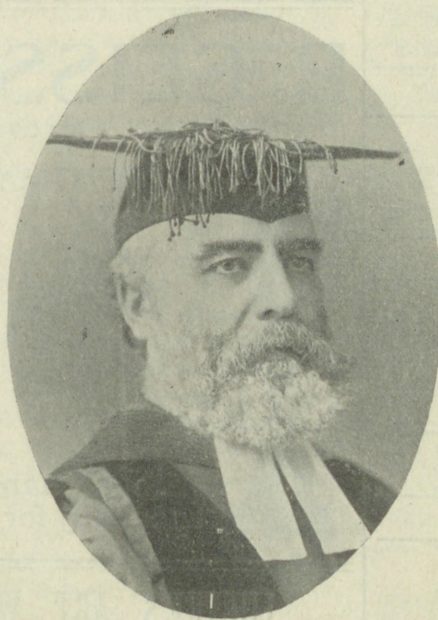


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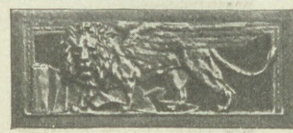
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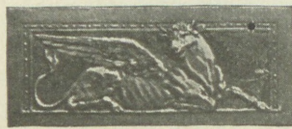
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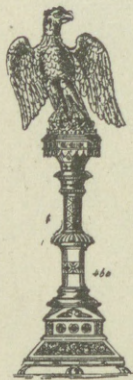
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News and Notes

AT a meeting recently held in London, it was decided that the public memorial to Archbishop Benson should take the form of a recumbent effigy in Canterbury cathedral, and an endeavor to make further progress with the building of the cathedral of Truro. As the late Archbishop is the first in three centuries who has been laid to rest in the cathedral of Canterbury, it is certainly fitting that there should be some special memorial of him there.

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THE "ritualistic reporter" has not yet been extinguished by the mirth he produces on every conspicuous occasion. One might be led to suppose that the newspapers selected for the purpose of making reports on religious functions, persons entirely unacquainted with the Christian religion and its most ordinary symbols. They might be literary Hindus, or recent graduates from the great annual Chinese examinations, imported expressly for this purpose. In this country there is some excuse, but it is inexplicable that in England where the Church and its ceremonial confront an intelligent observer, on every hand, such ignorance should be possible as is sure to be displayed whenever an opportunity presents itself. Thus a leading London paper, in giving an account of the funeral of the late Archbishop, informed its readers that a "golden crucifer," brought from Chester cathedral, was carried before the Archbishop's body when it was removed from Hawarden, and that on the morning of the interment, the coffin was borne from the corona where it had lain and placed "upon the altar!"

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ON St. Martin's Day, the annual service of the Postmen's League was held at St. Alban's, Holborn. The music was sung entirely by letter carriers, and very efficiently rendered. A solo from Mendelssohn's "St. Paul" was sung by one of the men, and the choruses in the *Agnus* and *Benedictus* were given with great spirit. The sermon was preached by the president of the league, who inculcated the duty of living for others as well as oneself, after the spirit of St. Martin. In the afternoon a sale and *conversazione* were held in St. Alban's Hall. We cannot imagine a more beneficent work than that of such a league.

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THERE has been some question as to the effect of the accession of Bishop Temple to the see of Canterbury upon the proposed Lambeth Conference next year, though there could be little doubt that he would carry out the plans of his predecessor, with whom he is said to have been in entire agreement in this matter. In fact the character of the programme strongly confirms the idea that Dr. Temple had a hand in drawing it up. In a recent interview the new archbishop has set all doubts at rest. There will probably, he says, be no material changes, and the invitation sent out by the late primate will be repeated by himself to

the fullest extent. He hopes for the attendance of at least 200 bishops, of which the most important contingent from abroad will be those from the United States. One of the most important topics for discussion at the conference is "International arbitration." Archbishop Temple remarks that the bishops in England are profoundly thankful for the turn recent political events have taken, in which he refers apparently to the satisfactory stage which has been reached in the Venezuelan controversy.

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THE Rev. Dr. Gibson whose sudden death is announced elsewhere, was well known and highly esteemed throughout the American Church. For many years he devoted himself to Church literature and to the propagation of sound Church principles through the press. He was for a long time editor of *The Gospel Messenger*, and subsequently founded *The Church Eclectic*, which he continued to edit until a short time ago. His name stands with Seabury and Hopkins among the great Church editors of the last half century. For 25 years he has been chaplain of the State Hospital for the Insane, in the city of Utica, a position which he only resigned a few weeks ago. The church which was founded in Utica by Dr. Gibson, St. George's, was the first in the diocese to establish a complete ritual, and is one of the few which now maintains the entire "six points." It is believed that Dr. Gibson was the first priest in the diocese to adopt the Eucharistic vestments, and that at a time when such a departure required considerable courage. Dr. Gibson was appointed a member of the Board of Missions in 1865, and remained in that body until the re-organization of the system in 1877. He was elected to the Standing Committee of Central New York, in 1880, and remained a member until his death. He was also a trustee of the General Theological Seminary from 1870 to 1872. In 1886, he was elected to the General Convention, which met that year in Chicago, and was re-elected in 1889. Dr. Gibson was the author of various articles in Church periodicals, and also published a number of pamphlets; but he will probably be best known for his work on *The Church Eclectic*, which for many years rendered valuable services to the cause of Catholic truth.

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WE find in the English *Family Churchman* the amazing statement that a woman, Florence Elizabeth Brough, "has received holy orders," at the hands of the Bishop of Llandaff, after three years' probation and an examination on the subjects prescribed for candidates for the diaconate. In a secular newspaper, it would not be surprising to read of women being "ordained" and receiving "holy orders," especially in America, but it is hardly excusable for an English Church newspaper to misuse terms in this manner. It raises the question, however, whether the term "deaconess" is not itself misleading. It suggests a parallel which has no real basis, between one of the sacred orders of the ministry and a class of faithful women set apart by the bishop's

blessing to do a certain kind of Church work so long as they shall think it well to occupy themselves in that way.

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THE Bishop of Salisbury is trying to bring about a conference of Church of England men and leading Presbyterians, for the purpose of drafting a common catechism on the fundamentals of the Faith. He explains that his purpose is not at all to provide a substitute for the Church catechism where it can be used, but only where it cannot. His main object is to influence education in the colonies, where religion is often not taught at all in the elementary schools. His second object is to supply something which might by common consent be taught in board schools, without infringing on the Education Act. We do not imagine there is any probability that the Presbyterians will accept the Bishop's overtures.

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EVERY one knows something of the Oxford Settlement or House, in East London. It is now proposed to found a "Cambridge House" in South London, which belongs to the diocese of Rochester. Nov. 12th a meeting was held in Cambridge in furtherance of this object. Many distinguished persons were present, including Bishops Talbot, Selwyn, and Westcott, the masters of several colleges, the Rt. Hon. A. J. Balfour, and many other gentlemen of influence. Speeches were made by the Bishops of Rochester and Durham, and by Mr. Balfour. The latter explained at length in a telling address the objects of such a settlement. It appears that there are already six separate college missions in that part of London. One of them, the Trinity College mission, has offered its property as the site of this larger enterprise. The House will be a Church of England mission, but by no means exclusively clerical. The aid of laymen will be gratefully accepted. Many agencies will be set on foot for the social improvement, as well as for the religious good, of South London.

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THE National Armenian Relief Committee is in receipt of the following cable dispatch from Constantinople:

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AT the Shrewsbury Church Congress, the Rev. W. H. Hutton, speaking of the continuity of the Church of England, asserted that the continuous life of the Church was not broken at the Reformation, or at any other time, by any doctrinal or disciplinary changes. The more the history of the Church of England is studied, the more certainly is that fact established. Continuity of doctrine

consists in loyal adherence to the creeds of the Church and the canons of an undivided Church. Those have been adhered to since England and since Britain had a Christian Church, and they are still held and maintained.



New York City

The annual meeting of the Society for the Promotion of Evangelical Knowledge, was held at Whittaker's book store, on the afternoon of Tuesday, Nov. 24th.

At St. James' church, the Rev. E. Walpole Warren, D.D., rector, a musical service was held on the afternoon of Advent Sunday, at which the choir rendered Spohr's "Last judgment."

The annual meeting of the American Church Missionary Society, auxiliary to the Board of Missions, was held at the Church Missions House, on the afternoon of Tuesday, Nov. 24th.

Trinity chapel Home has been repainted throughout, adding much to its appearance, and to the comfort of its occupants. Many gifts have been made to the Home of late by kind friends.

St. Mary's church is, hereafter, to have the sole time as organist of Mr. De Offer Brown. Mr. Brown, who is a composer of some promise, has till now been organist at St. Thomas' church, Mamaroneck, N. Y.

At God's Providence mission, the Rev. Wm. Lindsay has retired from active charge, in order to give himself to the work of the House of Refuge. Two lay-readers have lately been added to the mission staff, Messrs. Archibald E. Montgomery and Richard H. Weevil.

The New York Free Circulating Library has established a branch for blind readers, to be centred in the Church House of St. Agnes' chapel, of Trinity parish. The branch starts with 184 volumes. Its founding is largely due to Mr. Richard Randall Ferry, the president, who for three years has been blind.

On Advent Sunday Bishop Potter made a visitation of St. Stephen's church, Armonk, in the morning; of the church of the Good Shepherd, Kitchawan, in the afternoon, and was present at the chapel of the church of Zion and St. Timothy, in the city, in the evening.

St. Mary's chapel, Sherwood Park, under the charge of the Rev. G. H. Houghton Butler, of the parish of the Ascension, Mt. Vernon, has been beautifully furnished with gifts of devout worshippers and friends. The winter work is opening in a most promising manner in all the societies of the chapel.

At St. Bartholomew's church, the Rev. Dr. David H. Greer preached on Thanksgiving Day. The musical selections included Warren's *Benedictie*, Schubert's *Jubilate Deo*, Guilmant's *Kyrie Eleison* and *Gloria Tibi*, Haydn's offertory from the "Creation." "On Thee each living soul awaits, from Thee, O Lord, all seek their food," and Gounod's anthem, "Thanks we give and adoration."

The Church Club has started at its new quarters a succession of informal receptions to be called "Firesides," to which both clergy and laity are invited. At the first of the "Firesides" last week, Mr. Stephen P. Nash, of Trinity vestry, made a most interesting address, giving his personal recollections of old church life in this city. Reminiscences were also given by the Rev. Drs. Dix and Dunnell, Mr. John W. Pierson, and others.

The church of St. Edward the Martyr, the Rev. Edward Wallace-Neil, Sc.D., rector, has lately received notable benefactions by the will of Mrs. Cornelia K. Griswold, which has been admitted to probate. The bulk of Mrs. Griswold's large property is left to the parish. Provision is also made for the rector personally, and for the Sisters of the Order of St. Monica. A sum is also set apart for the erection of a stained glass window in memory of Mrs. Griswold.

An alarmist report was spread on Tuesday, Nov. 24th, that Trinity church was settling, and that in consequence the venerable and historic building was threatened with early destruction. On investigation it was found that the rumor was utterly baseless. A thorough examination has been made of the whole building, and far from being unsound, it is found to be in exceptionally good condition, and is likely to outlast many generations.

The annual meeting of the Committee on Work for Foreign Missions of the Woman's Auxiliary in this diocese, was held Nov. 24th, in the hall of the Young Women's Christian Association. The presiding officer was the Rev. Dr. Edward A. Bradley. Addresses were made by Miss Sybil Carter on the work of the Jane Bohlen School at Wuchang, China; Mrs. Dr. S. L. Walrath, on the African mission work centred at Cape Mount, in the missionary jurisdiction of Cape Palmas; Miss Julia C. Emery, general secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary, on the proceedings of the recent Missionary Council at Cincinnati, and the Rev. E. H. Edson on the work in Alaska.

St. Chrysostom's chapel of Trinity parish, the Rev. Thomas Henry Sill, vicar, celebrated on the first Sunday in Advent, its 31st anniversary, the first service of the original mission having been held in Advent, 1865. The annual sermon was preached at the morning service, and the Blessed Sacrament was celebrated. Many former members of the congregation were present, coming from all parts of the city and suburbs. During Advent, the preacher at Sunday morning services, will be the vicar: at evening services, the Rev. Canon Knowles, and on Friday evenings, the Rev. S. S. Mitchell.

The burial service over the remains of the rector emeritus of St. Luke's church, the Rev. Dr. Isaac H. Tuttle, took place in that church on the morning of the Sunday next before Advent. The service was conducted by Bishop Potter, assisted by the rector, the Ven. Archdeacon Tiffany, D.D., the Rev. Drs. Morgan Dix, and Wm. H. Vibbert. The processional hymn was "Lead Kindly Light." The Rev. Dr. Patey accompanied the body to New Haven, where the burial took place. The pallbearers were the wardens and vestrymen of St. Luke's. A number of the clergy were present at the services in tribute to this distinguished priest.

At Columbia University the announcement that the trustees contemplate the erection of dormitories on the new site, has created much favorable discussion among the students, and also the alumni. Most of the students now come from varied localities, and are compelled to board all over the city, and in quarters that are neither comfortable, nor always safe in moral surroundings. The erection of the dormitories will bring the student body into one locality, and vastly aid the creation of *esprit de corps* of the best sort.

By the will of the late Rev. Dr. Isaac H. Tuttle, which was filed Tuesday, Nov. 24th, the sum of \$4,000 is given to St. Luke's Home for Indigent Christian-Females, to endow a room in that institution, to be called the "Sarah P. Tuttle Endowment." After bequests to several relatives, the will provides that if there is any residue, the sum of \$5,000 shall go to Trinity College, Hartford, Conn., to be used in aiding young men in preparation for Holy Orders. The sum of \$10,000 will also be given to St. Luke's church in this city, to be applied toward cancelling the debt of the parish.

At St. Agnes' chapel of Trinity parish, the Rev. Dr. Edward A. Bradley, vicar, the members of the Home and Hospital Mission have distributed flowers and magazines to the sick, and to St. Mary's and the Roosevelt Hospitals. Donations of delicacies for the sick are also distributed. The mothers' meetings at this chapel already number some 25 mothers, with prospect of increase. The enlarged interest shown by members of the company of the Knights of Temperance is most encouraging. The roll has risen from 18 to 36, and new members are constantly entering. Trinity Corporation has, at the re-

quest of the vicar, conferred a great benefit upon this organization by fitting up the crypt of the chapel as a drill hall and gymnasium. This will not only promote better drilling, but will aid the athletics of the organization.

At Trinity Mission House, another beautiful window has been added to the already fine collection. It has been placed on the stairway leading to the chapel, and represents St. Michael triumphing over Satan. Above the figure are clouds of angels, and below a smoking censor. A brass plate is inscribed:

"To the glory of God, and in the name of those who work at the Mission House, this window is presented. Feast of St. Michael, 1896."

The wall near the window, extending from the mission room to the door of the chapel, has been richly decorated. An angel is depicted on either side of the arch, and a scroll bears the words, "Enter His gates with praise." On the wall by the window are the following words in black letters:

"Michael and his angels fought against the dragon, and the dragon fought, and his angels, and prevailed not."

"We are more than conquerors through Him who loved us."

"Thanks be to God who giveth us the victory."

Thanksgiving Day carried its usual benefits for the poor, from the parishes and missions of the city. At St. Barnabas' House several hundred women and children were feasted. All the men who applied there received tickets which entitled them to a turkey dinner at the Olive Tree Inn. Over 300 pounds of turkey alone were served to the women and children. The dinner was arranged by Miss Mather, deaconess of the Home. Mr. William Waldorf Astor defrayed the expenses of a dinner for the Newsboys' Home, in memory of his wife, 800 lads being fed. Mr. Cornelius Vanderbilt gave a sumptuous dinner to 600 railroad men, in the club house which he some time ago fitted up for this class of people. He will also give a Christmas dinner for them. At Blackwell's Island, Ward's Island, and the Church institutions of the city, inmates were made glad. In many cases also, dinners were provided for poor families in their own homes in the crowded tenement buildings.

GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.—The students as now classified for the year, are as follows: 4 fellows, 45 seniors, 45 middle-class men, and 36 juniors. The Rev. Dr. Cady delivered a devotional address on Wednesday of last week, on the subject of "Personal Assurances of Salvation," as part of a series he has been delivering. The missionary society of the students has just listened to a talk by Mr. Robert E. Lewis, the traveling secretary of the "Student's Volunteer Movement." The speaker gave a brief history of the spread of Christian zeal among students in America and England, and the great results of missionary work in heathen countries. The committee of students on mission work in New York city has reported in favor of concentrating the field of active service on the west side, near the Seminary buildings. The plan has been received with favor by the missionary society, and the committee is empowered to proceed to establish the work. By this plan the students hope to accomplish some aggressive work during the current winter. Prof. Walpole is to hold a Quiet Day with members of the senior class on Saturday, Dec. 19th. The Church Students' Missionary Association of the United States and Canada, will hold its 10th annual convention in this Seminary on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, of the first week in February.

Philadelphia

A new hot water heating plant is being installed at the Episcopal hospital.

Harvest home festivals were observed in several Sunday schools on Sunday afternoon, 22nd ult.

The ladies of St. Timothy's church, the Rev. William W. Mix, rector, have just closed a ver-

successful bazar in Concordia hall, continuing one week.

In the will of Mary A. Vance, admitted to probate on the 24th ult., is a bequest of \$300 to the memorial church of the Holy Comforter.

Early on Tuesday morning, 24th ult., St. Thomas' (African) church was robbed of an altar cloth and Communion Table cover valued at \$50.

The Sunday school of the G. W. South memorial church of the Advocate, the Rev. Dr. W. W. Silvester, rector, is to present a baptismal font to St. Stephen's church, Norwood, Pa.

Sister Lucelia (of the Order of St. Margaret) who has long been associated with the work at St. Mark's mission, 17th and Kater sts., has been taken ill while on a visit to Boston, and her situation is critical.

The Rev. Dr. C. Ellis Stevens, of old Christ church, delivered an address at the students' services, held in Houston hall, University of Pennsylvania, on Sunday afternoon, 22nd ult., his subject being "Moses conquering the Egyptian."

