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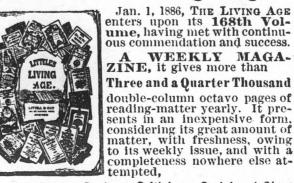


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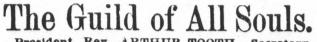
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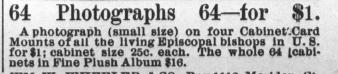
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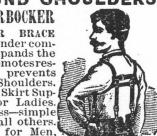
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They tell me He will hear If I but pray to Him on high; And though the King of kings, yet He is nigh,

service, and will probably put him to be made in the various churches of the the court, was represented by a surrodeath. No reason is given for the city in the next cold weather." King's action.

sister, Mrs. R. P. King, of Standish House, near Gloucester, has left England for Egypt and Palestine and Italy; the Canon's condition imperatively requiring lengthened and absolute rest.

A COMMISSION consisting of the Rev. Drs. Harison and Tucker, and the Rev. Messrs. Fulcher, Houghton, and Whittemore, has been appointed in the diocese of Albany to prepare a supplemental hymnal, and to urge the General Convention to authorize its use. The death of Dr. Harrison will be a serious loss to the committee and the Church.

THE (London) Church Review thus speaks of the prominent scholar and divine whose death was recently noticed in this column: "The Very Rev. J. S. Howson, Dean of Chester, though not by any means of our way of thinking. has made for himself a name, which deserves to be enrolled among the worthies of our Church, by the standard classic which he, along with Mr. Conybeare. produced in the "Life and Epistles of St. Paul," and by the energy and good taste with which he accomplished the restoration of Chester cathedral."

LORD ALWYNE COMPTON, Dean of Worcester, of whose appointment to the Bishopric of Ely we spoke last week, is a conservative High Churchman and a thoroughly practical man. Though not a great preacher, like his predecessor at Ely, he will doubtless be a popular bishop and a tolerant one. He is a man who can work cordially with such men as Knox-Little and Dr. Butler, the new Dean of Lincoln, both of whom have against the expulsion of the Sisters of It was Lord Compton who headed the Paris, has just been published. No memorial for the permissive use of vestments, while he himself preached in a black gown. IT will be a matter of regret to many to learn that the death knell has been sounded of one of the most interesting groups of buildings in London, the Charterhouse of the old Carthusian monks, of Sutton, of the Dukes of Norfolk, of Thackeray. It is proposed to remove the charity from London and to drive a new street through the grounds from Charter-house square to Clerkenwell-road. Howard House, which was formerly the residence of the Dukes of Norfolk, and the fine dining-hall of the poor brethren, are proposed to be spared. The scheme has been for a long time in preparation. and the plea for the destruction of the Charterhouse is the insufficiency of the income of the charity estate. THE Ceylon Diocesan Gazette says: "We are now very nearly reaching the £3,500, which which will entitle us to draw the first instalment of £1,500 from the Church Societies for the endowment of the Bishopric of Colombo. Within the last month the Archdeacon of Calcutta has remitted direct to the Colonial Bishopric's Fund £150. We have also to acknowledge with gratitude 2,300 rupees received from the Lord Bishop of Madras. Of this sum 1,000 rupees is his lordship's own subscription, and the rest has been col-THE King of Mombasa, in Central lected in his diocese. Nothing has as

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sical scholars in Italy, and his poems

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tions on the mainland, using the is-

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sary.

A PROTEST signed by the whole body of medical attendants at the hospitals, been canons under him at Worcester. Charity from the public hospitals of fewer than 106 doctors attached to the Paris hospitals have signed a petition to the Minister of the Interior, in which they say that, "in demanding the retention of the religious orders in the hospitals and infirmaries which they attend, they consider that they are upholding at once the best interests of the patients confided to their care, as well as the good order and keeping of the institutions themselves." Considering the opinions understood to prevail so largely amongst French medical men,a more emphatic recognition of the invaluable services of which they thus speak could scarcely have been given. And to this must be added the fact, about which there is no dispute possible, of the infinitely greater expense incurred by the substitution of lay nurses for the sisters. But no considerations of this kind seem likely to affect the Municipal Council and its Radical friends in the Chamber, who continue to "laicise" alike in school and hospital; and whose organs in the press are now full of abuse against the medical men for the step they have just taken, and even go so far as to accuse of "clericalism" a class who have always been regarded as, above all others, least open to sacerdotal influence. The aim of the Council is clearly seen in the expression of one of its members, M. Deschamp: "C'est la religion que nous voulons frapper."

gate. For refusing to discontinue a certain ritual against which he had been admonished, the Rev. James Bell-Cox was suspended ab officio for six months. The Liverpool Mercury thinks the proceeding savors of persecution. The prosecutor was not a member of the congregation, all of whom sustain their pastor. It is another case of interference by the Church Association, generally known as the Church Persecution Society. The church of Mr. Bell-Cox was built and is sustained by the offerings of the people and the State has not a penny invested in it. Suspension, fines, and imprisonments will only help forward the cause of disestablishment and will not help forward the cause of Evangelical religion. The Mercury well says: "The prosecution of Mr. Bell-Cox, strikes us as a woeful mistake, and as at utter variance with the fundamental principles of civil and religious freedom. If the incumbent of St. Margaret's were forcing sacramentarianism down his people's throats, and, deaf to all their remonstrances, were denouncing Evangelicalism as an utter delusion, we might have something to say; but the prosecution by an outsider of a clergyman whom his people, who know him best, regard as strictly unoffending, is not a gratifying spectacle, and presents too many of the elements of the old rack and thumbscrew ever to commend it to the calm and sober-minded judgment of the people of this country."

HEROES OF THE CHURCH. BY CAROLINE F. LITTLE. II. ST. IGNATIUS.

To listen if I whisper IIim or cry.

I have no need to speak, They say, if I but think of Him with love. A shining host of blessed ones above. Break into rapturous strain, "O Holy Dove!"

Singing in sweetest choir, They bear my happy thoughts, to keep Till ages roll away, and I shall sleep 'fill judgment angels will the harvest reap

They say that He loves me! Loves me! weak, sinful, can it be? Oh this is far more wonderful to me Than e'en the Holy Triune mystery!

Then Him 1 fain must love. Though oft my spirit totters on the brink Of doubt that's wonder-born, that He doth think

Of one who is so frail! 1 cannot sink-

His strength doth bear me up. Though veiled, He daily feeds each willing

- heart
- With Food so pure that Satan's hosts depart,
- While souls and angels feed upon the feast apart.

Jesu! my food, my life!

And this thrice wondrous love; that He is nigh

To breathe His peace to every soul-sick cry-This is the love which crown-ed Calvary! Colorado, 1885.

NEWS AND NOTES.

A RUMOR is prevalent in Church circles that the Bishopric of Manchester has been offered to and accepted by the Rev. George Herbert Curteis, M. A., Principal of Lichfield Theological College.

Africa, has seized Bishop Hannington,

THE Liverpool ritual case has reached its climax in a judgment rendered by yet been done in Madras itself, but the the York Chancery Court, in York not enter into the kingdom of heaven. who has been so energetic in missionary | Bishop proposes that an appeal should Minster. Lord Penzance, president of Whosoever therefore shall humble him-

Leaves of autumn tell the story How our lives must also pass,

And that this world's pomp and glory Fadeth like the summer grass; Earthly joys are vain and hollow.

Earthly hopes but poor at best, Christ's true martyr, we would follow In thy steps, and gain our rest!

Picture to yourself a scene in the sunny land of Palestine. The great Teacher sits surrounded by the people, some who come to hear Him from real interest, and others who come out of mere curiosity. The disciples press around eager to ask Him questions, and hear the words of wisdom which ever fall from His divine lips. To-day their inquiry is: "Who, is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?"

In the group that were gathered around Christ were children, perhaps brought by their mothers, who wanted to listen to the precepts of the new religion, yet who could not come without them. Our Lord loved to have the little ones about Him, for He saw the immortal germ within, and knew that in their innocence and purity they came into this world,"trailing clouds of glory from heaven which was their home." No one can be really great or noble who has no tender feeling in his heart for children.

The disciples awaited their answer. And Christ turning to a child who stoed near called him to His side. All eyes turned to look upon the fair face of the boy as he obeyed the summons, while the Lord thus made answer: "Verily I say unto you, except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall

self as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven. And whoso shall receive one such little child in My name, receiveth Me. But, whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in Me, it were better that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea."

We can imagine the pleasure of the mother, if she were present, as she beheld her child thus honored by the Master. Surely every care must have been lifted from her heart, like the Jewish mother, in those quaint old verses, who desired to bring her children to Christ:

I feel such a burden of care,

If I carry it to the Master

Perchance 1 may leave it there. If He lay His hands on the children,

My heart will grow lighter I know,

For a blessing forever and ever

Will follow them as they go. None in that throng, save One, dreamed what awaited this young boy when the snows of declining years should have whitened the golden head. Who can look upon any happy child, and not wonder what lies in store for it in the coming years?

Oh my heart grows weak as a woman's, And fountains of feeling will flow,

When I think of the path steep and stony Where the feet of the dear ones must go:

Of the mountains of sin hanging o'er them Of the tempests of fate growing wild:

Oh there's nothing on earth half so holy As the innocent heart of a child!

They are idols of hearts and of households: They are angels of God in disguise:

His sunlight still sleeps in their tresses: His glory still beams in their eyes.

Oh these truants from earth and from heaven

J'hey have made me more manly and mild And I know how Jesus could liken

'The kingdom of God to a child!

The strength this little child received from the touch of our Lord's Sacred Hands would be needed to sustain him in the trials of the life which lay before him, for they were to be many, and at the end he was to receive a martyr's the great conqueror Death. As the vessel God's praises antiphonally, and intro- address is Aspdin Post Office, Muskoka, crown. Yes, this little one, tradition sailed into the harbor at Rome. the tells us,* was no other than the the great St. Ignatius, who received the little Theophorus, the Christ-bearer, or one in whom dwells the Holy Spirit. Neither history nor legend tell us anything more in regard to the youth of Ignatius; whether he saw the Lord again or not we shall never know. But it is asserted positively that he together with the holy Polycarp afterwards became the disciples of St. John, and from him they learned the teachings of Christian Faith. In time Ignatius became the Bishop of Antioch, that city where Christ's followers were first call- into the sanded arena. He, the long ment of the obligation resting upon ed Christians. He occupied a position of great importance in the Church, and was wielding a potent influence not only mans, it is not for any crime that I am throughout Syria but also wherever the Church had been established, at the time Trajan became Emperor of Rome. It must not be supposed that the Christians were persecuted continuous-Seasons of respite were granted them, when the Church thrived and converts multiplied rapidly. Then some persecution, earthquake, or other disaster alarmed the people, and fearing that the gods were angered at the impiety of this new sect, the general cry would arise "Christianos ad leones."

shook the city to its foundations. Many were killed, and the Emperor himself was only saved by leaping from a window. This great disaster he immediately laid to the charge of the Christians. St. Ignatius appeared before him and voluntarily declared himself a Christian, claiming that he carried Christ within

his breast. "Do you mean Him Who was crucified under Pontius Pilate?" said Trajan. Ignatius replied, "I mean Him Who crucified my sin with him who was the inventor, and who has condemned all the deceit and malice of the devil under the feet of those who carry Him in their hearts." Then the Emperor exclaimed, "Dost thou then carry within thee Him that was crucified ?''

"Truly so; for it is written, 'I will dwell in them and walk in them."" Upon this acknowledgement Trajan pronounced the sentence that condemned the aged patriarch to the amphitheatre at Rome, there to be torn to pieces by wild beasts.

Did not Ignatius have many misgivings as the thought of such a fearful death came over him? Not in the least. It was the desire of his heart thus to perish for the Faith and so attain a crown of martyrdom. He raised his eyes to heaven and said,"I thank Thee, O Lord, that Thou hast vouchsafed to honor me with a perfect love towards Thee, and hast made me to be bound with chains like the Apostle Paul."

St. Ignatius was then sent to Rome, guarded by ten soldiers; but he was allowed a certain degree of freedom, for wherever they landed he was permitted to see the Christians of the place; and at Smyrna he held his last conversation with his beloved Polycarp, to whom he afterward addressed his famous epistle. No King or Emperor on his homeward triumphal march with ensigns of victory about him, could be more elated than was this aged saint on his journey to meet | from them he learned the singing of | for Mr. Crompton, I may add that his news that the games were drawing to a close reached the ears of the soldiers, and they hurried their prisoner to the spot where the blood-thirsty people were eagerly waiting this grand finale to the sanguinary entertainments of the past few days. The seats of the amphitheatre were crowded, the nobility of Rome as well as the plebeians were present; the well-preserved matrons, the jewel-bedecked maidens, and even innocent children were there, and every eye was fixed upon the gate which is the production of Bishop Lewis of led from the dark cells of the prisoners expected, comes, and for one moment he is permitted to speak: "Men and Roplaced here, but for the glory of that God whom I worship." That is all. Murmurs run through the crowd, and the eyes of all turn to the dark cages in the centre of the arena; the signal is ly during the first three or four centuries. given, the angry lions, kept long fasting that they might be more ferocious, are let out; they mark their victim, and bound over the sands to where Ignatius stands. He feels their hot breath, and hears their sullen roar like distant thunder, and the applause of the brutal crowd,— and then all is over, and the voices of angelic choirs drown the mundane sounds of the theatre, and with joy he departs this life and goes to be forever with the Lord. Says the ancient manuscript, "Only the harder portions of his holy remains were left, which were carried to Antioch and embalmed in linen, as an inestimable treasure left to the Holy Church by the grace which was in the martyr."

Thus perished one of the foremost Fathers of the Church on the twentieth day of December, in the year of our Lord, 107.

Concerning the epistles of St. Ignatius there has been much controversy. which need not be entered upon here. it being sufficient to state that of the fifteen epistles bearing his name, eight are positively said to be spurious and the remaining seven genuine. They are well worth the perusal of every one, for they contain important statements concerning the Church government of the Apostolic period, and also in regard to observing the Lord's Day in place of the Jewish Sabbath. One or two extracts will serve as an example.

"Study therefore to be established in the doctrines of the Lord and the Apostles. . . With your most admirable bishop, and the well compacted spiritual crown of your presbytery, and the deacons who are according to God." Again, "My soul be for theirs that are submissive to the bishop, to the presbyters and the deacons, and may my portion be along with them in God."

In another place, speaking of the rev erence due to the bishop, presbyters and deacons, he says, "Apart from these there is no Church!"

In reference to Sunday the following statement is important: "No longer observing the Sabbath, but living in observance of the Lord's Day, on which also our life has sprung up again by Him and by His Death."

Throughout his different epistles he exhorts all to follow after humility, patience and obedience, urging them to continue steadfast in that faith which promises to all a blessed resurrection from the dead and a life eternal.

was indeed pure of life; so spotless was

foreign missionary was made by the Rev. Ogden Ford, of Woodbridge, diocese of Toronto, which had to be re-

luctantly declined. The Rev. Wm. Crompton, the wellknown missionary of the diocese of Algoma, whose heroic labors have from time to time been noticed in these letters, has recently been made the subject of an act of injustice on the part of his bishop, (Dr. Sullivan). Last summer Mr. Crompton who has labored unremittingly, for over ten years, and whose suc cess in church building and other benevolent enterprises, I have previously described, obtained leave of absence from the Bishop to visit England. He was absent three months, during which he labored in all parts of England on behalf of the S. P. G. On his return he received notice from the secretary-treasurer of the diocese, that his salary during the period of his absence had been stopped. An appeal to the Bishop produced nothing but an arbitrary confirmation of this most outrageous act of injustice, which as Mr. Crompton remarks in a letter to the secretary of the S. P. G. is contrary to all custom, precedent and law. The S. P. G. has since made Mr. Crompton a special grant of nearly \$100 as an acknowledgement of the valuable work done by him for the society when in England, but declares itself unable upon technical grounds to interfere with the Bishop. A number of letters have appeared in our religious and secular journals, all of which unanimously condemn the Bishop's action and express the deepest sympathy with the venerable missionary in his present trial.

