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## EWS AND NOTES.

No hope is entertained of the recovery of Dr. Lightfoot, the well-known rector of Exeter College, Oxford.
AFTER repairs and alterations, St Bride's,in Fleet street, London, a chureh built by Sir Christopher Wren, has been re-opened

The elections in Germany have re sulted favorably to the chancellor, who will have a working majority in the parliament: The result seems to have
given a feeling of increased security to all Europe.

Last week the Mediterranean shores of France and Italy were visited by ap palling earthquakes. The loss of life has beer frightful, and the destruction of buildings immense. Over thre thousand lives lost are reported. Among the towns visited were Nice and Men
tone, which are favorite resorts for Am ericans.

The anniversary of the death of Gen Gordon, was celebrated by a commem oration service at All Saints' church Ennismore-gardens. The Rev. Preben dary Barnes, an intimate friend of the late general, preached the sermon which was in aid of the funds of the Association for the furtherance of Christianity in Egypt, through the Gordon College at Cairo.

The convocation of the Province of Canterbury re-assembled on the 8th. The Archbishop delivered an address to the House of Laymen, in which, re ferring to the Queen's fifty years of reign, he said that in spite of all ills real or supposed, there was no golden half-century of the past in which a son of the Church might have been better content to live. Lord Selborne was unanimously re-elected chairman of the House.

At a meeting of the Church Building Fund Commission held in New York last week,.the following resolution was unanimously adupted:

Resolved, That every donation of $\$$, $f$ ord by the name of the donor or a memorial or otherwise, as designated by him; and that such donor be permitted to direct the disposition of the in come of such fund, geographically or otherwise, within the scope of the powers of the Commission.
The six doctors invited to investigat the charge of heresy brought by Mr.

Foumkes asainst Mr. Flecteners unive sity sermon have held their inquiry and were equally divided in their judgment. The vice-chancellor, while holding that from the ambiguity of the language used,there was reasonable cause of suspicion, agreed with those doctors, who took the view favorable to Mr. Fletcher who is therefore acquitted of the charge of heresy brought against the sermon which he has now published.
THe late Earl of Iddesleigh, whose sudden death was a grief to all Englana and a loss to the whole Christian world was a devout Churchman as well as an eminent statesman. He was most exemplary in his religious duties; in the parish church of Upton P'yne, of which his son is the rector, he often read the lessons and responded in the services. Like Mr. Gladstone and Lord Salisbury, he. was in sympathy with the Tractarian movement, and in the time of "re ligious riots" was hooted in the streets of Exeter. But in his treatment of
opponents he was a moderate Churchman, charitable and tolerant, as he was in politics. Two of his sons are clergy men.
FEB. 2d, was the fifteenth anniversary of Canon Erskine. Clarke's first sermon as vicar in the parish church at Batter sea. He then told the people that he should regard himself as the trustee or
the income of the benefice, and that s the income of the benefice, and that so his pen guided by his brain, he should not touch it. He has been able to do so, and, during the fifteen years eight
new churches have been built in the parish, one of them entirely at the vic ar's cost. Canon Erskine Clarke has also given up the vicarage for a school and there are in the parish, through he utilization of an old endowment primary, secondary, and higher schools;
and one boy, who has passed through and one boy, who has passed through bridge.
IT is rather surprising to find an advocate for a change of name in the ditor of The Standard of the Cross. We did not expect that Ohio would fall
into line so soon after the meeting of the American Church Society in Phila delphia:" The new convert says: "For the sake of modesty and conservatism, some mignt wish to cling to the old name in spite of popular misapprehension. But if a name is to convey an idea, if it has any value as an advertise ment, it should be accurate." It is true that he refers to the change of the name of Kenyon Grammar School, which under changed conditions has become a misnomer, but the, argument has its' value in the case of another "misfit."
The consecration of All Saints church, Allahabad, destined, to be the cathedral of the future diocese of the North-West Provinces of India, took place on January 12th. The Bishop of Calcutta performed the ceremony of consecration, as well as preached at the celebration of the Blessed Sacrament which followed. This service was held at $8 \mathrm{~A} . \mathrm{M}$., and at 11 o'clock the Metropolitan delivered his charge in the newly consecrated church. His lordsnip spoke very hopefully of the proposed new bishopric of Allahabad. He personally is much in favor of a new territorial bishop for this western section of
his diocese, and in the event of such new see being established, Bishop Johnson is prepared to relinquish a portion of the income now attached to the see of Calcutta.
The Marquis de Foulon died on the 23rd ult. at Fulham. He was born in England in 1795. He was educated as an architect, and many years ago, when residing at Hastings, he was appointed instructor in perspective drawing to her majesty, then Frincess Victoria. In his old age he was in a large degree supported by the kindness of the Queen and other friends. It will interest many to know that the father of the marquis fled as a'refugee to England during the fearful massacres of the first French Revolution. his ancestor, who was one of the ministers of the unfortunate monarch, Louis XVI., having been taken by the mob and summarily hanged on a lamp-post in the streets of Paris. The marquis derived great com fort from the constant observance of his religious duties which he scrupu of the Anglo-Catholic Charm

The Scottish bishops have put forth an appeal on behalf of the Theological Hall. "In their judgment the mainten: nce of the Theological Hall in a stat of thorough efficiency is of primary im portance to the future well being of the Church. It is unnecessary to dwell on the many disadvantages, and possible moral dangers, attending the solitary ife of a student away from home and in lodgings in a great city. With such a mode of living, it will be admitted, the system, ordered regularity, and sympathetic companionship secured in a collegiate life under wise supervision present a very favorable contrast After alluding to the intellectual stim alant and the moral and spiritual gain afforded by community life, and the social culture and the value of specitic training to graduate and non-graduate stu dents, they afirm that during the pas year "the results of the Oxford and Cambridge Preliminary Examinations have shown beyond question that the teaching in our college equals(if it does not surpass) that of any other institu tion of a similar kind.in England.
The following startling illustration of the possibility of endowing dioceses is taken from the address before the Board of Missions, of Bishop-Morris, of Oregon
If in the year.1791, when the diocese
of Delaware was organized, fifty dollars of Delaware was organized, fifty dollars had been invested as the beginning of an Episcopal Fund, at six per cent. interest,and the same sum added the next after down to the present every year pounding the interest all along. Delaware would to-day have an Episcopal Fund of $\$ 224,000$ ! This result is almost startling, and shows possibilities in this regard that we have toolong neglected. Take a more general illustration. Bishop Kemper was made our first missionary bishop in 1835 . Suppose that there had been a general Missionary Bishop's and $\$ 1.000$ arly added year by year compounding the interest till the yth of next February, the centennial of Bishop White's consecration. You would then have the grand sum of $\$ 348,000$ for the support of your missionary episcopate.

Bishor Potter returned to his diocese on the steamer Etruria, Feb. 19th. His health has improved, and it is to be hoped that it will not be subjected to any greater strain than can be readily
endured. On the same day that Bishop Potter returned $\%$ New York, his brother, General Robert B. Potter, died at Newport, R. I. General Potter was a graduate of Union College, and had entered upon the practice of law shertly before the Civil War. He abandoned his profession, entered the army,fought bravely, was very severely wounded at Roanoke Island and at Petersburg, escaped with his life, and rose, as he continued the career of a soldier, to the rank of major-general and department commander. After the war he filled civil positions of trust and responsibility, all the while suffering from the effects of wounds received in the service f his country. General Potter was not he least distinguished of the members of a remarkable family.
The Bishop of Manchester in returning thanks for an address and noticing a remark that at Manchester he was the right man in the right place, expressed the fear that it was inspired by the confidence of affection rather than the outcome of judgment and discrimination. No man could be said to be equal to such work. To have to guide the fortunes of the Church of England among a population of $2,500,000$, to bear the cares, anxieties, and burdens of his office, and to have the oversight of 600 or 700 clergymen, passed human strength. He could only do his best. A colonial bishop was once remonstrated with for giving himself so much trouble in visiting all over tle diocese. "You will wear, yourself out," he was told. "What is the duty of a bishop"" was asked. "It is to ordain, to confirm, and to keep the clergy in order." That was the old-fashioned idea of a bishop, but ever since that magnificent specimen of an energetic prelate, the late Bishop Wilberforce, taught them how a bishop might-work, and therefore ought to work, the conception of the episcopal office and its duties had undergone a wonderful change.
The demolition of the vergers' houses on the south side of Exeter cathedral is now being proceeded with. It is intended to rebuild the cloisters and to erect a new library. It will be remembered that the late Chancellor Harrington and the late Dean Boyd left by will to the dean and chapter certain sums for a new library building, which has been further augmented by donations from Canon Cook, the Bishop, the dean, the archdeacon of Exeter, Canon Lee, Archdeacon of Totnes, Lord Devon, Lord Blachford, the Right Hon. W. H. Smith, Sir J. Walrond, and others, bringing the amount at present in hand up to $£ 3,516,15 \delta$. The matter has been before the dean and chapter for a considerable period, and the site of the cloisters has been chosen for the purpose. They further concluded that the new library should be combined with the re-building of the cloisters, the present occupation of the Chapter House by the old library and the books left by Chancellor Harington, making it inconvenient for the holding of diocesan meetings. Another inducement for im mediate action was the fact that Canon Cook, besides his gift to the fund, expressed his intention to present to the chapter his valuable and unique library of books in oriental languages and phil ological science if they pruvided room for its reception.

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City.-The Rev. Thomas E. Green on Feb. 22d, was ordained to the priesthood by the Bishop of Springtield, in St. Andrew's church. The Rev. Dr. Gold preached, and celebrated the Holy Cummunion, Canon Knowles and Father Larrabee serving. In the laying on of hands the Rev. Lyman N. Freeman joined, who was ordained by Bishop White in 1831. Bishop White, it will be remembered, was ordained in Lambeth Chapel just 100 years ago, on the 4 th of February. About 20 of the clergy of the:diocese, and a large congregation were present. Too much praise cannot be given to the large vested choir of men and boys, which has been organized and trained under Mr. Green's administration. Just a year ago he was assigned as lay-reader to this vacant and almost dormant parish, which was discouraged by a large debt and a long vacancy in the rectorship, Mr. Green began here as a layman, after his resignation of the pastorate of the Presbyterian church across the street. The debt has been paid, the church renovated, choir organized, ritual improved, and the roll of communicants has been increased from 75 to about 350 . 50 persons have been contirmed during the year. The parish is well located, harmonious and prosperous. Pastor and people have our hearty congratulations upon the auspicious opening of what promises to be a grand work.
The Rev. A. W. Mann, the missionary to deaf-mutes, held a service at St. James' church Sunday afternoon, at which he baptized an infant and an adult. On Monday he held two ser-
vices at Rockford when four persons vices at Rockfo
were baptized.

- Pontiac.-February 20th witnessed the opening of Grace church. Late on Saturday evening the last work was done in the new building, and
it was then that the cross and vases were placed upon the altar by the Rev. Mr. Steele, Jr. The cross, a massive one, of brass, one of Lamb's best, was inscribed in memory of the father of the Rev. W. M. Steel, the priest in charge of the mission. The vases, from the same house, were inscribed, the one in memory of the
mother of the Rev. W. W. Steel, of Bamother of the Rev. W. W. Steel, of Basister.

On Sunday morning, the first celebration of the Holy Eucharist was preceded by the Te Deum, chanted most heartily by the large choir present. The priest in charge acted as Celebrant, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Hodge, of Momence, formerly in charge of this work. Almost every commúnicant in the mission was present. At the second service, at 11 o'clock, a strong, manly, earnest, sermon was delivered by the Rev. Mr. Hodge. The evening service consisting of Evening Prayer, Baptismal service and sermon, was rendered by the Rev. Messrs. Steel and Hodge, the Rev. W. W. Steel, of Batavia, preacbing the sermon. A large number of young persons were baptized. The church was crowded at this service and all the standing room taken. Many persons had to go away, unable to get in.

The church building is of stone, with a tower and campanile and a slate roof. The interior wood work is of massive solid oak, with no paint or graining. Everything is real, and what it appears to be. The open roof is not plastered, but ceiled with red oak, and the effect is very fine. The chancel is unusually large and spacious and well proportioned. It is carpeted and completely
furnished, the lectern being the ont formerly used in St. Luke's Hospital Chicago, and given to this mission. The windows are all memorial, and all peculiarly beautiful. Especially so is the western window, representing the symbols of the four Evangelists, and the full-sized figure of our Lord, holding in His hand the symbol of the crosss:rmounted world. This window was the offering of Mr. A. W. Cowan, the serior warden of the mission, and one of its most self-denying earnest members.
Few congregations have had greater discouragements than this; few have been more earnest and persevering: few have had less to work with, and perhaps few so richly deserve the joy that is come to gladden the hearts of the members of Grace church and their faithful priest. But their joy was not without its shadow-as a debt has been incurred, necessarily, in this new wotk It is, however, only $\$ 800$, and it is hoped that at an early date this lovely little building may be freed from debt and formally consecrated to the worship of Almighty God-as it already is conse crated by self-denial, and prayers, and tears.
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City.-The Bishop and family ar rived in New York on Saturday, Feb
19th, having had a pleasant voyage and 19th, having had a pleasant voyage and satisfactory: His health is restored and he is ready to take up again his most ar duous and difficult task. As notified by a dispatch from England, the Bishop with a number of the clergy celebrated the Holy Communion at Grace chapel ou Monday noon, the Rev. Drs. Hunt ington, Shackelford and Swope assisting. In a brief address, the Bishop
spoke with feeling of the death of the late Bishop and the other clergy, and of his complete restoration to health in his three months' sojourn. Speaking of Oxford House, London, at which young
men and also graduates of the university, were banded together to work among the poor in London, he thought this a sign that the Church was overcoming the prejudice she had met with in certain methods and kinds of Church Soon after his arrival, the Bishop learned of the death of his brother, Major-General Potter, who had been living at Newport. The remains were brought to New York, and the funeral took place at Trinity church, on Wed nesday. The body was taken to Greenwood for interment.

