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S. W. VIRGINIA. wokes us; but then not to us.

st returned from the

THE MEETING. d convened in Smythe

at Cedar Grove church. mat of Marion. There attendance of both clerimembers. And in belatter we think we are

POREIGN MISSIONS for some time past has received in attention from this body, but it has set a good example before its sister Synods in ordering, at its recent session, that collections be taken in all

The printer makes work. Too long have we neglected stification belong to helping on their foreign miss work

#### THE FEMALE SCHOOL

of the Synod of talked of for several years past, is to Virginia. How we be established at Marion, Smythe tere our traveling com county, Va. The citizens of Mario whom we domiciled, have subscribed liberally to this end &c., although of in- terprise, and will doubtless do more, re shall not now take as they have the assurance that We may at some fu- first-class college is to be located in when in a good humor, their midst. Valuable property, most de of our experience for advantageously located, and well at of our friends, but adapted to educational purposes, is ent we pass by the hu- offered on accommodating terms. d shall tell you about .... Everything now appears propit to the successful inauguration and success of this school.

REV. J. J. SCHERER

# Selections. Influences-Their Power.

How subtle the influences which but let it be of the hidden man of the rescue of a man who had tallen of apparatus, to photograph an than the righteous curse which exaffect life and character ! Impalpa- the heart \* \* of a meet and quiet in a crevasse of the glacier. He was eclipse at a very advantageous point. ists upon all spirits who, in the exthe congregations for this important ble and immaterial, they are to be spirit, which in the sight of God is the porter, who, sent on with an as- The preparations were made with ercise of that freedom which belongs measured only by their results ; and of great price." Who can measure sistant in advance, had incantiously great care, and the moment of total to them, seek to counteract God's things sometimes, this duty. Whilst we have no for these are to be known only after the influence of ornaments or dress stepped on an ice bridge, and fallen eclipse came and passed. The ope- purposes in creation, and refuse to eign mission under our control, we long, patient and close observation. on the soul ? What christian, in- into the fissure. He had lain there rator went to his instrument, and to share that joy of God which is etereives with the re- ought to co-operate with our breth- The field of their operation is as deed, believes that they have any an hour when Prof. Tyndall and his bis great mortification and vexation, nally annexed to the sharing of His immaterial as themselves. Mind is influence ? Yet what Observer of companions were startled at seeing found he had forgotten to put in the mind. In departing from God, in known only by its phenomena, and men and women has failed to note the solitary man standing immova- slide. No picture was there, and all seeking a life without holiness, purithese reveal something offits nature the great influence which wealth ble, saying that his comrade was his journey and expense had been ty and love, they find, as they can and much of its powers. Thought and its accompaniments evert on the dead, and indicating the spot where for nothing. The eclipse would not not but find, misery ; for "there is is its great work, and receptivity a life of men and women professing he had fallen. Peering into the repeat itself for his accommodation. no peace, saith my God, to the wickfunction or quality of its mature. godfiness ?

LUTHFRAN

Words and ideas agitate and direct Who will stop and an size these faint moans betrayed the buried life, all matters of the kind, was watchits forces, and determine, to some things to that extent as to reveal and instant preparations were made ing most intently with a telescope extent, its action. So ethereal and the hidden force and heart-springs for the rescue. The porter had car- all the phases of the eclipse, but at subtle in its nature, so delicate in which bring about results delete- ried down the strong rope with him ; the moment when it was total chanced construction, while in union with rious to the christian life f What is but waistcoats, coats, and braces to look off, a cause of much regret to matter, as in the animal organism, the influence that the platting of the were hurriedly taken off and knotted him afterwards. the slightest cause may disturb its hair exerts on the heart ? The plait together, and by their aid Bennen, A little neglect, a moment's careequilibrium, and so jostle its ele- ing of the hair is but a word ex- the guide, and Professor Tyndall, lessness, often make way for lasting tience; and to patience godliness; ments as to produce confusion. A pressive of hair-dressing of any age were let down from one projection to regret to some body. thought will vibrate through all its or fashion. What is the luffmence of another, till they reached the bottom A sculptor had spent months over and to brotherly kindness love. (2 chambers and its echoes he heard this thing, and how great and how of the debris, a distance of forty a model for a statue, which was to Peter i : 5-8. through eternity. So delicate of im. important is it that the apostle feet. The fallen fragments had fro- be exhibited along with many other Add in your heart this perfect pressions, yet impressions are, in should warn women against it ? That zen together again, so that the man competitors. Just as the drayman number of seven graces together,

# duct of wives : "Whose adorning,

To the Rescue.

let it not be that outward (adorning) of plaiting the bair and of wearing

"ONE LORD, ONE FAITH, ONE BAPTISM."---EPHESIANS IV:5.

