BY TASKER POLK. What means you Angel-form of light That stands at Heaven's gate ajar? What mean you rolling Orba of night That glitter with such wild delight? And what, what means you shooting Star

Behold! the Angel lifts his wings, And leaves the jasper walls behind, While space, illimitable, rings With echoes of the song he sings— "The Christ is born to save mankind"

Long years ago there came a night—
The limit night to what had been—
When Christ, the mighty Lord of Light,
Should come to earth and put to flight The surging bosts of Death and Sin.

That night our world in ignorance slept, Nor knew the plans of God above, Nor heard the Angel as he swept Among the spheres and downward kept His course of Mercy and of Love— Judea slumber'd; all was still,

Would wake the echoes of a hill; Or glancing wave of rippling rill
Would break the silence with its fall, The Angel came—night in Judea—
And shook the star-dust from his wings;
The trembling shepherds gazed in fear—
"Fear not!" he cried, "I bring you cheer—
The Christ is born! the King of kings!

Save now and then a Shepherd's call

"Fear not! fear not! behold I bring Good tidings of great joy," he said, "For unto you is born a King, Whose birth the hosts of Heaven sing, And man is now no longer dead.

"The Prince of Peace and Love is He, A God with human nature blent, A mighty Friend to set you free, An exile by His own decree,
A Saviour from the Heaven sent.

"Go! shepheres, go! to where He lies,

And epread the wondrous news abroad You Star that lights Judea's akies, Like twinkling's of a seraph's eyes, Will guide you to the new-born Lord." The Angel ceased to speak, when, lo, Around him stood a mighty throng, Arrayed in garments white as snow, And, with a voice like Ocean's flow

In sweetest calm, it sang the song Of "Peace on earth, good will to men"— All nature caught it with delight; And rock, and hill, and grottoed glen Re-echoed it again, again, And sounded it through Judah's night.

. . . From palace home and cottage hearth, Wherever shines Religion's ray, Both Prince and Peasant of the earth Sing songs of gladness for the birth Of Him who came on Christmas day.

How the glad sounds roll! How the loud bells toli! And the world, how it wakes like a child for play, As the breaking dawn Of the coming morn, With a kiss and a smile, cries "Christmas

Warrenton, N. C., December, 1888.
—Raleigh News-Observer. William II,'s Bad Manners.

London Truth. Lord Palmerston once said to a friend of mine, who, as a young fellow, was patronized by that statesman: "Never forget that a muchneglected road to success is agreeable manners. The man or woman with agreeable manners is sure to make headway in the face of the worst difficulties. Every one is against the disagreeable people, whose best chance lies in secluding themselves as much as they can. Emperor William might ponder with advantage on these words of Pam. Not having secluded himself, but gone to Vienna and Rome, the allies of his grandfather there would gladly elip from their alliance with him. The old Emperor and the Emperor Frederick bore their great positions with simplicity and sweetness. William II. hears with impatience all opinions that do not match with his own, and is arrogant in putting them down. He has made the Emperor Franz Joseph bristle up. courtesy itself. The Empress Frederick is not insolent nor haughty, neither is Augusta, who attaches but small importance to her imperial rank, and whose ideal of life is intellectual and lady like Bohemianism.

Box Hill-the Home of George Meredith.

Boston Daily Advertiser. Box Hill, where Mr. Meredith lives, is just far enough out of London. No wraith of the London mist hovers over it. The natural tenderness of the blue atmosphere of England suffers here no diminution. One living here may run up to London, if one wills, to shop or to visit one's friends or publisher; and then return to one's own fireside with the consciousness that it is just far enough from the centre of English life to prevent sudden and indiscriminate interruption. There just to the north is London, with its clubs and theatres and bridges and cabs rushing underneath the gaslights of the Victoria embankment, and the Thames steamers; here all about is the rich beauty of the scenery of the Surrey Downs, hill, and wooded gap and elm-shaded roads, bare cliff and stream. There is the world; here is a velvet pocket in its edge. Here are rooks and reynards and larks: there, birds and beasts of another feather. But animals of all feathers are interesting, and it is good, therefore, to live at Box Hill.