I feel sure that the sympathies of all your readers, both lay and clerical, Tradition tells us that St. Ignatius will go with the aged and doubly venerable missionary at the present time. he, that it is said he was permitted to To enable any who may feel disposed hear the music of angelic choirs, and to practically testify their sympathy duced them into his church at Antioch. Ontario, Canada. His health is said to

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Trajan not content with the power he had already acquired, determined to extend his authority, and set out upon an expedition into the far East. Upon reaching Antioch a violent earthquake

And the angel voices which he heard while a pilgrim upon earth, welcomed him to his celestial home, where his voice now mingles with theirs in chanting the song of the redeemed.

CANADIAN CHURCH AFFAIRS.

The Epiphany appeal for Foreign Missions issued by the Central Board of Missions, has just been received. It Ontario, and is a pithy forcible state-Christian people in general, and the Canadian Church in particular to further the spread of the Gospel in foreign parts. In this respect the Church in Canada has been woefully remiss. As yet she does not support a single foreign missionary, while the Baptists, not half as strong numerically, have for some years maintained several. Bishop Lewis urges the giving of a tenth by Christians. During the year of 1884 and 1885, \$10,714 was contributed to Foreign Missions, a miserably small sum for a Church which includes at least two-thirds of the wealth of the Dominion. Hitherto the money raised for Foreign Missions has been divided among the great English societies. It is to be fervently hoped that enough will soon be raised to warrant the commencement, however humble, of some special foreign mission work by the Canadian Church. The means being forthcoming, the men would probably not be wanting. At the last meeting but one of

be materially suffering.

The Bishop of Qu' Appelle has under contemplation the founding of a "Farming Brotherhood." The order will undertake colonizing work somewhat after the plan adopted by the Oblate Fathers in the Province of Quebec. who accomplished some very successful colonizing upon the shores of Lake Temiscarningue. The Rev. Mr. Tudor, of Medicine, will probably be the first Superior.

The S. P. G. having signified its intention of withdrawing the annual grant for the maintenance of Divinity students from the diocese of Fredericton, an endeavor will be made to establish a "Bishop Medley Scholarship Fund" for the support of students. Collections for this object will be taken up throughout the diocese shortly after Easter.

The Bishop of Niagara has confirmed 600 candidates since his consecration last May.

We had a "green Christmas" in Ontario this year. The day was almost universally observed by the Methodists and Congregationalists of Toronto. Ontario, January 2d, 1886.

ONE evening, when Bishop Frazer was to preach in Chester Cathedral, he arrived at the deanery from Manchester, drank a cup of tea and exclaimed, "Now I have not a single idea what I am going to preach about." He asked to be shown his room, flung off his coat and, in his shirt sleeves, sat down at a table and in twenty minutes emerged from the room with the heads of a sermon which thrilled and eclipsed a vast congregation for nearly an hour. the Board, an offer of his services as 'The sermon was afterwards published.

^{*} In many Lives of St. Ignatius this tradition is spoken of as a reliable one; but Bishop Coxe in his Introduction to the Ignatian Epistles referring to it says: "This seductive myth indicates at least the period when he may be supposed to have been born."

THE LIVING CHURCH.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

DEPOSITION.

To the Editor of the Living Church:

One of your correspondents made a good point in suggesting that, in the case of priests resigning their office in | in a published treatise of mine with the Church, for reasons not affecting their moral character, the word "Released" is preferable to "Deposed."

Every organized society gives its officers the privilege of resigning; and no society ever degrades or disgraces an officer merely because he gives up his official position. In the army and in the navy of our country an officer may resign without being court-martialled and degraded from the service. If charges for violation of military law are pending against him, he will not be allowed to resign till after the court says he is innocent. And in the usage of every well-regulated society, the very fact that an officer is permitted to resign is proof that that society regards him an officer in good standing.

It may be said that the word "Deposed," as used and understood by the Church. is equivalent to the accepting of the resignation of a priest (or deacon or bishop), and is the Church's own way of stating that the resigned officer is no longer recognized as an officer in her service. But the world does not understand the Church's vernacular. The world hears that Mr. "A" has been "deposed" from the ministry of the Church. With that "deposition" the world associates the idea of disgrace. It is not right. Let the Church "depose" from her ranks those who are tried and found guilty of immorality. But let her release those who honestly come forward and ask to be released. If I plainly tell the Church that I can no longer teach her doctrines, that I have become a believer in Romanism or Confucianism, or a doubter of everything, a believer in nothing, even a hopeless agnostic, let the Church give me her pity and her prayers, but let her give me simply my release; let her accept my resignation; let her publish to the world that "Mr. "A' has resigned his office;" "that Mr. 'A's' name, by virtue of his resignation, is erased from the roll of the clergy, and that he is no longer to be considered under the orders of this Church." There is another side of this matter. The Church may (and apparently does) consider it a great sin for a priest to renounce his office. But there are priests who, overcome by a sense of their unfitness, through unforeseen conditions, for a continuance of their holy office, would gladly resign, and do humbler work as laymen, were it not for fear of the disgrace of public deposition. It is all well enough to say that a priest ought to have courage enough to do the right thing, and endure the consequences. But where priests have families dependent on them, they shrink from the ordeal of the disgrace consequent on tresigning of their ministry was desirable, they adopting the following general rules. their office if they are to be "deposed." So far as the present writer is concerned, he has no desire of giving up his position as an officer in the Lord's only a presbyterate, but demanded an Kingdom. But he has heard sentiments from his brethren which justify him in saying that it would be well for the Church to make a distinction between degrading an immoral priest by these two priests at Basle, in full con- for the Gloria in Excelsis in the Comdeposition, and accepting the resignanation of one who, for conscientious bishops by bishops of the Roman Cathreasons, could no longer serve in her Communion; to distinguish between "deposing" and "releasing" a clergy L. man.

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"THE MORAVIANS:" WHO IS RIGHT? To the Editor of The Living Church:

My attention has just been called to communication of "J. P." in your issue of December 12th, on "The Moravians," as expressing views contrary to those reference to their Orders. Knowing that I had preserved, amongst my pamphlets, Bishop Bedell's sermon, preached at the consecration of the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania, in which, both in the body of the sermon and in the two long notes (one on the Waldenses and one on the Moravians), he treats of this subject, I naturally have recourse to it, and compare his statements with those of your correspondent.

"J. P." says: "In your issue of October 31st I find a letter from 'F.' headed. 'Hourly Intercession.' His assertion with regard to the Unitas Fratrum, or Moravians, in full communion with the Church of England astounded me. His explanatory note that, by act of Parliament 1740 [1749 I think it should have been] the Unitas Fratrum was duly recognized as an ancient Protestant Episcopal Church possessing three orders of the ministry and a true Apostolic Succession, is not to the point, as the Anglican Church does not accept doctrine or catholicity by Act of Parliament."

Further on he says: "This consecration [of three elders] by a Waldensian bishop is alleged as conveying to the Moravian brethren an Apostolic succession. But it must be remembered that the Waldenses did not originally make any claim to such a succession. having no ground whatever for doing so."

And again: "David Nitschman, being chosen by lot for the office, [of bishop was dispatched to Berlin to be consecrated by Daniel Jablousky. * * * * Jablousky, it appears, never had any consecration whatever, even in succession to the irregularly consecrated bishops of the original Moravians."

He also endorses "the Roman Catholic Encyclopedia, one of the greatest modern works of the Romish Church (Kirchin-Lexicon Friedburg in Breisang, 1848)," as saying: "A body of the Waldenses has settled on the Moravian Austrian frontier, of whom the Brethren knew that they had legitimate bishops, descended from the Apostles in an unbroken succession."

Of the Moravian episcopacy he says: "When the Moravians desired to estabtish a ministry which could not be questioned, even by their Romanist opposers, they sought orders from the Waldensian Church. Whereupon their bishop, Stephen, with his assistants, consecrated for the Moravians three bishops, who had been sent to him for the purpose by the synod of Shota.

"Immediately on their return with this precious gift of Orders, another synod was convened. The newly-appointed bishops, as a first act, ordained to the presbyterate the three Brethren who had been previously chosen by lot; and before the close of the session advanced one of them to the episcopate."

As to the ecclesiastical status of Jablousky, he says: "In the year 1715, some Polish refugees, arriving in England, petitioned for relief for the Reformed Episcopal Church in Bohemia. Archbishop Wake becoming interested in the appeal entered into correspondence with their bishop, Jablousky, and, being satisfied issued a brief in the usual form authorizing collections."

In 1749 a bill was introduced into Parliament acknowledging the Unitas Fratrum as an "ancient Protestant Episcopal Church," and giving legal sanction to their acts at home and abroad. Dr. Sherlock, Bishop of London, who at first opposed the bill, subsequently withdrew opposition. On the third reading, the Bishop of Winchester stated, in his place in the House of Lords, that the measure had the approbation of the whole Episcopal bench. It was passed unanimously and received the royal as-

day in Advent, and March 24th, [unless Lenten Lessons be used instead of those appointed in the calendar, in which case Benedictus could still be retained without "vain repetition,"] and also on St. John the Baptist's Day, if Morning Prayer immediately precede the Communion Office, when this song of Zacharias occurs in the Gospel for the day.

3. To omit Gloria Patri on Maundy-Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Even at both Morning and Evening Prayer, after each Psalm, only using it at the end of the whole portion or selection, when the rubric says it "shall be said or sung." W. S. M. Philadelphia.

The Church Times has the following on the "rigorist theory" of fasting Communion: "To communicate is a divine command; to communicate fasting, is only an ecclesiastical precept; no doubt, one of high antiquity, and formerly universal acceptance, but still falling indefinitely short of the binding obligation of the command. Further, frequent Communion was the rule of the best and purest ages; and the three Communions yearly of English Canon law, and one Communion yearly of Roman Canon law, are survivals of a relaxed and corrupt discipline. Now there are some few persons who are physically unable to attend church, and continue through a service fasting. To do so means sickness, fainting, and in some cases even danger to life. The question at once arises, How are these people to act? Are they to remain non-communicants to their death beds, or at any rate, till very grievous sickness permits them to have a clinical communion, or may they communicate after taking a small quantity of food as a protection? To adopt the rigorist line means simply that the human precept overrides the Divine command, which is not sound law nor theology."

TEN of our bishops are seventy years of age or over; and yet all but one of these (Bishop Potter, of New York) are still in active work. The oldest is Bishop Green, of Mississippi, 87 years of age: Bishop Potter is 84, nearly; Bishop Lee, of Delaware, the Presiding Bishop, is 78; next comes Bishop Howe of Central Pennsylvania, at 76; then Bishop Kip, bearing well his 74 summers; then Bishops Vail of Kansas and Clark of Rhode Island, each 73; Bishop Bissell of Vermont is 71, and Bishops Stevens of Pennsylvania, and Lyman of North Carolina are 70. Between 65 and 70, are the following in order: Wilmer, of Alabama; Williams of Connecticut; Bedell, of Ohio; Coxe, of Western New York; Watson, of Eastern North Carolina; Morris, of Oregon: Hunting-ton, of Central New York; Gillespie, of Western Michigan; Gregg, of Texas Burgess, of Quincy; and Pierce, of Arkansas. Twenty-one, in all, have passed the goodly age of sixty-five, and with few exceptions they are, each in his place, a strong tower, wielding a powerful iufluence, and energetically fulfilling his Apostolic office. But ought it not to be possible for an aged bishop to retire from the heat and burden of the day without danger of starving?-The Pacific Churchman.

sent. On the contrary, though he admits

that "several times in the eventful history of the Moravian Church, its episcopacy was preserved only through consecration by one bishop," Bishop Bedell says: "Shall we forget Wickliffe, who. on this day, Holy Innocent's Day, passed to his crown from officiating in the Church; Jerome, of Prague; Huss, and the United Brethren (after their Church took form); the Waldenses; St. Bernard, of the 12th century; Winfred, the great light of Germany, bishop in the 8th century-Episcopalians all!"

He quotes the Church historian. Marsden, approvingly, as saying: "The Waldenses dated their origin from the Apostles, ascertaining that they derived their episcopacy from them in an uninterrupted succession through the Paulicians of the East."

Of the reinvigorating of their ministry in 1433, he says: "When their priests had nearly all died out, and a renewal Church in order to receive that minisepiscopate. Two Waldenses were ordained priests, in 1433, in a Slavonian convent of Prague, by Bishop Nichols, and in the summer following (1434) vocation of the clergy, were consecrated munion Office during Advent, and from olic Church. These are the Waldensian tivals. bishops, Nomez and Wlach, by whom Bishop Stephens and his colleagues were subsequently consecrated."

Under all the formalities of public recognition, the Moravian Church therefore stands in England as a sister Church, essentially one with the Church of England in polity and in doctrine, which, as the bill states, "differs in no essential article of faith from the 39 Articles."

Now, Mr. Editor, as I have already somewhat committed myself to Bishop Bedell's view of the matter in my late treatise, "A Plea and Plan for Church Unity," and, as I thought at the time, on sufficient evidence, I am naturally very much interested to know whether, indeed, that view is the correct one.

F. GRANGER. Buffalo, Dec. 21, 1885.

UNIFORMITY. To the Editor of The Living Church:

How much more uniformity, and perhaps, finally unity, there could be established in the Church by the clergy turned, as if of course, to an Episcopal (perfectly allowable by any possible construction of the rubric) acknowtry. Nor were they content to receive ledged to be according to the best usage and perfectly practicable for High, Low or Broad Churchmen, as doctrine is not necessarily involved:

> 1. To substitute Benedicite for Te Deum at Morning Prayer, and a hymn Septuagesima to Easter, except on fes-

> 2. Always to use Benedictus for the canticle after Second Lesson, only substituting the Jubilate on the third Sun-

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WAITING.

BY MAIE ALLYNE.

- I stand and wait at the beautiful gate, But it opens not for me,
- While over its bars', mid the tender stars One bides, my sweet companie.
- In this weary land, may I touch His hand And feel His star's guiding ray, Though I wait so long, through the pain grown strong, I shall reach the shining way.
- Then may I behold by the gleam of gold Why the cloud o'ershadows here, And the Lord denies to my pained eyes Glad use, in His service dear.
- While to hold me still, if it be Ilis will, With a loving heart and true, Is a service meet, to the Lord as sweet As the love that hastes to do.
- So I sing to my heart, and the song impart: 'Tis a sunbeam through ways dim, Sometime I shall know, when the tide ebbs low,

Somewhere will my love find Him.

LITTLE LIVES AND A GREAT LOVE.

BY FLORENCE WILFORD.

PART IV. CONTINUED.

ON THE HEIGHTS.

Ethel was very much alarmed, and felt convinced that he would say there was nothing the matter with her except that she was naughty, but however he did not. On the contrary, after he had felt her pulse and asked her a few questions he nodded at his wife and said, "You are right, Eleanor, she is not at all the thing. She wants a tonic, and Dr. Hastings that her husband was perhaps a little change of air. I think I shall take her down to Dick when I go there on Saturday. He is always

As for Nellie, she made a great deal directly she heard of it, and declared should not go, but when Dr. Hastings had absolutely decreed a thing he would not give way to even Nellie, and thus it came to pass that when he started for Rostowe on Saturday Ethel went with him, and duly arrived at the pleasant country cottage which she well remembered, though she had not seen it since she was a small creature of five. The wheels of the fly were no sooner heard than out came a stream of cousins, rushing across the lawn with joyous eager welcome. Ethel only knew the four elder, but the merry kindly glance in the hazel eyes of the three juniors was so exact a reflection of Uncle Dick's that she felt as if she had seen them all before. They were a bright healthy tribe of boys and girls, and though none of them perhaps were quite so good-looking as Nellie, Ethel thought them the most charming sight that she had beheld since she left Hvéres.

