

Missionary Reinforcements. Congregationalists say that at a meeting with reference to the departure of seventeen missionaries for their fields of labor, the American Board, was held at the Missionary House, Boston, on Monday, April 17th. Of only four, Rev. Samuel B. Smith and wife, Rev. T. S. Fairbank, these are the missionaries, the first to go out. Mr. Smith is the son of Rev. Jason Smith, of North China, from San Francisco; and Mrs. Fairbank, who now labors where her mother and laid down her life. Of the other missionaries, the first to go out will be Rev. and Mrs. L. M. Fairbank, to North China, from San Francisco; and Mrs. M. Fairbank, to North China, from San Francisco; and Mrs. M. Fairbank, to North China, from San Francisco.

PELHAM GUARDIAN SOCIETY.—The thirty-seventh Annual Report of the American Female Guardian Society, which was presented to the House of Industry and Home for the Friendless, is sustained, shows: Admitted, adults, 216; children, 1,000; provided with homes, 90. Dr. J. H. Lighthall, house physician, reports 860 cases treated and 10 deaths. Upwards of 1,000 "outside poor" have been visited, and 100,000 garments and 135,000 pieces of clothing have been distributed. The Society has expended \$1,000,000 since the last report, and \$1,000,000 for the year ending March 31st. Exclusive of the one at the Home, the Society supports 11 Industrial Schools, which have a registration of over 10,000 pupils, with an average of 1,500. These children have been clothed and fed at an expense of \$17,275. Since the organization of the Society more than 3,000 children have been provided with homes, and upwards of 100,000 have received its benefits.

INCREASE OF THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS.—The Congregationalists say: "Appropriations were recently made to the Education Society to 259 young men. About \$7,000 were thus expended. The churches have so responded to the call of the Society that it was able thus to make its regular appropriation. Nowhere has there been so great an advance of late in the number of young men receiving the aid of the Society as in Connecticut. The number in the Yale Seminary thus assisted was thirty; in the College nine; at the Theological School at Hartford fifteen; in all fifty-four. Two years ago in April the numbers added in Connecticut at the same institutions was only twenty.

ERIE RAILWAY CONNECTION.—The Niagara Falls Branch of the Erie Railway will be opened for passenger traffic on the 15th of May. From and after that date, direct connection will be made with Chicago and intermediate points via Great Western and Michigan Central routes, by passenger cars from the French settlement of St. Pierre, in Newfoundland, state that the island is now going from Cape Spidar to Cape Race with large quantities of ice and solid fuel, which defy the approach of any vessel within a mile of shore.

Summary of News. The captain of the Newfoundland mail steamer, reports that when leaving the Newfoundland coast, on the homeward trip to Halifax, he narrowly escaped being surrounded by immense fields of ice, which were drifting toward the Newfoundland shore. Telegrams from the French settlement of St. Pierre, in Newfoundland, state that the island is now going from Cape Spidar to Cape Race with large quantities of ice and solid fuel, which defy the approach of any vessel within a mile of shore.

England has learned a great many things from America. Legal codes, monitors, sewing machines, telegraphs, rifles, revolving rockers, chains, plowing, reaping, mowing, threshing machines, ax handles, and other novelties, she has received from our inventions, she has freely adopted. Mrs. Ruth, of Lawrence, Kan., whose husband was poisoned recently, led her children to the coffin where the dead body of their father lay, and made them swear to avenge his death. She says she knows the murderer, and will relieve the law of the responsibility of punishing him.

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OLD DR. WARREN'S 730 GOLD LOAN NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD. RAPID PROGRESS OF THE WORK. The building of the Northern Pacific Railroad, (begun last fall) is being pushed forward with great energy from both extremes of the line. The road is now being completed in Minnesota and on the Pacific coast. A GOOD INVESTMENT. Jay Cooke & Co. are now selling, and unobtainably recomended, the First Mortgage Land Grant Bonds of the Northern Pacific Railroad Company. They have 80 years to run, bear Seven and Three-tenths per cent. gold interest, and are secured by first and best mortgage on the entire road and its branches, and also, as fast as the road is completed, on 20,000,000 ACRES OF LAND to every mile of track of 200 feet wide, perfectly safe. They are exempt from U. S. Tax; Principal and Interest are paid in gold, and the Company is secured by first and best mortgage on the entire road and its branches, and also, as fast as the road is completed, on 20,000,000 ACRES OF LAND to every mile of track of 200 feet wide, perfectly safe. They are exempt from U. S. Tax; Principal and Interest are paid in gold, and the Company is secured by first and best mortgage on the entire road and its branches, and also, as fast as the road is completed, on 20,000,000 ACRES OF LAND to every mile of track of 200 feet wide, perfectly safe.

Miscellaneous.

CEMENTS.

FOR CISTERN AND FLOORS. A correspondent of the Cincinnati Weekly Gazette furnishes the following recipes for the preparation of useful cements:
To make a good cement for plastering cisterns...

FLOOR COVERINGS.

Harper's Bazar, for May 18th, has following in relation to the present styles of floor coverings:
Small figures on light grounds prevail in low-priced carpets...

To be kept well washed, and the chairs and seats must be given a good scrubbing with warm water...

A RELIO OF SLAVERY.

The horrors and iniquity of the old slavery system are well illustrated in the case of a handsome and intelligent female, Elizabeth Carlton...

In 1811, in Bedford, N. H., there were eleven young men who voted that year for the first time...

LAW OF RHODE ISLAND.

Passed at the January Session of the General Assembly, A. D. 1871. An Act to amend the provisions of an Act to repeal Chapter 856 of the Statutes...

Colored Press—A member of the German artillery corps gives the following formula for making colored fires:
1. White light: 8 parts saltpeter, 2 parts sulphur, 2 parts antimony...

ODDS AND ENDS.

A strange fatality seems to have developed itself recently among the colored population of Boston...

THE GLOSS ON SILK.

The method of giving an artificial gloss to the woven silk was first invented in 1663. The discovery of the method was purely accidental...

THE GULF STREAM—ITS ORIGIN.

The Gulf Stream is nothing more than a great oceanic current, and is in every respect similar to one on land...

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