An English appreciation of Heine. Reviewing W. William Sharp's book on Heine the Saturday Re-

view says, in summing up:
"The goodness of ale," said a very shrewd though very crotchety man, "depends less on the person by whom it is brewed than on the material it is brewed of." The poetry of Heine is brewed of tears and fire, of sundawn and moonlight, of hewers and seafoam, of rainbow-gold and heart's blood. Nor does it matter one jot whether he who brewed it was Jew or Christian, was thankless or grateful, was a punctual payer of scot and lot and an estimable family man or a sterprise in this vicinity to make the "Ex-Bohemian and a good-for-nothing."

Sarah in Vienna.

San Francisco Argonaut. Sarah Bernhardt has been playing Sarah Bernhardt has been playing in Vienna, and for the first time in her life has come in contact with the public censor. In "La Tosca" she was not allowed to place the cruenfix on the breast of Marlo, and in "Theodora" it was forbidden that the Emperor should be addressed as Majesty Sarah Department of the street of some of the whites that a conflict between whites and blacks would be precipitated by the conduct of some very insolent negroes. Preparations made by the whites to suppress all lawless acts had its effect, and no trouble is anticipated. Majesty. Sarah Bernhardt also made the acquaintance of the Viennese income tax collector, who taxed her for

CURRENT COMMENT.

— Had the Republican party let the Southern States take care of thamselves, as the Northern States have always been left to take care of themselves, race feeling, strong as it will always be, might not have re-sulted in such strife and peril. For the negro race is kindly and rarely strikes unless stung by some wrong real or fancied, or is aroused by the cunning inventions of some renegade of the other and more authoritative race. But what is most deplorable

is the probability that this riot in Mississippi will not be the last of these race conflicts in the years to come. Many men who love their country and who wish to see peace and prosperity preserved within its bounds will begin to ask seriously whether it is possible for two distinct races to dwell under existing conditions on the same soil. They will reach these conclusions regardless of sentimental fanatics who stand afar off and shrick out their wild and impracticable theories. Two races never have dwelt together save where

one was subject to the other. Can they successfully dwell together in harmony and unity and equally share the same Government, and can their sons have equal voice in determining its conduct and its course ?-Richmond State, Dem.

— There is a genius in advertis-ing, and successful advertising is the surest way to fortune. Barnum stands first. He admits himself as the champion humbug, and deserves credit for the confession. Wanamaker, of Philadelphia, is at his heels in working into notoriety, but he plays his game on the Church. Barnum worked the secular press, Wanamaker the Church journals. He invested a hundred thousand dollars made out of "clergymen's suits" in "soap," as President Arthur called campaign bribe money, in the Harrison canvass. Wanamaker is a thrifty soul. He bought the picture of "Christ Before Pilate," and it was sounded out that he gave a hundred thousand for it. It was a huge blast for the "truly good" Wany and his ready-made pants. Now it is alleged that Wanamaker paid only twenty thousand, and has sold chromo copies by the cart-load, so he got the painting

Wanamaker step down and out. The world wants a new fraud.-Richmond Advocate. --- The statements reported to have been made by or for the committee are far from accurate. The Solid South will be broken up undoubtedly, when there is no longer any danger of the local governments falling into bad hands. It is presumed, however, that there will be less prospect of absolute security in this respect under Republican rule Germans at Mpwapwa have fortified the

and the pious advertising free. Let

ocratic administration. There is no Cannon. reason whatever to think that the Solid South will be broken up for They who are directly interested in the Protective system constitute a higher to-day. tenth or less of the population of the Southern States. It is rather amusing to find the nine-tenths, or more, treated as "Bourbons," and spoken of as "anciente," because they have been faithful to the American doc-

tion. - Charleston News and Courier. --- The Democrats of Massachusetts, who polled the largest vote for tariff reform that their party ever mustered in the old Commonwealth, do not propose to strike their flag nor conceal their principles. * * The Democratic gains in manufacturing towns, where the voters were

trine of freer trade and lower taxa-

ietelligent or instructed, are full of hope for the future. Next time the farmers will have their eyes open The Italians were unfavorably impressed by him. From whom did he take his bad manners? His father was such a nice, good fellow, and so knightly! The old grandfather was -Statesville Landmark: Our oung townsman, Mr. Jas. H. Wood, the conductor of a through freight train on the Western North Carolina Railroad, had rather a close call last Thursday night. Just before the train entered a tunnel he went