On Sunday evening, Feb. 20th, Bishop Boone addressed about 200 Chinamen at St. Thomas' church, their teachers being present. The Bishop preached in Chinese, a student interpreting. Dr. Morgan also made an address, saying the Chinese were the more entitled to our consideration because of the persecution they had met with on our western shores. Parts of the service were said in Chinese, a Chinese student interpreting. There was also to be a service in behalf of the Chinese at St. Andrew's church, and on the Sunday following.
The Rev. R. Heber Newton has gone South for rest and recruiting. While his physician assured him that he gave no evidence of an organic disease, he said there were plain signs of nervous exhaustion, accompanied with symptoms that would make a speedy renewal of brain work dangerous to his whole future. This opinion expressed in a letter was read to the congregation, to each member of which a copy of the letter had been sent through the mails.

Mr. Newton proposes to take time for a complete recovery if possible. In the meantime his pulpit will be occupied by the Rev. James S. Bush, of Concord, Mass.
Some ladies interested in the Home for Old Men and Aged Couples at 487 Hudson streat, and connected with St. Luke's church, recently gave a reception to the aged people which was greatly enjoyed. The Home, as all such institutions ought to be, is true to its name; it is designed for the better class of aged people. The entertainment consisted of music, the giving of presents, etc.

## NEBRASKA

Schuyler.-On Sunday evening, Feb. 6th, Bishop Worthington visited Holy Trinity church and administered the Rite of Contirmation to a class of nineteen,representing largely, the most cultured and influential of the citizens and many of whom have been earnest workers for the Church for some years. This happy event shows the zeal and work of the well-loved restor; whose energy never tires and who has been unceasing in his efforts to increase the number of communicants. The sermon and charge of the Bishop were very eloquent and a few well-chosen words were given by the rector. The Bishop expressed his
great gratification at seeing the improvements and extensive alterations made in the Cliurch building, which he said, far exceeded his expectations.
 onsecrated in Paris, and Bishop Whipple, cordially endorse it, and M. Blacq
states that it is a new spiritual revel tion to that people who have been driven in disgust by the Roman Catholic priesthood into indifference and in. fidelity. He affirms most positively that the Parisian masses are ripe for genuine apostolic faith and work, and that our clergy will be welcomed by a people who have never known a bishop or an archbishop by personal access and loving care, but simply as a titled ecclesiastic elevated remotely from them on a very high oflicial and ceremonious pedestal.
Crown Point.-The Rev. John E.
Bold, late of the church of the Cross, Ticonderoga, but recently cbosen curate in St. James' parish, Buffalo, has been passing some weeks at his old home in Charleston, S. C. Upon his return he was requested by Principal Van Allen, of the Crown Point Free Academy, to deliver a lecture upon the effects of the recent earthquake there, for the benefit of the historic St. Michael's church. before the students of the academy.
On the evening of the lecture, Wednesday, Feb. 16, the academy chapel was crowded, and Mr. Bold's entertaining description of the destruction worked by the earthquake was listened to with much interest.. Mrs. F. J. H. Van Allen by request, recited the beautiful poem: "How He saved St. Michael's," and "The Blue and the Gray," was read by Prof. Van Allen, after
which short speeches were made by the Rev. William R. Woodbridge, rector of Christ church, Port Henry, the Commander and Adjutant of the local post of the G. A. R., and by Mr. E.' N. Cragg. A considerable amount was received,
which has been sent to the rector of $\mathrm{St}_{\text {, }}$ Michael's.
Troy.-The Bishop of the diocese visited the parish of St. Barnabas on Sunday evening, Feb. 6th, the Rev. Dr.
Pelham Williams, rector. This parish is vigorous and busy in good works,and has struggled up from under many embarrassments into a condition of assured success.
St. Pa
St. Paul's church is again disappointed in its selection of a rector, the Rev. Mr. Nelson having withdrawn his ac ceptance under medical advice.
Hoosick Falls.-The Rev. Dr. Stock ing of Albany recently delivered an illustrated lecture on "Ancient and Modern Europe," in the Opera House of this thriving town. The lecture was for the benefit and entertainment of the parish and Sunday school of St. Mark's, and was profusely illustrated by beautiful views from the oxy-hydrogen stereopticon, with which the crowded audience was delighted. Dr. Stocking has fitted himself by extensive foreign travel and critical observation for this delightful and instructive method of entertainment, and his services are frequently in request from parishes and Sunday schools, seminaries and colleges. Re cently at St. Stephen's College there was only standing room left at the be ginning of his lecture on "Ancient and Modern Rome."
Gouverneur.-On the festival of the Conversion of St. Paul, Trinity parish was presented with a handsome brass altar cross, as a thank-offering from a communicant who had recovered from a serious illness. The cross is the work of Messrs. Geissler of New York. The altar ornaments are now complete, the Eucharistic lights having been |presented in mem orial of a little one in Paradise. The Vesper lights were a gift from the Bible class.

the smallest of them, carrying the wooden box which had been used as a bank by the society, containing thei banner, inscribed,"Little Builders." copies of The Churchman, and The Living Church, a Living Church Calendar, and several other articles. This box was presented to Ur. Stringfellow by the little child, who deposited it in the
stone. The doctor delivered a very stone. The doctor delivered a very beautiful and instructive address, re-
ferring most feelingly and eloquently to the band of little builders, whe had accomplished so much for God The materials for erecting the building were all on the ground, and it will not be long before, this neat little Gothic chapel will point arother cross towards heave
King.

## QUINCT

Warsaw.-A Mission conducted by Father Betts of Louisville, Ky., was begun here on Saturday, Feb. 5th. and closed Tuesday 15 th. The city is thor-
oughly aroused. Persons who never oughly aroused. Persons who never
entered a church, and scoffers at religion, coming through curiosity, returned service after service to worship.
the services were well attended the services were well attended
night the church was so crowded
had to turn away. On Sunday evening the number who were determined to hear was so great, that there was not standing place left in the nave, the
chanced to the sanctuary step The porch, vestry, choir and parish rooms were filled with men standing. When the farewell came and the missioner offered his blessing to any wishing to receive it, men knelt with bowed heads, on the chancel steps, who two weeks before would have resented with indignant scorn the intimation of such a possibility. The missioner has cause or rejoicing and thankfulness for the magnitude and success of his work in Warṣaw
Griggsville.-The Rev: J. S. Col ton having resigned the charge of St James' mission in this place, to accept
work elsewhere, preached his farewell work elsewhere, preached hay, Feb. 13
sermon on Sexagesima Sunday This mission was organized by the Bishop of Quincy in the early part of 1883, and about the same time a Ladies' Guild for parish work, and a Sunda school, (a Sunday school had formerly been held for some years) were begun The people of the mission are almost entirely English, or born of English parents. In August, 1883, the Rev. J. S. Colton became priest-in-charge, and on Sept. 6, the corner stone of a church for whose building arrangements had been made before his coming, was laid by the Bishop. On Dec. 6 the church was consecrated. It cost complete, somewhat over $\$ 2,000$. The organ, car pet, stoves, and chandelier were fur nished by the Ladies' Guild. A debt of $\$ 750$ on the edifice was assumed by the three trustees of the church, and would have been cleared off within two years of the completion of the church, but for great local depression caused by several successive failures of the wheat harvest. Of the above amount $\$ 600$ was put in the shape of a note given by the gentlemen mentioned, personally, and the in terest regularly paid by the people. In December 1885, the amount was subscribed by the parishioners, in various sums, and within a few months past $\$ 450$ of it has been paid, as the balance will be in no long time. Another note for $\$ 100$, was paid by the guild with in terest, as also another obligation for $\$ 50$, no; bearing interest. The total amount raised by the guild is about $\$ 500$, and its work has been carried on
with much harmony. A like harmony has prevailed in the mission generally Two adults and 20 children have been baptized, and 21 persons confirmed There are 40 communicants. The Sun day school, Mr. Richard Perry, superin tendent, has been doing a good, steady work for it and the Church, and number of its scholars have been con firmed. The children of the parish at tend regularly upon the services of the Church, in company with their parents This fact with the interested co-opera tion of the parents in their own respon sible place, in training the children for he Church and her sacred duties, ha been no small help to the work of the clergyman. It is hoped that a succes sor to Mr.Colton may soon be provided

## wisconsin

Latest advices in regard to the Bish p's health are more and more favor able. Absolute rest is, however, in isted upon.
The annual pre-Lenten retreat for he clergy was held at the cathedral on Shrove Tuesday, the meditations being detivered by the Rev. Dr. Jewell, on the subjects of Meditation, Prayer and Fasting. They were so replete with striking and beautiful thoughts, that any condensed report of them would be impossible. At dinner time, some se lected ad clerum äddresses were read by the Rev. Dr. Riley.

At the late meeting of the Milwaukee Clericus, the Rev. Prof. Bigelow, of Ra cine College, spoke on "The Anti Materialistic Tendencies of Science. Prof. Bigelow was brought up in strict New England Ualvinism, and drifted into unbelief; through the study of the sciences, and particularly of astronomy he was led to find God, and subsequent y sought orders in the Church. His ecture was of profound interest, an was listened to with close attention
quiet day was conducted at St Luke's church, Whitewater, by the Rev. Canon J. M. Francis, on Ash Wednesday. There were two celebra tions of the Holy Eucharist, at the see ond of which, Mr. Francis delivered a thoughtful and earnest meditation on "self-examination, as a Preparation for Lent." He dwelt on this duty as one particularly necessary at the outset of the holy season. At Evensong, a devotional Instruction was delivered on Fasting. He also preached at the evening services, on "Turning to God with all the Heart, the key-note to Lent, as shown in the Epistle for Ash Wednesday." Mr. Francis' earnest and devotional manner, combined with his plain and distinct, though at times even eloquent remarks, could not fail to deeply impress his hearers.
A course of addresses on the Beatitudes, will be delivered on Wednesday evenings through Lent, at the cathedral, by the Rev. J. M. Clarke, D. D., of Nashotah. The opening service on Ash Wednesday night, notwithstanding inclement weather, was largely attended. Daily services will be held at the several city churches. The Rev. E. G. Rich ardson has been delivering a course of lectures on Church History, at St. James' church, on Sunday evenings, and $\&$ series on the Creed has been presented on Friday evenings, at St. John's by the rector, the Rev. Dean Richmond Babbitt. The Rev. F. W. Webber has entered upon his duties as rector of Zion church, Uconomowoc.

## MINNESOTA.

Septuagesima Sunday, Feb. 6, Assistant Bishop Gilbert visited the parish of the church of the Nativity at Wells. Saturday evening a reception was given
at the rectory, and a goodly number of the parish availed themselves of the opportunity to meet the Bishop. Sunday, Morning Prayer and Litany were said at 9 o'clock. At half-past ten the little church was well filled; the subject of the Bishop's sermon was "Hunger and Thirst after Righteousness," taken from the second lesson for the morning. Eight persons, three being adults, received the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation. A large proportion of the number of the communicants were present and received the Blessed Sacrament. The offertory, being for the Bishop's special needs fund, was a generous one. At the evening service the Bishop preached extempore to a good congregation, from the text, "Strive to enter in at the strait gate." Both the morning and evening sermons, together with the special services, left a deep impression on all who were present; and it is hoped that it is only the beginning of a larger work, the first fruits of a more bountiful harvest.
Early Monday morning the Bishop and the rector started for Blue Earth City. At 11 A. m., there was a celebra tion of the Holy Communion in the church of the Good Shepherd. Quite a number were present at this service and received the Communion. At half-past seven in the evening the Bishop preached to a good congregation, and confirmed one person. This parish which has been vacant for a long time, is to have a resident minister and regular services beginning with Quinquagesima. For a year and a half the Rev. E. H. Clark, of Wells, has given them a service once a month.

At Fairmont, the Bishop spent the day in visiting. In the evening he held service, assisted by the Rev. E. H. Clark. The sermon was on the text, Eccles. xii: 1. A class of four was confirmed at the close of the service. This parish which has also been vacant for some time, is to be filled in the near fu ture. The great want is men, and the earnest prayer of all God's people should be: "That it may please thee to send forth laborers into thine harvest; We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord."
Hastings. - On learning of the death of the Rev. Timothy Wilcoxson, the founder of St. Luke's parish, and one of the three first missionaries of the Church in these parts, a very general and spontaneous sentiment was expressed by many to procure and place in the chancel of. the church a suitable memorial of his mission labors in the prime of his life. This feeling culminated in a call for a moeting at the residence of the present rector of St.Luke's, on a recent evening, wher quite a num ber of the parishioners assembled. The rector acted as chairman, stated the object of the meeting, and after a short interchange of views, it was resolved that a lectern should be placed in the chancel of the church, in which he so long officiated, in memoriam of his name and self-sacrificing labor. To carry out this object a committee of six was appointed, consisting of Mrs. C. W. Nash, Mrs. A. J. Short, and Mrs. H. Hanson on the part of the ladies and Messrs.L. S. Follett, Andrew Warsop, and J. R. Clagett on the part of the gen tlemen.

## oalifornia

Riverside.-The Rev. B. W. Roger Tayler, lately of the diocese of Frederickton, Canada, entered upon the charge of All Saints' parish, about the 15th of January. He is meeting with much success; the best feeling prevails in the congregation; sectional jealousies are being forgotten; a site has been select-
ed for a church in Riverside with almost unanimous consent of the Arlington residents, and nearly $\$ 5,000$ has been secured for the building. A parochial guild and an altar guild have been organized, and great interest is manifested in Church work.
Pasadena.-The Rev. J. D. H. Browne and family have moved into the new rectory, just completed at a cost of $\$ 2500$. It is a valuable aldition to the parish machinery, as well as a comiortable home for the rector; and it will be a centre of parish activities for many years to come. A new church will be the next requirement, the present building, All Saint's chapel, having been designed only as a temporary thing, and being already unequal to the demand for seats on Sundays.
San Gabriel.-Two or thres months ago the Ladies' Aid Society of the church of our Saviour, re-painted and otherwise improved the commodious rectory at a cost of about $\$ 150$. They have quite recently put a handsome crimson carpet on the floor of the church covering every foot of it; and have also placed at the back of the altar, across the east wall of the chancel, a very elegant silk dosel curtain. Other improvement
tion.

