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This gray-haired saint from all earth's woes at rest,

In the clasped hands, her emblems, June's sweet roses,

Its pure white lilies on her purer breast!

Tried, patient one, faithful to every duty, Careful and anxious about many things, Yet ever mindful that life's highest beauty Lies in the service of the King of kings.

The hand of Martha and the heart of Mary In thee found union mystical and sweet, Given to "much serving," ne'er of good works weary,

Thy chosen place was still at Jesus' feet.

O soul that soared on ever joyous pinions. With David's psalm, with Miriam's song of praise,

That found its home in Art's serene domin-

Yet never scorned the lowliest household

O spirit chastened in the school of anguish, Doomed from life's earliest to its latest breath,

To see hopes perish, fairest home-flowers languish

And yield at last to the grim reaper, Death.

O Niobe, ever loved and lost ones weeping, Yet hiding from the world grief's wound and smart,

The Mater dolorosa vigils keeping O'er her Son's tomb, scarce bore a sadder heart!

Now dawns thy brighter day, thy compen-

sation; The cross so meekly borne at last laid down Thou comest up through earthly tribula-

Unto thy blood-washed robe, thy victor's crown.

Dear mother-heart, so brave and yet so ten-

Counting as naught, love, labor, sacrifice, The seed sown here in toil and tears, shall

Sheaves golden and immortal in the skies

NEWS AND NOTES.

The Church Press, printing some sernecessary to put "Episcopal" in brackets after the name of the famous divine.

DR. SMITH has declined the Bishopric of Easton, and the special convention will meet again to make another election.

THE late Vice President became in early youth a convert to the Church, and was ever after ready to give her his best services. He was senior warden of St. Paul's, Indianapolis, and when most pressed, found time to discharge the duties of that position.

HERE is a puzzle from the London Rock: "The Bishop of Youngstown, New York, consecrated St. James's church at Springdale, on Tuesday, October 20th." Now, Springdale is in Ohio, and there is no Bishop of Youngstown known in this Church.

THE results of the English elections seem to give the balance of power to Mr. Parnell, unless, indeed, as is not unlikely, the Whigs, who may be called the Left Centre of the House of Commons, should unite with the Tories against the common foe. A well-trained band of eighty, all acting in obedience to a wily leader, could soon render par-

Home-Rule for Ireland is now a probability of the near future. The question s: Will Ireland be satisfied with that?

THE Rev. William Gill, formerly a deacon in the American Church, but lately a minister of the "Reformed Episcopal" schism in British Columbia, has severed his connection with that body, and been formally and publicly reconciled to the Church by the Lord Bishop of New Westminster. Although not in priest's orders, Mr. Gill received from the R. E. authorities a "special dispensation" to celebrate Holy Communion. In a farewell pastoral addressed to his former flock, he touchingly implores them to return with him to the old Church of their fathers.

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CANNIBALISM is not a subject usually discussed by persons who have experienced its delights; and though a sad case of privation at sea which became public last year is still fresh in the memory, yet a lecture from a man who has tasted human flesh roasted is a novelty. The colored Methodists have, however, been treated to one at Washington, where Professor A. E. Solodor, a converted cannibal, delivered a discourse on the-to the ordinary mind or stomach—unsavory subject. While admitting that his former diet was not to be recommended, the lecturer, a Fijian, incidentally mentioned that he had eaten man-meat many a time, and that it tasted like mule, an explanation which leaves most men in the same state of ignorance which exmon notes by Canon Liddon, thinks it isted before the gentleman essayed to give light on a matter in which we can but be deeply interested.

THE poor King of Spain has gone to rest after a reign of ten years. Little happiness had he known here. An exile at a tender age, he was a cadet in an English military school, when, by one of those sudden reactions which are incident to revolutionary tactics, he was called to the throne from which his mother had been, not undeservedly, driven. He was then but eighteen years of age. Honest in intention, and liberal-minded by conviction, he strove the best he knew to promote the peace and welfare of his people, but he was thwarted at home by factions, and insulted abroad by fanaticism and greed of conquest. He married early a cousin whom he dearly loved, and within six months was left a widower. To the great disgust of the nation, which has always clung in its heart to the Salic Law, he is succeeded by his eldest daughter in whose name, as she is only five years old, the late king's widow, an Austrian princess, will administer the government.

Many people are at present inquiring as to what would be the effect of disesliamentary government impossible. tablishment, without disendowment,

upon the Church of England. The following may be taken as the principal changes which would result from that measure: (1) The Bishops would no longer sit in the House of Lords, but they and other clergy would be eligible for election to the Commons. At present no episcopally ordained minister, be he Anglican, Greek, or Roman, can sit in the lower House. (2) The Ecclesiastical Courts would become truly ecclesiastical and would cease to be Courts of the Realm. (3) The practically obsolete laws compelling Church attendance would be repealed. (4) Convocation would be free to meet and act without royal license. (5) The bishops and archbishops would no longer be nominated by the Crown. (6) The Sovereign would cease to be the "visitor" of the Church of England. (7) The sanction of Parliament to changes in either the liturgy, formularies, or ritual of the Church would not be necessary. (8) The Sovereign ought no longer to be crowned by a bishop or archbishop. (9) The Sovereign would no longer be required to "join in communion with the Church of England as by law established" nor to swear at his coronation to maintain the Establishment.

DR. BUHLER, in a communication to the London Academy, mentions a very surprising discovery. Among the multitudes of papyri obtained from Egypt by the Austrian Archduke Rainier, has been found a strip of paper dating from the ninth century, containing Arabic prayers, not written, but printed from a block of wood. Block-printing, it was already known, had been invented in Egypt. That it should have been suffered to perish there, when the Arabs were the chief depositories of science, might well have been deemed incredible. The stolidity of man is an underestimated force. That even the conservative Chinese, having invented and perpetuated block-printing, should have failed to take the simple step onwards to movable types, has always been a marvel. That the Coreans, having actually taken this step, should have relapsed into block-printing, is still more extraordinary. But that the civilized and quick-witted Arabs, having learned to print from the block, should not only have failed to develop the art, but even to keep hold of it, is indeed matter for wonder. There can hardly have been any religious prejudice against it, seeing the sacred use to which the only specimen extant was applied.

THE new universal language, "Volapuck," has already found a rival in a language equally new and prospectively universal, rejoicing in the hybrid, but more comprehensible name of "Pasilingua." Its inventor (who is, of course, a German) has recognized that no existing language could serve the purpose of universality, and has accordingly devised a new tongue which shall suit the mouths of all men. English is acknowledged to be the dominant principle, but how far its modification is necessary may be seen from the following verse of St. Matthew ii: 3:-

Et quando ils partitefer schire to angelo deode apparifer Josephobi in una trauma sagano: Arisire, takare tou jun- join: "Brethren, observe the Festival

gon childon et tom matren et fliehire in Egypta et ere ibis, quoad mi bringar tubi wordas, car Herodes seekarar ton childillon pro 'lon detruar.

It will be noticed that in this passage, while there are words imported unchanged from the French, Latin and Greek languages, with the exception of "in," which can hardly be said to count, there is no purely English word, but that many otherwise familiar sounds are metamorphosed by new and strange terminations. Indeed, the general impression given by the new language is that it has been designed for the benefit of those who habitually make use of that variety of English known as "pigeon."

THE FULNESS OF TIME.

BY THE REV. W. P. TEN BROECK.

No. XIV.

CHRIST WAS BORN ON CHRISTMAS DAY. This is the month, and this the happy morn,

Wherein the Son of Heaven's Eternal King.

Of wedded maid and virgin mother born, Our great redemption from above did bring."

So sang the great Puritan poet, nothing doubting that December 25th was the very day of the Saviour's Birth. The Church also has made no scruple about declaring before God, Christmas Day, that "His Son was at this time born." Amongst a host of scholars, across the water, Bishop Pearson, "easily first" among modern divines, soberly asserts that "the birth of Christ was not mistimed." The learned Dr. Jarvis, on this side of the sea, has filled a score of pages with evidence of our Lord's being born on December China about this time, but not the least | 25th. Yet, it will still be said, that we suspicion existed that it had reached have not reason for believing Christmas Day to be the day of the Nativity, nay more, that it cannot have been such.

Unfortunately, in this matter, the wish of those who thus judge, is father to their thought, and it is quite useless to try to convince a man against his will. To the blurred eyes of prejudice all things seem confused. Nevertheless, it is even true that Christ our Lord was born on Christmas Day, and the evidence thereof is singularly clear and convincing; not evidence "subscribed and sworn to," but evidence "circumstantial," such as the law relies upon; evidence highly probable, such as human life is guided by. In some particulars, I do not think the full strength of this evidence has ever yet been displayed. But let our presentation of it speak for itself.

1. The festival of Christmas is of very great antiquity. Among the ancients, we find mention of it, as follows:

a. Cyprian (3d cent.) begins a treatise on the Nativity thus: "The much wished for and long expected Nativity of Christ has come."

b. Jerome speaks of the observance of a Festival of the Nativity.

c. Augustine speaks of the Festival as "being delivered down by the Church."

d. Chrysostom says: "This day is of great antiquity, and long continuance, famous and renowned in the Church from the beginning, far and wide." "This is the most venerable and tremendous of all Festivals: the metropolis and mother of them all."

Days, and first, indeed, the Birth Day of our Lord which is to be celebrated by you on December 25th."

f. Telesphones, Bishop of Rome (A.D. 137) ordered the Feast of the Nativity kept on December 25th. So Hayden in "Dict. of Dates." (This, however, is of dubious authenticity.)

g. Theophilus of Cæsarea (A. D. 150) urges the celebration of the Nativity on whatever day December 25th shall fall. (So Hospinian and Dr. Cave, but the learned Bingham thinks this not authentic.)

Among moderns who have investigated this question we quote from:

Hayden: "Christmas is said to hav been kept first A. D. 98.

Bingham: "Many learned men carry it up as high as the age of the Apostles."

Cave, "finds its footsteps in the 2d century and doubts not its earlier celebration."

Nicholls thinks its observance in the very first ages "beyond dispute."

Inferentially also the antiquity of the Festival of the Nativity may be proved by these facts. Mosheim concedes to Easter, Pentecost, Good Friday and the "birthdays of the martyrs," observance in the very earliest times. In the days of Augustine, Ascension Day had been so long in use, that he was unable to derive its origin from any other source than the Apostles, or a Primitive Council. Origen mentions a Day of Commemoration of the Holy Innocents. When all these were kept, it is scarcely possible that the Birthday of Christ should have been neglected or ignored.

Very clearly, then, the day of our Lord's Nativity as a day of festival observance entered very early into the thought and worship and life of the Church. Was this chosen at haphazard, or was it the result of certain knowledge, or of an honest attempt to ascertain its true time? If ever there Heyward Drayton, Ed. S. Buckley, were men free from sentimentalism, James S. Biddle, C. Stuart Patterson indifference or carelessness; scrupulously accurate in expression and observance, such were the founders of Christianity. Judaism began with a race of slaves. Mahomedanism had its origin among the children of the desert. All civilizations have emerged by degrees from obscurity and myth. Christianity presents the unique phenomenon of having sprung into being full armed, like Minerva from the head of Jove. In the midst of "the Golden Age" it came forth relying only upon its truthfulness for its success. Its heroes were men from the ranks of the people. Its literature was the simple story of the Gospels. Its soldiers were the men of the cross. Around it was a world, keen, sharp, learned, critical, the world of Horace and Juvenal, of Seneca and Lucian. Surely, men who had to build all anew, in the midst of the broad daylight of such a world, took care how they built. On every side acute wits were watching for some unguarded spot at which to aim a shaft so that it can hardly be that they gulped at the day of Christ's Birth. Everywhere jealous officials and cruel informers were on the alert to detect some sinister slur upon the religion, or the authority of Cæsar, so that December 25th could hardly have been fixed upon merely to Christianize a heathen festival. Yet these are the only explanations of the early observance of Christmas Day as the Feast of the Nativity, saving the simple explanation that it was chosen because it was known to be the day when Christ was born.

this? What had become of the evidence of the Blessed Virgin, and the shepherds, and the genealogical records of the family of Joseph, and the many to whom that day was a perpetual wonder? St. John lived with the Mother of our Lord, and lingered on through the entire first century. Did he not know the true birthday, and did he not tell others of it? Or, where were the records of the Roman Census? Justin Martyr, in A. D. 140, says they were in possession of the emperor. Tertullian, a century later, asserts that they were then laid up in the Imperial archives. Chrysostom in the fourth century declares that they were in his time to be read and known of all men. Clearly there was no lack of opportunity to know when Christ was born.

THE PROVINCE OF PENN SYLVANIA.

In accordance with the action taken by the late conventions of the dioceses in the State of Pennsylvania, most of the following deputies, clerical and lay, elected for that purpose, assembled in St. James's church, Philadelphia, on November 17, for the forming of a Federate Council.

Diocese of Pennsylvania. The Rev. G. Emlen Hare, D.D., the Rev. Benjamin Watson, D.D., the Rev. C. George Currie, D.D., the Rev. Henry Brown, the Rev. D. F. Warren, D.D., the Rev. Joseph W. Lee, the Rev. John Bolton, the Rev. J. De Wolfe Perry, the Rev. T. F. Davies, D.D., the Rev. Reese F. Alsop, D.D., the Rev. W. N. McVickar, D.D., the Rev. I. L. Nicholson, D.D., the Rev. T. C. Yarnall, D.D., the Rev. D. L. Goodwin, D.D., the Rev. J. Andrews Harris, D.D., S. D. McConnell. M. Russell Thayer, R. C. McMurtrie, P. Pemberton Morris, Burnet, Landreth, W. H. Reeves, Edw. A. Price, Rowland Evans, Wm. W. Frazer, Jr., W. Charles Spenser, Alexander Brown. John Cadwallader, Henry Flanders. Morton P. Henry, John Ashurst, Jr., Lewis H. Redner, George C. Thomas.

Diocese of Pittsburg. The Rev. Messrs. Samuel Maxwell, G. A. Garstensen, H.G. Wood, Boyd Vincent, and M. Byllesby. Messrs. Pearson Church, Hill Burgwin, John B. Jackson, Henry Souther.

Diocese of Central Pennsylvania. The Rev. J. H. Hopkins, S.T.D., the Rev. Robert J. Keeling, D.D., the Rev. Chandler Hare, the Rev. Cyrus F. Knight, D.D., the Rev. Marcus A. Tolman, the Rev. A. M. Abel, and the Rev. Wm. Chauncey Langdon, Chief Justice Ulysses Mercur, R. A. Lamberton, LL.D., C. M. Coningham, J. G. Freese, Guy E. Farquhar, S. H. Reynolds. At 11 o'clock the Holy Communion was celebrated, Bishop Stevens being present. The celebrant was the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania, assisted by the Bishop of Pittsburgh, the Rev. Cyrus F. Knight, D.D., of Central Pennsylvania, the Rev. Boyd Vincent, of Pittsburg, and the Rev. J. Andrews Harris D.D., of Pennsylvania, and the Rev. Henry J. Morton, D.D., rector of the church, Bishop Stevens pronouncing the Absolution and Benediction.

