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A thousand roofs the Choral Shout
Prolong, where Kings with Shepherds meet,
His manger with their gifts to greet.
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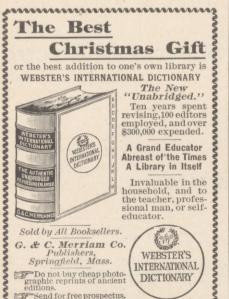
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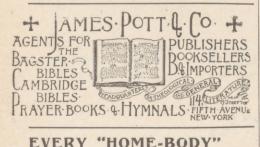
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Dec. 3rd	st Sunday in Advent,	The Virgin Mary,	St. Luke 1:26-33;	St. Luke 2:19.	"What is your name?" to "What did your?"
	2d Sunday in Advent, 3d Sunday in Advent,	Simeon, St. John the Baptist,	St. Luke 2:25-36. St. John 1:19-34.	St. Luke 2: 32. St. John 1:34.	"What did your?" to "Dost thou not think?" "Dost thou not think?" to "Rehearse the Articles."
Dec. 24th	4th Sunday in Advent,	The Shepherds.	St. Luke 2:1-20.	St. Luke 2:20.	"Rehearse the Articles," to "What dost thou chiefly?"
Dec. 31st	st Sunday after Christmas,	The Magi.	St. Matthew 2:1-12.	St. Matthew 2: 10.	"What dost thou chiefly?" to "You said."
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Jan. 7th Jan. 14th	st Sunday after Epiphany, 2d Sunday after Epiphany,	The Doctors in the Temple. Nicodemus.		St. Luke 2:47. St. John 3:2, begin at "Rabbi."	"You said," to "Thou shalt not take."
Jan. 21st	Septuagesima Sunday,	The Woman of Samaria.	St. John 4:5-30.	St. John 4:29.	"Thou shalt not take," to "Honor thy father and thy mother."
Jan. 28th	Sexagesima Sunday,	Simon the Pharisee.	St. Luke 7: 36-50.	St. Luke 7:49.	"Honor thy father and thy mother," to
	Quinquagesima Sunday, ist Sunday in Lent,	Zaccheus the Publican. The Inquiring Greeks.	St. Luke 19: 1-10. St. John 12: 20-36.		"Thou shalt not steal," to "What is thy duty towards God?"
Feb. 25th	2d Sunday in Lent, 3d Sunday in Lent, 4th Sunday in Lent,	The Leper and the Centurion Bartimeus. Syrophenician Woman.	St. Matthew8:1-13. St. Mark 10:46-52. St. Matthew 15:21-		"What is thy duty towards God?" "What is thy duty towards thy neighbor?" REVIEW.
Mar. 11th	5th Sunday in Lent,	Judas Iscariot.	St. Matt. 26: 14-16,	St. Matt. 27:4; begin "I have sinned."	"My good child," to "How many Sacra-
Mar. 18th	6th Sunday in Lent,	Pontius Pilate.	St. Matthew 27:11-	St. Luke 23:4.	"How many Sacraments?" to "What is the
Mar. 25th	Easter Day,	The Roman Soldiers.	St. Matthew 27:62-66; 28:1-15.	St. Matthew 27: 54.	**sign**in Baptism?'' "What is the **sign?" to "What is required?"
	ıst Sunday after Easter, 2d Sunday after Easter,	St. Mary Magdalene. The Two Disciples at Emmaus.	St. John 20: 1-18.	St. John 20:18. St. Luke 24:29.	REVIEW. "What is required?" to "Why was the Sacrament?"
April 15th	3d Sunday after Easter,	Mary and Martha.	St. John 11:30-46.	St. John 11:27.	"Why was the Sacrament?" to "What are the benefits?"
	4th Sunday after Easter, 5th Sunday after Easter,	Lazarus. The Disciples at the Sea of Tiberias.	St. John 11:1-29. St. John 21:1-17.	St. John 12:9. St. John 21:7; begin "Therefore that Disciple."	"What are the benefits?" to the end. "Rehearse the Articles of thy belief."
May 6th	Sunday after Ascension,	St. Stephen.	Acts 6:8-15; 7:54-	Acts of the Apostles	REVIEW.
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Tuesday evening, the first session for discussion was held in Chickering Hall. Scarcely a vacant seat was to be found. The audience was again notable for the large number of men, both priests and laymen. But it was observable that very few of the bishops of the Church were present. On the platform sat, representing Bishop Potter, the Bishop of Kentucky, and around him were grouped the Rev. Drs. Greer, Warren, Brooks, Satterlee, Smith, Fulton, Huntington, Tiffany, Rainsford, McKim, McVickar, Gallaudet Wildes, and Kramer, the Ven. Archdeacon Morrison, the Rev. Messrs. Kinsolving, Kirkus, Pycott, and others.

The acting secretary. the Rev. John W. Kramer, M.D., read a communication from the Church Club extending the hospitalities of its new building to members of the Congress. Bishop Dudley conducted a brief devotional service and the audience sang the well-known hymn, "Onward, Christian soldiers." No choir was present to lead, and the cornetist who attempted to do so, found his own labors and those of the organist needless, for such a vast volume of music rose as filled the great ha'l with majestic melody. The effect was thrilling. All present were evidently moved by the splendid demonstration, and when the words were reached:

> We are not divided, All one body we, One in faith and doctrine, One in charity

there was an involuntary emphasis given that had a touch of pathos in its evident earnestness.

Bishop Dudley's inaugural address took up the inspiration and carried it forward. In his eloquent way he msisted that the proceedings of the Congress ought to be marked by the spirit of loyalty, liberty, and love. He gave the history of the Congress, and referred to that held in his own diocese some years ago-at Louisville. Notwithstanding the sharp divergencies of opinion expressed at that session, there had been at least a display to the public of the roominess of the Church. After the session had ended, persons in Louisville had expressed to him surprise that such diversities were tolerated in a single Communion. The Bishop emphasized that the Church Congress was not an official body, and that it represented no body. It was simply a rostrum on which any man could stand and talk. For one, he recognized that imprudent things were sometimes said and utterances of at least doubtful propriety made. But he thought there was utility even in that. It was the voicing of the living thought of living men, and as a result light would spread. But under all, there was ever to be remembered that there must be loyalty to the ancient and historic Church, and that its meaning and mission should be made clear to all men in this age. Years ago—long before the Chicago-Lambeth platform on unity was set forth-he had heard the Church described as four-square. At one corner stood the Bible as God's revealed Word to man. At another corner stood the Creed, as the authoritative and final statement of the Catholic Faith; at another, the Sacraments, touching spiritual needs; and at the last, completing the square, the Historic Episcopate. We can do aggressive work on this basis and in loyalty to it. But there is no need to curb liberty. Loyalty and liberty and light go together, and the Historic Church proceeded fearlessly along this line in the all embracing love of Christ and of men for whom He died. The object of the Congress was a serious one. It reached to all that concerned all men. Some time ago he was called

been expressed on the morals of the tariff question. It was supposed by many that clergy should not deal with secular questions. He felt moved to say that the Church could and should express itself on any and all questions that had real concern—certainly such as had moral concern—for mankind. The Church in America, whatever might have been said of it in the past, was no longer sleepy or narrow, but was ready for all things in which it could benefit men, and it was in earnest. The Bishop then introduced the topic for the even-

WHAT SHALL BE DONE WITH THE SALOON?

On this question, the first writer was the Rev. Wm. S. Rainsford, D. D., of St. George's church, New York. He proceeded to read in a quiet, but forceful manner what he had to say, and was listened to with almost breathless interest to the close, save when interrupted with applause, which was frequent. The impression made was most favorable, notwithstanding many had apparently looked forward with some anxiety, if not excitement, to this paper. The paper was in reality much more moderate and reasonable than it was expected to be. He began by saying that temperance reform necessarily encountered opposition from many sources, the liquor men, and disagreeing temperance advocates as well. The average temperance man failed by undertaking too much. Alcohol was here to stay. It had been an institution of humanity for thousands of years, and in all nations. It could not be banished, in his opinion. The true question was therefore what to do with it. The prohibitionist made no distinction in the use of alcohol; he ignored history; he manitested a spirit of fanatical hatred towards whoever disagreed with him; he taught an impossible result. As an agency of good, the coffee house and the tee-to-tum movement was to be encouraged, but it did not very largely reach men who were accustomed to use alcohol, or craved such use. High license might also do good, but it left the sting in the tail, because it recognized private traffic in liquor, and would not prevent the use of business methods to increase trade, and so promoted runkenness. It failed to remove many of the worst evils of the saloon. Religious reform was often unsuccessful because it ignored the fact of heredity associated with drunkenness, and the existing facts of present excess, and a pledge or moral suasion were often and necessarily failures undersuch committees in this country, the evil was insufficiently grappled with. Some of the methods already referred to were utter failures and mistakes, and some of them were but indifferent and partial successes. If real reform was to be accomplished something different was needed. What should it be?

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The great thing to aim at was to establish a concrete example. This could not be done all at once. An educational process was first essential. But the way to begin was for a few like-minded persons to go to work in a given locality. If good, their method would be copied in another locality. Little by little the thing would spread. For one, he would not condemn the use of liquor, nor the existence of places where liquor could be got. The working man had as much right to this as the gentleman who insisted on such right at his club. As a matter of fact the saloon with all the evils, was now almost the only place of recreation ordinarily open to the working man. There was a need for places of recreation. But it was not right or just to insist that liquor should not be sold in such places, if it was sold in the rich man's club. The saloon was often the only real club that the poor man knew. Social clubs for his benefit, and means to make his home bright and happy, were all of them good. But recognizing the fact of the use of alcohol, temperance needed more than these. It needed not to abolish, but to reform the saloon. It could not stop drinking, but it could stop the evil of the present saloon. How?

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Here, he wanted to remove a misconception. He did not Here, he wanted to remove a misconception. He did not advocate that the Church as such should go into liquor traffic. He did not recommend that a parish should run a saloon. The term "church saloon" which had been applied to his plan, did not describe it. But he did think that it any reform was to be worked out, it had got to be accomplished as all reforms were, by the co-operation of Christian men. Christian men owed a duty in this direction and should not shrink trom it. If they neglected it, reform was impossible. He did mean that Christian men should undertake seriously to handle this question. In Sweden and Norway good men the did mean that Christian men should undertake seriously to handle this question. In Sweden and Norway good men had so combined, and the result had been wonderful. Formerly these countries were noted as among the worst in Europe in point of drunkenness. To-day a vast change had taken place. In 20 years the sale of spirituous liquors had decreased 50 per cent. The government licensed local corporations composed of respectable men. These corporations alone sold liquor. They were allowed 6 per cent on their invested capital over all expenses. Whatever profit was made beyond that amount was applied by the state to public institutions of education or philanthropy. Thus the critical point was met. For there was no pecuniary inducement to roll up large profits, as is now the case with our small saloon keepers. Good liquors were required to be sold, and in every shop where they were sold, it was required that food be supplied also, the profit upon that being unrestricted. This removed the great evil of adutelrated drinks, and of absence of food, both of which tend to promote the disease of drunkenness. The Swedish saloons are not mixed with politics. The system has worked well. are not mixed with politics. The system has worked well. And there is no sufficient reason why good men in America

cannot be brought, at least in time, to co-operate in some such sensible movement, fitting the conditions as we find

Dr. Rainsford closed his paper by summarizing; all ages have used alcohol; its use is not in itself sinful; it is always dangerous; good citizens rather than bad ones, should control the sale; private sale for profit is an evil; the legislature will have to touch the evil; a saloon removed as much as possible from dangers is the thing to promote, as a practical temperance method; if Sweden can act successfully in this

Following this paper, the Rev. Randolph H. McKim, D.D., of Washington, read a paper. By a singular coincidence he gave principal attention in it to the Swedish temperance movement, which he described in detail, and commended strongly. He said the evils surrounding the saloon in America were largely social. He regarded prohibition as a false policy, and showed how utterly it had proved a failure where tried. Local option he thought wise, and claimed it had been pretty successful, but could not work except under peculiar conditions. In Sweden, local option was allowed, but the choice lay between prohibition and the moderate and regulated sale. He considered that those in America who favored local option could easily unite in an American adaptation of the Swedish method. If all classes of moderate temperance men unite, a practical solution of our difficulties could be reached, he thought, in this direction. Even Mr. Chamberlain and Mr. Gladstone had united in commending the Swedish law. If two men so far apart as these two, could unite in it, he had hope that differing minds could combine here. strongly. He said the evils surrounding the saloon in Am-

The Rev. Percy S. Grant, the new rector of the church of the Ascension, New York, was the first of the speakers. He spoke earnestly, and made many good points drawn from his recent personal experience at Fall River, Mass. He was in favor of prohibition, and enlarged on the evils of the drink habit, among the poor.