The will of the late Julia Biddle was admitted to probate on the 21st ult. There is one bequest of \$500 to the Sheltering Arms. She also directs that all the wines and other liquors in her city and county residences shall go to the Episcopal hospital "for the sole use of the patients, and not for the officers of the hospital, unless they are ill."

It was donation day at the Sheltering Arms on Tuesday, 24th ult., and the office and reception room were filled with gifts of every variety, from groceries to boxes filled with tiny garments, and even toys. Up to noon, the cash receipts were \$700, and as much more was received during the afternoon.

The corporation of the church of the Holy Innocents, Tacony, has purchased two large lots on Torresdale ave., on which it is their intention to erect a new church edifice. It is thought that arrangements will be made to commence work in the spring.

A course of sermons preparatory to Confirmation, was commenced at St. George's church, West End, the Rev. F. P. Clark, rector, in October, with a different preacher each Sunday evening. These services are to continue until the Bishop's visitation, Jan. 3, 1897.

The 14th anniversary of the Italian mission church, L'Emmanuel, was celebrated on Sunday morning, 22nd ult., at Grace church, the Rev. H. Richard Harris, rector. The annual sermon was preached by the Rev. Dr. J. S. Stone, of Chicago, and the Rev. M. Zara, priest-in-charge of the mission, made a short address. There was some very good singing of Italian hymns by the young girls of the mission.

On the eve of Thanksgiving Day, a festival service was held at the church of the Saviour. Gifts were brought by the Sunday school members and families of the congregation, and distributed among the poor. On the festival itself, the church was decorated with sheaves of wheat, fruit, and flowers. The rector, the Rev. Dr. W. B. Bodine, preached.

On Sunday evening, 22nd ult., a harvest home service was held at the church of the Holy Spirit. The singing was by a large chorus choir, and an address was made by the Rev. S. H. Boyer, priest-in-charge. An offering of substantial articles was made for the needy. The offertory on Thanksgiving Day was double what it was on any similar occasion.

On Wednesday, 25th ult., in St. Jude's church, at high noon, the Rev. William Reese Scott, rector of St. Peter's church, Hazleton, Pa., a graduate of the University, class of '92, was united in holy matrimony to Miss Mary Bringhurst Slifer. The Rt. Rev. Dr. Coleman, Bishop of Delaware, assisted by the Rev. Charles Logan, performed the ceremony.

The successful series of missionary mass meetings, inaugurated last spring by Archdeacon Brady, were resumed on Sunday evening, 22nd ult., at the church of the Saviour, the Rev. Dr. W. B. Bodine, rector. The services were in

charge of Archdeacon Brady, who made a short address on the work, and how it appealed to all Christian people. The Rev. C. M. Armstrong spoke on "The Jews;" the Rev. H. J. Cook on "Missions among seamen;" and the Rev. John Dows Hills for the "Italian work in the city."

The chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, of the church of the Holy Apostles, the Rev. H. S. Getz, rector, held its annual meeting in the church on Sunday evening, 22nd ult. The Rev. Dr. James S. Stone, of Chicago, preached a vigorous sermon on the practical working side of the Christian life. The annual report of the chapter was read, and showed vitality in many directions. Services had been held in prisons, hospitals, and in the homes of the poor and sick. The chapter now comprises 87 members, and has a 75 per cent. average working attendance.

In all the churches on Thanksgiving Day there were large congregations. Many were decorated with flowers and the fruits of the earth. At St. Stephen's, the new rector, the Rev. Dr. Elwood Worcester, preached briefly upon the material and spiritual reasons for being thankful. The usual beautiful work of the choir was added to by the singing of D. D. Wood's fine "Thanksgiving Chant," a composition by the famous blind organist of St. Stephen's. The *Te Deum* was by Calkins.

Special service were held on the evening of the 25th ult., in St. Stephen's church, Wissahickon, in commemoration of the 10th anniversary of the establishment of that church as an independent parish. The rector, the Rev. E. J. Perot, read his annual pastoral letter showing the encouraging progress of the work in the parish during the past year. The work of enlarging the church, by adding an addition to the chancel, is approaching completion. At the conclusion of the services, the congregation adjourned to the parish building, where a "sociable" was given, and addresses made by the rector and others.

The ladies of St. Mark's church and their friends have been for some time preparing for the "Mischianza" (Italian for "variety"), which was opened in the new Horticultural hall, on the 25th ult., continuing until the 28th ult., from 3 to 11 p. m., except on Thanksgiving night, when it closed at 6 p. m., to give place to a ball, opened by a grand march, H. R. H. the Prince of Savoy leading. The fair closed on Saturday night with an elaborate concert. The entire proceeds of the four afternoons and evenings are to go to the building fund of St. Mary's colored mission, of St. Mark's church.

The Girls' Friendly Society of the church of the Good Shepherd, Kensington, the Rev. John A. Goodfellow, rector, celebrated their third anniversary, Nov. 20th. Branches from St. John's Free church, St. Barnabas, Incarnation, St. Mark's, Frankford, and St. George's chapel, Port Richmond, were present. The girls assembled in the parish house and entered the church in procession. The large vested choir led the music, which was very spirited. The Rev. James S. Stone, D.D., of Chicago—who had preached the sermon at the consecration of this church—delivered an eloquent address on this occasion, his text being the motto of the society, "Bear ye one another's burdens," Gal. vi.: 2. The Good Shepherd's senior branch has 50 members and the juniors 35. Mrs. John A. Goodfellow is the branch secretary of the former, and Mrs. Henry Budd of the latter. On Monday evening, Nov. 16th, Miss Wright, the president of the Pennsylvania diocesan branch, visited this parochial branch, and made an interesting address.

At the memorial church of the Holy Comforter, on Sunday morning, 22d ult., a beautiful brass tablet was dedicated to the memory of the late vicar, the Rev. Stewart Stone. The vested choir preceded by the crucifer, entered the church from the parish building, singing the hymn "For all the saints who from their labors rest." The dedicatory prayers were said by the present vicar, the Rev. W. H. Graff, and there were special anthems sung by the vested choir. The sermon was preached by the Rev.

John Dows Hills, a life-long friend of the deceased vicar; it was mainly a sympathetic sketch of the life and work of Mr. Stone, who was born on 3rd street, opposite St. Peter's gate, Jan. 27th, 1854. His life work was to be done beneath the shadow of that mother of parishes. After receiving deacon's orders in 1883, at the same time with his brother, the Rev. Morton Stone, now of Taunton, Mass., he passed his diaconate as curate of St. Peter's, Albany, N. Y., and in 1884 was appointed priest in charge (subsequently changed to that of vicar) of the memorial church of the Holy Comforter. The speaker paid a touching tribute to the intellectual strength of the dead priest, his equi-pose, and his sacrifices for his people and the Church. The tablet is placed on the east wall of the sanctuary, between the gospel side of the altar and the sacristy. It is a most artistic specimen of the city's workmanship. The tablet proper, on which is the inscription, is surmounted by five medallions. That in the centre contains a chalice, and on either side are the symbols of the four Evangelists. The inscription is as follows:

To the glory of God, and in pious memory of our beloved pastor, priest, and friend, Stewart Stone, who fell asleep Dec. 12th, 1895. A man full of faith and of the Holy Ghost, who for eleven years fed his flock as a shepherd, and like the Lord, gave his life for his sheep. He will ever be in the prayers of his mourning people, who have erected this memorial.

The opening services of the dedication festival of St. Clement's church crowded the building to its utmost capacity on Sunday evening, 22nd ult. Solemn Evensong was sung by the rector, the Rev. George H. Moffat. The altar was ablaze with many lights, and at the *Magnificat*, additional candles were lighted, and the ceremonial offering of incense was made by the rector, followed by the censuring of the assisting priests, the choir, and congregation. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Dr. F. M. Clendenin, after which a procession was made, both choir and congregation heartily singing the hymns, "Onward, Christian soldiers," and "The Church's one foundation." It was led by two thurifers swinging censers, and preceding the crucifer and his attendants. The vested choir of some 40 men and boys followed, and the various guilds, the girls and women all wearing veils of white or blue, or blue and white, according to their order, the clergy coming last. Returning, it again ascended the nave, the choir, banner-bearers, and clergy passing into the chancel, where, grouped before the altar, a solemn *Te Deum* was sung, and the rector closed with the benediction. On St. Clement's Day, there were plain celebrations of the Holy Eucharist at 6, 7, and 8 a. m.; and at 11 a. m., a solemn High Celebration was sung. The Rev. Fr. Clapp was celebrant. The music was Schubert in G, sung by the vested choir with a large orchestra and the organ. After the Creed, the rector read a letter from Bishop Whitaker, conveying his blessing on the parish and the services. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Arthur Ritchie, of New York City, who was one of the young lay-workers in the early days of the ritual revival at St. Clement's. It was an able discourse throughout. Services were continued through the week, up to and including the octave, St. Andrew's Day.

Chicago

St. Andrew's Day being the quarterly day for prayers for missions, appointed by the Woman's Auxiliary of this diocese, there were services in Chicago, for the North Side, at St. Chrysostom's; for the South Side, at Trinity; and for the West Side, at St. Andrew's. Each of these services was held at 10:30 a. m.

The Rev. Chas. Scadding, rector of Emmanuel parish, La Grange, desires to interest the men of that community more actively in Church work, and for better acquaintance with each other and with the opportunities before them, he gave a dinner to a large company of men at the parish house, on Thursday evening, Nov. 19th. About 180 guests were seated at 10 large tables. The dinner was furnished by the ladies

of St. Mary's Guild. The Rev. Mr. Scadding, as toastmaster, announced the following toasts, and called upon the gentlemen named to respond: "The clergy and sister churches," the Rev. C. P. Anderson, Oak Park; "The true relation of the press to the Church," Mr. S. F. Davidson; "Christianity and credit," Mr. B. M. Chattell; "The work of women in the parish," Mr. D. B. Lyman; "What men can do," Messrs. P. S. Eustis, E. R. Neely, W. S. Edes, J. B. Tower, E. K. Boisot, the Rev. Frank Du Moulin, of Trinity, Chicago; W. F. Griffiths, and D. B. Lyman; "Emmanuel church," the Rev. Chas. Scadding. With the singing of "Auld Lang Syne," in which all joined, and three cheers for the rector, given with a hearty good will, a very pleasant evening closed.

On Wednesday, Nov. 18th, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Batchelder of the Lexington Hotel, gave their annual dinner to the choir boys of Grace church. The boys entertained their host and hostess and the guests of the hotel with a short programme at 8 o'clock, and then adjourned to the banquet hall.

St. Philip's mission, with its priest in charge, the Rev. H. G. Moore, is rejoicing in the fact that the last dollar of debt on their parish house has just been paid; it was commenced on St. Luke's Day, 1894, and cost \$2,400.

A special service was sung by the vested choir at the cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul, on Sunday evening, Nov. 29th, in honor of Frederic A. Dunster, who for six years has been the choir-master and organist at the cathedral. The programme included a processional hymn composed by Mr. Dunster; "Nazareth," a solo by C. F. Champlin, and Gaul's "Israel in the Wilderness," with Master R. Osborn, W. W. Wilcox, and C. F. Champlin as soloists. The Rev. G. E. Wright, representing the choir and congregation, presented a gold watch and chain to Mr. Dunster. Mr. Dunster has accepted another engagement at St. Thomas', Taunton, Mass.

The local assembly of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew met Saturday afternoon, Nov. 28th, at five o'clock, in the parish house of St. Peter's, in Lake View. The purpose of conference was to discuss means for increasing the practical efficiency of the work of the Brotherhood among men. Addresses were made by Mr. James L. Houghteling, Mr. Alexander M. Hadden, of New York, lately appointed a secretary on the Brotherhood staff, the Rev. John M. Chattin, city missionary, and others. Supper was served in the large assembly room of the parish house, and at eight o'clock the men marched into the church, following the vested choir, and joining with them in singing the processional, "Onward, Christian soldiers." After an impressive service, the rector, the Rev. S. C. Edsall, introduced Mr. Hadden, who spoke of the practical application of the rule of service, after which the Rev. Dr. James S. Stone spoke of the rule of prayer, making an eloquent and earnest appeal for faithful self-preparation by Brotherhood men. At the close of the addresses the splendid choir, under the direction of choir-master Thomas, rendered Handel's grand Hallelujah chorus in a manner thoroughly in accord with the character of the music, and the inspiring nature of the occasion.

Duluth

M. N. Gilbert, D.D., LL.D., Bishop-in-Charge

The second annual convocation convened at St. Paul's church, Duluth, Nov. 11th. After the celebration of the Holy Eucharist, Bishop Gilbert delivered his farewell address. The Bishop said in part:

In selecting Dr. Morrison as your Bishop, the House of Bishops has made a wise choice. He is a man of profound erudition and engaging personal qualities; give him your loyal and loving co-operation. His consecration will take place early in January. His arrival amongst you thereafter will not be long delayed. No missionary bishop ever entered upon a more attractive field, and a wiser or more zealous band of clergy cannot be found than those in Duluth diocese. Stand by and stay with this great field. You have opportunities of laying foundations deep and strong for the future. Through the persistent efforts of the committee on the endowment fund, Ven. Arch-

deacon Appleby and the Rev. Dr. Ryan, \$20,000 was secured for the partial endowment of the episcopate. The cash and security papers have been placed in the hands of the treasurer, W. S. Bishop. The Board of Managers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society will receive and hold in trust all cash payments until the district is organized into a diocese. Interest accruing on this fund will go towards the Bishop's salary. Immediate steps should be taken towards discharging the obligation of the district to the diocese of Minnesota. I have made a strong plea to the Board of Missions to make a generous grant from the domestic treasury for this district, and feel confident the plea will be answered favorably. My official work is done. My heart is full of tender memories filling out the decade of years gone. They are all pleasant, except the memory of my own incompetence and imperfections. May God in His great mercy overrule them for His glory. I lay down the work with mingled feelings of regret and thankfulness; regret that I can no longer be your bishop; thankfulness that one will come who can do more towards the upbuilding of the Master's kingdom in this wide field. Commending you, dear brethren, all, clergy and people, to God and the Word of His grace, amen.

Dr. J. E. Bower, of Duluth, was elected permanent secretary, L. C. Moultrie, of Detroit, assistant secretary. The various standing committees were organized.

Board of Missions: Rev. Messrs. E. W. S. Pentreath, E. C. Johnson, J. A. Gilfillan, J. H. Miller, and H. F. Parshall; Messrs. Myles, Tilton, T. S. Wood, and J. C. Small.

A resolution was passed thanking Bishop Gilbert for past services.

It was decided to hold the convocations in the see city on the last Wednesday in May of each year.

Chairman Pentreath strongly recommended the cathedral system for Duluth.

In the evening brief addresses were delivered by Bishop Gilbert, the Rev. Messrs. McGonigle, Ryan, and Appleby. Dr. Ryan gave a reception at the conclusion of the addresses.

The next morning the Woman's Auxiliary met in the church, and after transacting routine business, conducted an interesting meeting.

The convocation was the most enthusiastic gathering ever witnessed in Duluth; every parish was well represented.

Massachusetts

William Lawrence, S. T. D., Bishop

BOSTON.—Bishop Lawrence preached on Thanksgiving Day in St. Paul's church. On the evening of Thanksgiving, Father Field, of St. Augustine's church, gave a supper to his parishioners, and about 100 were provided for. The subject discussed afterwards was prison reform work, in which Father Field has been interested; he detailed his recent experiences in Southern prisons.

The society for the support of Bible readers in the parishes of Christ church and the church of the Good Shepherd recently held a sale on Arlington st. About \$400 was made.

Father Field who is a master-hand with black ink, had an exhibition of his productions from still life, in Trinity chapel, Dec. 2. These drawings are exquisitely done and have attracted a great deal of attention.

CAMBRIDGE.—Mr. Jeremiah T. O'Sullivan made an address before the students of the Cambridge Theological School upon the relation of the clergy to labor problems. Mr. O'Sullivan is an ardent Roman Catholic.

Maryland

William Paret, D.D., LL. D., Bishop

BALTIMORE.—On Sunday afternoon, Nov. 15th, the Fifth Regiment, Maryland National Guards, attended special services at Memorial church. The rector, the Rev. William M. Dame, who is also chaplain of the regiment, preached a sermon from the text, "The glory of young men is their strength." In the chancel was a large representation of the St. Cecilia Guild, which rendered a special musical programme. There was also special music by the choir, under the leadership of Prof. William H. Rose.

The annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary was held in Grace church, Nov. 11th. Bishop Paret preached and administered Communion. Luncheon was served in the parish house, ad-

joining the church, after which the business session was held in the upper room of the parish house. Mrs. Albert L. Sioussat presided. The Rev. William H. H. Powers made an address on "United offerings," and the chairmen of the different committees read their reports. The Rev. Lucien L. Kinsolving gave an account of his work in Brazil. Mrs. Sioussat announced the Bishop's permission to form a junior auxiliary, and also gave an interesting account of her recent visit to the Missionary Council held in Cincinnati. The music was well rendered, under the direction of Miss Nettie Crane. The officers of the Auxiliary are: President, Mrs. Albert L. Sioussat; vice-presidents, Mrs. Hugh Lee, Mrs. Jackson Piper, Mrs. Wm. F. Gardner, Mrs. Beverly S. Randolph; corresponding secretary, Miss Rebecca D. Davis; recording secretary, Miss Mary R. Snowden; treasurer, Mrs. John T. Mason.

The new church of the Epiphany is now in course of construction, on Ready ave. near Arlington ave., and will be completed, it is expected, by Dec. 16th. It will be of frame, 47 ft. 16 inches long by 26 ft. 6 inches wide, one story high, and will seat about 175 persons. The main entrance will be on Ready ave., and another entrance will lead to the vestry. The windows will be of cathedral glass. The congregation was started in April, 1895, by Mrs. James G. Hardy, in the old Abbey on Ready ave. Services were continued every Sunday during the summer and winter by the Rev. George C. Stokes, rector of the church of the Redeemer. A Sunday school was organized, and there are 67 pupils on the roll. The congregation comprises about 14 families. The church will be consecrated about the Feast of the Epiphany.