After the Celebration the bishops, clergy and laity proceeded to the chapel where Bishop Stevens called the council to order. Robert A. Lamberton. LL.D., President of Lehigh University, was elected Secretary.

Bishop Stevens then said that under the action taken by the three conventions, the duty of the deputies was to organize a scheme defining the powers | body, the Bishop of the diocese having Was there then no way of knowing of the Federate Council. He wished Philadelphia for its centre being Pres- of order for the council, was referred to

that it was in his power to say a few words of welcome to the Council, but he was utterly unable to do so. It was the first time he had taken part in any public service since his illness. He wished them a cordial welcome, and trusted that the Holy Spirit would remain with them.

The Bishop of Central Pennsylvania submitted a statement of powers conforming to one adopted by the Federate Council of New York, and which has received the approval of the General Convention. Hill Burgwin, Esq., of Pittsburg, moved that a committee, consisting of one bishop, one clergyman and one layman from each diocese be appointed to prepare a constitution for the council.

The Rev. J. H. Hopkins, S.T.D., of Central Pennsylvania, thought the motion was slightly previous. The power of organization is one thing, how it is to be regulated, another. The council, he said, cannot be organized to-day, all that can be done is to adopt a definition of powers, these, he thought, should be agreed upon and submitted for approval by the diocese, before any other step was taken. A general discussion here ensued, in which reference was made to the Province of Illinois by Dr. Hopkins and others. Mr. Burgwin submitted a draft of a constitution which he had prepared. Judge M. Russel Thayer, of Pennsylvania, said that it was impossible to proceed without organization, or to know how to vote, whether by orders, capita or dioceses. As a provincial council it must be evident that it was totally unorganized. What was wanted was a constitution which would go before everything else, one to define not only the powers, but also through what instrumentalities to work, When the organization is completed, and they begin to act in a constitutional and legitimate way, then there would be a Federate Council. Dr. Hopkins said that he yielded to the the constitution and canons of the opinions of lawyers and judges, whereupon the motion of Mr. Burgwin was adopted. The Bishop of Pennsylvania appointed the following committee under it.

Pennsylvania. The Bishop, the Rev. G. Emlen Hare, D.D., the Hon. M. Russel Thayer.

Pittsburg. The Bishop, the Rev. M. Byllesby, Hill Burgwin, Esq.

Central Pennsylvania. The Assistant Bishop, the Rev. J. H. Hopkins, S.T.D., the Hon. Ulysses Mercur. Recess was taken until 3 o'clock, when the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania presided in the absence of Bishop Stevens. The Bishop of Pittsburg in behalf of the committee to draft a constitution, presented a report which is substantially as follows:

It shall be called the Federate Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Pennsylvania. It shall be constituted of the bishops and assistant bishops of dioceses within the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, one clerical and one lay deputy for each diocese, and one additional clerical deputy for every twelve clergymen entitled to seats and votes in the convention of any diocese, and one additional lay deputy for every 1500 communicants in any diocese, the numbers of clergy and communicants being taken as shown in the printed journal of each diocese for the year next preceding that in which the election is held, and fractional numbers of both clergy and laity being disregarded.

The Federate Council shall sit as one

ident, or in the vacancy of that See the presiding officer shall be the senior Bishop in the order of consecration.

It shall meet annually in Philadelphia on the 3d Tuesday in November, unless some other time and place shall be fixed at the previous meeting, special meetings to be called by the Bishop, or on the request of two Bishops, or of ten clerical and ten lay members. All voting to be per capita, except that on the call of five members the vote shall be by orders, the bishops, clergy and laity voting separately, a majority of all three orders being necessary to affirmative action. When committees are to be appointed, having representatives from each diocese, the respective bishops, or in their absence the members of the deputations shall name the members from their respective dioceses.

The article which defines the powers of the council is as follows:

"The powers of this council shall be: (1). To deliberate and decide on all matters pertaining to such civil legislation as the common interests of the Church in the State of Pennsylvania may require.

(2). To the promotion of the interests of Christian education, and to the furtherance of work for the extension and prosperity of the Church.

"And the said Federate Council shall have full power to enact all regulations necessary to its organization and continuance, and to the ends contemplated in the foregoing declaration, not inconsistent with or repugnant to the constitution and canons of the General Convention of this Church, or of any of the dioceses, or to the law of the Rubric as contained in the Book of Common Prayer and offices of the Church, together with such other specified powers as this council shall propose to exercise under resolutions duly adopted and approved by the conventions of all the dioceses, and in conformity with General Convention."

The Constitution also provided that any number of members present at a regularly called meeting of the council shall constitute a quorum, provided that the three orders shall be represented. It was also provided that amendments to the constitution could be made by proposing them at one meeting, sending them to the dioceses for ratification, and finally adopting them at the next meeting of the coun-

The constitution was discussed article by article at great length, questions of procedure and canon law being raised.

Dr. Hare was of the opinion that no powers should be granted, but those relating to action to affect civil legislation, and a motion, by C. Stuart Paterson, Esq., of Pennsylvania, to insert a clause in the draft, declaring that nothing therein should be interpreted to authorize the establishment of an appellate court for the three dioceses was voted down by a vote of 22 to 11. A few minor changes were made when it was adopted as a whole substantially as it came from the committee. It was then resolved, that the articles of organization shall not become of force until they shall have been submitted to and approved by the three diocesan conventions, and so certified by the secretary thereof to the Bishop of Pennsylvania, together with a list of the deputies clerical and lay, elected by said conventions, respectively to the next council.

The preparation of by-laws and rules

the committee by whom the constitution had been prepared. The council then adjourned.

After the adjournment of the Federate Council, deputations from the dioceses of Pittsburgh and Central Pennsylvania, met with a special committee from the diocese of Pennsylvania, which was appointed at the last convention to take action upon the subject of Marriage and Divorce. The Bishop of Pittsburgh presided. A report of that special committee which had met early in November was received, whereupon the following preamble and resolutions were adopted:

WH REAS, In the judgment of this committee, the whole system of divorce legislation, not only here but in most of the States of the Union, is vicious, and works not only to the benefit of designing knaves and to the destruction of the family constitution and

WHEREAS, The evil would seem to be on the rap d increase as evidenced by the fact that within the last thirty years the number of divorces in proportion to marriages has in most of our Northern States more than doubled, the percentage in our own commonwealth being about one divorce to

every 15 or 20 marriages; and
WHEREAS, Wise and scriptural legislation can be
secured and enforced only by and through a wholesome turn of public sentiment, the creation of
which is fairly within the function of the Christian

Church; therefore Kesolved, That this committee recommend the formation of a committee of six, [one clergyman and one layman from each of the three dioceses here represented], whose duty it shall be to present and submit a memorial suggesting to the next Federate Council what in their opinion is the best means of remedying the evils hereinbefore set

The chair appointed the following as the committee:

Diocese of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Reese F. Alsop, D. D., and the Hon. M. Russell Thayer.

Diocese of Pittsburgh, the Rev. G. A. Carstensen, and the Hon. F. R. Brunot. Diocese of Central Pennsylvania, the Rev. Wm. Chauncey Langdon and Mr. J. G. Freese.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

IMMERSION.

To the Editor of the Living Church:

The Church of England in India has for many years followed the rubric by Baptism by immersion in its mission churches, and in most mission churches baptistries suitable for immersion have been erected by order of the Bishops.

T. P. H.

To the Editor of The Living Church:

During my rectorship of Christ church, Lexington, Kentucky, between the years 1838 and 1858, I baptized six persons by immersion—one in a spring branch, one in a pond, two in a river, and two in the pool of the Baptist church.

ED. F. BERKELEY. Kirkwood, Mo., Nov. 14, 1885.

To the Editor of The Living Church:

On March 4th, 1883, when I had charge of the cathedral at Davenport, Iowa, I baptized two adults by immersion. By courtesy of the trustees of the Campbellite chape I used their baptistry on Sunday evening after their own service was over. The candidates were brother and sister, and grandchildren of a Campbellite minister and one who was associated with Alexander Campbell in that movement from the H. THOMPSON. beginning.

Logansport, Ind.

To the Editor of The Living Church:

Having looked in vain among your interesting immersion stories for the one I still think the best of all, permit my telling that story. Time, 188-. Place, Christ church parish, Rochester, N. Y., Dr. Doty, rector.

An un-baptized nyoung lady of the congregation expressed her desire to become a communicant, adding, however, that her parents were Baptists, and their consent to her "joining the Episcopalians" would only be given upand that in the baptistry of their place ing the above directions, I got through There it is necessary that the water

of worship. Dr. Doty cordially approved of her complying with their request. At the time appointed, a little company of Church-folk went with Dr. Doty to the Baptist church. There was quite a congregation of Baptists awaiting their arrival. "You must put on this water-proof; suit," said the deacon in the robing room, offering the regulation costume. "No, Sir," said the doctor decidedly, "I shall wear what the Church has put upon me for such a service." "But your surplice will be inconvenient—it will look strange—ludicrous." "Can't help it," returned the doctor, putting on his surplice which floated out behind him when he went down into the water leading the candidate, who had possibly been a little nervous had she known he had never immersed any one before. The descent into the water was not made until the close of the prayer preceding the Baptism. The Church-folk stood near the baptistry, and responded heartily. To the amazement and disappointment of many the service ended with the immersion. "Oh, why did you stop there?" asked the Bishop when hearing the story, but he was convinced when he had heard all, that the conclusion of the service in Christ church, Easter Even, was most fitting—the candidate kneeling by the font for her reception into Christ's flock—her signing with the sign of the

The Baptists were impressed by the service, and many of them pronounced it an improvement upon their own form. "Why can't we have just such a service?" one was heard to say. And even the white surplice was by some considered an improvement on the ugly water-proof suit. Dr. Doty did protect himself a little with a pair of rubber boots—his own—but he got a thorough wetting for his adherence to the garments of the true priesthood.

To the Editor of The Living Church I see that some of our clergy are giving you some account of the Baptisms which, respectively, they have performed by immersion. Permit me to state that, in the course of my ministry, I have administered five such Baptisms-four to adults and one to an infant. I have also been several times present and assisting where such Baptisms were per-

formed by my clergy.

The first instance was in the case of a young lady, the daughter of a Baptist clergyman; to whom I freely acknowledge my indebtedness for, what I deem, some valuable instruction on the mode of administering that rite. Her directions to me were, to proceed with her into the water until it became about waist deep. I was first to lay my right hand upon her breast, and my left at the back of her neck, or shoulders, and then press her backwards under the water, and raise her as quickly as I saw that her whole body was covered with the water. By obeying these instructions, I was enabled to get through with this, my first attempt at immersion, as easily as I could have done by the more usual mode of affusion. The right hand was used to press the body under, while the left was there to raise it as quickly.

The first Baptism which I thus performed, after my consecration, was in the case of a very worthy lady nearly double my weight. I confess that I had my fears as the time approached; for I knew the bottom of the creek to be water. This may be unavoidable wherslimy or muddy, although the stream itself was clear. But, by grinding my on her being baptized by immersion, heels firmly into the bottom, and obey-

to both my surprise and self-gratification. I was pleased, moreover, to learn afterwards, that a Campbellite friend of the baptized paid me the high compliment of saying that the thing was done as well as if any of her own ministers had performed it.

I have been thus particular in repeating the above instructions, for the benefit of my younger brethren in the ministry; and with the hope of preventing, in future and like administrations. those blunders and awkwardnesses which not only take away all solemnity from the act, but often excite a laugh in a promiscuous crowd of beholders.

Whenever this mode of administering that rite is used, I beg leave to insist that the candidate shall be placed upon his back, in the water, in order to carry out, as far as may be, the intended similitude of a burial, and a rising again. One of my clergy—now a prominent leader in another diocese—would persist, in spite of my remonstrance, in putting his candidates face-downwards under the water; although he never failed to reverse that position when he came to give them a real or second burial. I hope that he has since learned to see more clearly the beautiful significance of that mode, when carried out in all its parts.

And, permit me, dear sir, to express here my strong desire to see that mode more generally practised by our clergy. Whilst I firmly believe in the validity and sufficiency of affusion in that sacrament, the other mode, when duly performed by a validly-ordained minister, and under becoming circumstances, has a significance and impressiveness well calculated to bring home to both saint and sinner the necessity of "a death unto sin, and a new life unto righteousness."

I would be glad if every one of our churches, henceforth to be built, shall contain a baptistry, so constructed as to be in partial, if not in full, view of the congregation, and possessed of all the facilities and conveniences necessary to the rightful and modest requirements of such an occasion. If my paper would admit I would try to give you some idea of what these facilities and conveniences ought to be. I will only say that the most impressive Baptism I ever witnessed was administered by one of my clergy to a candidate who had been, in earlier life, immersed by a Baptist clergyman. After becoming acquainted with the divine character of ministry and ordinances, he earnestly begged to be both baptized and confirmed. In company with a faithful clergyman, I visited him in his sick chamber. After much serious and satisfactory conversation, he desired to be left alone for a short time. On our return, we found him clothed in white from head to feet, as if prepared for his burial. With tottering feet, he was supported into an adjoining room, where a very large bath-tub, filled with fresh and his Baptism. At the mere instant of time that his body lay under the water, he looked indeed as if both dead and raised up, he had the appearance of one risen from the grave to a newer and happier life.

Bear with me for another moment, whilst I give it as my opinion that there is no necessity for the baptizer as well as the candidate to go down into the ever a large and outspread body of water is brought into use, but not so in a church or on some private occasion.

shall be applied to the candidate only. The administrator, standing outside the vessel containing the water, need not. save as to his hands and arms, be wet with it. The supposed necessity for the baptizer as well as the candidate to go into the water has deterred many a weak and aged clergyman from performing and carrying out his purpose and sense of duty, in regard to this Ordinance; and has, for a long time, been bringing into disuse that significant and impressive mode of entering into Christ.

Forgive my pen, you will say it needs both bit and bridle.

A SOUTHERN BISHOP. Nov. 14, 1885.

"LEFT REVEREND."

To the Editor of The Living Church:

Your use of my name in "Brief Mention" to "adorn a tale" and to "give to airy nothing a local habitation, and a name," is correct. Your statement of facts is incorrect. At the Primary Council of Fond du Lac, where the election was by concurrent ballot, five times successively, I received nine out of fourteen lay votes, and five out of sixteen clerical. This was a case of failure to secure clerical preferment, not of "rejection." Those who withheld their suffrages were right Reverends in so doing. Had they taken their orders from the laity I am afraid it would have been a case of "returned empty."

Yours in self-defence,

W. P. TEN BROECK. La Crosse, Wis.

To the Editor of The Living Church:

DIOCESAN PAPERS.

