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If men were half as faithful in confessing their sins as they are strenuous in striving to palliate or excuse them, they would have fewer sins to be forgiven and richer peace in the sense of sin forgiven.

A STRIKING characteristic of the popular religion of the day is its indisposition to be religious, and its practical unwillingness to be made so. It will not with any sort of patience, allow its real irreligiousness to be unmasked.

The Nashotah Scholast is published monthly at Nashotah, Wisconsin, by the Bishop Welles Brotherhood, students of Nashotah House. Its leading features are the letters of the late Bishop Kemper, never before published, and sketches and portraits of eminent American bishops and doctors.

THE unity of the Church is not, as some vainly teach, a mere spiritual unity. On the contrary, like her sacraments, it involves both matter and form; an outward sign and an inward substance. The material consonance of the faithful in belief and spirit, and unity in the visible organic form, are alike necessary, each in its own place and way.

IT is a peculiar delusion of certain religious people, that inspiration is the preacher's only sufficient warrant for faithfully rebuking sin. "The Apostles might do so, for they were inspired; but not you, for you are not like them in that respect."

Were the Holy Apostles inspired, that they might be preachers of righteousness, or only that they might with divine certainty set forth the Gospel of Christ as the Messiah? Besides this, has not the "godly and well-learned,"

preacher now, the inspired writings of those Apostles to sustain him, just as they had inspiration itself?

EGYPT is the only great nation of modern times, as far as I am aware, that draws the officers of its army and navy from the other nations of the earth. The Protestant Episcopal Church is the only Protestant Church which boasts that more of its ministers come from other denominations than from within itself.

If such a statement has been made by any one well informed as to the sources of our clerical supply, it was probably intended to mean that a majority of our ministers were not born and reared under Church influences. The same may be true of our laity. The Church has had large accessions from the denominations, and sometimes doubtless to the hindrance of her spiritual life.

VERY much of our space is given up this week to an account of the Seabury Centenary in Scotland, but no one will complain of this. It is a grand thing to think of, what God hath wrought in a single century. In 1784, in an upper chamber of Aberdeen, the Bishops of a poor, persecuted and despised branch of Holy Church, conferred the Episcopate, and in so doing rendered themselves subject to heavy penalties, upon a worthy priest of the American Church, which by the apathy and Erastianism of its true mother, had been kept without this necessary complement of its Catholicity.

THE LIVING CHURCH with this issue enters upon its seventh year, and though this may not be an event of great importance to the world at large, we venture to believe that it is not without interest to many of our large family of readers. In making more than three hundred visits to many thousands of homes, the paper has, we trust, made many friends and secured a permanent place and welcome by many a fireside; where, for years to come, if God will, it shall pleasantly discourse about the news, the work, and the thought of the Church, bearing tidings of good accomplished, records of pressing needs, warnings of dangers, with admonition, instruction and entertainment for all sorts and conditions of men.

dictate its policy, it owes much to the kind and generous support, especially of the clergy, and to the good opinion and kind word of Churchmen generally. THE LIVING CHURCH enters upon its seventh year with renewed hope and enthusiasm, cheered by the consciousness of doing a good work in a fairly successful way, and encouraged by the fact that its friends are increasing by thousands every year.

WE would like to say here what we have said more than once under head of "Answers to Correspondents," that we cannot at present admit more letters on the support of the clergy, unless something new and important is offered. We have given a large amount of space and emphasis to this subject and expect to return to it again and again; but a perpetual harping on this string would be wearisome and useless, and we shall pursue it only so far and so often as we think some good may be accomplished. Our sympathies are with the clergy in this matter, as all know who read THE LIVING CHURCH.

THE APOSTOLIC SUCCESSION.

THE opponents of the Apostolic Succession challenge us to the proof of certain facts, to produce the record of ordinations from the first days of the Church down to the present time. The question is reduced to one of evidence, and as the Church on earth is human as well as divine, and as she has to make use of human agency and has used it from the first, she has the right to appeal to the laws of evidence, laws which are founded on grounds of such obvious stability and reasonableness that men yield obedience to them without question.

THE law of evidence on this subject is very brief and to the point. Granted, as it must be by any student of history, that the Church from the beginning was composed of baptized men and women, that its organization was Episcopal, that the orders of the ministry were transmitted by ordination, the objectors ask who ordained them, and who ordained the ordainers? Who baptized Marcus?