Miss Sallie R. Longcope who for the past ten years has been an active worker at Emmanuel church, died at the Church Home, on Nov. 10th, after an illness of about a year, in the 50th year of her age. During her ten years' work at Emmanuel church she had devoted a great deal of time to teaching the Chinese classes. She was assistant superintendent, and then succeeded to the superintendency, of the Chinese school. The funeral took place on Thursday afternoon, Nov. 12th, from Emmanuel church. The service was read by the Rev. Arthur C. Powell, of Grace church, and those who assisted and were present in the chancel were the Rev. Messrs. J. Houston Eccleston, S.T.D., rector, and Thomas E. Pattison, assistant rector of Emmanuel church, Douglas Hoeff, Henry T. Sharp, and Wilbur F. Watkins. Twenty-three Chinamen formed part of the funeral procession. The interment was in Greenmount cemetery.

Dr. Philip C. Williams, for many years a member and vestryman of Christ church, died Nov. 21st, after an illness of 12 months, from Bright's disease, in the 68th year of his age. Dr. Williams frequently represented Christ church in the diocesan conventions, and had also been a delegate from the diocese to the General Convention. He was a son of the late Philip Williams, one of the most distinguished lawyers in the Valley of Virginia. The funeral took place from Christ church, the Rev. Messrs. C. George Currie, rector of the church, J. H. Eccleston, S.T.D., and Edwin B. Niver, officiating. The interment was in Greenmount cemetery.

MONKTON.—Bishop Paret made his annual visit to St. James' church, the Rev. George K. Warner, rector, Nov. 19th, and after preaching, administered the rite of Confirmation to a class of 24 persons.

HAGERSTOWN.—The Moller Organ Factory has just received a contract to build a pipe organ having 1,059 pipes, for Trinity church, Washington, D. C.

FREDERICK.—Mrs. Ann Graham Ross, widow of the late Worthington Ross, died on Nov. 17th, aged 69 years. Mrs. Ross was a devoted member of All Saints' church, president of the Woman's Auxiliary, and was connected with every chapter in All Saints' Guild. For over 30 years she was president of the board of managers of the Church Orphan Asylum, of Frederick City, which she organized and endowed

with a gift of \$5,000, and was a liberal contributor to various charitable organizations. The funeral took place on Nov. 20th from All Saints' church, the rector, the Rev. Osborne Ingle, officiating. Interment was made in the family lot at Mt. Olivet cemetery.

BROOKVILLE.—Bishop Paret administered the rite of Confirmation to four persons in Mt. Calvary church, the Rev. Wm. R. B. Turner, rector, on Sunday morning, Nov. 15th. In the evening of the same day he confirmed a class of six at St. Mark's church, the Rev. W. A. Henderson, rector.

New York

Henry C. Potter, D.D., LL.D., Bishop.

On Saturday, Nov. 14th, Bishop Potter dedicated the Loomis Memorial Sanitarium, at Liberty. On the following Sunday he confirmed in St. Paul's, Pleasant Valley; the church of the Regeneration, Pine Plains, and the church at Dover Plains.

The Bishop made his annual visitation of Christ church, Marlboro, on the morning of the Sunday next before Advent, and in the afternoon confirmed at St. Thomas' church, New Windsor.

TUCKAHOE.—St. John's Legion of St. John's church, sent during the season just closed, 2,800 bouquets to the New York City Flower Mission.

VERBANK.—The chapel of St. Paul's school at the Priory Farm, under the control of the Brothers of Nazareth, has been beautifully decorated by members of the Order, assisted by Mr. Hamilton Burge. On the occasion of the laying of the corner-stone of the new All Saints' Home, Bishop Potter consecrated the burial ground of the Order. In the centre of this ground, which is near the buildings, stands a large cross of rustic style. Here members of the Order are to be buried, as, one by one, they pass from earth.

Quincy

Alexander Burgess, S. T. D., LL. D., Bishop.

A very successful Mission has been held in Mt. Sterling by Archdeacon W. F. Mayo, general missionary, assisted by the Rev. F. W. Connell and the Rev. T. A. Waterman, beginning Sunday, Nov. 8th, in the courthouse. The building has been filled nightly to listen to the earnest preaching and instruction on matters of doctrine and personal religious life by the missionaries, who have also answered questions sent in, and have tried to see all interested. There were two Celebrations Sunday, the 15th, the Rev. Mr. Waterman preaching in the morning, on "The prodigal son," Fr. Connell addressing men in the afternoon, on "Purity in word and life," and the archdeacon preaching in the evening. An opportunity was given for all to renew their baptismal promises at the closing service, Friday, the 20th inst. There was a meeting for women every week day at 3 p. m., a catechism for children and for students later, at which the celebrated method of Bishop Dupanloup, modified by an American priest, was used. The extraordinary interest in the Mission and its practical results will probably necessitate the erection of a church building in the near future.

Long Island

Abram N. Littlejohn, D.D., LL. D., Bishop.

The seventh annual festival of the choir guild of the diocese was held Nov. 19th. The annual choral celebration of the Holy Communion, more particularly for members of the guild, but to which all others were cordially welcome, took place at Grace church, Brooklyn Heights, the same day at 11 o'clock a. m. At this service the music was rendered by the choir of Grace church, under the direction of its choir master, Mr. Edward Witherspoon. The evening service was at St. Luke's church, Brooklyn. The combined choirs belonging to the guild together number about 400 voices. The *Nunc Dimittis* and *Magnificat* were composed by Dr. G. C. Martin for this occasion. The offertorium was "Why do the nations," by Handel; and the anthems, "The night is far spent," by Bruce Steane; "When Jesus was born in Bethlehem,"

Cruickshank; "Say, where is He born," Mendelssohn; "The Lord is great," Righini. The choirs taking part were those of Grace church, St. Mark's, St. Paul's, St. Paul's (Flatbush), St. Stephen's, St. Clement's, St. Mary's, church of the Redeemer, St. John's, St. Ann's, cathedral of the Incarnation. Mr. W. H. Woodcock, Mus. Doc., is organist and master of the choristers. Bishop Littlejohn is patron of the guild, the Rev. Henry T. Scudder, president, and the Rev. W. W. Bellinger, vice-president.

BROOKLYN.—The church of the Redeemer, the Rev. G. Calvert Carter, rector, has just completed arrangements for heating the church by steam and lighting it by electricity. The Mite Society has donated a new chandelier for the vestry room. The ladies held a fair Nov. 16-19, to pay for these improvements. Ample receipts were obtained.

Miss Benson, the branch associate of the Girls' Friendly Society of Grace church, Brooklyn, invited the branch associates of Brooklyn to her home on Columbia Heights, Nov. 24th, to meet Miss Dickerson, literary associate of the G. F. S. of the diocese of Pennsylvania. Miss Dickerson has been most remarkably successful, especially among the G. F. S. branches in Philadelphia, in mapping out lines of reading for the members of the G. F. S., inducing the girls to take a very high class of reading, and in securing from them written outlines or opinions of the books read. Miss Benson hopes Miss Dickerson's methods of work may be put into practice in the Brooklyn branches.

The parish guild of St. Andrew's church, the Rev. W. N. Ackley, rector, concluded on the evening of Nov. 1st their annual fair for the benefit of the church debt. It is hoped that, when all returns are in, the financial success will prove in keeping with the amount of labor expended.

Kansas

Frank R. Millsbaugh, D.D., Bishop.

NORTH TOPEKA.—Bishop Millsbaugh made his annual visitation Sunday, Nov. 22nd, and confirmed seven. He complimented the people on the improvements on Good Shepherd church, and especially mentioned that they had been made by the manual labor of the parishioners. This parish is under the spiritual charge of the Rev. Carson Miner, of the cathedral.

Florida

Edwin Gardner Weed, D.D., Bishop.

JACKSONVILLE.—After a great deal of hard work on the part of the rector and vestry, and at considerable outlay, the foundation walls of the new church of the Good Shepherd have been laid. This foundation, made of vitrified brick, is the first of its kind in this country. The experiment has proved a success in every way, as the foundation is most solid and substantial. The new church, when completed, will be about the largest, and certainly the handsomest, in the diocese. The Rev. Mr. Atmore, the rector (who organized the parish), and the Bishop supervised the drawing up of the plans.

West Missouri

E. R. Atwill, D.D., Bishop.

The autumnal meeting of the Central convocation took place on Nov. 11-13th, at Calvary church, Sedalia, the Rev. Gerard F. Patterson, rector. The opening service was at 7:30 p. m., Wednesday, the Rev. Robert Talbot, dean of the convocation, preaching an eloquent and powerful sermon. On Thursday, at 7:30 a. m., the Bishop celebrated the Holy Eucharist. After Morning Prayer, the Rev. Dr. Mann preached. At 1:30 p. m. there was a meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary, at which addresses were made by the Bishop, the Rev. A. G. Singen, and Mrs. Alger, of Westport. Definite plans were made for Auxiliary work throughout the diocese. The addresses at the missionary meeting on Thursday evening were made by the Rev. Messrs. Ellerby, Stewart-Smith, and Somerville, and Mr. C. H. Nearing, of Kansas City, the latter being one of the lay-members of the board of missions of the diocese. All of the speakers dwelt largely on the missionary work of the diocese, and a very keen interest was

aroused, which it is earnestly wished may be the means of giving Church services regularly and frequently to dozens of places in the diocese where at present the Bishop has the whole burden to bear. On Friday the Holy Eucharist was celebrated by the rector of the parish, and the Rev. Henry Mackay preached. The business meeting of the convocation was held, and the officers were re-elected for the coming year. At 4:30 p. m. a children's service was held, at which addresses were made by the Rev. Messrs. Smith, Dunn, and Mackay. Friday evening an excellent sermon was preached by the Rev. A. G. Singen, and an address was made by the Rev. J. M. McBride. The convocation was the largest in the history of the diocese, all the members being present except two.

Delaware

Leighton Coleman, S. T. D., LL. D., Bishop.

The opening service of the new Trinity church, Elkton, took place Nov. 10th. Jan. 10th last the old church was destroyed by fire, only the walls remaining comparatively uninjured. From the ruins has arisen a building whose beauty exceeds that of the old one. There has been added a south transept and a porch, both of stone, and a number of memorial windows have been given. At the re-opening the sermon was preached by the Rev. James A. Mitchell, whose father had been rector of Trinity; Bishop Adams, and a number of other clergy, took part in the service.

On Friday afternoon, Nov. 6th, "the Mexican Band" of St. Andrew's church, Wilmington, held its annual meeting. The election of officers took place, reports were read, and work planned for the coming year. The object of this society is to aid Church work in Mexico, by its members making and selling various articles. For some years it has made an annual contribution of \$50 to the Bishop Lee Scholarship. The society has been in existence over 20 years.

The feast of All Saints was observed at Christ church, Milford, by an early Celebration at 7:30 and another at 11 a. m. The Communion service was Ellwanger in E flat. The rector preached, and the service was choral.

Virginia

Francis McN. Whittle, D.D., LL. D., Bishop
John B. Newton, M.D., Coadjutor Bishop

On Sunday morning, Nov. 15th, was observed the anniversary of the consecration of Monumental church, Richmond. The rector, the Rev. Fenner S. Stickney, preached an eloquent sermon on the vision of Jacob. The music was very impressive, the vested choir of this church being one of the best in the city. Monumental church was erected in 1814, on the site of the Richmond theatre, which had been destroyed by fire, causing the loss of many lives. In front of the church is a large portico, under which lie such of the remains as could be found, and over these stands a handsome monument.

The church of the Epiphany, Barton Heights, a suburb of Richmond, has just been presented, by Mrs. A. S. Groser, with a handsome altar and altar cloth, and a brass pulpit lamp, made by J. & R. Lamb, of New York. The chapter of St. Andrew's Brotherhood has begun a Sunday afternoon Bible class for men and is meeting with great success.

Connecticut

John Williams, D.D., LL. D., Bishop.

Wednesday, Nov. 18th, was a memorable day in the history of the Berkeley Divinity School. On the afternoon of that day, the new library building was formally presented by the building committee to the trustees of the school. The large assembly of alumni and friends of the school who came together to participate in the presentation, was greeted in behalf of the corporation in an address of welcome by the Rev. Storrs O. Seymour. The Rev. John Townsend, chairman of the building committee, gave a brief and interesting account of the beginnings and growth of the library. The nucleus for the growth was a few volumes which the Rev. Dr. Coit placed in Trinity College for use in theo-

logical study there. The outgrowth of the theological department of Trinity College was the establishing at Middletown of the Berkeley Divinity School. The books given by Dr. Coit were removed here, and to them was added a collection of the Fathers, donated by Henry Chauncey, Esq., of New York, which was soon supplemented by the library of Dr. Ducachet, of Philadelphia. The Rev. Dr. Gardiner, professor in the school, and its librarian, added occasional volumes from time to time during his residence here. After his death his heirs turned over part of his library to the school, and the remainder of his books the school purchased. The students have contributed in small amounts, and there is an alumni fund accumulating, from which no interest has as yet been drawn. To the ladies of the diocese who recently presented as a memorial to the beloved Bishop and dean of the school a liberal purse raised by individual subscription throughout the diocese, to be expended in the building of the library, grateful thanks are due. Mrs. Mutter, a generous friend of the school and donor of St. Luke's chapel as a memorial to her husband, established the Alsop fund. From these various sources the library has grown till there are now upwards of 22,000 volumes. The quarters where this valuable library has been stored have long been too small, and the books not easy of access. "The building which we of the building committee present to-day to the trustees of the school is commodious, well-lighted, and practically fire-proof." Bishop Williams, as president of the corporation, accepted the gift for the school.

The Rev. Prof. Hart, of Trinity College, speaking for the alumni, expressed the gratification they felt on this occasion, and spoke of the value of such a library to the students.

The clergy of the Hartford archdiocese have nominated the Rev. A. H. Wright, rector of St. John's, Warehouse Point, for the office of archdeacon, and the Bishop of the diocese has confirmed the nomination. The Rev. H. Lilienthal, rector of Trinity, Wethersfield, is secretary of the archdiocese.

The first annual festival of the diocesan choir guild was held Nov. 20th, at St. John's church, Bridgeport. The choirs participating were: St. John's, Bridgeport, F. E. Howard, choirmaster, Wm. Wiedenhammer, organist; Trinity church, New Haven, the Rev. C. W. Bispham, precentor, H. J. Read, organist; St. Andrew's, Meriden, R. A. H. Clark, organist and choir-master; Holy Trinity, Middletown, W. B. Davis, organist and choirmaster; St. Andrew's, Stamford, A. B. Spencer, organist and choirmaster. The order of service included Messiter's professional, hymn 520; *Magnificat* and *Nunc Dimittis*, Stainer in A; offertory anthem, Geo. C. Martin; "Whoso dwelleth," etc.; other anthems; Beethoven's "Hallelujah," from "The Mount of Olives;" "As the hart pants," Mendelssohn; "Rejoice in the Lord," Geo. C. Martin. An address was made by the Rev. C. W. Bispham.

HARTFORD.—The new building at the south end of the campus of Trinity College, is all but completed. It will be used for recitations mainly. One portion of the building will be devoted to a reading room for the students, and there will be a store room for bicycles.

NEW HAVEN.—The Rev. Dr. Douglas, rector of Trinity church, has undertaken the oversight of the church of the Ascension, and the Rev. Frank Howard Marshall who has done faithful and conscientious work there, has withdrawn. Dr. Douglas has placed one of the curates of Trinity church, the Rev. C. O. Scoville, in charge of the Ascension.

United Advent services will be held upon the first three Wednesday evenings in December, in Christ church; upon the first three Thursday evenings, in Grace church; upon the first three Friday evenings, in St. John's church. The preachers will probably be Connecticut clergy outside of New Haven.

NEWTOWN.—On Wednesday, Nov. 11th, the Bishop of Indiana visited Trinity church, and confirmed six candidates, for the Bishop of Connecticut. At the same time and place Bishop

White, acting for the Bishop of Missouri, ordained Frederick Foote Johnson, B. A., Trinity '94, one of Newtown's sons, to the diaconate.

NICHOLS.—The ladies of Trinity parish, the Rev. Charles W. Boyleston, rector, have organized and taken in hand the work of raising funds to make repairs and decorate the interior of the church. A series of parish sociables will be held during the winter, beginning Friday evening, Nov. 27th.

BRIDGEWATER.—The ladies of St. Mark's Guild recently gave a supper in the guild hall. It was a delightful social occasion, and gave the parishioners an excellent opportunity to meet their new rector, the Rev. Mr. Everest.

Ohio

Wm. Andrew Leonard, D.D., Bishop

Bishop Leonard gave a visitation to St. Luke's church, Niles, on the 24th Sunday after Trinity, and confirmed ten persons—all adults, except one—several coming from other Christian bodies. The rector, the Rev. R. J. Walker, baptized a young lady, who was confirmed with the class. The Bishop gave an eloquent address and sermon. In the afternoon the Bishop met the trustees of this growing mission at the residence of Mr. J. F. Morris, a member of the board, and there presented the plans for the new church. The new lot is paid for, and cost \$1,000. It is in a beautiful location. The parishioners expect to be in the new church within one year.

CLEVELAND.—The Church Home for the Aged, which has been occupied for about six weeks, had its formal opening and benediction Nov. 19. The services of the day began in the morning with Holy Communion in the little chapel of the home, Bishop Leonard, celebrant. The chapel is a memorial of the late Rev. James A. Bolles, D.D., the founder of the Home, and was furnished by the Guild of the Holy Cross and others. The new Home was built at a cost of nearly \$50,000, and of this amount \$35,000 was given by Mr. Samuel Mather. The interior arrangement is fine and the effect of all the finishing and furnishing is artistic and beautiful. Some of the apartments have had special endowments as a memorial of friends, and the names of those who made the provision or in whose memory it was given are lettered above the doors. To one room has been given the furniture belonging to Constance Fennimore Woolson at the time of her death. It is all of Hungarian ash and is unique in appearance. At 3:30 the benediction of the Home took place. The clergy of the city, with some from other places, and the vested choir of Trinity cathedral formed in procession in the parish house adjoining the Home, and entering the Home were joined by Samuel Mather and Jas. W. Lee, representatives of the lay trustees; Bolivar Butts, senior warden; Mother Superior Mary of the Home; Sister Superior Julia of the Order of St. John the Evangelist of Brooklyn, N. Y., and Sister Superior Katherine of the Buffalo Home. The procession passed to different parts of the building, the choir singing hymns, and in the different apartments the Bishop pronounced a blessing upon each. At the close of these ceremonies a reception was held by the ladies of the board of managers. Offerings for the benefit of the Home were placed in the alms box in the reception hall, which is a memorial of the Rev. Wm. Stubbs, the first benefactor of the Home. The building will accommodate 30 inmates, and about half that number are now within it and are very happy in their beautiful surroundings.