"We were so glad when you said you would bring Ethel, Uncle Charles,' said Kate, the eldest daughter, a sensible looking girl of thirteen. "Mother read your letter out to us, and we have been longing for to-day ever since. She is upstairs helping Father to dress, he wanted you to find him in the armchair, but he is so weak still. Will you come into the drawing-room whilst I see if he is ready?"

Dr. Hastings walked into the sunny bow-windowed room, and sat down, and Flo brought Ethel in, with Maggie and Robert following in her wake, while the younger children discreetly kept themselves away, knowing that Uncle Charles disliked what he called "a mob." In another minute their mother appeared with a greeting for brother and niece at once, and when she had told ready to see him, she added kindly, "yours shall be the next turn, dear Ethel, Uncle Dick is wanting to see

and the nut-tree which she used to think came straight out of the Nursery that Ethel could not, must not, and Rhymes, having been one day shown on it something that Robert had made to do duty for 'a silver nutmeg and a golden pear."

(To be continued.)

MAIDS, WIDOWS AND **BACHELORS.**

NO. I.

Some one remarks that there is nothing more interesting than a handsome young man-except it be a handsome young woman. But that is only the sentimental side of the question. I have of late been in conversation with a distinguished author upon this topic, and his views have led me to present some of my own. And as the matter is practical, I shall be practical also.

It is a patent fact that marriage is on the decrease in our country. Maids abound. Bachelors and widowers abound. Widows superabound. By this last remark I mean that widows outnumber widowers. I can count my widower friends on my thumbs compared with the widow friends whom I have and for whom my fingers would be necessary for the count. Yet, with all this outlying marriage material. matrimony appears to be at a discount. And, "Why don't the men propose. Mamma, why don't the men propose?" may be the refrain sung softly in many a heart in many a home in our land to-day.

One reason would seem to be the commercial prosperity of the country. When the country was new and people were willing to live more simply than now, no one shrank from the ills and expenses of the married state. No doubt maidens could "pick and choose" and had more offers than they could take care of. Of course, only statistics could show whether "old maids" and "old bachelors" were more, or less, abundant then than now, but, in the absence of figures, either pro or con, I take Jan. 9, 1886.

support. It may be safely said that no young lady of average intelligence and health need sell herself for a living. No less than, I suppose, five; hundred respectable and remunerative callings are open to her.. The husband is not half the necessity, for a livelihood, that he used to be. And "higher education" just here comes in, too, as an obstruction. A girl can now "go to college." The four years or so in college come just at a time when her head is apt to be full of romantic cobwebs and other nonsense. College life, thus, comes in as a sort of long-handled broom and sweeps much of this fine-spun cobweb out of the brain. I do not mean that the young ladies accquire so much higher a taste, so much higher a standard, either for themselves, or for the sort of person whom they think worthy of being married by them, for I am daily amazed at just the reverse of this and wonder how on earth they could possibly think of or look at the sort of person they do marry. What I mean is that the collegiate, four years (more or less) give the giddy time to reflect and the thoughtful time to become more so. True, even before "higher education" days, there was, as there is yet, the "fashionable-school" period; but the higher education scheme is more practical and realistic. The fashionable school, (as Holmes says, "finishes a young lady off-for the duties of life," one of which is ideally marriage; the higher-education college contemplates progress intellectually, rather than socially, and ideal scholarship, possible lady-professorships, all that grand postgraduate plan, too, of long and energetic study for sweet study's sake. And so the love of learning is held up before the eye to the exclusion, in a measure, of the love of men. Hence marriage as a constant possibility, loses prestige in the sight of the fair and enthusiastic collegian. To be, say, an authoressnot to be wife and mother, is constantly suggested to the more highly educated. and matrimony suffers at the hands of

asking for her, and one child more can't make much difference in the noise of the house. Besides, he is getting round ful to be sitting by Aunt Margaret and can stand it better now."

Nellie had been sent off to the drawing-room sofa, but what she would say was the first thought in Mrs. Hasting's mind.

"Wouldn't the tonic be sufficient at present, Charles?" she said. "We shall be going to the seaside in another month, you know, and that will be a nice change for Ethel. I don't think they want her at Rostowe as we do here, she is such a nice companion for Nellie, and they are so happy together."

Ethel stood silent while the matter was being discussed; she had learnt to love Nellie, and she was grateful to her uncle and aunt, but her heart would yearn after the dearer relations at Rostowe.

"I think she had better go,"her uncle wound up by saying; "Nellie can do without her very well for a fortnight, I'm sure, and some runs in the fields her heart thrilled with grateful love in and a little idleness will soon set her up again, and send her back to us quite well. You would like to go, wouldn't you, my dear?"

"Oh, yes, please, Uncle," said Ethel, with involuntary eagerness, and so the matter was settled, and Dr. Hastings turned to the luncheon-table and began to despatch his half-cold cutlets in doable-quick time, while his wife busied herself in helping him to vegetables and pouring out sherry for him, and made no further opposition to his on her fourth birthday, and the well simply taken at his market value. Now, tions were. All very old-fashioned you plan.

you very much."

In the meantime it was very delightonce more, and seeing her kind eyes shine down on one. She left the brothers together, and devoted herself to the welcome of her little niece, sending for afternoon tea and cake to refresh her after her journey, and then taking her up into a dear little cozy bedroom, all pink and white dimity, which she said was to be hers during her stay at Rostowe.

"A long stay, I hope it is to be," she added, "but we must talk of that byand bye. You will make yourself quite at home here, I trust, and if ever you should feel ill or lonely at night you will find Kate in the room next you. Flo and Meg are just across the passage. My dear child, it is very nice to have you here," and a warm kiss followed the words.

It was the tenderest Ethel had received since her mother's death, and return. This fond mother of seven children had plenty of affection to spare for the orphan, and showed it so naturally and cordially that it made Ethel at home at once.

Having been there before helped to give a home feeling, and as soon as she had taken off her bonnet she was conducted to see the old doll's house in the nursery which had been her delight at four years old, and the summerhouse where they had all had their tea

it upon me to venture the opinion that they were less-possibly far less. Nowadays, the children must begin where their parents left off, in style of living. or they are not willing to begin at all.

The position which women demand in respect to their property, too, greatly depreciates the matrimonial market. Women are now, by statute law overriding the old common-law notions, placed largely in possession of their own finances, or, at any rate, are greatly protected in the use and enjoyment of the same. I am not now saying that this should not be so, though grave questions arise from our departure from the old Roman law on which many of the common-law ideas were founded. I am only saying that distinct ownership has interfered to a great extent with marriage. "Her sole and separate estate" does not savor of union and love and mutual confidence; and the words in our acts of Congress and State laws have driven many a nail in the coffin of matrimonial hopes. If women will be men, or try to be, in the management of their affairs, many a nice young fellow will light an extra cigar and let them be so.

which have been flung open to women has tended to render them more independent. Many a man has of course been married just for the support which he could give the woman. There often, he surely did; if he came too was no love, at any rate nothing of that often without stating his "intentions," which is apt to pass for love. He was he was quietly asked what his intenthat she had once nearly tumbled into, woman is able to command her own may say, and very uncivilized you may

our Vassars and Wellesleys.

NO. II.

It is not the extravagance of women that deters the average bachelor of good repute (and it is of only such an one that I write) from matrimony, all the pleasantries to the contrary notwithstanding. They are not more so than those of men themselves. All classes, and nearly all individuals are to-day extravagant. One cannot fault another. The young lady dresses a good deal, but the young man smokes a very good deal. Milliners are costly, but so are tailors. Days of simplicity went out when our forefathers did. The reasons why "old maids" abound and "old bachelors" increase lie deeper than any mere superficial matters of dollars and cents. The "future of our young women" is not a problem of "it costs so much to have a wife," for it costs just as much "to have a husband." New civil relations, and new social and other ideas-these are the "bottom rocks" of the matter.

The modern "engagement" too, must here be considered as an impediment to marriage. Formerly an engagement was considered a solemn thing. It Then, the increase of the callings meant marriage; now what does it signify? We all know, and I will not here recite it. The young man in other days was taken to "mean business" if he came often, if he came really quite

think. I do not say Yes, or No. I am only citing some of the reasons "why the men don't propose?" They do propose, but what is the proposal often? A clay pipe-stem. And the young lady is content to have it so. Maid and bachelor are equally at fault. My pen is to-day not that of critic or censor—only that of philosopher and observer. These things are so; an engagement is broken as easily as made; there is nothing dishonorable in fracturing it; it is hardly expected to result in matrimony. In the old days it was ten to one that it should; now in these new days, it is one to ten. And laying aside the question whether the "much-engaged girl is at the end of her single career quite the girl which she ought to be," and quite the one which she used to be, in point of modesty and loveability, the fact remains, as pertinent to our present topic, that this sort of engagement has over and again condemned itself, taking into account only the real or supposed interests of the woman herself as a marriageable article. And often the muchengaged young lady, the very-engaging maiden, is left high and dry upon the shores of single blessedness herself. I am not so foolish as to say "Marry the first man who offers" as the surest way of getting married; for while it would certainly be sure, provided any one offers at all, there are more important considerations about marriage than marrying. There is that of marrying well, happily, and all that. But, if it be desirable to marry, assuming that it is ever "thought of" by the young lady till just at the moment when she is startled by a proposal, my word for it the way in which she allows herself to engage and disengage is one of the most fatal customs which she allows to drive nails into the burial-casket of her chances in life. Paradoxical as it may sound, engagements defeat, they do not encourage marriages, i. e., such things as are often called engagements in these new days.

The material for husband is probably

in the woman;-in the man, infamous. Let the maid be taught to honor her parents in the Lord, and in such matters to consult them. Let parents "take an interest" even in the love-affairs of their children. Nothing that relates to a child should be too insignificant for the attention of a parent! Let the present freedom of intercourse between the young not be restricted, so much as guarded. Let correspondence between the young be supervised, as far as may be, by parents. Let teachers aid in all this. I am a converted states-rights man, and nothing has so helped to convert me to the idea of a 'strong government, to "centralization" if you please, as my desire for a uniform marriage and divorce law. Like "becoming engaged," "getting married" and "being divorced" are too loosely conducted. Maids, widows, bachelors and widowers, all citizens are interested in this topic. And if I have spoken my parable to the help of any of this vast fraternity, I am content.

A BACHELOR. Benning, D. C.

BRIEF MENTION.

A CORRESPONDENT of The Southern Churchman says: "The death recently 2. dependent men; 3. lazy men; 4. of the Bishop of Easton, awakens a reflection. My acquaintance with the episcopate has been by no means an extensive one, but Bishops Meade, Atkinson, Pinkney and Lay, all died of heart disease. Possibly, if we were to extend the inquiry, it would be found that within this period of twenty years, others of our bishops have died in like manner; and I myself could add quite a list of presbyters to the number. It might not be difficult to show that the percentage of death from this cause among the clergy is greater than that among men in any other calling. Why is this? Has an anxious life, a continued play upon the sympathies and upon the affections nothing to do with it?"

THE Church's method of commemorating the saints is proving attractive to the new generation of Puritans. Here, for example, is what a sectarian paper says about St. Luke's day: "Such a festival, for example, was that of St. Luke, which this year fell on Sunday, the 18th October. In how many Nonconformist churches or chapels was any reference made that day to the 'beloved physician?' Yet no objection could well be urged except the morbid dread some people have of the revival of Romish saint worship. The benefits that might arise if all Christian people would consent to devote their attention at the same time to the consideration of the godly example set by holy men of old we need scarcely urge. The increased sympathy with one another that would grow up between various sections of the Church is alone a sufficient reason. And then the observance of these old festivals compels preachers and people to look into subjects which would otherwise perchance be forgotten."

A WRITER in a missionary magazine classifies the men not wanted for missionaries in the West in this style: 1 Men with loose notions about theology, men who can go only in a rut; 5. fussy men; 6. quick-tempered men; 7. men who cannot preach without reading sermons.

THE late Primate of Canterbury al ways used the collect for the third Sunday in Advent before preaching.

A SHORT time ago a Yorkshire bookseller who was waiting at Thorparch station near Harrowgate for his train, went into a room there and saw hanging against the wall an old and curiouslooking volume which on examination proved to be a copy of the "Recueill of the Historie of Troye," one of the first works printed by Caxton. It was very well preserved and was bought for a small sum, but afterwards sold in Man chester for thirty guineas.

HINTS FOR HOUSEWIVES.

LEMONS will keep fresh in water for two or three months and the peel be as fresh as the day they were put in. Put in a crock and cover with water.

OYSTER-SHELLS put one at a time in a stove that is "clinkered" will clean the bricks entirely. They should be put in when the fire is burning brightly.

FANCIFUL pen-wipers are made of gay-colored flannels with a bird's head in the centre. If you have had hats trimmed with birds, and they are somewhat ruffled, you can utilize them in this way.

A PRETTY cushion-cover is made by cutting a suitable figure out of ribbon or brocade silk; apply this to a square of satin, and outline the figure with gilt cord or very fine braid. Thick lace covers over crimson silk are pretty and easily made; a bow at one corner improves it.

CORNUCOPIAS:-3 eggs, 1 cup sugar, 1 cup flour, 2 tablespoonsful cold water. Put 1 tablespoonful of the mixture in a round tin 6 inches in diameter, and about 1 inch deep; bake in a moderate oven. While hot lap edges together to form a cornucopia and hold in shape until cool. This recipe will make 12. Cream:-1 cup cream, $\frac{1}{2}$ cup sugar, white of 1 egg, and flavoring.

THE following recipe produces a delicious, though rather rich, cheese-cake: Take one pound of flour, place it in a large terrine on the stove, make a large opening in the centre, and introduce three-quarters of a pound of butter; then take the whole off the fire, add salt, and knead the paste. spreading it out with the roller until the butter has become thoroughly incorporated with the flour. Then spread on the paste a layer of cream cheese, fold the cake again, giving it a proper shape, and bake it in a buttered tin till of good color.

MAKE a key-bag like a miniature hand-bag, with waste pieces of silk, sateen or serge. Line the bag and turn over for an inch and half, as a deep hem, with a light colored material, and make the body of the bag with some dark stuff, contrasting, as to color and shade, with the lining. Ornament the lower material with cross stitch or silk embroidery, and work the word "Keys" one one side. Make a runner and put a narrow silk ribbon through to draw up the bag; arrange this runner below the light material. Size of the bag complete, six inches long, four wide. BABY'S KNITTED VEST.-Two skeins of starlight Saxony; needles, No. 16. Cast on eighty stitches, and * knit 2 plain, 2 seam,* repeat from * to * till you have done ninety rows of this ribbing. Ninety-first row—4 plain, seam 3,* 3 plain, seam 3, * repeat from * to * till last four stitches, which are seamed. Ninety-second and ninety-third rows like ninety-first row. Ninety-fourth row-Seam 4, 3 plain,* seam 3, 3 plain,* repeat from * to * till last four, which are knitted plain.

no worse than ever. The material for wife is probably no better. Couples live about as happily as heretofore. It is not the fear of a Zantippe, or a Mrs. Wesley or a Lady Teazle that deters the "bachelor." He may have his fun on the subject, and say "can't afford," and "no one seems to want him," "too old,""make his pile first," and all that. The question is not merely financial, it is civil, and social, too.