on top of a box car to apply the brakes himself, and was standing or walking on the car when the tunnel was entered without his being conscious of it. His head came in violent contact with one of the timbers supporting the tunnel and be reconstituted. timbers supporting the tunnel and he was knocked senseless. When found a half hour later, the train having descended the hour later, the train having descended the mountain, he was lying unconscious on top of the car, his legs hanging over its side. He was carried on to Salisbury where he had medical attention, and where he remained until Monday, when he reached home. —Welborn Adams, a boy of 14 or 15 years, and his younger brother, Burwell, went, last Friday to a tree near their home in Gwaltney's township, Alexander county, to cut it down in order to catch the flying squirrels on it, and Welborn had cut it about half through, when he told his it about half through, when he told his brother to do the balance of the chopping. Burwell was holding a gun which they had taken with them to the woods, and Welborn in receiving it from the hand of his brother, either struck the hammer on a log on which he was standing, or fell from the log. At all events the gun was discharged and the older brother received the load and

died in two hours from the wound. - Salisbury Watchman: Mr. Geo. Corriber, a promising young man of 18 or 20 years, son of Joel Corriber, near China Grove, accidentally shot himself Christmas day while out with a party rabbit hunting.
Mr. Corriber had sat down on a stump with
his double-barreled gun between his knees,
the butt resting on some treacheous support and was discharged, one load entering Mr. Corriber's throat and ranging up through the head, the other load striking him in the ody. It was instant death.

- Charlotte Chronicle: The Methodists of Charlotte will soon begin the erec-tion of a Mission church in the Fourth Ward. There will be a meeting on Friday to decide upon the location. — As an evidence of the fact that Charlotte's record as an orderly and law-abiding city is unsur-passed, it may be stated that at the Mayor's court yesterday morning, the day after Christmas, the fines amounted to only two

- Charlotte Democrat: The Exposition which is proposed to be held in Charlotte next Fall is to be called the "Exposition of the Carolinas," as it is intended to be an exhibition of the products and in-dustries of both North and South Carolina. There is a plentiful supply of grit and en

MISSISSIPPI.

Precaution to Prevent Race Troubles at Lamar.

DR. CARVER.

His Great Ball Hitting Feat. six months' income, although she was in Vienna only a fortnight, and seized 3,000 marks of money at the seized 3,000 mark box-office when she refused to pay. | win.

FOREIGN.

Affairs of the East Africa Company-Gen. Boulanger and his Friends-The Panama Canal-The War in Egypt-Earthquake Shocks in Spain -Arrests of Irish Members of Parils

By Cable to the Morning Star. By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, December 27.—The Secretary of the English East African Company denies the authenticity of the story from Zanzibar about an agreement between the Company and the Sultan and Arab slave dealers. He says no such agreement has been made. He further says that the only action of agent MacKenzie, in regard to slaves, has been to pay for the liberation of 1.400 slaves.

PARIS, December 27.—At a meeting of the National Republican Committee to-day it was unanimously resolved to support Gen. Boulanger's candidacy for a seat in the Chamber of Deputies for the depart-ment of the Seine, made vacant by the death of M. Heide.

Paris, December 27.—At a meeting today of 4,000 bondholders of the Panama
Canal Co., a resolution was unanimously
adopted expressing confidence in De
Lesseps, and volunteering to forego interest
on coupons and redemption of bonds until
the canal is opened for traffic.

SUAKIM Dec. 27.—The Scottish Borderers have sailed for Suez It is reported
that Osman Digna is trying to collect
forces at Handoub. The British war sloop
Raeer, under special orders, has sailed on a

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BERLIN, Dec. 27.—Prof. Gefficken was examined in Berlin to-day in connection with the diary of the late Emperor Frederick, and his whole past career. His trial will begin at Leipsie about the middle of

January.

Dublin, Dec. 27.—Sheffy and Finneeder, Nationalist members of Parliment, have been summoned to appear at Castle Connell, county Limerick, to answer to the charge of inciting tenants to adopt the policy of intimidation.