Mr. Robert Graham, secretary of the Church Temperance Society, came next, and spoke somewhat excitedly. He made several personal reflections upon the Rev. Dr. Rainsford. This so stirred the sense of fair play in the audience, that they finally responded with a storm of hisses, that formed a notable occurrence of the session, and interrupted the speech. It was a most unexpected testimony to the strength of the impression left by Dr. Rainsford's calm and fearless paper. Mr. Graham at once struck out into an eloquent discussion of the evils of intemperance, and won generous applause. He earnestly advocated high license, which he has for several years endeavored to promote, and described a bill about to be presented to the legislature of New York, on the subject. Statistics were quoted for the working of high license in three cities of the country. Philadelphia, Omaha, and Minneapolis. He did not oppose the idea of the Swedish law, but recommended certain specific changes in American laws now existing.

The last speaker of the evening was the Rev. Floyd W. Tomkins, D. D., of Chicago, who held the audience in rapt attention while he condemned the sale of liquor in any form. He asked three questions. I. What is the saloon? 2. What shall we do with it? 3. How shall we do it? He answered the first by saying it was a place where liquor was sold to be consumed on the premises, and he thought this a prime cause of drunkenness. To the second question, he said it was simply one, not of compromise, but of right and wrong. Is the saloon right? No. Then abolish it. Did the saloon do any good? Who build churches and hospitals, who help the poor, who lift the life of humanity, the saloon-keepers, or saloon frequenters! No. Do the saloons do harm. They must go. How. By our relation in causing them to go, and we all have relation to this duty. We can first educate ourselves to understand the question. We can pray. We can stir our dioceses and parishes. We can make personal effort for men. We can seek to do what we can. attention while he condemned the sale of liquor in any form.

Mr. Tompkins in resuming his seat, was applauded. His final word was a recommendation to work with any man in any way to promote temperance in any form, and that he could agree in principle with all the speakers of the evening.

This initial discussion of the Congress was characterized by remarkable earnestness, and the evident desire to reach a workable basis for a new temperance advance more vigorous and effective than any heretofore.

On the morning of Wednesday, Bishop Lawrence, of Massachusetts, presided, and the topic for discussion was "Moral and Religious Education in the Public Schools." The first paper was read by the Rev. Robert S. Barrett, D.D., of Atlanta, Ga. He referred in terms of high praise to the perfeclanta, Ga. He referred in terms of high praise to the perfection which modern education has reached in preparing men for commercial life, and in fitting them with general knowledge of n.en and affairs. But he claimed that a relative neglect existed in imparting that religious training that was quite as essential. Our boys are to-day disciplined and expanded in their mental faculties as the Spartan boys of old were developed physically. But unless sound religious teaching is imparted to them, they are liable to grow up with weak moral natures and to deviate from moral rectitude. High intellectual attainments without moral attainments are dangerous. Yet in America, State religion is a thing forever past. It was wise and well that it was a thing of the past. The State could not properly teach a given creed. For one, he would protest against the State teaching, even if it could do so, a given creed to any child of another creed, though the State's creed were his own. He objected to any introduction of sectarianism into the schools. The minds of children should not be confused by the spectacle of warring creeds and of contention between sects. He felt warring creeds and of contention between sects. He felt that the broad principles inculcated by Christ should be taught. If that could be done, a desired end would be reached. Dr. Barrett closed with the words of Archbishop Ireland: "The free school—withered be the hand that seeks to work

The next essayist was the Rev. John G. Bacchus, D.D., of The next essayist was the Rev. John G. Bacchus, D.D., of Brooklyn, who said in part: The State cannot teach denominational religion. She can provide that her children be instructed in Christianity. But if the school be secularized there would be put a stigma on the Bible. At present it is true in too many instances that Socrates, Seneca, Shakespeare, and Darwin may be taught to our young, while Moses, Paul, and Christ are forbidden access to their minds. And this is because of the over-sensitive sensibilities of Romanists, Jews, agnostics, indifferentists, and a crowd of religious nondescripts, along with a few well-meaning but mistaken Christians. Equal attention should be paid to the training of the intellect and the conscience. Intelligence without conscience is the head of a man joined to the body of a beast. Conscience without intelligence is the soul of a man speaking through the head of an ass. Education that does not keep the two ends in view is inadequate. It is often claimed that our government does not recognize religion. But the truth is that in the provision for observance of the Lord's day, in the appointment of chaplains for Congress and all legislative bodies, and for the army and navy, in the setting apart of days of fasting and thanksgiving to God, also in oaths in court, and in manifold other ways, God and the Christian religion are recognized by the State. If chaplains are appointed and religious teaching allowed in prisons, asylums, and other public institutions of the State, why not in public schools? So far as the principle of State recognition of Christianity is concerned, such can be the case, and so far as special need of true training of future citizens is concerned, such should be the case. Dr. Bacchus recom-Brooklyn, who said in part: The State cannot teach denomso far as special need of true training of future citizens is concerned, such should be the case. Dr. Bacchus recommended definite religious teaching, including the use of the Lord's Prayer and the Bible.

TEN COMMANDMENTS, AND FUNDAMENTAL RELIGION

The first speaker was Prof. Hjalmor Hjorth Boyesen, of Columbia College, and he held the audience in closely interested attention throughout. He approved of the so-called "Faribault Plan," and suggested that it would be better, instead of criticising, to emulate the example of the Roman Communion in providing religious teaching in the schools. "I believe," he said, "there is no iniquity concealed under Archbishop Ireland's plan, which the Pope has approved, but merely a serious purpose which, if he were a Protestant, vou would approve. Now instead of folding our hands in our laps and helplessly deploring the encroachments of the Roman Church, why should we not in this instance, profit by her example." The protessor went on to advocate the system of devoting one school hour to religious education, with full recognition of every creed—ministers of different bodies teaching the children of their own persuasion—by a process of taking turns at the hour. The system has been tried in reformatories and other public institutions, and has met with success. He censured the position taken by the Ultramontanes as one of hostility to the schools as such and of an effort to secure State money for their own schools. But he testified from personal acquaintance with Archbishop Ireland, to that prelate's thorough patriotism and American spirit. This declaration was welcomed by warm applause from the Congress. He claimed that utterances of such a prelate were worthy of careful consideration. "It is time", he said," that we should cease to look upon every Roman bishop as a bugbear. It is just this attitude of ignorant prejudice which gives to Romanists the right to retaliate in kind, and nourishes the intolerant and semi-hostile spirit at present prevailing. We should, as American citizens, rather seek to establish a modus vivendi with Romanists, in such matters as that now under discussion. Merely to rail, is puerile and will do no good. It may be said by some, that the open enmity of the Roman Church is to be preferred to her proposed friendship. But nothing can persuade me, that the open enmity of the Roman Church is to be preferred to her proposed friendship. But nothing can persuade me, that the country will be the gainer by a policy dictated by such a stead of criticising, to emulate the example of the Roman Communion in providing religious teaching in the schools.

Mr. Hamilton W. Mabie, of New York City, followed. He spoke kindly of the public schools, but emphasized the need of religious influence in them. The schools were not ideal, he said, and could be improved if the religion in them should be hot of a dry and formal kind, but such as should touch the emotional nature of children, and reach the heart.

The next speaker was Bishop Talbot, of Wyoming, who spoke with characteristic earnestness, and was frequently applauded. He said that the public schools would be endangered if they undertook religious teaching. The only way to save them would be to keep religion out of them, preserving the principle of religious liberty, and supplementing them by religious training elsewhere. He then described his own experiment by which at the seat of the State University he had a boarding hall for the care of students who were Churchmen. They attended the secular teaching of the university, and he looked after their religious care.

The Rev. John Fulton, D. D., LL. D., of Philadelphia, moral teaching, and called attention to the fact that the Far-

ibault plan seemed the only plan yet offered in solution of ing of the congregation during the entrance of the priest to difficulties, and that it was worthy of attention, and generous welcome

He was followed by the Rev. C. Ellis Stevens, LL. D., D. C. L., of Philadelphia, who said, that it was a common impression that opinion was widely divided on this question impression that opinion was widely divided on this question of religious instruction in connection with the public schools. There were sometimes heard impassioned arguments for religious freedom on the one hand, or for religious training of children on the other. Most Americans believed in both of these things in principle, and there was no necessary antagonism between them. What was required was less rhetoric and a little common sense put into practical operation. As a matter of history religion had never been wholly banished from our public schools. Religion was now taught in the schools. The only question was whether it was satisfactorily taught? Formerly the religious element was pronounced But owing to a change arising from agitation of the princily taught? Formerly the religious element was pronounced But owing to a change arising from agitation of the principle of religious liberty, religious teaching had been gradually eliminated until few public schools to-day, had more of it than was represented by reading the Scriptures, and saying the Lord's Prayer. Was this satisfactory? Certainly not. Yet it was a recognition of the religious principle of the state. The failure lay in the fact that the religious teaching did not go far enough, for children needed more than thls. Yet it was, perhaps, the best the state could do, unassisted. A few years ago a conference was held of representatives of all the Christian denominations in the State of New York, under the presidency of the late Dr. Howard presentatives of all the Christian denominations in the State of New York, under the presidency of the late Dr. Howard Crosby, to discuss this very problem in a spirit of business practicability. Having himself been elected to succeed Dr. Crosby in the presidency, and to head the movement that grew out of the conference, he had been privileged with exceptional opportunity for knowing what the difficulties in the field were, and how men of different minds really regarded it. This movement had at the time, got down under the surface of theories to working facts. It was found that the religious teaching af the schools, though worthy of respect for its frequently kindly intent, was an utter failure. It was found also that the religious bodies of the State did not supply the need left untouched by the schools, for actual investigation proved that an immense percentage of the children of the State were not attending church or even Sunday school, and were growing up in practical heathenthe children of the State were not attending church or even Sunday school, and were growing up in practical heathenism. This was an education for crime and immorality. It was a real menace to public order, and to our own political institutions. The only apparent method for reaching the children of the community in a complete and effective manner, was through the public schools, and if the State conducted education at all on the principle that it must train its rising generation for citizenship and good order, then the same principle required that moral that it must train its rising generation for citizenship and good order, then the same principle required that moral teaching (which really was religious teaching) should not be excluded from such training. The only question was, how could it be accomplished consistently with the other principle, that of religious freedom. He did not think that the State could itself give religious teaching successfully or adequately. Every modern nation but ourselves provided for a large measure of religious education in its schools. Why could not America do as much? Personally, he considered the plan now successfully working in Canada to be the best. It was older than the Faribault plan, and did not rest on any example set by the Roman Church. But it had many features of the Faribault plan. Its essential principle was, that ministers of religious bodies had access to children of their own belonging, at fixed times, in connection with school hours. There were minor difficulties, but all worked remarkably well, and under conditions similar to those we have in the United States. The State did not teach religion at all. But at the same time religion was taught to all children, and much more effectively than the State ever could do it. He thought some such plan as this could be united in by reasonable men of all shades of oningon. No nation needdo it. He thought some such plan as this could be united in by reasonable men of all shades of opinion. No nation need-ed more than did America, a citizenship trained not merely in secular things, but in the fundamental moral law of God.

The Rev. Mr. Geer made the closing address of the morning, and advocated the establishment by the Church, of parochial schools.

USE AND ABUSE OF RITUAL

At the evening session, a large audience assembled to hear the discussion of the "Use and Abuse of Ritual." The general tenor of the remarks was in the direction of the encouragement of ritual—there being much agreement among the speakers. And an evident good nature was displayed by the hearers, who showed unmistakable sympathy with this drift. The first paper was read by Bishop Randolph, who stated the well-known Virginia position, and strongly condemned ritualism as such. He was tollowed by the Rev. C. T. Olmstead, of Utica, N. Y., who advocated the use of elaborate and beautiful ritual, both as an end and as a means. He made a brilliant speech, which was roundly ap-

If, he exclaimed, it is legitamate to reach the mind through the tympanum of the ear, why not through the retina of the eye? He demanded why, if the liturgy proclaimed our religion to be Catholic, it—the liturgy—should not be recited in a Catholic form?

The Rev. J. H. Van Buren, of Lynn, Mass., deprecated extreme ritualism, but favored beautiful worship.

Commenting upon the predominance of women among church attendants, he said that "ecclesiastically speaking, men do not constitute the stronger sex." He urged the "bridging of the way between congested wealth and unspeakable poverty.

Mr. Thomas Nelson Page, of Richmond, Va., and the Rev. Mr. Wilmer, of the diocese of Southern Virginia, spoke in the general tone. The Rev. W. B. Frisby, of Boston, mede a powerful argument for ceremonial usage under the Jewish and Christian dispensation, and in the life of the Holy Catholic Church. He created much merriment by saving that he liked to see an old-fashioned evangelical clergyman, and had, as a ritualist, real sympathy with his orthodox consiststrongly urged the need of something more definite than ency. Mr. Joseph Packard, Jr., of Baltimore, objected to ornate services, and even to such usual matters as the stand-

the chancel, and his departure at the end of the service.