One remedy would be a restoration of the old custom of dower. If a man is expected to "have something," why may not the woman be, also? Half the household expenses she will be the cause of; the children will be as much hers as his; why, then, not let parents endow the daughters? If the son has a trade, or a profession, or an expectancy. this is thought enough; the daughter must be taken for her own sweet self. Her own sweet self is all well enough as far as it goes, but will it help John in the days of his early struggle at his profession, just at that time when, if I may say so, there would be one hundred and fifty cents in every dollar she should bring the dear fellow? Her own sweet self plus so many thousands from Pa would be a neat thing, and one to which few bachelors of average intelligence would raise any objection. More than ever, now that women compete with men and hate to be dependent and all that, would this dower idea seem an appropriate one upon which to act.

Then, let the engagement business be decidedly reformed. Let secret engagements be looked upon as dishonorable ful housekeeper.

OVER the church door of the Uppingham school, England, there is this inscription in Hebrew, Greek and Latin: "Remember thy Creator in the days of thy youth."

Ko Kun-Hua, the late Professor of Chinese' in Harvard University, attended a place of worship. He described the congregation in this way: Bowing his head upon the table, with closed eyes, he said, "Some do so." Then, sitting up and covering his eyes with one hand, he added,"and some so." Then, rising erect and gazing around with eyes wide open, said, "Some do so."

The Art Age well puts the matter of the Pall Mall scandal, though treating of another sort of literature, in these terms: "Realistic pictures of vice and the vicious cannot be else than degrading to those who study them, for, though they may not bewitch with sin or tempt to it, they coarsen the spirit and certainly help form excuses if not reasons for more carnal living. They give a voice to the silent but, alas, omnipresent and universal consciousness of our low natures: 'If the world is all so bad, why need I be better than I am? -how much better I am as it is than my fellows!""

JOHN G. SAXE, the poet, still lives in Albany, although his existence is almost forgotten by the great public. He receives no visitors, rarely leaves his room, and no one is permitted to converse with him, save his son and faith-

THE first English journal ever published in Japan has just made its appearance. It is published and written by and for the Japanese themselves.

A FRENCH priest in the church of Elbœuf, Normandy, gave this counsel to his flock on a recent Sunday: "My dear parishioners, please put only silver in the plate, as it takes too long to count coppers."

BISHOP WOODFORD, late of Ely, had made so absolute an acquisition of Bishop Samuel Wilberforce's voice, that when one heard him preach, it was only by looking at the pulpit that one could be convinced it was not the noted Wilberforce who was speaking.

THE great Harrow school of England has no vacancy ahead till the year 1890.

MITFIELD, near Redfield, must be a healthy place, as the rector says but one person (88 years of age) died last year out of a population of 1,200.

It is stated that a married lady recently wrote to Messrs. Harper & Brothers, who had declined her manuscript novel, with the customary letter of thanks: "You are a mean set. I did think of naming my baby 'Harper,' and should have done so if my story had been accepted, but now no baby of mine shall ever bear the name of 'Harper.' You are all a mean set."

Ninety-fifth and ninety-sixth rows like ninety-fourth row.

Now repeat from ninety-first row twice more, and these eighteen rows will form a dice pattern.

Now eleven rows of ribbing, 2 plain, 2 seam.

Next row-1 plain, seam 1 alternately six times, and slip these twelve stitches on to a spare needle; bind off fifty-six stitches, 1 plain, 1 seam alternately six times, and work upon these twelve stitches to form a shoulder-strap, always knitting a plain stitch over a seam, and a seam over a plain for 48 rows, then bind off. Knit the other shoulder-strap in the same way. This piece will form the front of vest.

Cast on 80 stitches and knit another piece the same as the front (except shoulder straps), bind off after finishing the eleven rows of ribbing. Sew the two pieces together up the sides as far as to where the dice knitting commences, and sew the shoulder straps across. Around the neck and armholes, work 1 double crochet, *1 chain, miss 1 stitch of the knitting, 1 double crochet in the next *; repeat from * to *.

Next row-1 double crochet under a chain stitch, * 2 chain, 1 double crochet in the first chain stitch just done, and 1 double crochet under the next chain stitch of previous row; * repeat from * to *.

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OUR CHICAGO LETTER this week comes "the day after the fair." It has been quietly reposing in the pocket of a dear friend to whom it was entrusted the day after Christmas. It was just one week on the way to the office. As it is the of one whose life has been "one season of peace and good-will we grand, sweet song." All Church- ling agents, the subscription list is The terrific bursts of unnecessary forgive him, and advise correspondents to deliver or post their own letters.

Churchman," she became interested, where it can pay a large portion of subscribed for the paper, and was its expenses by advertisements. In led to see her mistake. She returned to the fold, and has since all these years it has never paid the helpful in parochial work as this been a regular attendant and a cost of its production out of its remost exemplary communicant. The ceipts. Churchmen ought to apseries is now published by the preciate and sustain a good work instructed in the points which differ-"Young Churchman Co." and no better work can be found for the couraged and rewarded by a large inculcation of Church principles.

APPROPRIATIONS are announced in the January Spirit of Missions: For Domestic Missions, \$206,456; for is about fifty per cent in excess of contributions last year, aside from legacies and specials. We are glad to note that the Board has taken action towards keeping legacies distinct from other receipts. It is year on current expenses. Why cannot the \$200,000 bequeathed by the late William Vanderbilt be invested as a permanent endowment for salaries or for some other legitimate and regular expense? It might be made but encourage our people not to give, and the last state of our missionary work will be worse than the first.

that a publisher could not be found same reason. The morgue is menof Bishop Otey, and now it is before be cleared out at the beginning of from the house of James Pott & Co., ceased MSS. are requested to claim the Spirit of the Lord was not nec-

the series, "Reasons for being a family paper. But it is not located a recent note the editor says that in like this. Dr. French should be ensubscription list.

VISITORS to the editor's private study are sometimes puzzled and amused (though it is grim humor), Foreign Missions, \$)46,321. This by the label of a certain drawer which stands in full view of all who enter. Over a gilded skull and cross-bones is the word "MORGUE." Many a caller has stood spell-bound before this strange device in an editor's sanctum, and many a curious bad policy to be using them up every mind has been gratified to learn its about the methods employed and the meaning. It is the place where litall rejected papers are cremated at name signifies nothing. once. The morgue is not for common corpses, but for those only that ing for all time, but if we use it up unusual attractiveness. There are

literary character that find their killed by the editor not for general worthlessness, but for want of adap-

Not long ago a writer in THE tation. There are many good peo-

finding the Church will begin with the first number in February. No series of tracts or sermons on the Church can be found that will be so series. Churchmen should subscribe for friends whom they wish to have entiate the Church from the denom. inations. Christians of every name who wish to know what can be said from a common-sense point of view, about our distinctive principles, might profitably invest one dollar to secure this series alone.

REVIVALS AND MISSIONS.

There is a sense in which revivals and Missions ought to be equally different, name and thing. A revival may be a Mission and a Mission be a revival, but the question is ends aimed at and accomplished. If erary remains are deposited until there is no difference in the methclaimed by their relatives. Nearly ods and results, the difference in

The old-time revival was largely a thing of noise, emotion and excitein that way an instrument of bless- appear to be well-connected or of ment. It might have come along through some natural process, but as in a year or two we shall do little many very respectable bodies of a a rule it was the result of forcing. It was "got up," as they say. And way to the morgue. These were in one sense it was got up in precisely the same way as a stir is got up previous to an election. It was in its way a thing of violent har-LIVING CHURCH expressed regret ple who are practically dead for the angues and addresses, of beating of drums, of vociferous shoutings. It for good Bishop Green's memoir tioned at this time because it must was a thing of extravagance and exaggeration. It worked up feeling us in a large, handsome volume, each year, and relatives of the de- by mechanical methods, in which

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It is much to be regretted that so respectable a paper as The Church Standard should admit to its columns a contemptuous communication about good Bishop Tuttle. The Tuttle's self-denying labors in the and a faithful servant of God." Advent Mission. It will not harm the one at whom it is aimed. Bishop Tuttle is a man of whom the American Church is proud, and he will no more care for this snarling correspondent than he does for the barking of the coyotes on the plains.

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*Memoir of the Rt. Rev. James Harvey Otey, D.D., LL.D., First Bishop of Tennessee. By the Rt. Rev. William Mercer Green, D.D., Bishop of Mississippi. New York: James Pott & Co. 1885. Pp. 359.

The Standard of the Cross is one of the oldest and best of our weekly Church papers. Though especdioceses in Ohio, it is a paper that As one of many cases where THE Churchmen in many dioceses might department, etc. etc., several atfollowing from a letter of a priest It has been doing a good work for Church, by Miss Little, are already less pass away, leaving him more in Boston. A woman who had been more than fifty years. It is edited begun; a series of Bible Studies, by indifferent than ever to the whole a communicant of the Church was and printed with painstaking accuinduced to join the Methodists, racy, is dignified and courteous, College, is promised for Lent, and a speak lightly or scornfully of any

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paper is encouraging, the publishers In such an extemporized whirl and are working for a greater advance, excitement he neither did nor could and confidently expect a large in- know the real purpose of his mind crease of subscriptions during the and heart. To one previously innext few months. In addition to the ordinary attractions of a weekly occasion might indeed be the crisis Church newspaper, its news and and turning point in life and the ially devoted to the interests of the notes, editorials, letters to the editor, beginning of a life-long disciplereports of Church work, household ship. From one, on the other hand, read with satisfaction and profit, tractive serials are announced. The in such abnormal exhibitions of it, who now read no Church periodical. Sketches on the Early Heroes of the this temporary feeling would doubtthe Rev. Dr. Jewell, of Racine subject. God forbid that we should some years ago. On reading one of and is a handsome and readable popular series on a Presbyterian method by which souls are brought

essarily present as a rushing mighty wind, and still less in His noiseless,

The result was too often a commotion and agitation on the surface. words and exhortations, the agonizterest that all have in the subject ing letters are daily received from ing prayers and entreaties, the significance of which were measured by Bishop Green thus closes his ad- following is from a recent letter of the power of the petitioner to lift up his voice, the multitudinous and mingled ejaculations and cries for mercy, the extravagant singing, shouting, etc., left one scarcely in possesing which you make is eminently sion of his own faculties. He was caught and borne along by a torrent,

> While the present progress of the as it were, which he could not resist. structed in religious things, such an who knew little about religion save

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to a knowledge of their sad estrangement from God and are won over to repentance and a steadfast faith. But none the less the law holds good, that gusts and tornadoes do not and cannot do the work of silent forces. Least of all are gusts and tornadoes of an emotional kind likely to set the soul in right relations to God and give it a permanent shaping in Christian character.

This idea was not lost sight of, as we understand it, in conducting the Mission in New York City. In one sense, the Mission was a revival. It was the stirring up of the wills of God's faithful people, and calling men to repentance. It brought the congregations face to face with the months. great questions of duty and responsibility. It made the gospel seem to be a more real thing and also a more personal and sincere thing. It was a sort of John the Baptist cry in the wilderness of the great city: "Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make His paths straight." Nevertheless, for the most part everything was done with decency and in order. The services were of a kind not to get people excited, but to make them think. Men were neither forced into religion nor frightened into it. They heard the still, small voice speaking to them of duties neglected, of talents disused and so far wasted. The multiplied services were calculated to deepen the impression that religion is not a thing of ease and comfort and social enjoyment, but a life of serving and of sacrifice. Thousands, we doubt not, feel this as never before, and may be expected to bring forth the corresponding fruit in right living. Surely, this is something to be thankful for. A revival without tumult and excitement; which makes men thoughtful, serious-minded, and more alive to the vanities of this world; which makes the Church more living and yet none the less Churchly and orderly in its waysurely, this is something over which to rejoice and be glad, and especially, if the fruits prove to be not superficial and temporary, but deep and abiding.

could provide for him. It must have been a disagreeable change to find himself in an inconvenient house, on a scanty lot, and crowded between the neighboring buildings. The street was in every way desirable, but the house was old-fashioned and had a basement, which, to a wife who was not very strong, was a perpetual and aggravating draught upon her energies. The house had been hired by the wardens with the understanding that the occupant was to move out at any time when the property was sold! The sale speed ily took place, and at his own expense the rector was obliged to move after the expiration of six

The second house had no basement, but it had other disadvantages which made ample amends for this deficiency. It was on a bye street, next door to a foundry and machine shop, and with no neighbors to speak of. The lot was unsightly, filled with wild shrubbery, and untrimmed trees. The clank of the machinery and the riveting of boilers resounded perpetually, and added to these were the fumes of the furnace. The manufacturing company was enterprising, and not over-scrupulous, and frequently these disturbing sounds and odors lasted seven days in the week. These combined evils were borne for a year, but by that time they had become unendurable, and a movement was made into a house on the same street as the one first occupied. The change was again made at the pastor's own expense. A considerable increase of MONDAY. 4, AND DAILY THROUGHOUT ful for in the shape of liberal offerings rent was paid for premises still more contracted, and on a still smaller lot. Added to these again was an exasperating, wearying, basement. During his residence two children have been added to the rector's family. It can be imagined that under these circumstances basement stairs have not contributed to make a weak woman stronger. Every housekeeper knows some of the incidental disadvantages of such frequent movings. Furniture was marred; carpets had to be cut and re-fitted; purchases had to be made that in the same house would not have been thought of. Add to these the worry and loss of time, and that vice and Sermon. indescribable feeling which makes rented property uninteresting, and renders it impossible for any tenderness of association to grow up between the family life and a hired THE LIVING CHURCH may be profited house, and we have some of the evils suffered under such circumstances. Still further, there has been, and MONDAY. 11. AND DAILY THROUGHOUT seems likely to be, no social centre Before he came to us he had been for the parish, with the rector and living for some years on the banks his family as its heart and life. Atof the Hudson River, pastor of a tempts have been made from time to rural parish, where, in a spacious time to remedy the defect. Or, it and delightfully situated rectory he might be nearer the truth to say that had all that an affectionate people the building or purchase of a rec- Stephens: 7:30 P. M., Mission Service

tory has been talked of, but from the want of energy and a spirit of combination, no decisive movement has been made.

Now after four years of this varied life, in three different houses, and after a harmonious and successful pastorate, our rector has been tempted by a call from a parish somewhat larger than ours and affording a better support. But one of the most attractive features in the change to him lies in the fact that the new parish has its own rectory. Henceforth he will not have to live on wheels.

THE NEW YEAR'S MISSION IN NEW ORLEANS.

We give below a full list of the servi ces in the New Orleans churches, as ar ranged for the New Year's Mission Our correspondent's letter containing the same arrived too late for insertion in our last issue, for which it was intended.

The mission was opened in St. Paul' school-room, on Saturday, January 2nd by the Rev. W. H. Aitken, in an ad dress to Christian Workers. The fol lowing is a full list of the succeeding services:

SUNDAY, JANUARY 3.

St. Paul's church: By the Rev. W. H Address; 11 A. M., Morning Service, Sermon and Holy Communion; 4 P. M., Service with Address, for Men Only; 7:30 P. M., Evening Service and Sermon.
St. Anna's church: By the Rev. J.
Stephens: 11 A. M., Morning Service,
Sermon and Holy Communion; 7:30
P. M., Evening Service and Sermon. 4
P. M., Address to Women only, by Miss Parker. Trinity church: By the Rev. J. Ste-

phens: 4 P. M., Service for Children and Young People.

Annunciation school-room: 4 P. M. Address to Women only, by Mrs. Crouch.

4 P.M., Address to Women only, by Miss Parker.

St. Paul's church: By the Rev. J. Stephens: 4:30 P. M., Service for Children and Young People.

SATURDAY, 16.

St. Paul's church: By the Rev. J. Stephens: 7:30 P. M., Address to Sunday school Teachers and Workers. Holy Communion after Morning Service, on Tuesday and Thursday.

OUR NEW YORK LETTER.