Your editorial upon Diocesan Papers presents one side of the question. There is another. While the general Church paper may "inform and instruct the people in the general principles and (general) work of the Church more fully than the diocesan paper can," yet the general Church paper cannot meet certain necessities of diocesan work as well as the local paper. Each diocese is naturally more interested in its own affairs than in those of another, and no general paper can give those affairs asmuch prominence in detail as the local paper. The monthly letter of the Bishop, his detailed labors, the letters from different parishes and missions, the reports of various officers and committees of the council—all these can be more fully given in the local paper than elsewhere. I have frequently heard the laity express a greater interest in the diocesan paper than in any other, "because we hear of what is going on in our own family." And as to teaching and influence, perhaps there is often a better opportunity for giving just exactly the teaching that is needed for the particular locality than would be possible in the general paper. To say that the diocesan paper is without influence is to say, I believe, what will be almost unanimously contradicted in every diocese where there is a successful paper. There are failures, of course, clean rain-water, was prepared for in this class of papers, as there are in the other, but that does not prove that the diocesan paper is a failure in itself. But wherever is found a successful diocesan paper, it pays for itself, that is, it buried; at the next moment, when raises just so much additional money for the diocese for every dollar that is spent upon it. No, while there is a special need and work for the general Church paper, such as THE LIVING CHURCH—may its shadow never grow less-there is also a special need and work, as there is too a special influence for the diocesan paper, and with all due respect for your own views, I trust the day will come when every diocese will have its own paper devoted to its own special news, for which there is not room in the general paper.
M. M. MOORE.

Nashville, Tenn.

The Household.

CALENDAR---DECEMBER, 1885.

6. 2nd Sunday in Advent.	Violet.
13. 3rd Sunday in Advent.	Violet.
20. 4th Sunday in Advent.	Violet.
21. St. Thomas, Apostle.	Red.
25. CHRISTMAS DAY.	White.
26. St. Stephen, Martyr.	Red.
27. St. John, Evangelist.	White.

LIFE'S TOILERS.

Violet.

28. THE INNOCENTS.

BY LUCY E. TILLY.

Sicklemen together bending O'er the fields of ripened wheat, Pressing thro' the gleaming stubble, With their bared and weary feet.

Hoping, when the harvest ended, They the last sheaf home may bring, And among the waiting maidens There be crowned the harvest king.

Tho' their sickles gleam together, Tho' alike the toil they share, Only one, when even cometh, May the longed-for myrtle wear.

Greek youths, supple-limbed and eager, With their free and sinewy grace And with muscles strained and ready. Waiting for the coming race,

Each would snap his brittle life cord In that race, if when 'twere done, On his head for one sweet moment He might feel the wreath he'd won.

Many starting, while applauses O'er the race-course loudly roll, But tho' all are bravely striving, Only one may touch the goal.

But the brave and strong-armed reapers Whom life's whitened harvests lure, When the grain is safely garnered, May all know their crown is sure.

And for all her sinewy racers At a goal as broad as Life, Is a grander prize than garlands, Waiting at the end of strife. Medina, Ohio, 1885.

LITTLE LIVES AND A GREAT LOVE.

BY FLORENCE WILFORD. PART III .- Continued.

CLIMBING UPWARD.

"Oh, yes, mother, and I don't think I shall be as long getting well as he was, though I shall have time enough to get tired of being in bed, I know. What do you think the warden said? He asked me if I knew any hymns, and I said, Oh, yes, 'A green hill far away,' and 'Come sing with holy gladness,' and ever such a lot more, and I told him the last I learnt was 'We are but little children weak,' and then he made me say it to him, and he says my 'little cross' is to have to lie still here and feel my leg all stiff and in pain, and that if I bear it well 'for Jesus' sake,' Jesus will be pleased, and will make it do me good."

"Oh, Johnnie, that was just like Mr. Ross," said Phœbe, who had been listening with all her ears to Johnnie's talk.

"Yes, but he isn't like him in the face, he's much older. Oh, and what do you think? I had another visitor yesterday, the warden brought him in. It was the gentleman whose cab ran over me. He brought me such a pretty nosegay from Mr. Shuttleworth's, there it is in the water on the mantelpiece. I might be alive to-day. I want you to take it home to grandmother, Phœbe, street near the river where there was

sends you this with his best love and a kiss.' "

"Why, Johnnie, you've made a rhyme," cried Phoebe, merrily, "Oh, Granny will be pleased. She does think so much about you, doesn't she, mother?"

"Yes, she does, indeed, dear, and she was so kind in sparing us both to come and see you to-day, Johnnie. She will like to hear of the gentleman's visit. Is he staying with Mr. Shuttleworth?"

"Oh, yes, mother, he said Mr. Shuttleworth was an old friend of his father's, and he said very likely his father had seen you when you were housemaid there."

"Me!" said the mother with a modest blush rising in her pleasant face, "How did he come to know anything about me? You didn't make too bold in talking to him, I hope, dear boy?"

"No, mother, it was Mr. Shuttleworth told him; the gentleman spoke about the accident, and when Mr. Shuttleworth heard it was a little boy and girl with two baskets, he said it must be Phœbe and me, and he told the gentleman about us, and how you used to be his servant."

"I wish I could see the other gentleman who set your leg, I should so much like to thank him," observed Mrs. Ellis."

"Yes, but he went back to London last night. I heard the warden tell my gentleman so. He may be down again though, he comes down to see somebody at Waldro Park who met with an accident out riding."

"Why, Johnnie, you are full of news," said his mother, smiling, "I hope it isn't bad for you talking so much."

Sister Catharine came up at this moment to speak to Mrs. Ellis and Phœbe, and after that Johnnie quieted down, and was content to listen more than to talk, but still the time for saying goodby eseemed to come all too soon. He kept up bravely though and did not grumble or cry, only hugged them both once more with that tight eager clasp. The last thing they saw of him was lying back on his pillows looking a little tired, but with a bright smile still on his face, and the last words they heard were: "My best love to Granny, mind. and I do hope she'll like the flowers.'

And the grandmother did like them indeed, liked them so much that she cried over them, though she held the posy tight up to her face to hide her tears, and seemed as if she were only smelling at the flowers, smelling at them a very long time, Phebe thought. When she recovered she too had news to tell, for she had had a visitor in her daughter-in-law's absence.

"Not Mr. Ross, dear blessed gentleman! no, not he. 'Twas quite a young man, Mary, and he give his name, Mr. Luxmoor, a friend of Mr. Shuttleworth's, and he spoke so polite he did, and made a bow, and said as he'd come to tell us how sorry he was about the accident, for 'twas his cab went over our Johnnie's leg. I said as I was sure 'twas no fault of he, and he said, 'well, not exacly, 'cept he had told the driver to go at a good pace and he was afraid that had made him drive reckless like.' Then I begged him to take a chair, and he sat down, and stopped a long while he did, and very kind he spoke, I must say, asking about my health and such like. And I told him I was pretty well for an old woman, only I felt the air of the streets close after being used to the asked Sister to put it in water, that it country all my days, and then he said what a pity we did'nt live in that wide and to say, 'Please, Granny, Johnnie no houses opposite and little gardens

at the back, and I said circumstances didn't allow of it, and I must be thankful for the home I'd got. I didn't tell him as the rent there was too high for you, Mary, I thought you wouldn't like me to say nothing that seemed like wanting help, though indeed the young gentleman was so kind I b'lieve he wanted to see if there wasn't something he could do for us."

Mrs. Ellis and Phœbe both agreed that he must be very kind, and told of his visit to Johnnie, but neither of them in the least expected any result to follow his conversation with Granny. It was therefore a great surprise when Mr. Shuttleworth sent for Mrs. Ellis to come and speak to him one day in the middle of the week, and told her that Mr. Luxmoor was very anxious to compensate in some way for the accident which he had been the unintentional means of occasioning, and that he wanted her to give him leave to make an arrangement with the landlord of those nice little houses near the river. so that she might have one of them at the same rent as she was now giving for her two rooms. The old gentleman added that Mr. Luxmoor having just come into a fortune could well afford to do kind things, and that it would be denying him a great pleasure if she refused to accept his kindness.

"I know how independent both you and your husband are, Mary, and I respect you for it," Mr. Shuttleworth wound up,"but I think for his mother's sake your good man would be willing that you should move to these better quarters, and I think that boy of yours deserves to have the reward of a garden for the steady way he has come to fetch those flowers for the church every Saturday, and for being such a little hero the other day. Come, think it over, and don't say no. Mr. Luxmoor talks of buying the house, that he may be your landlord himself, and if he likes to let you have a nice little cot at a low rent, why that is his business, and I'm sure it'll bring him more pleasure than the highest rent he could possibly get."

Mrs. Ellis knew well what a gain the move would be, how Granny would delight in the airy rooms and pretty view, how both the children would revel in the garden, how much quieter and more cosy they should all be with a house to themselves. It was within St. Michael's parish too, so that there was no one single drawback, and in her grateful heart she longed to say yes. but she dreaded to do anything that her husband might not like, and yet he was too far away to be consulted, and she could not be sure of a letter reaching him. She begged for a little time to think over it, and determined to ask Mr. Ross's advice, and also to see what Granny thought of the proposal, without saying a word to Phœbe, who would be sure to be eager for the move; and on Saturday she returned, saying that after having taken counsel, she had decided gratefully to accept Mr. Luxmoor's kindness, if he would allow them to pay an increased rent as soon as their circumstances would enable them to do so. Her husband expected to get better pay after a time, and had always said that when he did they should move to a cottage of their own; but she was more glad and grateful than she could say to be enabled to move at once, as she feared her motherin-law might not live many more years, and it would be such a great thing for her to end her days in comfort in a house that she could enjoy, instead of one which she could only endure.

(To be continued.)

THE FIRST TO CLASP HANDS.

REV. W. T. MELOY IN THE CURRENT.

While negotiations for organic union are progressing finely between the United Presbyterians of the North, and the Associate Reformed Presbyterians of the South, it may be well to settle the fact in regard to the claim recently put forth, that these two denominations are the first to reunite. I still believe that they are the first. In a very courteous article in The Current of October 3, the Rev. Mr. A. J. Tardy makes this claim for the Episcopal Church. I addressed a note to Bishop McLaren, and present his reply:

CHICAGO, ILL., Oct. 12, 1885.

Rev. and Dear Sir: A diversity of opinion existed in the South whether the war divided the Church. The first general meeting held in the South was at Montgomery, Ala., July 1861. A letter was received from the Bishop of Vermont, urging them to regard the Church as one body, although the country was divided by civil strife. But other counsels finally carried the day, the ground being taken that "The Church of the Confederate States must be as independent as the Confederate States themselves." The following language was used:

"We aim at no change in the faith and polity of the Church Catholic."

"Though now found within different political boundaries, the Church remains essentially one. In this respect we are no more separated from them than from the members of any other Protestant Episcopal Church in the world,"

At the triennial meeting of the General Convention in 1862, in the city of New York, all the Southern dioceses were continued on the roll, and called in due order, solemn testimony being thus borne to the indivisibility of the Church. At the General Convention in 1865, the Southern Bishops and dioceses returned to their places without any other formality than the calling of the roll. The Presiding Bishop had previously sent letters to the South in which he had assured the Southern brethren of the general desire of the North to greet them again in conven-

Almost the first act of the convention (held in Philadelphia) was the consecration of a bishop for Tennessee.

I think that your impression is wholly correct, that the war caused no division among us, other than the forced and temporary one while the strife lasted.

In placing these facts at your disposal, I beg leave to assure you of my sincere regards. Very truly yours,

W. E. McLAREN, Bishop of Chicago.

The REV. W. T. MELOY.

I am willing to give the credit to this denomination of having bonds of union so strong that war itself did not dissolve them.

ALTERATIONS IN ASCEN-SION CHURCH, NEW YORK.

From the Standard of the Cross.

Will you grant me a little space for a statement touching the remark of Bishop Bedell in The Standard of the Cross of October 15th? I do not wish to speak of myself in connection with that remark, but of the church of the Ascension. I am concerned lest one of the oldest and noblest parishes in New York should be, unintentionally, no doubt, misrepresented, and I am sure that the diocese of Ohio to which the church of the Ascension gave two noble buildings, the church of the Holy Spirit, and Ascension Hall, at Gambier, and to which she also gave a bishop, will not be sorry to have a misconception removed.

Bishop Bedell writes "... So that in all respects, except that they have taken away the Table of my Lord (as, alas! they are doing in my poor old Ascension in New York) they have turned," etc. The meaning of this can only be that something has been done to the Ascension which calls for sorrowful pity; and this something is the removal of the Lord's Table. Permit me to say that the Lord's Table stands to-day in the chancel of the church of the Ascension as truly as it stood there from 1843 to 1859, the period of Bishop Bedell's rectorship. Pine wood covered with plush has been replaced with marble and mosaic, but the Lord's Table has not been removed. The black walnut screen which formed the wall of the chancel has been taken down, and Sienna marble, with mosaic and sculpture, has been built up in its place, but the Lord's Table has not been removed; and please God, it never will be. The Holy Communion of the Body and Blood of Christ is still administered to the religiously and devoatly disposed. The Ascension is as loyal as ever to its best and truest traditions; it has not lost its faith nor does it hold its faith with wavering.

To be sure, it has for its earnest purpose, ministry to the new needs of a new day, and this naturally involves departure from ancient methods, and the adoption of new ones. But this identification of particular methods, however venerable and heretofore useful, with the principles of the Kingdom of God, is a form of scepticism quite as hostile to the Church of Christ as that form of it which doubts the existence of God. Into this scepticism the Ascension has not fallen, but has bravely Miss Emerson was yet rather taken welcomed any method which promises to bring men to Christ, and to keep them true to His Spirit and His teach-

There are who sorrowed over the circumstance that Dr. Tyng was borne to his rest from St. George's preceded by a choir of surpliced men and boys. It looked like obtruding the fact of his complete defeat as an anti-ritualist. But the sight on any Sunday morning of the vast congregation which fills St. George's, listening to the unchanged Gospel of Christ, ought to turn sorrow into joy, and should be the assurance that what Dr. Tyng held most dear, the truth as it is in Jesus, is still, and still more widely, truly preached and truly received in the Church he loved so well and to which he gave a noble service.

And I am sure that the altered methods of the Ascension have proved their value in the larger life and increasing spiritual influence with which God is blessing the parish.

Ritualism is not Sacramentarianism The contention of Evangelicalism that they are the same, cost the Evangelical party its life. But all the good there was in that party still lives and grows. May God open our eyes to discern His truth in its altered forms of expression; to see the onward movement of the Church of Christ in the new methods of work and worship of to-day.

E. WINCHESTER DONALD. Ascension Rectory, October 21st, 1885.

THE Rev. J. P. T. Ingraham, author of "Why we Believe the Bible," and one of Nashotah's boys, is a brother of the late Rev. J. H. Ingraham, whose "Prince of the House of David," and "Pillar of Fire," were so widely popular thirty years ago.

BRIEF MENTION.

In St. Louis which is not by any means the worst city in the United States, but may serve as an average specimen, there were last year 27 murders. 83 suicides and more than 1,000 divorces, 3 for every day of the twelve months.

THE following is a list of the patients in the Pennsylvania Hospital for the Insane: Farmers, 505; Physicians, 108; Lawyers, 116; Ministers, 60; Teachers, 58; Editors, 6. Editors fare well in that State undoubtedly.