The class in ecclesiastical embroidery resumed its work in October and is well equipped and organized in its different departments. Orders are taken for stoles, vestments, and Communion linen, and instruction is given as to suitable emblems, colors, etc. The influence of the class is widening, not only within the diocese, but outside, and though this is only the third year of its work as a diocesan class, its usefulness and permanence begin to be an assured fact.

St. Mary's church, the Rev. C. Frederick

Brookins, rector, has recently been repaired and renovated, both outside and in. The interior decoration is very tasteful and beautiful, and the whole effect is such as to make it one of the pleasantest places of worship in the city.

All Saints' church, the Rev. W. Rix Attwood, rector, has since January, 1895, been able to reduce its debt by the payment of \$3,000. The people are greatly encouraged, and hope in time to cancel the entire indebtedness.

Los Angeles

Jos. H. Johnson, D.D., Bishop

The Rev. Wm. Hart who took charge of the mission in the northern part of Santa Barbara county, a few months ago, is "approving himself" as a good workman. His headquarters are at St. Mary's church, Lompoc, and he has congregations also at Los Olivos, Santa Ynez, and Santa Maria.

SANTA BARBARA.—Trinity church was visited by Bishop Johnson, on Oct. 28th, the festival of SS. Simon and Jude, and a class of 13 was confirmed.

DUARTE.—This beautiful settlement, nestling under the mountains which form the northern wall of the San Gabriel Valley, was the scene of an interesting service on the morning of All Saints' Day. The congregation of All Saints' mission have worshiped in a rented hall ever since the organization of the mission six years ago; but now they are determined to possess their own house of God. The building fund is already large enough to warrant beginning to build; and on All Saints' Day the corner-stone was laid by Bishop Johnson. The service was that in the Priests' Prayer Book. Addresses were given by the Bishop and the Rev. Dr. Trew, of whose parish at San Gabriel the mission was originally a part; the Rev. John H. McCrackan, missionary in charge; Mr. Bakewell Phillips, a member of the diocesan board of missions, and Mr. Benton, the architect who has drawn the designs for the church. The walls of the church will be of broken granite boulders, taken from the mountains near by.

GARVANZA.—On All Saints' Day a Confirmation service was held in the beautiful memorial church of the Angels. Several of the clergy from Los Angeles and Pasadena were present. The Rev. A. G. L. Trew said Evening Prayer, the lessons being read by the Rev. Messrs. Dyer and Robinson. The Rev. Henderson Judd, priest in charge, presented six candidates, one being the Bishop's son. The Rev. Wyllys Hall, D.D., presented three from All Saints' parish, Pasadena. The Bishop's address was one of peculiar power, and was given with deep feeling. In the opening of his address he mentioned that the church had been placed by the trustees in his charge, that he had accepted the trust, and that the church would henceforward be the Bishop's chapel.

Iowa

Wm. Stevens Perry, D.D., LL. D., Bishop

The convocation of the Waverly deanery was held in Trinity church, Emmetsburg, the Rev. Dr. Jackson, rector, Nov. 17th and 18th. The opening session was devoted to a conference on "The priest's spirituality; how to maintain it," led by a paper presented by Dean Quinn. In the evening at 7:30, the dean delivered a sermon from John i: 42, on "The science and art of soul saving." Wednesday the exercises began with the Holy Communion at 7:30, Dr. Jackson, celebrant. At 10:30 there was a sermon on "The indwelling of the Holy Spirit," which was full of suggestive thought; 3:30 p. m., the session was given up to Sunday school work, and a paper was read by the dean on "The Sunday school teachers' qualifications." Special emphasis was laid upon (1) personal godliness, (2) consistent daily living, (3) ample knowledge. There was a lively discussion after the paper was read, in which all the workers participated. After Evening Prayer was said, the dean gave a brief address on mission work, followed by addresses by Messrs. Muller and Bowen.

At St. Paul's church, Des Moines, the Rev. J.

Everist Cathell, rector, the public benediction of a chime of eleven bells, made by the McShane Bell Foundry, of Baltimore, Md., took place on Sunday, Nov. 15th. Governor Drake and his staff were present. The special service used was from an old office of A. D. 1229. The bells are appropriately inscribed, respectively: In glory and worship of Almighty God, and in honor of the organization of the parish and its first rector, the first and second Bishops of Iowa, the present rector, church-wardens and vestrymen, the President, the Governor, the Sunday school, and the parochial societies. It is the first chime introduced into this capital city of the State.

On Dec. 2, there is to be a chime inaugural sacred concert, under the direction of Henry B. Roney, of Grace church, Chicago, assisted by the well-known chime ringer of Washington, D. C., and the vested choir of the parish, consisting of 75 mixed voices. The chime, the organ, and the choir will render a chorus composed for the occasion by Mr. Roney, with words from Bishop Coxé and from Tennyson.

Central New York

Frederic D. Huntington, S. T. D., LL. D., Bishop

□The Rev. William G. Gibson, D.D., LL.D., for many years editor of *The Church Eclectic*, died suddenly of apoplexy soon after midnight on Nov. 23rd. He had been for about a quarter of a century chaplain of the State Hospital for the Insane, at Utica, resigning but a few weeks since. The funeral service took place at Grace church, Utica, Wednesday, Nov. 25th. The body, vested in cassock, alb, chasable, amice, and stole, with a 14th century crucifix of silver dependent upon the breast, rested before the high altar, while a low requiem Celebration was offered by the rector in the presence of family and friends. Priests in succession kept vigil beside the remains until the hour for the final rites. The office for the dead was chanted to Gregorian music by the full surpliced choir of Grace church, the Bishop of the diocese conducting it. The hymn sung as the procession passed to the choir was "Brief life is here our portion." Servants of the State Asylum for the Insane, at Utica, bore the coffin, attended by surpliced priests as pall bearers. The rector of St. George's, Utica, read the lesson, which was followed by the hymn, "The King of love my Shepherd is," and the lesser litany. The blessings from the visitation and Eucharistic offices were bestowed pontifically before the coffin, which was then removed in procession as "O Paradise," was sung. The vestments of the church and clergy were of white. As the cortege proceeded to Forest Hill cemetery, it passed through a line of the attendants of the Insane Hospital, who stood with uncovered heads. The committal of the body and the final acts by the rector of St. Luke's, at the cemetery, were most affecting. The vestments in which the deceased priest was clothed were made and embroidered in London by the East Grinstead Sisters and presented to him some years ago, after the occasion of his celebrating the requiem of the Rev. Fr. Lewis, at Grace church, Utica, from which some of the diocesan clergy "fled in fear of the powers above them." The crucifix was also presented him upon the occasion of the dinner in honor of his 69th birthday.

Alabama

Richard H. Wilmer, DD., LL.D., Bishop
Henry Melville Jackson, D.D., Coadjutor Bishop

The Birmingham convocation held its fall meeting in St. Luke's church, Jacksonville, on Nov. 18-20. Sermons were delivered by the Rev. Messrs. J. F. Goldman, J. F. John, and O. P. Fitzsimmons. There were discussions on "Missionary work in the convocation," by the Rev. Dr. Beard, dean of the convocation; "Can our present convocational methods be improved," by the Rev. J. F. Smith; "Shall the clergy be called or sent," the Rev. W. L. Mellichampe; "Negro evangelization," by the Rev. J. A. Van Hoose; "Methods of Sunday school work," by the Rev. W. C. Whitaker; "Where are our departed loved ones—in Heaven, in Purgatory, or

in Paradise," the Rev. W. H. Mitchell. The Holy Communion was celebrated each day. A devotional meeting for men only was held under the auspices of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, Bishop Jackson preaching.

Indiana

John Hazen White, D.D., Bishop

Mrs. Susan F. Avery, of the church of the Ascension, Chicago, has given a lot in Hammond to St. Paul's parish, towards paying the debt on its church. Lots near the one given by Mrs. Avery sold one year ago for \$850. The ladies of the parish have made a payment on the indebtedness, and a new library has been bought for the Sunday school.

Washington, D. C.

Henry Yates Satterlee, D.D., Bishop.

The tower of the church of the Epiphany was so badly damaged by the recent severe storm, that it has been necessary to remove the upper portion, which was of wood. The masonry, which was also loosened, will be strengthened, and a temporary tin roof put on. A plan has been submitted to the vestry for a brick tower with stone finials, and it is hoped that sufficient funds will soon be received for this purpose. This tower, with its shining cross catching the sunlight, has so long been a well-known landmark, that it is greatly missed, and the wish will be general that it may soon be replaced.

The centennial celebration of the founding of St. John's church, Georgetown, was observed by services of much interest, on Sunday, Nov. 15th. There was an early Celebration at 7:30, and at the 11 o'clock service, the rector, the Rev. Charles E. Buck, delivered an historical sermon. This was the second parish formed within the present limits of the city. The Rev. Walter D. Addison, from whose family so many of the clergy of Maryland have come, held the first services there in 1794, and two years later there is a record of a meeting for the purpose of raising a subscription for a church building, which was soon begun. It was not finished, however, until 1806; and in 1809 it was consecrated by Bishop Clagett, the first Bishop of Maryland. The first church was solidly built, and though many alterations and additions have since been made, the foundation and side walls still remain. The Rev. John J. Sayres was the first rector, remaining till his death, in 1808. A tablet to his memory is seen within the church, bearing an inscription written by Francis S. Key, author of "The Star-spangled Banner," who took much interest in the parish, and was a warm friend of its first rector. Among the many rectors who have ministered at St. John's have been some of the most eminent clergy of the American Church. The Rev. Dr. Stephen H. Tyng was one of the earlier and the Rev. Dr. Lindsay, now of Boston, among the later, rectors. The church has been enlarged and beautified, from time to time; a tower has been added, and a rectory and Sunday school room built. At the evening service on the 15th, addresses were made by the Bishop and the Rev. J. A. Register, the predecessor of the present rector, the Rev. Charles E. Buck.

The Churchman's League held its autumn meeting in the Epiphany parish rooms, on the evening of Nov. 23rd. The attendance was large, and after the opening prayers, said by the Rev. Chas. E. Buck, some routine business was transacted, President Melville Church being in the chair. A motion to change the name from The Churchman's League of the District of Columbia to that of the Diocese of Washington was lost. Six new members were elected, and an invitation to hold the next meeting in Trinity parish was accepted. On motion of the Rev. Dr. J. H. Elliott, the president was authorized to appoint additional members on the committee on Sunday observance. The League listened with much interest to addresses from the Rev. W. R. Turner, and Mr. Wm. H. Horton, who gave a graphic description of the recent convention of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew at Pittsburgh.

On Nov. 17th, there was a large gathering of Churchwomen in St. John's parish hall to hear an address from the general secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary, Miss Emery, who gave an interesting account of the services lately held in connection with the Missionary Council, especially those commemorating the 25th anniversary of the formation of the Woman's Auxiliary. She also spoke in regard to many practical points of the work, and gave an explanation of the plan of the United Offering, for the benefit of any to whom it might not be familiar, expressing the hope that the next offering to be made, when the General Convention meets in Washington, may be as much in excess of the last as that exceeded the previous one.

Louisiana

Davis Sessums, D.D., Bishop

NEW ORLEANS.—The Church Training School for Deaconesses opened for its second year on Saturday, Nov. 7th. There was a short service preparatory to the delivery of certificates for proficiency. Short addresses were made by the warden, by Dr. Percival, the Rev. Messrs. F. I. Paradise, E. W. Hunter, and H. H. Waters. Eighteen special students received certificates for proficiency. Miss Meta Grimshaw, Miss Edith Sansom, and Miss H. K. Butler, being candidates for the order of deaconesses, received special certificates. After the exercises the warden enrolled 19 new pupils. The school opens this year with two classes, junior and senior, for each professor, as the canons prescribe a two years' course. The number of those who attended the lectures last session was much larger than the list of names of those awarded certificates would signify. The standing of an examination at the end of any session is purely voluntary, save in the case of those that are candidates for the order of deaconesses, and certificates are awarded only to those who take one or more of the courses, and pass a satisfactory examination in the same.

SHREVEPORT.—The chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew of St. Mark's church, besides its own work among men, intends to raise a good sum for diocesan missions. The new pipe organ is now paid for, the ladies of the parish Aid Society being successful in raising the needed money.

Georgia

Cleland Kinlock Nelson, D.D., Bishop

On All Saints' Day, the Rev. Richard Bright celebrated his fifth anniversary as rector of St. Stephen's church, Savannah. During this time there have been 122 Baptisms, 15 marriages, 97 confirmed, and 56 burials. A new organ has been purchased, a debt on the sidewalk paid, the rectory repaired, and new curbing put around the sidewalk. There have been provided a brass altar cross and vases, new credence, new Communion service, alms basins, banners for Sunday school, besides repairs and improvements to the church. The renting of pews has been abolished. A kitchen garden, sewing school, kindergarden, and primary school have been established, and the parish has become not only self-supporting, but contributes to the help of others. Mr. Bright is a graduate of the General Theological Seminary of New York, in the class of '91, and was elected to the rectorship of St. Stephen's before he was ordained.

AUGUSTA.—On Sunday morning, Nov. 22nd, the church of the Good Shepherd was destroyed by fire. About nine o'clock smoke and flames were seen issuing from the belfry, and in a short while, in spite of all efforts to the contrary, the whole structure was a mass of ruins. Providentially nearly all the handsome memorials were rescued. The furniture was also gotten out, but not altogether without damage. The greatest losses were the bell and a fine memorial stained glass window above the altar. The insurance will not cover the whole loss. It has been determined to rebuild immediately, and, if nothing prevents, it is thought the parishioners will be able to worship in the new church on Easter Day next.

The Living Church

Rev. C. W. Leffingwell, Editor and Proprietor

A PRISONER in a New York police court, accused of appropriating other people's money for his own use, pleaded guilty, but alleged in extenuation that he had a "clergyman's mind." This was explained to the puzzled judge and jury as signifying that the prisoner's life and training had made him "abnormally deficient in knowledge of worldly matters," and consequently he did not appreciate the fact that to help himself to the property of other people was a crime against morality. Here is a curious paradox. One of the most important functions of the ministers of religion of almost all denominations is to teach the principles of morality and to exhort and admonish their followers to lead honest and upright lives. The common-sense of the community recognizes this, and no class of men are so generally trusted and so safely trusted as those who are recognized as Christian ministers. Yet now and then such charges are made as that quoted above. The fact is that when a Christian minister is guilty of dishonesty or breach of trust, the glaring inconsistency of it makes it conspicuous. But such cases are extremely rare. Deficient knowledge of worldly affairs does not produce any kind of moral obliquity. Its ordinary result is to make a man too easy a victim of plausible appeals to his charity. It is his own money that is lost.

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An Object Lesson

THE "unchangeable" character of modern Romanism has received some peculiar illustrations within the present generation. That afforded by the Vatican Council has often been noticed. Before that Council, Roman Catholics in England and America were constantly taught that papal infallibility was not and could not be a part of the creed of the Church. But since 1870 it has become an article of faith necessary to salvation. During the time of Pius IX., Newman was regarded as an object of suspicion, a "neo-Catholic," almost a heretic. Leo XIII., on his accession, took the side of such neo-Catholics, made Newman a cardinal, and turned the cold shoulder to the other faction. In France a corresponding policy surprised and disconcerted the party which had before been dominant. But it was in the United States that the liberal policy of Pope Leo was exhibited on the largest scale. It appeared certain that he had decided that it was all-important that the Roman Church be brought into closer touch with the American people. Those ecclesiastics who were on all hands recognized as the advocates of this progressive policy were taken into highest favor at Rome, and no pains were spared to make it evident that the Pope had made their views his own.

The foundation of the university at Washington was one of the most conspicuous evidences of this policy. The old college at Georgetown, which in the natural course of things would have been the nucleus of the university, was passed by, probably because its traditions were too firmly established, and a new foundation was laid. The president and professors were chosen from the progressive party, and with studied disregard for that order which had been best known for its connection with education.

This university seemed, therefore, intended to undertake the propagation of the new views.

Monsignor Satolli arrived as the legate of the Pope, and immediately threw himself into the arms of the Americanizing leaders, the neo-Catholics. For a long time his decisions in the various cases which came before him were such as favored the progressives. Archbishop Ireland's projects were warmly approved, while the Archbishop of New York was obliged to submit to the reversal of his decisions, and to make in public something very like an act of submission. The Americanizing party was exultant and felt that the future was in its hands. Its leaders became bold, aggressive, and outspoken. There was not lacking a very human element of rejoicing over the discomfiture of their enemies. Yet it must have crossed the minds of some, that the continued presence of the papal legate, long after the settlement of the matters which occasioned his mission, boded no good to their cause.

Whatever mutterings of the coming storm may have been felt in some quarters, to most the events of the last few weeks have all the suddenness of thunder out of a clear sky. Satolli is summoned to give place to a successor, and hardly has he set foot upon the shores of Europe when it is announced that, through his representations, the Pope has reversed the policy hitherto pursued. The university is first attacked. The president is compelled to resign, and it is announced that the faculty is to be reorganized. The newspapers teem with reports from the centres of Roman influence, and especially from Rome itself, indicating that all those who have taken the lead in carrying on the policy the Pope had so emphatically sanctioned, are now under the ban. They are denounced as neo-Catholics and even as heretics, and more than one telegram from Rome has asserted that in Satolli's report to the Pope, Archbishop Ireland is accused as the head and front of this offending.