## LeUUISIANA.

Port Allen.-A great transformation has taken place in the interior of Christ church. Through the energetic labors of Mrs. B. M. Cook, in one month's time, a new chancel rail, new pulpit, new lectern and sedilia have been placed in the church; the chancel has been re-carpeted and the windows of the church painted; a new altar with re-table and super altar, also altar cross and vases have been placed within the sanctuary. The altar has also been pro vided with the necessary cloths, all
colors, to correspond with the seasons of the Cuurch. There is a class await ing Confirmation at this parish.

Morgan City.-Services are held in Trinity chapel, this parish, on week days. No collections are made at any of the services, those willing or anxious to give are afforded the opportunity of doing so by an alms box which is placed at-the entrance of the church.
oentral pennsylvania
Mauch Chunk.-Elsewhere in this issue, we record the ordination to the diaconate of Mr. Wm. R. Turner, formerly a Congregational minister. He is now serving as minister-in-charge of the mission at Delano, under the rectorship of the Rev. Marcus A. Tolman, rector of St. Mark's church, Mauch Chunk. The Delano mission is in a more prosperous condition than ever before, and, as it is self-supporting, steps will soon be taken toward the formation of a parish and the erection of a Church building. A Sunday school numbering 125 pupils has been organized, and several persons are awaiting the Bishop's visit for Confirmation.

Georgia.
The Bishop visited Thomasville on Septuagesima Sunday, and confirmed a class in St. Thomas' parish. Under the active leadership of the Rev. C. I. LaR iche,the Church is putting on new life in this rapidly growing health resort.
On Sexagesima Sunday the Bishop preached and confirmed a goor class in Trinity church, Columbus. The Rev. Mr. Hunter who has charge of the parsh, has worked hard and fruitfully for eleven years and his labors tell at every visitation of the Bishop.

On Quinquagesima Sunday Bishop Beck with was at Griffin. The day was very inclement and the streets next to impassable, but nevar the less, an immense congregation assembled, representing every creed and doctrine. The Rev. Caleb Dowe has charge of St George's parish, and although he is up in the seventies is as active as the average priest many years his junior. The large class of adults presented by him Suriday for the laying-on-of hands testified in stronger lauguage than written words of his zeal and ac tivity. He has been rector of this par ish ever since 1865 , and the considera tion and affectionate regard manifested for him by a truly united people will give some faint idea at least, how his flock look up to him and love him for his work's sake. The members of the parish are actively engaged in working for a pipe organ, and many of the sav ings in Lent will be devoted to this
cause. The people are taking on new cause. The people are taking on new interest in Churchly things.

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Pericadelpiia. - Among the new enterprises of the Church in this cit'y is
the chapel of the Reconciliation, at For tieth street and Girard avenue. The district which the future church will serve seems to lie just beyond the legit mate bounds of other parishes. Be
tween its present location and the Schuylkill, the land is now rather sparsel y settled, though destined within a few years to fill up with fine residences, while part of the territory sur rounding the chapel is occupied by population that mav be greatly benefit ed by missionary effort. The Rev. Dud
ley Chase, a son of the late Bishop Chase, has been laboring at this ecclesiastical outpost since last A pril with de voted zeal and energy and with a fai measure of success. Brighter days are in store for the new organization at no distant date,for already in one instance ground has been taken up near the park, and negotiations are going forward for the erection this spring in the immediate vicinity of the chapel of 200 residences, which from their size and situation will command an excellent class of tenants. Through the instrumentality of a wealthy lady of St. Peter's church, the principal room of a suite on the second floor of a dwelling at the location above indicated, has been tastefully fitted up, and divine service is regularly held, with a growing Sunday school and an increasing list of communicants.
The congregation of St. Matthew's church, Francisville, (Eighteenth St. and Girard Ave.), the Rev. John P. Hubbard, rector, have been making a strenuous effort to pay off the small debt standing on the Charch building $\$ 3,400$ was paid last year and $\$ 1,500$ has already been paid this year, with
pledges amounting to several hundred dollars to be received.

## vERMONT.

A winter convocation of the clergy of the diocese was held at Middlebury, Feb. 15. On account of ill Lealth Bishop Bissell was unable to be present, but the following members of the clergy attended the convocation and took part in the services: The Rev. Messrs. Chomas Burgess, A. B. Flanders, W.
F. Weeks, A. E. Carpenter, A. B. Flanders, Jr., E. N. Goddard, W. J. Tilley, E. B. Taylor. and E. H. Randall. On Tuesday evening, the Rev. Mr. Buckingham of Rutland, preached the sermon This meeting was a public one, as was also that of Wednesday morning, at which the Rev. Mr. Burgess of St. Albans preached the sermon. Wednesday afteruoon an exegesis was read by the Rev. Mr. Flanders of White River Junction. A letter from Bishop Bissell to the convocation was read, and a topsuggested in it furnished food for : lengthy discussion, which was partici pated in by all of the clergy present After the services Tuesday evening a reception was tendered to the visiting clergymen by Mrs. H. A. Sheldon.

Toledo.-St. John's church having lately been painted on the inside and otherwise improved, has now a beautihigh, is of wood, and presented by the sisters of the Church, London, Eng society of the parish. It is "a thing of beauty" and adds much to the impres sive attractions of the building.
GAMBIER.-For more than 60 years the preparatory department of Kenyon College has been known as Kenyon
Grammar School. Owing to the fact that in the public school system of Ohio the Grammar School is preparatory to
the High School, the name Kenyon Grammar School has virtually become misnomer. Those not connected with the Churci, and who have judged of the school simply by its name, may naturally have thought of it as of lower grade than the public High School. It was therefore, deemed wise to change the name, and, by authority of the Board of Trustees, under date of Jan. 28, 1887, it
has been changed from Kenyon Gram mar School to Kenyon Military Acade my. Two years ago the school was re organired by the present management The number of teachers was increased the courses of study were enlarged, and a strict military system was adopted. The changes have been attended with so much favor, that within this period, the number of boarding pupils has inreased nearly 200 per cent., and addi tional accommodations have become necessary.

## NORTHERN NEW JEREEY.

Bloomfield.-As the present edilice of Christ church is inadequate to the re the congregation-all the pews cannot become pew holders if so dis-posed-it is proposed, on an early day in Lent, to take measures to enlarge the church and rebuild its walls. The rector, the Rev. Dr. W. G. Farrington, in his address on "Church Enlargement," says: "The plan adopted is the moving back of the vestry room, chancel and organ room, 24 feet, and the filling-in of the space thus left with an extension of the nave, having the same height of ceiling, but 12 feet wider on the floor. This extension will give 120 additional sittings and 300 worshippers can be accommodated. The new part will be constructed without columns. Instead
of one entrance we shall have three,
The ventilation of the The ventilation of the chuirch will be improved by flues, and the heating receive attention; a new furnace will be placed in the cellar and chimneys built to insure good fires. The rods which disfigure the cornice will be made to re semble the beams of a Gothic church interior. The altar window will be raised above the reredos and darkened to obstruct the sun's rays; side windows introluced to give daylight to the chancel. The estimated cost of the enlargement is $\$ 2500$. The church built in 1860 , with chancel added in. 1864, cost $\$ 4,400$. The present debt of $\$ 2,850$ is offset by the Parish Endowment Fund which amounts to $\$ 3,000$.
marble font has just been placed in the church as a memorial. The buwl bears the symbolic I. H. S. engraved with the legend: "One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism." The rector is in the 10th year of his pastorate; the Rev. H K. Bicker is his assistant.

The Ladies' Aid Society organized in 1877 netted $\$ 200$, at a recent sale of fancy articles. St. Margaret's Guild is formed of young ladies who make gar
ments for the sick in St. B rrabas Hospital, Newark.

## The visit of

Brookville wa general missionary cess, which surpassed the with a success, which surpassed the highest ex-
pectations of the Bishop and other clergy. In a recent issue of The Liv ing Church, it was stated that a demand for services had been made there. On the arrival of Mr. Braqdon a most cordial reception was tendered, rooms were provided for him at the Commercial Hotel, and the Methodist building secured for the services. In the morning about 600 were present, and in the evening the folding doors to the Sunday school and class rooms had to bethrown
open to accommodate a congregation of over 800 , the people standing in the aisles, and seated upon every window sill. A deep interest was manifested and there was a strong and practical expression of sentiment in regard t
the establishment of the Church. A meeting was held after service at the above hotel, (Mr. R. L. Arthur, the proprietor, agreeing to entertain all the clergy who come to Brookville to offici ate), and an organization effected with the following named persons as the ex ecutive committee, George W. Stewart, William F. Stewart, George W. Guy ster, James Holsche, Mrs. N. G. Pin
ney, Mrs. Emil Davis ney, Mrs. Emil Davis, and Mrs. Dr
Bishop. Services will be continued regularly and arrangements made for Church building at an early date.
On Quinquagesima Sunday the Bishop visited Crafton and adjacent mis sions. In the morning the Holy Com munion was administered at the A tone ment mission, Mansfield, and in the afternoon, with the missionary, he tramped through a driving snow storm to St. Luke's, Chartiers, where he was greeted with a congregation of 70 per sons, the largest which has gathered in the old church for a long time. In the evening, at the church of the Nativity Crafton, the rector and general mission ary read the service, and seven were presented for Confirmation.
At a recent visit to the mission of the Holy Innocents', Leechburg, an interesting service was held by the Rev. Charles A. Bragdon, general missionary, at which,in the presence of a large congregation, he blessed and set apart to sacred uses an elegant solid silver Communion service presented by a friend of the mission in Philadelphia. It consisted of a tastefully car ved chal-
ice and paten with a pair of cut glass cruets, and a silver alms basin. The inscription reads: "Presented by Loraine Williamson Fassett in memoriam of Margaret Fassett Hunnewell,'1876." This mission though but two years old, has had a healthy growth, the congregatiou is increasing, and there is a present and pressing need of a chapel. The one now in use is rented, and is a part of the property of the Latheran congregation which is in litigation, but is only held by rental from month to month, and will probably be torn down in the spring, leaving the struggling little work without a local habitation. On Septuagesima Sunday a new missiön was organized at Fairmour.t City on the line of the Low Grade Division of the A. V. R. R., where services have been held by the Rev. Messrs. Jos. Bar ber and Samuel P. Kelly. The name of the church of the Redeemer has been selected, and the work starts out with a good membership and much promise The average congregation numbers about 60 and a Sunday school is to be established.
nightly. The Rev. Joseph Barber is the missionary in charge, and the following named gentlemen form the ex ecutive committee: J.C. Baker of Oak
Ridge.and William Lace, Edward Lace John Prior, Thomas Parker, Thomas Robinson, and Wilson Brown of Fairmount City, Clarion Co

On the evening of the 10th, the Bish op with the general missionary ant the Rev. J. P. Norman, M. D., minister-inat Homestead, where service was held in the Lutheran place of worship. The clergy present read the service and the Bishop preached, after which he con-
firmed seven persons. The mission is growing rapidly. Over $\$ 800$ has been subscribed toward a Church building which is to be erected on a lot given years ago to the diocese. Homestead is one of the old towns which has been
brought into new and rapid growth by the introduction of natiral gas.
At the church of the Nativity, Crafton, a series of pre-Lenten: services
were commenced on February 14th, with much interest. They continued through the week and ended with the bishop's visitation on Quinquagesima Sunday. The subject was the six principles of the doctrine of Christ in Heb.
vi: 1 and 2. On Monday the Rev. Marison Byllesby spoke upon"Repentance," Tuesday, the Rev.-Samuel Maxivell, on "Faith;". Wednesday, the Rev. Floyd E. West on "Baptism;" Thursday, the
Rov. George Hodzes, on "Laying on of Hands;" Friday, the Rev. Robert Meech on "Resurrection of the Dead:" "aturday, the Rev. C. A. Brazdon on "Eternal Judgment;"and on Quivquagesima, the Bishop on "Going on unto l'erfection."

## OENTRAL NEW YORE

yrácuse.-O. Thursday, Feb. 17 the diocesan branch of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Board of Missions, assembled in St. Paul's Cathedral. The Holy Communion was celebrated by Bishop Huntington, assisted by the Bishop of Oregon, and the number of communicants was large. The Rev. F. Courtney, S. T. D., delivered an able address, setting forth that each should be grateful for the privilege of co-operating to glorify Christ by spreading His Gospel. His illustrative examples of individual consecration added to the impressiveness of his in structive and cheering words.

After the business meeting held in the chapel for the election of officers, Mrs. Dr. Goodrich, of Utica, President
read a letter from Miss Emery, and also a letter from a missionary which expressed his gratitude for the aid he had received from the Woman's Auxiliary of the Board, of:' Missions. After devo tional exercises Bishop Huntington introduced Mrs. Schereschewsky, who answered the question: "What is the life of a missionary?" Her description of the character of the Chinese, the cus toms of their country, the modes in which a missionary imparts instruction, and the results of missionary labors, was listened to with deep interest.
The Bishop of Oregon delivered an address in which he described what he had personally witnessed of missionary work within its vast limits; his need of more clergy to do what had been left undone; also of more money to sustain benevolent and educational institutions After a brief address :by Bishop Hunt ington, an offertory was taken: and Bishop Morris rectived a liberal financial response to his urgent appeal. All of the exercises were deeply interesting, the congregations were large, and a new impetus was given to this branch of the Woman's Auxiliary.-Among the clergy who were present were the Rev. Drs. Lóckwood, :Courtney, Wilson, and Beauchamp, also the Rev. Messrs. Burd, Bonham, Casey, Denslow, Gates, Gregory. Johnson, Mundy, Nevins, O mann, Quennell, Teller and Winne.

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Examined from a non-sectarian medical standpoint, the book is as disappointing as the whole class of popular works to which it belongs. Its title is misleading. "New Schonl" is a term cine, but the author attaches it to a so called "new system" of which he claims the paternicy. The work makes many claims which it does not substantiate There is nothing new in the method of treatment it teaches. This is merely a rather faulty adaptation of the domi nant principles of practice in all schools of medicine. It includes a brief mis cellany of facts relating to the author's materia medica, to the anatomy and physiology of man, to the commonest surgical procedures and most familiar microscopical researches. It is a mis cellany indeed, a curious pot-pourri of truths, half-truths and untruths, with
an embellishment of bad English and worse spelling. The wood-cuts are in different in quality. The author's claim the discovery of the germ theory of nisease deserves nothing short of de-
nial. The great first expounders of that principle are historically known.