"WHEN a man knows," says Anthony Trollope, "he has nothing within his head to trust to,—when he has neither sense nor genius,—he puts on a wig, ties up his neck in a white choker, sits in a big chair, and frightens the world with his silence."

GEN. LEW. WALLACE, author of "Ben Hur," then an unbeliever, was riding one day with Col. Robert Ingersoll, the notorious infidel. In course of the conversation, Ingersoll said to the General, "If you want to have no doubt as to the falseness of the Bible, take it and read it with care." Acting upon this suggestion he did so; the wonderful truths were all convincing, and he was speedily converted to God and gave to the world the book which has so stirred the students of literature of the day-"Ben Hur."

An amusing literary anecdote is just now current to the effect that Mr. Emerson one morning called for his daugh ter, who came into the room to find her father in a sadly perplexed attitude, confronted by a tall female. "Ellen," said he, "I wish you would attend to this lady, she wants some of my clothes." Trained by experience to the vagaries of the lion hunting female, aback, but the visitor proceeded to explain that she was making a poets' rug. made of poets' cast off clothing. Mr. Longfellow had given her an old shirt, and if Mr. Emerson had a pair of wornout pantaloons, she would be delighted.

IN Great Britain there are 15,000 temperance organizations, and it is estimated that 5,000,000 persons are total abstainers.

Among the most favorite of the quotations with which Dr. Guthrie was wont to press home his appeals were these words:

"I live for those who love me, For those who know me true; For the heaven that smiles above me, And awaits my spirit too; For the wrong that needs resistance. For the cause that lacks assistance, For the future in the distance, And the good that I can do."

THE few things that actually existed in the time of Christ at Jerusalem, and now can be pointed out to the traveller are: the rock beneath the mosque of Omar where the temple actually stood; the location of the castle of Antonia where St. Paul was confined; the old stones of Herod's Temple where the Jews wail over the sanctuary fallen in the dust and trodden down; the pillars of the double and triple gates of the temple area; and the site and some of the stones of the Tower of Herod which was called "Hippicus," in the castle near the Jaffa gate.

descent for 2,500 years, and during all

ROBERT BROWNING, now seventythree years old, is said to be coming to America.

A PHILADELPHIA lady is the owner of a valuable relic in the shape of a manuscript copy of Wesley's Hymns, in the handwriting of their author. The book descended to this lady from her grandfather, to whom it was given in partial payment of a debt by the son of the man who printed the first edition of the hymns.

THE diocese of Massachusetts can point to many of her clergy who were formerly Congregational ministers. Among them are the names of the Rev. Edward Abbott, once assistant editor of The Congregationalist, but now of The Literary World, and the Rev. Edward A. Rand, the popular writer of Sundayschool books.

A BOY in one of the public schools defined the word, "demagogue," "as a vessel that holds beer, wine, gin, whiskey or any other kind of intoxicating liquor."

In Good Words Mrs. Mary Howitt tells some pleasant reminiscences of her father. Among them is this: While reading the New Testament, she received from him a stern reprimand for having, when coming to the miracle of the loaves and fishes, as related by St. Mark, (vi), inserted, as he supposed, the word "green" in the thirty-ninth verse: "And He commanded them to make them sit down by companies upon the green grass." He continued sternly, "Mary, thou must not add or take from Scripture." "Please, father, it is green grass," she replied. "Let me see, let me see," he exclaimed; and after looking at the verse added in a surprised and appeased tone,"I had never noticed

Just before the author of "Stepping Heavenward," was called to Paradise, which she loved and longed for, she said "I prayed this morning that I might be a comfort to-day to everybody in the house."

the Bible through many times; I now make a practice of going through it once a year. It is the book of all others for lawyers, as well as divines; and I pity the man who cannot find in it a rich supply of thought, and rules for conduct."

THE Paris Petit Journal is the most widely circulated journal in the world, having a daily average edition of more than 800,000 copies. It excludes all disgusting details of crime and is marked by purity of tone.

THE Rev. Richard L. Knox for ten years a priest in the Roman Church, has recently been received into our Communion. He left the Roman obedience three years ago.

An old beggar man at Sterling, known about fifty years as "Blind Alick,"knew the whole of the Bible by heart, insomuch that if a sentence were read to him, he could name the book, chapter and verse; or if the book, charter and verse were named, he could give the exact words. A gentleman to test him, repeated a verse, purposely making one verbal inplace where the passage was to be found, but at the same time pointed out the verbal error. The same gentleman asked him to repeat the ninetieth verse THE Emperor of Japan can trace his of the seventh chapter of the Book of Numbers. Alick instantly replied, this time his family has been on the "There is no such verse. The chapter has only eighty-nine verses."

HINTS FOR HOUSEWIVES.

FRIED cabbage is better if a little flour is stirred in five minutes before serving.

WALL paper may be cleaned by covering the top of a broom with a cloth and gently sweeping over the paper.

Remove iron rust by moistening the spot with cream of tartar and salt, and expose to the heat of the sun.

IF your fruit pies boil over, roll up a small tube of white paper and insert it in the hole in the upper crust. The juice will boil up in this, and not run over into the oven.

A NOVEL thermometer holder is shaped like a dust pan, covered with velvet or plush, and decorated with Kensington and iridescent, or brocades. A bow finishes the handle.

A VERY handsome yet inexpensive table scarf is made of green felt-a dark shade—about five eighths of a yard in width, simply pinked on the edges, with a border of silk patchwork, about a quarter of a yard deep, at each end. The felt is cut up for a fringe.

CHOCOLATE CARAMELS .-- One cup each of grated chocolate, milk, molasses and sugar, a piece of butter size of an egg; boil together until the mixture hardens when dropped into cold water; add vanilla, pour in buttered tins, and mark in squares when nearly cold.

CURE FOR CHAPPED HANDS.-Instead of washing the hands with soap, employ oatmeal, and, after each washing, take a little dry meal, and rub over the hands so as to absorb any moisture.

A PRETTY tidy is made by sewing alternate rows of colored ribbon, say orange, blue, and red, each color divided by a stripe of Oriental lace; these are sewed upon a strip of coarse white net, of the width and length required. A row of lace finishes it all around. It is then drawn closely together in the centre and finished with a bow of the various colors.

ENGLISH CHRISTMAS PLUM PUD-DING.—1 pound each of baker's bread, brown sugar, suet chopped fine, seeded raisins and currants, 1½ pounds of flour, t pound each of candied citron and lemon peel chopped, and 1 ounce of bitter almonds powdered, 1 gill of brandy, 4 eggs, 1 tablespoonful each of ground cloves, cinnamon and nutmeg. Soak the bread until soft in milk, work the other ingredients into it, add the flour last. Put into a well buttered mold and boil steadily for 5 hours. Water should be boiling when the pudding is DANIEL WEBSTER said: "I have read he Bible through many times; I now top of the pudding and light it, bringing the pudding on to the table in a flame. Serve the pudding with plain brandy sauce.

> GLUE PAINT FOR FLOORS.—To three pounds of spruce yellow add one pound or two of dry white lead and mix well together. Dissolve two ounces of glue in one quart of water, stirring often till smooth and near boiling. For large floors double or treble these proportions will be needed. Thicken the glue water after the manner of making mush, until it will spread smoothly on the floor. Use a common paint brush and apply hot. This will fill all crevices of a rough floor, such as are often found in kitchens. It will dry quickly; when dry apply boiled linseed oil with a clear brush. In a few hours it will be found dry enough to use by laying papers or mats to step on for a few days.

KNITTED HOOD.—Materials, 3 skeins of two-threaded starlight Saxony, old gold shade, and 3 skeins of two-threaded scarlet Saxony; 2 No. 9 bone needles.

Cast on 200 stitches (having previously wound the yarn into balls), use a thread of each together. Knit back and forth plain, but always putting the thread twice around the needle. Knit 22 rows in all. Sliphalf the stitches off on a spare needle, and knit back and forth on the remaining half 36 times each way. Bind off as tightly as posaccuracy. Alick hesitated, named the sible. Now knit the stitches from the spare needle. You have now a very broad but short piece which forms the head, and two long strings. Crochet some pretty shell border all round, still using the two threads together. Draw the top of head up prettily and cover it with a bow of ribbon. Sew tassels on the edge of each string. When worn the strings are crossed at the back and tied in front.

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Church and Home, the diocesan paper of Florida, will make its issue of December a memorial to the late Bishop Young, as requested by the funeral.

its first service in a public hall. This is a matter to be thought of by especially if they are concerned to St. Luke's church, Brooklyn, that to the church, and in case the miswould probably go to the people. Let some of the New York clergy with guests at the Advent Mission, look to the matter of going down into the highways and hedges and compelling people to come in to other than their fine churches.

THE law of demand and supply seems to hold in everything else except the liquor traffic. The greater the call for dry goods or groceries, the greater the number of stores devoted to the sale of those articles. On the contrary, the greater the number of dram-shops, the greater the demand for liquor. In respect

ous, is demanded the more it is suphold true, perhaps, if the supply were for less than the demand. It certainly holds true when it is far supply.

A BEAUTIFUL and impressive scene was witnessed, a few days ago, in the Dom chapel of Berlin. The venerable Kaiser standing before the new altar piece, which represents the kings of the earth laying their crowns at the feet of the Redeemer, listened to the address of greeting delivered by the court chaplain to the imperial guest. In his reply, breathing the spirit of faith and bumility, the great emperor said: "In my lifetime heaven has covered me with blessings and mercies, especially in my old age. But the homage paid me I lay at the throne of the Fighest, from whom we derive strength to execute all the best things that can be done on earth. In my old days I can call heaven to witness that I have looked upon religion as the sole foundation on which everything reposes, and as

With these memorable words does the greatest ruler of this generation add his imperial tribute to the world's homage of the Crucified.

The discussion of the mystery of resolutions of clergy and laity after the Atonement at the recent Church It is not doubted that those in charge looked over with the utmost care. Congress, and some editorial com- of these missions have the best in- The owners know the force of the ments thereon in The Standard of terests of the Church at heart, but old proverb that "a stitch in time Many a thriving mission has held the Cross, have called out from Bishop Bedell a letter of protest to hesitation that awaits a great degree that journal. He is not willing to the clergy about to hold missions, be compromised on this point by the utterances of his official organ, and reach the non-church-going multi- he positively disclaims any sympatude. It was demonstrated in the thy with suggestions "that seem to otherwise successful mission held in touch the integrity of the doctrine of the substitution of Christ for sinpeople of this class would not come | ners and their pardon and justification only through the efficacy of His sion were repeated, the church blood-shedding." He considers the doctrine of the expiation of Christ on the Cross, as fundamental. "In who want to see their houses filled these days," he says, "not the doctrine of justification by faith, but the doctrine of that which faith rests upon, the propitiatory sacrifice of Christ is articulis stantis vel cadentis ecclesice." The discussion of such deep mysteries of the faith in a popular assembly, side by side with questions of tariff and ritual, cannot but be considered by many as unfortunate and ill-advised. It was indeed worthy of note and to be thankfully appreciated that Canon regular processes which are em-Farrar, representing the broad ployed for the development of the school of theology, admitted the Christian life, but will rather come authority of the Church in defito food and clothing the law of de- nition of dogma; but it is to be feared this work can be done and a great the first need that might arise. mand and supply regulates itself. It that the inference will be drawn by increase in the number of the workno sense necessary, and yet is injuri- ular theory of the Atonement has Church can employ these special mind very many instances in which it

been received by the Church, the agencies with safety. If they are not plied, that its sale should at least be essence of the doctrine has not been relied upon for more than they are curtailed and regulated. This would received. Churchmen should be wary of speculations upon the mysteries of the faith. Theories about things they are more necessary than the Holy Trinity, about the Real in excess of what is required, while Presence, about the Incarnation, yet the demand approximates the about the Atonement, have been sources of heresy through all the higher life. ages. Patripassian, Pelagian, Universalist, Zwinglian, and Roman is one of the signs that our own heresies, have all grown out of a desire to explain mysteries. They are to be received as revealed, not to be explained by scholastic theology, nor to be explained away by platform eloquence. Churchmen will not easily be persuaded that there is not a true and literal meaning in the comfortable words which are spokevery celebration of the Holy Eucharist: "and He is the Propitiation for our sins."

THE ADVENT MISSION.

The Advent Mission in New York is such a manifest departure from methods which the Church has hitherto employed and involves so much that pertains to a larger outreach both to our own people and to those who go up and down the world outside the Church, that the experiment will be watched with great interest, and prayers will be many both that it may be wisely conducted and that it may increase the instrumentality by which souls shall be reached and gathered into the Kingdom of Christ. with us there is always the prudent saves nine," and accordingly they of certainty before assent is fully given. In the present case, the old etc. In the meantime how does the and legitimate method of Christian education is to be extended by building like those we live in. Its means which are more personal and stimulating; in short, the revival fend it from decay. The consecramethod is to be joined to the Church's method in order that a higher degree of efficiency may be reached in religious appeals.

It is believed that this is well. elsewhere. As the revival system has heretofore spiritual things. The system of Christian nurture for which the Church provides in the home and in the parish life, is not yet so far ignored that the revival system can be said to supersede it, and the use of the special appeals and the not be taken as a substitute for the as an extension of the field where

worth they may be of excellent service, and in the present hurry of ever that the worldliness of our ordinary existence may be overcome by a strong spiritual call to the

The increase of variety of method Communion is entering into a larger sphere of usefulness, but there is need that this variety is not desired because the Church's system is distrusted, but only that the great diversity of thought and occupation may be adequately provided for upon what is, after all, substantially the old basis of spiritual teaching. en to them before God's altar at It is the weakness of many to endorse new measures and believe too fondly that a new broom will sweep clean. It is the strong necessity of Churchmen that they shall not be so fond of what is new that they shall undervalue what is old. It is from this point of view that the Advent Mission will be watched with great interest, and its prudent management will mean very much for its best influence upon the entire American Church.

THE PARISH CHURCH.

What is the condition of your church building? The season is advancing when all needed repairs should be attended to. The houses that people live in are just now see to the roof, the cellar, the eavetroughs, the drainage, the painting, house of God fare? It is a material sacred purpose and use do not detion of a church edifice conveys no special grace into the bricks and the shingles, that shall make them outlast bricks and shingles used

We were much interested lately been employed, it has been adopted in a statement made about a church to make amends for the neglect of in Brooklyn, L. I. A gentleman ofpastoral and parental instruction in | fered a sum of money to supply any want about the building. The rector and sexton looked the church over—the sexton, by the way, had held his office for many years, and had a loving interest in the house of God he had tended so long. After a thorough search they could see no increase of devotional exercises will deficiency. Carpets, pews, windows, furniture for the altar and chancel, surplices, stoles, linen, everything was there that was needed. If we remember rightly, the money was given and held in trust to supply

What an incident that was! Where is just because an article which is in some minds that because no particlers. It is in this light that the canit be duplicated? We call to

the contrast in many instances between the dwellings of the congregation and the place in which they worship God—how tasteful and elaborate the one, how plain and cheap the other! The walls may be streaked with stains from a leaking roof, the carpet, what little there is, may be old, and shabby, and dirty, the appointments of the chancel and altar may be meagre and mean; the exterior of the building and the lot on which it stands may show neglect, and yet the people who live in the comfortable and elegant homes are not disturbed. Their eyes are not offended by a state of disorder that they would not tolerate for a day in their own parlor or bedrooms. David said, "I have loved the habitation of Thy house, and the place where Thine honor dwelleth." He set his heart upon building a temple as the dwelling place of God and retained only what is com-ticular to maintain the great necesthat should fitly express his love and reverence. In heathen lands, the idols, and their shrines and temples, have lavished upon them a wealth of barbaric splendor which expresses the same deep emotion. It is reserved for American Christians (shall we say American Churchmen?) to show how religion, with all its high ends, can be pushed aside into an ignoble place, while social and Prayer." public ends are promoted and adorned with unexampled splendor. This country is becoming more and more marked for its tasteful expenditure upon private dwellings, for the size and magnificence of its national, state and county buildings, while its churches, notwithstanding a few instances to the contrary, have scarcely risen above the inconspicuous place they held in primitive colonial times. Ecclesiastical display has in no degree kept pace with domestic and civic display. Homes and public buildings cost thousands and millions, where churches cost hundreds of dollars.