Here is a complete reaction. The two confident leaders are taken by surprise, and are unwilling to believe in the possibility of such a reversal of all their plans. Some of them have had the strongest evidences of the Pope's attachment and confidence, and it is not surprising that they are inclined to receive these announcements with amazement and incredulity. But the reports are too persistent and explicit to leave much doubt that the "American policy" has ceased to enjoy the favor of the Vatican. Whatever degree of punishment may be meted out to the leaders who in good faith endeavored to carry out the expressed will of the Pope, it appears clear that it is the other faction which is now to dominate.

This reactionary policy seems to have been adopted all along the line. In England the Roman mission has now set itself in an antagonism to the Church of England never so plainly declared since the age of Elizabeth and James I. In France, also, there are indications that the old intractable ultramontanism is to be again enforced.

These developments are a practical commentary on the much vaunted immutability of Rome. A certain course of things is deliberately sanctioned by the Vatican, and effective measures are set on foot to carry it out. Then, of a sudden, a change takes place, and the chief agents of this policy are censured, and even stigmatized as heretics,

for their part in it. Surely, it must be extremely inconvenient, to say the least, to serve a master who is liable at any moment to repudiate his own plans and punish those who were engaged in carrying them out. It appears that what was sound doctrine on one day may become heresy the next.

These events illustrate the doctrine of papal infallibility. One account says that the Pope was led astray by bad advisers, and that he is now taking the reins into his own hands. He was certainly led astray for a long time. It is many years since he took the line of favoring democracy. There was every reason to believe that the initiative came from himself. His utterances, long before his elevation to the Papacy, pointed in the liberal direction. His earliest acts were of a piece with this. In his numerous appeals for unity he has seemed to be struggling against his environment. We are to suppose that during all that time he was simply in the hands of evil counsellors. This is a dubious outlook for infallibility. The world in general is hardly prepared to believe that now, in extreme old age, the true Leo XIII. is for the first time manifesting himself.

Another consideration suggests itself in this connection. If the Roman Church in America is to settle back again upon its old lines, those who have been in dread of its encroachments in this country may dismiss their fears. Rome arraying itself in the garments of nationality and patriotism, and cultivating relations of sympathy with American ideas and aspirations, might indeed make some headway among our people, and in time become a formidable power in the land. But Rome clinging to its old foreign guise and aspect, and maintaining the character of an alien camp, dominated by a foreign despotism, among a people with whom it disdains to come into congenial touch, can arouse no reasonable apprehension. Such a policy, if steadily pursued, can only result in failure, for not only is it incapable of conciliating the native population, but it cannot maintain the hold of the Church upon the descendants of its own people as they become assimilated to the environment of their adopted country.

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Five-Minute Talks

BY CLINTON LOCKE

XCIII.

ANSWER me this question: Is there one way to transact secular business and another way to transact religious business? Is it wrong, in your eyes, to neglect for one moment your store, and not wrong to neglect for weeks your Church? Is it incumbent on you, as a man of honor, to live up to your business engagements, but not so binding on you, as a Christian, to keep your religious obligations? In a word, if you, as a clerk toward an employer, as a member of a business firm, as a housekeeper, as a mother of children, as a member of society, should in those capacities, display no more promptitude, care, attention, devotion, than you display in the discharge of your directly religious duties, how would your employer like it, or the other members of your firm, or how would your home look, or what manners and appearance would your children have, or how long would you be tolerated in society?

Let us leave generalities. Take the conduct of the temporal affairs of a parish.

Men are chosen to manage its finances. They are honorable business men. The whole community regard them as models of honor, and they are. Examine their business affairs and look over their books. The decks are all clear. There is no rope towing overboard, and all things are ship-shape. Now look at the parish affairs over which they preside. Salaries promised and never paid, or half paid, or paid long after due; accounts allowed to accumulate; repairs neglected; the whole thing as slipshod as well may be. Is not this too often the case, and why is it so? Because it has never occurred to these men that just as much, nay, much more, because so much more sacred, were honor and attention needed for God's affairs as for secular affairs. Act this way in the world, and see whether you will get good words for it.

We often see the same thing in philanthropic institutions, which we may well consider God's affairs, for they rest upon the religion of God. You will often see the affairs of large charities placed in the care of keen, active, perfectly straight, and square business men, whose own interests are managed with wonderful precision, and you will see those sacred trusts neglected, carried on with unbusinesslike carelessness, trusted to one and the other, postponed, superficially arranged, and often there comes out of it all a sad revelation of misused or neglected funds, while those who are properly blamed are perfect models of honor and probity.

Take church-going and store-going. Every morning the man is at his business; nothing keeps him from it but the grip of some disease which will not let him out of the house. He may feel inert, but he goes. He may have a headache, but off he starts, and when he is there, how interested he is, how absorbed, how alert, how devoted. That is store-going; and now take the same man, and look at his church-going. What a contrast! "I have a little headache, I do not think I will go to church." "It rains hard and it is so cold, I will not venture out." "I feel tired; I will stay home and rest." And often when he goes, how he lolls about and looks around and lets his mind wander. Yes, you say, but one is business, to which we must attend, or we will lose our place, or our money; and the other is—Well, what is it? Is it an unimportant thing? Is it not God's business? Is it not a very holy, a very solemn, a very urgent, affair? Does not the welfare of the soul depend very much upon it? Can it be neglected with impunity? Think of those words of your Master in Malachi: "A son honor-eth his father, and a servant his master: if then I be a father, where is Mine honor, and if I be a master, where is My fear?" A man has a dinner engagement, and you know there is no greater social crime than to put off or decline to carry out such an engagement when once made. A great many things will be forgiven you in the world, but not that; and so the man, although tired out, feeling ill, ready to give anything if he could only stay at home, does not dare to do it, but goes, wind and weather and all things else opposing.

But how is it about his sacred engagement to teach a Sunday school class every Sunday morning? Does that have equal weight with him? Does he rouse himself from his apathy? does he shake off his bad feelings? does he affront all kinds of weather, to fulfill that? One is pleasure, you plead, and the

other is merely voluntary duty. Yes, but the underlying principle—does not the one call as loudly as the other for self-sacrifice? Will the world accept such service as is offered to your God? You know it would not. In old Jerusalem, we read in Malachi, that the priests got careless about their duties, and took all sorts of animals for sacrifices, and the old prophet says very pointedly: "Offer this sort of thing to thy civil governor. Will he be pleased with thee or accept thy person?"

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The Pope's "Bull"

BY THE REV. J. H. WATSON

There is really no reason why we of the Anglican branch of the Catholic Church should be disturbed by the Pope's Bull in regard to the validity of our orders; nor need we be disappointed in our esteem of his Holiness, as having an earnest desire for Church unity. A little examination of what he does *not* say, will show that he could hardly have put forth a more favorable pronouncement on the subject, and that this opinion is really a great support to the actual validity of our orders.

In the first place, he says nothing of the old stale objections made by Romanists, such as the Nag's Head fable, and supposed failures of succession. In fact, he casts these all aside, as does every respectable historian, and sets his "infallible" seal upon them as nonsense. No Romanist henceforth should dare to bring any argument against English orders except the one upon which the Pope rests the whole case: namely, the alleged imperfection of the Edwardine ritual, together with the failure of "Intention." He practically admits that, if it were not for this imperfection, the orders would be valid.

His Holiness shows much shrewdness as well as wisdom, and kindly feeling to the English Church, clearing away all objections except the one. Of course he was compelled to pronounce our orders invalid. Cardinal Vaughan and the Jesuits would not have allowed him to do otherwise. Leo XIII., however, wished to disapprove of English orders for reasons which would not be a reproach to his intelligence, and, at the same time, to leave a loop-hole by which the real validity of our orders could be inferred. He therefore declares that the Edwardine ordinal was fatally imperfect because it omitted the delivery of the chalice and paten, and the giving authority to offer the Sacrifice of the Mass. This is considered by many Romanists the very substance of the ordination to the priesthood. Judged by this standard, therefore, the priesthood was not conveyed to any of those ordained by our bishops. The words in our present form, "Be thou a faithful dispenser of the Word of God and of His holy Sacraments," were not added till a century later, and thus, Leo says, during this interval the succession of our priesthood was lost.

Technically this seems all right. It may satisfy Cardinal Vaughan and the Jesuits and others who do not examine the case carefully. But really this proves too much. The Greek Church does not have this *Porrectio Instrumentorum*, so that all their orders are invalid. Still worse, the Roman Church did not have it for ten centuries, and therefore all its orders are invalid. The Pope sits on a limb and saws it off between himself and the trunk!

To prove this, I need only quote from the

Compendiosa Bibliotheca Liturgica, by Aloysius Ma. a Carpo, a work which is certified by the best Roman authorities as correct. He says (p. 637., Artic. VI *de Presbyteratu*, 79.) "Formerly the rite of this ordination, both in the East and the West, was shorter and more simple. For the bishop, with the priests of his Church, laid hands on the ordinand, reciting prayers. From the sixth century, however, in the Western Churches of Gaul and Spain and the African, unction was added also to prayer; and this, after the ninth century, obtained in the Roman and other Latin Churches; while the Churches of the East nowhere used that unction, preserving the more ancient discipline. From the tenth century also the Latins began to deliver to the ordinands the sacerdotal instruments, which rite has obtained in all the Churches from the twelfth century to our time. Among those prayers which we read in the Roman Pontifical (*c. de ordinat. Sacerd.*), the most ancient of all is that which is said in the third place with the imposition of hands; and this the more ancient rituals call 'consecration.' The last prayer, indeed, 'Receive the Holy Spirit,' is wanting in rituals more ancient than the twelfth century, and perhaps began to obtain everywhere after the fourteenth century. So, from the fourteenth century also, the Canon of the Mass, as we now see it placed among the customs, began to be recited by those to be ordained presbyters together with the bishop.

I do not believe the Pope is really so simple as to make such a "Bull" as this—from ignorance, but rather that he did it designedly. He bases the invalidity of our orders upon a technical difference from the Roman practice of the present day, which can easily be refuted by a reference to antiquity. He satisfies the Jesuits and need not make us feel uncomfortable.

It is to be hoped there will be none of our clergy taken in by such a device, to doubt their orders. Perhaps his Holiness intends later to extend an invitation to those who feel the bottom has dropped out by this decision, to come to the Roman Church and have their orders made good without complete re-ordination, but only the additional pronouncement of this omitted part. This action would be really dangerous, because it might beguile some unstable souls who know no better than to go over to Rome when the way is made so easy.

Marriage and Divorce

FROM THE ADDRESS OF RT. REV. F. K. BROOKE, D.D.,
AT THE ANNUAL CONVOCATION HELD AT
MUSKOGEE, IND. TER., TUESDAY, OCT. 6TH, 1896.

It is a source of great satisfaction to us all in Oklahoma that one of the great moral evils of our society has been in some measure abated by the passage by the United States Congress of the law requiring a year's residence in any of the territories before a petition for divorce can be filed. For a time, and in a large degree, this puts an end to the shameless traffic in easy divorce which attracted to our region so many guilty or foolish and light-minded people, and gave us such unpleasant notoriety in the land. I am heartily grateful, and am glad to know that the bill received the support and encouragement of our congressional delegate. Let us continue, however, to hold up the standard of the sacredness of marriage and the home.

Let us find opportunity from time to time to rebuke the lawless and sad folly that yet pervades and degrades many minds, and to uproot and shame the selfishness that supposes that easy divorce is better than faithful bearing of a burden of a union into which discord or sorrow has come.

Let us not permit our people for a moment to rest in the grievous mistake that to be happy in marriage is more important than to be true and loyal and patient and long-suffering in that holy bond. It is the sin of the day, this thing of measuring the right and wrong of things by the pain or pleasure they give; this childish willingness to throw off a sacred burden of sworn duty and solemn responsibility because it chafes and oppresses. Let there be no doubt in the minds of those who receive the Church's teaching that the marriage service means something when it says "for better, for worse," and that it is deadly sin against God and our own truest good and happiness, and a crime against good social order to try to shake off the solemn vows because our turn has come to bear the "worse" as well as the "better." It is almost inevitable that the "worse" should come. The man or woman who does not show disappointing traits, concealed foibles and weaknesses, in the intimacy of married life, which were not seen, or which romance glossed over, or courtesy and self-interest concealed, in former acquaintance—such a man or woman is an impossibility; and it should be plainly taught that the husband who looks away from the faded, fretful, slovenly, or even shrewish and unkind wife, to let his heart and longing rest upon some other woman who he thinks would make a better wife than the wreck of his old romance; or the woman that turns her eyes upon some man that seems richer, brighter, finer, and more of a gentleman than the man whose coarseness and sensuality and stinginess disappoint and grieve her; sins in that deadliest of sins, and comes under the solemn admonition of the Saviour of mankind: they have "committed adultery already in their hearts," even though they wait for the forms of law to sanction the sin and consummate it.

God pity the poor souls that have learned to think that present happiness and comfort, at the price of broken vows, a scattered family, worse than orphaned children, and a guilty conscience, are more to be desired than patient endurance of a hard and sordid lot and loyal clinging to a disappointing and irritating husband or wife. And God forgive those who preach and foster any such morals. They are the enemies of the family and the State. I am glad and grateful that the Church of which we are ministers and members helps us by her laws to hold up the truer standard of marriage and the home.

Labor Troubles and the Church

FROM THE NEW YORK *Evening Post*.

Our social salvation is to come, if at all, through influencing and educating workmen in a way to counteract the teachings and power of their misguided or unscrupulous leaders. For this work the Church has special fitness, in many ways, and special opportunities.

In the matter of personal sympathy, for example, the agencies and methods of Church work can easily influence laboring people in a thousand-fold more practical and helpful ways than a mere theoretic endorse-

ment of trades-unionism or an eight-hour day. We are constantly forgetting the importance of the personal element in labor troubles. In the efforts to help the East-side tailors in their strike for more endurable conditions of life and work, we see the effective power of Christian sympathy. The people who took up the cause of the tailors did not do it as a Church, though we believe they were nearly all Church people. But they brought their personal influence to bear on workmen and contractors alike, and did more in that way to promote the well-being of the men and women concerned than could have been done by a dozen sermons in praise of trades-unions and socialism. In such kinds of outside effort, and by insisting that Christian men shall accept and live up to the Christian doctrine of the duty of employers to be considerate towards their servants, the Church has it in its power to "reach workingmen" with an efficiency that the sensational preachers do not dream of.

The directly educating work of the Church in behalf of the laboring classes can no longer be done in the old way, possible before their alienation from it. The teaching of the pulpit scarcely affects them at all at present, and that of Sunday schools, but a little. Good results are to be looked for rather through the modern extension of the work of the Church on its social side. We refer to the clubs and reading-rooms and lecture halls which so many churches are beginning to support, with the special aim of drawing into them people who cannot be drawn to the more formally religious services. Through such agencies not only may the valuable element of personal influence be made effective, but actual and direct instruction of a needed kind be given. By lectures and informal discussions, under competent direction, and by keeping the right kind of periodical literature and books in the reading-rooms and circulating libraries, many a crazy notion may be dissipated and many a true idea implanted.

No one who considers the strength of ignorance and folly in this country as displayed in some of the social experiences we have been going through for the past two years, can fail to be impressed by the magnitude of the work of education necessary to make head against it. The largest part of this work must undoubtedly be done by stern experience. Starvation and imprisonment and musketry are the only schoolmasters for a certain sort of invincible ignorance. But there is also a great deal to be done in the way of breaking down social prejudices, and removing false impressions, and spreading abroad more rational ideas, respecting those subjects on which workingmen are so easily led astray, and there is here a peculiar opportunity for the Church, to which, it seems to us, it is only beginning to be awake

of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, "Whenever in the past the Church has sought strength in worldly power * * * in temporalities and endowments, she has perceptibly weakened." And probably no one will deny the statement of the Bishop of Pittsburgh that the missionary work of laymen organized in "Laymen's Leagues," "is done on the right principle."

Recognizing these truths, it seems that certain deductions may be made: 1st, We ought to have more "Laymen's Leagues" in order, 2nd, To make the Church a *de facto* national Catholic Church; *i. e.*, to realize the ideal of having a place of worship within reach of the whole population in city and country. 3rd, That we should encourage more mission congregations and make them possible by using the "reserve force" of the laity; *e. g.*, as a city grows, say at the rate of 10,000 souls a year, the number of mission congregations should grow at the rate of one a year at least. 4th, That provision for the "means of grace" may be had through unmarried priests living in community, and not by dependence solely upon parish organizations or parochial missions.

This implies that a policy of having "few and strong" parishes may be a mistaken one. The writer believes that parochialism which opposes missions because it will weaken parishes, is not of God, because he has not been convinced that the strong parish is a better agency than the small mission congregation. That is to say, it is not proven that in large and strong parishes individuals give more money and service toward the performance of their first duty, *viz.*: "to make other people Christians." On the contrary, it is his impression that while the aggregate work of large and strong parishes may be impressive, there is a distinct tendency to a misdirection of energy and money, a large proportion of waste, a temptation to erect buildings, to multiply organizations and machinery, in short, to substitute parochial well-being for the extension of the kingdom. It also seems to the writer that the policy which advocates "few and strong parishes" is largely responsible for the gap between the Church and the plain citizens, that if the Church really wants to get in touch with the poor as a Church and not as a humanitarian institution, it must provide for their worship and instruction and spiritual food by organizing more congregations, using both laymen and priests living in associate missions. Then we will not have to relegate the plain people to back seats because expenses are so high, and will not be so apt to hear from the respectable warden "that there is not \$100 in the whole Confirmation class for the support of St. Midas." Whoever opposes the idea of poor and smaller congregations would answer Cardinal Manning's argument for them. (Purcell's Life.) It may not be denied that Manning was experienced and practical and wise.

Further, this plan of evangelizing cities and towns by the use of laymen and those annihilators of distance, the bicycle, the trolley, and the steam cars, should be considered because it affords an outlet for lay activity. Any Brotherhood of St. Andrew man who has served a sufficient probationary time and "who can read distinctly, and give the sense, and cause [the people] to understand the reading" (Ezra viii: 8), is fit for the work of reader. As the sense of value of service is being developed, the field for lay service must be extended.

Finally one word to laymen: Are we not called upon to decide whether the Church is to remain practically a sect while theoretically she claims Catholicity, if we prefer the "few and strong parish" theory? LAY READER.