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fact, indelible. Evanescent in ap- it has a powerful influence, the ex- was enclosed in a solid mass of ice. was bringing it to its destination in and if these things be in you, and is the moving spirit in this important enterprise, and we trust he may be An agonizing thought paralyzes the leaves us no room to doubt. Is it eminently successful in the work he mind, or sends it on a wild revel of that it excites vanity and pride ? as they fell into the lower depths on broken into fragments. So, too, a edge of our Lord Jesus Christ. has so auspiciously begun. He has madness; while a word of comfort These are enough to ruin the soul. the edge of which they were stand- piece of aucient sculpture, which had at in saying that they repre- the confidence, we are assured, of or joy thrills it with an ecstacy of Is it that it excites and nourishes

## A Moment's Carelessness.

VISITOR.

Prof. Tyndall, in his "Alpine A photographer of note once took full of God. On the other hand, the of gold, or of putting on of apparel; Hours," gives a thrilling account of a long journey, with a great supply misery that exists is naught else darkness they could see nothing, but Later a scientific man, expert in ed."-Norman MacLeod.

After moving a layer of two withstood the storms of three thous-

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Their joy is full of glory, in propor-

tion as it comes from hearts that are

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### Bible Arithmetic.

ADDITION.

Add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge ; and to knowledge temperance; and to temperance paand to godliness brotherly kindness ;

SUBSTRACTION.

d in church work, than esentatives usually are. a encouraging feature in d at least, and we hope me is true of other Synods. ost cordial meeting of the ransactions, discussions,

THE SYNOD,

se, is thoroughly identified our General Synod. The apous awakened in the minds by the action of the delegafrom this Synod at the last t of the General Synod, in gard to the Theological would have been entirely ting of Synod. Several vere made endorsing the y and urging its support