It is high time we thought upon this question. Above all, let us see to our parish church. With what force the words of David to Nathan the prophet might come home to many minds: "See now, I dwell in a house of cedar, but the ark of God dwelleth within curtains."

THE MISSION OF THE PRAYER-BOOK.

The article by Dr. Charles W. Shields, of Princeton, in the November Century, on "The United Churches of the United States," is a very notable paper as coming from a Presbyterian divine, and has abun- which they were driven by sectaridant merits on its own account. It deals with the subject of the unity are now "under common impulses of American religious bodies on the tending towards substantial unity basis of their existing agreement in in the midst of trivial diversity." doctrine, polity and worship, with a They are closer to each other than breadth of thought and an historical they are to the mother Churches in

to consider only what he says about ted in the tendency toward a comworship and about the English mon worship than in any other way. prayer book as the basis of unity. In Dr. Shields' view, the liturgical A few quotations are necessary in concretion of different denominaorder to present his views. He re- tions has reached that point of a nugards this book as "the only Christian liturgy worthy of the name." "Next to the English Bible," it is accomplishment. "the most wonderful product of the Reformation." "Like the sacred Canon" it "is no merely individual production, nor even purely human work, but an accumulation of choice writings, partly divine, partly human, expressing the religious mind of the whole ancient and modern world." "In it are to be found the means, possibly the germs, of a just reorganization of Protestantism as well as an ultimate reconciliation with true catholicism, such a catholicism as shall have shed everything sectarian mon to the whole Church of Christ in all ages and countries." "Were the problem given to frame out of the imperfectly organized and sectarian Christianity of our times a liturgical model for the communion of saints in the one universal Church, the result might be expressed in some such compilation as

The reasons why Dr. Shields thinks that this book has an ideal fitness to serve as the nucleus of a Churches which are vital and enduring. Its materials "have an organic affinity for the various ecclesiastical elements which now lie around it in this country as disjecta membra, as yet unassimilated and discordant." Its several parts come from both the reformed historical and the Churches. It embodies a relationship towards the Protestant bodies, which they are now in a position to recognize and respect. And such has been the progress toward a liturgical worship that if the leading denominations were to retrace their history, they would come back to the English liturgy as a work which their ecclesiastical forefathers aimed not so much to destroy as to amend. "The American Churches for some time past have been steadily but unconsciously drifting back toward the midway position held by the English prayer book between the extremes of Catholic and Protestant Christianity." They are rebounding from the extremes into an warfare two centuries ago, and

could not be duplicated. How painful are gratifying. It is proposed now and this closeness is better indicacleus in the prayer book, where it only waits the opportunity for its

> This is a very remarkable statement. It confirms what thoughtful Churchmen have long believed, but for which they have had to wait till in the "whirligig of time" the separated brethren could see the matter from their point of view. Churchmen can endorse all that Dr. Shields says, and could go further. The essential point is that others shall discover—what is the truth that the Church in this country has passed through its trials and struggles on the way to the fulfillment of and national, a divine mission. It has been parsary principles of the historical Church. It has kept the integrity of the ministry, the creeds, the sacraments, and it has kept strictly to the prayer book as the method by which public worship can best be maintained. It is believed, as Dr. Shields suggests, that there is a stronger conviction of unity in worthe English book of Common ship than there is anything else, and it is well that there should be. The unity of worship is the union of hearts that are pouring out their life to God, and it is through a union of re-united Christianity in America hearts that the higher unity is to be are strongly and clearly stated. It reached which the contentions of sustains historical relations to the intellect have sadly hindered. In this view of the interest in the prayer book, its revision and possible enrichment acquire an importance which passes beyond the body authorized in this country to make changes in it. Its revision should have an outlook towards its possisible use quite beyond its present province. It may be that the increased familiarity with its uses for worship is to be one of the first steps toward a common life among what Dr. Shields happily calls "the United Churches of the United States."

THE UNION OF CHRIS-TENDOM.

BY THE LORD BISHOP OF SALISBURY.

That our blessed Saviour founded one Holy Catholic Church on earth, that He gave and gives His Holy Spirit for the purpose of making it one Holy and Catholic, and that it is His desire that it should continue one and return to unity when the bond of peace has been broken, is an axiom which, in my judgment, admits of no question. That it is sometimes necessary to break external unity in order to reform the life and doctrine of the Church, and so to return again to a higher unity which shall be more holy and more Catholic, I am also bold to affirm. These two principles are recognized as fundamental by the Church of England, and can insight, which are as rare as they Europe from which they sprang, hardly be denied by any who study the of national Churches as a theoretical

Bible and the history of the Church with candid minds and open eyes.

The fact, then, is patent that the unity of Christendom has been broken. The question for all who love the Lord Jesus Christ and desire to do His will, whether they be members of the English Church or not, is in what way we may recover the higher unity which ought to be our aim and object?

There are three possible forms of union in the Church, and perhaps more. At any rate, there are three which obviously present themselves to the mind of the inquirer.

First, there is that under a single ecclesiastical head, or vicar of Christ, which is the system of the Latin Church, and of those who submit to the discipline of Rome.

Secondly, there is the federation of national Churches, which has grown up almost simultaneously and yet independently in the Orthodox Eastern Church, and in our own Anglican Communion, with some parallels in other countries.

Thirdly, there is the theory of some of the sects, and notably of the Independents, that the ideal of Christian union is an association of scattered congregations in a general adherence to the name of Christ and a vague acceptance of the Bible, with perfect internal freedom accorded to each as to faith and discipline.

The first of these systems-that of the Latin Church—has had a partial, but very sufficient, trial. It has never asserted itself at all strongly without calling up a protest, and, notwithstanding some attractive features which it still possesses, it has failed to penetrate society, and to justify itself to the general conscience of mankind. To the English nation which knows and loves the Bible, the Papal Monarchy seems thoroughly inconsistent with what they there read. Its incidental results have been so painful in the strife which it has engendered between Church and State in many countries of Europe, that no patriotic statesman can wish to see this theory accepted by a large body of his countrymen.

The third or Independent ideal is nothing more than a chimerical project. It has just about as much or as little foundation as the Roman theory in the letter of Holy Scripture, while its historical successes are nothing by comparison. In England it was tried to a considerable extent under the rule of Cromwell, and produced in the Church such anarchy, confusion, and weakness, such bitterness and fanaticism, as to make the great majority of religious men of all classes and opinions welcome the re-establishment of the Church of England as a national blessing. So much for the past. The present success, whether temporal or spiritual, of the Independent sect in this country and elsewhere is, to say the least, no greater than that of others which differ essentially from it (such, for instance, as the Wesleyan Methodists). Further, its natural tendency to excess and confusion is checked partly by old trust-deeds under which its chapels are held, partly by the influence of the surrounding mass of Christian bodies of another type. Where it has become missionary, it has perforce become centralized and ecclesiastical. A Church theoretically constituted by roomfuls of half-taught people, each possessing a separate creed and discipline, is in practice found to be absurd.

There remains, then, the federation

both in the present and in the future. it were disestablished?" I fully believe This is the principle which seems to be that it would. But it would not have implied in the Old Testament, in which at all the same weight and dignity in mankind is regarded as a whole, the its external relations, nor would it form units of which are nations with a destiny and a future of their own. In the daughter Churches. The friction and national Church of Israel kings held a distraction caused by disestablishment. judicial and corrective authority, which has often been compared by our representative divines with the position of replace whatever endowments were our own Sovereigns. The Church of taken from it, would prevent anything Christ was founded indeed in a portion like powerful action at a distance, and of the globe subject to a single imperial cripple its missionary resources for a power, and therefore could not at the lengthened period. Many Nonconformvery first produce national Churches ists, I am persuaded, have felt the value exactly of the modern type; but from of such meetings as the "Bonn Conferthe first it seems to have adopted civil and provincial rather than congregational division as the basis of its organization. St. Paul writes, for instance, to the whole body of Christians in a sin-Thessalonica—consisting in all probability of several congregations—or to the Christians of a whole province like speaks in other places of the Christians of Roman provinces like Macedonia or Achaia as acting in common for charitable purposes (Rom. xv:26; 2 Cor. strengthened by the observation which toral Letter. all ecclesiastical historians have made, that the Episcopal sees of the early Church followed the lines of the divisions of the Roman State.

Again, when councils came to be held they were gatherings of the bishops of a province, or of some large di- been wanting many signs to show that vision of the empire, occasionally of the movement is not so full of vigor as the whole empire. Diocesan synods, it was a few years ago; it only needs though useful and necessary, never that the Church should bestir herself ventured to set themselves up against still more and exhibit to the world that the judgment of larger sections of the she is doing more than any other relig-Church. Much less did single congre- lious body for the good of the people, and discipline

Church, which supposed the single Pope to answer to the single (ideal) we have seen, the Latin system has been found wanting. Not to speak of and gladsome revival of great nationalities, as in Italy and Germany, has been in spite of the Church, not with the aid of the Church. In Eastern Christendom, on the contrary, the Church is everywhere the soul of the national life, and the creation of the new kingdoms of Greece, Servia, and Bulgaria has, if I am not mistaken, almost as a matter of course, created national Churches, taking rank independent of, but closely confederate with, those of Constantinople and Russia. The national Churches of Armenia, Syria and Egypt, though technically under the ban of heresy, are yet divided from the others by so slight a barrier that we may reasonably hope to see them one day advanced to membership of the same confederation.

of the Churches of the Anglican Communion, the daughters of the national familiar.

and practical basis of Christian union | Church of England remain national if | the students in the law, medical and so strong and stable a centre to its own and the great exertions necessary to create voluntary organization and to ence," and the action taken by some of our bishops (including my own father*) in holding out the right hand of fellowship to bishops of the Eastern Church and to Old Catholics in Germany and gle great city like Rome or Philippi or Switzerland. Will they not publicly say that for the sake of the possibility of such action and the hopes of reunion which it embodies, they will sacrifice Achaia (2 Cor. i:1), or Galatia. He the cry of religious equality? I fear that if it were possible to attain such an equality it would be accompanied with disastrous and factious intrigues for power at home, and irresolute and viii:1; ix:2). St. John in like manner confused action abroad. As it is, if the addresses the seven Churches of Asia Church of England is allowed another in the name of Christ as bound together hundred years of fair play, it may be in a way which other Churches were the centre of a Communion which will not—as the Churches, in fact, of an im- be able to treat on equal terms with perial province. This evidence is much Rome and Corstantinople.—First Pas-

*Dr. Christopher Wordsworth.

OPINIONS OF THE PRESS.

The [London] Church Review.

DISESTABLISHMENT.—There have not gations pretend to stand alone in faith that she is full of vitality, and is giving good value for the property she has in-Hence at the break up of the Roman herited, and the tide will once more Empire two theories alone had any turn in her favor. But it must not be weight, that of the Western or Latin by discountenancing every popular movement until it is too strong for her and then patronizing it. She must look Emperor-and that of the East which at each as it arises and try to lead it. held to the system of Patriarchates | She must not let dissenters take the and Exarchates. In modern times, as lead in opposing acts of injustice, nor preach that a man should be contented in that state of life in which God cerits grave doctrinal aberrations, we are | tainly never placed him, but to which forced to notice that the wholesome the rapacity of the avaricious have degraded him. In a word, she must be at the head of every movement to advance the religious, the moral, and the social condition of mankind without respect of persons or rank.

The Independent.

THE NEW YORK MISSION. - The choice of time and place seems to have been wisely made. There are thousands of men and women in this great city who are strangers to the Church and to Church influences, men and women so absorbed in society or in business or in the things of the world that the things of eternity receive no thought or care from them. It is a favorable time, because earnest Christians are feeling deeply the need of a revival of the spiritual life and energies of the Church; and a mission or revival not only saves This striking phenomenon is coinci- the sinner, it gives new life and hope dent with the remarkable development and strength to the professing Christian. The movement has been widely advertised, and committees are labor-Church of England, with which we are ing diligently to secure the conditions of success so far as they depend on hu-It may be said, "Would not the man agency. Notice has been sent to given is applied directly to the work of preparing

art schools, to clerks, to shop girls and others, and special efforts are being made to interest domestic servants who do not attend church.

We cannot doubt that the Advent Mission will be a success. We join with earnest Christians of whatever name in praying that God may work with his servants and that many may be won to his service.

The Church Helper.

MIND CURES.—The latest humbug going, travels under the title of "The Mind Cure and Science of Life." We were told the other day that leading ladies of one of our central Michigan towns had gone daft on the subject, much to the disgust of our informants. Its exponent makes a great sensation in certain communities and finds "there is money in it." Essentially, it is the old "animal magnetism" modified and minus the name, mingled with concealed pantheism, metaphysical rationalism, and diluted Ingersollism.

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PERSONAL MENTION.

The address of the Rev. A. E. Tortat has been hanged from Gettysburg, to Newtown Square, Delaware Co., Pa.

The address of the Rev. Matthew Henry is Brownsville, Tenn., not Mason as given in the Living Church Annual.

The Rev. M. H. Throop, Jr, has accepted the position of assistant at St. James's church, Chicago, and charge of the mission 633 Clark St. His address will be 409 Dearborn Ave., Chicago.

The Rev. Henry Lubeck, rector of Zion church, Fonda, has accepted a unanimous call from the vestry of Grace church, Lyons, N. Y., and will begin his duties there on the first Sunday in December. Address accordingly.

The address of the Rev. Edward Bradley for the month of December, will be 20 Highland Avenue, Atlanta, Georgia.

The address of the Rev. F. W. Bartlett is No. 5 Greenway Terrace, Syracuse, N. Y.

The Rev. Geo. B. Pratt has resigned the rectorship of St. Luke's church, Hastings, Minnesota, and accepted that of Grace church, Oak Park, Illinois.

Please address accordingly. The Rev. Frederick C. Jewell, S. T. B., has accepted a call to the rectorship of St. Paul's church, Jeffersonville, Indiana, and will enter upon his labors on the second Sunday in Advent. Address accord-

ingly. The Rev. J. McAlpin Harding will enter upon his duties as rector of St. Paul's church, Trenton, N. J., on New Year's Day, 1886, and desires after that day to be addressed accordingly.