Madrid, Dec. 27.—Several shocks of earthquake were felt to-day in the eastern and southern parts of Spain,

PARIS, Dec. 28.—Prado, the murderer of

Marie Agustant, his mistress, was guillo-tined this morning in the Place De La Ro-quette. He preserved a firm demeaner to the last. He refused to make a confession and declined the service of a chaplain. An immense crowd collected outside the prison last night and remained until Prado had been executed. The rabble spent their time in singing comic songs and amusing themselves in other boisterous ways. Prado slept well until 6 o'clock this morning. He

protested his innocence of the murder of Marie Agustant to the last, and declared against the injustice of this world. He refused to disclose his real name. When the jailors came to pinion his limbs he offered no resistance, and while they were engaged in this operation he shed one tear. The sight of the guillotine appeared to hypno-Rome, December 28 -A shell burst in the powder magazine at Messina, Sicily,

injuring many others. SUAKIM, December 28.—Gen. Grenfell, at the head of a Welsh regiment of cavalry Soudanese troops, made a reconnoisance four miles into the interior this morning. A few rebels on camels were seen in the distance but they retired at the approach of Gen. Grenfell's force. After filling up the rebels' wells the force returned to Buskim ZANZIBAR, December 28.—News has been received here that the missionaries at Urambo, Mpwapwa and Mbora are safe. The

this morning, killing sixteen soldiers and

than exists under the present Dem- summit of the bill there. They have one department of the Seine, to fill the vacant the reasons that the committee give. Gen. Boulanger is a candidate, has been fixed for January 27.

> Panama Canal shares closed 5 francs London, Dec. 28 .- The appointment of a Crofter's Canada commission is announced in the Official Gazetts Members of the Commission are, the Marquis of Lothern, Sir Charles Tuffer, Mr. King and Mr. Thomas Skinner, and they are empowered to select Highland families for colonization in Canada.

LONDON, Dee. 28 -Mr. John Bright is still improving. An earthquake shock was felt in Hampshire this morning, ADELAIDE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA, Dec 23-The American base ball teams played another game to day, The Chicagos were

Score-Chicago 12: All-

DUBLIN, December 28 - Freeman's Journal, referring to the Parnell Commission inquiry, says: The Times prolonged the amount of evidence regarding outrages, in the hope of securing testimony to justify statements made by Attorney General and tried to induce him to go to London and testify before the Commission, promising him that if his evidence proved satisfactory he would be paid £10,000 within the hour after his examination was concluded. Sheridan played possum with the agent for a time, and was finally effered £5,000 down if he would accompany the agent to England. Sheridan then positively declined to appear before the Commission, and assured the agent that he was in a wise desired to the commission.

was in no wise desirous to share the fate of James Casey. Paris, Dec. 28.-The Chamber of Deputies to-day discussed the Senate's amend-ment to the Budget. In the course of debate Douvetier, of the Right, attacked the government for going to extremes in secularizing schools. Premier Floquet, in re-ply, declared his warmest approval of everything that had been done to secularize schools. The Republic, he said, desired to free education from all religious influence loquet's speech was received with enthusastic applause, and a motion to print and placard it throughout France was carried by a vote of 276 to 166

London, Dec. 29.-The mutilated body of a boy was found in an out-house at Bradford this morning. It was recognized as that of John Gill, eight years of age, who, when last seen alive, was sliding on the ice with some companions. The boy had been brutally murdered. His legs and arms had been chopped off in a rough man-ner and tied to his body. His ears had been cut off. There were two stab wounds in his chest, and his heart and entrails bad been torn out. The remains when found were wrapped in a rough covering. The police believe, from the clumsy manner in which the body was mutilated, that the crime was the work of drunken lads, whose imaginations had been inflamed by reading accounts of the White Chapel atrocities. It is supposed the murder and butchery were committed in some other place and the remains afterwards carried by the porpetrators to the out-house in which they were found. The crime has created the greatest excitement at Bradford. The poce have not as yet any trace of the mur-

LONDON, Dec. 29.—A milkman has been arrested on suspicion at having committed the crime. The murdered boy had occasionally accompanied him on his rounds. The prisoner was the first to recognize the remains. It is certain that the body was placed in the out house between the hours of four and seven this morning.