nod, whilst not one word gainst it or its demands , and that its interests are

have their natural effect. On this of a single word spoken in love and tender hands into the pure air of catch a glimpse of light through the a man comes into the church saying, sperity. fact of the power of resistance and faithfulness, a teacher now in Min- christianity and civilization. They bars; and men are borne to the gal- "I have met with a great change; ITS DELEGATES ordered to be attended to before his self-determination rests his responsi- nesota, but formerly connected with must be watched over and tenderly lows on a morning when the whole thank God, I am safe; and I come pext meeting of the General own congregation; and Rev. D. F. bility and the reasonableness of the a rural school in Connecticut, says: cared for, until the gentle breathing maternal world is crying praise to in here to shine"-if that is the are Revs. Phillippi, Greiner, Bittle, D. D., Rev. Prof. S. A. Re-"I had taught nearly three months and the tranquil beating of the pulse God ; and wounded and sick men fill spirit with which one comes into the Repass, and Turner, with pass, and Rev. Prof. Youce, were commands of God. Placed in a world which has an before I asked one of my scholars, give evidence of their new life. hospitals, and maniacs rave in their church, and if he can come in so McCauley, Stevens, Shaver, constituted a committee to attend to close as lay representa this duty. Rev. Mr. Sibole is a atmosphere of influences, both good a girl of eleven, if she loved the "Saved by the power of an endless dreary cells. With such a delegation its graduate of Roanoke College and of This seems very strange in a uni- lanterns and head-lights all along and evil, man is an object of admi- Saviour. She replied that she did life." This is the reward that will to the General Synod is the Seminary at Philadelphia. We verse designed for joy. Yet it is not the road, and it is not a bad thing. ration. Could we see a power inhe- not. A few days after she told me abundantly repay hours of weary indicated. all thus. Some hearts on earth sing But then there are multitudes of trust he may be instrumental in do rent and active in the air that could she thought she did love the Saviour, work and watching. Saved through ing much good in his present field with the birds, and shine with the men who might well come into the and would resist the first gentle and and she soon went to work among Christ ! this is the joy that cometh THE MISSIONS AND EDUCATION sun, are merry with the waters, wear church, saying, "Brethren, give me of labor. subtle influences that so often awake her mates, and the result was five in the morning, when the heaviness e the attention of this body. a wedding garment with the earth, a harbor. There are storms after it into violent activity, and lash it others were soon persuaded to love of the night has all passed away .--At this time there are bowever, doing but little in and rejoice with God's beautiful cre- me, and I can not stand the sea. into fury, storms and tempests, tor- Christ also. If I had yielded to the Heathen Woman's Friend. me Mission field, from a want NO VACANCIES GROWTH.-There is not one chris- knew sin and misery, are happier in. Give them shelter and protec-Beans to operate in this direction. in the S. W. Virginia Synod. All nadoes and cyclones would not so common excuse, I am afraid I shall the whole of its funds are the pastorates are supplied with often lay the works of God and man not say exactly the right thing." the support of the preaching. This is encouraging.— the preaching. This is encouraging.— the preaching. This is encouraging.— the power of his mighty will upon the power of his mighty will upower of his mighty will upower y to be regretted that this may soon go into the missionary the influences and powers that bear thankful enough that I spoke to that there are some growths which, to and ten thousand times ten thou. A church is not good for anyth the naked eye, looks faultless, but sands, are glad, and have been for except what it can do for men. Is a the naked eye, looks faultless, but ares, and have filled with their melwith others, has not the men field and enlarge her borders. But him onward toward ruin, he would scholar. She seemed to wish to love when subjected to the scrutiny of a ages, and have filled with their mel- ho the money to establish missions to do this work efficiently she must display a majesty that would ap- the Saviour, and all that was needed to do this work efficiently she must ow presenting themselves deration. 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Doints at which missions the manifestations of divine power the manifestations of divine power the manifestations of the manifestations of divine power the manifestations of divine power the manifesta aces now presenting themselves educate her missionaries, and then worm itself, hidden among the foli- asked, whence this joy springs ? I the points at which missions white unto harvest. O that the How slight the influences that some one to ask her to love Him. and would soon be greatly in- into the harvest field ! <sup>141</sup> the Lord would awaken our <sup>142</sup> the Lord would awaken our <sup>144</sup> the Lord would awaken our <sup>144</sup> the Lord would awaken our <sup>144</sup> the lord would awaken our <sup>145</sup> the land <sup>1</sup>
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d were the people of Mariou, and will redelight. ceive the moral and pecuniary support of the Synod of S. W. Virginia.

This enterprise is not began in OPPOSITION, as some at first thought, might sup-In all their intercourse, pose, to Staunton Female Seminary, The two institutions will be about fested. The en- two (200) hundred miles apart. We ngs passed off harmo- can not conceive that the one will we believe the bond of interfere with the other. On the affection was strengthened. other hand they will mutually be an that "it was good to be advantage to each other. Both in-Whilst the lines of true Lu. stitutions are necessary to the edumwo, the views and feel- the church in Virginia. Without a ew measure" men, are Virginia many of the young ladies position demand. of our Church would be deprived

hey would be under the necessity seeking it in the schools of other de nominations. With the present pros ects of the Marion enterprise, and the present patronage and hold upon the confidence and affection of the people which the Staunton Fe male Seminary enjoys, we believe there is a promising future before each of these schools, and it will not a had they been present at be long till the advantages of these enterprises will begin to be seen and felt in all our church work.