The Rev. Joseph R. Gray has returned to Gainesville, Florida. Address accordingly.

APPEALS.

Will some benevolent person, or more highly favored parish, help our small struggling church by sending us a chalice and paten? Address REV. H O. RIDDEL, Cumberland Furnace, via Dickson Station. Tenn.

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Candidates for ordination. Address, the Rev. WILLIAM ADAMS, D.D., Acting President of Nashotah House, Nashotah, Wis.

An appeal is made for aid in building small chapels and preaching stations in the Savannah Convocation, diocese of Georgia. We have four missionaries with thirty-two stations, some white, some colored. Our funds are exhausted in paying their stipends, yet the work to be successful must have buildings. We need in all some fourteen chapels to cost about six thousand dollars, half of which is all we can raise here. We must therefore look to the Church in general for help. Unless we receive the three thousand, or at the least twenty-five hundred dollars required, we must be content to see our work nearly crippled.

All contributions will be gratefully received by REV. ANSON DODGE, ST. SIMON'S MILLS, GA.

The work in which the Rev. Mr. Dodge and his associates are engaged in Southern and Southwestern Georgia, has my hearty approval, and I trust the friends of the Church will extend to him such aid as may be in their power. J. W. BECKWITH.

Bishop of Georgia.

MARRIED.

STAUFFER-HALDEMAN.-In St. John's church, Marietta, Pa., on Monday, November 23, 1885, by the Rev. A T. Sharpe, S. T. B., Henry S. Stauffer. of Mount Joy, Pa., to Frances Henrica, daughter of the late Prof. S. S. Haldeman of Chickies, Pa.

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BOOK NOTICES.

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CHILDE HAROLD. By Lord Byron. Illustrated. New York: Ticknor & Co; Chicago; Jansen, Mc-Clurg & Co. Price \$6.00.

A very beautiful edition of the best and most popular of Byron's poems. The illustrations are admirable. The book is eminently suited for a Christmas gift.

THE LAST MEETING. A Story. By Brander Matthews. New York: Chas. Scribner's Sons; Chicago: S. A Maxwell & Co. Pp. 268. Price \$1.

A well written and thoroughly readable story. The plot may be said to turn on the machinations of a secret society—the Brotherhood of the Sea put in motion by one man's desire for revenge, and is the history of one of those remarkably mysterious disappearances which one occasionally hears of through the medium of the newspapers. The book will agreeably serve to while away a leisure hour.

A LARGER HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. To the Close of President Jackson's Administration. By Thomas Wentworth Higginson. Illustrated by Maps, Plans, Portraits and other engravings. New York: Harper & Brothers; Chicago: Jansen, McClurg & Co. 1886. Pp 470

This book written in the author's usual charming style, adds new interest and clearness to the hitherto disputed points in early American history. Every student will read it with satisfaction, and the book-lover peruse it with delight. Each subject has full and graphic treatment. The volume is greatly enlivened also by illustrations of many of the early antiquities—and by portraits of our great statesmen.

CITY COUSINS. By Mrs. J. W. Hays, author of "A Domestic Heroine," &c. &c. Pp.217. Price \$1.00. New York: Thomas Whittaker.

A BAND OF THREE. By L. T. Meade, author of "Scamp and I." Pp. 271. Price \$1.25. New York: Thomas Whittaker.

Two new books for children, by writers who have well proved their favor already with them. There is an evenly sustained interest in all Mrs. Hays's stories. Girls are especially fond of them. "A Band of Three" is an affecting story of youthful English street musicians. Both books are wholesome for children, and are well illustrated, the second having several good pictures by R. Barnes, an English draughtsman.

OLDHAM; OR BESIDE ALL WATERS. By Lucy Ellen Guernsey, author of "Lady Betty's Governess," etc., etc. New York: Thomas Whittaker. Pp. 370. Price, \$1.50.

Any one selecting books for a Sunday school library should take this for girls of the senior middle grade; they are sure to like it. It is a quiet, pleasing story, the scene being laid in a rural parish of New England. The author's preceding book, "Loveday's History," made her a strong mark for fame and disposed us to look into this with a bias of favorable expectation, which is not disappointed. While generally quiet this story has yet the right amount of tragic incident to stir the reader's emotions.

AMERICAN COMMONWEALTHS-MICHIGAN. A His tory of Governments. By Thomas McIntyre Cooley. 1885. Pp. 376.

KANSAS. The Prelude to the War for the Union. By Leverett Spring. 1885. Pp. 324.

Boston: Houghton, Mifflin & Co. Price \$1.25 each. Very great and general interest already exists among our people in relation to the early days of our country. It is not so much chronological records and political statistics that are needed, gained in so short a time, must be acas graphic and picturesque accounts of cepted as testimony to the merit of the the life of those days out of which has come the civilization of our own. This, the series before us is giving with great | due very largely to Prof. Harper-insatisfaction to all readers. New volumes are awaited with expectation and him. The summer school of Hebrew editor of the series is the eminent his-

volumes are in size and style like the series "American Statesmen," by the same publishers.

DAVY AND THE GOBLIN; or What Followed Reading "Alice's Adventures in Wonderland." By Chas. E. Carryl. Illustrated. Boston: Ticknor & Co.; Chicago; Jansen, McClurg & Co. Pp. 160. Price,

A delicious piece of nonsense, double-distilled, gilt-edged and illustrated; a medley of fun and fancy, mirth-provoking, child-pleasing, and universally entertaining. A pretty book, full of pretty conceits for pretty children. A book which a mirth-loving father would like to read to his young ones. A book to set the whole family in a roar of laughter. These admirable sketches first appeared in St. Nicholas magazine.

MENTAL GYMNASTICS or Lessons on Memory. By Adam Miller, M. D., author of "Life in Other Worlds," etc. Chicago: Daniel Ambrose. Pp. 48. Price \$1.

Many and various have been the methods devised for strengthening and aiding the faculty of memory. This work of Dr. Miller's is the latest, and certainly one of the most ingenious. To those having a natural mental bent towards association of ideas, it will undoubtedly be congenial and helpful, for the system therein set forth is based almost entirely on this law of association, and on this foundation is built up into a veritable memoria technica or artificial memory. But to others in whom the faculty of association is not strongly developed, we think it will seem too cumbrous and elaborate a method—too much like constructing a scaffold of more ponderous proportions than the building it helps to erect.

THE STRENGTH OF HER YOUTH. By Sarah Doudney, author of "Stepping Stones," etc., etc. New York: Thomas Whittaker. Pp. 225. Price, \$1.25.

Young girls like love-stories. Right and natural. Their being Sunday scholars does not materially affect their appetite in this direction. The only misery of it is that there should be on every hand such an abundance of vicious trash, under the form of tales of love, to debase youthful minds. Sifting a Church library, once upon a time, we found, Cecil Browne or Self-Denial; Robert Jones, or Brayery, and, "Griffith Gaunt, or Jealousy," poor Charles Reade's worst book. A committee had selected that library. doubtless by the sound of the titles. Needless to say which was the mostthumbed book of the lot. The one whose title even suggested something connected with love. We need more writers to take the field of Sunday school literature with Sarah Doudney. and give us sound, pure and natural stories of the love of religious girls, like this, "The Strength of Her Youth;" stories that we can happily put into the hands of our growing children at home, confident that the finest and most elevating instincts of their natural being only as it filters through the newspawill be ministered to in such a way that they may feel they can talk to father and mother about the subject of their interesting book.

INTRODUCTORY HEBREW METHOD AND MANUAL Second Edition.

LEMENTS OF HEBREW. Sixth Edition. Chicago: American Publication Society of Hebrew. Price \$2.00 each.

These two books by Prof. William R. Harper, Ph. D., are at present used in thirty institutions of learning in this country. This remarkable popularity books. The recent wonderful increase of interest in the study of Hebrew, is deed we may say, almost exclusively to country, was inaugurated by him. Its torian, Mr. Horace E. Scudder. The success gave rise to others. He is a namely, that of the English Bible. Its great lover of music, and a composer

magnetic and inspiring teacher with a new method. Is the success in the method or in the man? Will the method prove successful in the hands of other men? Perhaps it is too soon to answer these questions with certainty. But thirty Hebrew professors in different parts of the country have faith enough in the method to introduce it into their class rooms.

This great revival of Hebrew study in this country is without a parallel since the revival of learning in the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries in Europe. Some great thing is to come out of it for the Kingdom of God.

It would not, perhaps, be of general interest to the readers of The Living Church to present the peculiarities of Prof. Harper's method. Professors of Hebrew will best learn that by ordering the books. Certainly they cannot be indifferent, and will not rest content to ignore what threatens to be a great success. "When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the Lord, shall lift up a standard against him." The invasion of the Dutch school of criticism answers to the first half of the parallel. Perhaps the revived and reviving interest in Hebrew study may answer to the second half. It is truly a phenomenon of the times.

THE PENTATEUCH, ITS ORIGIN AND STRUCTURE. An Examination of Recent Theories, by Edwin Cone Bissell, D.D. New York; Charles Scribner's Sons; Chicago: S. A. Maxwell & Co. 1885. Pp. 484. Price, \$3.00.

This is a timely, able, and most important work. The subject treated is one which has been agitating scholars for a long time, but it has derived added interest from the fact that within a few years it has addressed itself to the popular mind. Our readers will remember the stir created not long since by Prof. Robertson Smith, of Scotland, in the publication of his work entitled, "The Old Testament in the Jewish Church." The public sympathy was enlisted at the time on behalf of Prof. to be a case of persecution. Prof. Smith had reached the conclusion that the Old Testament was, in many of its parts, but particularly in the Pentateuch, a compilation. This portion of the Bible, he affirmed, bore the name of Moses merely as its traditional author but really was the work of several hands. Still further, he announced it as the matured judgment of the ablest scholars of the age, that the entire ritualistic and sacrificial system of the Old Testament was of late origin, having come into full force only under Ezra after the Captivity. Like every other theory the results have reached the eye of many a one who never reads the books. Unbelief reaches the general public pers. This is true of scepticism, at least in its more learned form. Bits which are particularly brilliant, and particularly heretical, are slipped in to give a racy tang to many a dull column.

Now it is this theory, put forward by Prof. Smith in the readable form of a series of lectures, but advocated still more learnedly by German writers, which Dr. Bissell investigates. Nothing it seems to us can surpass the painstaking industry, and the profound learning, not to mention the candor, which characterizes the work. And, moreover, its learning is not abstruse. Though profitable reading for those who have given special attention to the subject, it lies within the easy range of the pew as well as of the pulpit. If the are warmly welcomed. The general in Chicago, the first of the kind in the book is read with the care it deserves it will lead to the best of all studies,

genuine merits should secure for it a wide, and industrious, and devout pe-

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OUR NEW YORK LETTER.

The annual choir festival of the choirs of Trinity parish, is always a notable event for lovers of Church music, and exercises an increasing influence not only within, but without, the Church in the metropolis. The thirteenth festival just held in Trinity chapel was distinctly arranged for educational effect. The choirs of Trinity church, St. John's. Smith by what was considered by many | Trinity, St. Chrysostom's and St. Paul's chapel, about a hundred and fifty surpliced choristers in all, filled the great chancel. A notable feature of the occasion was the rendering of an old Church tone called the Exeter, discovered in England by Mr. W. B. Gilbert, the organist of Trinity chapel, which gave an admirable illustration of the relation between the ancient Church tones and the great mediæval schools of ecclesiastical music. Following this Mr. Gilbert delivered an address describing the historical development of tones from the old Gregorian down to the present time, with examples in a series of anthems rendered finely by the combined choirs. The composers represented were Giovanni Croce, of Venice, later part of the sixteenth century; Vaughan Richardson of Winchester Cathedral, 1700, a good specimen of early English style; Bach, Haydn, Mendelssohn, Spohr and Mr. Gilbert. The latter anthem was a noble interpretation of Rev. vii: 9--17. One cannot listen to devout and lofty music rendered as this music was rendered, without feeling the conviction come over him, that the advance of true Churchly music bears a close relation to the development of true Churchly worship and Churchly life among us, a closer relation than some of us know.

Sunday last witnessed several interesting occurrences. As it chanced to be St. Cecilia's Day, it was made the occasion of special services at the church of St. Mary the Virgin, with the annual choir festival of that parish. The Rev. W. H. Cooke, of St. John's chapel, a of no mean ability, preached the anniversary sermon. Quite a different event took place at St. George's, Stuyvesant Square, where Bishop Bedell preached a sermon commemorating the late Dr. Stephen H. Tyng, and recounting numerous personal recollections of him, among others the fact that he and the Bishop's father, the late Dr. Bedell, of Philadelphia, labored earnestly together in opposition to the introduction of colored vestments for clergy and altars and other (then) "novelties." In Brooklyn. farewell services were held in the old chapel of the church of the Ascension, the original home of the parish, when that part of the city was but a country village. A stone church erected several years ago, and lately placed out of debt has stood by its side. But the old building has been used till recently for Sunday school purposes, and now is to be torn down to give place to a large parish house. The village has grown into one of the largest and most populous wards of Brooklyn, and the enlargement of the working facilities of the parish is timely. Throughout Brooklyn and the diocese of Long Island, Sunday was observed as "Diocesan Missionary Day," with special collects and offerings for diocesan missions. A pastoral of the Bishop was read from the chancels, and the clergy delivered sermons for the occasion. It strikes me that something like this might be adopted in this great diocese by the Assistant-Bishop, with beneficial results. He has his mind fully set upon new things in the mission work of the diocese, and whatever will accomplish the enlarged results that seem so necessary, will be in order.

Thanksgiving Day passed off with its usual festival observances, ecclesiastical and secular. I have not heard of anything very noteworthy, and take for granted that the churches presented, as has become customary, the aspect of liot are to conduct the mission at Calminiature and highly decorous garden vary, and Dean Hart, of Denver, at on both sides as to this fashion of vegetable decoration, but certainly, too much of it borders on the ridiculous, and a little goes a great ways. A critical sentiment is arising here, though rather slowly.

The Mission is the one all absorbing thought just now. The long-preparedfor event starts into being to-day. The Church and made its impression upon the denominations, as so many other things do. The presbytery of New York has arranged for something of the sort in seven of their places of worship, to be held simultaneously; and last week the pastors of several denominations met in Brooklyn and decided upon a united series of services with the same end in view. The amount of preliminary labor which our clergy in New York have gone through with is very great. They say that the Rev. Arthur Brooks, of the church of the Incarnation—a brother, by the way, of Dr. Phillips Brooks of Boston—has distributed between three and four thousand Mission circulars for his parish alone, besides doing a vast amount of personal visiting. Some of the churches having been unable to complete preparations, will not undertake to go on with the Mission; but twenty churches here and a number in part, and probably almost every parish

tain, that a noble effort is to be made in a right and needed direction. The address delivered by Bishop Littlejohn at St. Luke's Mission, has been issued in tract form, and is timely. Last Sunday, Dr. De Costa, one of the most earnest advocates of the movement. preached in St. John Evangelist's in explanation of its aims and scope, and the committee appointed by the Assistant-Bishop has once again put forth the statement of "Reasons" issued originally last spring—and with which the readers of The Living Church must certainly have made themselves already familiar.