Buffalo, N. Y.

A QUEER MISTAKE

To the Editor of *The Living Church*:

May I ask you to say through the columns of your paper, that I am the possessor of an even half of a remarkable coincidence. For ten days past we have been receiving from various parishes over the land, beautifully made aprons, addressed to Miss Mazie M. Smith, treasurer St. Agnes Guild, 1345 2nd Ave., Cedar Rapids, Ia.

Letters to the Editor

A PLEA FOR MORE MISSION CONGREGATIONS

To the Editor of *The Living Church*:

I presume no one will dissent from the late Archbishop of Canterbury's dictum that the "first duty of a Christian is to make other people Christians," because all recognize the duty of missionary work of laymen as well as clergymen, and know that if a baptized Christian is not doing such work he is neglecting his first duty.

It is a matter of history which also, I presume, will not be denied, that, as the Rev. James S. Stone, D.D., said at the Pittsburgh convention

These are sent presumably in answer to a letter dated Nov. 9th.

There is such a young lady in our parish—that is her exact name, address, and office in St. Agnes Guild. But we have no "apron bazaar" on hand, nor have we ever written any letters of this sort.

The conclusion is inevitable, therefore, that our Miss Smith is duplicated somewhere, though how to account for the address and all I do not know. But if the rightful beneficiary of this "apron" harvest will communicate with me, I shall gladly send what we have on hand, and a few more as our donation—and will guilds who are about to send aprons please be sure of the right address?

THOS. E. GREEN,
Rector Grace church.

Cedar Rapids, Ia.

DR. PERCIVAL'S "INVOCATION OF SAINTS"

To the Editor of *The Living Church*:

I hope you will allow me to say a few words with regard to the review of my book on "The Invocation of Saints," which appeared in your issue of Nov. 21st.

Your reviewer complains of my making "sweeping statements;" but I would beg to remind your readers that a "sweeping statement," if true, is the most valuable of all statements, because it rests, not upon a few isolated facts, but upon a view which includes a complete "sweep" of the whole subject. When I stated that "all Christian teachers and doctors" had approved the practice of invoking the saints, it is perfectly evident from the context that I was summing up the evidence given in chapter viii, and referred exclusively to the days before the Reformation. Your reviewer who (I am glad to see) entirely approves the practice, would not deny the truth of this "sweeping statement." He cites four other instances in which he charges me with misrepresentation:

1. I said that "the idea of Paradise being a place where imperfect souls are now cleansed and fitted for heaven, not only is unknown but is alien to the mind of every extant writer of antiquity," and to disprove this, your reviewer quotes a passage from Origen, in which he says he thinks "Paradise a sort of place of instruction, etc." But this is not "cleansing," which is what I denied.

2. I said that "no Father" denied "the particular judgment," and in opposition to this your reviewer quotes Lactantius! A peculiar sample of a "Father," as I pointed out on the next page of the very volume he is reviewing, but which I think he must have read very hastily, for I there took pains to quote Bishop Bull as saying of this new "Father:" "He was very little acquainted with the Holy Scriptures and the doctrine of the Church. In consequence he fell into the most serious and absurd errors." ("Invocation of Saints," p. 240.)

3. The next statement objected to is that "no one Father," etc., and in answer to this a sentence from Origen is quoted! Origen a "Father" of the Church! Had your reviewer forgotten the anathemas against him? The quotation from St. Chrysostom is *nil ad rem*, referring to the post-resurrection joys.

4. My fourth statement, that "no one Father can be quoted who denies beatitude to the saints before the Day of Judgment, unless possibly Irenæus," my reviewer tries to refute by quoting a short paragraph from St. Chrysostom, and one from Justin Martyr, neither of which treat of the matter at all. The other paragraph cited from St. Justin Martyr seems to be more to the point until it is read in its context, when it is evident that it is entirely irrelevant, since St. Justin is engaged in proving the truth of the Millenarian heresy! (Your reviewer gives no references with his citations; this passage is "Dial. with Trypho," chapter lxxx, and to understand its meaning, chapter lxxxi must likewise be read.)

Your reviewer's last words express "regret" that the argument of my book should be "so argely built" upon the saints being now in

heaven. Had he done me the honor of reading my book before reviewing it, he would have found on page xv the following words: "For the purposes of this discussion, the difference of opinion is immaterial, since the arguments which are used do not depend exclusively, nor even chiefly, upon the fact of the saints now enjoying the beatific vision of the Holy Trinity."

The fact that the Fathers "are not always at one with themselves," which your reviewer implies is a discovery of his own, I discuss in a long critical foot-note on page 240, which apparently has escaped his notice.

Perhaps I may close in the words of the recently translated "Passion of the Scillitan Martyrs" (Ante-Nicene Library, vol. ix, 1896), as an additional testimony of the second century to the truth of the position which your reviewer assails. "Nartzalus said: 'To-day we are martyrs in heaven, thanks be to God.' 'They all said: 'Thanks be to God.' And so they all together were crowned with martyrdom; and they reign with the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost for ever and ever. Amen."

HENRY R. PERCIVAL.

Philadelphia, Nov. 21st, 1896.

THE CONSOLIDATION OF CHURCHES

To the Editor of *The Living Church*:

I attended lately the convention of the Daughters of the King, and though I am not deaf, and the speakers (among them a bishop and an archdeacon) are able men and have powerful voices, I could not hear any of them satisfactorily; the point of more than one anecdote was lost by my failure to catch important words. The fact is, very few public speakers are capable of making themselves distinctly heard in a large building. There is a strong movement (a "fad," I call it) in favor of selling small churches and building one large edifice in place of every two or three small ones. Is it just and right, when a person (perhaps now deceased) has given money for the erection of a church at a given point, to use this money in establishing a different church, in a different place, and, perhaps, to spread different views? Further, would not this consolidation idea, if extensively adopted, cause a good part of the clergy to become mere "assistants?" A man can work usually with much more enthusiasm and success if he is an independent rector, though it be of a smaller church. It might be suggested, also, that the music of most choirs is more stirring and effective in a small church than in a large one. Finally, might not self-denial and generosity be greatly discouraged if the idea should prevail that, when a parish has run into debt, there is a royal (but most worldly) road to prosperity in the selling of some other parish's property? U. P. Z.

Opinions of the Press

The Church Times

ARE UNITARIANS CHRISTIANS?—We should hope we have heard the last from the Unitarians of their claim to the name of Christian. It will be remembered that a Mr. Voysey recently applied to the Advisory Committee of the Provincial Assembly for London for recognition as a Unitarian minister. Although the applicant refused to describe himself as a Christian, he was accepted by the authorities to whom he applied. A controversy has in consequence arisen among the Unitarians on the question whether Theists may be admitted to the Unitarian ministry, and the matter has been discussed at the autumnal assembly of "Non-Subscribing Churches" at Brighton. The upshot has been that the decision of the controversy has been referred to the "National Triennial Council of Unitarian Churches," which is to be held in Sheffield in April next. That must be a strange sort of Christian sect which has to keep its members waiting for half a year, until it has decided whether persons who refuse to call themselves Christians are eligible for its ministry.

Personal Mention

The Rev. Norman H. Burnham has accepted missionary work in Brooklyn N. Y.

The address of the Rev. John H. Babcock during the winter months will be Fresno, Cal.

The Rev. E. Jay Cooke has accepted the rectorship of St. Stephen's church, Schuylerville, Saratoga Co., N. Y., and will enter upon his duties Dec. 1st.

The Rev. M. G. Cassell has taken charge of St. Paul's, Carlowville, St. Peter's, Tylers, and the work at Orrville, Tilden, and Stanton, Ala.

The Rev. Henry Dunlop is missionary in charge of Miami and Biscayne Bay missions; permanent address, Buena Vista, Dade Co., Fla.

The Rev. Herbert C. Dana has accepted the rectorship of the parish of the Ascension, Auburn, R. I.

The Rev. Frank P. Harrington has resigned his relation to St. Thomas' church, Hamilton, N. Y., and accepted the rectorship of Trinity church, West Pittston, diocese of Central Pennsylvania.

The Rev. Hugh S. Martin has accepted mission work in Richmond, Va.

The Rev. Benjamin S. McKenzie has resigned the rectorship of St. Matthew's church, Hillsboro, N. C., to accept that of the church of the Good Shepherd, Rocky Mount, N. C.

The Rev. W. H. Mitchell has taken charge of St. John's, Forkland, St. Stephen's, Eutaw, and St. Mark's Boligee, Ala.

The Rev. Philip M. Rhinelander has taken charge of St. Alban's church, Washington, D. C.

The Rev. Thos. E. Swan has accepted charge of the church of the Transfiguration, Queens Co., N. Y.

To Correspondents

INQUIRER.—Rasmus R. Madsen, 93 Red Rock st., Liverpool, England, arranges for exchange of English and American Church papers.

Ordinations

At Trinity church, Newtown, Conn., Bishop Niles, acting for the Bishop of Missouri, ordained to the diaconate Mr. Frederick Foote Johnson. The candidate was presented by the Rev. Geo. Thomas Linsley, rector of the parish, Archdeacon Sherman reading the Epistle. The Bishop's sermon was from Phil. iii: 12.

Died

BEATTY.—Wm. H. Beatty, M.D., entered Paradise, Friday, Nov. 13th, at Birmingham, Ala., after a long and useful life. "May he rest in peace. O Lord, and may light perpetual shine upon him."

[*Churchman* and *Southern Churchman* please copy.]

PERRINE.—At Christ church rectory, Guilford, N. Y., Nov. 22d, 1896, in his 29th year, after a lingering and painful illness, but in the comfort of a reasonable and religious hope, William D. Perrine, younger son of the Rev. George G. Perrine.

IRWIN.—At Louisiana, Mo., Tuesday, Nov. 24, 1896, Mary Barre Irwin, aged 5 years, 1 month, and 14 days, daughter of James C. and the late Sophie Barre Irwin.

"Suffer little children to come unto me."

Appeal

(LEGAL title [for use in making wills]: The Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.)

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Remittances should be made to Mr. GEO. C. THOMAS, treasurer, 281 Fourth Avenue, New York. Communications to the REV. WM. S. LANGFORD, D.D., general secretary.

Church and Parish

ATTENTION.—A mission chapel, at Luther, now being enlarged through the self-denying efforts of a few needs pews and a carpet. Who will furnish money or carpet? Address the REV. W. P. LAW, general missionary, 151 S. Lafayette St., Grand Rapids, Mich.

WANTED.—A parish—a small one will answer—by a priest, single man, Churchy in teaching and work. Willing to work on small salary. Address X., LIVING CHURCH.

CHURCH ARCHITECT.—John Sutcliffe, 702 Gaff Building, Chicago, makes a specialty of churches. It will pay those expecting to build to communicate with him.

The Editor's Table

Kalendar for December, 1896

6. 2nd Sunday in Advent.	Violet.
13. 3rd Sunday in Advent.	Violet.
16. EMBER DAY.	Violet.
18. EMBER DAY.	Violet.
19. EMBER DAY.	Violet.
20. 4th Sunday in Advent.	Violet (Red at Evensong).
21. ST. THOMAS, Apostle.	Red.
25. CHRISTMAS DAY.	White.
26. ST. STEPHEN, Martyr.	Red.
27. ST. JOHN Evangelist 1st, Sunday after Christmas.	White.
28. The Innocents.	Violet.

Oh, Speed Thy Coming!

BY MRS. R. N. TURNER

Oh, speed Thy coming, King of kings!

Thou Lord of life divine!

Upon Thy waiting Church below,
Arise, we pray, and shine!

Lift up the clouds that darkly hang
Before our earthly sight,
And grant us, long-expected Lord,
The glory of Thy light!

The world is very far from Thee,—

Corrupt and dark her ways;

She seemeth not to know how near

Approach her latter days!

The centuries give their warning note,

But still she hath no fear—

While God from His great throne on high
In judgment draweth near!

In faith and love Thy Church awaits

The coming of her Lord,

Within this world of sin, alone

She holds the changeless Word!

In her Thy truth divine abides

With living power and light,

Oh, speed the time when faith shall be

Forever lost in sight!

The walls of Zion upward reach,

Her turrets point to Thee;

But weary hearts within her wait

Thy advent, Lord, to see!

Oh, speed Thy coming, King of kings!

Let earth's oppression cease!

May Thy diviner reign begin

In righteousness and peace!

Bristol, R. I., Advent, 1896.

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The Very Rev. E. A. Hoffman, D.D., D.C.L., LL.D.

DEAN OF THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL
SEMINARY

EUGENE AUGUSTUS HOFFMAN whose portrait our readers will be pleased to see in this issue, was born in New York, in 1829. He is of an old Knickerbocker family, one of his ancestors being Martinus Hoffman who came from Holland in 1640. Dean Hoffman graduated from Rutgers' College at the early age of eighteen years; entered Harvard University, where he took the bachelor's and master's degrees; graduating at the Theological Seminary in 1851, he was ordered deacon by Bishop Doane, and for two years was engaged in mission work in Grace church, Elizabethport, N. J.; he was rector of St. John's church, Elizabeth, for ten years. St. John's church was among the first in this country to have daily Morning and Evening Prayer and a weekly Celebration. In 1863 Dr. Hoffman became rector of St. Mary's church, Burlington, N. J., succeeding Bishop Doane who had been made Bishop of Albany. In 1879, he became dean of the General Theological Seminary, which he found greatly in debt. Through his able management and most generous contributions, the financial condition of the Seminary has undergone a great change for the better. Upon several occasions the dean has given \$75,000 to endow professorships;

the beautiful chapel of the Good Shepherd, which was built on the Seminary grounds a few years ago, is a memorial built by the dean's mother, at a cost of about \$200,000. Indeed, since Dr. Hoffman became connected with the Seminary, structure after structure has been erected, until the two quaint, gray stone buildings which belonged to the olden time have been almost hidden from view.

The Seminary grounds of to-day remind one of the old "Quads" in Cambridge or Oxford.

The inscription to Sir Christopher Wren in St. Paul's cathedral might well be written of Dean Hoffman in Chelsea Square—"Si monumentum requiris, circumspice!"

The dean's family consists only of Mrs. Hoffman; his three daughters are married, and his son, Samuel Verplanck Hoffman, is astronomical fellow in Johns Hopkins University. The earnest and successful labors of the dean have won him a conspicuous place in the Church. He is without parade of ability, the most unobtrusive of men, yet behind none in sacrifice and devotion in the line of Christian duty and the edifying of the Church.

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THE first public service of the American Guild of Organists was held Tuesday, Nov. 24th, at St. Bartholomew's church, New York City. The chorus was formed of the combined choirs of this parish, All Souls' church, and the South Reformed congregation. A Presbyterian minister, Dr. C. Cuthbert Hall, acted as chaplain of the guild. Bishop Potter made an address. Messrs. R. H. Woodman, H. R. Shelley, R. H. Warren, and J. H. Brewer officiated in turn at the organ. A liturgic service compiled for the occasion, and not in accordance with the Prayer Book, was used. Among the prayers was one authorized by the Scottish Kirk, one from the provisional offices of the Mexican Episcopal Church, one from the liturgy of Basil the Great, others from the Prayer Book, and from unknown sources.

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Book Notices

The Dwarf's Tailor, and Other Fairy Tales. Collected by Zoe Dana Underhill. Illustrated. New York: Harper & Bros.

About two dozen little-known fairy tales are comprised in this collection, most of them being modern German; others from sources not accessible to the ordinary reader—Danish, Hungarian, Swedish, Russian, with a few based on old French legends. There is an alluring frontispiece—a picture of the "Dwarf's Tailor" himself—a delightful composition of fun, fancy, and good taste. Twelve of the stories are illustrated in a spirit quite in keeping with the quaint, bright humor of the text, and the volume is further to be recommended for its attractive appearance.

In the South Seas. Being an Account of Experiences and Observations in the Marquesas, Paumotu, and Gilbert Islands in the Course of Two Cruises on the Yacht "Casco" (1888) and the Schooner "Equator" (1889). By Robert Louis Stevenson. New York: Charles Scribner's Sons.

This account of Robert Louis Stevenson's travels among the islands of the Pacific is as interesting as a romance. The book is a record of travel and research, combining results of much careful observation and inquiry upon matters of island history, belief, custom, and tradition. Mr. Stevenson's own enthusiasm for those unfamiliar lands and people will be better understood after reading his descriptions of his home in the uttermost parts of the earth, where, he declares, he "found life most pleasant and man most interesting."

The Herb-Moon; A Fantasia. By John Oliver Hobbes. New York: Frederick A. Stokes Company. Price, \$1.25.

Why the "Herb-moon?" Let Susan, the droll, but lovable, hand maiden, explain: "It's my name for these long courtships. This walking out with each other, year in and year out, till all your nerve is gone and you are sick with talking, was never to my taste." This is merely by way of explanation; the reader is not expected to endorse this view. The lingering rays of the "Herb-moon" shine upon the figure of a nineteen-year-old wife, whose husband is in a mad-house, and who shares her brother's home, where the only other inmate is the latter's intimate friend. The affection that arises between the two, as a result of the brother's selfish blindness, the heroine has the courage to attempt to kill by deliberately making herself, day by day, plainer, quieter, more stupid, before him, till even the lover is deceived. Besides the fretful, selfish brother, there is one other relative, a worldly old woman, whose brilliant, reckless talk would be almost alarming in its extravagance, were we ever permitted to doubt her sound underlying principle. By what legitimate device the light of the "Herb-moon" is merged, after many years, into that of the honey-moon, without loss of our respect for either hero or heroine, to whom happiness comes as an unlooked-for, and almost unhopd-for, guest, we leave the reader to find out for himself.

Communion Service. Mozart's First Mass in C. The English Adaptation arranged from the Score, by Geo. Alex. A. West, F.R.C.O. Philadelphia: W. H. Boner & Co. Octavo, pp. 56. Price, 60c. net.

The English organist and choirmaster of St. Luke's church, Germantown, has achieved a good success in adapting to the Anglican Office for the Holy Communion this comparatively brief, simple, and most melodious Mass by Mozart. His adaptation evinces at every turn the clean judgment of a scholarly musician with a very happy skill in meeting all phrasing necessities that arise in the no mean task of adjusting Mozart's beautiful work to the form of English words. Choirmasters will find this new "Service" timely for Christmas use. It calls for only a trifle more of skill on the part of their vocalists than does the average run of the Novello edition of "Short Settings."