THE ETHICS OF DOCTRINAL SUBSCRIPTION

Thursday was the choice day of the session, and the Broad Churchmen who "run" the Congress had selected it for their own topics. The themes at both morning and evening sessions were arranged to bring out Broad Church points, and the speakers and writers though of necessity including men of opposite opinions, were so appointed as to give Broad Churchmen a heavy preponderance. This is not to be wondered at, if it is borne in mind that the self-chosen executive committee which alone is responsible for proceedings, is composed almost entirely of one party. All the leading Broad Churchmen in the country are to be found on that committee, and distinctively High Churchmen, or even conservative Churchmen, have but slight and insignificant representation. It is well known that the Congress has before now been a powerful teaching agency of the Broad Churchmen, and a means of giving members of that party a position in the eyes of the public, which their relative numbers and influence do not give them in the regular councils of the Church. The partisan policy thus quietly but effectively carried on, reached an amazing boldness on Thursday; and the issues voiced mainly by that school, were the fundamental questions of what constitutes loyalty to the Church's doctrine, and what is the position of the Bible. Other topics before the Congress were trivial compared with these. The climax was reached Thursday evening, when the audience sat breathless listeners to a series of four papers, all but one of which were from Broad Churchmen, and which were unmistakably influenced by German rationalism. One could but wonder by what right this is called a "Church" Congress at all, and on what principle of ordinary fair play, to say the least of it, so grave and essential a subject as the Bible, could be so handled, in what ought to be the house of its friends. Such a discussion of God's Word as took place was calculated to give the public an extraordinary notion as to the position of this Church in relation to the Bible.

The first topic of the day was "The Ethics of Doctrinal Subscription," and the first essayist was the Rev. Geo. Hodges, D. D., of Pittsburgh, Dean-elect of the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, Mass. He said that God revealed doctrine little by little, and that any form of subscription to doctrine, required from clergymen at their ordination, which failed to recognize this point of the progressiveness of doctrine and to adapt itself to such progressiveness of doctrine and to adapt itself to such progressiveness. scription to doctrine, required from clergymen at their ordination, which failed to recognize this point of the progressiveness of doctrine and to adapt itself to such progressive change, was contrary to ethics. Truth grows like seed, in the mind, and we are often influented by environment. As environment changes, conditions change, and truth may have new aspects. There was necessarily at the first a Greek, a Roman, and a Jewish idea of Christ. God has made men differ. The Christian facts themselves have never changed, but interpretation of them has. The Faith was once delivered to the saints, but not in such a way as to save the saints from any further need of thinking and of study. The Church will be in agreement with ethics in proportion as she allows growth in faith. St. Paul might say that it an angel from heaven preached any other Gospel than that which was preached, he should be accursed. But no one else could say such a thing. We should follow the pillar of fire, and march forward all the while. If a clergyman subscribes to the doctrine of the Church, it means that at the time of subscription he was in sympathy with it, but not that he will never hold anything else, for he can't stop reading and thinking. Dr. Hodges then went on to give advice to such clergy as found themselves disagreeing with authorized doctrine. At first such a man should go slowly, for the Church might possibly be in the right and he in the wrong. He should remember also that he is, after all, a creature of moods, and may believe to-morrow what he doubts to-day. He need not preach the doctrine he doubts, but he should not hastily preach against it. If, however, waiting a while brings no solution to him, two courses are open. He may resign, or he may boldly declare his newfound doctrine and leave the Church as a mere company of persons tied to a given faith, he will withdraw from such company. It, however, he regards the Church as a divine institution in which the revelation of truth is progressive, it will be his duty to remain and

The next paper was read by the Rev. Geo. B. Johnson, of Lebanon Springs, N. Y. It was a thoughtful exposition of the past policy and action of the Anglican Church on this the past policy and action of the Anglican Church on this subject. It was largely a question of interpretation, he said. The requirement in the American Church was less rigid than it formerly was in the Church of England. It was not required that we believe all the Articles, but we must not contradict them. And here a distinction should be made be tween faith and doctrine. The Creed represented the faith and that we must hold unqualifiedly in the historic sense belonging to it. Before a candidate for orders came up for ordination he was already bound to keep the Faith, for his sponsors had so vowed at his Baptism. How then shall a clergyman interpret what is involved in his subscription here. sponsors had so vowed at his Baptism. How then shall a clergyman interpret what is involved in his subscription before ordination? Keble held that the Articles should be interpreted in the sense intended by those who made the subscription obligatory. It must be understood, however, that the intention of that authority is not to be found by searching for the individual opinion of the framer of a particular article or the individual opinions of men of that period, but in the official attitude of the body itself, which alone possessed the authority, i.e., in the Church, not as composed of individual members, but as an historical organization acting through its official channels, viz., Convocation and General Convention. The official position of the Church, past eral Convention. The official position of the Church, past and present together, gives the true and only gage of interpretation. This must be loyally held to, and private judgment can only come in where the Church has not acted.

ense. Any other course would be essentially dishonest. It strue that there is much dishonesty all about to day, in the Church and in the world.

The first speaker on the topic was the Rev. J. S. Shipman, D. D., D. C. L., of New York He said the question was not what the present form of subscription was, or whether we what the present form of subscription was, or whether we ought to have one, but simply what were the moral obligations of a clergyman under the subscription we actually have—in other words, how for a clergyman could change his mind, and yet honestly retain his relation to the Church. A distinction should be made between denial and interpretation. Many interpretations might be made of the Bible, but we could not deny the divinity of it. The Creeds contained a statement of facts, and those facts were vital to the Christian religion. If a clergyman denied any article of the Creed, he should promptly lay down his sacred office (applause). There was, he said, much liberty of opinion safely allowable to a man who was consistently and unqualifiedly loyal to the great facts of the Creed. The Creed declared that God made the world, and that a man must hold. But it did not say how God performed the wcrk of creation, and the Church allowed the world, and that a man must hold. But it did not say how God performed the work of creation, and the Church allowed a man to hold any theory of creation so long as he held to the fact of God's being the Creator. In like manner the Creed declared the fact of the resurrection of the body, and that must be loyally held. But it had always been allowable to hold varying human theories as to the process of resurrection, and that was perfectly safe so long as the article of the Creed was unqualifiedly adhered to. He went on to speak of the relation of private judgment to Church authority, and dwelt upon the fact that in its proper sphere private judgment was all right. But he insisted upon full recognition of the fact, that the Church has authority in controversies of the taith, and that such authority is absolutely essential to its continuation as an organized body. For the triends of a clergyman who was brought to trial, to set up a cry of persecution, was nonsense. A Church trial did not prevent a man from continuing to hold and teach error. But it could prevent him from doing such teaching in the wrong place. Dr. Shipman closed his address amid unmistakable tokens of the sympathy and approval of the great assemblage.

He was followed in a stirring speech by the Rev. F. M. Clendenning D. D., of Westchester, N. Y., who gave an illustration of loyalty drawn from a supposed case of a British ambassador in this country, who stated that the laws of his country were progressive, and that though he would continue to remain an accredited ambassador of Great Britain, he did not consider himself morally bound to her laws, or obliged to accept her official decision when it did not coincide with his own private theories.

The next speaker was Prof. Momerie, once of King's College, England, a leader of the English Broad Churchmen. He said that there should be two characteristics of any form of subscription: 1. That it should not require assent to what cannot possibly be believed; and 2, that it should be as simple as possible. He then described the change that had been made a few years ago, through the influence of Dean Standigates for ordination to subscription, which requires candidates for ordination to subscribe to "the doctrine of the Church of England, as contained in the Prayer Book, and as in harmony with the Word of God." He said the old form kept many bright men out of the Church, and was futile as in harmony with the Word of God." He said the old form kept many bright men out of the Church, and was futile as an attempt to promote uniformity of teaching. The new form was noteworthy, in that it required assent to the "doctrine," not doctrines. He claimed that this meant the general system and not all the doctrines, and that therefore there was a great gain. A man could now deny any doctrine of the Church, and yet remain consistently in an English benefice. Young men who before stayed out of Orders, because they were not in agreement with certain doctrines of the Church, could now receive ordination without difficulty and they were not in agreement with certain doctrines of the Church, could now receive ordination without difficulty, and teach what before had been condemned. The subscription was so vague, that under it the Church of England could adapt itself to anything, and its clergy teach anything. He and other Broad Churchmen were trying to spread a knowledge of this fact, as it was not now sufficiently understood even in England. Their hope was to get in more young men who would liberalize the Church.

The Rev. W. Winchester Donald, D. D., Bishop Brooks' successor at Trinity church, Boston, came next. His remarks were evidently directed against the charges of dishonesty among some of the clergy, lately made by the Bishop of Springfield. He said the policy of the Congress was to represent current questions, and that this subject of doctrinal subscription was already before the public. He would discuss the question of the honesty of the clergy. The existence of a body of dishonest clergy in the Church, though it had been asserted, was not a fact. The vow a man takes at ordination means only that he will be honest. It does not put him under obligation to the Church, or to the public, but only brings about a relation between God and himself. Church authority is good, but so far as doctrine is concerned where shall we look to find it? Many want an authoritative exposition in the Church. If a man does not agree with what is assumed to be the doctrine of the Church, he should not resign. He is bound to stay where he is and have the Church take the responsibility of putting him out. Scores of men don't know what is the meaning of the Church's doctrine. Where is her teaching to be found? A man may be in error and not know it. No man can be dishonest without knowing it. One is an intellectual matter, the other a matter of conscience. Unless a man's conscience tells him he is dishonest, he may safely let his intellect lead him, and he will be honest till his conscience tells him the contrary. successor at Trinity church, Boston, came next. His

The Rev. Geo. Clark Cox, of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., said that some men did not believe the national constitution, but they were willing to subscribe to it as a patriotic thing to do. They might subscribe to it with a practical intent to change it if they could, and yet be honest. He did not think that examining chaplains or individual bishops had a right to bar a man from being ordained if the man held and expressed doctrines out of harmony with those of the Church. That would, on their part, be impertinence. They would be exceeding their authority. If the candidate was willing to sign the form of subscription, it was no business of theirs to consider how he signed it. His mental reservation or motive and intention were exclusively his own affair. If ready to make the vow, he was entitled to put his own interpretation on what he did.

The Rev. Hartley Carmichael, of Richmond, Va., narrated

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THE SUFFICIENCY OF THE BIBLE

The most important event of the Congress was the discussion on Thursday evening, led by the Broad Churchmen, of 'What is Involved in the Doctrine of the Sufficiency of the Bible?" The first paper was read by the Rev. John P. Peters, Ph.D., the new rector of St. Michael's church, New York. He traced the gradual action of the Church in constructing the canon of Scripture. The work was done, he said, not by commission, but each book was gradually recognized by itself. Men found that these books had an influence on them. Other books exercised an influence likewise, as the Pastor of Hermas, and in later times, the work of a Kempis. But the books of the canon of Scripture had, a general and wide influence. of the canon of Scripture had a general and wide influence. The judgment of the Church was nothing more than the private judgment of the men who composed the Church. A man may find that each book is not "inspired to him." Each book is not infallible. The Christian says to other races that they should subject their so-called sacred writings to the same test the Bible is subjected to, to see whether they really appeal to the universal human heart. In general they really appeal to the universal human heart! In general, the Bible is the Word of God. But the Church claims that Jesus Christ is the Word of God. The Bible is only the written Word. He is the living Word. Christ alone is the infallible Word God Word of God.

The Rev. Prof. G. H. S. Walpole, D.D., of the General Theological Seminary, read the next paper—the only paper of the four on this great subject which the Broad Church management of the Congress allowed to be read by other than Broad Churchmen. He asked what was the object of Holy Scripture, and answered that it was the salvation of He said it was to be approached with the wisdom of man. He said it was to be approached with the wisdom of the heart as well as of the head. He pointed out that the Church existed before the New Testament, and that the references in the latter to docrine and practice necessarily implied a knowledge of what the previously existing Church believed and did. The Scriptures of the New Testament were written by and to the Church. In hands of those entirely ignorant of the Church, the New Testament would not be fully intelligible, for the book presupposed the Church as the living body. The Bible and the Church stand together and cannot be separated. The Church refers to the Bible fearlessly and freely, for never book spake like this Book. The Book is the same to-day as in the early day. Its life and that of the Church are one. that of the Church are one.

Next followed a paper by the Rev. Leighton Parks, of Boston, who said the Bible was necessary for salvation, but not for other things. He objected to the Protestant idea, which placed Scripture too high. He proceeded to criticize certain miracles of the Old Testament, but said that if they were abandoned, salvation would still be possible through the Scriptures. In the New Testament our Lord's words may be perhaps regarded as translated by the Teappellists rather the Scriptures. In the New Testament our Lord's words may be perhaps regarded as translated by the Evangelists, rather than reported. A new science made possible in our time a distinction between truth and fiction. Man is a spiritual being and answers to the influence of Scripture, even if at times it be spiritualized legend or poetry. The Scriptures bear the human imprint as well as Divine, and we should not worship the book, but Him who speaks to us through it. The Bible is divine because supremely human. In all ages, though regarded by man in differing ways, it retained enough for salvation, whatever else it contained, or did not contain. The days of Bibliolatry are over. We find all forms of Church government in the New Testament, and therefore cannot condemn any. All such questions are placed in the outer court of utility and dignity. This means the end of Apostolic Succession, but the beginning of Christian unity. The address was received in some of its bolder statements with marks of indignation by the audience.