## THE AZTECS, their History, Manners and Customs. From treneh of Lucien Biar. Authorize translation by J. L. Garner. Chicago: A. c. Mc.

In the opening chapter M. Biart describes Mexico, the country, climate,
flora and fauna, before touching upon the present native inhabitants, the degraded descendants of the once powerful race that Cortez conquered. M. ancestors of the Indian tribes of Mexico, to have been far advanced in civiliz ation, engazing not only in agriculture, commerce and manufacture, but also in the arts and scienses. Succeeding the Toltee were other tribes or nations who occupied the country up to the middle of the twelfth century, at which time
the Aztec or Indian appeared. The name Indian was given by Columbus to the Aztec nation. They possessed the characterizes, their descendants. M. Biart has spent many years in Mexico, studying the history and customs of this people. The book is full of interest to the student of early American history seems most. probable that the Pueblo and Zuni Indians are indeed of the same race of which Prescott has written.

##  <br> Canon Luckock has here taken up

 again the thread of the history of the English Church where he had dropped it in his former lectures entitled "Stud les in the History of the Prayer Book," viz.; at "the Caroline Settlement" of tatemen this is sufficient to arouse the interest of the large number of Church students who laid down the irst book with a sigh that it was ended. To those only who have not read his previous work, is it needed to say that the scholarly Canon of Ely possesses the rare art of presenting themes in history with such a charming manner that it is hard to close his book before the whole entertainment ends. At the point of the Restoration, he starts here with the king's promise to secure religious liberty for all his subjects, giving us the full text of Charles' declaration from his court at Breda, I'he im-position by parliament of disabilities upon Protestant Nonconformists, despite the opposition of the king, is then related; and next, the extension of those disabilities to Roman Catholics, with the king's endeavor to counteract them by the bold and extraordinary exercise of the dispensatory power which be declared his prerogative as sovereign and head of the Church. The social status and influence of the clergy during Charles-the-Second's reign is then examined, and this theme is followed by a thoughtful introspection of the second James' absolutism, with a rehearsal:of his efforts. secret and overt, to restore the papacy in his kingdom The culmination, in the resistance of the seven bishops, and their imprisonment in the tower, with the account of their trial, acquittal and release, and the king's discomfiture, fright and rage, when the cheers of the army penetrated the tent at Hounslow and filled up the measure of his despair, are very finely related. The invitation to William of Orange to assume the reins of government, with the after-events, is next traced; and the work closes with an account of the Nonjurors' Protest against the principles of the Revolution, and a consideration of its importance in the preservation of the historic Church. Amongst other appendices, Canon Luckock gives the text of the petition of the seyen bishops, and his usual careful index to his work is not missing here.
The Church Library Association of Cambridge, Mass. (Horace E. Scudder, President) numbers some forty Church peoplé who read and discuss books and recommend such as pass the ordeal of their criticism. It publishes a list of such as it can recommend for Sunday school and parish libraries. As its organization makes any party bias out of the question, its lists will be found to be of valuable assistance in the selection of books.
The interesting articles in the Forum bearing the title "How I Was Educated," are to be followed by a series entitled "Books That Have Helped Me." The first paper will be by Edward Everett Hale, and will appear in March.
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Church is grateful for kind Lie Liv!
dered in this busy season, and is happy to report no diminution in the sterdy growth of its subseription list. During his season, more than any other, parishread, and it is hoped that $p$ tstors will see that it is in the interest of their work to family.

An English contemporary, speaking of the discouraging lot of some preachers who minister from week to week and from year to year, to a small number of people, says:
They are failing, men will think; and yet it may be truly said, with a failure that is more beautiful before God than many a so called success. There are places where it is almost beyond the power of man to keep a church empty; there are others where lifelong faithfulness to duty, only assembles a handful, We have been deeply touched by the gerierous letters we have received from men in such spheres. Let them be comforted. There must be standard bearers who are ready to make a shroud of their colors, and the continuance of such men in their lot to the end of the days, has influences that travel far and move hearts that do not know the source of the power that impels them. What they have done will be known when the veil is at last lifted which is spread over the nations, and all things are seen and known even as they truly are.

These are precious truths for humble parish priests all over the world. With such reflections they ?may be comforted in their isolation, with such motives of work they may cheerfully sacrifice many ambitions and comforts which their talents, if applied to secular work, would achieve.

We heard, not long ago, a rumor that a Church Defence Society was about to be formed in one of our Eastern cities. Under the provocation of the violent action of the

American Church Missionary Society, it is natural that those whose position has been so rudely challenged should think of organized resistance. But we do not think that any organization is necessary. It would prolong and intensify controversy, and put in operation machinery for party strife. It takes two to make a quarrel. One partisan society alone cannot awaken much enthusiasm nor find much fuel to feed the furnace of its zeal. A society organized in opposition would furnish both. One great note of truth in the Oxford movement has been its steady progress without the aid of organization. This was well stated by Dr. Ewer, and we think he was wise in trusting the cause to the power of spiritual truth whrch it represents. There are thousands of loyal priests and people, more or less in sympathy with this move-
ment, who would be repelled and ment, who would be repelled and
discouraged by a show of organized contention. Of course those who represent this movement may be here, as they have been in England, compelled to organize in defence of their rights in the Church; but as rights are in the least imperiled.
suppose the name of the Church were changed, some inconvenience would arise that seems not to havelbeen taken into account. For example, how would we answer the question of a stranger, referring to one of our Church edifices: "What church is this?" If the reply were: "It is a Church church," or an "American Church," the stranger would think himself impertinently an swered. If it were: "It is a Catholic
Church," he would be misled. If it were: "It is what used to be called an Episcopal church," he woula rejoin: "Is it sold, or dead?" And the same inconvenience would arise in the at tempt to describe one's personal adhesion to the Church. "I am a Churchman." is a language understood only among Churchmen. "I am a Catholic" is ambiguous in any company. "I am an Episcopalian," is plain and unmistakable, and is the language which the highest of Churchmen is compelled to condescend to use, in order to make sure of being understood in general so-ciety.-Standard of the Cross.
We are not specially fond of
or "Episcopalian"in the way of names; but really, the practical difficulties in the road to a change are very trouble-some.-Pacific Churchman.
What is the objection to "Anglo Catholic"? We are "Anglicans," for short; that is a much pleasanter word than "Episcopalians," and it is really distinctive. There are many Episcopalians who are not Anglican Churchmen, but all Ang lican Churchmen are, of course Episcopalians.

Some three years ago we had occasion to repel the insinuation that the American Church discredited the Scottish succession obtained through Bishop Seabury. An un-
founded and unfortunate statement
by Bishop Bedell in his sermon before the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, gave rise to the imputation. We regret to see it repeated in a recent issue of The Church Times. In a very interest ing article upon the commemorative service at Lambeth chapel, the writer says: "Dr. William White and Dr. Samuel Proyoost were consecrated at Lambeth chapel for Pennsylvania and New York. The Americans, it would scem, somewhat disdained the Scottish succession, and in 1790 sent over Dr. James Madison to be consecrated for Virginia, so as to complete a perfect quorum of English bishops." It was not because of any disdain" or doubt of the Scottish succession that Dr. Madison was sent over. It was to carry out an agreement or a condition imposed by Archbishop Moore upon Drs. White and Prevoost, that no conseeration should be held until the third bishop of the English line was added. The American Church has always held the Scottish line in the highest honor. The consecration of Dr. Madison would have been performed here with the co-operation of Bishop Seabury, had not Bishops White and Provoost felt bound to comply with the understanding had with the Archbishop of Canterbury. We may add that Americans cannot understand the supercilious feeling often expressed by the best of English Churchmen towards the Chuich Scotland.

In most of our parishes the clergy are now organizing classes for Confirmation, to be presented to the Hands," in Easter-tide. We may, therefore, say a few words to the unconfirmed. Alas! that there should be any such, except the young children. But thereare many such who will read this. To each one of them we would say: Your first duty to God, to the Church, and to your own soul, is to receive Confirmation, and then to become a faithful communi cant of the ' 'hurch. If you hav been baptized, if, you behieve the Catholic faith and desire to lead a Christian life, it is not only your privilege, but your unqualified duty to be confirmed. Nothing can excuse the neglect of this means of grace. Confirmation is one of "the principles of the doctrine of Christ;" conveys to you the gitt of God, the Holy Ghost; it fits you for the
worthy receiving of the Holy Communion and the daily living of the Christian life. Do you say you are not prepared for Confirmation and First Communion? Perhaps you are better prepared, more "ready and desirous," than you think. At all soon be ready. Your pastor will help you, in public and in private, by books and lectures and friendily
talks, by pastoral counsel and by
spiritual direction. spiritual direction.
As one has said: "If you bave not been confirmed, you lack something; and you know it. Don't wait to be urged. Go at once to your pastor. Tell him you want to place yourself under his instruction and spiritual direction so as to be confirmed at the next visitation of the bishop and become an intelligent, loyal, and devout communicant of the I,oly Catholic Church."

## PROTESTANT."

The Episcopal Recorder takes issue with us when we say that "every one knows that the term Protestant has changed its meaning," etc. Perhaps "every one" is too sweeping. It is true, at least, that many who are classed as "Protestants" repudiate the name, and many besides. High Churchmen sympathize with the movement to eliminate this term from the name of our branch of the Thurch. Anglican Church papers all over the world, in England, Scotland, Ireland, the Sandwich Islands, Canada, and India, have given emphatic expression of approval of the change which many American Churchmen desire
We have already noted the fact that in calling ourselves "Protestants". we have "out-Heroded Herod." We have gone beyond the reformed Christian bodies of the country in which the name originated as a political distinction, for even the German Lutherans do not call themselves "Protestants." But our opponents keep on insisting that to repadiate the name is to "Romanze" the Church. We pity the prejudice that is so blinded by shibbo. leths, but we have no desire to excite it by urging speedy action even upon so desirable a change.
As an indication of the feeling on this subject, among the original and only genuine " Protestants," we quote from a private letter to the editor of this journal, recently written by a Lutheran pastor:
Hereby I send you one dollar to pay for The Living Churce for another year. I must tell you that I like your paper a good deal better than some Church papers of my own community, written in the English language, for they are written in an un-Churchly spirit, opposed to the true, conservative character of the Lutheran Church. Very interesting for me are the utterances in your paper about the name of your Church, Protestant Episcopal. I sympathize with men who want to abolish that terrible name"Protestant." We Germans understand with "Protestant" now nothing else than a rationalist or infidel. This word has quite changed its original meaning which was blameless. When the Bavarian Church was organized, she assumed the official title: "The Protestant Church of the Kingdom of Bavaria." This title she had on her Agenda, hymn-books, cateehisms, etc. But since the name "Protestant" changed its original meaning, this word was quite abolished from all
official Church books, and in its place is now the word "Evangelical Luther an." I believe this name "Protestant" is not only abolished in all Lutheran churches, but also in most other religious bodies in Germany.
Our Lutheran brother will please pardon this extract from his private letter. We believe that the name "Protestant" stands in the way of Church unity, except with the denominations by which we are locally in contact, and it is a great pity if our Church people cannot be brought to see the inappropriateness of it, with the same clearness of view as that which is exhibited by a German Lutheran.

THE POLICY OF THE VATICAN.
The speech of Dr. Windthorst a Cologne the other day was exceed ingly out-spoken. ' Dr. Windthors is the chief opponent of Prince Bismarck and a leader of the Centre or Roman Catholic party in the Ger man Reichstag. As such, he is the champion of parliamentary liberty as against military absolutism. I the long, struggle against the May laws, he has been the guiding spirit as, also, in the recent contest
over the Septennate Bill which has led to the dissolution of parliament Under such circumstances when Roman Catholic who is at all match for Bismarck complains, there

What Dr. Windthorst complained of in his speech was the way in which the Pope is trying to improve the position of the Papacy at the ex pense of the German government. It appears that the Pope had been inquired of through the Papal Nuncio at Munich as to his opinions and wishes in regard to the conduct of y. If the Pope replied at all, which was scarcely necessary under the circumstances, he might have been children and not with a Protestant emperor and his avowed and powerful "vassal," the latter of whom is supposed to care as little for the Pope as for parliamentary liberty. But the Pope, as in case of his ambitious predecessors, has an eye to through Cardinal Jacobini, he admits that the ('entre party are entitled to liberty of action in non-ecclesiastical questions; reminds them, however, of the bearing of the religious and moral considerations embraced in the Septennate question, hopes from the Centre Party conciliation towards the measure because of its beneficial effect on the final revision of the May laws, and desires "to meet the views of Emperor William and Prince Bismarck, and thereby induce the powerful German Empire to impreve the position of the Pa pacy." Not a word here for parliamentary liberty or anything else,
which concerns the German Empire but first, last, and always, the improvement of the condition of the Papacy.
And what does Dr. Windthorst
say in reply? Does he meekly bow to "the Pope's wishes, and therewith counsel the Centre Party to give up the contest! Not by any means. He says, with a singular degree of frankness, that "the Pope's advocacy of the Septennate bill was independent of the merits of the measure, and arose from reasons of expediency and from political considerations. If it had been possible to comply with the wishes of his Holiness, the Centre Party would have done so, but nobody could accomplish the impossible." In othe words, his Holiness has been meddling with matters. which really do not consern him, and without any right understanding of the case in dressed by Dr. Windthorst approved of the course of the Roman Catholic deputies in the Rhine provinces, and urged their re-election or the elec
tion in their places of men holding the same views.
Now, this improving the condition
pense has been done again and again, all the world over. With the so-called successors of St. Peter, he question has not been about monarchy or republicanism, the tri
umpts of this party or the other but about turning everything to the advantage of the Papacy. True to the papal theory that the Church is above the State, the question with those who guide the affairs of the Roman Church is about making all governments, and whatever changes to, so many tributaries to the authorty and claim of the Roman See. -Rome has no sympathy to this hour," says Curteis, "with national life." She has interfered with every parliament in Europe which was Leo XIII. is now doing with the German Reichstag. If any one doubts this, let him bear in mind how, "from reasons of expediency and from political considerations," one and another of the popes inter fered at every stage with the parliament of England, pretending to annul the Constitutions of Clarendon, vetoed Magna Charta and excommunicated all who had a hand in it, released one king from his royal duty and absolved another from his oath, and for centuries improved the position of the Papacy at the national expense, until such interference and control became unendurable."