Shakespeare; The Boy. With Sketches of the Home and School Life, the Games and Sports, the Manners, Customs, and Folk-Lore of the Time. By William J. Rolfe, Litt.D. Illustrated. New York: Harper & Bros. Price, \$1.25.

Perhaps Dr. Rolfe has not aided us materially, in his new book, to "account for Shakespeare;" yet it interests us to read of the general conditions surrounding the poet in his youth; to share his home and school life; and to be made familiar with his town and neighborhood. We are assured that "schoolmasters in that day, where they made one citizen, marred ten," so that the dramatist's "little Latin and less Greek" stand for more than in our age. The times of Henry the VIII. are brought vividly before us; we witness the games and sports common to youth in the boy Shakespeare's time; we attend their fairs, holiday festivals, and other forms of merrymaking. Altogether, the book is no unworthy addition to the noted Shakespearean editor's contributions to the literature of the past and of the town that "we the heart of England well may call."

Bible Selections for Daily Devotion. Selected and arranged by Sylvanus Stall, D.D. New York: Funk & Wagnalls Company. Price, \$1.

There are 365 selections from Holy Scripture, and where more than one chapter is given the subject is continuous. The Authorized Version is used. There is no attempt at dogmatic teaching or arrangement, and the author pays no attention whatever to the Christian Year. To a Churchman, therefore, the book is lacking in the very characteristic he would hope to find in such a work. The author has taken the books of Scripture in their order and selected from them.

Famous Givers and Their Gifts. By Sarah Knowles Bolton. New York: Thomas Y. Crowell & Co. Price, \$1.50.

This is a valuable addition to the many works of this authoress. The large list of names includes such as Stephen Girard, Andrew Carnegie, James Lick, Philip D. Armour, Catherine L. Wolfe, John Crerar, and many others, thus showing the wide range of subjects chosen. The style is bright, attractive, and the interest in the various deeds of generosity well sustained. The book is especially suitable for a birthday or other gift to boys and girls who have an ambition to imitate noble deeds.

The Method of Darwin. A Study in Scientific Method. By Frank Cramer. Chicago: A. C. McClurg & Co. Price, \$1.

Wherein does the method of the great scientist differ from the course pursued by other great investigators? The author asserts that the usual study of formal logic in our colleges is a failure as a preparation for any scientific work, and then proceeds to establish his theory by illustrations drawn from Darwin, showing how he found his way to his mighty conclusions. When we have read through the two hundred and thirty-two pages of this essay, we find that Darwin's method is by no means peculiar to himself, but is that of all seekers in unknown fields. It was Darwin's patient collation of observed phenomena and his readiness to abandon his working hypothesis as soon as he found that his deductions did not justify his inductions, that was the shining characteristic of his method. As to formal logic being a failure, the logical method as we learned it in college is prominent in all the great scientist's numerous works.

Limitations. A Novel. By E. F. Benson. New York: Harper & Brothers. Price, \$1.25.

Comparisons would be odious, indeed, were one forced, in judging this book, to bear in mind Mr. Benson's well-known "Dodo." This is a piece of strong and clever writing; and though its pessimism may be conceded, there are some cheerful lessons to be drawn from the hero's manly, uncomplaining acceptance of his lot, apart from the designed moral. The plot turns upon the efforts of a rich man's son, Tom Carlingford, to become a sculptor devoted to the highest ideal in art. But circumstances hinder. He marries a wife, good, beautiful, and loving, but one who is intellectually incapable of appreciating his ideals. It is here to our author's credit that, though reminded of Thackeray's cynical division of womankind into the "good who are stupid, and the clever who are wicked," the heroine does not lose her hold upon our respect nor the love of her husband. The book abounds in bright sayings. One of the characters is described as having, at forty years of age, "her cup of ineffectiveness full;" and it is of her husband, "clearly British," that it is said: "The name of his nationality is, as it were, written in red ink all over his body and his mind."

A Short Cruise. By James Otis. Pp. 101. With frontispiece and decorated linen binding. New York and Boston: Thomas Y. Crowell & Co.

In this charming story for the little folks Mr. Otis gives us a vivid description of the early life of a willful, disobedient boy and his sweet sister. The story deals with a thrilling adventure upon the sea, on which both would have been drowned, had it not been for the heroism of the little girl.

The Wizard. By H. Rider Haggard. Illustrated by Charles Kerr. New York: Longmans, Green & Co. Pp. 293. Price, \$1.25.

Mr. Haggard's latest romance, like most of those which have gone before, has its scene laid in Africa, and abounds in thrilling adventures. But it differs from the rest, in containing a strong infusion of religious interest. It tells the story of a young English clergyman who gives up his comfortable living to a returned missionary, and goes in his place to the heart of Africa to convert a savage tribe, and die a martyr for the cause of Christ. We shall not spoil the tale for our readers by telling more of it, nor shall we discuss the question which the author raises—whether faith can work miracles in the present

day. The answer to it is with God, at whose will all things are possible. Readers of Mr. Haggard's works will find this story quite up to his usual standard, and distinguished from the rest by a *motif* as unique as it is interesting.

The Evolution of Music. By C. Hubert Parry. Mus. Doc., Oxon., Cantab., Dublin. New York: D. Appleton & Co. Price, \$1.75.

This is the latest addition to that invaluable series of treatises called the "International Scientific Series," verging as it does on the most interesting points in physical, mental, and moral science. This is an exhaustive treatise on the origin and the development of the art of music. It goes back to the music of savages, traces the development into folk music of a higher kind; there is a delightful chapter on the era of pure choral music, and traces it with great care the rise and development of the opera. There is, of course, much that only a musician could follow, but this book will undoubtedly take rank as a standard in its subject.

The Mist on the Moors. By Rev. Joseph Hocking. Chicago: A. C. McClurg & Co. Price, 75c.

This is a well-written romance about a young woman abducted and locked up in a lonely cottage, and then re-abducted by a young farmer, who falls in love with her from seeing her at her prison window, and carries her home to her father. She is rich, and, of course, the young farmer marries her, and pays the mortgage on his ancestral farm. It is handsomely printed and well illustrated, and is warranted healthy and moral.

Rhymes of the States. By Garrett Newkirk. Illustrated by Harry Fenn. New York: The Century Company. Price, \$1.

Educational jingles are among the legitimate devices by which the toilsome road to knowledge may be brightened. The mental refreshment derived from the discovery that "Italy looks like a boot; Indiana, the head of an Indian with head dress of eagle feathers," is very great. More than one school girl will be glad to learn the important facts concerning the various States of the Union, their great features of natural scenery, products, and principal manufactures from Dr. Newkirk's verse, aided by Mr. Fenn's admirable illustrations.

The Prophets of the Christian Faith. By various writers. New York: The Macmillan Company. Price, \$1.25.

We should have preferred the title to read *Some Prophets, etc.*, for we cannot limit the number to those in this book, though the list is perhaps as long as it would be advisable to treat of in a popular work like this. For general readers the book is a useful one. But Churchmen would object to the title "The Prophet of the Reformation" applied to Martin Luther; and such names as Laud, Pusey, and Keble have as great a right to a place among the prophets as Jonathan Edwards, Horace Bushnell, and Frederic Dennison Maurice. It is unnecessary to add that with such writers as Dr. Lyman Abbott, Dr. Dods, Dr. W. H. Freemantle, Principal Fairbairn, and Dr. T. T. Munger, the book is attractive in style, and useful, as far as it goes, in recording the deeds and lives of its subjects.

On Marriage. By Anthony Thorold, late Lord Bishop of Winchester. New York: Dodd, Mead & Co. Price, 50c.

A very nice book to give a bride or groom to whom you do not wish to make any more expensive present. Its distinguished author was well known to American Churchmen, and this is written in his graceful, sensible, careful style, and contains most excellent advice, not only for those newly wedded, but for any married couple.

The Swordmaker's Son. A Story of the Year 30 A. D. By William O. Stoddard. New York: The Century Company. Price, \$1.50.

An historical tale of the time of our Lord, after the pattern of those by Dean Farrar and General Wallace. The ostensible hero is a Jewish youth, son of a blacksmith, who has been filled up with the patriotic ideas of his time, the

preparation for the coming of the king who was to overthrow the hated power of Rome. The youth comes into contact with the Prophet of Nazareth, and learns the lesson "My kingdom is not of this world." The story is well done, is full of local coloring, and in many places there are graphic and stirring descriptions of the events in the life of the great Teacher, from the marriage in Cana to the day of His Resurrection. Mr. Stoddard is reverent throughout, and gives a spirited picture both of time and place, as well as a helpful view of his real Hero, the Crucified Nazarene.

Seed-Thoughts for Mothers. A Year-Book compiled by Mrs. Minnie E. Paull. New York and Boston: T. Y. Crowell and Co. 18mo, 288 pp., cloth. Price, 75c.

A collection of prose extracts full of suggestions for the training of children and the encouragement of mothers. The selections are taken from upwards of eighty different authors and are arranged to cover every day in the year. The little book is exquisitely printed and daintily bound and will be found particularly well suited for a gift book.

We Ten; or, A Story of the Roses. By Barbara Yechton. New York: Dodd, Mead & Co. Large 12mo, illustrated, cloth. Price, \$1.50.

You will be disappointed, gentle reader, if this title leads you to expect a story of the queen of flowers. "We Ten" are all members of a very demonstrative family who bear the name of Rose, and their home experiences form a really interesting and wholesome story. The illustrations add to the attractiveness of a specially pleasing book for boys and girls.

Songs and Other Verses. By Eugene Field. Price \$1.25.

Second Book of Tales. By Eugene Field. Price, \$1.25. New York: Charles Scribner's Sons.

No distinction has been made by Eugene Field's literary executors between the translations of German poems and those that are original. This is doubtless an unintentional oversight, as the originals are famous, and the spirit here so happily preserved that they are at once recognized by students of German literature.

A companion volume to this, in a similar æsthetic binding of soft, dull blue, is a second book of tales, stories that were unpublished in book form at the time of the author's death. The sketches bound with them are from "Culture's Garland," and are chosen as being good examples of Mr. Field's earlier manner.

Jersey Street and Jersey Lane. Urban and Suburban Sketches. By H. C. Bunner. Illustrated by A. B. Frost, B. West Clineinst, Irving R. Wiles, and Kenneth Frazier. New York: Charles Scribner's Sons. Price, \$1.25.

No more agreeable fashion of visiting "the Bowery" and "Bohemia" could be found than as a reader of this book; and timid folk will probably be glad to adopt this pleasant mode of sightseeing. The writer assures us, however, that if "you go down there and are polite, and mind your own business, and do not step on the babies, no one will hurt you"—a safe rule of conduct outside of "Jersey Street and Jersey Lane." There are six sketches, not all of them dealing immediately with the locality designated by the title, but all showing good, careful work, and having an added interest in being the last from the pen of this author. The heavy, smooth, fine paper makes it a pleasure to turn the leaves of the volume, to which further value is given by profuse illustrations by leading artists.

The Golliwogg's Bicycle Club. Words by Bertha Upton. Pictures by Frances K. Upton. New York: Longmans, Green & Co. Pp. 62. Price, \$2.

Happy will be the child into whose hands this book falls. Its gorgeously illuminated pages, its humorous situations and curious conceits, and the thread of poetic spirit which runs throughout, make it a delightful book for a child of from five to eight years. It narrates and pictures the strange experiences of a doll family, who having caught the bicycle craze, start out for a tour of the world. It is an uncommonly clever book and well suited for a Christmas gift.

A Ramble at Sewanee. By the Rev. Dr. Chas. Frederic Hoffman. New York: E. & J. B. Young & Co. Price, 65 cts.

A beautifully gotten up little book, full of lovely illustrations of Sewanee, its buildings and its environment, and full also of noble words, delivered by the author in the Sewanee chapel at the last commencement. The copious appendices supply many valuable thoughts. The princely generosity of the writer is well known in the American Church.

Select Notes; A Commentary on the International Lessons for 1897. Inductive, Suggestive, Explanatory, Illustrative, Doctrinal, and Practical. Frontispiece in colors, four full-page half-tones from latest photographs, with numerous small pictures, illustrating the Bible text, two colored maps, Chronology of the Acts and Epistles, Suggestions to Teachers, Library references. By F. N. and M. A. Peloubet. Boston: W. A. Wilde & Co. Price, \$1.25.

We have given the full description of the title page, as the best indication of the contents of this volume. This is not the work of a new commentator; it is widely known to many who find it helpful. It is not, however, written from a Churchman's point of view.

The Gospel for an Age of Doubt. By the Rev. Henry Van Dyke. New York: The Macmillan Company. Price, \$1.75.

When we think of our seminary days, when for pastoral theology we were fed on the dried and stale husks of Grisley on Preaching, we envy the students of to-day who could listen to Bishop Brooks, to Ian Maclaren, and last, but far from least, the well-known author of this book. It does not deal with the technique of preaching, for, as he well says, that has been thoroughly set forth by Beecher, Moody, and others, who have given those famous "Yale Lectures on Preaching." It moves in a higher atmosphere, and directs his young hearers not how to preach, but what to preach, and the great idea of the book, set forth in beautiful and earnest language, is that the central message of the preacher is not the gospel of a system, but the gospel of a Person, Jesus Christ, God and Man.

Literary Landmarks of Venice. By Laurence Hutton. Illustrated. New York: Harper and Bros. Price, \$1.

The "many weeks of patient and pleasant study of Venice," to which Mr. Hutton confesses in his introduction, have resulted in a sort of transcendental guide-book, dealing with the places dear to the lover of books. The nucleus of this volume is an article published in *Harper's Magazine* for July, 1896, but it has been expanded and elaborated into a "record of the animated residences of genius which are still existing in Venice"—a quaint and modest claim that all readers will readily allow to its accomplished author.

Half A Dozen Girls. By Anna Chapin Ray, with 18 Illustrations by Frank T. Merrill. New York and Boston: Thomas Y. Crowell & Co. Price, \$1.50.

This handsome volume will delight all young readers who may find it included among their Christmas gifts, as the "half-dozen girls" are genuine flesh-and-blood creatures, whose virtues and even whose faults endear them to their friends. Though the author does not claim for them that they are "anæmic patterns of propriety," they served, none the less, in suggesting many a valuable hint; and Miss Ray, in giving to the world "these memories of a happy, naughty childhood," will help many another little maid to learn that "lesson of every-day," of which wise, kind Charles Kingsley sang so comfortingly: "Be good, sweet maid, and let who will be clever."

THE MADONNA CALENDAR, A. D. 1897, already issued by Thomas Whittaker of, New York, is a remarkably tasteful production, of six fine board-leaves, with cover, two months on the upper face of each, and containing also on the several leaves fine photogravures, from celebrated paintings, of the Maiden-Mother and Holy Child.

MESSRS. T. Y. CROWELL & Co. are issuing a very handy and helpful series of booklets in dainty bindings, and at a price that puts good

reading within easy reach of everybody. Two of the latest in this series are "The Paths of Duty;" counsels to young men, by the Rev. F. W. Farrar, D.D., Dean of Canterbury, and "The Golden Rule in Business," by the Rev. C. F. Dole. Both are eminently practical, and well deserve wide circulation. [Price, 35 cts. each.]

Magazines and Reviews

Scribner's Magazine distinguishes its Christmas issue by lavish illustration and an extra supply of fiction, there being nine complete short stories. The cover bears a special design, handsomely executed in gold and colors, and there are a series of illustrations, more grotesque than beautiful, by Oliver Herford. The leading and really valuable article is by Cosmo Monkhouse, on the late Sir John Millais, P.R.A., written shortly before his death. Sixteen of his pictures and studies are reproduced, the selection having been made with his aid and approval.

Blackwood's for November (The Leonard Scott Publishing Company) contains the continuation of Blackmore's "Dariel: a Romance of Surrey;" a sketch of Holland, its present condition and undertakings, entitled "Behind Dikes and Dunes;" also an instructive article on "Politics in Recent Italian Fiction," which gives a melancholy view of the early degradation of the parliamentary system of united Italy and the decay of patriotism among the classes of people who go into politics. "Life in a Russian Family" is rather slight and does not add to the sum of our knowledge. There is a paper in favor of the compulsory vaccination laws, a subject which is agitating our British cousins a good deal just now; and, finally, the usual political article. We should not omit to mention a review of Lang's *Life of Lockhart*. The reviewer is critical and gives Mr. Lang some severe thrusts. It will no doubt be some comfort to Mr. Lang to note the slipshod character of his critic's English here and there. But the article, as a whole, is delightful.

Christian Literature for November (The Christian Literature Company) contains four articles on Roman Catholic affairs; namely, Purcell's latest defense of his method in the biography of Cardinal Manning; Cardinal Vaughan on the Pope's Bull; an article on the same subject from *The Outlook*, which tells us, among other things, that English Catholics in the Established Church have practically conceded that their position is schismatical, and calls it "narrow" to prefer vital relationship and sympathy with the vast body of Catholic Christendom, rather than with modern sectarian Protestantism; and finally, an interesting estimate of the results of Satolli's mission, by a Roman Catholic, which first appeared in *The Independent*. The other articles are all interesting. As an appendix, the first installment is given of Dr. Leonard Woolsey Bacon's "History of American Christianity," to be completed October, 1897.