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But the next essayist, the Rev. C. A. L. Richards, D. D., But the next essayist, the Rev. C. A. L. Richards, D. D., of Providence, R. I., capped the climax of audacity in his references to the Holy Scriptures. He was arrayed in a dress suit, and had the air and appearance of a layman. He began by announcing that the Word of God was not identified with Scripture. The Scriptures were for salvation, but the meaning of the Scriptures was not the idea of the fathers of the Church; it grew. A divine library was contained in the Bible, but it was the work of men. "Sufficiency" of Scripture meant only enough for use. We should not stretch that sufficiency too far. There was enough there for salvation. But the Scriptures did not contain all God's Word, nor all the truth, only enough of it for warning of sinner and solace of saint. He proceeded in this vein to throw doubt on parts of Scripture, to ventilate ideas of the extreme German rationalists, and to treat the whole subject of Holy Writ with a flippancy that fairly took away the breath of the audience and led to audible murmurs of astonishment. In a shocking way he compared modern poets and literature to the writers of the Bible, indicating that they too were to be regarded as possessing inspiration. He acknowledged that modern poets had the gift in earthern vessels, but irreverently claimed that so also had the old"poets" who wrote Scripture. He boldly declared that the Scriptures could no longer be regarded as the standard of ethics. Higher criticism had destroyed the doctrine of Scriptural infallibility. He claimed that Christ stood out more clearly than ever, but that the precepts of Christ himself needed revision in our application of them to the life of to-day. "Jesus Christ,"he exclaimed, "is a man, and neither a pattern nor a,demi-god;" and he went on, "Better to destroy the Bible and the Church, than to destroy the idea that the soul is the child of God." At the conclusion of this amazing speech from the lips of a Church clergyman, the audience had every appearance of excitement. They had evidently been deeply sho of Providence, R. I., capped the climax of audacity in his

The next speaker, the Rev. J. H. Elliott, D. D., of Washington, D. C., voiced the general sentiment in an address marked by extreme gravity in its utterance, and which was excitedly and enthusiastically applauded from beginning to end. He denounced in emphatic terms what had just been said, as not in accord with what this Church maintains in all said, placed the Bible in a place so high, as God's revealed Word, that even she herself might not discredit it. In all her formularies it was regarded with the most sublime reverence. If the Bible was all that these gentlemen had just claimed,

he could not see that it would be worth allegiance. Christ had settled this question—if they believed in Christ—when He characterized the Scripture as the Word of God. Objections to Him had been made in His own perfect life and sublime death; and objections had been and would ever be made to the Scriptures. But the Bible was divine, and Christ was divine, and the world was uplifted by the Person and the Book.

The Ven. Archdeacon Morrison, Ph.D., of Northern Brooklyn, made an eloquent defence of the Scriptures against the Broad Church attacks. He enlarged on the need of the Bible to humanity, and the necessity of Divine revelation, were men ever to understand their relation to God. What is the Bible? he asked. A revelation of God's relation to man and the universe, given through successive ages and leading up to the full revelation in Jesus Christ.

The Rev. R. H. McKim, D.D., of Washington, D. C., said they had listened to the right and left wings of the Church. But he wanted to call attention to the fact that the drift of Higher Criticism to-day was not destructive but constructive. There were among higher critics many men who formerly believed in the Scriptures. He objected to gentlemen coming before the Congress and stating as a finality mere passing notions of German criticism. It would be time enough to discuss the Bible in that way when the critics had established their points. They were always changing their ground. He thought to ventilate such crude ideas dangerous and objectionable. He would rather believe in the infallibility of the Bible on the testimony of the Church than trust to any higher critics so-called. Notwithstanding all they might say, the Bible was quite safe. The Church was the perpetual witness of Holy Writ, and God rules in the Church, as His theocracy, as really as ever He ruled in the Israelitish theocracy of old. We could trust to Him.

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The Rev. Mr. Royce objected to a mechanical idea of God and Scripture, and pointed out the need of a sense of reality in the continuous presence of God among men. He recommended love and reverence for the Book and for the living God in and through the Book.

DUTY OF THE CHURCHES OF THE ANGLICAN TOWARDS ROMAN

CATHOLIC COUNTRIES

On Friday morning the theme was, "The Duty of the Churches of the Anglican Communion towards Roman Catholic Countries." There was an unusally large attendance. The Rev. Hall Harrison read a paper discussing the reason for sending missions everywhere, and the bearings upon this of the question of non-intrusion.

The Rev. Wm. Kirkus, LL. D., of New York, make a witty speech in which he unsparingly denounced the "Mexican muddle." He declared that the present attitude of Bishop Riley was worthy either of a complete ignoring, or of a trial by his peers, and deposition. He took decided ground against any mission work in Roman Catholic countries, and pertinently asked what good had ever come from them. He suggested that whoever had put their fingers into the Mexican pie, had found it very hot and sticky. The Roman Church was a Church, and it was bad policy for two branches of the one Catholic Church to fight against each other. He wanted to know what sort of fitness there was in trying to convert a Christian of one kind into a Christian of another kind, while heathens existed and men who were not Christians of any kind. The fact was, that attack it as we might, the Roman Church reached a certain kind of people who were not reached in any other way. So far as Mexico was concerned it was nonsense to try to make Mexicans Protestants.

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The Rev. G. W. Dumbell, D. D., of Castleton, Staten Island, N. Y., made a strong speech. He asked what was our duty towards Roman Catholic countries, and answered, by declaring to let them alone. He outlined what was meant by episcopal intrusion, and claimed the Roman Communion was a veritable part of the Catholic Church. She holds the whole truth, notwithstanding she has overlaid it. He declared that a characteristic of the Anglican reform was that we had not broken, and would not break, with the rest of the Holy Catholic Church. He recounted our modern indebtedness to Rome, who stood with us in loyalty to the doctrine of the Holy Trinity, the Real Presence, the Apostolic Succession, Absolution, and the Catholic Creeds. Rome has faults, but so have we. A Romanist coming to our Communion was liable to be shocked with the laxness and irreverence with which, from his point of view, our Eucharist was sometimes oelebrated, when, as had been said, High Matins was followed by Low Mass, a musical and attractive Morning Prayer, by a bald Communion service. Few of our people attended early Celebration, while multitudes of Roman Catholics at an early hour went to Mass. His remarks were received with prolonged applause.

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The Rev. A. B. Kinsolving, of Brooklyn, whose brother is a missionary in Brazil, made a plea for mission work in Roa missionary in Brazil, made a plea for mission work in Roman Catholic countries, on the ground that it was a pity to leave the whole American continent to Romanists, and that neglected classes existed in these countries as well as in heathen lands. The main thing was the question of the rights of man. We should secure men their religious rights as well as their civil rights. He referred to the so-called "reform" movements in Holland, Italy, Austria, and Spain, and to the same movements, which concerned us more nearly, in Cuba, Mexico, and Brazil. He said the majority of American bishops had declared that such work was not ecclesiastical intrusion. He added the fact that Rome intruded on us, and that we might as well retaliate; and said that work was now going on in Brazil, and would continue until prohibited by the Church.

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Bishop Coxe, of Western New York, made a witty speech in which he drew a sharp distinction between the national Churches of old Europe, from which we had never separated, and the modern Tridentine Churches. He claimed that regular order had been superseded in the Roman Church by the action of the Council of Trent, and that churches that were based on the Tridentine decrese, were Roman and not Catholic, and possessed no Catholic status or jurisdiction. The old national Churches were in a state of suspended autonomy, but were not destroyed. Yet when of suspended autonomy, but were not destroyed. Yet when reform movements proceeded from their midst, we should encourage them, and help towards a truer Catholicity. He exclaimed: "Whether I am a Protestant, I do not care to state," and was at once interrupted by prolonged applause

He went on to say, that his utterances were made as a Catholic. He criticized the un-Catholic attitude of the Roman Church in many countries. The Catholic Church is one. Its oneness is in Christ and His faith and sacraments. Any apparent separation of parts of the Catholic Church from each other is functional and not organic. He went on to describe the effect of the action of Trent, and of the action as regards Spanish America, of Alexander VI. (Borgia), and Julius II.

Bishop Doane, of Albany, was received with enthusiastic demonstrations. He was repeatedly interrupted by applause and cheers. He announced himself as an uncompromising upholder of episcopal order, which was the divinely appointed apostolate in the Church, existed before councils, and had ever given to councils the voice of authority. He claimed that he had seen more glaring irreverence in the Roman than in the Anglican Church, and instanced the service in the Sistine chapel in Rome at the Jubilee of the Pope, at which he was present. He explained the force of Canon 6 of the Council of Ephesus, applied it to modern times, and quoted the remarks of Mr. Zabriskie, president of the New York Church Club, already quoted in The Living Church, to the effect that the Pope had practically absorbed the episcopal order. When no man can get the sacraments unless by accepting dogmas that are not Catholic but modern, he has a right to expect from a pure branch of the Catholic Church a care which he cannot otherwise receive. The episcopate is entrusted with it powers to use for others, and cannot withhold help when such is asked for by local Christians on Catholic grounds, and looking to reform. This was the position of the Old Catholics.

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The Rev. Thomas Richey, D.D., of the General Theological Seminary, made a brief address and drew examples from ecclesiastical history in proof of our right to establish missions where another episcopate already existed. But all depended on the spirit. A hostile spirit of encroachment was unchristian. But to go in kindly spirit and do what we could to help need and promote reform was allowable. He ended by a severe attack on the Mexican movement, and asserted that Bishop Riley's consecration was originally uncanonical, since the bishops of a single province had not formally consented to it, in accordance with the requirements of the Catholic canons. He considered that this breach of ancient Catholic usage had received abundant punishment in the disgraceful results that had followed. Yet he believed that the commission of the episcopate was to all the world, and that we could not rightly hesitate, so far as canonical grounds might be involved.

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The last address on the subject was delivered by the Rev. Henry Forrester, of the Mexican Mission, who made no definite reference to the mission, but discussed the oneness of the episcopate, and the responsibility of bishops to see that any need was provided for wherever it might be found. The episcopate was a trusteeship, and if in a given corner of the world some trustees were faithless, the faithful trustees should supply the detect. This was the Cyprian rule.

FAMILY RELIGION

The final session of the Congress was held Friday afternoon, with a slim attendance. The Rev. J. H. Johnson, of Detroit, opened the discussion of the topic, "Family Religion," and spoke of the family relation in general. The Rev. Hartley Carmichael, spoke of the relations of Church and family. The Rev. Henry Lubeck of New York, made special reference to children. The Rev. O. A. Glazebrook, D.D., of Elizabeth, N. J, claimed that sympathy for humanity rested upon the idea of the family. The family was a factor in the history and life of the world. It was a wonder, that with multiplied books on theology, so few publications existed on the subject of the family. As the family was so important a factor in the well-being of the world, it was of utmost importance that it should be consecrated.

Mr. Everett P. Wheeler, of New York, completed the list of appointed speakers, and undertook to gather up the fragments. Others had considered, he said, the relation of father and child. He dwelt upon the relation of brothers and sisters, and of the need of family religion. The family stood for the maintenance of a great idea, the idea of love and gentleness in the world.

Canada

The day of intercession for Sunday schools was observed in the diocese of Toronto on the 15th. A special sermon was addressed to Sunday school workers on that day by the Rev. Canon Greene at Orillia. The 46th anniversary of the consecration of Holy Trinity church, Toronto, was observed by a service held in the end of October. Canon Dumoulin preached the sermon and alluded to the great service rendered to the Church in Toronto by Holy Trinity in having had all its seats free from the beginning. The Bishop visited West Mulmur Mission on the 19th and 20th. He consecrated St. John's church, Honeywood, on the first day. The building is a neat little brick church which was put up in 1887, but only freed from debt last year. Fourteen candidates were confirmed in the church on the day of consecration. The sacred edifice was tastefully decorated with fruits the rector as part of the evening service. The Bishop held of harvest for the occasion. A great many improvements have been made in Trinity church, Bradford, and it was reopened on the 15th. The clergy and laymen of the rural He also presided at the missionary conference held at Yardeanery of Toronto held a meeting in Toronto in the end of mouth, N. S., in the third week in October. A missionary October, to consider the question of a House of Laymen. The meeting was adjourned to an early date as the appointed speaker, Mr. Walter Geddes, was unable to be present.

The fine, new school house connected with St. James' church, South London, was opened on the 19th. The building contains a parish room with six class rooms on the ground floor. There are galleries at each end, and at the the diocese of Alloa, of Goa, of Alfonso, and one really side opposite the platform over the class rooms. One of termed him the Bishop of Ammonia. Bishop Sullivan touch-

these galleries is specially adapted for the infant class. There is a library on one floor and a kitchen in the basement. It is thought to be one of the most complete buildings for Sunday school and parish work in the West. The class rooms and galleries can all, when necessary, be shut off by doors and glass slides. The Bishop of Huron and many of the clergy were present at the opening of the school house, and good and earnest addresses were given, the Bishop in particular speaking to the children in his happiest manner. A fine, new, brick church was opened by the Bishop in the town of Wingham, on the 1st. There were three services held during the day, one being a Confirmation when a large class was presented. The present debt on the building is very small and will soon be wiped out.