The last of the Christmas festivities are over. The children have been unusually remembered this year, by rectors, teachers and friends of the Church. Christmas' trees laden with beautiful, and in many churches costly, gifts, made dazzling by floods of electric light thrown upon gold and silver foliage, were seen on nearly every evening during the past week. But these festivals have come to be questioned in a serious manner by both clergy and conscientious laity. The expense of some of these Christmas tree celebrations amount into the hundreds of dollars, and in such instances who are the recipients of this pleasure? They are children who have just left even more beautiful trees in their nursery or drawing room-children who in the majority of cases if properly taught, would gladly give the amount expended upon them by their friends, to the poor children of this city who are actually suffering for food and raiment. To-day there are over sixty thousand, Aitken: 8 A. M., Holy Communion with able, temperate, anxious men and women who are without work, and are dependent in one way or another upon charity. Each of these persons represents little ones who are as dear to them as the tondest baby heiress of Fifth Avenue. Fifteen thousand dollars is not too large a sum, which was expended this year in Christmas tree festivities. The question is, is such an expenditure profitable or in keeping with the teachings of the Church?

And yet there is much to be thankin all of the churches. I do not hear much complaint of stinginess at this time, but from every source learn that the offerings of the past year will in nearly every instance exceed those of former years. The Church offerings on Hospital Sunday in nine cases out of ten were much in excess of any of the seven previous years that this special object has been observed. For instance, St. Thomas's church, which last year gave eleven hundred dollars, made an offering of over two thousand dollars this year. New Year's Day was ushered in by the ringing of bells, blowing of horns, sky rockets and smaller pyrotechnical displays. At midnight, the sweet chimes of old Trinity church rang for nearly an hour, and thousands of persons at the waning hours of the old year assembled in the vicinity of the church and remained during the entire programme. In several of the churches there were "Old and New Year services," following in many respects the custom of the Methodist brethren. These services were not confined to the churches where merely the poor congregate and worship, but a good congregation assembled in the church of the Heavenly Rest on Fifth Avenue, where the Rev. Parker Morgan conducted the services. In the church of the Incarnation (the Rev. Arthur Brooks) similar services were held, and the Rev. Dr. Satterlee of Calvary church made the address. Among the congregation was the Assistant-Bishop of the diocese. The recent conterence of "Reformed

A RECTOR ON WHEELS.

Our rector has been with us four years, and during that time has lived in three houses. In fact he had moved into the third house before the close of his second year. His experience has been trying in this direction, and the readers of by an unvarnished tale of what one clergyman has endured through the want of a rectory.

THE WEEK, EXCEPT SATURDAY. St. Paul's church: By the Rev. W. H. Aitken: 11 A. M., Address on the Christian Life; 7:30 P. M., Mission Service; 4 P.M. Address to Women Only, by Mrs. Crouch.

Werlein Hall: By the Rev. W. H. Aitken: 12:30 P. M., Half-hour's Address to Business Men.

St. Anna's church: By the Rev. J. Stephens: 7:30 P. M., Mission Service. 4 P. M., Address to Women Only, by Miss Parker.

SATURDAY, 9.

Trinity church: By the Rev. J. Ste-phen's: 4:30 P. M., Service for Children and Young People; 7:30 P. M., Address to Sunday school Teachers and Work-ers. Holy Communion after Morning Service, on Tuesday and Thursday.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 10.

Trinity church: By the Rev. W. H. Aitken: 8 A. M., Holy Communion with Address; 4 P. M.. Service with Address. to Men Only; 7:30 P. M., Evening Ser-

Annunciation church: By the Rev. W. H. Aitken: 11 A. M., Morning Service and Sermon. By the Rev. J. Stephens: 7:30 P. M., Evening Service and Sermon. 4 P. M., Address to Women

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Jewish Rabbis" at Pittsburgh has a wider meaning than has been stated by the secular press. It is claimed that a large number of these rabbis have lost faith in the Hebrew Union College of Cincinnati, and steps are already taken for the establishment of a Jewish college or seminary in this city for the training of Jewish youth to the ministry in strict orthodox Judaism. It seems that the German Jews are almost unanimous against recognizing the Pentateuch as regards the observance of the seventh day Sabbath. They also propose to abolish the rite of circum cision as necessary for proselytes. There will however be much opposition in this new step. For instance Rabbi Gustav Gotthell of the Temple Emanuel, and also the Rev. Dr. Henry P. Mendes, rabbi of the Shearith Israel Synagogue of this city, look upon the movement with grave suspicion. Both of these learned men say they will strive to prevent the splitting up of their people into various hostile camps, and that within the past twenty years sufficient mischief has been done by such theories and propositions, without encouraging new ones.

Within the past two weeks the Rev. Dr. Cook, of St. Bartholomew's church, has recited the Burial Service of the Church over the remains of two prominent individuals whose relations in life were most decidedly opposite. The strange contrast in these services was so striking and the lesson so practical and unusual, I cannot but mention them. One of the services was at the funeral of William H. Vanderbilt who died as the richest man in the world. He occupied a social and financial position second to no man in the country. He died in his palatial residence on Fifth Avenue, and his remains were carried to perhaps the most aristocratic church in the city. And yet the funeral services were no more elaborate than those spoken over the remains of the other man who also occupied a promi nent position. Mr. Vanderbilt was tor. buried in his quiet family buryingground on Staten Island. The other one was borne to his private family lot. in New England. Around Mr. Vanderbilt's remains were seen the most prominent railroad, political and financial men in the country. Equally prom inent men of the other man's profession gathered around the bier, and heard t'e same last rites said by the same distinguished clergyman. The service was the same, and yet the latter person was noted as being "the squarest and boldest gambler of the period." It was Charles Ransom. Instead of Jay Gould and Chauncy M. Depew's names being mentioned as pall bearers or mourners. Miles Farren, proprietor of a celebrated sporting house, book-makers (or pool sellers) Bliss, O'Neil, and Hackett were there. Gamblers, and horsemen, actors and clubmen, policy dealers and saloon proprietors sent their floral offerings representing "Gates Ajar" and "Peace at Last" and "Over the River," with perhaps truer sympathy than actuated the employees of the New York Central Railroad when Mr. Vanderbilt died. There was undoubtedly as much real grief manifested at this latter funeral as at Mr. Vanderbilt's. The distinguished clergyman recited the service with as much reverence and humility at the coffin of the gambler as he did at the obsequies of the railroad king. I suppose it was all right, and perhaps one deserves as much praise and respect as the other. I only mention this to illustrate the fact that a man's life is generally forgotten in death,

especially if the man leaves a rich estate. "Charlie Ransom" left behind him a half million of dollars, all earned from honest gambling. Mr. Vanderbilt left \$200.000 000, all acquired from stocks. Again, such is life.

Considerable surprise was manifested a few days since at the appearance of the Rev. Stephen H. Tyng, Jr., who for the past five years has been in Paris engaged in business. He has gone west for a little while on matters connected with his financial interests. He looks well, and is the same cordial, open-handed and frank-speaking man as of old. He met a host of friends. and I would not be surprised to see him once more in this city, in the charge of a congregation, unconnected with any religious organization, but an Evangelist after his own order. He could to day control the largest congregation of any clergyman in this city. One of the results of the Advent Mission is the interest manifested in Church work among a large number of prominent laymen of this city. On Saturday evening some of them met the Assistant Bishop of the diocese for consultation as to the best plan for organization, and the further manner of work.

Saturday night, about nine o'clock smoke was seen issuing from St. Luke's church in Hudson street, an alarm was given, and in a few moments the church was surrounded with fire engines which in a short time arrested the fire although the damage to the interior of the edifice will amount to \$12,000: insurance \$20 000. St. Luke's is one of the oldest parishes in the city, dating back as far as 1821. Trinity church gave the ground on which it stands. Bishop Hobart laid the corner-stone Among the rectors of this historic church have been Dr. Upfold, afterwards Bishop of Indiana, Dr. Ives Bishop of North Carolina, and Bishop Whittingham, of Maryland. The Rev Isaac Tuttle, D.D., is the present rec-

Danville, Ky. His address will be Navasota, Grimes Co., Texas.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

D. B. M.—Your remedy is in a new standing committee, or in a transfer to some adjoining diocese. G. H.—The music of which you speak seems to be out of print. We cannot find it. Write to the Rev. W. B. Morrow, Mus. Bac. Sayre, Pa., who can suggest something easy and appropriate.

J.-1. John Wesley lived and died a priest of the Church of England. He gave no "reasons for his departure." for he never departed. Wesleyans in his day were Church members, and went to the regular clergy for the Sacraments.

2 Your second question shall be answered soon. "A SUBSCRIBER." (1) Use some other signature, one more distinctive. (2) Write to the Rev. J. H. Smith, Treasurer of Clergyman's Retiring Fund Society, Hamburgh, Sussex Co., N. J. Enclose check at same time, and be assured it will do good.

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Pulaski is the county seat of Giles county. An earnest effort is being made by the little flock at this place to erect a church. The members of the parish have done all in their power to accomplish this object, but it is quite impossible without distant help. They now make an appeal for help to the more favored portions of the Church. Any sum, however small, will be most thankfully received, if forwarded to the REV. G. G. THOMPSON or MRS. DR. WM. BATTE, Pulaski, Tenn.

It affords me great pleasure to endorse the appeal in behalf of the parish at Pulaski. It is a flock that has run well, and I can come end them to the liberality of Churchmen everywhere. Whatever

she had been in New York. A visit to Colorado in 1883, proved beneficial to her health, but subsequently, protracted sickne: s which was borne with commendable patience, induced in 1885 another journey to Colorado, where climate, medical skill and nursing failed to prolong her present life, and where she departed from it in the faith and hope of the life that is eternal.

She was the mother of two daughters, one of whom preceded her more than eight years to the blessedness of those who die in the Lord, and the other survives to lament, with her husband, a bereavement which carries loss to the living and gain to the dead.

The type of Christian womanhood, so well represented by Mrs. Bailey, is exemplary to her acquaintance and friends.

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Domestic worth, that shuns too strong a light." But chiefly in imitation is she to be followed as she followed Christ, in her earnestness of character and fidelity to du y. holding fast her confidence to the end, that she might be a partaker of Him who is the Resurrection and the Life.

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PERSONAL MENTION.

The address of the Rev. N. W. Stephens is Le Mars. Ia.

The Rev. Edward Wootten has resigned the rectorship of Trinity mission, Statesville, N. C. and accepted the "unanimous election" to the rectorship of St Tuke's church, featord, diocese of Delaware, Address after Feb. 1st, 1886, Seaford, Delaware.

The Rev. W J. OBrien has accepted charge of the Missions of Waldo, Melrose Fairbanks and Balmoral, in the diocese of Florida. His post office address will be Waldo. Alechua Co., Fla.

The Rey. Melvin Honeyman has taken charge of Christ church, Nevadaville, Colo. Address accordingly.

The address of Miss Grace C. Allen, daughter of the Rev. A. A. Allen of Clarenceville, Canada, is Faribault, Rice County, Minnesota.

The Rev. Frank Woods Baker, formerly rector of Zion church, Newport, R. I., has accepted a call to Trin^tty church. Covington, Ky., and will enter upon his offic⁴ January 10.

The Rev. William Rollins Webb. of Baltimore. has accepted the position of assistant minister of Grace church parish, Cleveland, O.

The Rev. John H. Babcock, of Red Oak, Neb., has accepted a call to the church of Our Saviour, North Platte, Neb.

The Rev. James B. Murray, D.D., of Waverly, N.Y., has accepted the rectorship of St Mark's, Hastings, Neb., and will shortly enter upon his duties.

The key. Edmund A. Angell has accepted a call to the Memorial church at Foxburg, Clarion county, Pa.

The Rev. J. J. Wilkins has resigned Christ church, Boonville, Mo., and entered upon his duties as rector of Calvary church, Sedalia, Mo. Address accordingly.

The address of the Rev. Chas. R. Hale, S. T. D., Dean of Davenport, is Cathedral Close, Davenport, Iowa.

The Rev. Dr Van Bokkelen will retire from the rectorship of Trinity church, Buffalo, W. N. Y., on Easter Day, thus leaving vacant one of the most important parishes of the diocese. The new Trinity church will be opened on Easter Day.

The name of Holy Trinity church, Detroit, has been changed to that of St George. The Rev. Breddin Hamilton, B. D., has entered upon his duties as Assistant-Minister of St. George's, and this address is 605 Lafayette Ave., Detroit.

The Rev. Stanly Pentz has been elected rector of Navasota and Rockdale parish, diocese of Texas, and has resigned the rectorship of Trinity parish,

may be contributed will be thankfully received and judiciously expended.

CHARLES TODD QUINTARD, Bishop of Tennessee.

MARRIED.

BALESTIER-BROWN.-On December 29th, 1885, in Gethsemane church. Minneapolis, by the Rev. A. R. Graves, the rector, Mr. Joseph N. Balestier of Chicago, and Miss Emma A. Brown, youngest daughter of John Potts Brown, Esq., of Minnesota.

OBITUARY.

LIPPITT.—In Wilmington, N. C., December 31st, 1885, of paralysis, John Edward Lippitt, aged 52 years and 9 months. "Rest comes at length."

BARRETT.—Entered into life eternal, December 19th, Sheboygan, Wis., Julia Gale, wife of H. A. Barrett, and only daughter of the late Francis R. and Caroline M. Townsend. "And so He giveth His beloved sleep."

GAMMON.—Entered into the rest of Paradise on the night of Saturday, December 19, at Durham, N.C., James Norfleet Gammon. A devout communicant of the Church and a faithful member of the ve try of St. Philio's parish. His life was marked by humility and faithfulness.

"Be thou faithful unto death and I will give thee a crown of Life."

BAILEY.—At Colorado Springs, December 21, 1885, Kate Baxter, wife of Edward Bailey of Chicago, in the 40th year of her age.

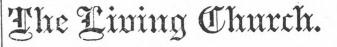
A Christian mother influenced and trained her childhood and youth, and the literary e ucation she received in schools at home was completed at Colege Hill, near Cincinnati. Before arrival at ma turity, circumstances required she should preside over and conduct the domestic affairs of the family of her father, the Hon. John Baxter, Kno xville, Tenn. Upon beginning that responsible duty, which she performed with matronly diligence and propriety for more than two years, she was led of the Holy Spirit to seek and find Christ as her personal Saviour, and in the autumn of 1865, became a communicant of St. Jo n's church Knoxville. At that place she was married December 26, 1866, (on the nineteenth anniversary of which event her body was there interred), and in the same town she resided until 1875, when her husband with his family removed to New Yo'k City.

There she became a member of the church of the Holy Communion, and took a lively, active interest in some of its charities, especially in its Baby Shelter and Missionary Aid Societies. Again her home was changed, by accompanying her husband to Chicago in 1 82; but as a communicant of Grace church in that city she was prevented by ill-health from being industrious in good works of the Church as

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THE SHEPHERDS.

BY L. L.

in old Judea's storied land, When Roman rule held sway; Her eagles flashed from sea to sea, The whole world was her prey.

T'was Christmas eve, bright morn would bring The crowning day of days: When all the universe of God Should sing His glorious praise.

Within the splendid temple courts, The sons of Levi's race Kept watch and ward; the lamps burned low Before the Holy Place.

The High Priest slept, and sleeping dreamed Of that tremendous hour When Israel's King should rule the world In majesty and power.

Upon Antonia's castle walls Outlined against the sky, The Roman guard, with clanging arms And ringing step passed by.

The Pharisee had said his prayer, A prayer thatcould not rise Above his lips, so scorned by God As formal sacrifice.

And then he slept, why should he not? Had he not kept the word? Was formal, clean, what then to him, The wretched, groveling herd?

The Magdalenes bore heavy hearts, Of hope had scarce a ray; For till the tender, kind One came They never dared to pray.

The city slept beneath the stars That looked with pitying eye, Upon the mass of sin and shame And hopeless misery.

The darkness hung o'er all the land O'er mountain, dale and glen, A deeper darkness, and more dense Weighed down the souls of men.

