

Calendar.

December, 1882.

Table with 3 columns: Date, Day, and Color. Includes entries for Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany.

ADVENT.

Once more begins the Church's year, Once more on bended knee, With humble hearts and godly fear, Thy people wait for Thee.

Knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep; for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed.

The time of judgment, the Apostle means is at the doors; near is the Resurrection, near the awful Judgment, and the day that burneth as a furnace, near.

Hark, a thrilling voice is sounding, Christ is nigh, it seems to say; Cast away the works of darkness, O ye children of the day.

The First Sunday in Advent.

Written for the Living Church.

Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which Thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when He shall come again in His glorious Majesty to judge both the quick and dead, we may rise to the life immortal, through Him Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, now and ever. Amen.

This Collect appears to be peculiar to Anglican use. Neither in the ancient Sacramentaries, nor in the later Missals, is there anything especially resembling it.

In the invocation, the Collect makes use of one of the reverential forms most common in the Prayer Book. It brings the Divine Being to view in His unity as God, and in His sovereignty as omnipotent.

In the petition which follows, these truths are, in a measure, recognized. The prayer for grace, is a prayer for this gift of supplementary divine power. That we ask for it as grace, rather than as power, is due to the facts, that it is pre-eminently a gift, and that it is not merely a power that strengthens; it also illuminates, inspires, and purifies; a power comprehending such varied functions, and so many divine additions to the soul's condition and capability, is better described by the general term which indicates the sovereign graciousness of the whole.

The immediate end sought through the grace implored, is one lodged in our own efficiency, or active co-operation with the divine will. That activity is to be two-fold in its lines of effort. It is to be in its results, both primitive and positive. This is because the soul is not simple in its condition. It is not a "tabula rasa," an empty garden, an evacuated citadel.

expresses it; we must "cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light." There is, however, in this figurative language, a deeper significance underlying its use in ornamentation. Sin, or "the works of darkness," has come through long indulgence, to be a sort of fixed environment, garment, habit, of our lives.

All this work and warfare, as the Collect goes on to show, belong "to the time of this mortal life"—the preparatory, militant state of the soul. There is, it is true, another intermediate and expectant state, in which the work of perfecting the soul in holiness, by obliterating all remaining traces of sin, and habituating it to the exclusive exercise of holy thought and feeling, goes steadily on until the Resurrection.

In the prosecution of this alike holy and heroic endeavor, encouragement is now drawn from our Lord's mission to earth. Coming to us "in great humility"—that is, coming to us in such lowliness for a Divine Person, He took upon Him the likeness of our sinful flesh, and thus casting in His lot with ours, He not only shares the conflict with us, but Himself bears the brunt of the main battle.

That triumph, however, cannot be reached, until it comes as one of the redeeming glories of the day so otherwise full of gloom and dread. When the divinity of the crucified Saviour is vindicated before the world, in His coming in glory with all His holy Angels, to judge the quick and the dead; then will also our faith in Him be approved, and our living Sacramental union with Him be verified, in our triumph over death and the grave.

Rev. Walter Ayrault, D. D. (From the Calendar.)

Dr. Ayrault was born in Geneva, in 1822, and died there, October 19th last, being a month or two less than 60 years old. The funeral took place from Trinity Church, Geneva.

Dr. Ayrault's ministerial charges were, first at St. Peter's Church, Auburn, then at Hagerstown, Md., at Canandaigua, at Geneseo, and at Oxford. He was made Chaplain of Hobart College in 1877, and continued in this office till last spring, when he was compelled to resign by failing health.

Resolutions were passed by the trustees and faculty of Hobart College, expressing their highest respect for Dr. Ayrault as teacher and pastor.

Among the home-letters to the Presiding Bishop, one from Dr. Beardsley, the historian, stated that while Bishop Smith was probably the only one in America who had attained the fiftieth anniversary of his consecration, we have records of four in England, three of whom had even exceeded that. Two, lived to see their fifty-seventh anniversary, one of them being the author of Sacra Privata.

In Memory of "Dear Doctor Twing,"

Written for the Living Church.

Good "soldier and servant"—strong heart, warm and free! Our Lord's loving kindness was with us in thee—His tender compassion—sweet pity and cheer—In Him was thy life, and in Him thou art here, Not separate from us, and never shall be.

Dr. Twing.

Editorial Correspondence of the Living Church.