Perhaps the most prominent of the

Mission preachers is the Rev. Dr. Francis Pigou, Vicar of Halifax, England and chaplain in ordinary to the Queen, who is to have charge at the fashionable church of the Heavenly Rest, Fifth Ave. He is a man who has distinguished himself in influence exerted among the aristocratic classes; but who has always combined with this, laborious energy for the spiritual welfare of the poorest of the poor-a devout, true priest. I happened to be in England at the time when he was promoted to the important position of Vicar of Halifax -a living of great influence, in the gift of the crown, and having a salary of \$10,000 a year attached. Much public interest was manifested in the appointment, and Dr. Pigou had already won such wide and favorable reputation, that the announcement of his name was received everywhere with marks of decided popular approval. For several years past he has done active work as a missioner, when opportunity has offered. The Rev. Mr. Aitken, with his assistants, the Rev. Mr. Stephens and Mrs. Crouch—the latter does very useful work among women-are to be at St. George's. Bishops Tuttle and Elshows. There is something to be said | Calvary chapel. Dr. Courtney will be missioner at the church of the Holy Communion, Dr. Richard Newton, and his son, the Rev. W. W. Newton of Massachusetts, at St. Mark's, Fathers Grafton and Prescott at the church of the Redeemer, Dr. Campbell Fair of Baltimore, at the church of the Reconciliation, the Rev. Mr. Van De Water of Brooklyn at St. Michael's, the Rev. movement for it has spread beyond the R. B. Ransford of England at both Zion and the Incarnation, assisted in each case by Canadian missioners, and the Rev. G. C. Betts of St. Louis, assisted by the Rev. Edward. A. Larrabee of Chicago, at the church of St. Mary the Virgin. An English missioner, the Rev. E. W. Warren, will conduct the services at the church of the Holy Trinity, and Canadians at two other churches-Canon Du Vernet in Dr. McKim's church in Harlem, and the Rev. Isaac M. Thompson at the church of the Holy Apostles. This is only a partial list. The first services of the Mission to-day, will in most cases be held in the evening, and will consist in a welcome to the missioners, with preliminary devotional exercises. On Sunday, daily Communion begins in all the churches—think of that in Dr. Tyng's old parish, and the very next Sunday after Bishop Bedell's memorial sermon. The services will be held almost continuously, at all hours of the the neighboring city will definitely take day, until the end of the Mission, and part, and probably almost every parish will be adapted to all classes in the will feel the influence. There is an undefined tone of earnestness in the air, that is quite perceptible, and everything is on the qui vive. I anticipate someting of criticism; but one thing is certain of criticism; but one thing is certain part, and probably almost every parish will be adapted to all classes in the community—the hope being by all means "to reach some." One especially for business in the defined tone of earnestness in the air, that is quite perceptible, and everything interesting service will be that held daily at noon by the Rev. Mr. Aitken, especially for business men, in Old the probably almost every parish will be adapted to all classes in the Church work is moving on quietly here. The rector of St. Luke's, the means "to reach some." One especially here. The rector of St. Luke's, the means "to reach some." One especially interesting service will be that held daily at noon by the Rev. Mr. Aitken, especially for business men, in Old For the present this devout colored con-

Trinity church, at the head of Wall Street.

New York, Nov. 28, 1885.

THE AMERICAN CHURCH.

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CALIFORNIA.

Pomona—St. Paul's Church.—A beautiful building, designed by Mr. Crocker of New York, and correct in every particular, has recently been erected in this new and growing town. It takes the place of one of the plainest, smallest and most un-Churchly churches that was ever put up anywhere. The new church is divided into nave, choir and sanctuary; and has a tower and spire on the northwest corner, the spire being surmounted by a gilt Latin cross three feet in height. There are also crosses on the eastern gable of the nave and of the chancel. The vestry is off the north side of the chancel and the organ chamber on the south. The choir which is separated from the nave by a low screen is reached by two steps, the sanctuary by two, and the altar by three. There is ample room on the re-table for all the proper ornaments—but all that are now seen are a floral cross and flowers in ordinary house vases. The church has been presented with a set of green hangings (complete except the priest's stole) and a large Bible for the lectern. The reredos rises to a height of about twelve feet from the sanctuary floor and has a very fine effect. Those friends in the East who have contributed to the building fund will be glad to learn that there is only a small debt remaining on what has been unanimously pronounced the most beautiful church in Southern California. Gifts of the ornaments and other things necessary to make the church complete in all its equipments, would be most welcome in this new and struggling mission.

SAN FRANCISCO-Trinity Church. The presentation to this church by Mrs. Leland Stanford of a chapel for mortuary uses, is, we believe, the first instance of the kind in the American Church. The loss by death in a distant land of an only and idolized child suggested to Mrs. Stanford and her distinguished husband the idea of providing in a complete and permanent form a temporary resting place for those to whom death comes while they are at a whom death comes while they are at a distance from home and friends. The organ gallery on the north side of the church which had been disused for several years and walled up, was appropriated to this use, and its fitting up has just been completed. The chapel is 18 feet wide and 40 feet long, with ample height of ceiling, pointed and finished in bays. Five windows were put in; the walls wainscotted about five feet from the floor and above that handsomely frescoed. The floor is richly carpeted, and about thirty tasteful chairs are ranged along the sides of the chapel. A diminutive chancel with chapel. A diminutive chancel with altar rail and vestments complete the whole. A beautiful cross above the altar and a pair of trestles for the casket with a large pall of purple velvet embroidered with silver have also been furnished. The chapel is very thoroughly ventilated and well provided with lights. Here those who really need can place their dead for a time, sitting beside them by day and providing watchers for the night. The rector of the church is the chaplain of the chapel and has control of the privilege of occupancy. Among the essential conditions are, that death shall not have been caused by contagious or male have been caused by contagious or malignant disease, and the casket deposited snall be hermetically sealed. The generous donor will doubtless be gratefully remembered by many sorrowing ones to whom her munificence shall prove a timely boon.

CONNECTICUT.

NEW HAVEN-Notes of Church Work.

gregation will occupy Trinity chapel on Temple Street. There is fitness in this arrangement as the originator of this parish, the Rev. Dr. Croswell, was for nearly half a century rector of Trinity church.

Besides a recess chancel, organ and robing-rooms, St. Luke's has had added to its nave about one-third of its original capacity. May it soon be filled, and may more room soon be needed.

A exquisite stained glass window has just been set in St. Thomas's church. It commemorates the late Mrs. Jane E. Matthews, a constant and generous friend of the parish.

Trinity church has introduced an early Celebration on the third Sunday of the month. The attendance on Sunday, November 15th, was not large, but encouraging. From twenty to thirty communed.

Trinity, being the mother parish in New Haven, may well set an example in all good works. But St. Paul's, her first born, has had an early Celebration on the third Sunday of the month for some time, St. John's, once a mission of St. Paul's, has a weekly Celebration, and Christ church, an offshoot of Trinity, celebrates on all Sundays and holy days throughout the year.

The United Advent Services in New Haven this year are to be held in Christ and St. John's church. Advent and Lent are the two great revival seasons of the Church. May there be a great out-pouring of the Holy Spirit during these penitential seasons.

NORTHERN NEW JERSEY.

HALEDON.-On All Saints' Day, the Bishop of the diocese visited St. Mary's parish, and confirmed a class of nine adults, presented by the minister-incharge. During the summer, the church has been thoroughly cleaned and greatly improved by the addition of a bright new carpet. The altar was further adorned on the twenty-fifth Sunday after Trinity with a handsome set of altar lights-Eucharistic and vesper. During the incumbency of the present minister-in-charge, some six months, thirty persons have been baptized and the congregations have largely increased in numbers.

MASSACHUSETTS.

SAUGUS.--On All Saints's Day Bishop Paddock confirmed a class of six at St. John's mission. This mission had struggled on for over a year almost unaided, when the Rev. T. L. Fisher, of Linden, began to hold regular Sunday services at 4 P. M. They have a little hall fitted up in Churchly style, and a Sunday school of seventy geholers. Sunday school of seventy scholars. About three years ago Mr. Fisher came to St. Luke's mission, Linden, as lay reader. Now they are a self-supporting parish, with a beautiful little church, tastefully finished in ash and with oak furniture. There is also a fine rectory in building. With the assistance of a lay reader, of Malden, and some young workers from St. Stephen's, Lynn, they hope to erect a chapel at Saugus.

CHICAGO.

CHICAGO.—St. Clement's Church.—The first annual commemoration of the benediction of this church was held on Sunday, Nov. 22d and Monday, St.Clement's Day, Nov. 23d. I'he festival opened with the first Evensong on Sun-

day evening, when a well prepared service was splendidly given by the choir.

The Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis were sung to a setting by Florio, and two elaborate anthems were also given, one, "The Heavens are telling," by Haydn, the other, "Praise the Lord, O my soul," by Sir John Goss. Canon Knowles, the pastor made an appropri-Knowles, the pastor, made an appropriate address congratulating the congregation upon the great progress of the Church during the past year, referring especially to the blessing of the daily Eucharist, with Matins and Evensong, continued without intermission, the doors ever open, and the large number of all classes of people who occupy its free seats. A procession of the choir about the church with a solemn Te Deum sung before the altar brought the service to a close.

The next day, St. Clement's, there were Celebrations at 7, 9 and 11—at this

church was again well filled, and the procession and Te Deum were repeated.

the Rev. M. V. Averill, of Naperville, the Rev. J. Stewart Smith, of Elgin, and the Rev. E. A. Larrabee, of the church of the Ascension. These latter priests sat at the right and left of the Bishop's throne and attended him as chaplains in the solemn procession. The Rev. Geo. T. Griffith, the Rev. H. C. Kinney, the Rev. Luther Pardee, and the Rev. Arthur P. Greenleaf, were

also present. A most happy spirit pervaded the whole festival, the congregations were large and devout, the Communions many, and the greater number at the early Celebration. A specially pleasant feature of the services at St. Clement's held at night, to which the members of is the hearty way in which the congre- all parishes are invited to come for the gation joins in the hymns and choral purpose of making special intercession responses. The elaborate anthem is at that time for the object set forth listened to and united in with devotion, herewith. The purposes of these meetand gives greater zest to the familiar hymns. A reception to the Bishop, clergy and choristers, given at the hospitable mansion of the founder, Mr. George A. Armour, brought the happy occasion to an end.

CHICAGO—Church of the Ascension.— The Rev. E. A. Larrabee, the rector, has gone East to assist in the Advent Mission. Prof. Gold, S. T. D., of the Western Theological Seminary, will take charge of this parish in the absence of its rector.

WESTERN NEW YORK.

LOCKPORT.— Christ Church. — The Bishop of the diocese made his annual visitation to this parish on the evening of November 23d. There were present and assisted in the services, the Rev. and assisted in the services, the Rev. F. S. Dunham, rector of Christ church, Albion; C. W. Camp, rector of Grace church, Lockport; and S. Wilbur, rector of Epiphany church, Suspension Bridge. The Bishop preached an able and interesting discourse to a large and attentive congregation from 2 Peter, iii:12—"Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God." The rector, the Rev. G. W. Southwell, presented eight persons for Confirmation. sented eight persons for Confirmation, making sixty-one persons confirmed during his rectorship.

JAMESTOWN.—The Bishop visited St. Luke's parish on the morning of Thanksgiving Day. He preached a ser-mon appropriate to the day, from Isa. 1: 19, "When the enemy shall come in like a flood the Spirit of the Lord shall lift up a standard against him." The the altar, its furniture, linen and vesttion of a nation, or of the Church, God righteousness of Christians as a body, or by raising up individual men fitted for the time, as Wesley for instance, or filled by a congregation composed not only of the parishioners, but of representatives of the sects in the town. Liberal offerings were made for the poor and the collection, appropriated in this diocese by canon to the rector, amounted to \$36. A class of twenty-five was presented for Confirmation.

In the evening the Bishop, with the rector of St. Luke's, went to Randolph, seventeen miles distant, and held service in the beautiful little church in that village. The congregation there is, unfortunately, at present without any minister-in-charge. The Bishop hopes to send some one to them soon. The people are desirous to have the services of the Church again, and the field seems to be one that would well repay the labors of a man who would cultivate it not only with energy, but with good common sense, and a little "tact," qualities with which the clergy should always try to balance their activity.

TENNESSEE.

NASHVILLE—Episcopal Visitation.— Bishop Quintard visited this parish on the twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity, and at the night services confirmed ten persons, four of whom had received hypothetical Baptism in the morning, having come into the Church from different sectarian bodies. The Bishop preached a most convincing sermon upon the authority and necessity of Confirmation. Chairs had to be brought in to accommodate the congregation, and even all the available standing room was closely occupied.

afternoon at the church of the Advent. The Bishop desires that the laymen of There were present in the chancel, this city shall meet in their respective churches on one night in each week during the Advent season in order to confer, together and with their clergy, as to how best they may further the work of the Church in this city.

NASHVILLE—Advent Meetings.—The clergy have arranged a series of Advent meetings in their churches. There is a short service, a paper or address upon selected topics by one of the clergy as a leader, and short talks upon the same subject by others of the clergy, and by some of the laity. On the morning of each meeting at 10:30 o'clock, there is a celebration of the Holy Communion in the church where the meeting is to be ings are to bring individual and parochial work into distinct prominence, and to discuss the best way of doing that work.

NASHVILLE - Ordination. - On November 25th, in St. Ann's church. the Bishop advanced the Rev. Messrs. T. Foote and M. Cabell Martin to the priesthood. The Bishop himself preached the sermon. In the evening in the same church, he confirmed a class of six.

NEW YORK

HIGH FALLS.—Opening of a New Church.—After long years of patient waiting and working, this village has been blessed by the erection of a lovely memorial church, the gift of pious souls, who have thus done their best to supply the spiritual wants of the large population of cement-workers and quarrymen whom the Dutch Reformed and Methodist bodies have failed to attract or to reach. A mission service and Sunday school have drawn many to the Church's service, hitherto held in a tent, a public hall, or an unused store, and the new mission starts with a communicant's roll of ten, a Sunday School of fifty, and free church accommodation for about 140 persons. The church. which is dedicated to St. John, was opened on the 24th Sunday after Trinity, and is a frame building. early English in style, designed by Mr. Renwick. It consists of a nave with bell-cot, and deep western porch, and measures 46x21 feet. In the absence of the Assistant Bishor main thought was that in the degenera- ings were blessed and the opening services conducted by the Rev. Mr. Ransinterfered to save it by increasing the ford, priest in charge of this and the churches at Stone Ridge and Rosendale. Twenty-five persons received the Holy Communion and \$28.30 formed the offby sending His sore judgment of plague. ertory. A night-school and young peopestilence and famine. The church was ple's institute will shortly be formed ple's institute will shortly be formed

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA.