Not to go back six or eight hundred years, however, how long since a former pope interfered with an Austrian parliament? To come still Austrian parliament? To come still
nearer in point of space and time
how long since the Roman Church brought to bear its influence in having a favorite candidate elected President of the United States? Now, if Roman Catholics who are willing to take their religion, but not their politics, from Rome, do not like these things, what of those who do not especially look to that source for either? Surely, the Papal Church has enough to do to attend to its tremendous spiritual interests, without showing its hand in all quar ters of the globe, in things political and secular. If the powers that be are not able to manage in these matters, they will be poorly managed by a foreign power which has a very secondary interest in,them, and has a very constant, immediate, and supreme, interest in its own aggrandizement.

## TRUE RELIGION.

There are certain things which a religion must have. It cannot be a religon without them. First of all, there must be a something superior or su-
preme upon which it hinges or about which it centres; either a something in nature or above it. To be a true religion it must have the latter-a Supernatural Being-a God. To be, in the truest sense, religiously affected, elevated and controlled, the rational human spirit must find in its Deity a presence, power, a being, above itself. But, as the soul is itself the highest of known created things, this means that its God must be apprehended as above all cre ated existences; as being, in fact, their Supreme Author. It goes also, without saying, that this God must be conceived as a personal Being, as possessed of rational intelligence, self-consciousness, and free-will; for it is impossible for the rational man to love, worship, serve
and adore, a mere abstraction. Wherever the philosophers and the sceptics have succeeded in setting up one of their abstractions as God, religion has vanished into thin air.
Another necessity in true religion is a revelation. How can we truly know God, as to His higher attributes and gracious purposes, except as He reveals Himself to us? Aside from revelation, the only dependence is on nature. But nature can only lead to $a$ God, not to the God. Hence, as a religion can never rise higher than its supposed Deity, nature has never given man a true relig. ion. The religions of nature have been either demonism, heroism, pantheism, dualism, or mere deism; either gross, heathen idolatries or philosophic, cloud-and-mist abstractions. None of them have ever satisfied sound reason, relieved the sin-sick soul, or effecteo anything for the redemption of mankind. Hénce, one may well say: no revelation, no true religion; nay, more, no revelation, no true God. For, what kind of God would He be, who, knowing the incompetence and failure of natural religion-in other words, the earthly limitations of reason-could remain passive and indifferent, leaving man, like a lost traveller in a boundless wilderness, to wear himself out in blind wandering and bewildering circuits? Where has he ever, without the aid of revelation, hopefully escaped from these devious wanderings into the
breadth and light of the King's highway to the knowledge of God?
This brings us to another of the things necessary to a true religion, namely, miracles. It is possible, however, to make too much of miracles. This is done now, whenever appeal to them as the conclusive proofs of revelation. Primarily, or when revealed religion has had no opportunity to prove its divine origin by its results, they are such. But when that religion has once become a living, historic , fact, its own judgment, and that of all sound reason, is: "The works that I do, they bear witness of Me." On the other hand, it is pure unreason to reject miracles al together. The supernatural is, for all natural ends, properly and sufficiently manifested in the works of nature. But how is a revelation of the supernatural, for any higher ends than those of nature, to be adequately evidenced, except by supernatural works and manifestations? When (fod, as God, comes into the natural world for the special ends of true religion. He must manifest His presence and identity by special means, by means as extraordinary as the act and the object of His coming. Hence, while not all the extraordinary occurrences narrated in Holy Scripture may be really miraculous, miracles there must have been, and as such they must stand recorded.
Here, however, comes in another of these necessary facts-the miracle of all miracles-the Incarnation. Altogether denied by some, and by others subordinated to the Cruclifion, it is at once the most momentous, the most marvel lous, and the most reasonable, of the fundamental truths of revealed religion. Without the Incarnation, the persona manifestation of the divine in and to the human, two things most'necessary, would have continued as they had been before, impossible. Man could not have so realized God's actual personality and presence as to reverence and adore Him as thè very centre and substance of his religion. God, as a mere rational idea, a spiritual abstraction, might be infinitely wonderful, but not practically appreciable and approachable; He might be "a great and dreadful God," but not -except to an intellectual few-"the Godiand Father of us all." Nor, without the Incarnation, could His merciful disposition toward the sinner, and His gracious purpose for his salvation, have appeared to the man of mankind as anything more than mere dogmatic principles-abstractions utterly incapable of moving man in his religion to a grateful love and a self-sacrificing devotion. Absolutely necessary it wasnecessary at any cost-that God should, as it'were, come down from that awful height of His divine supremacy, and put Himself in the most near, intimate, and sympathetic, union with man, if man was ever, as a repentant sinner, to be won back to holiness, through a perfeet love and trust. And the most ingenious sceptic may be boldly challenged to devise any more masterly mode of doing this-one combining more completely the divine and the human, the sovereign and the sympathetic, the wonderful and the winningthan the Incarnation. The Incarnation is, then, not only the inspiration, but also the supreme test of Christianity as the true religion.
Out of these necessary facts, it also comes that a true religion must be both dogmatic and positive. Men sometimes complain that it is dogmatic, rather than demonstrative, or, as they style it, "rational." They forget that therein lies the distinction between religion
and philosophy. Religion has primarily to deal with revealed truths, and has, therefore, to confine itself to the truth as declared. To depart from that, to endeavor to justify its "thus saith the Lord," would be to impeach its own revelation. For, to admit that revealed truth is demonstrable, is to admit that it is discoverable, or that it is fully within reach of the ordinary processes of rational investigation. If this be so, why reveal it? Beyond this, true religion must' deal somewhat with supernatural truth. But if it is supernatural, it must, in some part, be beyond the comprehending grasp of the reason. Reason may weigh its evidences, but not its matter. That belongs to "th deep things of God."
On these grounds, dogmatic, a true religion must as necessarily be imperative, or positive. It can neither deal in negations nor compromises. Hence, it cannot be a religion of mere protest. It takes its stand, not on an "I do not believe," but on an "I believe;" and its first care is to make its creed unequivo cal and conistant; not a creed of speculative articles inviting conflict, but of abiding facts deimanding implicit faith. Nor can it be a religion of iicense. It has but one law-that of implicit obedience to the divine Word. Be the pains of that obedience, as opposed to the profits of worldly compromises, what they may, it permits no swerving from the path of righteousness and true holiness. Its one voice is the voice of
God, saying to every true soul: "This is the way; walklye in it.'
Such a true religion is the religion of the Christ; not, alas! as under the name, Christianity, it is in many ways represented and exhibited, but as it was ex emplified in His life, and is set forth in its own unerring standard-the Scriptures of the New Testament.

## WHO DO WE KEEP LENT:

Because we are commanded in the New Testament to fast, and our Lord expects us to do so. See St. Matt. vi:16,
Christ says: "When ye fast," implying that of course His disciples would fast He gives them therefore rules concerning their fasts. See also, Acts xiii: $2-3$ for practice of A postles, before perform ing any solemn duty, such as ordaining II. Cor. xi: 27 , for St. Paul's practice St. Luke, v: 30 35, for our Lord's foretelling that the days of fasting should come after His death and resurrection.
II. It is very certain that if men are permitted to select their own seasons of fasting, they are never quite ready for them. We musi feel ourselves to be very strong in spirit, if we do not realize any need of guidance in the regulation of our lives.
III. We keep lent in memory of our blessed Lord's fasting in the wilderness. He left the world that He might prepare by a communion with God, for the work of His ministry. If He required this watch and fast, how much more do we need it? As Moses was in the cloud forty days and forty nights with God, and then came forth, bearing the law in his hands, so the Church bids us go into the shadows of fasting and prayer, each year, that we may come forth from them with God's Law more deeply written upon our hearts.
IV. It is objected that we ought to keep ourselves holy and apart from the world at all times. So we ought, and this fast of Lent is one of the means given us for becoming more as we ought to be. Let no man condemn this means until he has faithfully tried it. A help in our spiritual life, of which

Christ and his Apostles availed themselves, can not safely be cast aside by us in this age.
V. Is it a "little thing to give up pleasant food or amusement?", Try it for forty consecutive days, and see. Satan is never so full of devices, as when we set ourselves to the duty of self-denial, for he knows how the very smallest sacrifice made "in His Name," brings strength to the heart. Try the "little sacrifice" for this one Lenten season. One drop of water does not make any apparent impression, a great many drops are felt.
VI. As life on earth comes before the glory of heaven, so Lent precedes Easter-coming forth from the gloom and fasting of six weeks, into the glorious sunshine of Easter, a faithful soul who has mourned with Christ, and fasted, will never need to be told the use of Lent. It is a help, a strength, and a source of great spiritual refreshment, but it is not possible to appreciate all this, until the faithful effort is
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## SPIRITUAL LIFE

The clergy will do far more for the Church's safety $b_{z}$ much increased spiritual work to their flocks than by any other efforts. They can make the people to perceive and know that within each parish there be frequent, if not daily ministrations of means of grace. Their constant, though ofter wisely brief, instructions at short services, will produce a right effect on the minds of many of their parishioners, and the oftener these opportunities of a short service and, instruction occur, the more likely is it that all the folk will appreciate them.
Let however, a very extreme case be supposed. Let it be imagined that a clergyman shall repair to his parish church in town or country-say, thrice a week besides Sunday, or perhaps even daily; toll the bell and say the office appointed. Let it be supposed that he goes there alone, that not one person appears in the church for months together, and that he is ridiculed and laughed at for his persevering efforts. Is it too much to say that three results are certain to follow? One, that he will himself greatly profit spiritually by
reading of the word of God and by reading of the word of God and by his people will profit by his supplications for them? And a third, Is there any doubt that in the course of a tew
months he will seldom find himself months he will seldom find himself
alone in the use of the daily oftice of course presuming that the hour select ed is reasonably convenient?
Nearly the same remarks apply to the Holy Communion. In this and other inexcusable neglect is it realized that in many hundreds, and perhaps even thousands, of parishes, there is church, rector, or vicar, clerk, furni ture, everything that is necessary, and
yet the one only special office commanded by the Redeemer, and possessing a formula of words from His own blessed lips, is not used more than perhaps once every month, and in some parishes not so often? Does it seem wonderful if men anid women have ceased from that attachment to the Church which there ought to be in every nook and corner, as well as in every town and village, in Great Bitain? Is it very astounding that the nation has drifted away from Holy Communion into an assembly once or twice on Sunday for prayers and sermon? But then; as this is the source of weak-
ness, it is most encouraging to feel that here, too, lie the strength and the rem edy. They are at hand, and they can be put in operation without delay, or the hindrance of even lack of money. The spiritual life of the people must be developed and deepened. The enfranchised, with their parliamentary vote must be helped to enjoy a far deeper holier, and enduring privilege as citi zens of heaven. Spiritual life,spiritual devotedness, is what is mostly needed is nearly all that is needed. The clergy of the Church have just now an untold spiritual force at their disposal, and if without much care about things secular or political, they will thoroughly devote themselves to deepening and extending the spiritual life of each one of their parishioners, they will be doing mighty work, the results of which/ will be most salutary in this life, and most unspeakably blessed also for the life to come.
But this cannot be looked for without frequent Communion and more fre-
quent gatherings in the House of God than are the rule in many churches now. Of course the mere form of daily services and frequent Communion can amount to nothing more than formalism, and even self righteousness. Formalism and self-righteousness can ex ist, and ao exist, in every phase of
Christianity. But experience Christianity. But experience also
proves that spiritual life and spiritual devotedness are hardly possible with churches nearly always closed; without some week day services; and without a every Lord's Day.-Church Bells.

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## "AGAPE." <br> Not "Charitas" but the sweet name of

## name that springs from the dear Lord

The sacred word that every good embraces,
The attribute that prompts all heavenly grace

0 God the Holy Ghost: in us increase
1 his gift most excellent, the bond of peace
$\qquad$

Imbue us with the spirit of Thy Love,
May this. our every thought and action
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Washington
REBUS IN THECATHEDRAL AT DRESDES

## O quid tua te be, bis? bia avit ra es et in ram ram ram

Answer to the above.
O (super) be, quid (super)bis? tua (su per) bia te (super) avi

## (Ter) ra es et in (ter)ram i (bis).

The late Dr. William Anderson, of
flas is credited with the remark that he would "rather have the praise of God led through the pipes of the or gan than through the carnal throat of an ungodly precentor."
"I believe you are right," said an old gentleman, "so far as the abstract is concerned; "but"-Just then he slipped and struck his head against.the
asphalt pavement. "But," he continued, as he got up, "I don't care to discuss the matter in the concrete.'
For twenty one years Bishop Bom pas has been making journeys of thousands of miles on snow and ice, or in canoes, in the sub-Arctic regions of Athabasca lake and the Mackenzie
river; only once has he been to England in all that time. Since he went out in to British America 5.000 Indians have been brought into the Churcb.
English, how she is spelled, is quite as puzzling to a foreigner as "English. how she is wrote." The following is both pathetic and instructive:

A certain young man in Bordeaux
Proposed to a girl who said neaux
Now all day she sighs,
With tears in her cigi
With tears in her cig' s,
Repentant for serviug him seaux.
AN irascible old gentleman, who formerly held the position of justice of the peace, was recently accosted in the street in a manner that did not come up to his honor's idea of the respect due to him. "Young man," said he, "I tine you twenty shillings for contempt of c urt." "Why, judge," said the offender, "you are not in session!" "This court," replied the judge, "is always in session, and conséquently, always an object of contempt.'

