

errors against which he had warned so many, to forsake the communion whose battles he had so ably fought, and to die in that faith whose claims he had so forcibly shown to be unfounded."

UNITED STATES.—The Hon. Mr. Dix, a highly esteemed Churchman, has published an able defence of Trinity Church Corporation. But still, placing all their acts in the most favorable light possible, it is but too apparent, even from his statement, that they have committed one great and capital error. They have employed their vast resources in providing luxurious church accommodation for those who could and should have helped themselves; and have thus disabled themselves from fulfilling what was their true mission, the relief of the spiritual necessities of the vast dissolute population swarming in the lower parts of the city.

The New York papers contain a very interesting account of the opening of a "Church School" for boys. The wretched insufficiency of the godless School System is forcing itself more and more upon the attention of all thoughtful men.

Calumny Refuted.

ONE of the most common weapons employed by the enemies of the Church against her ministers is misrepresentation and falsehood. It is of course easy to refute these; but unfortunately the refutation does not often reach those to whom the calumny has been repeated, and frequently the persons aggrieved by the calumny remain ignorant of the charges made against them. We have before us a case in point. The Rev. Dr. O'Meara, Missionary to the Indians on Lake Huron, accidentally saw, while travelling, two numbers of the Methodist paper, the Christian Guardian, which contained a communication from a preacher of that denomination at the same place. Dr. O'Meara has addressed a letter to the editor in reply, of which the following is an extract:

"The part of your correspondent's first letter to which I would confine my strictures, commences with a falsehood. It states that four young Indians whom he saw drunk and disorderly at Garden River, had been reclaimed from Heathenism by Mr. McDougal, and enticed from him by the exertions of the missionary of the Church of England; now, though your cor-

respondent does not name the young men of whom he reports so unfavorably, still I have no hesitation in saying that no persons answering the description exist at Garden River. Had your correspondent given the names of the young men in question, I have no doubt those names would be found in my baptismal register; but what is, doubtless, the history of these cases? they were baptized and brought up members of the Church of England; five years ago the demon of proselytism reared his head at Garden River, and these young men, offended, doubtless, by some reproofs of their missionary, in order to show their independence of control, and their contempt of wholesome spiritual restraint, went over to the new comer; by him they were made much of, asked to pray in public, their vanity pleased, their love of novelty gratified; but before long some thing or other had occurred to make them repent of their rash change, and then they yielded to the remonstrances of their lawful missionary, which never have been, and I trust, as long as the system of proselytism adopted by your body at Garden River continues, never will be spared towards those who have been so drawn away. I make the above statement, not because I have the slightest idea who the four individuals are, but as covering every case to which reference can be made in the statement published by you. If it be otherwise, it remains for your correspondent or his informants to descend to particulars, stating names of individuals, date of conversion from heathenism, &c. . . . It is always unpleasant to have to meet assertions by counter assertions, because you feel that for a time at least, your readers cannot know which assertion to believe; but far more pleasant is it when your adversary himself furnishes you with the materials with which to overthrow him; such is the case with the remaining part of the letter in question. Your correspondent brings the sweeping charge against the Episcopal teaching at Garden River, that its tendency is to produce drunkenness and immorality, and what is the ground on which he builds this? that he saw four young men, who, he was told, belonged to the Episcopal Church, drunk and disorderly, (for as to his informant's assertion that all but two of the members of the Episcopal Church had been known to be subjects of intoxication during the past winter, it is, I hesitate not to say, a malicious falsehood; the burden of proving it to be otherwise, will by all right-thinking persons be allowed to lie with the assertor and propagator of it). Let us see how Methodist missions will bear the application of your correspondent's principle. I think it was about the time of your correspondent's visit to Garden River, and if I mistake not, while he was still there, that I was one evening on my way up the river, in company with the Rev. Mr. Chance, our missionary there, when a young man in a de-