DUBLIN, Dec. 29.—The eviction of deinquent tenants in Gweedore, county lonegal, was commenced Wednesday. Troops and police have been ordered thither to assist the bailiffs, and violent scenes are

BELGRADE, Dec. 29 -A mob collected last night and marched through the streets to the Austrian consulate where they shouted "Down with Austria," and smashed the windows, they then visited a number of residence occupied by Austrians and made similar demonstrations.

Rome, Dec. 29.—The Pope has written a cordial letter to the Prelates in Ireland, informing them that he has sent a rich gift to each of the Irish cathedrals.

The North German Gasette has tardily reproduced in a prominent position and in large type the Emperor's words on receiving the wreath at the Vulcan ship works—"These are laurels of peace." Semi-official newspapers concur in the announcement that whatever war plans are in preparation in France and Rossis, Germany remains on the defensive, in the meanwhile perfecting her armaments.

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The National Guette, summing up the situation, ascribes the existing quiet to the fact that the period has about been reached when arming on every side will be terminated, and the fever of preparation be replaced by a collected calm, arising from conscions readiness to do battle. On the other hand, in the opinion of the Militair Zeitung and Kreuz Zeitung, the suggestions of the Emperor are pacific because the army is in a state of transition; new infantry drill regulations and radical changes in defences necessary to meet the recent explosive inventions and reform in cavalry weapons, combining to render advisable another year of preparatory activity. reparatory activity.

Uncertainty concerning Bismarck's health has become a disturbing factor in the situ-ation. The Chancellor was better at the ation. The Chancellor was better at the beginning of the week, but authentic advices from Friedrichsruhe report that since Wednesday he has suffered recurrence of gout in a severe form. Dr. Schweininger is in attendance upon him, but at the instance of Count Herbert Blemarck, Dr. Bardelsben saw him Thursday. The rumor that Emperor William secretly went to Freidrichsruhe yesterday, is baseless, his every day movements being open. Offi-cials here assert that the condition of the Chancellor is in no wise serious, although abstention from work for a time is necessary. Prior to his relapse Bismarck had arranged to come to Berlin on the 19th instant, to confer with the Emperor before the reopening of the Landtag and Reich-

The question of making additional State provision for the Imperial family comesup in the Reichstag sometime in February. Apart from his ample income as King of Prussia, the allowance of the Emperor from the Imperial fund is only \$750,000 yearly. It is reported that the Chancellor will inform the Reichstag that an additional \$850,000 is required, owing to excenditures involved in the ining to expenditures involved in the in-creased duties of toe head of the Empire The consensus of opinion is that some such provision is necessary, and that the sum mentioned is reasonable.

The coming court season promises to be

the dullest ever known, owing to the fact that the period of mourning for the late Emperor has not expired. There will be no court balls, and the diplomatic corps will close their saloons. The annual charity subscription ball at the opera house will not be held, and no sort of festival gathering will be allowed in official or court circles. The Emperor restricts fetes to the observance of the annual Ordenfest, 20th proximo, and the banquet of the Order of the Black Eagle on the 18th. He has directed that no celebration be held on his birthday, January 27th. The seriousness of the Emperor's characters is fast im-pressing the minds of all classes of people. LONDON, Dec. 29,—The report that the body of a murdered boy had been found at Keightly proves incorrect. The milkman arrested for the murder of the lad whose remains were found at Bradford is a native of Keightly, and the rumor of the second crime had its origin in this fact. The boy when last seen was in the prisoner's com-pany, and when he was missed the milk-man was asked if he knew anything of his whereabouts. He denied any knowledge of him. A bloody sock and a knife fitting the wound in the boy's chest have been found in the prisoner's lodgings. He has been remanded for trial.

HAYTI.

Everything Quiet at Port-au-Prince-Legitime Inaugurated President-The Haytien Republic Affair. By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 29.—Captain Shuter, of the Dutch steamer Prins Mauritz, which arrived early this morning, reports everything quiet at Port-au-Prince from which port he sailed direct for New York on the 22d inst. Legitime was inaugurated President with great pomp and ceremony on the 19th. The Galena and Yantic were in port at the time. The Haytien Republic was lying outside the inner harbor moored to a buoy. President Legitime boarded the Galena and had a conference with Admiral Luce. It is understood that he made no response to the demand for the Haytien Republic's release. The Yantic grounded in the inner harbor. Her officers afterwards made a

survey of the harbor.