LICENSE

Church. Provision was a recent graduate of Roanoke Colhave failed to do in the J. P. Obenchain was renewed. This to such a passion. would raise half of it himself he will prosecute his theological heart of men, and color the life and dress, they will not see the poor reach the depths of the abyss. mod of Virginia. We feel the highest point on the Virginia and influences which act on him as fine dressing throw them under the out. Stroke upon stroke must fall, into singing; the trees clap their Many a man that has been lost, THE ORDINATION

made a symbol or representative of explain.

ferent languages, have represented costly gens and richness of apparel, the lips could only utter inarticulate of a porter. both the mind and the wind. How exert the same, or similar, influences sounds. The knapsack was cut off, Yet these are small grievances unto you through the knowledge of just and proper this is may be known on the heart. They "war against the rope passed under the arms and besides those which effect the heart God, and of Jesus our Lord. (2 by the properties of the air. There the soul," or the apostle would never an effort made to pull him up; but and soul. A moment's thoughtless Peter i : 9. is nothing in all material nature so have cautioned the christian against so firmly was he imbedded, that not speech may crush the sweet hopes delicate and subtle as it. So easily them. They work an injury that is until the last foot was extricated in a heart, and leave it to cheerless impressed is it, that the slightest real and not imaginary. The Divine could they lift him out of his narrow misery. A little unkind act may do cause disturbs its rest, and puts it in Spirit does not speak unnecessarily, house. By pulling him from above, a mischief that a life time of regret motion. Under the powerful force nor use "vain words for show." and pushing him from below, the can not undo. A neglect to seek which the sun exerts upon it, it is When he warned the christian poor fellow was lifted to the surface Christ when the Spirit is calling us an are gradually being more cational interests of the daughters of never at rest but for a moment, and against these things, he knew what of the glacier ; and these men, ex- to come may cost us our precious in some limited spot. Could we see he was saying, and the inducnces for hausted by an hour of severe labor, souls. edder members of Synod, school in the south-western part of the air, nothing would be more bean. evil which these the evil which these the over and dreuched with dripping ice, cartiful than its constant and incessant | the soul.

move and whirl, and roll or dash, in the things of which the Holy, ded animation, till at length the with her, and in a little while she until a more general motion is ex- Spirit here speaks. Men, in their groaning ceased, and Bennen, in was gone, gone forever .- Presbytecited. The forces which set it in mo- reason, say that there can be no agony exclaimed. tion continue to act until it begins to common standard of dressing : that move and whirl with violence, and which is fine and costly for one perthen, as if maddened by the dis- son may not be for another. We turbing cause, it sweeps over the may admit this as true, and yet how gentle breathing and felt the calm surface of the earth and leaves de are we to dispose of the Holy Spirit's beating of the pulse. He was saved universe. By the natural state, I the church is a fort into which a vastation and ruin in its path .- exhortation ? There it stands, what -- this young, strong man-the only mean the state for which it has been man should run, that he may fight Storms and tempests, tornadoes and ever may be our excuses or extenn son of his mother, and she a widow. designed by God. . . . Yet joy better for his life against the advercyclones are the final result of a pri- ations.

mal, gentle and subtle, yet powerful I think it might be conclusively from the chill of death, to the warm ness the rule. The azure sky of the force acting on its particles, and set- shown that there is a common stand- pulsation of life and strength. ting them in array for a wild rush and which both the rich and poor was granted to Mr. Vastine Stickley, and sweep over the earth. Could christians would so regard, if not ears, and you will hear the faint thousands and millions in the world into the hospital." What are you we see and observe how this great blinded by the tinsel and show of moans of your sisters, incased in the are like the inhabitants of some un- going into the hospital for when you meet its portion of the theo- lege, to preach the Gospel and ad- result was brought about, we could this world. The poor woman sees ice folds of cruel superstitions. You der-ground cavern, hving and dying are cured ! The church is a hospital fessor's salary, and an minister the sacraments. Brother know no more of the peculiar and and realizes that her rich sister con- will not besitate, when life depends amid darkness, or in a mere glimmer where men may be cured. The on made to meet the in- S, has already received and accepted subtle motion of the air than we ob- forms to the injunction. If you can not go of light, without ever having seen church is a bulwark that hides men spenses of the approaching a call to the Giles county pastorate, serve from the results of its motions, Spirit, when her dressing is plain down in the darkness to the rescue, the glory of God's universe, or ex- from the stroke of battle. The And whilst some of the and has entered upon the discharge but we could discern more distinctly and unostentations for her. There there are brave, strong, heroic souls periencing one hour of the joy which church is a school-house. It is a is may refuse in the future of pastoral duties in that interesting the delicacy and subtleness of the may be, in point of fact, much differ- who are ready for the adventure- God's creatures in heaven have had father's or a brother's house. It is a their proportion of the sala- field of labor. The license of Rev. powers or influences that aroused it ence between the dress of the two, ready to peril their lives for the for ages. The very birds seem hap- family all the members of which yet relatively and comparatively. Master, and for those he has died to pier than men. Men groan while are striving to help, as far as they