In order to pay off the mission debt in the diocese of Ontario, incurred by sending new men out to stations in need of religious services, the Archbishop of Ontario has made an appeal to the communicants of the diocese to contribute an average of 25 cts each. There is no doubt as to the success of the appeal, though it is probable only \$3,000 out of the \$4,000 needed will be received. The Archbishop consecrated on the 11th, the church at Marlbank, this being the 200th consecrated in his term of 32 years. A very successful eight day's Mission was conducted in Brockville lately. The missioner was the Rev. Osborne Troop, of St. Martin's church, Montreal. The Ministering Children's League of St. James parish, Kemptville, gave an admirable entertainment in St. James' Hall on the 24th. The Archbishop of Ontario administered the rite of Confirmation to 28 candidates at Christ

The ruri-decanal chapter of Lennox and Addington, Ontario, met in St. John's church, Bath, on the 2nd and 3rd. The subjects of the addresses were, the General Synod of the Church of England in Canada, the Woman's Auxiliary, and the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. There is, it is said, a strong desire to have an Anglican Bishop resident in the capital of Canada, and the "house to house" canvas in the diocese of Ontario to obtain funds for a division of that diocese is progressing tavorably. The Rev. E. Harington, who is collecting for the fund, instances one parish, rather a poor one, which numbers only 68 Church of England families, yet which has contributed over \$700. There is to be a Holy Table and reredos placed in the church at Tyendinaga, in memory of the late Rev. S. Givens who was appointed to that mission in 1831.

There were large numbers of representatives present from the surrounding parishes at the conference for the Woman's Auxiliary of the district of St. Francis, diocese of Quebec, held at Sherbrooke on the 25th. Papers were read and discussions held upon them. The regular meeting of the southern sub deanery of St. Francis was held at Dipville on the oth and 1cth. The Bishop held an ordination service in St. Peter's church, Sherbrooke, on the 29th; 14 clergy from neighboring parishes were present. A Confirmation service was held in the evening, when 35 candidates were presented.

At a meeting of the Clerical Conference at St. Stephen's, diocese of Fredericton, lately, a number of young men, together with some of the clergy present, were received into the Brotherhood of St. Andrew after evening service. There was a good attendance at the meeting of the Church of England S. S. Teachers' Association in St. John's church schoolroom, St. John, on the 10th. A valuable paper was read upon how to teach the Church Catechism. The Rev. Canon Pentreath, of Winnipeg, and the Rev. W. A. Holland, of Philadelphia, addressed the meeting. A Confirmation service was held in St. Patrick's church, Elmville, by the Bishop on the 13th. The 18th anniversary of the Church of England Institute of St. John was celebrated on the 25th by morning and evening services in Trinity church, when a large number of clergy were present. There was a full choral service at 8 P. M., heartily rendered by priest, choir, and congregation. Holy Communion was celebrated at 9 A. M., the Celebrant being Archdeacon Brigstocke, president of the Institute. The beautiful little church of St. John Bay du Vin, has recently been thoroughly renovated and painted, and now the interior presents a most attractive appearance, the improvements having been carried out in a very artistic

The dedication festival of St. Luke's cathedral, Halifax, was celebrated on St. Luke's Day. The chancel and altar were beautifully decorated with white flowers and banners on the walls. Bishop Courtney visited St. Paul's church, Marshalltown, lately, confirming a class of candidates in the afternoon, and performing the office for the induction of a Confirmation service in the church of Holy Trinity, Digby, in the end of October, when 20 candidates were admitted. meeting which was very largely attended, was held in Argyle Hall, Halifax, on the 11th. Addresses were made by Dr. Sullivan, Bishop of Algoma, Dr. Mockridge of Toronto, the Bishop of Nova Scotia, and others. Dr. Sullivan humorously mentioned the mistakes made by newspaper reporters in England, who variously described his diocese as

ingly referred to the noble and self-denying body of clergy in his diocese, at present only 20 in number, whose work is beyond all praise.

The 19th meeting of the rural deanery of Clarendon, diocese of Montreal, was held on the 25th, when a number of matters were brought forward for consideration bearing upon the interests and work of the Church, among which were, "Representation in the provincial synod; is it best that women should vote at vestry meetings?" the St. Andrew's Brotherhood, and other subjects. The Bishop approved and accepted for the diocese of Montreal, the day of Intercession for Sunday schools, Oct. 15th, appointed to be observed in England and the United States. A special celebration of the Holy Communion was held for Sunday school teachers and workers in Christ church cathedral, Montreal, on the same day. The Bishop was able to be present, though taking no part in the service. The dean of Montreal was the Celebrant, and a number of the clergy of the city were

New York City

At the last meeting of the New York Churchman's Association, held at "Clark's," the subject considered was "The Ministry of Catechising.'

On the evening of Saturday, Nov. 17th, the local assembly of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew met at the church of the Beloved Disciple, and listened to an address from Mr. W. M. F. Round, secretary of the New York Prison Association, on the subject of "Prison Work." After this address, work plans for the winter season were considered.

The Rev. Dr. Mulchahey, who lately returned from a visit to Europe, was given a reception last week by his congregation of St. Paul's chapel, Trinity parish. About 200 friends were present, and a warm welcome was accorded the faithful priest.

At Old Epiphany House Mr. Ward has returned and the labor and relief departments are in full operation, with arrangements that this year are unusually complete The opening winter classes at the gymnasium are larger than usual. A glee club has been organized in connection with the Men's Club. Hard work is always done in this department, and the outlook is especially good.

At "Avenue A" mission a large congregation recently welcomed back the Rev. John Franklin Carter. If numbers are any sign of interest, the Sunday night services especially are a great success. A shortened form of Evening Prayer is used, with a number of familiar hymns and other popular features. Plain preaching on vital truths is an invariable rule. The worship is always cheerful and hearty. Several services are held each week.

At the 46th auniversary of the Society for Promoting Evangelical Knowledge, held at the Bible House, Monday, Nov. 13th, Mr. Solon Humphreys, presided. The exercises were opened by a brief devotional service, conducted by the Rev. Dr. Eccleston, of Baltimore. Mr. Thomas Whittaker presented the annual report of the executive committee, which concluded with eulogistic references to Bishop Brooks, Mr. Gould Rockwell, and other prominent members who had died during the past year. The financial report was read and adopted. The Rev. Dr. Herman Dyer was re-elected secretary. Bishops Kinsolving of Texas, Sessums of Louisiana, Brooke of Oklahoma, and Lawrence of Massachusetts, were added to the list of vice-presidents. After adjournment, the executive committee met for the transaction of business. The Rev. Dr. W. N. McVickar, of Philadelphia, acted as chairman.

Philadelphia

The Daughters of the King of old St. Andrew's church, the Rev. Dr. W. F. Paddock, rector, gave a musical tea in the parish building, on the evening of the 16th inst., the proceeds of the entertainment going to St. Christopher's

At a special meeting of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, held on the evening of the 13th inst., an instructive paper was read by the Rev. Dr. C. Ellis Stevens, entitled, "From what Historical Sources Came Our National Consti-

Saturday, Nov. 11th, being St. Martin's Day, was observed as the festal day of the church of St. Martin-in-the-fields, the Rev. Jacob LeRoy, priest in charge. There were fwo celebrations of the Holy Eucharist, and at the second Celebration, the sermon was preached by the Rev. James Houghton. In the afternoon, the children's festival was held, when they were addressed by the Rev. Harvey S. Fisher.

A reception was given on the evening of the 16th inst., at Zion church, it being the first anniversary of the rectorship of the Rev. Colin Campbell Walker. Mr. Isaac Sheppard, president of the Board of Education, made a congratulatory address. Mr. Howard Sheppard, superintendent of the Sunday school, related the progress made during the past year, and Mr. C. H. Wagner, the accounting warden of the church, made a report. The Rev. Mr. Walkerre viewed the work accomplished by the different parish societies, and complimented the officers upon the efficiency of their organizations. Several musical numbers were rendered during the evening by members of the choir.

At the church of the Good Shepherd, Kensington, the Rev. John A. Goodfellow, rector, a chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew was formally organized on All Saints' night, and ten young men admitted therein, as charter members. On the night of the 13th inst, a branch of the Girls' Friendly Society with 13 members was duly constituted, Mrs. J. A. Goodfellow being the branch secretary. This church is in the midst of the Kensington mills, and for more than a month its parish house has been a relief centre, two days in each week, aided by our City Mission, for the unemployed poor of the 31st ward. It is serving bi-weekly over 100 persons with groceries, shoes, etc.

The 18th anniversary of the Free and Open Church Association was held on Sunday night, 12th 1nst, in St. Andrew's church, West Phila. The sermon was preached by the Rev. A. B. Sharpe. The annual report of the executive council was presented. Mr. J. Vaughan Merrick was re-elected president; Rev. John A. Goodfellow, general secretary; and Mr. Charles W. Cushman, treasurer. The old members of the Board, consisting of four clergymen and eight of the laity, were likewise re-elected. Vice-presidents were also elected to represent the different dioceses, and each diocese has also its local secretary. The report shows 4,338 churches and chapels in 53 dioceses, of which 3,450 are free, a percentage of 793/4. In the missionary jurisdictions there are 347 churches and chapels, of which 342 are free, being a percentage of 981/2. The dioceses and missionary jurisdictions average 8034 per cent. of free churches. In 20 of the dioceses, over 90 per cent. of the churches are free, and the diocese of Quincy has all its 33 churches free. The report gives a long list of churches which are kept open daily for private prayer. The Massachusetts branch having lost its first and only president since its organization in 1881—Dr. George H. Shattuck a minute expressive of esteem was adopted. The treasurer reported receipts during the year, \$462 66; present balance, \$24. The office of the association is now in the parish house of the church of the Good Shepherd.

The annual meeting of the diocesan Woman's Auxiliary was held on the 16th inst, in Holy Trinity church, Bishop Whitaker presided, and after devotional services delivered an address. The Rev. C. M. Armstrong, followed on work among the Indians, and the Rt. Rev. Dr. Penick on work among the freedmen. While in Africa during his episcopate of six years, among the 300 scholars in his school, there were 36 languages; while here in America, the seven million negroes had but one language. The Rev. J.W. Chapman gave many interesting details of the work in Alaska, and pleaded for the increase and support of teachers and missionaries, which are so much needed. The Rt. Rev. Dr. Ferguson spoke of his work among the different tribes in Liberia, and gave statistics of the African mission. The personnel comprises 1 bishop, 12 priests, 2 deacons, 16 lay readers, 10 candidates for Holy Orders, 42 catechists; and all of these, except two, belong to the negro race. Last year there were Baptisms, 337, total number, 3,394; confirmed last year, 161, total confirmed, 1900. The number baptized from heathenism and now living, is 1200. Educational facilities are needed. In Epiphany Hall, there are 100 boys; and there are two prominent schools for girls, one at Cape Mount and one at Cape Palmas. The Rt. Rev. Dr. Wells, Missionary Bishop of Spokane, spoke of his work in that far distant jurisdiction. An address was made by Mrs. Twing who had just returned from a missionary journey around the world. She had passed two months in India, a like period in Japan, and six weeks in China. The closing address was made by Mr. Herbert Welsh.

Chicago

On Sunday, Nov. 19th, at the cathedral, the Rev. John C. Sage was advanced to the priesthood by the Bishop of Chicago. Mr. Sage is in charge of the missions at Clyde and Morton Park.

The choir of St. Peter's church, under the direction of their choirmaster, Mr. K. F. Thomas, gave a concert at Wilmette on Tuesday evening, Nov. 14th, for the benefit of the lot fund of the new mission of St. Augustine in that town. Master Jesse Hanvey, of St. Peter's, the promising young boy soprano, who is to take a leading part in the coming choir festival, rendered several solos with very fine effect.

On Thursday, Nov. 16th, Dr. and Mrs. Locke were at Grace House from 8 until 11 o'clock in the evening, for the purpose of taking leave of their parishioners, and also presenting Mr. Stires, the assistant minister, to his new friends. Many of the parishioners availed themselves of the cordial invitation extended, and were pleasantly entertained by the committee on Grace House, who had charge of the evening.

The Board of Missions has in progress a plan for visits to a number of the churches in the diocese, with addresses by laymen duly authorized by the Bishop. These meetings, which have been conducted on the same plan for the past two years, have done much to increase interest in diocesan missions. On Sunday, the 19th, Mr. T. S. Pattle visited the church of the Holy Communion, Maywood, and Mr. Arthur Ryerson visited the church of the Holy Cross,.

Dr. and Mrs. Locke left Chicago on the 20th inst., expecting to sail on the 25th, for a year's rest and travel in foreign lands. The doctor's general health is perfect, but a local difficulty of the throat has rendered speech so painful as to compel him to give up for a while any work, and to seek by recreation and travel a complete restoration to health. Once before, the disease was almost as troublesome as it is now, but he recovered, so that for many years, with care, it was scarcely noticeable. It is the hope and prayer of his many friends that it will again pass away, and that the proposed rest, with change of climate and treatment, may result in his complete recovery, so that he will be able at the expiration of a year, to resume his duties.