But far out on the mountain's side, Amid the cragged rocks, A band of shepherds, rude and rough Kept watch about their flocks.

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This little book has an appropriate text of Holy Scripture for every day of the year and one or two quotations from some distinguished author accompanying each text. The form and style of the book are pleasing to the eye; the contents are rich in their variety and matter, and the whole furnishes just such a manual as one likes to have at hand.

BEYOND THE GRAVE. By Dr. Herman Cremer Translated from the German by the Rev. Samuel T. Lowrie, D D. With an Introduction by the Rev A. A. Hodge, D.D. New York: Harper & Brothers Chicago: Jansen, McClurg & Co. Price 75 cents.

We have been impressed by the tender and deeply thoughtful character of this work. It is evident that Dr. Cremer has gone farther into the subject than the learned gentleman who presents him to the American public. We writer of the introduction seek to guard the reader against the doctrine of the Intermediate State, a doctrine which the author had been led to accept by a careful study of God's word. Why not let the truth have its way? In regard to another view of the author, that there is perhaps a chance of conversion after death we must express our doubt. The work is well worth a careful reading and deserves attention, especially from those, who, "through fear of death are all their life-time subject to bondage."

Church may find shelter and the munitions of war.

The scope of the book is wide and comprehensive. In unmistakable terms the real question at issue is stated. And it needs to be stated emphatically and plainly for the benefit of a great class of Churchmen. It is aggravating to read and hear the answers that sectarian papers and ministers are constantly giving to the claims of the Church as mis-stated by Church people. The constant cry is "Arrogance, exclusiveness; you are unchurching us. You claim you are the Church, and we are not churches." The type of Episcopalianism to which such answers are given, is the rankest sort of sectarianism and Protestantism. No true Catholic, especially no informed Catholic, will ever give occasion to such an an-

swer. The question is not as between "churches," or as they say, denominations. No Catholic denies that every baptized person is a member thereby of Christ's Holy Catholic Church. No true Catholic denies to Protestants their being all they claim to be. Our Presbyterian friend is all he claims to be--a preacher. He does not claim to be a priest; he does not claim to administer veritable sacraments. All he claims he has. The Catholic Church is not the best one among many. It is the one, and there are none other. It has the priesthood, the Sacraments, the succession-inestimable gifts of God. It is along these absolute lines that Mr. Little's book proceeds. The book is especially strong in its fortified Scrip-

tural positions for a divinely founded Church. After all, the question rests here. Apostolic succession does not amount to a fig, unless it can be indisputably shown that God through our Lord, instituted a visible, Catholic Church. If that misty phantom of Protestantism, "an invisible church" can be substantiated, Apostolic succession, direct historical descent through from have been amused at the care with the Apostles themselves, counts only which both the translator and the for antiquity and not for authority. This chapter is conclusively strong and scriptural. The historical sections of the book are accurately and well wrought. The historical basis of the Anglican Episcopate, and the historical refutation of the Italian claims are strongly stated. In doctrinal discussion Mr. Little makes no especial claim, but without any studied profundity, he is both rev erent and lucid in his presentation of the essential doctrines of the Incarnation. In his reasoning the Church, indwelt of the Spirit of God, is the continued Incarnation, where in Holy Eucharist there is still Immanuel, God with us. It is in all a book that will be a trenchant weapon in the hands of all Churchmen. Clearly stated its logic is as unanswerable as are the facts of Holy Scripture and of history. It should have a mighty mission, and be in the hands of all who love the prosperity and pray for the peace of the Church of God.

Joseph Packard, Jr.; An Outline of Pauline Psychology, by the Rev. W. Epiphanius Wilson, A. M.; Art in Worship, by Prof. John F. Weir, M. A .; The Province of Fiction in Literature, by the Rev. Robert Lowell, S. T. D .; Dogma no Antidote for Doubt, by Moses Ames, Esq.; The Teaching of the Twelve Apostles, by the Rev. Prof. Wm. W. Olssen, D. D.; The Progress of Archæological Research, by the Rev. Scott B. Rathbun, S. T. B.; The Book Annexed: Its Critics and its Prospects, by the Rev. William R. Huntington, D. D.; Bishop Perry's History of the Church, by the Rev. Wm. J. Seabury, D. D.; Recent American Fiction, by Wolcott Balestier; The Theory of Marriage and its Consequences, by the Rev. Thomas Richey, D. D.; Current Literature.

The Magazine of American History has taken its place among the foremost of our richly illustrated monthlies and is among the first in value, variety and interest. It has every appearance of achieving the grand success that it deserves. The January number has a well written article, illustrated, on Paul Revere; a continuation of the War Papers; a Tribute to the late Vice-President; an article on Slavery, by John A. Logan; Washington's First Campaign; New Year's Holiday; Original Documents, and a great variety of notes, historical and literary. The magazine is ably edited by Mrs. Martha J. Lamb, and published at 30 Lafayette Place, New York. Subscription price, \$5.00 a year.

A GOOD leaf to turn over on the new year is every leaf of The Church Eclectic. It has original articles on subjects too deep for treatment by the weekly papers, and selections from the best foreign Church periodicals not usually accessible to American readers. It is ably edited by the Rev. Dr. Gibson, published at Utica, N. Y., at \$3.00 a year, and should be in every Churchman's family.

THE Centenary of the American Episcopate, an address delivered in St. James's Hall, on June 17, 1884, and a sermon preached in St. Paul's cathedral, on June 18, 1884, by the Right Rev. the Bishop of Ohio, has just been published in pamphlet form by Thomas Whittaker, Bible House, New York. The Spirit of Missions for January shows improvement in the way of shorter articles and greater variety. It gives as a frontispiece "Bishop White's Chair." The subscription is only \$1.00 a year. Address, 22 Bible House, New York.

To those poor, simple-hearted men, Unknown to wealth or fame, The message of eternal life In glorious splendour came.

For lo! to their astonished gaze, Appeared a wondrous sight And glory filled the heavens above With a celestial light.

And swift a beauteous, radiant form, Came sweeping down the sky, The shepherds trembled, "sore afraid" They fain would turn and fly.

The angel paused, and smiling, spoke, "Fear not, fear not, I bring Good tidings of great joy for all, The birth of Christ your King."

And suddenly around him swept The heavenly hosts, and then "Glory to God on high," they sang "On earth good will to men."

The angel vanished, and the light Swift faded from the skies, But in the shepherds' hearts there burned The flame that never dies.

They straightway left their flocks; in haste They to the manger came And bowed their heads before the babe oly name. Praising G

The Shepherds came not like the kings, They nothing had to give, But thanked be God, the babe had come That these poor souls might liv

Poor hearts, they came as we must come, With nothing save our love, God give us hope and guide our steps To peace and joy above.

REASONS FOR BEING A CHURCHMAN. Addressed to English-speaking Christians of every name. By the Rev. Arthur Wilde Little, M.A., rector of St. Paul's church, Portland, Maine. The Young Churchman Company, Milwaukee, Wis. \$1.10 postpaid.

Readers of THE LIVING CHURCH are already familiar with the matter that is now gathered into so beautiful and attractive a volume. The several chapters of Mr. Little's book have already appeared substantially in these columns, and it is in answer to the demand thereby occasioned that the present volume is forthcoming. The publishers have done their work well, and the result is a volume of which any author may well have reason to be proud. Paper, binding, printing, everything of best quality and in the best of style. perhaps enough to say, first, that it fills a long vacant place in our Church literature. Its two purposes of strengthening and proving, or of information D. D.; The Mission of the Church, by and argument, supply a series of bul-warks, behind which any soldier of the Theological Seminary of Virginia, by Bolles, D.D., has been recently printed.

The Church Review (January) is out in good time and good form. It is better than ever, both in appearance and contents. The full table is as follows: Charles I., A Martyr, by Prof. J. G. Gilchrist, M. D.; Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister, by the Rev. Prof. Of the matter of the book itself, it is J. A. Wainwright, M. D.; The Recovery of a Lost Miracle, by the Rev. Samuel Fuller, D. D.; Is Cremation Unchristian? by the Rev. George W. Shinn, ening and proving, or of information | D. D.; The Mission of the Church, by

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An address delivered before the annual council of the diocese of Western New York, in Trinity church, Geneva,

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BY THE REV. W. P. TEN BROECK.

NO. XIX.

B. C. S. THE TRUE YEAR OF THE NA-TIVITY.

3. THE CENSUS OF AUGUSTUS.-"There went out a decree from Cæsar Augustus," says St. Luke, "that all the world should be enrolled." While this census was in progress in Judæa, Christ was born. If we can determine the date of the decree, we can fix the time of the birth.

Suctonius asserts that, "To Augustus was granted the right of perpetual control over all the customs and laws. Acting under this authority he, three times, took a census of the people, the first and third time with a colleague, the second time alone." The same author mentions, as one of the MSS. of Augustus, read in the senate, after his death: "A summary of his exploits which he desired should be inscribed on brazen tablets, and set up before his mausoleum." This is also spoken of by Dion Cassius.

By the ordering of Divine Providence, these monumental brasses were copied and preserved on the famous Ancyranian Monument. From this we learn, that a first census was held, by Augustus, in his sixth consulship, or B. C. 29; a second, when Censorinus and Asinius were consuls, or B. C. 9; a third, when Sextus Pompeius and Sextus Assuleius were consuls, or A. D. 13.

The second of these is, clearly, the one to which St. Luke refers. Considering, now, how far off Judæa was from after the slaughter of Alexander and Rome; reasoning from what we know of the carefulness of Roman procedure. and the proverbial delays of Reman officials; judging from the time consumed in preparing for a census now-adays: we must allow at least a year, for the enforcement of the decree in the Province of Syria. If, then, in B. C. 9 the decree went forth from the imperial palace at Rome, B. C. 8 would have governorship of Saturninus, and so been the year of its enforcement in agrees with Tertullian. It finds a place Syria. It is more than likely that the census was ordered to be taken on January 1, B. C. 7. This was the beginning of the Roman Year, and it was the only time at which the people could have conveniently left their homes. A strong argument, by the way, in favor of our Lord's having been born shortly before January 1st.

dæa," and calls him Epitropos, the regular official title, in Greek, for Procuralor. Also Tertullian, who says: "It is well known that in the time of Augustus, a census was held in Judæa by Sentius Saterninus;" which august personage was, as we know from Josephus, the Governor, or President, of Syria, under whom the Procurator performed his duties.

The proper office of Cyrenius being established, it remains to deterits duties. According to Tertullian, it was during the presidency of Saturfrom B. C. 9, and was then succeeded by the death of Herod. Now, in the early part of this presidency, one Volumnius was Procurator of Syria, including Judæa. At the trial of Herod's two sons, so Josephus informs us, Saturninus and Volumnius disagreed in their decisions. Saturninus being a father, gave his vote against capital punishment. Volumnius took the contrary side, and carried the majority with him. Add to this open breach between the two officials, the fact that Augustus, and they of Rome, were greatly incensed at the verdict, and we have a cogent reason for the recall of Volumnius, for the appointment of Cyrenius as Procurator and for the prompt action of Augustus in reducing Herod's power, and enforcing his own authority over the turbulent Jews.

Moreever, speaking of the plottings of Antipater, which were carried on Aristobulus, Josephus tells how "when all the people of the Jews gave assurance of their good will to Cæsar and to Herod, some 6,000 Pharisees refused to swear." This seems a clear reference to the census of Cyrenius. Comparing then all the facts and the testimony, we conclude that B. C. 8, alone satisfies all the conditions. It falls within the

gle. The post-office was besieged by an army of stamp-buyers and moneyorder applicants, and packages of presents were rolled out of Chicago by the car-load on all the great lines of transportation. The express companies could not keep up with their work nor find express cars enough to hold the tons of good things that were tumbled in upon them. Chicago seemed, for the time, like the great distributing centre of the world, and its half-million mine the time when he exercised of people bent on the one aim of getting rid of the mammon of unrighteousness. The Holidays have come and gone, and ninus, who held office for three years though the outflow has not ceased there seems to be enough left for all Quintilius Varus, who was in power at who wish to continue the luxury of giving.

> In the world-wide bounty of the season, the poor of the city have not been forgotten. Mr. Julius Jones dispensed. as usual, great cartloads of substantial food, distributing nearly five tons of beef, two tons of turkey and chicken, with nuts and candies. At the county hospital great preparations were made for the delectation of the unfortunates who find there a home in suffering. While the patients were gathered about the Christmas tree, and the tiers of seats in the operating room were thronged by visitors, the immense tree took fire and burned like tinder. The only escape for the crowd was by the upper gallery, and towards that exit the fire and smoke drifted. In the panic many people were bruised and burned, but no one was fatally injured. The fire was extinguished. The employees and nurses acted with commendable coolness and removed the patients by the lower exit.

The services and decorations of our churches on Christmas day are much the same from year to year, and will not care for detailed you description. The music, this year, has perhaps excelled that of any other; the decorations, if not so profuse, have been in excellent taste. There has been a tendency, here as elsewhere, to overdo this feature of the festival. making the house of God more like a dismal swamp than a place of joyous celebration. There is still room for improvement, in most of our churches. in the matter of floral and evergreen decoration. To arrange these in harmony with the architectural lines of the building; to avoid confusion and secure bright effects with simple treatment; to make the sanctuary glorious. while the body of the church is not left bare; in fact, to treat the whole with artistic propriety, requires the true artistic instinct and training. At old (and, at the same time new) St. James's, the lilies adorning the altar were a fine feature of the decorations. A surpliced choir of forty voices rendered the music with splendid effect. The decorations at Grace church were simple and effective. The quartette and surpliced choirs sang with exquisite skill, and Dr. Locke's Christmas greeting and sermon thrilled all hearts. At. St. Mark's, the by Spanish authorities, and some thirty Rev. B. F. Fleetwood, rector, the decorations were managed with novel and in both countries, and war between beautiful effect, by the skillful arrangements of lights and evergreens. The altar was richly draped with white embroidered altar-cloth. The Ascension church was made glorious with lights threatened conflict averted. His cordicles called for, and purchasers often and flowers and evergreens, and the had to buy what they did not want, or gorgeous ritual seemed to be a part of the decorations of the day. The sing-With this agrees Justin Martyr, who night in all the great houses before the ing was the grand feature at St. Clemspeaks of "the enrollments holden under weary employees had arranged their ent's, as all who know Canon Knowles Quirinius, the first Procurator of Ju- wares in order for another day's strug- would expect. It has been a glorious where the same.-Goldsmith.

Jan. 9, 1886

Christmas in all our churches. May it bring forth a rich harvest of spiritual consecration.

OPINIONS OF THE PRESS.

The Evangelist.

AMERICAN NIHILISM.-When we are saying to ourselves, peace and safety, we are in the greatest danger; for another cloud rises and darkens the land. It is the shadow of Nihilism-not Russian Nihilism, which aims only at the overthrow of political institutions, but something far more destructive, as it aims at the overthrow of our religious faith. A generation ago much was said of the danger of German rationalism, as the generation before much had been said of the danger of French infidelity. But America has produced a form of unberief that throws these into the shade-a skepticism which strikes at faith even in God the Father Almighty, and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord, and in the life everlasting. It is cold-blooded Atheism which stalks abroad in the land of the Pilgrim fathers. This is Nihilism indeed, which would speedily reduce our faith to nothing. Do we realize what is involved in this inrushing of unbeliefhow it would desolate and destroy what is most lovely in our national life? The old church which has stood on the village green for a hundred years, where successive generations have come up to worship the God of their fathers, would be turned into a playhouse or a museum, and in the churchyard near by it, where

The rude forefathers of the hamlet sleep, not even a headstone would be left with a "holy text" or a cross, to signify that the dead had been laid to rest "in sure and certain hope of a resurrection to a life to come." The graveyard would be desecrated, as every church and every Christian school and college would be swept away.