The Galeus and Yantic, which left New Vork December 12, steamed into the har-bor of Port-au Prince December 20 at 9 a. m , with shotted guns, torpedo boats out ships cleared for action and crews standing at quarters, to demand of the alleged Haytien government instant relesse of the steamer Haytien Republic. On their arrival in the outer harbor, Rear Admiral Luce transferred his flag to the Yantic, which has a draught of but fourteen feet. The Yantic was then run slowly into the inner harbor to within a huntred feet of the dock where the Haytien Republic was at anchor. Anchor was dropped and a stern-line was at once attached to the Haytien Republic, the guns of the Yantic being trained on the city. The Galena remained in the outer harbor with broadside and pilot guns trained on the Haytien man-of-war Dessalines, and prepared to fire at the first hostile demonstration. The Dessalines' crew also stood at their guns until the result of the interview of Lieut Griffin with Legitime was made known. Lieut, Griffin went ashore shortly after 9 o'clock, with communica tions from the State Department and Admiral Luce, demanding the release with in four hours of the detained steamer, and withdrawal of her guard. Legitime finding that no delay would be tolerated, under formal protest and appeal for future arbitration, com-manded one of his gunboats to tow the Haytien Republic to the position in the outer harbor occupied when captured, and to have such slight damage as had been done to her repaired by his mechanics Night fell before her cable could be severed as her anchor chains had been badly fouled

The moral effect of this prompt action o Admiral Lucs has been most salutary on the Haytien people. The influence of the French Government, through their minister at Port-au-I rince, is very strong with the Legitime Government, and it is said that the Haytien Republic would not have been released had a French man-of-war been in the harbor. It is also claimed that the French Government's influence has been backing Legitime since his return from exile. The German Government is generally understood to be back of the Hyppo-lite faction in the north. The release was most opportune, from the acknowledged fact that Legitime had contracted to sell the Haytien Republic to the Allen line; in fact was about to turn her over to a crew which had arrived that morning from

After having bombardod Cape Haytien Port de Paix, St. Marc and other smalle ports on the north and west coasts, and completely demoralizing all foreign and coasting trade, it has been decided by Legitime to advance the warships in connection with the army now marching to meet the forces of Hippolite. Skirmishes have occurred on the frontrier between small detachments of the armies, and news of a general engagement near St. Marc is momentarily looked far.

- Charlotte News: Dr. H. M Wilder, superintendent of Charlotte's pnb-lic building, to-day told a News reporter menced in January. — Engineer Misenheimer, who was injured in the recent accident on the Carolina Central, is still confined to his home. His broken leg has not yet healed, but he is improving as fast as could be expected. — The poor of Charlotte have a staunch friend in the person of a North Trans street grover who Copyrighted 1888 by the N. Y. Associated Press.

BERLIN, December 29.—The New Year reception at Court is awaited with the anxious impression prevailing that the Emperor will seize the occasion to give utterance to some words pregnant with indications of the coming year policy. Nothing like a speech can be expected, Court attendants being against anything beyond a formal reception to diplomats, officials and the Hopgesellschapt generally, but some few words conveying a message of peace to the world are certainly looked for. The

BETHLEREN.

The alopes of Pa'estine lay sleeping. Bilent and solem o'er Judea's land The night crept slowly on. Through The stars shope clear, and shed their springled light
Upon the hills, whose slumbering sides no of life betrayed, save the tired shepherd,

Whose wakeful eye now watched his sleeping flock.

Then, lo, a light, another star, more bright
Than all the rest, arose. With steady pace
It left the rimmed borizon, soon overtop-

The Moab Mounts, then took its way, nor tarried
Till o'er Bethlehem's walls it stood, to light Her streets and roof trees, as with day.

There were, with divination deep imbued, Who saw the star, and knew, and followed Where it led. Toward the little town they Their steps and entered there. An inn they sought, And him, the host, thus questioned:

"Where is he, Our King-He who was born this day? Tell us, We pray, for we have seen his star, and To worship him."