and self-determination, so that the

passions other than these f Let the or three feet thick, a hand appeared and years, and had safely made its blind, and can not see afar off, and

the mind. The same words, in dif- Ornaments of gold, or pearls, or peal. The head was lain bare but New York by the careless handling

ried him by turns to the the prayer-meeting one evening, but

"He is dead !"

But the more sagacious Professor. leaning over his patient, marked the Brought back by wise, tender hands is too much the exception, and sad-

He that lacketh these things is The wind has, in all ages, been moral analyst and the invoked heart as white as the snow about it, and long journey over land and sea, was bath forgotten that he was purged making its mute but powerful ap- broken to pieces on the sidewalk in from his old sins. (2 Peter i: 9.) MULTIPLICATION.

Grace and peace be multiplied

He that ministereth seed to the sower, both minister bread for your food and multiply your seed sown. and increase the fruits of your righteousness. (2 Corinthians ix : 10.)

DIVISION.

Come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty. (2 Cor. vi: 17-18.)

Joining the Church.

Says one man: "I have easily besetting sins. I am striving against them: and when I overcome them Joy is the natural state of God's I mean to join the church." Now, Sarv.

A man says: "I am full of diseases from head to foot ; and as soon Dear friends, listen with attentive clouds and summer storms, while as I get cured of them I am going guish among the clods of the valley. men by throwing about them the

purest and happiest spirit has its

estill feel assured that it will brother continues to supply the We may see in this illustration which both recognize, there is not redeem. You will not hesitate to they warble notes of gladness. The can, those who are associated with How can we think other. Floyd pastorate with occasional what gentle forces, what sufficient difference as to mark a dis- strip off your superfluities to furnish lark sings like a very angel in the them. It is an institution in which then we heard one brother preaching, whilst, for another year, fluences may affect the mind and tinction. When the rich will so the ropes which will enable them to skies, while man bows down in an- men are trying to save their fellow-

than that it should not be studies at the Seminary. The license character. Were the soul of man as shrinking from and avoiding the There is work to be done there de- The winds are full of melody, the silken cords of sympathy, and giva Our brethren of the other of Rev. J. B. Greiner was also re- passive and non resisting as the air, same place of worship. It is only manding courage and discretion. sun shines brightly, the waters move ing them the right hand of fellowrefore, may as well dis- newed. He is at present engaged in he would be as much under the con- when the glare of coldness and rich- Women bound hand and foot in the merrily-the whole earth wears a ship, and teaching them to help the fears in regard to the teaching and preaching at Mt. Airy, trol and at the mercy of the powers ness and display of ornaments and ice chains of idolatry are to be hewn wedding garment, and breaks forth themselves.

hat it realizes the fact that the and Tennessee division of the At- that fluid. But fortunately for his shadow that the poor shrink away. even before the appealing hand is bands, and the mountains and hills would have been saved if he had m General Synod is its natu- lantic, Mississippi & Ohio Railroad. well-being he possesses, in an emi- Will the world, or even the church, seen. Aid must be afforded even rejoice. But the dusky lanes and gone into the church and said, "I nent degree, the power of resistance never learn that JESUS was poor ! after the head is freed, and sight is crowded tenements are full of weary am weak and in peril, and there are given to the eyes. These poor help- and sad hearts, and the prisons are hours when I do not feel myself able

the College church, Salem, Va., was influences that bear on him may not VALUE OF A WORD .- Of the value less ones must be lifted with strong, full of wretched criminals, trying to to stand; brethren, hold me up." If lentified with its permanen-

Joy in God.

It seemed a small matter for a

really and truly, we want men for