Daniel Webster once made a great speech before an audience of thousands in a natural amphitheatre among the Green Mountains in Vermont. A writ er in the Boston Post recently visited the spot and found it a wilderness "The desolation was perfect, and as a bear, utterly indifferent to our presence, shambled across the road in front of us, we were still more impressed with the fact that the wilderness, with its accustomed inhabitants, had long resumed her ancient reigo: Driving along for a mile or two, we saw a solitary shanty and a forsaken-looking man who had just finished milking a starved cow. We stopped and asked him if he knew the spot where Webster had spoken. "Webster,-who was him?" "Why, he was a great American orator, who made a speech somewhere around here many years ago." "I never hern on he, an' I've bin heren fur moren thirty year
Dr. E. J. Hopkins, organist of the Temple church, at a meeting of the National Society of Professional Musicians at Bristol recently, spoke of the present abilities of organists compared with what they were in his early life Amongst other interesting and amus ing reminiscences he told the story of a
Mr. Hind, concerning whose playing he asked the opinion of the elder Mr. Rob son, the organ builder. "On my putting the question, Mr. Robson looked at me for a-few moments, and then
said, with an air of much solemnity, 'Sir, Mr. Hind is a most respectable man.' 'Yes,'I said, 'I have no doubt of that; but what I am desirous to know is, how he ranks as a performer upon
the organ.' 'Sir,' resumed Mr. Robson, 'he is a most exemplary man, and one who plays as though he were also a very charitable man.' 'Well, but Mr. Robson, would you mind telling me what on earth you mean by sayirg he performs like a charitable man?' 'Well, if I must be very explicit, Mr. Hind plays upon the organ as though he"letteth not his left hand know what his right hand doeth!
A story is told of a well known London parish which throws some light on the ease with which Ritualistiz perse cutions are got up. In this particular parish the church is now being restored, and one of the inhabitants is a gentleman who has a near relative in business as a gasfitter. In conversation on the subject with a customer whom he knew well, the parishioner expressed a hope that (let us say it was a brother) would be employed to do the gas-fitting for the church. "And indeed, sir," added he, "if he does not, I shall certainly raise the cry of ''No Popery.'" Pausing for a while, with a somewhat perplexed expression of countenance, he proceeded in a confidential tone to request the ass st ance of his customer
in carrving out. . his ingenious manœuvre. "The wor it of it is, you see, sir, that I don'th $1 \cdots, w$ the difference between what is Popish and what isn't, and I thought perhaps you might be kind enough to tell me something about it: are the Ten Commandments ''opish?'? He was told that they were not; and, on further complaining of the difficulty of proving such a charge, was advised to take his stand upon "tendencies," and, without committing himself to any definite statement, to hint at the existence of a papistical tendency in any novelty that was introduced. What was the effect of this ex cellent counsel we are not aware; but it is reported tl. t the gentleman's brother is to have th - 18 -fitting.

## SIR PERCIVAL.

## HE PAST, PRESENT.

## BY. J. H. SHORTHOUSE



CHAPTERIII.
sir percival.
'My dear,' said the Duchess to me one morning after breakfast, when the Duke had gone away into the library, and we had retired into the east front, where the Duchess' rooms were; 'my dear, the Duke is so kind as to invite a young relation of mine to come and stay with us for a time.
I was at that time somewhere about twenty-two years of age, and the prospect of another inmate among the quiet surroundings of Kingswood was not without its interest.
'I hope,' continued my aunt. 'you will. not ask me what relation he is to me, for I have never been able to make it out. My mother's sister married the old Lord Guion, Earl of Castle Guion, in the peerage of Ireland, and Viscount Guion in the peerage of England. He had three daughters-i Lady Elizabeth, Lady Sarah, and Lady Grace. Lady Grace married Sir Phelim Massareen, of a real old Irish family. They had one son, who died in France, I think at Boulogne, some years ago, leaving an only child, a boy, whom Lady Elizabeth has brought up at Eton, and of whom she is exceedingly fond. You remember Lady Elizabeth, I dare say, when she was here some years ago. She is a wicked old woman, and I do not wish to see her here again. Lady Sarah, on the contrary, is extremely pious-far too pious to belong to the Church of England. She lives at Bournemouth, and sees nobody except her doctor and the minister of her chapel. She is a Christadelphian, or a Swedenborgian. or a Malthusian, or something of that sort. The old Lord Guion was a very sincular man. He was possessed of immense estates both iu England and Ireland. He was exceedingly disgusted and alarmed at the passing of the Re form Bill-the old Reform Bill, my dear, I mean. He believed that all property was insecure. He took advantage of the Irish Encumbered Estates Act, though his estates were not encumber ed-far from it. He sold all his Eng lish estates-he had no son or male heir. He was a very shrewd old man and it was a period of great prosperity He sold all these estates to great advantage, and invested the money in the funds. It is said to amount to several millions,-1 am sure I don't know,and is well known in London as the "Guion money." It belongs entirely to Lady Elizabeth and Lady Sarah, and Lady Sarah won't touch it,-the Malthusians won't touch money, I be-
lieve,-and it will all come to Sir Percival, so it is said.'
The Duchess stopped to take breath I knew most of whatshe told me before Indeed, she had told me most of it herself several times, but I listened with interest under these altered circum stances.

And Sir
'Yes, my dear. Lady Elizabeth has written to ask it. The Duke likes Lady Elizabeth. He says she is of the old Irish-French school. The fact is,' continued the Duchess, sinking her voice a little, 'I do not mind telling you, my dear, because you are a very sensible girl-the fact is, Lady Elizabeth say
there is a designing young womanyoung person. she calls her-who has made a great set at Sir Percival, not so much, Lady Elizabeth is certain, for his own sake, or for the sake of the Guion moner, but solely to spite Lady Elizabeth herself. She is kind enough to say that she has such a lively recollection of the intense stupidity and quietness of Kingswood, that she thinks that no place could be so suitable to send her nephew to for a time. I expect him to-night.

The Massareens,' continued the Duchess after a pause, 'were always impecunious; indeed no Massareen was - ver known to have a penny. They lived in a great tumble-down house with a great kitchen, which was open to all the country round. If anybody sold them a horse, or anything else, they used to come and live with them and eat the value out; but this sort of thing, you know, my dear, could not go on for ever, at least not with Encumbered Estates Acts, and all that. T lat was why Sir Percival's father died in France, at Boulogne.
My maid told me that evening, when she came to my room before dinner, that Sir Percival had arrived. 'He had brought a servant with liim,' she said, 'and Mr. Priest had told her that he was a very handsome young gentleman. He was then dressing for dinner. I went down into the drawing-room, 1 must confess, a little sooner than usu that I might be with the Duchess whe the guest was announced.
I have already said that the drawingroom was the most modern-looking room in the house, but I should like to be a little more particular in describing it. It was a large room, decorated in the last century. Into the original wainscotting carved panelling of fruit and flowers had been introduced, forming wreaths and festoons in strong relief. The walls bad been painted white and relieved with gold. Between the wreaths and panelling were placed por traits in oil, mostly full lengths, and beneath these were smaller paintings and groups of miniatures, and one or two cabinets of French marquetry. At one end of the room were two doors, one communicating with a small lobby opening to the hall, the other to one of the numberless staircases I have de scribed as existing all over the house. Between these doors was a portrait by Gainsborough of a boy in a fancy dress of blue silk standing in front of a green landscape, with what always seemed to me an inexpressible $1 \omega \mathrm{k}$ of vividness and of youthful grac aw life.
The Duchess was siluug by the hearth knitting. She knitted an immense number of worsted stockings and com forters, which she gave to the children in her schools. She was excessively fond of knitting, and indeed I have arrived at the conviction that, to persons of a not very originative habit of mind, there is no occupation so attractive as this, for it combines, as none other does, the ease of mechanical operation with the delight and satisfaction of skilled result. I was standing by her side, as I remember, in a white dress, in the shade of one of the silver candelabras which lined the room, when the door leading to the staircase was opened and a servant announced-

## 'Sir Percival Massareen.'

I looked up, and, by the side of the Gainsborough boy, I saw, in the open doorway, another boy. He was tall and fair, quite a boy, but, as far as I could see, very handsome, with a strong ciearcut face. He was, of course; in modern evening dress; but his fair trroat, and
the white of his large falling collar and of his linen, gave him, in the shadow of the doorway, no such dissimilar look from that of the pictured figure by his side. He stood for a moment motionless, as though shy and afraid to advance. Then, probably seeing nothing alarming in a most benevolent-looking old lady knitting stockings, and a pale girl in white,standing under the branched shade of the candelabra, he came forward into the room.
The Duchess rose and met him with outstretched hand.
'I am so glad, Percival.' she said; 'I have never seen you since you were quite a little boy. I should not have known you again.
He took her hand, and bowed with a winning grace. He was certainly, in the clear light, very handsome-a winsome, kindly lad.
'This is Constance Lisle,' the Duchess went on; 'you are some sort of cousins, I suppose. I may call myself aunt to both of you; but Constance always seems near to me, because she has my own name. My name was Lisle, you know.'
I don't think that Sir Percival knew anything about it, but he looked very pleased and friendly at us both.
'The Duke will be here directly,' said my aunt. 'Have you ever met cival?

## 'I remember his Grace once at Eton,

 said the boy, 'on a 4th of June.He spoke with perfect ease, as though familiar with titles and the phrases of London speech-with, perhaps, a touch of the modern careless freedom and absence of form, but in his case spo toned down by his sweetness and deference of manner as to lose all its harshness.
The Duke came in soon after this, and we went in to dinner. We were all delighted with our guest. He chatted of his past life, and the time he had lived abroad, of Eton, of Lady Elizabeth, of his examination for the army. He showed a sense of fun, of a perception of the humorous side of character; but he never, in word or tone, displayed aught save a pure and modest spirit within. If he had met or seen anything in his boyish life that was contrary to such a spirit as this it seemed to have slipped off him without leaving a trace. As I sat opposite to him at the table, listening to his guileless talk, I was racking my brain to remember why his name was familiar to me, when suddenly there rushed into my mind the recollection of the great treasure of the library-the black-letter folio of the 'Morte d'Arthur' by the old printer Caxton himself, which the Duke had caused to be brought from Hartfield, the great house of the dukedom, that he might delight himself with it in his retirement. I could recall nothing of the story of Percival save one sentence -that, as I remembered, he had 'kneled doune and made his prayer devoutely unto almighty Jhesu, for he was one of the best knyghts of the world that at that tyme was, in whome the verry feythe stode mooste in.' I do not know how it was, but I suppose that on some oscasion, while the Duke was turning over the precious leaves, to entertain me with the marvellous book, this sentence had struck my girlish fancy, for I seemed to see the quaint spelling of the lines impressed on the white cloth before me; and I do not know that I should feel ashamed to acknowledge that there, at the table, I prayed to the Almighty Jesu-I had learned from Mr. de Lys the habit of instinctive prayer-that this lively, pleasant boy might, in his calling and walk in life,
achieve a fame not dissimilar to his namesake of the knightly romance of old.
After breakfast the next morning my aunt said to me:
'Constance, my dear, you had better take Percival through the gardens. There is no shooting at this time of year, I believe,' she said; 'and, perhaps, even if there were, he would like to see something of the place first.' The Duchess in her secret heart detested shooting; I believe that she even considered it a brutal and disgusting occupation: but it was part of the institutions of the country-like the judges of assize, and hanging, and grand juries, and many other things which it was proper for men to do.
Sir Percival did not seem at all unwilling to go, and we went out, through a porch under an exquisite griel window, and covered with roses and clematis, in the south front, into the flower gardens. It was a fine morning in late spring.

We went out at once on to the soft, mossy lawn, and turned round so that Percival might see the long, low front of the house. It lay broken into end less variety of bay and mullioned winjecting tower, in brilliant sunshine and deep shadow, and enspiritualised, it seemed to me, by the fleeting cloud that swept over the sky.
'Is it not a beautiful house, Sir Percival?' I said.
He looked at it for a moment a hough rather puzzled, then he said: I suppose it is.'
This is the time to ask him about th Morte d'Arthur,' I thought.
Do you like Tennyson, Sir Percival? I said.
He looked perplexed for a moment then he said:

Oh, yes. I have read his poems. like them very much.
'Do you like the 'Idyls of the King?' Yes,' he said rather doubtfully; ' don't think that I have read them all.'
'You know,' I said, 'they are taken from the old romance of the 'Morte d'Arthur.' The Duke has a wonderful black-letter copy of it, printed by
Caxton. I must ask him to show it to us. You know there is a Sir Percival in it. That is why I should like you to see it
o,' he said, 'I did not know that What sort of a fellow was he?
He was one of the best knights of the world, that at that time was,' I said, repeating the phrase that was engraven in my memory as in brass,' in whom the very faith stood most in.'
'That sounds well,' he said.
glad he was so good a fellow as that. It is well to have a fellow like that of your name to follow.
'He was one of the very few,' I sard, who saw the Holy Grail
As I said the words the sunshine seemed brighter, the old house seemed to stretch before us in a more entranc ing beautp, the great elms upon the lawn towards the west cast a calme shade.
'Oh, 1 know,' said Sir Percival; 'that was the cup of the Sacrament, or something of that sort, was it not?'
I suppose he thought, from something in my face, that I was shocked, for he mmediately went on-
I beg your pardon; I did not mean to be irreverent. Tell me what it was.'
He uttered these last words with such a winning sweetness that I liked him more than ever.

It was the Holy Vessel of the Sacra ment,' I said, 'that was used by our blessed Lord Himself, and could only
be seen by the perfectly pure in heart and life.'
He turned to me again in that halfpuzzled, wondering way in which he had looked upon the house, but he did not say anything more.
We went on in the morning sunshine through the parterres, all sweet with perfume and glistening with morning dew; passed some gardeners who were mowing the lawn; and went through a low oaken door in the high wall into the kitchen garden, which lay towards the west, beyond the south front of the house.
Sir Percival did not seem inclined to talk much, and I did not feel. quite certain what to say. We walked, therefore, mostly in silence beneath the high wall that stretched before us, as it seemed, without limit, cuvered with fruit-trees in blossom. Every now and then I pointed out some exceptional plant,-a tobacco plant, or something of that sort,-but my companion seemed destrait and silent beyond his wont. It occurred to me, sadly, that we were ot getting on very well.
(To be continued.)
THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT.