There, in a lowly out-house, Thatched, and for a stable used, they found their King; His throne a trough, and round his infant The haloed Crown of Heaven. -Table Talk.

RELIGIOUS MISCELLANY. "The lust of human applause is

Satan's most tempting bait and blinding bribe."—Dr. Pierson. - In 1840 the Methodist Episcopal Church had but 824 German members; now she has eight Conferences, 647 pas-tors, 47,214 full and 5,672 members on probation, and 746 churches.

- A preacher once said he never reproves any one for misbehaving in church, because he did on one occasion, and on inquiry found out the young man was an idiot. Since then he is afraid to venture.

- The preacher who has gained reputation finds it sometimes a burden, sometimes a balloon. Before a testing audience he fears hot criticism will melt his waxen wings, and the fate of Icarus confronts him. But the admiration of the partial mob will awell ranting and common-piace into the proportion of master-pieces of Tully.—Richmond Advocate.

- There are churches in which there would be more liberality if there were more opennes in financial matters. Deacons and trustees sometimes act as if an imputation were cast upon them when inquiry is made as to the receipt and expenditure of moneys. The whole body of Christian people have not only a right, but it is their duty to know how the work is being done for which they supply the means A want of system in presenting accounts to a church will lead to a want of system in giving .- Baptist Paper.

- Mr. Robert Burdette is the father of the following: "'Well,' pleas-antly remarked Brother Doeg, as he greeted the paster on his return from the long vacation (six weeks is a long vacation for a prescher), 'well, you have come back to work at last. And what do you suppose the Devil has been doing all the time you were away on vacation?' 'I don't know, replied the parson; 'but if he has been any busier in some of the pews than he was before I went away, he needs a great deal more rest than I've had, and he needs it a great deal more, poor fellow."

- Mr. Darwin, the scientist, once made this answer to some critics of foreign missionaries: 'They forget, or will not remember, that human sacrifice and the power of an idolatrous priesthood; a sys-tem of profligacy unparalleled in any other part of the world; infanticide, a consequence of that system; bloody wars, where the conquerors spared neither women nor children-that all these things have been abolished, and that dishonesty, intemperance and licentiousness have been greatly reduced by the introduction of Christianity. In a voyager to forget these things is a base ingratitude; for should he chance to be at the point of spipwreck on some unknown coast, he will most devoutly pray that the lesson of the missionary may have extended thus far."

- Lenoir Topic: Mr. Donald Fra zier, aged 90 years, died at his home in Morganton last Friday, and was buried Saturday. Mr. Frazier was a Scotchman, who came to Morganton many years ago and established himself in business Mr. Milton G. Shearer, of John's River, was in our office last week, and told us that there is quite a flurry in mining circles in Wataugs. Some time ago Gen, Leven-thorpe discovered indications of silver or the farm of Mr. Joseph Bryant, near Valle Crucis, and took an option on it for \$10,-000. — A Yadkin River correspondent sends us the following letter: Late Tuesday evening, Dec. 18, John Davenport, a negro boy 17 years old, driving for L. P. Rudisill and coming down to Buffalo with a load of apples, upset the wagon, was caught under the bed and killed—it is thought almost instantly. — There seems to be a prospect for the building of a hotel on top of Hibriten. The Caldwell and Watauga Land and Timber Compeny which has the giving away of the site together with 242 acres of land, is in correspond-ence with a New York capitalist who has an idea of taking advantage of Capt. Le-noir's generous offer.

- Goldsboro Argus: The display of fireworks in this city during Christmas exceeded everything that we have ever seen here, and we are glad that everything passed off without causing any fire. We believe there has been no alarm of fire since last August. — One of Goldsboro's oldest and most respected, citizens, Mrs. Mary J. Parker, relict of the late John G. Parker, and mother of Mr. E. Z. Parker, of the Argus force, died of pneumonia at the home of her daughter, Mrs W. A. Qualls, in Wilson, yesterday morning at 5 o'clock. in the 56th year of her age.

- Hickory Carolinian : Daniel Finger, father or Major S. M. Finger, died died at his residence in Newton, on the 11th inst., in the 83d year of his age. He has long been a consistent member, and an active elder in the Reformed Church.



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