WHERE acts are of an official nature or require the concurrence of official persons, a presumption arises in favor of their due execution. In these cases the ordinary rule is Omnia presumuntur esse acta donec probetur in contrarium, every thing is presumed to be rightly and duly performed until the contrary is shown. The application of this rule is universal in the affairs of mankind. Deny it

and we can be certain of nothing that did not happen under our own eyes. We repeat emphatically that there is legal presumption that every member of the Catholic Church, layman, bishop, priest, and deacon was duly baptized, confirmed, ordained or consecrated, as the case may have been, and the burden of proof is legally and rightfully on those denying the fact, to show when and where the alleged omission or defect occurred. Deny this proposition, and we must, to be consistent, admit the certainty of nothing, not even of the authenticity of the Holy Scriptures themselves.

BRIEF MENTION.

THE North Texas Churchman, for more than five years published at Fort Worth, has been removed to Austin, and is hereafter to be known as The Texas Churchman.—Since the publication of Dr. Crichton Brown's report on over-pressure in the elementary schools, the English press has been almost unanimous in the opinion that educational theories are going to extremes, jeopardizing both the physical and mental well-being of the rising generation.—For virulence of hatred and magnitude of misrepresentation, The Rock bears the palm. Take, for example, the following, referring to the ritualistic clergy, who are at least sincere, humble, and self-denying priests, whatever may be thought of their methods. The Rock says: "They are an odious set of men, leading unnatural lives, lonely and mysterious, dark and peculiar, seeking to exercise undue power over weak women and children, in order to use them in their effort to obtain spiritual ascendancy. These priests dress after a peculiar fashion. It is curious to notice how all priests of the stamp referred to, adopt 'long clothing,' and desire to be called 'Father.' It was so with the Pharisee. They have of late years made a strong effort in the way of a priestly uniform to show to the public that they are a distinct class, as if they wished to say, 'Stand off, ye profane laity.'"

and report that their congregations are also pleased, and join heartily in the responsive readings and other common acts of worship.—Mr. Will Carleton, the author of "Farm Ballads," sent this epitaph to an English friend, with the statement that he found it in an Ohio cemetery over the grave of a very old man:

"Earls and monarchs of the dead,
Who so long the worms have fed,
I am coming to your chilly bed;
Edge close, and give me room."
"Senex," in The Standard of the Cross, referring to the anecdote we quoted about Bishop Seabury's reception at a Yale College Commencement, says: "The above reminds one of an incident which occurred about the same time, and which I read many years ago. On his return to this country after his consecration, an eminent divine of the Presbyterian church met him, and accosted Bishop Seabury thus—'As one of the Bishops of the Presbyterian church allow me to congratulate you upon your consecration, and to extend to you the right hand of fellowship.' Not to be outdone in politely reciprocating the greeting, but understanding the shrewd scheme of the other to extract from him a seeming acknowledgment of Presbyterian orders—the Bishop replied in the pleasantest manner—I see, you are a left-handed brother—and extended to him very cordially his left hand."

NEWS AND NOTES.

THE celebrated historian, Dr. Edward A. Freeman, has been appointed Professor of Modern History in the University of Oxford, in the room of the new Bishop of Chester, Dr. Stubbs.

THE consecration to the Episcopate of the Rev. Dr. Rulison, which took place in Cleveland on Tuesday last, and a full report of which will appear in these columns next week, is the first which has ever taken place within the great state of Ohio. This does not mean that Dr. Rulison is the first Bishop Ohio has ever given to the Church; to cite no others the Bishop of Chicago was also a Cleveland rector.

ON the thirteenth of last October, being the festival of Edward the Confessor, Westminster Abbey witnessed an unusual sight. About 500 Romanists, headed by one of Cardinal Manning's assistant bishops, knelt around the shrine of the royal saint and remained for some time there in prayer. Dean Stanley and his predecessors used to close the Abbey on King Edward's day, for the purpose of preventing such a scene.

THE BISHOP OF LICHFIELD has just addressed a letter to the clergy for whose parishes he has ordained deacons, directing them to give their new curates time for study, and not to allow them to preach in church more than one sermon a month, which is to be sent to him for perusal; and it will depend on his opinion of it whether or not the new deacons may more frequently occupy the pulpit. His lordship places no restriction on the number of addresses that may be given in schools, mission-rooms, or elsewhere than in the consecrated church.