For the present Sunday of the Church Year, we have the translation of a collect written by St. Gregory. Its opening is in truest accord with the spirit manifested by the Syroph oenician woman of the Gospel. It is the language of conscious infirmity falling at the feet of Him Who alone can make strong, beseeching His help. It is casting down the needy soul before the Bread of Life, owning that it deserves nothing, y asking Him for crumbs of blessing.
There was a time when this Canaan itish mother had looked upon the face of her beloved babe with admiring and happy gaze, and with many a picture in her heart that others might not see, but which she fondly felt would be realized as the precious life should unfold to her delighted vision. But the unfolding has brought bitter disappointment, the bright pictures have given place to hideous realities, and this mother's hopes like many another's since the time of ve, are faded inta cruel mockeries. There seems ahead, for both parent and child, a life only of suffering and of ship.
But rumors of the Christ have spread along Tyre and Sidon's coasts-of His healing all diseases of both body and soul, and even now He is in a house upon the borders, if so He may hide for awhile from the crowds seeking Him. Of true mother-love is born the promp decision that whatever the personal sac rifice, help tor the vexed young daugh ter shall be asked of Him Whom that same love discerns is the Incarnate

There are mothers to-day, who can well imagine that determined approach to the Divine Healer which nothing stays, which eludes every unfriendly hand, knows but one goal. These especially, will understand how rebukes and threats are alike unheeded in that mother's eagerness to reach Him upon Whom her faith has firmly fastened; how her loving vehemence is but stimulated by the Master's discouraging words; how by His silence,she who has so much at stake is drawn yet more closely to Him; and these mothers are truly with her too, as at last she falls at the Saviour's feet, worshipping him.

Humbly she owns herself an unclean Gentile, only indeed a very dog, yet
even as such she has a certain claim. Casting out the demon which afflicts her child will be a mighty act, but from Him Who is Lord of all it is a mere crumb of blessing, and for this the mother pleads. Nor pleads in vain, nor receives in stinted measure. All the fulness of the Master's " $\Lambda$ s thou wilt!" is hers, and with it His words of commendation.
The world knows not its indebtedness to praying mothers. From many a Monica, perchance hidden, in every age have ascended those prayers which in the Divine appointment thus hold the world's destinies in their blessed keep. ing. Pray on, 0 Christian mothers, seeking to deepen your earnestness and ask largely where as to-day's Gospel miracle teaches, one cannot ask nor ex. pect too much; and entreat continuedly, for with prayer as with other work, it
is ever through patience that it bringeth forth much fruit that it bring mothers, upon whose pleadings rest visible blessings-ve who see that straying feet are won by your prayers into ways of righteousness, and who are blessed in drawing down into weary souls the peace of the Cross, forget not to pray for other mothers; to pray for those Whose hearts' desire is as strong for
their beloved ones as is any longing of your own, and whose vigils perhaps are as unwearied; for those who kneel in loving adoration at the blessed Sacra mental Feast, praying there for souls and bodies dearer to them than their own, but who, after it may be years of wesing, still lovingly, though in sat ness, await the answer to their prayers. But it cannot be that any heart shall quite fail,however weary and long their waiting, for whatever good, since in the blessed Sacrament of the altar, God helps His own. "Outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in ourr souls," all shall find renewal there: , In the Sacrament of His love, Christ comforts the souls of mothers who long for the re:
turn and rest of their wanderers, the light of that Presence He sweetly cheers with thought of how glorious must be the fruit which is delayed to earthly prayers, only to be produced amid favoring conditions in our dear Fatherland. Nor will these faithful mothers fair to be reminded that prayers which Christ Himself within them prays, cannot be lost.
Possibly for all, a special Lenten lesson shall be one which a life-long education often suffices not to learn well, that "God grants prayer, but-in His love, makes times and ways His own."

HEROES OF THE CHURCH.

Gregory was born in the year made so memorable by the assembling of the great Nicene Council. Like Samuel he was the child of many prayers; and shortly after his birth he was taken to the church and dedicated to God, a copy of the Scriptures being laid upon his tiny hands to indicate the service to which he was devoted;
And his mother, she thought of the catechist,
And she
That her child should be baptized for Christ
And she prayed in her heart, as Hanmah prayed,
Like children they the chancel fair, old,
To be blest with the bishop's prayer
It has been said that she who rocks the cradle rules the earth, and truly the
influence of Nonna, the devout, patient and loving mother of Gregory, extended beyond the cradle of her son, and beyond his childhood's years, into the farreaching results of his life work. By her consistent Christian character she won her husband from a mystic Jewish sect. to the Catholic faith,and was rewarded by seaing him become a bishop of the Church. The children of such a mother could not go far astray.
As a boy Gregory's thoughts seem often to have been fixed on heavenly things, and while a mere child he had a dream the memory of which was never. effaced. Two virgin forms appeared to him, the name of the one was Purity, and of the other Sobriety; they told him. to unite his thoughts to theirs, and they would bear him aloft to heaven. This vision, the result of pure and child-like thoughts, was ever before him, and he struggled to attain to the holiness they had taught. He pursued his studies at Cæsarea, Alexandria; and Athens, and laid a solid foundation for the scholarly and eloquent discourses for which he character Gregory was vacillating; and he continually hesitated between a retired and an active life. When in solitude he found it difficult to forget the cares of the world, and yet when en-
gaged in outside work he longed for retirement. Very precious to both Greg their monastic life among the hills of Pontus, where taming the wild goats and timid deer, gazing upon the many tinted flowers, and listening to sweet
harmonies of the singing birds, they could write, study and toil, untrammeled by outside care. But Gregory was recalled by family affairs and was appointed the assistant to his father who
had grown feeble. A sense of unfitness for his work came over him and he retired for a short time to the monastery. Soon after this Basil appointed him to the Bishopric of Sasima, thinking that he might be the one to reclaim the thriftless and vagabond population. Gregory reluctantly allowed himself to be consecrated for the work. Sasima was the abode of smugglers, carriers, and nomadic people. The accommodations were miserable, the water scarce, and Gregory was wholly unfit for the position. A scholar, a subtle theologileach such a people, for they could not rise to his level, nor was he able to. sink to theirs: He soon returned to Nazianzus and assisted his father in the duties of the episcopate. After the death of his father he withdrew to Seleucia, and spent, four years in retirement. The fame of his eloquence forced him to return to the world, and enter upon what proved to be the important work - of his life. Athanasius was dead, and Constantinople was in the hands of the Arians. The few Trinitarians who remained there were obliged to meet in a private house: To restore the Catholic doctrines, to put down the supremacy of Arianism, to raise again from the dead the slumbering faith of the apos tate city, was the work for which Gregory was pre-eminently fitted. By the advice of Basil and others he turned his steps toward the great city. He was no longer young, nor was he prepossessing. His figure was bent with the asceticism ot fifty years, his body was wasted, and his bald head rested upon his bosom; his manner was rustic, and his garb worn and old. But beneath that homely exterior lay a mind at once versatile and deep. He won back the people of Constantinople to the Catholic Faith, by tears, by unremitting toil, by discourses
so eloquent, so impassioned and so log ical, that they stir the hearts of men fifteen hundred years after their utter ance. The little house no longer held the crowds who thronged, styles in hand, to hear and copy down the words that fell from his well-nigh inspired lips. Every sermon, every homily, was a studied and finished production, but he poured the words forth like the impromptu utterances of a fuli heart. He cultivated eloquence, he says, because he lacked the apostolic gift of miracles. From the day Gregory entered Constantinople, Arianism was doomed to fall. The little church Anastasia or the Resurrection, grew into an edifice both stately and beautiful. After the downfall of heresy, Gregory was placed upon the archiepiscopal throne of Constantinople by the influence of Theodosius, the new emperor. But he who had raised again from the dead the Faith which seemed crushed, lacked the abili ty to guide or control the people under him. Harrassed by the treachery of a usurping bishop, the Egyptian cynic Maximus, mortified and disappointed by the ecclesiastical perplexities at Antioch, he asked and obtained permission to withdraw from his duties, his work being fulfilled.
Gregory was now alone, father, mothr, brother, sister, and the life-long friend Basil, had gone to their rest; but
in his chosen retreat he wrote and meditated, and subdued every evil inclination. He allowed himself no luxuries, a hard mat answered for his couch, and or a blanket he had sackcloth; a thin robe sufficed for clothing, and his feet
were left unshod. One whole Lent he passed in silence: The closing years of his life were peaceful and he died at the age of sixty-four
As an orator, none save Chrysostom,
surpassed Gregory, and his learning won for him the title Theologus. His letters as literary compositions, are ranked. with those of Cicero and Pliny. In style they are graceful not stilted, and almost poetic in their tenderness. His letter to Thecla upon the death of her brother is replete with comforting assurances of her brother's present peace and happiness.
As a poet Gregory possessed no or dinary ability. His verses, which he wrote during the closing years of life by way of penance, number thirty thousand, and are worthy of careful study. His hymn to Christ is full of poetic thoughts, and breathes orthodoxy in
every line.
The following lines stows his implicit trust in the saving power of Christ:
Eruits frit sinful,bearing weeds and thorns Fruits of the curse, aht whither shall Hee
O Christ, most blessed, bid my fleeting day
Flow heavenward-Christ, sole fount or
The enemy is near, to Thee I cling,

## di tne;

not the trembling bird be from Thine altar driven.
me, it is Thy

## for 1 am Thine.

One of his rarest poems is the one addressed to his soul and body. Mrs Browning has translated it with admir able skill:

What wilt thou possess or be
0 my soul,I ask of thee,
What of great or what of small,
Counted precious therewithal
Be it only rare and want it,
1 am ready, soul, to grant it.
Theu he names different objects which might suit the soul, as jewels, fertile acres, sheep or oxen, and adds:
-Nay I I will not give thee these

These to take thou hast not will,
These to give I have not skill.
The choice of other gifts is offered and the poem closes thus:

## Of all life's eternity:

Which, as I lave pondered, is
The knowledge of God's greatnesses; Light of Une, and shine of Thre Unto Whom all things that be
Flow and tend.
One of his last poetio utterances is a hymn addressed to himself, after eight years in solitude, shorn of earthly glory, and when he knows that death is not far off. In some respects it is the most touching of his poems.
My fatherland alone to me is left,
And heaving factions flood my country
Thus, with uncertain steps, of all bereft,
Exiled and homieless, childless, a Exiled and homeless. childless, aged, poor,
No child mine age to soothe with service sweet.
ve from day to day with ever-wandering feet.
What lies before me? Where shall set my
$\qquad$
$\qquad$


This as Thou wilt, the day will all unite
Wherever scatter'd, whell Thy word is

## Thy great tribunal, these alone are

## Thou, o Christ, my King, art Father- land to me.

gory was the first of the Christia poets of the East to attempt more than devotional hymns. His poems are both
religious and philosophical, and he analyzes with great niceness the psychol ogical history of humanity, its hopes and fears. Of the three great Cappadocians, Basil was the most diligent Gregory Nyssa the most original, and Gregory Nazianzen the most brilliant But the latter was the most solitary, because he was the greatest genius. He lived apart from the world, because he was unlike the world; and in the sweet companionship of nature, his devou aspirations bore his soul aloft into per petual communion with God.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

I quoted a day or two ago the reputed saying of Henry Clay, that the hope of America lay in two things: "The Su preme Court and the Episcopal Church." My quotation was evidently a little distrusted by the person to whom it was
given. Perhaps you, sir, or some reader can verify it for me.
I should be glad also to know if Mr Clay became a Churchman from principle.

Augustu, Me, Feb. 24, 1887.

## income of the clergy

no Eallor of the Lioing Church.
Buckle, in his History of Civilization, vol. 1, p. 53 (Engl. Edition) maintains that if "the supply of laborers outstrips the demand, wages will fall; if the demand exceeds the supply, they will rise." Now, Mr. Editor, we do not wish to be fnnny, but even at the expense of being so, we would like to know why this law or principle is of no use in the ministry. We are deploring the supply of candidates, and as the demand is greater than the supply,should not this affect the wages of those who are serving? There is no effect of this kind;
why not, if people keep on speaking about hiring a minister, "running a church," and denying Apostolical succession? Perhaps this is the only divine thing about the ministry with some; it stands apart from human organizations in the matter of wages, or perhaps, wages are poor in the ministry because there is "no striking;" how is it?
"Ignorant."
reaching the masses.
To the Etitor of The Livino Churm:
I am glad that The livine Church is not afraid to give its readers an opportunity to seriously consider living questions concerning the duty of our Church to reach "all sorts and conditions of men," as well as to pray for them. The "word for parochial missions" by C. B. B. is timely, and characterized by sound common sense; for parts of our service, designed for the trained regenerate, are not adapted to the unregenerate who are unfamiliar with our Prayer Book. Even at special services when the pages are announced, such versons are embarrassed; and the compilers of our excellent liturgy for trained worshippers, certainly did not contemplate that at services for the Christless, the whole service should be used. How can those who for years have despised mercy, conscientiously sing: "Let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation,", until they have resolved to accept it? And is it right to expect blasphemers, and others, who wilfully defy and dishonor God to sing: "We praise Thee 0 God, we ac= knowledge Thee to be the Lord," when they have not ceased to defy and dishonor Him? Had the Apostles and their missionary successors bound themselves and their presbyters never to preach the Gospel to the heathen, unless the sermon was preceded by the whole of the liturgic worship for the "Dearly beloved brethren," present at the morning or the evening service, how many centuries would have passed before the heathen temples woald have been converted into Christian churches? Wise caution is important, and judicious restraints are necessary; but undue tim. idity hinders the growth of Christ's Church. Had the primitive Church acted, as some now act respecting parochial' missions, the Church would have suffered paralysis induced by fear and trembling. Surely presbyters whose souls yearn for the growth and welfare of our beloved Church, ought to be allowed to obey the command: "Go forward," without canonical and rubrical restraints to regulate the pose of the body and the length of each step! If the husbandmen of the Church were allowed to cultivate the spiritual harvest field, and gather the results, as in the revived Church of England, denominational and sectarian gleaners would not have sheafs larger than our whole Church canonical harvest. Some time ago an earnest rector, for having allowed at a Mission in his parish the singing of some hymns not in the Hymnal, received a reprimand from his bishop as severe as if he had broken the Decalogue, and he wrote that he longed for the time when our clergy in America may have liberty to do what will fill the empty pews in our churches, and facilitate the growth of our Church, as allowed by the archbishops and bishops of the Church of England. A living bishop some time ago said: "We have some clergymen who will keep the rubrics, if they break the commandments," and the Church of England's archbishops and bishops prefer that Church rubrics suffer rather than her doctrine; and under "the Shortened

