

PHILADELPHIA LETTER. PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 24th, 1876. Our foreign brethren have an immense show here, and there is a very general disposition to treat them with the consideration that we have always shown to strangers, to write about and praise them, and to neglect, in a degree, the greater shows of our own states and territories. We reason that our own states, like the poor, are always with us, while France, Sweden, and Turkey, brighten our domestic circle only once in a century. This is not quite true, for California, Oregon, and Nevada, while of less locality and accessibility, are not less valuable, than England or France. Some of the smaller and less wealthy states have displays that do them great credit, while some other and larger states, as Pennsylvania and New York, are represented only in the displays of special exhibitors.

THE TURKO-SERVIAN WAR.—The reports from contending parties in the war are so entirely contradictory that we confess to as little ground for a well-founded judgment as before reading them. As a specimen of these contradictions, the following furnish a fair example: A London dispatch of Aug. 23rd says that a dispatch to Reuters' Telegram Company, dated Belgrade, noon, says: "The Russian general, Gen. Toptanoff, has recommended early on Wednesday morning, and up to the present moment the Servians maintain their positions. A telegram to the Russian Embassy here says: 'Despite Turkish official reports, all dispatches to the Russian papers affirm that the Servians repulsed the enemy before Alexinatz.'"

HOME NEWS. Quarterly Meeting. The Quarterly Meeting at Hartsville last Sabbath, Aug. 26th, was well attended. By reason of sickness in the family of Bro. T. R. Williams, Bro. A. H. Lewis presented the morning sermon from the text, "Resist the devil, and he will flee from you," a subject for practical life. It was listened to with good attention, after which the communion service was attended. This was an occasion of deep and solemn interest. In the afternoon, we enjoyed a Bible-school, led by Bro. Swinney, giving a description of Solomon's Temple and its relation to the church. At the close, the ordination of Bro. U. M. Babcock was announced for First-day morning.

ED. LUQUIS CRANDALL. When we hear of the death of friends, we are reminded of the various events in their history with which we have been familiar. Having learned through the SABBATH RECORDS, that our good brother and fellow-laborer, Eld. Lucius Crandall, of New York, has ceased from his labors and entered into his rest, I am impressed with the duty of speaking a few words respecting his life and labors, as a minister of Christ, as they came under my observation.

ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE. 1. Resolved, That we most earnestly protest against all infringements on the claims of this sacred day, and that we observe with strict and conscientious fidelity, and that we exhort our minister and laity to zealously defend these claims and rights, by all honorable and Christian means.

THE INDIAN COUNTRY.—A dispatch dated Aug. 22d, near the mouth of Powder river, says: "The practical failure of the campaign thus far made has caused a change in the plan of operations, and the government will now continue the war until the Indians are subdued and return to their reservations. It is almost assured that the scout party will be left on the Yellowstone for the winter. The fall campaign will be full of hardships, but not so dangerous as another season's murderous work. There are evidences of Indians along the Yellowstone."

THE WHITE CROSS LINE STEAMER C. F. Funch, Capt. Kudson, from New York, Aug. 10th, for Antwerp, was burned Aug. 25th, at Kaloon Bank. The steamer and her cargo were a total loss. The aggregate insurance amounted to \$400,000. The crew were all saved.

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