Diocesan News

The Province of Illinois Wm. E. McLaren, D.D., D.C.L., Primus

Though the time appointed was not until Tuesday, yet all of the delegates gathered at St. Paul's, Peoria, in time for the service on Monday evening. The interest centred in the presence of the Rt. Rev. Dionysius Latas, the Archbishop of Zante.

After the shortened Evensong, admirably rendered by the choir, with the Rev. Dr. Taylor as precentor, the Archbishop was introduced by the Bishop of Springfield. His address was an eloquent and learned exposition of the place that Greece has filled and still fills in the world of art, literature, and religion. This elaborate introduction was beyond criticism in its power and beauty.

Then, after the kiss of peace to Bishop Seymour, the Archbishop began an address which was remarkable in many ways. Four months ago this Greek prelate came to America, and now, though he speaks with an evident accent, indicative of his foreign birth, his readiness of expression, his choice of words, and shading of terms, are surprisingly interesting. The substance of his address was the setting forth of the fact that the Early Church was Greek; founded in Greek countries; its Holy Writings enshrined in the Greek tongue. His most earnest hope and prayer were that the Anglican and the Greek branches of the Holy Catholic Church may be brought together in close intercommunion, and that they may thus together become a bulwark against the false claims of the Roman obedience. The Anglican Church has proffered its basis of union in the Lambeth articles. Rome has met them with the demand of subjection to the Pope. The Eastern Church will soon be ready to clasp hands with the Anglican in the closest unity.

Whether the good Archbishop's wish and expectations are soon fulfilled or not, it was certainly a striking spectacle to see two prelates, of two differing Communions, each endeavoring to get into union with one another in the unity of the one Faith. The immense congregation was dismissed with the blessing of the Archbishop.

Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock, the business session of the Synod began. The Bishops of the province were all present except the Bishop of Quincy, who was absent at the meeting of the Commission on the Constitution, in New York. The several dioceses were represented by good delegations, though there was an evident lack of the laity.

Mr. H. H. Candee, who has long been the secretary, faithful and efficient, since the organization of the Synod, was detained at home by illness; at his request he was relieved from further service, and Dr. Rudd was chosen to fill the vacancy.

The morning session was consumed in hearing reports from St. Mary's Provincial School, from the Orphanage of the Holy Child, Springfield, and from the provincial treasurer. A letter of regret and sympathy was ordered to be sent to the late secretary, and a telegram to Bishop Burgess, regretting his absence.

Considerable curiosity was expressed as to what had become of the admirable report on the Provincial System, made to the Synod two years ago and then ordered to be published. The Synod expressed its decided determination to have the report printed, and took steps to carry out its wishes. The Primate made a valuable address upon the Provincial idea, and the objects which might and ought to be accomplished by it. In the afternoon, after the recess, the old subject of the debt upon the Orphanage came again to the front, and such expressions were made by the committee having the matter in charge, that it appears there is hope, at last, of having the obligation met as it ought to be.

A special committee of two from each diocese was appointed to prepare a programme of subjects for discussion in connection with the next meeting of the Synod. The chief topic suggested was the practical one of Sunday school work. St. Paul's Pro-cathedral, on the invitation of the Rev. Dr. Taylor, was selected as the place of the next meeting, on Tuesday, Nov. 13th, 1894. With the benediction from the Primus, the Synod adjourned.

Not the least of many pleasant features in connection with the meeting, was the banquet given by St. Paul's people to the visiting bishops, clergy, and laity. Some two hours were spent at the table, and some excellent addresses were made.

In the evening, another service was held in St. Paul's, for which the visitors remained. The two subjects appointed were the Woman's Auxiliary and St. Andrew's Brotherhood. Bishop Hale spoke upon the first; Bishop McLaren on the second. Both addresses were admirable and effective; that of Bishop McLaren being particularly touching and beautiful. Some years ago the Bishop was pastor of a Presbyterian church in Peoria. Reminiscences of those by-gone days were brought forth, and made appropriate and sometimes very touching illustrations of the need and value of prayer—the first great rule of service of St. Andrew's Brotherhood. Even after the late service was over, a large part of the congregation lingered, as if loth to bring such good things to an end.

In the congregation was a considerable delegation of young people from Pekin, 16 miles away, who had driven over to be present at the service.

Those whose privilege it was to be present during these two days, will not soon forget the pleasant and instructive time, and will always hold in their hearts a warm remembrance of the kind and generous hospitality manifested by the rector, wardens, and vestry, and all the good people of St. Paul's, Peoria.

Tennessee

Chas. Todd Quintard, D.D., LL.D., Bishop Thos. F. Gailor, D.D., Assistant-Bishop

MEMPHIS.—Grace church was burned to the ground Nov. 16th. The smouldering embers were not yet cooled before plans were on foot for a new and handsome church in place of the one so long endeared to the parishioners. The vestry will at once set about raising funds and having the debris cleared away. The congregation of Grace church is harmonious and every member is devoted to Dr. Patterson, the rector. The old church has been in use since 1865. It was plain and unpretentious and had long been outgrown by the congregation. But for all this, it was very dear to nearly every member. By invitation of the rector and vestry of Calvary church the congregation of Grace church will worship with the Calvary congregation until suitable arrangements can be made for resuming services.

Alabama

Richard H. Wilmer, D.D., LL.D., Bishop Henry Melville Jackson, D.D., Ass't Bishop

Mrs. Violet Pace Jackson, wife of the Rt. Rev. H. M. Jackson, assistant bishop of the diocese, died Thursday P.M., Nov. 16th, at the residence of her father, Mr. James B. Pace, Richmond, Va. Her death was entirely unexpected to all who knew her. Mrs. Jackson had spent the summer at her father's country place, "Sunnyside," in Albemarle Co., Va. While she had been under medical treatment since August, her general health was good, and she was expecting to return home next month. The Bishop left for Alabama recently to attend the funeral of the Rev. Dr. Stringfellow, and was therefore absent at the time of her death. Her father also had gone to Hot Springs, Va., for his health. Mrs. Jackson was married to Dr. Jackson in 1880, when the latter was rector of Grace church, Richmond, and proved to be the model of a pastor's wife. When, about two years ago, Dr. Jackson was chosen Assistant Bishop of Alabama, she entered upon the new field with the same zest in the work of the Church that she manifested in Richmond. She was possessed of fine judgment, Christian toleration, kındness, and charity, and many other graces of character. She leaves two small children. The funeral was solemnized from Grace church, Richmond, on Saturday, Nov. 18th.

Southern Ohio Boyd Vincent, D.D., Bishop

The Zanesville Convocation of the Woman's Auxi'iary met in St. James' church, Zanesville, on Thursday, Nov. oth. It opened with a celebration of the Holy Communion at 9:30 A M., Bishop Vincent being the Celebrant. The morning was devoted to addresses from Bishop Barker of Western Colorado, and Miss Julia C. Emery. After recess for luncheon, the convocation was addressed by Bishop Vincent. He urged upon the Auxiliary the necessity of doing more for the missionary cause in Southern Ohio. He stated that \$5,000 in cash and \$3,000 in boxes was raised last year, but only \$1,500 was given to the diocese. The Bishop was followed by Archdeacon Edwards who told of the work that had been done during the past year. He said that he did not desire the Auxiliary to do less for foreign and domestic missions, but he thought they should do more for the diocese. Miss Emery made an address to the Junior Auxiliary. The convocation was a great success, both in the number of delegates present and the interest manifested.

Bishop Vincent and Archdeacon Edwards visited Dresden on the evening of Monday, Nov. 6th. Although the church has had no rector for 15 months, the Bishcp confirmed a class of nine presented by the archdeacon. Four of the confirmed had been baptized on the previous Sunday by the archdeacon.

The Living Church

Chicago, November 25, 1893

Rev. C. W. Leffingwell, Editor

DR. ALFRED MOMERIE of England tells a reporter of The New York Tribune that he intends to lecture in this country on "The Mischievous Effects of Ecclesiasticism", using "ecclesiasticism" in the sense of priestcraft, "the substitution of dogma and ceremonialism for the true religion, which is a matter of heart and conduct." Of course, no Christian intends to substitute one of these for the other. Dr. Momerie apparently intends to imply that orthodox Christianity does this. The truth is that it combines them both. By dogma, in the mouth of Momerie and his school, is meant a statement of something which is to be believed because it is considered as having been revealed from heaven by Almighty God and which could not be known in any other way. If there has been no such revelation, of course there is no dogma, but if there is such a revelation, then the words in which it is expressed form dogma. There is no escape from this. When a man says that he does not accept dogma, it appears that he means he does not accept any supernatural revelation. To him, therefore, religion is merely a matter of feeling and conduct. It would simplify matters very much if such teachers would only state frankly that they do not believe in a supernatural revelation. People would then understand to what their teachings were tending.

friends that owing to the expense and difficulty of ecclesiastical trials, they are becoming very rare pulsion. It is not altogether that they are not reand "consequently the toleration in the Church [of England] is much greater than it ever was before," and the number of liberal clergy and laymen is increasing very rapidly. They increase, it seems, because they cannot easily be brought to trial. The reverend gentleman confides to the reporter the method he and his friends have adopted of settling with their consciences the matter of their ordination vows. They are only required, he says, to assent to the "doctrine" of the Church of England, and the word "doctrine" being in the singular, they feel that they have all the latitude they desire as to doctrines (in the plural). This is their "ethics making use of private property." of subscription." We are further told that clergymen all over England write private letters to this apostle of liberality, in which they express entire agreement with the Broad Church movement, but say that they are either afraid to speak out for fear of losing their livings or feel that it would be quite useless. It cannot be a matter of surprise that men whose ethical attitude is like that described above, should have no special difficulty in concealing their real convictions in order to hold on to their positions. But if it be true that this so-called liberal movement is spreading with such rapidity, why should these men feel it useless to preach what they really believe?

The Church and the Poor

that which forms the title of this article. It is not to be true that the clergy should regard their often expressed in another way, viz., "The Church sacred office from a mere business point of view, trays the secret of many failures in work which is the Church of God be at the command of the highvery well intended. Religion does not deal with est bidder. When men of the highest talents, in "masses," but with individuals. Americans, of all taking upon themselves the office of the priestpeople, ought to object to being considered as mere hood, shall do so with the spirit of supreme selfatoms in a mass. Those who use the phraseology sacrifice which alone can make a man independent in question are, quite unconsciously, assuming an of all considerations of money or place, the probattitude of superiority. It is this attitude, giving 1em we are discussing will disappear. But we shall the air of condescension to many sincere endeav- be told, perhaps, that the millenium must first ors to do good, which is responsible for much of come.

the difficulty which besets the kind of work in ques-

What do we mean by "the poor?" We shall do well to discriminate here. Perhaps some mistakes have been made by failing to discriminate between "poor" and poor. There is some work which is effective in its way, among the destitute, the pauper (or almost pauper) class, the wicked and abandoned, and those who are the victims of wickedness. The conscience of Christian people will always impel them to set on foot and to sustain charitable enterprises, refuges, asylums, and various forms of relief. We are far from saying that all is being done in this direction which ought to be done, or that it is always as judicious and helpful in the best sense as might be wished. But there is a good deal of this kind of work, and much that is worthy

But there are others who come under the denomination of "the poor," who are not paupers or the victims of vice, and ordinarily they are not applicants for relief. They are people of respectability who earn their own living, but who are obliged to practice careful economy to keep their heads above water. They are of various occupations, salaried clerks, travelling men, shopkeepers, and working men of different trades and different degrees of skill. Such people, while they are poor, make up a large and most important part of our city population. It is certain that the Church accomplishes far too little among this class. They are for the most part too poor to build churches for themselves, even if they had the desire to do so. If we ask why they do not attend the churches already built, the answer is not far to seek; they do not feel DR. MOMERIE congratulates himself and his at home there. It is not altogether the rented pews, though that is often a large element of received with kindness, for the contrary is generally the case. At some of our churches young men are stationed at the entrance to welcome strangers, show them to seats, and invite them to come again. But this very hospitality, well meant as it is, and sometimes most useful, has in it a certain condescension. The feeling is, "These gentlemen who so kindly welcome me here, are the proprietors of th is place, while I am a guest; and after all, I do not exactly care to be beholden to them. I can go to the park without loss of self-respect, it is as much mine as anybody's, but here I am evidently

Here undoubtedly we hit upon a real difficulty. It is a matter of self-respect, or a kind of pride akin to self-respect. When a great church, consecrated to Almighty God and His worship, is felt to be as free to all who use it rightly as the public parks, this difficulty will be largely obviated. The parks, it will be observed, are paid for by all who are subject to taxation; but while the rich necessarily pay the most, they have no exclusive or special rights, no privileges beyond the poorest citizen. Why should not the same conditions exist among the citizens of the kingdom of God? Shall we never be able to emancipate the Church from the commercial spirit? Must our noblest temples always bear the aspect of religious club houses?