MONTOURSVILLE.—The Rev. Percy C. Webber, of Tioga, Pa., has conducted a most successful mission in the parish church of this place. It began on the afternoon of Monday, November 16, and closed on Saturday. There were no less than 35 services, including daily the large congregation present entered etc., by committees selected from sev-Celebrations, Morning and Evening into the service with great heartiness eral of the classes for that purpose. Prayer, addresses to workers, children's service, service for women only, and for men only, instructions, and after meetings. Questions were also answered—given anonymously in writing. No such series of services was ever known in Montoursville before. The opening congregation was good, but the attendance steadily increased. At the service for men only, the church was filled with men. At the closing evening service Mr. Webber held the unflagging attention of the people for nearly three hours, the church being ifilled to its utmost capacity, seats being brought in for the alleys and other open spaces, the sacristy being filled, many standing throughout, and at least a hundred being unable to enter at all. Great numbers attended throughout who had never entered one of our churches before. The utmost satisfaction was expressed by the energetic and devoted rector of the parish—the Rev. C. J. Kilgour—as well as by all who took part in these interesting services. Mr. Webber has certainly rare gifts for this kind of work.

PITTSBURGH.

by Bishop Whitehead. Present and taking part in the services were the Rev. Drs. Wm. White and J. Crocker White; the Rev. Messrs. Maxwell, Coster, Taylor, Schorr, Danner, Miller, and Williams; the rector, and the general missionary of the diocese, and the Rev. Wm. F. Brand of the diocese of Maryland. The request to consecrate was read by Alfred Howell, Esq., and the sentence of consecration by the Rev. R. J. Coster, secretary of the convention. There was a large attendance and the services interesting, Mr. Jardine of New York, the builder of the organ, presiding at the instrument. The Bishop preached an admirable and Churchly sermon from 2, Pet. i: 12.

The church is of stone, substantial and complete in all its parts, the chan-cel commodious and furnished handsomely. All the windows are memorial, the centre one in the chancel which proclaims the Transfiguration, being to the memory of the first Bishop of Pittsburg; and the two on either side to Judges Gilmore and Wilson, prominent officers in the history of the parish. The entire cost of the building was a little over \$17,000, including a superior pipe organ, and is a credit to the town, and a worthy evidence of the patient, untiring labor of the Rev. R. S. Smith, who has held the position of rector for over twenty-three years.

INDIANA.

FORT WAYNE.—Trinity Church.—The annual Harvest Home festival of this parish was held on Sunday, Oct. 25th. The decorations were quite elaborate. The order of service, in the morning, was that suggested by the Bishop, with the celebration of the Holy Communion. The rector dwelt upon the lesson to be learned from the order of the services which began with thanksgiving for the temporal blessings of bountiful harvests and culminated with the Eucharist as the service of thanksgiving for the inestimable benefits of the sacrifice of the death of Christ.

The evening service was specially arranged for the children of the parish. An interesting feature was the ceremony of bringing in the sheaves. A procession, consisting of the surpliced choir of the parish, preceded by a band from the Bishop, and his prayers and of youths and maidens, the latter in blessing. white dresses, each bearing a small sheaf of wheat, made the circuit of the church, to the music of Gilbert's spirited processional, "Come, oh, come, with sacred lays." Reaching the chancel steps the sheaves were formed into Sunday after Trinity possessed some a single cluster or pyramid on the floor of the chancel. The music at both services was admirably rendered and cession, the various classes occupying very hearty. The offertory, morning the pews designated by the class banner. and evening, was for diocesan missions.

On Tuesday evening, the 27th inst., ated in the midst of a farming community, a short distance from the city, services of a somewhat similar character were held by the rector of Trinity church, being the first time that the years, at all the great festivals, the worshippers at this chapel have shown a of the Church.

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OSKALOOSA.--The Bishop made his visitation to St. James's parish Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 7th and 8th. In the afternoon of Saturday he visited the industrial school and took a look at the city. In the evening there was an informal reception for him at the residence of J. M. Lyford, whose guest he was while in the city. On Sunday morning the Holy Communion was administered at nine o'clock, the Bishop being celebrant, at which time he gave a short but very instructive address.
At 10:30 Morning Prayer was said, after which the Bishop preached a very strong sermon, taking for his text, "Never Man spake like this Man." In the afternoon, services were held at Excelsior, in the "Haw Patch" school house at 3:30 the Bishop preaching house, at 3:30, the Bishop preaching. In the evening there was a perfect jam at the church, the aisles being filled Upon the same day he confirmed a class of eighteen in the morning at Christ church, and one of nine in the class of eighteen in the morning at Christ church, and one of nine in the classes in the evening. A commodious parish building will soon

Allen Judd, presented a class of thirteen for Confirmation—the largest class ever presented in this parish. After the rite was administered the Bishop delivered a very instructive and effective charge. The music was well rendered by the choir, and altogether the good people of St. James's had a happy day. The Bishop seemed pleased with the many signs of prosperity visible on every hand.

CEDAR RAPIDS—Ordination.—On Friday, November 6th, at a special ordination held at Grace church, Bishop Perry admitted to the diaconate, Mr. Charles Henry Baggs of the Episcopal Theolog-ical School, Cambridge, Mass. The can-didate was presented by the Rev. Samuel Ringgold, D. D., rector of the parish, who, a number of years before, had presented Mr. Baggs in another diocese for Confirmation. The sermon, an admirable one, was delivered by the Rev. D. Claiborne Garrett, of Davenport, who, with the Rev. F. Duncan Jaudon of Dyersville, took part in the services. The Rev. Dr. Johnson, of Burlington, was also present. Mr. Baggs will take charge of the chapel here, and in part supply at the parish church during the absence of the rector in the south.

WESTERN MICHIGAN.

Muskegon—St. Paul's Church.— This was the appointed place of the meeting of the Diocesan Conference, on November 17, 18, and 19. The Bishop and a goodly number of the clergy were present, and also the vested choirboys of St. Mark's, Grand Rapids, led by their able precentor, the Rev. F. A. De Rosset. Sermons were preached by the Rev. Samuel Earp, the Rev. J. N. Rippey, and the Rev. E. G. Nock, and several able and instructive papers read, causing animated discussions. Lunches were provided by the generous hospitalities of the people of St. Paul's parish, led on by their able rector. On motion of the missionary at Manistee, prayers and sympathies were promised the bereaved sister diocese of Florida, and the family of Bishop Young. And late Thursday night all were loathe to depart to depart from such "a feast of fat things," with lov-

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points of more than local interest.

The school entered the church in pro-After a short service, including thanksgiving collects, and the delivery at the request of the worshippers at of an appropriate address by the rector, Glenwood chapel (Presbyterian), situ- the Rev. R. Bowden Shepherd, the

names of the classes were called, and each child, beginning with the "Lambs of the Fold" (the intant class), approached the chancel and presented its offering. These consisted of articles of festival of Harvest Home had ever been diet and fruits, which were afterwards held there. At the suggestion of the distributed to the poor of the parish rector, the chapel was very tastefully and to several charitable institutionsdecorated with fruits and grains, and Episcopal Hospital, Sheltering Arms, and evident interest. For the past two years, at all the great festivals, the wor-(for crippled children), an excellent insimilar preference for the ministrations | stitution located in West Philadelphia.

The happy faces of the dear children indicated that they realized that "it is more blessed to give than to receive," and the lesson taught in practical charity, both by the giving and distribution of their gifts, cannot fail to develop into larger proportions as they grow in age and in grace.

PHILADELPHIA—General Notes.—The tenth anniversary of St. Barnabas's church, Kensington, the Rev. Charles E. Betticher, rector, was celebrated on Sunday, October 25th. This work was begun in the fall of 1875, when a Bible class of thirteen and the same number of children were assembled in a room on Second Street. Now there are 800 in the Sunday school, and 349 actual communicants. The anniversary sermon was delivered in the morning by the rector. In the afternoon the anniversary of the schools was kept, when addresses were made by the rector and the Rev. Thomas A. Latimer. The Rev. Reese F. Alsop, D. D., the rector

be erected on a lot across Diamond

A missionary conference was held in Philadelphia on Wednesday and Thursday, November 18 and 19, in commemoration of the re-organization of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society in 1835, and of the consecration of the Rt. Rev. Jackson Kemper, D. D., the first missionary Bishop. The open-ing services were held in Christ church. Morning Prayer and Litany were said by the rector, the Rev. E. A. Foggo, D. D., and his assistant, the Rev. E. C. Belcher. At 11 o'clock there was a ed by the Bishop of Ohio, the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania, and the Missionary Bishop of Northern Texas; the Bishop of Minnesota and the Missionary Bishop of Minnesota and the Missionary Bishop of Western Texas, the Rev. E. A. Foggo, D. D., the Rev. T. F. Dav-ies, D. D., the Rev. Richard Newton, D. D., the Rev. Wm. S. Langford, D.D., the Rev. James H. Lamb, and the Rev. J. McA. Harding were vested and in the chancel. The Bishop of the diocese was prevented from being present by his exertions of the previous day.

The preacher was the Rt. Rev. Henry Benjamin Whipple, D. D., Bishop of Minnesota. His text Isaiah xxxii:20. "Blessed are ye that sow beside all waters, that send thither the feet of the ox and the ass." He passed in brief review the missions in China, Japan, Polynesia, and Africa, how those countries had been opened to Christianity within 50 years, and how much had been done in them by the labors of Commodore Perry, of Livingstone and Stanley, of Bishops Selwyn and Patterson. He showed that the American Church half a century ago was but a feeble vine; that the consecration of Bishop Kemper was a crisis, but that he was the man for the work, giving an account of his life and what he had been able to accomplish; how he had found time to journey over his vast field and to make a visitation for Bishop Otey in the whole of his jurisdiction. Since Bishop Kemper's consecration he said there have been 105 bishops consecrated, and more than 3,000 names added to the clergy list. Thirteen missionary bishops have been consecrated. There are now 46 diocesan and four assistant bishops. Eight dioceses have been created out of Bishop Kemper's The Bishop urged all present to pray jurisdiction. In 1835 there were no and give, and to give in proportion to schools or hospitals and only a few the earnestness of their prayers. scattered parishes. Now there are 10 hospitals, 20 incorporated schools and Michigan spoke of "The Future of Do-colleges, and more than 500 clergy, as mestic Missions." showing that with all well as 12 Indian clergy and 500 Indian communicants. "We are only gleaners" continued the Bishop, "where God would have given us the harvest." He spoke of the wealth of the Church race. That the form of religion that and the prominence of its members, and went on to say, "How does it happen that with all our wealth the cry is Saxons, that it ought to take control of always of an impoverished treasury, and shape the destinies of our people. that the cry of the reapers from whom It is our duty to realize our mission and is withheld that which is due them, to feel our responsibilities. That we and of the widows and orphans of those ought to utilize all the agencies prowho died in the Master's service goes vided by the civilization around us up day by day without relief to heaven? | which is our civilization, as an example Is the Kingdom of God the only of which we have the public school syskingdom on earth which has no tem of the land. He urged that the Inright to levy tribute on its subjects? It is not work which is eating out the life of your noblest Bishops, it is hearing the bleating of the lost sheep, it is the saying, 'I have not men to send after them.' We need not so much numbers and wealth, but a Baptism of the Holy Ghost. We need, and must have, the constraining power of the love of Christ. The Church exists only to train souls for heaven. Its orders may be unquestioned, its agreement in doctrine with the primitive Church may be perfect, but unless it train men in personal holiness, its orthodoxy will be as useless as was that of the Scribes and Pharisees." He said storm clouds are lowering and threaten both the Church and the nation, and that the only way to meet the questions of capital and labor and to counteract the spirit of the commune which is in our midst is by declaring the Gospel of Jesus Christ in the brotherhood of children of one Father in heaven.

In the evening a public meeting was held when the Bishop of Delaware presided. The Bishop of Ohio and the Missionary Bishop of Western Texas were The speed for Missions was said by the Rev. Wm. by the large congregations in attend-S. Langford, D. D., and the Rev. Wm. ance. The conference was closed with 14 & 16 Astor Place, New York.

N. McVickar, D.D. The Missionary Bishop of Western Texas made an address on "The Present of Domestic Missions." He spoke of the good Domestic Missions had done among the Indians and the better feeling it had created in the national mind toward the people we had cast out; of what we should do for the people we had brought in, i. e., the Freedmen, that we should give them the Gospel of Jesus as it is, as it relates to their moral nature; that well trained and thoroughly furnished clergy should be given them. He pointed out what had been done in the weaker celebration of the Holy Communion by dioceses and earnestly pressed the need the Bishop of Delaware, the Presiding of far more liberal support. In closing Bishop of the American Church, assist- he paid a glowing tribute to the labors of the Women's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions for their many aids which they have sent to the missionaries in their far off homes which they have so much brightened as well as cheered their inmates.

> An address was made by the Rev. W. S. Rainsford in which he pressed the need of mission work in our large cities, the need of keeping open our churches more than twice on Sunday, of a more thoroughly furnished ministry, and the need of the laity to help the clarge her sunday. power of the laity to help the clergy by making their religion practical and carrying it into their offices, and workshops as well as to the marts of trade.

On Thursday morning after Morning Prayer by the Rev. Charles R. Hale, D. D., the Rev. W. S. Langford, D. D., and the Rev. S. F. Hotchkin, the Bishop of Ohio delivered an address on"The Present of Foreign Missions." He shewed how small the contributions to missions by the American Church really were, only 50 cents to each communicant last year; how that the missionaries have gone to all lands and unto all nations from the tropics to the poles. He pointed out the dangers of so rapid material progress in China and Japan, the opposition of anti Christians who were striving to destroy what the missionaries had done. What immense power was being wielded by our medical missions in those vast empires. Turning to Africa he spoke of the Congo and the Soudan and what the Missionary Bishop of Cape Palmas and parts adjacent was doing, and what was his purpose for the future: how he had already planted the future; how he had already planted five outposts, and that he would plant mission houses, schools and churches as rapidly as he had the means to do so.

At the evening meeting the Bishop of mestic Missions," showing that with all the elements which came into this land the power of the Anglo Saxon predominated, and that we would continue to be a branch of the great Anglo Saxon dians be made as the wnite man, given the white man scivilization and brought under his laws. Our treatment of the colored man has failed because we have failed to give him the Anglo Saxon Christianity and a consciousness of duty. God has called this Church of ours to take charge of Christian missions in our land, and he was sure that she would do it.

The Rev. J. H. Eccleston, D. D., of Baltimore, in speaking of "The Future of Foreign Missions" said that the work was hindered by our divisions, that none could do the work like the Church. But it depends upon our belief at home, showing how closely we were connected with the mission stations and how our faith and doubts helped or hindered the

Mr. Russell Sturgis, Jr., was the last speaker of the conference. He spoke of "What a Layman can do for Missions," instancing among other things the missionary enrollment plan suggested by a layman and by laymen carried on without a dollar of expense to

The speeches were all earnest and also present. A short office of Prayer | were listened to with marked attention

a few remarks by the Rev. Dr. Langford, the General Secretary of the Board of Missions, and with the Benediction by the Bishop of Delaware.

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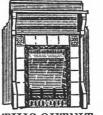
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