THE present political contest, brings to my mind an anecdote of the late "Sam" Ward, known by every one in England as "Uncle Sam," and admitted by all to be the most perfect gentleman in either hemisphere. He was dining one day with Professor Huxley and a distinguished party. The conversation having turned upon horses, the great naturalist remarked that the modern horse was undoubtedly a descendant of the ancient Mesohippus, whereupon Uncle Sam quietly said that of course it was very sad, but that the scandal would never have come out "if the horse hadn't been running for something."

AT Oxford on Thursday, October 9, the Pusey Library was opened. The building consists of a substantial house in St. Giles', and contains a chapel and lecture-room as well as a library. The Bishop of Oxford celebrated the Holy Communion in the chapel at eleven o'clock, and admitted to their office the three librarians, the Rev. Messrs. Charles Gore, V. S., Stuckey Coles, and F. E. Brightman. Owing to the little accommodation in the chapel, but few invitations could be sent out. Those present included the Bishop of Chester, the Dean of Durham, the Provost of Worcester, the Warden of Keble, the Archdeacon of Oxford, Canons Liddon and King; Earl Beauchamp, Sir John Mowbray, M. P., Sir John Conroy, Dr. Walter Phillimore, the Rev. W. J. E. Bennett, the Rev. T. T. Carter, and the Warden of Radley. The object of the institution is to perpetuate the work as well as the memory of Dr. Pusey in Oxford, and to supply to undergraduates desiring it that assistance in theological studies which, under the new system at Oxford, they cannot obtain as formerly from college tutors.

AS mentioned in his own letter last week, the Bishop of Fond du Lac was one of the speakers at the meeting in aid of the Pusey Memorial held during the English Church Congress. Commenting on his

speech, the London World, the great "society journal" calls him a "Bishop with the singular title of Fond du Lac," which shows The World's ignorance of French, and The Guardian calls him "Dr. McLaren."

The Bishop of Fond du Lac, in further supporting the motion, said he esteemed it a very great privilege and honor to be there as representative of the American Church to express very deeply indeed the profound reverence and deep love with which that holy man was regarded throughout the Church in the United States.

Last week, I gave one good example of snobbery on the part of an English priest. Here is another. The Rev. H. A. Favell, M. A., vicar of St. Mark's, Sheffield, has issued a circular to his seatholders referring to the Bible classes to be held during the ensuing winter.

OUR NEW YORK LETTER.

This week the Church Temperance Society held its third annual Convention, to which I made reference above. The business of the convention was transacted in four sessions, the last of which was a Public Meeting at Chickering Hall.

The Public Meeting at Chickering Hall was undoubtedly a success. The floor of the house was filled, and a goodly number was in the balcony. The meeting was opened by the singing of the hymn "Hail to the Lord's Anointed;" the choir from the church of the Redeemer leading in the music under the direction of the Rev. Dr. Shackleford.

As corrections are being continually made for the Living Church Annual, 1885, the clergy will confer a great favor upon the editor of the clergy lists, if they will send him notices of removals, acceptance of parishes, etc.

We ask help for this, the only fully organized divinity school of the Church between the Mississippi and the Rocky Mountains, between Manitoba and Mexico. This region needs a divinity school. The school needs help.

PERSONAL MENTION. The Rev. J. Ward has been appointed by the Missionary Bishop of Western Texas to the charge of Christ Church, Laredo.

TO CORRESPONDENTS. REV. S. W. STORWICK. Thanks for your letter. We did not at all mean that the Scottish Bishops were successors of the English Non-jurors.

MARRIED. HALL-BOOTH. On October 23, at the residence of the bride's mother, 11, 33rd St., Chicago, by the Rev. W. H. Tomlin, David B. Hall to Miss Sallie C. Booth.

OBITUARY. PERRIN. Entered into rest in Cynthia, Ky., Oct. 16th, Mrs. Arabella Perrin, wife of Dr. Geo. H. Perrin, aged nearly 85 years.

APPEALS. KEMPER HALL. A memorial to the first Bishop of the Northwest. Kemper Hall, a school for girls situated in Wisconsin, but belonging as a memorial to all the Dioceses over which Bishop Kemper presided.

can be sent to Bishop Welles, 222 Division St., Milwaukee, or to Mrs. J. H. Kimball, Kenosha, who will gladly answer any questions in regard to the School.

OFFICIAL. ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL, CHICAGO. The electors of the Board of Directors [adies] for St. Luke's Hospital will soon take place.

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WANTED. An assistant minister (a single man preferred) for Grace Church parish, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

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