If, however, it is claimed that, taking things as they are, rich and poor will continue for the greater There is no subject which is more discussed than ease of both to frequent different churches, it ought

Some utterances at the Church Congress, as reported in this issue, are astounding. We believe our report to be correct and reliable; and if it be not shown to be otherwise, we do not see how it is possible for at least one clerical speaker to escape trial and deposition. Several other speakers contributed to the accumulating evidence that Bishop Seymour, at Sewanee, did not exaggerate the dangerous tendencies of the times.

WE RISE TO EXPLAIN why this special issue appears a week in advance of the date announced in our last, which was Dec. 2nd. By a misunderstanding of the date, a large amount of special advertising was engaged "for the last issue in November," and important business arrangements require that this issue, dated Nov. 25th, should be recognized as such, though the publisher intended by the announcement to indicate the following issue, which goes to press Nov. 28th, but is dated Dec. 2nd.

Notwithstanding the amount of "apprehending from the beginning," which one of our contemporaries has indulged in, the confirmation of Fr. Hall's election, by the standing committees, appears to be assured, and will doubtless be by a large majority. "Information on the best of authority" does not always prove to be reliable, nor does it seem possible to put statements into words which shall not be misinterpreted by some legal mind. Fr. Hall may be trusted to say what he means, without quibbling, and he signs his name "Arthur Hall," and not "Father Hall," the Atlantic cable to the contrary notwithstanding.

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THE WOMAN'S CLUB of Chicago has recently done a good service to the community by calling attention to the entire inadequacy of the ambulance service of the city. At a public meeting lately called through the efforts of these ladies, many instances were cited of long delays and rough handling resulting in the loss of "life after life." Dr. Gentles declared that in this matter Chicago was behind every civilized city in the world, that the ambulances themselves were like trucks, and that the management of the service was slipshod and negligent in the last degree. These statements were fully confirmed by the testimony of other competent and experienced persons. Some practical measures were set on foot which it is to be hoped may result in much needed reforms. It seems clear that in the sphere of practical humanity and charity, in all their methods and relations, women are by nature more at home than men. Whatever may be said of other fields of activity, there is no doubt that here our mothers and sisters have a work awaiting them which none can do so well.

"Old Clothes"

There seems to be enough of diversity of opinion and understanding among our Congregational friends as to the significance of ordination, to constitute a High Church and a Low Church school of thought.

The New York Independent of August 10th, in an editorial headed "Christianity's Old Clothes," expresses the opinion that the whole question of ordination is of little consequence, It says: "The insistence upon a particular form of ordination through a particular ecclesiastical current, which alone can make it valid, is an un-Christian idea. * * * Dr. Parker is much more nearly right, who says that for his own part, 'I would infinitely rather be ordained to the ministry by my own mother than by any pope or archbishop in the world.' But what has Christianity to do with these things? They are related only to 'Christianity's old clothes." But in The Advance of Chicago, of the same date, under the initials H. B. F., a writer expresses a very high opinion of the significance of ordination. He writes: "If there is anything made plain in the Scripand the Masses," an expression which in itself be- and that capacity and eloquence should always in tures concerning the ministerial office, it is, that the preacher of the Gospel is clothed with authority authority which is peculiar to the Gospel, both because of the nature and importance of the message, and also because of the dignity and authority of its source. That source is not found in the preacher himself. He speaks not from his own motion or suzerainty, but in the name of Another whose authority is higher than his own. He speaks, and gives command in the name of the Lord of the universe. He has a commission to do this. * * In his ordination a power is conferred on culiar sense, as the voice of God."

the human side which is valid, not only in appearance,

but in essence. After the transaction his words, in his public ministrations, are to be regarded in a different

light from what they were before, else his ordination is meaningless. * * He is now a divinely appointed

ambassador, commissioned to speak authoritatively

God's words; and his voice is to be regarded, in a pe-

Then follows a series of references to and quotations

from Holy Scripture, such as High Churchmen are

wont to make, including St. Paul's injunctions to Tim-

othy and Titus. The writer goes on to say: "All great

suppose that never previous to the present century has

preaching been regarded in the flippant light in which it is at the present time. * * Christ says: 'He that heareth you heareth me.' But the tendency now, is to

dishonor the ministry and deprive it of its authority.

ing in his address, the crowd will press to hear him. He is called 'popular.' * * How seldom do men

listen to the divine message, as did Cornelius, when he

said: 'Now we are all here before God to hear the

* "If a man is eloquent, flowery, sensational, pleas-

preachers view their office in the same light." *

The Living Church

Letters to the Editor

CONVENTION OF THE DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

To the Editor of The Living Church:

I am truly sorry that the reports of the convention of the Daughters of the King, which have gone out into the world through the secular papers, give such an unfortunate view of the actual condition of the meeting.

Very true, there were some ugly things said and done, but, without entering into particulars, I say unhesitatingly and considerately, that the ugly features did not emanate from the women, who were in all justice entitled to the full management of the whole affair, but from certain men who were allowed the floor by courtesy, as the heads of certain chapters.

Any one who attended all the meetings, particularly those on Wednesday and Thursday evenings, could not fail to gain largely in a spiritual way. The papers read and the subjects discussed were certainly such as were calculated to enlarge the idea of the Catholicity of the Church, and some of the papers read by members of the order had a breadth depth of scope as would make them worthy of deeper theologians than women are generally supposed to be.

This is not the first time, however, in the history of the Church when serious misunderstanding has occurred in the very incipiency of some work which has later on developed into something grand and noble.

Let us hope and pray that this order, second only in principle to the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, may, like it, rise from its, for a while, apparently chaotic condition and go nobly forward conquering and to conquer. "If this work be of men it will come to naught, but if it be of God, ye cannot overthrow it." R. HEBER MURPHY.

things commanded thee of God.' They expect to be regaled with 'men's devices.' They fail to recognize the divine authority in the preacher or his message." These, we must allow, are good High Church ideas in reference to the significance of ordination. The writer must be considered an "advanced" man among his brethren who regard the whole subject of ordination as "related only to Christianity's old clothes."

A writer in a subsequent issue of The Advance calls H. B. F. to task for his High Church views. The writer, over the title "Deacon Pugh," says: "One who like the author of the article in the last Advance sees his subject through a glass darkly, on account of an early Methodist training, may need to be reminded, that if ordination confers authority, etc." The "if" seems to express a doubt, and the deacon refers the High Church opinion of H. B. F. to "an early Metho dist training." So we infer that Methodist teaching about ordination must be rather "high."

But while The Independent may not be "advanced," in some directions, it certainly has high tendencies in others. It is opposed, theoretically, to prelatical assumptions and dogmatic utterances; but we find in an editorial of Sept. 21st, the following, in reference to the controversy about "future probation," which is raging so fiercely among our Congregational friends:

"Has there ever been such a sight or such a fight, in the history of the nation? Let it now be unceremoniously ended. Let not another year or day or hour be given to the matter. Let the true 'peacemakers now come to the front and silence this shameful conflict for a mere speculation.'

The Independent claims to "have been approved of God to be intrusted with the Gospel," and to "speak, not as pleasing men but God." This decided and dogmatic utterance, this "encyclical," should therefore end the controversy. But still there are some, doubtless, who will ask: By what authority sayest thou this; and who gave thee this authority? Are these words authoritative because of ordination, or because of editorial

After all, this question of authority is an important one, and will not down. People will keep on asking men who speak with a show of authority, or claim to be "ministers of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God," when, where, how, through whom, and from whom, did you receive your commission as an ambassador? Show us your credentials. Reasonable people will ask: If ordination is "meaningless," if it confers no authority, if it "is related only to Christianity's old clothes," why keep up the meaningless and misleading services, ceremonies, and ritual of ordination? Why insist that ministers must ordain ministers, if one's mother can do it as well? Why say of a man after he has submitted to an empty ceremony, and has thus put on "Christianity's old clothes," "he is now a divinely appointed ambassador commissioned to speak authoritatively God's words; and his voice is to be regarded in a peculiar sense as the voice of God.

After all, would not the acceptance of the "Historic Episcopate," defined as apostolic succession, and understood in its High Church sense, help our Congregational friends to a satisfactory solution of the vexed questions: "What is the significance of ordination?" "What mean ye by these solemn rites and ceremonies?" Portage, Wis.

Personal Mention

The Rev. J. H. Watson with his family sailed for Italy in the

The Rev. Edward Porter Little of Nantucket, Mass., has ac cepted the rectorship of Trinity church, Hannibal, Mo., and will enter on his duties the first Sunday in Advent.

The Rev. S. Gregory Lines, who has been making an extended tour throughout the Northwest and California, for the benefit of his health, has returned to his parish in New York City

The Rev. Alfred Wm. Griffin, of St. Peter's, West 20th st., New York, has resigned and accepted an appointment as an assistant at Trinity church. His address is 61 Church st., New York.

The Rev. R. M. W. Black has taken charge of Emmanuel church, Athens, Ga.

The Rev. Charles Gauss has resigned the rector ship of Henshaw memorial church, Baltimore, Md.

The Rev. Geo. A. Gibbons has been elected president of the Standing Committee of the diocese of West Virginia.

The Rev. W. H. Nelson, D. D., has been elected a member of the Standing Committee of the diocese of West Virginia to fill a

The Rev. I. H. LaRoche has accepted the rectorship of Trinity church, Binghamton, N. Y.

The Rev. J. G. Fawcett has accepted the rectorship of Trinity

The Rev. James B. Mead of Osceola Mills, Pa., has accepted a call to Trinity church, Chambersburg, Penn., and entered upon his duties. Address 344 East Queen st.

The Rev. Wm. White Hance has accepted the position of curate to Dr. I. D. Morrison, of St. John's church, Ogdensburg, N. Y., and will enter upon his duties at Advent.

The Rev. A. R. Kieffer has resigned Grace parish, Colorado Springs, to take the position of associate priest in Trinity church, Pittsburgh, Pa. Address accordingly.

The Rev. C. H. B. Turner has resigned Christ church, Tyler, Texas, and accepted the rectorship of St Michael's and All Angels, Anniston, Ala.

The Rev. Wm. Ball Wright has resigned the rectorship of Christ church, Port Henry, with charge of Emmanuel mission, Mineville, diocese of Albany, N.Y., to accept the rectorship of Christ church, Rouse's Point, with charge of St. John's parish, Champlain, N.Y.,

The Rev. I. Dudley Ferguson having resigned rectorship of Grace church, Scottsville, diocese of Western x. Y., has been animously elected rector *emeritus* by the same parish. His dress for the present will be P. O. Box 357, Somerville, N. J.

To Correspondents

N. J. C.-It does not appear that the utterances of Athanasius at Nice were ever recorded. His "Orations against the Arians, published later, have been translated in the Oxford Library of the Fathers. You will find very good abstracts of them in the series of "Christian Literature Primers", edited by Prof. Geo. P. Fisher of Yale College, the volumes on the Post-Nicene Greek

W. F. S .-- I. In case of no hymn after the Creed in a choral W.F.S.---. In case of no hybrid and the three distribution it is simply a matter of convenience or choice whether to give the "notices" from the altar steps or from the pulpit. The people should stand at the invocation before the sermon. As to managing the matter, if the people are sitting during the notices, and these are given from the altar, let the congregation be instructed to rise when the preacher goes up into the pul-

Some congregations remain standing while the notices are being read and until the invocation is pronounced. It is best to say the invocation facing the people. 2. The acolytes or servers should be provided with stools on either side of the priest's sedilia in the sanctuary.

Ordinations

On Friday, Nov. 10th, the Rev. George E. Abbitt, deacon, was rdained to the priesthood by Bishop Whittle, assisted by several of the city clergy, the Rev. Dr. Newton preaching the ordination sermon. Mr. Abbitt succeeds the Rev. Dr. Dashiell as rector of St. Mark's, Richmond, Va.

In St. Colomb's chapel, Jackson, Miss., on Sunday, Nov. 12th, the Bishop admitted to the diaconate Mr. Thomas E. Wineconf, lately a prominent minister and educator among the Methodists. The clergy assisting were the Rev. Dr. B. Waddell who preached the sermon, the Rev. R. G. Hamilton, and the Rev. G. C. Harris, S.T.D., archdeacon. Mr. Winecoff has been assigned to duty St. Peter's church, Oxford, and will continue his educational work in St. Thomas' Hall, Holly Springs.

Official

THE CONVOCATION of Nashville will hold its next regular meeting in Trinity church, Clarksville, on Wednesday, Dec. 6th, and following days. First service, Dec. 6th, A. M., preacher, Rev. G. F. Degen; e sayist, Rev. W. J. Page, subject, "The Church and her Claim upon the American People"; lead r in discussion, Rev. P. A. Rodriguez, subject, "The Higher Criticism;"exegetse, Rev. H. R. Howard, S. T. D., subject, "The Unpardonable Sin." based on St. Matt. xii: 31—32. Missionary speakers, Rev. Messrs. T. F. Martin, W. J. Page, J. L. Scully, and J. R. Winchester, D. D. Business meetings daily in the morning and afternoon.

