

RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

TO-DAY'S PULPIT PERFORMANCES.

The Pope and His Enemies-- Will He Outlive Them?

THE LATE PONTIFICAL LETTER.

Another John Bull on English Church Disestablishment.

MOVEMENTS OF THE CLERGY.

Services To-Day.

Rev. W. T. Egbert will preach at both services at the Wainwright Memorial church. Rev. Dr. Lathrop will lecture morning and evening at the Tabernacle Baptist church.

Rev. G. M. Campbell will discourse at the Spring street Presbyterian church. Rev. Dr. Cheever will hold forth at the Chapel of the University in the evening.

Rev. C. S. Harrower will speak at both services at St. Luke's Methodist Episcopal church. Rev. Dr. Gillette will preach at the congregation at the Plymouth Baptist church at both services.

Rev. Dr. Robinson lectures on "Born of the Word" and "Our Christian Names" at the Presbyterian Memorial church. Rev. S. H. Tyng, Jr., speaks in the evening at the Church of the Holy Trinity.

Mrs. Alderice preaches this evening at the Eleventh street Methodist Episcopal church. Rev. J. W. Barnhart discourses at both services at the Forsyth street Methodist Episcopal church.

Rev. Dr. Verren holds divine service at half-past ten A. M. at the French Church, St. Esprit. Rev. W. B. Plettin preaches morning and evening at the Pledy-third street Baptist church.

Rev. J. M. Pullman speaks on "Enforced Education" at Lyric Hall. Rev. H. Powers will preach on "The Story of Enoch" and "Hail!" at the Church of the Messiah.

Rev. W. C. Dawson will lecture at both services at the Christian church. Rev. Dr. Flagg lectures morning and evening at the Church of the Resurrection.

At the Bleeker Street Mission "Education" will be the subject of the discourse. Rev. E. C. Sweetser will tell which is "The Safe Side" at the Bleeker street Universalist church.

Bishop Snow will deliver "What Gabriel Said to Daniel" at the same society. T. G. Forster lectures morning and evening at Apollo Hall, on "Spiritualism."

Rev. F. C. Ewen, D. D., preaches morning and evening in St. Ignatius' church. Rev. Halsey W. Knapp preaches in the Light street Baptist Mission, morning and evening.

Rev. George H. Newport preaches in Steinway Hall. Morning subject, "The Only Way Out of the Wilderness;" evening subject, "Are You Alive or Dead?"

Rev. T. De Witt Talmage, D. D., preaches in the Brooklyn Academy of Music, morning and evening. Rev. P. L. Davies preaches in the Berean Baptist church, morning and evening.

Rev. William N. Dannel preaches in All Saints Episcopal church at the morning and evening services. "Secularism" will be the interesting subject of a lecture to be delivered this evening, at eight o'clock, by the Rev. H. A. Brann, D. D., in St. Ignatius' church, Sullivan street, between Prince and Houston streets.

The reverend lecturer is one of the few known able, philosophical in his views and original in his delivery. The proceeds of the evening will be charitably disposed of for the benefit of the poor of St. Anthony's parish.

The Pope Outliving His Enemies-- Will He Bury Them All?

To THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD:-- All the great enemies of the Pope are dropping into their eternal graves, summoned before the judgment seat of the Almighty, one by one, while the celebrated Pontiff himself, though far beyond eighty years, continues to enjoy the best of health, breathes the most intrepid spirit of independence, and gives frequent impassioned utterance to hopes that all the dark days which are over him will soon be dispelled forever.

It is impossible to recite this remarkable condition of things. The great enemies of the Pope are, as we have already divided into princes and statesmen. As to the latter, several of them are yet in the flesh, but the majority of them are long seated up in their silent tombs. Lord Palmerston was the most powerful Minister for a number of years in all Europe. Hatred for Rome, in all her jurisdiction, was in perpetual flame in his heart; his intellect, all cunning, was always on the alert to originate, or to aid in, a serious conspiracy against her ancient rights, and his hand was ever ready to execute wrong on the immovable Church. But he is dead--dead as the poorest beggar that ever carried a crucifix--whereas Pius IX. is still in the flush of life, and notwithstanding his cares, in the very summer of condescendence and resolution.

Count Cavour is a more striking example. It was he, backed by Palmerston and in treaty with Napoleon III., who has just fallen a corpse, that first really commenced hostilities against the Pope of the temporal power. But he is long dead. He was called to his account in the zenith of his ambition and authority, and he died as he lived, a heartless jester that entered his chamber he was a heartless jester at the Pope for his advanced years, for his excommunications, for all his acts and purposes. But the old Pontiff has far more than made up for the calamities of Florence, of Naples, of Milan and of Turin, are actually distinguished with marble slabs marking the present and the past, and that in the Italian Parliament, in Rome, lately exclaimed to a crowded house, in the ears of Launzi himself, that proceedings against the Pope invariably resulted in some fruitful benefit to their authors.

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Arrangements have been completed in Council Bluffs for the purchase of a residence for Bishop Doane, who is to reside in Council Bluffs, Iowa, after reaching home on New Year's Day, safe and well, after a seven months' tour in Europe and the East. A Methodist Book Depository has been opened in Council Bluffs, under the management of Rev. Joseph Knott. During a brief stay in Richmond, Va., week before last, Chaplain Metcabe paid a visit to the prisoners in the State Prison, where he spent more than half a year as a prisoner, and where only the grace of God and his love of music and his ability to sing kept not only himself, but the hundreds of prisoners, from uttering words of imprecation or untimely grief. He pointed out the holes through the floor by which food was thrown from the cells, and the holes by which the famishing Union citizens of Richmond, who were imprisoned on the lower floor, and also some traces of the channel dug under the walls, and by which the prisoners were able to escape. The world has made wonderful progress since the time, when, in the month of June, 1861, the Rev. W. F. Flocken, of New York, visited the prison, and was surprised to find that the prisoners were actually distinguished with marble slabs marking the present and the past, and that in the Italian Parliament, in Rome, lately exclaimed to a crowded house, in the ears of Launzi himself, that proceedings against the Pope invariably resulted in some fruitful benefit to their authors.