We venture to say, that the death of no other man in the Church could have called forth more universal and genuine sorrow, than has the death of the Rev. Dr. Twing. Bishops seldom have so wide a jurisdiction over hearts. He had come to be regarded in the public mind, almost as a fixture, an essential part of the very structure of the Mission work—and to many it will be difficult to realize that he has indeed gone from us.

It was fitting he should die in the harness. Not three weeks ago, he went to Richmond for the purpose of advocating the needs of the Colored work before the Church Congress. While there, he rode twenty-four miles from the city, in an open wagon, to Lawrenceville, to address a congregation of negroes.

The funeral services took place at Grace Church, on Tuesday, Nov. 14th. At an early hour the great edifice was crowded to overflowing. Nearly two hundred of the clergy were in attendance. The pall bearers were members of the Domestic and Foreign Committees, some of whom had come from distant parts of the country to perform this act of affection.

There is a rich legacy to the Church in this example; in this voice that cannot be altogether stilled; in these prayers of twenty years. In him, the American Church has contributed a name

worthy to stand with those of Pattison and Lowder and Selwyn, among the heroes of the great Missionary revival of our century.

Chapter and Verse.

Written for the Living Church.

ORIGIN OF VERSES.

About two hundred years after Hugo, A. D. 1430, there lived a famous Rabbi Isaac or Mordecai Nathan, who conversed much with the Christians; and, having frequent disputes with their learned men, about religion, he learned of the great value of Hugo's Concordance, and of the facility with which by means of it, the Christians found any place in the Scriptures they wished to consult.

CHAPTER AND VERSE IN ENGLISH EDITIONS.

The earlier English editions followed the system of Hugo, as late as Taverner's Bible folio A. D. 1539. There were no verses in the translations of Wiclif A. D. 1380, or Tyndale A. D. 1534, or Coverdale A. D. 1535, or Rogers-Matthews A. D. 1537, or Cranmer's "Great Bible" A. D. 1540.

In concluding this portion of our article, it is well to remind Scripture readers that the chapter and verse of our Bible is a mere mechanical arrangement to facilitate reference. They do not aim at giving the sense; very often there seems to be no sense at all in the breaks they make in the context, and we would blame rather than praise the inventors of them unless we remembered that their main object was to help us "find the places," and thus enable us to "compare Scripture with Scripture."

W. M. C. McCracken. (To be continued.)

The Household.

Meat that has gathered moisture in the refrigerator should be dried in the oven before being sent to the table, even if it is to be eaten cold. Meat is often wasted just from a lack of this care.

If the water in which new turnips are boiled is well salted, and is changed twice or three times, the strong and disagreeable flavor noticed in them before frost comes will almost certainly be removed.

CLEAN YOUR CELLARS.—Cellars should be kept constantly clean—as much as your parlor. It is the easiest thing in the world, if you attend to it daily, and only becomes a heavy task when you allow a month's accumulations.

Veal outlets dipped in beaten eggs and then in Indian meal, or in very fine bread-crumbs, and fried in butter till a sort of a brown crust forms on them, make a delicate breakfast dish. Serve with new potatoes sliced and warmed with cream.

Light cakes for breakfast or tea are made of one quart of sweet milk, three eggs, beaten separately and very light, a piece of butter the size of an egg, three coffee cups of flour, a little salt, three teaspoonfuls of baking powder. Put the whites of the eggs in last, and bake in gem pans in a hot oven.

The castor is no longer a necessary article of table furniture—in fact, it is dispensed with altogether on many handsomely set tables; its place is supplied by pretty jug-shaped bottles at each end of the table, which is certainly a more convenient arrangement. The same tables are provided with pretty and quaint individual bottles at each plate.

Work baskets can be ornamented in many pretty ways. Choose an openwork basket of some fanciful design; in the bottom paste with muslin a lining of silk, or velvet, or satin, on which is painted or embroidered a spray of flowers. Around the edge of this lining in the bottom of the basket put a row of plaited ribbon, and another at the top also. It is not necessary to line the sides, though this is a matter of choice. These baskets make pretty gifts.

Blotters that are useful and are suggestive of pleasant thoughts are made of pieces of blotting paper, the width of a good-sized envelope and twice the length. Cut several of these—say three or four—tie them together at one end with a bow of narrow ribbon; on the outside paint a pretty little outline picture. If you cannot find one picture that is suitable for this on account of its length, put a dividing line of black through the centre of the cover, and put a small picture on each side of it.

