













Poetry.

The Liberator.

From the Boston Transcript. FREMONT'S PROCLAMATION. A SONG FOR THE HOUR. Hearken! borne upon the breeze blowing from the westering West, Freedom's first deep thro' is struggling from the nation's mighty breast.

For the Congregationalist. DR. ANDERSON'S "MEMORIAL VOLUME." The senior Secretary of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions has just published an octavo volume of 462 pages, purporting to give, as fully as that space will allow, a sketch of the history and chief characteristics of the missionary enterprise conducted by that body, in its half-century of labor, completed a year ago.

Not only are they determined slaveholders, not only has their slaveholding steadily increased during the forty years of the Board's labors among them, not only did this slaveholding include (by Mr. Secretary Treat's admission in 1848) "cases of gross cruelty and oppression," and laws forbidding the teaching of slaves and free negroes to read the Bible, but the habits thus cherished by the nation out of the church, and by the Board's missionaries in the church, have now brought forth their natural fruit, in the decision of the Cherokee nation to join the rebels in their war upon the United States for the extension and supremacy of slavery.

other Choctaw churches—1, that there is no more freedom of opinion in the Choctaw nation than in Spain, and that, on matters pertaining to slavery, its citizens and its missionary teachers have to conduct themselves just as they would under the most despotic government in the world;—and 2, that Mrs. Harkins, the murderer, belonged to the Pritchly family, a family of such power and influence in the nation, that any attempt to take even legal measures against one of them, even on his commission of murder, "would be simply ridiculous." (This anonymous letter, with the comments of Prof. Bartlett, may be seen in full in the appendix to a recently published book, entitled "Relation of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions to Slavery.")

THE ABOLITIONISTS AND SLAVERY. Extract from a Discourse delivered on the occasion of the National Fair, September 26th, 1861, in the First Congregational Unitarian Church in Philadelphia, by W. H. Furness, Minister. After fifty years of silence, a few humble and earnest voices were heard speaking aloud, denouncing the great violation of the Law of Right which the nation was allowing, and warning the people of the deadly peril which was growing every moment that this violation was persisted in.

MORE ABOUT THE CONTRABANDS. I understand that an order has been received from Washington by Gen. Wool to send there the "contraband" negroes at this post. This is a blow, and the result of misapprehension. The real cause is that the "contrabands," so far from constituting an embarrassment to this department, by their withdrawal will embarras its operations, and impose no small expense for the hire of men in their place.

THE BATTLE OF LIFE. Wreathed and worn out, stricken in spirit, Fret not at feeling the gall in thy lot; Seemingly favored one do not inherit All thy imaginings—sweep them out.

These admissions of the Board respecting the spiritual destination of the Cherokees are well suited to remind us of the description of the Laodicean church, "wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked." But the Cherokees are not merely "lukewarm"; they are actively vicious.

After some months of further delay, an anonymous letter appears in the Congregationalist, (May 31, 1861,) wondering that so much stir should be made about "a dead negro," and alleging, in extenuation of the quibbling of the Stockbridge church, and of the

A clergyman in Worcester county, Mass., recently preached a sermon appropriate to the times from the text Jeremiah 18: 19: "The cities of the South shall be shut up, and none shall open them."

APPEAL TO MINISTERS. We have received an appeal, signed "B. C. WARD, Pastor Congregational Church, Geneseo, Illinois," for one hundred young ministers of the Gospel, to join the ranks for the war. Are they intended for service against Rev. Bishop General Polk? Mr. Ward is raising a company of laymen for service in Missouri.—New York Christian Register.

JUST PUBLISHED. And for sale at the Anti-Slavery Office, 221 Washington Street. A. N. elaborated Work, entitled "Relation of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions to Slavery." By Charles K. Whipple. A volume of nearly 250 pages. In cloth, 37 cents—in paper covers, 25 cents. Aug. 30.