JOSEPH MAZZINI IS AN ADDITIONAL SIGNIFICANT ILLUSTRATION.

He was the prophet of all the factions and parties of the last century, and he has been called on by no necessity to enumerate his deeds of the hand and of the pen to extirpate the See of Peter. Yet it is himself that is overturned, that is extinguished, that is buried, and that is judged. He used to boast that he would see the total end of the Papacy, but an octogenarian Pope has triumphantly survived him, and he has been pitched down upon his coffin. One more instance out of many--it is that of Napoleon III. He was the very emperor of hypocrites, the prince of all the enemies united against the Pope. He was a great Bishop of France, called him the Pontius Pilate of the times. It was an awful but a just designation; for while apparently protecting the Pope in France, he had been secretly the hand of a treaty with Cavour to make no interference whatever with the invasion of the papal States. That is, he fettered the Pope's hands behind his back while the robber was coming in to plunder him. This is a matter of history, and has just received full and irrefragable confirmation in the diary of M. de Villèle, a recent French agent, who has just returned from Rome, and who has just attached to the Italian court. But how has it all ended? Let Sedan, Wilhelmshöhe and Chislehurst attest the answer. There are a few more immediate actors alive, but they are all in the hands of the Pope. Will the aged Pope survive them also? We know not, but it is certain that the occurrence of all the events which have taken place since the death of the Pope in Rome, is a grand and a great surprise over the realization of such an event. All this is true. In view of the striking facts it contains, what wonder is it that the Pontifical letter to the Cardinals, published a few days since in the HERALD, is the hopeful, candid, uncompromising document it is? NOT A LIBERAL CATHOLIC.

THE DISESTABLISHMENT OF THE ENGLISH CHURCH.

To THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD:-- Sir,--Although a pretty constant reader of the HERALD, I unfortunately missed seeing your editorial remarks on the disestablishment of the Church of England, referred to by "John Bull." With your correspondent, I think the measure which you appear to have advocated most undesirable, and one which no well-wisher of the old country, intimately acquainted with the interests involved, would seek to procure. What is more, I cannot

MUSICAL AND THEATRICAL NOTES.

"Leo and Loto," at Mibo's, has proved a greater hit than was anticipated in the beginning, and it continues to draw excellent houses.

Mr. Booth's Brutus is one of his greatest parts, and the announcement that he is again to play the sternest of Roman heroes is full of pleasurable anticipations.

The Vokes family have made another great hit in the Christmas pantomime at Drury Lane. It is announced that when they return to New York next April they will bring with them several novelties and a complete set of new costumes.

The parts in "Alix," Mr. Dalry's initial piece at his new theatre, are allotted to Miss Clara Morris, Miss Fanny Davenport, Miss Fanny Morant and Miss Linda Delle, and to Messrs. Charles Fisher, George Clarke, James Lewis and Louis James.

The new spectacular piece, "Alhambra," at the Olympic, has undergone considerable pruning, and the last act has been entirely remodelled. These changes were necessary to make the piece generally acceptable; but with them it is likely to have a successful run.

One of the features of Mr. Sothorn's "Brother Sam," which still holds its place at Wallace's, is the remarkably faultless English of the London top. Lord Dundreary talks of Sam as in this country, which will account for the fact that he can speak the language so readily.

A complete transformation has been wrought in the new Fifth Avenue Theatre, and its appearance will surprise everybody who saw it as it was in former times. The proscenium boxes are large and handsome, and the French boxes at the rear of the house are better than those in the old Twenty-fourth street theatre. The parquet is well arranged, having been completely remodelled, and the dress circle is one of the prettiest in the city.

From the family circle the view of the stage is as excellent as is that from any part of the house, and throughout the building is quite as cozy and in many respects much more comfortable than the burned theatre.

The Italian Opera Company has been much more successful in Boston than the managers anticipated. It was supposed the late disastrous fire in that city would have a bad effect; but not only was the first performance of the season attended by a fashionable and crowded audience, but almost every succeeding one has been the same.

Luca has literally captivated the Bostonians. The press, without exception, mentions her vocal and dramatic powers in the highest terms, and at the opera she has received plaudits and bouquets enough to satisfy any prima donna. When leaving Boston the company will go to Hartford and Providence, and then, perhaps, to Chicago and other Western cities, expecting to return to New York the latter part of February or beginning of March.

A grand comedy and musical entertainment is to take place at the Terrace Garden Theatre, in Fifty-ninth street, on Wednesday evening, the 26th of January, for the benefit of the poor of the Dominican church in Lexington avenue. Mr. Augustin Daly has given permission to some of the members of his company to appear in the play of "Married Life." The concert follows, in which a number of well known artists are to participate, among them Miss La Mara, Miss Isabella Stone, Miss Mattie Lynden, Mr. Bonawitz, Mr. William McDonald, Mr. B. Moellenhauer, Mr. Frank Bartlett and Signor Poalich.

Mr. George W. Colby is to be the conductor. The management is to be a great extent devolved upon Mr. J. W. Morrissey, of the Grand Opera House, and the entertainment can scarcely fail to be a very great success.

The long-promised French piece, "Le Centenaire," will be produced at the Union Square Theatre on Wednesday evening, the 29th of January, under its English title of "One Hundred Years Old." This piece was produced at the Théâtre Ambigu, in Paris, on the 19th of October, and will not be withdrawn