A low foot-rest may be made for an invalid or old person in this way. The frame is made of wood, covered with cloth or rep; the top is made to rise to any given height, and is stuffed like a stool; at the top of this a large pocket is made, well wadded, and lined throughout with flannel, fur or silk; this is embroidered with any design, or can be worked on canvas. The top is ornamented with a pinked ruffling of cloth, and, in addition to this, around the lower part a fringe is added.

An elegant screen is made by using an ebony frame which forms one square space. Fill this with dark olive satin; on this, in oil colors, outline a hill and a tree. Use as dark shades as you can, and make them effective; brighten with yellow light, using Naples yellow. A design for the suggested landscape can be found in some book of woodcuts, and with a little work can be made very brilliant. Squeeze the paint from the tubes on blotting paper, which will absorb the oil, and so prevent its spreading.

UNREGARDED TRIFLES.—I was enjoying the hospitality of a Frenchwoman who certainly has a reputation for prudence. A cherry pie had been on the table, and the mistress gave strict injunctions that all the stones should be scraped from the plates and placed in her store-room. I ventured to ask the reason, and was told that not only cherry, but plum, peach, and all manner of stones, whether cooked or raw, were invariably saved, gently dried in the oven, and kept in a glass jar. "Then," said madame, "in the winter, when the fire burns clear and bright in the evening, I fetch a handful and throw them among the glowing coals. They crack and splutter for a moment, send up a brilliant flame, and the whole room is filled with a delicious odor."—Exchange.

A German professor argues against the growing habit of painting brick and stone houses with oil-color, which he considers the cause of much illness, temporary or permanent. Experiments made by Professor Pettenkofer prove that the air constantly filters through bricks and walls that are unpainted, in millions of bubbles. The air thus filtered is of course purified of all germs of disease floating in the air; and the atmosphere in an unpainted house is therefore always pure and wholesome, even in winter when all direct access of air through windows is prevented. By painting the house the air-filtering process is arrested; and this accounts for the feeling of oppression, the heart-beating and the headaches of which the pallid inhabitants of such houses are constantly complaining.

PLEASANT ROOMS.—Handsome furniture will not unsaid make rooms cheerful. The charm of a cosy home rests principally with its mistress. If she is fortunate enough to have sunny rooms, her task is half done. In apartments into which the sun never shines, recourse must be had to various devices to make up, so far as may be, for this grave lack. A sunless room should have bright and joyous colors in the furnishings. The walls should be warmly tinted, the curtains give a rosette glow to the light that passes through them. An open fire may diffuse the sunshine but lately imprisoned in oak or hickory. Ferneries and shade-loving plants may contribute their gentle cheer to the room. An attractive room need not be too orderly. A book left lying on the table, a bit of needle work on the window sill, an open piano, may indicate the tastes and occupations of the inmates without suggesting that there is not a place for everything in that room. There is such a thing as being too neat and too nice to take comfort in everyday life, and this is anything but cheerful. And then there is such a thing as being so disorderly and negligent that comfort and cheer are impossible. If the house-mother cannot rest while there is a finger mark on the paint or a spot on the window panes, she may make a neat room, but her spirit will keep it from ever being cheerful. If she has no care for the "look of things" her failure will be equally sure. A bird singing in the window, an aquarium on the table in some corner, plants growing and blooming; domestic pets moving about as if at home, these give life and brightness to an apartment and afford constant opportunities for the pleasantest occupation and companionship. Books placed with taste, are ever fresh sources of enjoyment. You may gauge the refinement and cultivation of a family by these infallible tests, unless they have been selected by some outsider. Bits of embroidery, of scroll-work, and a thousand tasteful devices may contribute to the charm of a room and make it irresistibly attractive.

copy of them be sent to his family, and that they be published in the Church papers.

MEYER.—Entered into rest, at Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 9th, 1882, Julia Burton, wife of Theodore F. Meyer, in the 53d year of her age.

ACOMB.—Entered into the rest of Paradise, on Nov. 2d, at Pleasant Ridge, Ohio, in the 33d year of his age, the Rev. Joseph C. Acomb, S. T. B., of the Diocese of Springfield.

"Faithful unto death, his end was peace."

SCHETKY.—Entered into rest, in Philadelphia, Pa., after nearly six months' severe illness, the Rev. George Paterson Schetky, D. D., aged 58 years.