H. R. HOWARD, Dean. THE CONVOCATION of Nashville will hold its next regular meet-

Notices

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BLISS-SHATTUCK.-At St. Paul's church, Burlington, Vt., on dnesday, Nov. 15, 1893, by the Rev. J. Isham Bliss, D.D., Katherina Lucinda Shattuck and the Rev. George Yemens Bliss.

Died

VROOM .- Entered into the rest of Paradise on Saturday, Nov. 1893, at Morrison, Ill., Mrs. Emma Vroom, aged 66 years. the Communion of the Catholic Church.

PUTNAM.-Died, in Brooklyn, Conn., Nov. 13th, Harriet Grosvenor Putnam, in the 59th year of her age.

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Choir and Study

Sunday Next Before Advent

BY WILLIAM B. CHISHOLM

To-day, list to the bugle call! The Church prepares her festival; And beautiful upon the hills The feet of Him whose advent swells Upon the winter's earliest breeze, In song that sweeps through naked trees And in the hedges wreathed with snow The Lord draws nigh-and pilgrims, lo! In yonder east the star's first gleam E'en now doth fill the Christian's dream.

Skies are black and fields are bare; But the soul keeps smile and feast; For a song is in the air, And a light is in the east; Tune the viol and the lute; As the Magi, in pursuit Of the Light of Lights, went far, Follow thou the Natal Star!

We may account as among the hopeful signs of the times, an increasing disposition to turn art, and especially musical enterprises, into the higher channels of some distinctly helpful sociologic purpose. Hitherto they have exclusively served, except in their churchly relations, the inferior and selfish ends of amusement and recreation for the privileged classes. In our country where municipal authorities restrict all æsthetic instrumentalities, in the way of the people's edification, to the concerts, of late years, arranged in public parks, weekly, as in New York and a few of the principal cities, such wholesome enterprises are left to the generosity and public spirit of a few private individuals and associations. Certainly foremost among the latter, should be mentioned the Brooklyn Seidl Society, which is made up of women, Mrs. Laura Holloway Langford, a lady of well-known literary and artistic culture, acting most efficiently as president from the beginning, many years ago, to the present. The art nucleus is and has been the great Wagnerian conductor, Anton Seidl, and his consummate orchestra, who have caught the enthusiasm of Mrs. Langford and her co-workers, and have generously co-operated in providing an annual series of concerts in the Academy of Music, in Brooklyn. The terms for admission, as well as season tickets-six concerts-are sold literally at popular prices; and an occasional concert is provided for the exclusive benefit of hundreds of wage-earning women and men who are invited as guests of the Seidl Society. The finest soloists are secured as auxiliaries, as Henri Marteau, the violin virtuoso, and at the opening concert just given, Frau Materna, the greatest living interpreter of the Wagner soprano roles, who gave with unapproachable splendor of dramatic interpretation, the grand aria from Fidelio (Beethoven), and as a finale, that wonderful "Prelude" and "Tristan's Death" monologue, which closes the "Tristan and Isolde"-Wagner's masterpieces—the first time Frau Materna has ever delivered it without full dramatic accessories. The enthusiasm was unbounded, and the great building was crowded to its utmost capacity. The other numbers were a lovely Mozart symphony (in one movement); Spanish rhapsody by Liszt, with orchestration by Seidl; the Tannhauser overture, and the lovely Siegfried Idyll (Wagner). Nothing could have been more picturesque or invigorating than such a programme, and the people, for whose edification the series is devised, gave heartiest expression of their delight. There was the sway of beauty everywhere, not only in the tonal panorama in its royal progress from number to number, but in the profuse and artistically disposed floral decorations, chysanthemums with all manner of palms everywhere, as well as in the grandiose setting of the stage scenery, which gave the richlycolored architecture of an Italian-Byzantine cathedral, with its carefully studied decorations.

We give place to a paragraph from The Saturday Evening Review, Williamsport, Pa., since it records the first delivery, of Mr. Horatio W. Parker's superb cantata, Hora Novissima, by any church choir. It was a grand undertaking admirably accomplished, and the choir and the choirmaster have gained a memorable

Last Sunday evening, Christ church choir gave a rendition of Dr. Parker's Hora Novissima, which was unusually interesting in many respects. The theme is an exalted one, and its treat-

that any performance of it calls for most exacting work on the part of both singers and director. It had never before been given by a choir, and its performance last Sunday must be considered a distinct triumph for Mr. Rider, the choirmaster. The chorus parts were well balanced, and the tones clear and sweet throughout, the attacks being especially well made. The last chorus was an unusually difficult fugue movement, entirely unaccompanied, and it was here that the perfection of drilling was exhibited, particularly by the boys. It is not too much to say that for exactitude, no better chorus singing has ever been heard in this city. The solo parts were well handled. Mr. John B. Embick sang a solo with his usual good effect. Master Wolf's tenor solo was a beautiful piece of writing, and showed a voice of uncommon sweetness and power.

The 15th annual festival of the parish choirs in the diocese of Vermont, was held in Trinity church, Rutland, Nov. 8th and 9th. This association, organized by that talented musician, Mr. S. B. Whitney, of the church of the Advent, Boston, has attained to much celebrity under his skilful administration and instruction. There was a preliminary rehearsal in the church on the evening of the 7th, and other public rehearsals on the 8th, at 9:30 A. M. and 2:30 P. M. There was an attendance of about 200 members in addition to the choir of Rutland, and the singing showed marked and constantly increasing improvement at each rehearsal. On Wednesday, the 8th, there were two celebrations of the Holy Eucharist, an early one at 7 A. M., the Rev. Fr. Smith, of Vergennes, Celebrant; and a later at 11, by the rector, the Rev. C. M. Niles, who presented and blessed the processional cross, which the guild is hereatter to use at its festivals. This was accompanied with a beautiful and touching address on the nature of true Christian symbolism. At the business meeting in the morning, Mr. Niles was elected president of the guild, Mr. Parker, of Vergennes, secretary. At the choral festival in the evening, the processional was Gadsby's "Forward be our watchword," followed by full choral Evensong (splendidly rendered), the rector intoning the choir office; Psalter, Gregorian; Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis, King Hall in E flat; and an interesting address by Mr. E. L. Temple, on the progress which Church music has made within the last 50 years. After Cutler's "The Son of God goes forth to war," these anthems were sung: Hall's "To Thee do I lift up my soul;" Stainer's "Awake, awake;" King's "Arise, O Jerusalem;" Farrant's "For Thy tender mercies' sake;" and Ouseley's "No shadows yonder." Between these, three boys of the Advent, Masters Anderson, White, and Wisdom, rendered most beautifully those favorite anthems from Mendelssohn's "Elijah," 'Oh, for the wings," the angel trio, and "Oh, rest in the Lord." After Stainer's Te Deum in E flat, and benediction by the Rev. Dr. Bliss, the service was concluded by the recessional. Of all the pieces rendered, the palm for execution and merit was easily awarded to "No shadows yonder," and Smart's exquisite setting for the retrocessional, Lawrence Tuttiett's "Go forward, Christian soldier," concluded a very enjoyable reception given by the ladies of the parish to the clergy and visiting choirs.

Magazines and Reviews

Harper's Magazine. Two articles reach an exceptional literary value: "Arbitration," by F. R. Coudert, who was one of our representatives before the recent court of arbitration in the seal-fishery controversy, and who discusses the political history and international significance of his topic, with professional learning and elevated humanitarianism, in a thoroughly statesman-like way; and "Apollo in Picardy," one of those exquisite studies in mediæval times and manners, at once poetic, mystical, and fascinating, a vein in which the author is without peer or rival. The customs, architecture, superstitions, and even the social atmosphere of ecclesiastical as well as rural life, are conjured up under his masterful spells, a literary quality strongly felt in Hawthorne at times, as in the Marble Faun. Mr. Pater's excessive elaboration of style renders his work difficult reading, but the persevering student who reads "Apollo in Picardy," once and again with deliberate painstaking, will be richly rewarded. "Love and Music" is a delicate confection by John Hay, resonant and glinting [with color, but something vulgarized by a superfluous page illustration by Smedley, who apparently uses the dainty sonnet as a peg for hanging up a cheap fancy. Julian Ralph contributes a chapter in picturesque most interesting region in Louisiana. Of Richard Harding Davis and his "London in the Season," we have only to remark that he seems to busy himself chiefly in studying the superficial and ephemeral accidents of the grandest city in be found among Mr. Weeks' drawings for his journey "From relation to the Church.

ment by the composer masterly in conception and execution, so Tabreez to Ispahan," which concludes with a brief mention of Mr. Theodore Child's death in the desolateness of "a rockbound desert." Mr. Du Maurier who contributes a pagedrawing for each number, has had the very bad taste to aim his humor at a picture which, of all others in recent art, should be held in reverent reserve, "The Angelus," by J. F.

> Scribner's Magazine has a series of striking and very instructive papers, as "Mr. Freeman at Home," by Delia Lyman Porter, which introduces us to the personal and indoor life of the trenchant and choleric, although faithful and indefatigable, historian—a principal figure in the University of Oxford. There are a striking portrait and home-made sketches of Somerleaze, the dulce domum where the professor passed his vacations when "down" from college. There is hardly enough of the study which after all is but a hurried sketch, to satisfy our hungry interest in the personalities of such a memorable man. There is an interesting paper by Katherine De Forest on "The Education of Girls in France," and Isaac H. Bromley contributes a personal reminiscence of "The Nomination of Lincoln," certainly one of the chiefest among our "Historic Moments," in manner so felicitous and vitalized that the reader finds himself contemplating a living panorama of exciting and swiftly-passing events. There is a valuable illustrated paper on "Madame Roland," and another on the English "House of Commons." Concerning "The Picturesque Side," which F. Hopkinson Smith has utilized for the exploiting of his own "drawings" snatched here and there from the great Exposition, we only express our surprise that such crude, inartistic work can find place in a magazine so judiciously edited.

> The North American Review is somewhat taken up with a discussion of the recent anomalous and half-revolutionary "obstructions" in the U.S. Senate. There is a brace of feeb'e papers on "European Women," a topic long ago threshed to atoms under sensational writers. Dr. Henry Smith Williams discusses "The Social Relations of the Insane" with professional acumen, a matter of painful significance in this latterday development of dangerous "cranks" with homicidal proclivities. Most thoughtful persons will agree with the writer's conclusions, that the safety of the public is the chief concern, and that incipient mania best is cared for within the walls of insane asylums. Anthony Comstock deals in his direct way with the insufferable plagues of "Pool Rooms and Pool Selling," insisting upon vigorous measures for their suppression and extermination.

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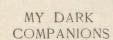
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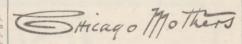
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A LARGE blotting book has a cover of brown linen, with a spray of pink chrysanthemums embroidered on it, and just below the centre are inscribed the words:

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One of the daintiest things with which a young mother can be presented is a certain fair sachet for the bottom of the heir's bureau drawer. Make a long flat bag of fine white linen just the right size to fit the drawer in question. On the upper side, and about two inches from the edge all around, draw thread to the depth of about five-eighths of an inch, then leave a space of an inch, and draw thread again; then, if you like, a third time. The spacing, of course, may be varied. Hem-stitch each of these drawn spaces on both edges, and weave baby-ribbon through the strands thus made, tying it with many-looped rosettes at the corners, which will be open squares needing covering and buttonholeing on their two raw edges. In the central space left within the drawn-work scatter sprays of tiny flowers—forget-me-nots, pink rose-buds, or violets, the ribbon used matching, of course, the flowers chosen, which may be painted or embroidered. If painted, they ing, of course, the flowers chosen, which may be painted or embroidered. If painted, they will disappear when the linen is washed, but the sachet will still be pretty and no stain will remain. The bag is to be filled with a layer of wadding liberally powered with something delicate and suitable, and the end sewed up. This has the advantage of being easily washed, and easily replenished when the perfume has evaporated.—Harper's Bazar.

A FASCINATING dusting-brush suggests a Japanese Pierrot. For these one must find at an Oriental shop one of those Japanese doll heads as large as a tea-cup. It will have a hole where the neck should be, and by taking off the round mat of hair another hole will be found at the top of the head. Through these two holes slide one of the small cock's feather dusters that are to be found anywhere, so two holes slide one of the small cock's feather dusters that are to be found anywhere, so that the base of the feathers is just inside the opening at the top of the head. Glue the hair back into place, though it must now be tilted well over the forehead to make room for the plume. This, however, does not mar the effect to the untutored Occidental eye. The whole is finished and the Pierrot touch given by a great ruff of strips of two shades of yellow satin ribbon sewed together and with the ends finished in points. The back of the ruff is caught up to the base of the feathers at the back of the head, and a loop is made under the elevated part of this ruff, by which to hang the jolly little clown against the wall.—Harper's Bazar.

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coldness of hands and feet

hot skin
ringing in the ears
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or hemicrania)
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pallor

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The object, in the beginning, is to empty the bowels freely.

The dose to go on with is generally one or two pills; but a person very hard to move may require as many as eight for several nights in succession.

The nightly dose should be dimin-

ished gradually until a night can be skipped without missing the stool next morning.

The object now is to keep the bowels regular. The pills do that, if enough and not too many are taken. They do more. See that list at the top of the page.