Service Bill," a rubrical outlet has been afforded for a grand manifestation of long rubrically pent-up zeal for Christ, and the growth of the church; and through this liberty many thousands of members of the living Church. A few incentive rubrics, added to those that restrain, would not destroy the Church that has withstood the fierce assaults
of "the world, the flesh. and the devil" of "the world, the flesh, and the devil",
for nearly nineteen centuries. As Bishfor nearly nineteen cent
op Coxe wrote years ago

Up! let all the soul within you
strike! let every nerve and s

THE LATE BISHOP GREEN AT fomF

## Among the men who have given time and labor and prayfr to the success o

 the University of the South, is its first chancellor, its unfaltering friend andhelper, the Right Rev. William Mercer helper, the Right Rev. Wiam Mercer
Green, D. D., LL.D., of Mississippi. During the last few years he made Se wanee his permanent residence and is the only bishop who in winter as well tation, is always "on the mountain." With his eldest unmarried daughter and some sixteen of the students he
lives at Kendall Hall, one of the most popular places in the university. Well
cared for as he is by loving hands, the cared for as he is by loving hands, the
Bishop says that he would not exchange Bishop says that he would not exchange
his quiet study at Kendall for a room in his quiet study at Kendall for a room in enjoy more thoroughly than he does al the pleasures of the mountain. A E. Q. B., when the weather inclement, he is a regular sitendant.
He is perhaps the most char cteristic and best known figure here. There is something in his manner ar d his ap-
pearance when walking abort the university grounds as he often , oes, which irresistibly suggests Wordsworth's des-
cription: cription
The aloted home, a genuine prie
The father of his people, such is he;
And rich and poor, and young and old,

## Collected round him

The quiet but dignified carriage, the bat ver hair of snowy whiteness the s? che but erect figure the heavy cane reccgnized by all. When we come near cut face, lighted by an eye in which God has set the spirit of benevolence, adds beauty to his venerable aspect: we in-
stinctively raise our hats. Whether he knows us or not he is sure to speak and shake hands and ask our names. is not a brakesman on the mountain Bishop." ** If there is one trait beam ing in the Bishop's face and evident in every action, it is kindness. His love their integrity, in spite of the many worldy lessons which life has taught him, seems to be more than ever em phasized in his character. He does
trust his brethren. This may not be always a succeessful quality in a ruler but it is most attractive and agreeabl makes him communicative Hear makes heach communica he ore has member the old times and to recal forms and faces that have vanished Without detracting from the present he is something of a laudator temporis acti confessedly so. One face and form he never forgets. He becomes eloquent in
speaking of the strength, the wisdom speaking of the strength, the wisdom and the work of Bishop John Stark
Ravenscroft, of North Carolina. W Ravenscroft, of North carolina.
liave heard him tell with tears in his eses the story of that Bishop's untimely side of the dying man he received his last blessing, "the blessing, sir, to whicb I attribute, most, if not all, the good I have ever done and the comforts I have enjoyed
A talk with Bishop Green on the Chureh is most interesting and in structive to one who wishes to get at the inside of history. Begin ping with the General Convention o
most every ecclesiastical apisode of the past sixty years. Great personages who have stalked grandly before the imagi-
nation of the young student, become familiar objects of sympathy or admiration. Not unfrequently we have been forced to smile with the dear Bishop as he recounted the long forgotten eccentricities and simplicities which sometimes marked the cou
erable fathers.
As a student Bishop Green dues not pretend to any original research in theology. In fact his almost excessive
modesty renders it impossible to dismodesty renders it impossible to dis
cover what have been his favorite sub jects of study. In discussing genera literature he is somewhat less reserved and this is due perhaps to the fact that
for twelve years he was Professor of Belles Lettres in the University o North Carolina. It is onlv in his ser-
mons that he is roused to overcome the mons that he is roused to overcome the sensitive self scrutiny of age, and then
he attracts his hearers of every rank by the dignity and classical purity of his plicity of his message. $*^{*} *$ Although more than nine years older than the his symathies and feelings His age and his astonishing good health are a constant source of quiet pleasure really or feignedly bowed down with years, entering the study and hoping t work on the generosity, began to tell o
his own extreme old age. Why, Mass I'se de oldest man in dese parts. It'l be just seventy-six years next month
sence dis nigger was born. I needs help case no man ever gits dat old, thou some money but startled tuim as he as sisted him to the door by trlling him he himself was just eleven years olde darkey
mussy! 'Leven years older'n me!
As a Churchman Bishop Green would perhaps ctass himself with Ravenscrof
and Otey, although he has quite $r$ covered from any fears he may have had as the results of the Catholic move
ment. No praise is too great in his eyes ment. No praise is too great in his eyes
for the genius and the virtues of James
DeKoven so completely disarmed is pen 1 inge ing suspicion that he sald: "That, sir is a sincere and a good man
sity he no longer takes an a e niver its management, and makis his ofticia ppearance only on C u mencement contenting himself witil hearing the good words which are at $1 .-t$ beginning to welcome the growth long prayed and labor then he makes a short vi ways refulu; with some nergy impression of the power and in his home life at Sewante, therefore that he is to be seen and known. Her he lives and works and prepares for
"the evening." At the early Celebra-
tions on Sundays and Holy Days, he is a constant attendaut, alluougn he has chapel a quarter of a mile to reach the rarely absent from his accustomed place immediately in front of the Professors' stalls, where his calm and reverent deHe says a lesson of goodness to all. blessings of Abraham and Jacob seem o me almost as nothing compared with the extraordinary mercy of God which
has been with me duriug the four-score has been with me durlug the tou.
and seven years of my poor life.
It is the promise of scripture to us
all, the lesson of obedience, the hope ot them that or obedience, the hope pare thy heart an strecch out thine pare thy heart an strecch out thine
hands coward Hi.11 ${ }^{*}$, thou shatt forget thy misery and remember it as waters that pass away. And thine age shall be clearer thaul the noon-day and thou shalt shine fon th, thou shalt be as the morning. And uluu shalt be secure, because there is t." pe, yea, thou shalt
dig about thee, an." nou shalt take thy dig about thee,
"SEND back tue pelio
Colonel Cnarles the obelisk." So says North American li.eview. And in The the American p. ple a little story with which they are in, familiar. "Cleopatra's Needle, u pun our shores, can never be other than a repruach." It was torn, he says,from is base at the inspiration of vulgar, concealed, private. "enter-
prise." It was not a free gift to the prise.. It was not a free gift
nation, but the spoils of jobbery.

OPINIONS OF THE PRESS.
olo Episcopari.-The maxim,"no o episcopari," seems to indicate the rule of the day. One vacant diocese we believe, has held six elections, and still remains without a chief shepherd. In have seemed very inad2quate. Besides his case, which is fast becoming notor sionary bishops has already declined and it is announced that the nther wi oon follow his example. We canno say that we have any criticism to make upon this. We have long thought that here was no position in the gift of the Church less desirable than that of mis sionary bishop. "Less desirable" is put ing it mildly, too, for in fact, if me clearly understood what such an office probable that no one could be found who would be willing to put himself in such a position. We may refer, for instance to the fact that clergy, and that such clergy are responsible far more to the Board of. Managers than to their own bishops. This is to be a bishop in name, but without juris diction. We may mention further that
$t$ is in the power of the board or its officers (we are far from saying such power is ever exercised) to cut down appropri-
ations in case any bishop exhibits inde pendence or is thought to have tenden cies which are not approved at head some very curious discriminations, but we suppose that the reasons for them the board thought it consistent. with dignity to give any reasons. Mean while, it is a matter of regret that the
uninitiated are inclined to assign suc reasons as seem to them patent upon
the surface of things. the surface of things.

The Saloon Evil.-It will be seen
at a glapce what a state of things we
have reached under the low license rates. The ratio of saloons to voter to 1 to 81 in the Twenty first,or Murray Hill district. The ratio of saloons to pirst, to 1 ranges from 1 to 42 in the that is, there is not a single district in to population does not exceed the limit proposed by the Excise Board, namely,
to 500 . In all but the Murray Hill district the ratio greatly Murray Hil cimit, and the average
when the unlicensed are added. 1
that is, more than three and a-half proposed by the Excise Board. The city is even more surprising the whole licensed alone it is 1 to 28 . and with the unlicensed included it is 1 to 23 . Now on the basis of one saloon to every 138 If we put each family at six persons, we have every twenty-three families
sustaining by their custom the twentytourth family in. the liquor business That is a tax upon the lieads of famimisery which accounts for much of the the poor in this city is so heavily burdened. The 8,688 saloons which we places at which liquor is sold of these 104 are hotels of the tirst and second
class, and 811 are beer saluons class, and 811 are beer saloons. The liquor-stores which abound so profusely dens of social and political iney are the dens of social and political iniquity at
whose prosperity the proposeu whose prosperity the
License Bill is aimed
look at to-day's chart, or No man can of our table, and not be convinced inat the time has more than come for vigor ous action of this kind. It is idle to talk about prohibitiou or any other sen
timental remedy timental remedy. The evil is here in such enormity as to threaten the social
and political ex:stence ot and political ex:stence of the city, un-
less it be both cheeked and diminished High license will do this, and nothing else is known that will.
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How to make your own Vinegar. -Take a common apple barrel,or make a small leach of clean boards, and into these throw all the cores and parings of fruit, as they accumulate. Let them ferment, and drain the juice into jugs. tion. a little water may be added, which tion. a little water may
will hurny the process.
Mince Griddle Cakes.-Chop all the cold bits of meat you may have, of son with salt and pepper, make a sea den with salt and pepper, make a griu die batter as for pancakes, lav a spoon-
ful on the well-buttered ariddle then spoonful of the chopped meat and part of a spoonful of batter over the meat when cooked on one side, tum, and when done, serve as hot as possible. NUT CAKE.- 1 cup of sugar, $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of
butter. $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of milk, 2 eggs. ful of cream tartar, and $\frac{1}{3}$ of soda cups of flour, and 1 cup of chopped wal nuts or almonds. Beat well. The fol lowing will make a nice frosting for the same: Soak 2 teaspoonsful of gelatine in 1 tablespoonful of cold water. Set on the stove for twenty minutes, and then add 2 tablespoonsful of hot water, and 1 cup of sugar. Beat untilit foams, and put on after the cake has cooled a
little. Cocoanut or chocolate makes a nice variation for this frosting.
Never overload a plate nor over sup ply a table. It is a vulgar hospitality, At a small dinner no one should hesi
tate to ask for more if he desires it will only be considered a flattering tribute to the dish. At large companies, where there is necessarily a greater va riety of dishes, the most voracious ap petite must be satisfied with a little o than the people of any other nation how to supply a table. Their small family dinners are gems of perfection. Ther is plenty for every person, yet every
morsel is eaten. The flowers or plants are fresh and odoriferous; the linen is a but perfect of their kind
Paper Flowers.-For these lovely flowers, it requires one sheet each, ot dark red, rose color, pink, cream white, make one large bouquet of roses, for bracket or vase. Cu a strip across the heet two inches wide, cut one edge of he strip down half ain inch, ard a half inch apart, not cutting the blocks too deep. Draw the corners of each block sver strip around the finger until all rolled up, then slip it from the finger and wind with a wire, which also serves as stem, wind a piece of gieen wax on to cover the place, and wind the stem with green paper, lengthise, and rave the and mosy apearance Buds may be made mossy appear wire covered with the rib. and Wax natural rose leaves and wire them, they look well and last a long time or leaves from old artificial flowers can be used: Other flowers are lovely made of the French tissue paper. Ferns are made of wire wound with fringed green ribbon, and joined to a central wire woun
from the ribbon.
Childs Crochét Bib.- Materials Male coton, No 16 steel hook.
First row-Miss onestitch, thirty-five short crochets in next thuty-five stic ches of foundation chain.
Second row-One chain, two short cruchets in first stitch, thirty-fuur shor crochets in next thirty-four stitches taking up the back part of the stitches

Third row-One chain, two short cro chets in first stitch, four short crochet. in next tour sticches (a) one long cro chet in next short crschet of ing rcw miss the short crochet next tive stitches. Repeat from (a) four times.
Repeat from (a) four times. crochets in first stitch and one short crochet ir each remaining stitch of last row.
Fifth row-Two short crochets in first stich, two short crochets in next two stitches (b), one long erochet stitch in niss short crochet crochet in preceding row, five short crochets in next tive stitches. R $\uplus$ peat from (b) to end of ruw. Continue the pattern, increa uing at
beginning of every row one stitch until you have twenty-six rows, now in the next sixteen rows decrease une stitch
now work the pattern on the first ten each row twele last ten stitches of bib with two rows of short crochet stit ches, one row of loops, two rows short crochet stitches, one row loops, twe rows short crochets and a narrow lace or scallops in crochet. Lace ribbons through the loops.
In the village of Meyrin (canton of Geneva) Switzerland, some disused
wells have baen hermetically sealed to wells have baen hermetically sealed to
serve as barometers to the serve as barometers to the people. An
orifice about an inch in diameter is made in the cover of the well by which the interual air is put in communica tion with the external. When the ai pressure outside diminishes on the ap proach of a storm the air in the well escapes and blows a whistle in connec tion with the orifice, and in this way notice of a storm's approach is given to the inhabitants. If, on the contrary,
the pressure increases, a different sound the pressure increases, a different sound is produced by the entry of, the air into
the well, and the probability of fine the well, and the probability of fine weather is anuounced
A Little Rock man sold his cooking stove to get mouey enough to take his
family to the circus. When family to the circus. When one of his
friends remonstrated with him, he said: "We had no use for the stove. Had nothing to cook." "But why didn't you buy something to eat with the
money you got for the stove?" "Then we should have had nothing to cook on. Don't talk to me. I'm a philoso-
pher." He must have been a relative of the Arkansas man who had no roof on his shanty; .When it raiued he couldn't build it, and when it didn't
rain he had no need of it! rain he had no need of it!
"UNDRESSED kid is the favorite manal. It may be added, that slippers are not a favorite material with the undressed kid!
"And what was the disposition the remains?" was asked of a man who
recently lost his mother-in-law. "The disposition of the remains," he replied with real feeling, "was quiet and peaceful.'






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