The Independent.

THE HOME.—Count that man a foe

THE LIVING CHURCH.

4. THE PROCURATOR CYRENIUS.-"This, the first enrollment, took place when Cyrenius was Procurator of Sy-1ia" (Luke ii:2). Some additional light will accrue from this statement.

It is a pity that the Revised Version, which is so particular to change Cyrenius to Quirinius, should have perpetrated the blunder of calling this gentleman "Governor," which he clearly was not. In all the Roman Provinces, under Augustus, besides the President, or

Governor, there was always a subordinate officer, called Procurator Cæsaris. Such was Pilate, unquestionably. And what word St. Luke uses of Pilate, he uses of Cyrenius. Further, the duties of Procurator were to pay taxes, and pay the troops. This the Governor was never allowed to do. Also, the taxes were founded on a census of persons and property. Hence the Procurator had exclusive charge of the census, and was the direct representative of Cæsar himself. Cyrenius was sent exressly to make a census and to levy taxes, therefore Cyrenius was Procurator, not Governor.

for Cyrenius in succession to Volumnius. It accords perfectly with the story of Josephus. It agrees exactly with the evidence of the Ancyranian Monument. It relieves St. Luke from an oft-charged imputation of inaccuracy.

Our conclusion then, is that B. C. 8, in consequence of the murder of the sons of Herod, and the turbulence thence ensuing, Volumnius was recalled and Cyrenius was despatched by Augustus to take his place. Also to him was entrusted the charge of the census, the year previous ordered. By him the command was issued that before January 1, B. C. 7, all the people of the land should be in readiness for the enrollment. And so it happened that our Lord was born in Bethlehem, December 25, B. C. 8, when Cyrenius was Procurator of Syria.

CHICAGO LETTER.

Christmas week has been a season of good weather and good spirits. All classes of people have thronged the streets and the stores, where there has been barely walking room or standing room. As the great festival drew near the crowds increased, and the crush and confusion was almost indescribable. Tired clerks appealed to each other in despair to find the artigo away empty handed. It was mid-

who undermines the home. Sooner poison the vital cells of the body than corrupt or tamper with the affections of the home. The man who proposes to make it easy to break up the home, to separate the husband from the wife, the father from the mother, the parent from the child, is the undisguised foe of the home. We have had too much legislation in the interest of license and libertinism. Lax morals are the cancer, and easy divorce is the sword, which destroy the noblest institution of humanity. Give a thought to-day, to the protection of the home from habits or from legislation which are the enemy of humanity.

The Advance.

THE LATE KING OF SPAIN. - The people of the United States had reason for a high regard for the dead king. At the beginning of his reign, the relations between Spain and this country were in a critical condition. The Virginius, an American schooner, carrying arms to the Cuban insurgents, had been seized of her men shot. Indignation was hot them seemed imminent. It was due in large part to the intelligence and fairmindedness of King Alphonso, that the indemnity demanded was paid, and the ality toward this country and her representatives has often been manifested.

CEREMONIES are different in every country. but true politeness is every-

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THE AMERICAN CHURCH.

Articles intended for insertion under this head should be brief and to the point; they should have more than a mere local interest; should contain no abbreviations, should be written on only one side of the paper, and should be sent separate from any other communication, and headed Church News."

NEW YORK

NEW YORK CITY.- The Children's Fold.-The annual report for the nineteenth year of this institution shows that 87 have been admitted and 60 discharged during the year. The whole number of children during the period covered by this report is therefore 221, and there were on the books on the first day of October, 1885, 85 boys and 76 girls, in all 161.

Boys to the number of 72 occupy the large house on the Boulevard at Ninety-third street, and are presided over by Mrs. Skinner. The outside children are distributed in families, for which cottages are procured, and over each of which is appointed a mother. In the homes to which they are assigned the number in each, the nursery excepted, ranges only from 7 to 14. They thus receive a mother's care and affection and lead freer and, for the girls, happier lives than is possible where they are collected in large masses. The education of the children is provided for in secular learning by sending them to the neighboring schools No. 9 and No. 54.

The health of the children has been remarkably good, and not a death and not even a case of serious sickness has occurred since the last report.

A building is needed for the Fold, which now lives in a hired house. The Fund has not been rapid in its increase and now stands at \$411.80.

NEW YORK CITY.-Mission to Deaf-Mutes-The Thirteenth Anniversary of the Church Mission to Deaf-Mutes was appropriately observed at St. Ann's church on Sunday afternoon, December 20th. The work of this society reaches over the diocese of New York, Long Island, Albany, Northern New Jersey and New England. Its clergy are the Rev. Thomas Gallaudet, the Rev. John Chamberlain, and the Rev. A. T. Colt. Of the others present at this afternoon service there were the Rev. H. W. Syle, of Philadelphia, the Rev. Job Turner and respect—they wisely made choice of the southern field, and the Rev. A. W. Mann who has charge of the work faithful priest. The altar was built by in the Central Western States and Northwest. In the evening another combined service was held at Trinity chapel in West 25th street. The Assistant Bishop was, present for a while and made a brief address. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Dr. Hall, of Brooklyn, and interpreted by Dr. Gallaudet. The Rev. Mr. Mann interpreted the morning service to Deat-Mutes at St. Luke's church, Brooklyn.

NORTHERN NEW JERSEY.

NEWARK-St. Stephen's Church.-Christmas Day was observed in this church by an early celebration of the Holy Communion at 7:30 A. M., and by full service with sermon and Holy Communion at 10:30 A. M. Eighty communicants received at both services. On St. John's Day, over four hundred Free-Masons with the grand officers of the State attended service in the evening, at the same church. The rector, the Rev. E. F. Small, vested in cassock with Masonic apron and jewels, preached the sermon upon the Symbolism of Solomon's Temple.

On Tuesday evening, December 29 the Sunday school festival took place. A large tree standing on the chancel steps was beautifully decorated with ornaments and candles. After singing the carols, the gifts were distributed to over 250 children.

HACKENSACK.-In Christ church, a full choral service was held on Christ-mas morning. It began at 11 o'clock with carols. Dean Holley preached an appropriate sermon from Żechariah ii: 10. The service closed with Holy Communion. The church was tastefully clothed with green.

A handsome memorial window to the late Mr. Frederick Jacobson was presented to the church on Christmas Day. The subject was that of Mary Magdalene, and the other Mary meeting the angels at the open sepulchre with the inscription from Matthew xxviii: 6. "He is not here." "He is risen." The window was dressed with flowers. Another gift to the church was a memorial to the late Mr. Demorest, placed upon the font. The design was that of a seraph, wrought in brass. Christ church Guild sent a Christmas barrel of clothing valued at \$175 to a missionary out West.

NEW JERSEY.

BORDENTOWN.—An impressive function was held at Christ church, Bordentown, N. J., on St. John's Day, when the Bishop of the diocese blessed the new altar erected by the Sunday school, in memory of the late rector, the Rev. Nathaniel Pettit. Mr. Pettit became rector of the parish in the year 1868, and served most faithfully until the day of his death in 1885. Many of his former parishioners had the desire of an altar as a fitting memorial for a Geissler of quartered oak, carved, and is in keeping with the new church building. At the second service on the morning of St. John's Day, the Bishop, preceded by vested choir and rector, entered the church singing the processional, "Christ is made the sure foundation." The Bishop at once recited the special office of Benediction. Immediately after followed the Introit with the Celebration of the Holy Communion, the Bishop celebrating, the rector, the Rev. C. W. Knauff, acting as epistoler.

rector, of white altar cloths embroidered in gold, red and blue. On the cloth for the pulpit is embroidered the Chi Rho; on the cloth for the lectern is a floriated circle, and on the altar cloth appear the words "Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia." They were embroidered by Mrs. Dennis, the wife of a warden of Trinity church, Buffalo.

DELAWARE.

WILMINGTON-St. John's Parish.-Christmas in this parish, was a most happy occasion. The services were both Churchly and attractive. On Christmas Day there was at 6:30 A. M., a short carol service, followed by a choral celebration of the Holy Eucharist. The church was tastefully adorned with evergreens, brilliant with light, and filled with worshippers. The surpliced choir entered from the west end, proceeding from the newly erected choir-house, and were assisted in the music of the day by a cornetist. Garrett's service in F was sung. The Rev. Dr. T. Gardiner Littell, rector, officiated at this service, and again at 10:30 o'clock, wearing the Eucharistic vestments recently presented by the choir. The altar was vested in white silk hangings, embroidered in gold and colors by the Sisters of St. Clement's church, Philadelphia. The Sunday school festival was held in the new chapel adjoining the church, on the evening of Holy Innocents.

NEWARK.-The Sunday school festival of St. Thomas's parish was also held on the feast of the Holy Innocents. After a choral service, the tree was lighted and confections distributed to the children. This is the first Sunday school festival held in this parish for a number of years and was very enjoyable. Gifts were also presented to the rector, the Rev. George M. Bond. and to Mr. Edward Henry Eckel, his organist.

GENERAL CHURCH NOTES.-A very church of the Ascension, Claymont, the Rev. P. B. Lightner, rector, on Monday evening, December 28.

The altar of St. Paul's church, Georgetown, the Rev. James C. Kerr, rector, has received a tabernacle for the Blessed Sacrament, and the Eucharistic lights.

Mr. Percival C. Pyle, student at St. Stephen's College, and Mr. Edward Henry Eckel, student at Delaware College, will shortly take Holy Orders.

Secretary of State Bayard, has presented a handsome stained

of the new reredos erected, by his widow, as a memorial of the late Donald Mc-Intosh. The design for the reredos was made by Robert M. Gibson of Albany. The wood is oak throughout. It consists of five panels, four of which are filled with figures of the Evangelists, each holding a book on which is represented his symbol. The panels were designed by E. J. N. Stent of New York, and executed by Westlake of London, on slate. Beautiful effects of color are produced by the use of this material. The centre panel, behind the cross, is hung with dosels appropriate to the seasons.

The offerings at the two morning services amounted to over \$1,000. On St. John's Day, in the evening, there was held a united service for the parish societies. There are nine organizations in this parish with a membership of about 300. To these societies much of the efficient work of the parish is due. The parish has long labored under a heavy debt, but this has been very considerably decreased during the last ten years, and is now in such a condition as to inspire the hope of speedy removal. During the past year it has been reduced \$2,900. The Sunday School Festival took place on St. Stephen's Day, consisting of a short choral service with carols, followed by a Christmas tree in the Sunday school room.

PENNSYLVANIA.

RADNOR.-The twelfth annual report of the Hospital of the Good Shepherd, shows a satisfactory condition of affairs in spite of the fact that the annual receipts have fallen off somewhat. Disappointing as this is, it is satisfactory to find, on the side of economy, that in this first round year in the new hospital, notwithstanding the much higher average number of inmates, the GENERAL CHURCH NOTES.—A very happy Christmas festival was held at the fuel, are only \$240.35 larger than last year.

PHILADELPHIA. — General Church News.-At the church of St. Matthew's, on Sunday evening, December 20, the fifty-second anniversary of the Bishop White Prayer Book Society was held. In presenting the report of the Board of Managers, the secretary, Mr. James S. Biddle showed that 6912 Prayer Books and 6162 Hymnals had been distributed in 39 dioceses and missionary jurisdictions and also to seamen and soldiers. \$2648.32 was received and \$2484.23 expended. During the Society's existence it has distributed upwards of 400,000 volumes. An earnest appeal was made for new members to take the places made vacant by death or removal. The Assistant Bishop of Central Pennsylvania preached the sermon. The December missionary meeting of the Northwest Convocation of Philadelphia was held in the church of the Covenant on the evening of the Fourth Sunday in Advent. After a short service, brief introductory addresses were made by the Rev. Richard Newton, D.D. and the Rev. D. S. Miller, D. D. The subject discussed was Mission Work in cities. The Rev. Joseph F. Garrison, D.D., spoke upon "Cities-the Mission Field of the Present Day;" the Rev. Reese F. Alsop, D. D., upon "How to Work this Field;" and George C. Thomas, Esq, "Results which Experience make Propable." Many points of practical value were made by the speakers, among which was the need of building large churches, served by several clergy with more frequent services. Much sur has been recently among both clergy and laity of this city by the Rev. . B. W. Maturin presenting the resignation of himself and his associates to the vestry of St. Clement's church of which he has for some time been rector. Many who did not sympathize with them on various points were loth to have them sever their connection and leave the diocese. Matters have now been arranged and the resignations withdrawn. They were presented, not because of any difficulty in the parish, which is fully in accord with its clergy, but solely because of the oft expressed feeling that by being connected with a parish they were prevented from fully accomplishing the work to which they had dedicated themselves. That portion of the city known as Manayunk has been much benefited by the placing in the spire of St. David's church a fine No. 2 Howard clock. The COHOES.—Christmas Day at St.John's spire is a prominent feature in that

QUINCY.

QUINCY. — The Church of the Good Shepherd .-- Though a "green Christmas" in the outside world, it was both green and white, at the Good Shepherd; the thirty white-robed choristers, the natural pine trees, graceful festoons and clusters of holly and red berries, together with the artistic church furnishings made a picture not soon to be forgotten by those who participated in the services. The chancel has been considerably enlarged of late and is now quite a deep one; a warm rich carpet laid about the altar; a new altar rail with a massive brass cross, chased and time, and last June he made a trip to upholstered with plush, resting upon engraved, together with a brass altar- Europe in the hope that his condition brass standards, has been placed in desk, in memory of his mother. The would improve, but while in Edinburgh position; the altar made brilliant with lights, and a new choir screen hung on the fore-chancel rail.

At the early service, which was choral, there was an unusually large number present in the congregation; nearly one hundred receiving the Holy Communion. At the second service there was a larger number of choristers and a full congregation. The intoning of the Nicene Creed, singing of Dyke's grand differings unto God and cost edifice, exclusive of the site which was to include the most prominent clergy of the vestry nothing. The entire cost of the edifice, exclusive of the site which was to include the standard Prayer Book and Nicene Creed, singing of Dyke's grand The Deum, the Gloria in Excelsis and donated by Major Brown, was only Agnus Dei, were impressively rendered. \$7,000-a marvel, truly, of cheapness, Agnus Dei, were impressively rendered. Dr. Corbyn's sermon, with the Church utility and beauty. service, made the great historic fact of On Saturday, Dec. 19th, 1885, the service, made the great historic fact of the coming into this world of the "Day Spring from on High" a greater reality and holy verity to those present.

On Sunday the music of Unristmas Day was repeated, and the church completely filled at both services.

WESTERN NEW YORK.

peculiar. On each side of the nave and Treasurer of Trinity church, New was contributed by the Sunday school, after a successful service of five years and all the chancel windows are memo-rials of friends who "sleep in Jesus." he accepted a call to a church in Peek-skill, where he remained until he be-The Rev. J. Dudley Ferguson, the came rector of St. Paul's, in 1874. Dr. beautiful silver communion service, manufactured by Gorham, is the gift of complaint. He recovered, however, and Mrs. D. D. S. Brown. The stone out of completed edifice, not to mention scores

Bishop made his first official visitation, and confirmed twenty persons presented by the rector.

JAMESTOWN.-St. Luke's church has received a handsome Christmas gift

dow to Holy Trinity, (Old Swedes) church, Wilmington, in memory of his father, the distinguished senator, James Asheton Bayard, and of his mother. The window, beautifully executed by Tiffany of New York, is yet wholly wanting in Churchliness. It consists of the coats of arms of the two families. It is the first memorial window placed in this ancient church.

ALBANY.