"Faithful unto death."

HUSKE.—Entered into the rest of Paradise, on the morning of Nov. 20, Margaret, wife of the Rev. Joseph C. Huske, D. D., Rector of St. John's Church, Fayetteville, N. C., and daughter of the late Hon. Robert Strange.

"He giveth His beloved sleep."

Miscellaneous.

The women of St. Luke's Church, Washington, D. C., purpose holding a Fair, for the relieving of their church from debt. The fair will be opened on Monday, Dec. 11th, at Willard's Hall. Contributions of goods or money are respectfully requested, and will be thankfully received, which may be sent to Miss E. B. Bozeman, 318 2 St. S. E.; Miss Sophia Davis, 1538 1st N. W.; Mrs. Alex. Crumwell, 1520 O. St. N. W.

UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH, SEVANE, TENN.—The undersigned having been appointed Commissary of the Theological School of the University, would respectfully solicit subscriptions for the yearly support of the School, as well as for its permanent endowment. It needs funds now, and I would be glad to communicate with any who are interested in the extension of the Church in the South, and to extend the nature of the work accomplished by this Theological School, and the necessity for the existence and active support of such an institution. Address, Richard P. Williams, Commissary, 27 East 72d St., or 1 William St., New York.

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THE REPUBLIC OF GOD. An Institute of Theology. By Elisha Mulford, LL. D. Boston: Houghton, Mifflin & Co.

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Keble and the Real Presence.

The following extract from a letter of John Keble may be familiar to some of your readers.

I believe that I quite go along with what you say of the Real Presence, and of the duty of teaching people to reverence it; except that I am not quite sure that I know what an "objective presence" means.

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Woman in China.

The Rev. Mr. Bainbridge in his Around the World Tour, in one of the chapters on China, says:

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Montgomery as the Capital of this great commonwealth, and numbering now nearly 19,000 is a vast field for mission work among both blacks and whites. While no efforts as yet have been made in this direction, still the field is so white to the harvest, that earnest Churchmen will not suffer the neglect much longer; and as soon as a way opens those in authority will doubtless push forward some plans for extending the Church. The parish work in this city is ever prosperous, and its long list of families consumes all the Rector's hours ever faithful as he is; and when the opportunity comes for colonizing missions in different parts of the city, the parish will doubtless do all it can.

It must not be forgotten that at Greenville, a new rectory, a beautiful and comfortable priest's home, has recently been built and paid for; and there is no debt of any sort. How is that for a country parish? The fact is, there is no field in the Church, more inviting to the earnest priest than Alabama. The salaries are small comparatively, perhaps, but the living is cheap, and the people love and reverence their clergy.

Long Island.—The annual donation reception at the Sheltering Arms Nursery, Brooklyn, was held Wednesday evening of last week. A large number of the friends of the institution were present, and were received by Mrs. Nichols the President, and Mrs. Butler, the Treasurer. Of the clergy, there were in attendance Bishop Littlejohn, the Rev. Charles A. Tibbals, of St. Peter's; the Rev. George R. Van De Water, of St. Luke's; the Rev. Dr. N. H. Schenck, of St. Ann's; the Rev. Charles R. Baker, of the Church of the Messiah; the Rev. Joseph Reynolds, Assistant Minister of the Church of the Holy Trinity, and others. During the evening refreshments were served, and a fine musical programme was rendered, led by Professor Van Nordhoff, Madam Rignardi, and Messrs. Camp and Barnes. Nearly a thousand dollars was contributed to the funds of the Nursery, by the reception. The edifice which is being built for a children's hospital in connection with the Nursery, of which notice has already appeared in the LIVING CHURCH, is progressing rapidly.

A branch of the Italian Mission of New York City is to be established in Brooklyn, under the care of the missionary, the Rev. Constantine Stauder. There are some 10,000 Italians resident in Brooklyn, and already more than a hundred families of them have been brought into the communion of the American Church, by the effort centered in New York. Within a short time, a layman of Brooklyn, Mr. Briton Richardson has placed at the disposal of Bishop Littlejohn a chapel building at the corner of President and Van Brunt Streets. On the first Sunday in Advent the new mission will be opened here, with Sunday Services, a week-day parochial school and week-day conferences for purposes of instruction and general benefit of the adults. The work has the cordial approbation of the Bishop.

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