I have seen patients, while undergoing treatment, compelled to resort to opium again to deaden the horrible pain in those organs. I marvel how I ever escaped."

"Do you mean to say, Mr. Wilson, that you have conquered the habit?" "Indeed I have."

"Do you object to telling me how?" "No, sir. Studying the matter with several opium-eating physicians, we became satisfied that the appetite for opium was located in the kidneys and liver. Our next object was to find a specific for restoring those organs to health. The physicians, much against their code, addressed their attention to a certain remedy and became thoroughly convinced of its scientific merits alone that it was the only one that could be relied upon in every case of disordered kidneys and liver. I thereupon began using it, and supplementing it with my own special treatment, finally got fully over the habit. I may say that the most important part of the treatment is to get those organs first into good working condition, for in them the appetite originates and is sustained, and in them over ninety per cent. of all other human ailments originate.

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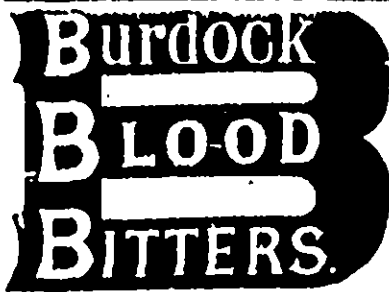
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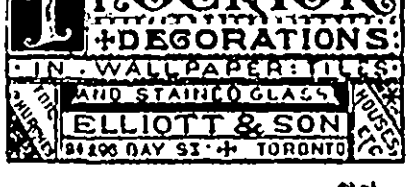
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