TROY.—Death of a Priest.— The Rev. Francis Harison, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's church, died December 29th, from diabetes. Dr. Harison was born in SCOTTSVILLE,-The arrangement of New York in 1839. His tather was a the windows of this church is very lawyer, and for a long time Controller there are six, in each transept five, York City. He was graduated from and in the curve of the chancel five. the General Theological Seminary, and The centre window in the south transept | his first charge was at Claverack, where he accepted a call to a church in Peekhe had a very serious attack of his old on his return seemed to be much better. which the church was built, all of the He worked very steadily and laborisand necessary for the mortar, and the ously in preparing for the Christmas carpet now covering the floor of the services, and these exertions told on his weakened system and another fit of of days' work of men and horses , were sickness followed. Dr. Harlson was also a member of the committee on the revision of the Book of Common Prayer. He had frequently been voted for in Western diocesan conventions as a candidate for bishop, and on one occasion declined an election. He was related by marriage to the late Reverdy Johnson.

from the Rev. A. Sidney Dealey, the church was marked by the completion | portion of the Schuylkill valley and the

clock, the faces of which are six feet Laurent Clerc died in 1871, and the in diameter, is becoming the standard deaf-mutes have erected a monument of time for the mills and other in-dustries. The hours will be struck on a 2500 pound E flat bell which will be the Clerc family. one of a chime that it is confidently expected will soon be secured. Quite an earnest discussion upon the merits of the Book Annexed took place at the meeting of the clerical brotherhood on Monday, December 21st.

The annual commendation day at the Episcopal Academy was observed on December 23d. The head master, the Rev. J. W. Robins, D. D., read the names of those who were of the several grades to be commended. The Rev. Dr. J. Andrews Harris, commended them in the name of the Bishop and Board of Trustees, and urged them to be thorough in all they undertook. Mr. Henry Budd sought to impress upon the pupils the need they had to be earnest in everything they did.

On Wednesday morning the matriculation of the new students of the Philadelphia Divinity School took place in the temporary chapel, in connection with a celebration of, the Holy Communion. The dean, the Rev. Edward T. Bartlett, and the Presiding Bishop pressed with much earnestness upon the students the vast importance of the work in which they were engaged. Much real success is attending the strong efforts which the dean and faculty are putting forward to raise the standard of scholarship and secure bet-ter men. These with the very superior appointments of the school are gaining for it the reputation which it so de servedly merits.

St. John's church, Norristown, has been much improved by the recent alterations. These consist of a new stone altar properly elevated, with a broad re-table upon which is a jewelled memorial altar cross and vases; the chancel has been re carpeted, as also the church. A fine dosel adds very much to the effectiveness of the chancel. Stalls for the clergy add very much to their comfort and the Churchly appearance. The placing of new oak pews in the body of the church gave an op-portunity for the introduction of a middle aisle, which was a need long felt. of Holy Innocent's day, Dec. 28th. The A water motor was added to the organ, the exterior painted and the cementing | flowing with the friends of the mission. repaired. About \$4,000 has thus far

MASSACHUSETTS. EPISCOPAL APPOINTMENTS.

JANUARY.

7. Thursday; St. Paul's, Boston. For Christian women.

- women.
 10. First Sunday after Epiphany. A.M., St. Mary's, Dorchester; P. M., St. Ann's, Dorchester.
 13. Wednesday. St. James's, West Somerville.
 17. Second Sunday after Epiphany; A. M., St. James's, Cambridge; P. M., Good Shepherd, Boston.
 20. Wednesday. St. John's Character.

- Boston.
 20. Wednesday; St. John's, Gloucester.
 24. Third Sunday after Epiphany; A. M., St. John's, Jamaica Plains; P. M. Mission, Roslindale.
 27. Wednesday; St. Luke's, Chelsea.
 31. Fourth Sunday after Epiphany; A. M., St. John's, Arlington; P. M., Trinity, Melrose.

MISSISSIPPI.

ASSISTANT-BISHOP'S APPOINTMENTS. JANUARY.

- West Point.
 Starkville.
 Sunday, Aberdeen.
 Sunday, Woodville and Missions.
 Sunday, Port Gibson and Missions.

BILOXI. - The Church here has received from the widow and children of the late Charles T. Howard a deed of donation, carrying it to the property now occupied as a rectory.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

EPISCOPAL APPOINTMENTS. JANUARY. 3. Adam's River.

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17.	John's Island.	
18.	Wadmalaw.	
20.	Edisto Island.	
24.	Orangeburg.	
31.	Allendale.	

the Diaconate, and the Rev. Jacob A. Register to the Priesthood, by the Bishop of the diocese, in Emmanuel church, Dec. 20th. The Rev. Mr. Mayo has become the assistant rector of Emmanuel. rector at Grace church.

CHICAGO.

SOUTH EVANSTON. - The Sunday School of St. Luke's mission, held their first Christmas festival on the evening temporary chapel was crowded to over-The carols were effectively rendered by organized June 21st last in Ducat's choristers. The Bishop then proceeded Hall, 6 teachers and 34 pupils as the first figures. It has steadily increased until now, showing a roll of 2 officers, "Hark, Hark, My Soul" brought this 1 organist, 10 teachers and 64 pupils. happy Christmas Festival to a close. The offerings since the organization amounted to \$20. CHICAGO—Grace Church—This church before a large congregation. On Tues-day afternoon the Sunday school met for their Christmas festival. This Sunday school is under the superintendence of Mr. J. H. S. Quick, and is the largest Church Sunday school in the city. The Archer Avenue Mission was also kindly brought over by Mr. C. Holmes, of the City Railway Company, and it was a completely filled with children, leaving scarcely any room for visitors. Between and down the aisles, singing a spirited processional, the effect was very grand. When all were in their places, they dropped on their knees, and "Silent

dred presents had reached their happy owners. The tree had been superbly decorated by Mrs. Charles Gunther, assisted by Mrs. Olderhaw and Wm. Olcott, Esq., and was illuminated by a calcium light of many colors. The great majority of the children of this school are poor children, mostly Bohemians, and this Christmas tree is the great event of the year for them. On Mon-day evening, Dr. and Mrs. Locke gave a Christmas party to the choir, at which the choir presented their choir-master, Mr. F. Kramer, with a handsome Christmas present.

CHICAGO.—The Cathedral SS. Peter and Paul.-The Christmas Festival of the cathedral Sunday school took place on the evening of Holy Innocents day, and was a grand success. The large congregation crowded the cathedral. The singing of the carols and service by the children was hearty, and the behavior was reverent.

A temporary rood screen entwined with evergreen separated the nave from the choir, which was prettily decorated with festoons of evergreen. The Christmas tree stood in the east transept laden with fruit and glittering snow.

Promptly at half-past seven the or gan pealed forth the processional hymn Adeste Fideles, and the procession en tered, headed by the cross, followed by forty surpliced choristers, the Rev Geo. T. Griffith, priest of the cathedral the Rev. Mr. Perry, and the Bishop The Rev. B. F. Cooley, late dean of 24. Orangeburg. 31. Allendale. MARYLAND. BALTIMORE --Ordination.--Mr. Robert H. Mayo, of Virginia, was ordained to the Diaconate and the Bey Jacob A the teachers in the lear. They marched to the music of the organ around the church past the Christmas tree, where each scholar was given a bag of cream come the assistant rector of Emmanuel. The Rev. Mr. Register will continue his acceptable services as the assistant for the class. When all were in their places again Bishop McLaren called the names of Edmund Lipsie, Walter Harmston, Herbert Stanton, and Albert Lincoln, choir boys, whom he decorated with gold medals for general proficiency, pronouncing his blessing over each of them individually. The Bishop then presented the Rev. Geo. T. Griffith, priest of the cathedral, and superintendent of the Sunday school, with a handrepaired. About \$4,000 has thus far been spent. It is contemplated to fres-co the interior and renew the gas fix-tures at no distant day. The energetic rector, the Rev. Isaac Gibson, is rapidly recovering the use of his wrist which ent, Mr. Siddell, received a very hand-one the children of the school. The presents on the Christmas tree were numerous, some very handsome prizes being given to the older pupils. The superintend-ent, Mr. Siddell, received a very hand-one cancella a very hand-to the children of the school. The presents on the Christmas tree were numerous, some very handsome prizes being given to the older pupils. The superintend-ent, Mr. Siddell, received a very hand-one cancella a very hand-to the children of the school avery hand-ent, Mr. Siddell, received a very hand-to the presents the members of the children of the school avery hand-the children of the school avery hand-to the older pupils. The superintend-to the older pupils are the members of the children of the school avery hand-the school avery hand-the children of the school avery hand-the children of the school avery hand-the school avery the Rev. Mr. Lane. This school was these reverend gentlemen from the Church is supported by weekly offering The most interesting and most important feature of this and all the services of the cathedral, is the decidedly Catholic teaching which is embodied. No one can mistake this as a place of worship. No particularly great amount of ritual is indulged in, but everything is dignified and Churchly. CHICAGO-St. Luke's Hospital.- It had been determined to give up the Christmas tree at St. Luke's, as the self. She was eminently successful being aided by many friends, and on Christmas eve at four o'clock the festivities commenced. All the patients who could be present, all the business employees of the hospital, and some of the friends of the hospital assembled in the chapel, which had been prettily decorated with splendid sight to see the great church evergreens by the housekeeper, Mrs. Atkins, and a bright Christmas service 110; licensed 11 lay-readers; received 6 was held, and an address made by the president and chaplain, the Rev. Dr. Locke. The singing was done by some of the choir boys of Grace the great banner of the school, went up church, who had kindly volunteered. After the service, all proceeded to the corridor, where chairs had been placed. It was a touching sight to see so many invalids, carried in the arms of the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Charles made upon it, still remains in use. After the speeches, the Rev. Dr. Clerc spoke of the honor which had been done to the memory of father. Night" was softly sung. The rector, the Rev. Dr. Locke, distributed the in an incredibly short time, eight hun-

from the chapel, and many were affect-

ed to tears, as the choir went up and down the corridors singing Christmas carols. Then the tree with its gifts was lighted up at the end of the corridor. There was a present for every patient, and a box of candy, and also presents for all the employés of every kind in the house. The excellent acting chaplain, Mr. Todd, was not forgotten. When these were all distributed, and the patients had returned to their wards, Dr. and Mrs. Locke went through the wards to wish each one a Merry Christmas. All the gifts, fruit and candy were contributed by friends of the hospital at Mrs. Locke's solicitation, and her sincere thanks, as well as the warm gratitude of all the inmates of the hospital, are their reward.

KANSAS.

LEAVENWORTH-St. John's Church.-Marked and pleasing success has attended the week of missionary work which closed December 20. The mission was conducted by the Rev. C. Webber of Tioga, Penn., and every night during the week the structure was filled to overflowing, and yet there were many who owing to the fact that the mission was not extensively advertised, would have been present but were not. Mr. Webber is a most excellent speaker. He came here without money and without price, and his labors during the week have disclosed the fact that St. John's church is very far from being dead.

ARKANSAS.

HELENA.—Bishop Pierce visited St. John's parish December 14th & 15th. Monday night he preached and confirmed sixteen lersons, three of whom on Sunday evening had received the Sacrament of Baptism. The Bishop addressed the class before and after Confirmation in most earnest and explicit words. Tuesday night the Bishop again preached a very able and con-vincing sermon on the authority and power of the Apostolic office and the priesthood. The Rev. C. A. Bruce was present in the chancel and assisted in the services. The music, by a choir of boys and girls was heartily rendered. the rector leading. The offertory was for diocesan missions. This spot in the Lord's vineyard for six months untended, in God's Providence seems to have awakened to new life under the earnest, prayerful efforts of the present incumbent, the Rev. Richard Totten. The Holy Communion is celebrated every Lord's day and holy day; the

was broken some two months since. It some silver castor from the members of then presented the Bishop and the Rev. has not materially interfered with his the school. A few appropriate remarks Mr. Griffith, respectively, with handministrations, for he has officiated were made at the closing exercises by some books-Christmas presents to every Sunday.

A notable event was the observation at Association Hall on Monday afternoon, December 28, of the centennial of the birth of Laurent Clerc, one of the leaders in the education of deafmutes in the sign language. A number of those most prominent in the work of teaching the deaf-mutes were present from all parts of the country, never had so brilliant a Christmas. The as well as the Rev. Dr. F. J. Clerc, a congregation was the largest one ever son of Laurent Clerc. Mr. John on that day, and the music which was Walker, one of the teachers of the rendered by the quartette and the sur-Pennsylvania Institution, delivered an pliced choirs together, was the best ever oration in the sign language, which heard in a parish celebrated for its good was read by Mr. T. F. Byrnes. The music. Indeed the surpliced choir did Rev. Dr. Thomas Gallaudet, President so well that the congregation has ad-E. M. Gallaudet, of the National Deaf Mute College, Washington, D.C., and Professors Job Williams, of Hartford, and A. L. E. Crouter, followed with personal recollections. From the ora-tion the following points in the history of Mr. Cherc were learned. He was of Mr. Clerc were learned. He was born in La Balme, near Lyons, France, December 26, 1785. When about one year old he lost the senses of hearing and smell. He was for 12 years a pupil of Abbe Sicard in the Institute for the Deaf in Paris, and afterwards became a teacher under him. The Rev. T. H. Gallaudet, D.D., went to Paris in 1816 to learn the art of teaching the deaf and dumb; while there he met Laurent Clerc, and being greatly impressed by him persuaded nim to come to America with him. Mr. Clerc was connected with the Hartford Asylum for many pliced choir boys, the cross bearer and years. In 1821 he came to Philadelphia and assisted in establishing a system of instruction at the Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, which with the improvements since

fasts and festivals are observed; almost daily service during Advent, and Litany services throughout the year. The from the people. The children of the Church have as their Christmas offering seventy-five dollars (\$75) to be used in furniture for the chancel, subject to the direction of the rector.

IOWA.

GENERAL NOTES.—The Bishop in his diocesan paper rebukes the closing of some churches on Thanksgiving Day, deprecating the indulgence in so-called "union" services that lead our people out of their own churches. Per contra, a case is recorded of a parish priest in the diocese who most skillfully managed a "union" service on Thanksgiving Day, by bringing all the congregations in town to the church, where a noble choral service won the praise of all who were in attendance, and the rector's discourse met equal approval. Two of the clergy participated in this service, and the Scripture lessons were read by two ministers present. During the first half of the present Convention year, the Bishop has made

37 visitations; delivered 107 sermons and addresses; read or assisted at prayers on 110 occasions of public worship; celebrated the Holy Communion 25 times; catechized 21 times; baptized 9 infants; married 4 couples; confirmed priests; dismissed 3 priests to other dioceses; ordained 1 deacon and one priest; consecrated one church and laid 1 corner-stone.

On the evening of St. Andrew's day, Kemper Hall was thrown open to the public, and the office of the benediction of the house was performed by the

rooms, the dormitories, the infirmary. the refectory, and in the visitors' room. and the noble building was thus solemnly dedicated to the promotion of Christian learning and Churchly train-" ing. No one who visits the Hall can fail to be impressed with the superior advantages it offers for the care and culture of the boys within its walls.

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vake me a child again just for to-night;" is the exclamation, in thought, of many a man who is the exclamation, in thought, of many a man who has suffered through a long life, from some dis-tressing disease, that he might have cured with a few bottles of medicine like Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery," which cures all blood and skin diseases, as well as consumption or scrofula of the lungs. If he were "a child again," he would know enough to have a bottle of the Discovery "to night." and in old age would not implore Father Time to "fly backward" for his special benefit, Hence, "Be wise to-day, 'tis madness to defer," Get a bottle of the nearest druggist.

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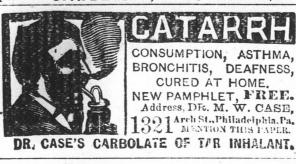
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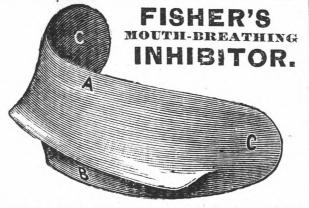
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