It is no small advantage to the reading public to have the leading English reviews republished in this country, and made easily accessible by their wide distribution through news agencies and public libraries. The Leonard Scott Publishing Company, New York, has earned the gratitude of all thinking people by their enterprise in this matter. *The Nineteenth Century* for November is bright with political articles, especially those on "England and the Continental Alliances," and "Turkish Misgovernment." A temperate paper on "The Voluntary Schools," by the Rt. Hon. Sir John Gorst, M. P., is full of good suggestions. Mr. S. P. Cockerell contributes an appreciative article on "Lord Leighton's Drawings" that is worthy of attention. We might say the same of nearly all of the fifteen articles in this number. In *The Fortnightly Review* for November, Lord Rosebery is most severely criticised in regard to his Eastern policy when in office, in the leading article. This number is full of politics, more so than usual, but always very instructive articles. Mr. W. Knox Johnson has a strong review of the career of the Empress Catharine II. of Russia. The article on the late

William Morris, by Mr. Mackenzie Bell, should be read by all lovers of the gifted poet's works. The silver question is very well handled by Mr. Edward J. Shriver in *The Westminster Review* for November, "Silver Politics across the Sea," and by Mr. G. Keith Marischal on "The Prospects of International Bimetallism," which, according to the writer, are not very encouraging. Mr. Angus M. Mackay has a misleading and sophistical paper against the Church's doctrine of Apostolic Succession, which he calls "The Modern Wall of Partition," though it is ancient enough, certainly. The notices of contemporary literature are always a pleasing part of this review.

The Critical Review for October (Edinburgh, T. & T. Clark) contains the usual number of fresh and interesting reviews and notices of the latest publications in the field of theology and philosophy. In a review, intended as favorable, of White's "Warfare of Science with Theology," the writer raises some of the points to which THE LIVING CHURCH recently drew attention. He uses the word "dogmatism" rather than "theology," meaning the assertion, as truth, of generally received views without sufficient basis, which is a kind of thing by no means confined to Christian writers. It is needless to say that Catholic dogma, properly so-called, is not built up in this way. The reviewer pertinently remarks that Dr. White's idea of religion leaves "no scope for prayer and no room for faith." Among the other reviews is one on Gladstone's "Studies on Butler," Eckstein's "Women under Monasticism," Rashdall's "Universities of the Middle Ages," Schecter's "Studies in Judaism," Caldwell's "Schopenhauer's System," "Life and Letters of Fenton J. Hort," and many others. The short notices are multitudinous and the "Record of Select Literature" fills nearly twenty pages.

Books Received

Under this head will be announced all books received up to the week of publication. Further notice will be given of such books as the editor may select to review.

LONGMANS, GREEN & CO.

Education and Modern Secularism. By the Rev. C. W. Formby, with preface by the Lord Bishop of Rochester. \$1.

The Golliwogg's Bicycle Club. By Bertha Upton. Illustrated by Frances K. Upton. \$2.

Elijah the Prophet and Other Sacred Poems. By Geo. Washington Moon, Hon. F. R. S. L. \$0c.

W. A. WILDE & CO., Boston

Select Notes. A Commentary on the Sunday School Lessons for 1897. By F. N. & M. A. Peloubet. \$1.25.

KEGAN PAUL, TRENCH, TRUBNER & Co., Ltd., London

Religious Faith. By the Rev. Henry Hughes, M.A.

FLEMING H. REVELL COMPANY

The Search Light of St. Hippolytus. By Parke P. Flournoy. \$1.

A Man's Value to Society. By Newell Dwight Hillis. E & J. B. YOUNG COMPANY

Thoughts for the Christian Year. By Caroline Frances Little.

The Light of Melanesia. By H. H. Montgomery, D.D. \$1.50.

WELLS, GARDNER, DARTON & Co., London

The Thirty-nine Articles and the Age of the Reformation. By the Rev. E. Tyrrell Greene, M. A. \$4.

CONGREGATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL AND PUBLISHING SOCIETY, Boston

His Brother's Keeper. By the Rev. Chas. M. Sheldon. \$1.50.

A Son of Liberty. By Willis Boyd Allen. \$1.25.

T. Y. CROWELL & Co.

The Gospel in Brief. By Count L. N. Tolstoi. \$1.25.

The Bible as Literature. By Prof. Richard G. Moulton, Ph. D., and others. With an Introduction by the Rev. Lyman Abbott, D.D. \$1.50.

Dick. By Anna Chapin Ray. \$1.25.

THE CHRISTIAN LITERATURE COMPANY

The Ante-Nicene Fathers. Original Supplement to the American Edition. Edited by Allan Menzies, D.D. Vol. 9.

SCOTT, FORESMAN & Co., Chicago

Oratory and Orators; Words: Their Use and Abuse; Hours with Men and Books. By Wm. Mathews, LL. D. Per set, \$5.

Primitive Buddhism. By Elizabeth A. Reed, A. M. \$1.

Songs of Yesterday. By Benj. F. Taylor. \$2.50.

Getting on in the World. By Wm. Mathews, LL. D. \$2.

PARISH CHOIR, BOSTON

The Pointed Prayer Book.

E. P. DUTTON & Co.

The Christian Life. By Floyd W. Tomkins, Jr. 75c.

JOHN D. WATTLE & Co., Philadelphia

The Point of Contact in Teaching. By Patterson Du Bois. 60c.

The Household

A Happy Thought

MRS. J. D. H. BROWNE

STRANGERS driving past the Olivewood ranch would stop and look and look again, and many admiring words were spoken of the place. What a lovely home, and what lucky people to own and inhabit such a delightful spot! Such things were constantly being said.

The house was handsome and roomy, surrounded by a beautiful, well-kept lawn and shaded by groups of noble trees. To the east stretched acres upon acres of olives, the oldest and finest in the county, which gave the ranch its name; to the south and west lay the orange groves.

The people who lived at Olivewood were, however, far from being as happy and contented as outsiders might have supposed. In the first place, Mrs. Benson, the owner of the ranch, was a solitary woman whose only son had died of consumption, after years of slow wasting away. He had been the idol of his mother's heart, and she had clung so passionately to the hope of his recovery that when at last the dreadful separation came, it left her desolate.

Since then she had lived wrapped up in her grief, going nowhere, seeing no one but her servants, and forgetting, more and more, that the selfishness of grief is as much a sin in the sight of Him who sent His only begotten Son into the world, as any other form of selfishness.

The other inhabitants of Olivewood were Jemima, the cook and general care-taker, and Joe, the hired man.

Jemima was a New England woman who had lived with Mrs. Benson since before the death of the latter's son. Previously she had lived for several years in the family of the rector of San Juan, a little town some miles away, but the rector's wife, pitying Mrs. Benson and feeling that the large wages she could offer her servants, made it too great a sacrifice on the part of Jemima to remain at the rectory, insisted upon parting with her greatly-valued "help." The rector's family had ever since mourned her departure, and it was always a happy day with the children when Jemima came to spend a few hours in her old home.

As for Joe, he was a hard-working, good-hearted, stolid-looking young fellow, so much younger than Jemima that her relation to him was quite motherly.

"Well," said Joe, seating himself at the comfortable supper to which Jemima had called him, "ef this ain't the loneliest place ever I seen! Ef it warn't for the mockin'-birds as keep ashoutin' all day, and the squir'ls running by now and then, or may be a Jack-rabbit a-hoppin' up by the fence, a feller might think he was the only livin' creeter on the place."

"Except the horses," said Jemima, as she helped him to a generous piece of pie.

"I didn't have the horses to-day," said Joe, "I was irrigatin'."

"And how about Barkus?"

Barkus was an old spaniel that had belonged to Walter Benson.

"O, he's gettin' too lazy to move; he's round the house most always."

"And how about *me*?" asked Jemima with her good-natured smile. "Don't I count for something?"

"I guess you *do*," said Joe, "only I don't

see you, except at meal times. Tell you what, Jemima, ef it warn't for *you*, wages or no wages, I wouldn't stay on this here ranch not another week. I don't see how *ever* you stand it; in the house most always, and the missus a-glidin' round like a ghost, and never another face to look at!"

"Poor soul," said Jemima, "if I could only be some sort of comfort to her! It makes me heartsick sometimes to see her white face and her sad eyes. I've thought and I've thought what I could do to cheer her. She's kind enough, dear knows, Joe; I can't help being fond of her."

"She don't speak to me once in a week," said Joe, "never seems to care how things are goin' on the ranch; I might let everything go to ruin and she wouldn't see it."

"I wonder"—said Jemima, and then she stopped.

"Wonder what?" said Joe.

"A thought just came to me!" said Jemima, her eyes brightening. "May be nothing will come of it, but I guess I'll try, any way."

"Won't you tell a feller what it is?"

"You'll see for yourself, may be, don't you ask me any questions."

Joe stifled his curiosity with another piece of pie, and Jemima presently went to attend on her mistress.

She found Mrs. Benson sitting in the twilight, a book held listlessly in her hand, her head leaning against the window frame.

The girl lighted the lamps, brought in a tray with a dainty little supper, wheeled a comfortable chair to the table—

"Come, ma'am," she said cheerfully "your supper's ready, let me close the window, the air is getting chill."

Mrs. Benson got up unwilling, but she generally yielded to Jemima.

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ma'am? I havn't been to see Mrs. Gilmore and the children, for quite a while."

"O yes, you can go, Jemima."

"And, I've been thinking ma'am, if you wouldn't object. I should dearly like to ask one of the children out to spend a week with me. She wouldn't trouble you in any way. They are just as good as gold, and it would be a nice change for her. If I might tell Mrs. Gilmore that you said I might."

Mrs. Benson looked a little disturbed. "I don't like to refuse you Jemima, you are so good to me, yes, bring the child if you wish, only remember that I cannot stand any disturbance."

"Certainly, ma'am, and thank you very much," said Jemima, "you need not know that she's in the house."

Jemima was up before day-break on the following morning; in the little spare room next her own bedroom, she had made up a

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dainty snow-white bed and put everything to rights for her expected guest, and she looked round with a eager, happy face.

"Bless her dear heart!" she murmured to herself, "won't she enjoy it! and who knows what may come of it."

In the afternoon Joe brought round the buggy for Jemima, with a quiet old horse, always on hand for necessary trips to San Juan.

"I'll be back by supper time, Joe," said the girl, "you can start the fire and put on the kettle for me."

As Jemima drove up to the rectory gate, a chorus of young voices greeted her. It was a holiday, and all the children were at home and playing in the garden. Hearty, happy children, ruggedly healthy, all but one, little Mamie, the youngest daughter. She was a delicate little blossom, with a sweet flower like face, soft dark eyes, and silky curls. Jemima almost worshipped her little "queenie," as she called her. The child had been her nursing and her joy all the years she had spent at the rectory.

"Here's Jemima! Here's old Mima!" and there was a general rush to the gate, but Mamie was first in her arms, nestling her little brown head against her neck.

Mrs. Gilmore was a little doubtful about acceding to Jemima's request. "Of course it would be lovely for Mamie" she said wistfully; the dear child needed a change—she could not go out for long walks like the others, and she would be so happy under Jemima's care; but Mrs. Benson—Mrs. Gilmore feared that it might seem like an intrusion—she shrank sensitively from any appearance of that.

Jemima carried the day. As for the darlings' clothes not being as fine as they might be—what did that matter? "She couldn't look any sweeter if she was dressed in gold," she declared; and she did not say that Mrs. Benson had almost stipulated that the child should be kept out of her sight.

So Jemima packed a valise with the child's belongings, and Mamie with a sweet flush of excitement on her cheeks, a tender farewell kiss all round, and a farewell tear for mamma and papa, was triumphantly lifted into the buggy and borne away, before the rector's family had time to realize what had happened.

"One of our sunbeams gone," said the rector.

"But it will do her so much good!" said his wife, as she stooped over one of the children to hide her tearful eyes.

Mamie had been three or four days at Olivewood, and the mistress of the ranch had not seen her. She asked no questions about the child and seemed unconscious of her presence in the place, and Jemima, beyond telling Mrs. Benson that the little one had come with her from San Juan, had made no reference to her. It had been a compact that her mistress should not be in any way troubled with the child, and the girl strictly adhered to it.

Yet Mrs. Benson was aware of a change. Jemima's face had a new expression. There was a smile on her lips as she came and went, that was not there before, as if she had some pleasant secret of her own.

The house was a large one and Mrs. Benson's rooms were quite removed from the kitchen and adjoining sitting-room, where

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Mamie principally stayed when indoors, but once or twice the faint sound of a childish laugh found its way to the lonely, grief-wrapped woman, and it thrilled her with a new pain and a vague yearning.

Mamie for her part had an undefined feeling of awe and pity for the poor sick lady whom she had not seen. The child was literally happy as the day was long. Jemima's tender but judicious love; the exquisite freedom of the ranch, a new, wide world to the delicate girl, who could not leave the home garden as did the other children for long walks; the floods of sunshine and the waving shadows; the new interest of watching and following Joe who, from the first, was her devoted slave; the horses, the cows, the chickens, poor old "Barkus," and above all the flowers—so varied and so lovely. Sometimes Mamie sighed from the very abundance of her delights. And what good it was doing her!

Even, thought Jemima, even if she never sees the darling, I'll always be glad I had her here.

But one day, it was towards evening and the softened sunshine lay like a benediction on the ranch, little Mamie was wandering towards the house with her hands full of roses, such roses! snowy white and creamy yellow and deep crimson. Jemima had instructed her not to pass round the western verandah, for that was where Mrs. Benson sometimes sat; but this evening Mamie had forgotten, and all at once she saw before her, leaning back in a garden chair, a pale, pale lady, all in black. How sad she looked; the child had never in her short life seen so sad a face. This was the poor sick lady!

A great pity filled the tender heart. Mamie had been brought up on love and did not think that she could be unwelcome to the lady. She went up the verandah steps. Mrs. Benson looked up and saw as sweet a sight as eyes could rest on, a lovely, pitying child's face, and dimpled hands holding out a great bunch of roses.

"I brought you these," said Mamie, coming close to her; "don't you love flowers?"

Then the miracle was wrought that faithful Jemima had dimly hoped for. Mrs. Benson stooped forward and gathered the child and the roses to her heart. Mamie felt the lady's tears upon her cheek, and she put one little arm about her neck and said with infinite tenderness; "Don't cry; God will make you well."

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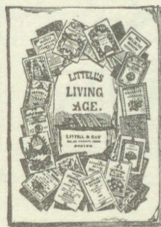
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CHAPTER IX.

UNDER ARREST

The Schellerhaus people enjoyed the concert thoroughly, for the concert room was so beautiful, brilliantly lighted, and comfortable that it added its share to the enjoyment of the grand music.

There was an odor of delicate perfumes which was agreeable, and the costumes of the singers, to say nothing of the rich uniform of the gentlemen among the audience, and the dazzling beauty of the splendidly attired ladies, was something not to be easily forgotten. They had a fine view of the king and queen and ladies and gentlemen of the court, and were wearied looking at them.

When the concert was over Fingerling took the children back to the inn, where they went immediately to bed, while he returned to pass the evening with Herr Webner who had especially invited him.

"Fingerling," said he, "would you like to see the king at supper? There is an alcove where the musicians sit, and I can influence one of the waiters to station you back of them where you can see all, and not be seen."

"I would be more than glad to have the chance, but does he eat supper so late, it is nearly ten o'clock."

"The court seldom takes supper until eleven."

"Truly that is turning night into day; how can any one keep his health eating when he should be asleep?"

"But they know nothing of the habits and necessities of laboring people," replied his friend.

"No, truly not, and they are the more to be pitied. When I have trudged from morning until night collecting rags, I cannot express my gratitude to God when night and darkness come, and I am stretched upon my quiet bed, and know that through His goodness and mercy I shall sleep soundly all night, and waken refreshed, and arise with the sun, able and willing to commence the toil of another day."

"No, you would find it as hard to live their life as they would yours. But you must be hungry, let us have something to eat before we go."

He sat before his guest what Fingerling considered a luxurious meal, and as they ate, they discussed matters which were new and strange to the intelligent, yet simply trained mountaineer.

"You must get a good salary," he re-

marked, as he was helped to a supply of richly dressed cold fowl.

"Two dollars and a half per month," was the reply.

"How! surely you are only joking. I make more than twice that much, but my family cannot afford the good food you have, to say nothing of clothes."

"Yes, but I eke it out as the other palace servants do, by pilfering."

"You don't mean it—surely?" said Fingerling, laying down knife and fork and gazing at his host in dismayed astonishment.

"I either pilfer, or get some one to pilfer for me;" persisted Webner, "the bird you are eating, the bread, the cheese, the coffee, all were pilfered."

"Pilfered!" echoed the honest rag-picker; "oh, Webner, how you must have changed since we roamed together upon the mountains; you were a boy of good principles, I thought, but I must have been mistaken."

"No, you were not mistaken; there was no such thought in my mind then; but when one is in Rome one must do as Rome does; and, from the court chamberlain down to the humblest scullery maid, all eke out their poor wages by helping themselves."

Fingerling was silent, he could find no words in which to express his sorrow and disapproval of such proceedings, and Herr Webner proceeded with his explanation,

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"This is wonderful!" remarked the listener to these revelations.

"Yes; the meat, the wine, the pastry, the expensive fruits, the groceries, the wax candles, the oil for lamps, the fuel, poultry, eggs, in fact part of everything required for the household of the elector, finds its way to the homes of the people of the court. Even the ladies in waiting upon the queen, stick the bon-bons in their pockets to take home to their children; but you are not eating anything, comrade."

"My appetite is gone," replied his guest. "Since I have heard how you got these good things, I cannot enjoy them. Oh, Webner, let me speak to you as freely as I did when a boy; do not risk the loss of your soul for things which are perishable, and which you can do well without."

"Oh, Fingerling, you were always one of the good kind; your books and your conscience were the only things you thought about; I cannot see that they have made you any richer."

"Not in this world's goods, for I am only a rag-gatherer; but I hope in my poor way I am laying up treasures in heaven by striving to be honest, and not rob other people of what belongs to them."

"Don't be a fool, Fingerling," said his host, reddening with anger; "stolen things taste just as good as if gotten honestly; besides I did not steal them, I have no chance; they come to me third hand. Being only locksmith of the court, I have to let others steal for me."

"The receiver of stolen goods is as bad as the thief; and he who knows a thing is stolen and does not deliver it to its owner, is breaking God's command as surely as he who steals it. Has no one ever told our king that his people are pilfering from him?"

"I always knew that you were simple as a baby, Fingerling; but this beats all for simplicity that I ever heard," retorted Herr Webner, scornfully. "Do you suppose that any of us are so lacking in common-sense as to wish to change a good easy place for a cell in the city prison?"

"Better that than living outside a thief," responded Fingerling.

"Oh, you don't understand these things, Fingerling. The king is contented in his ignorance, he can afford to lose in this way, and what would be the use of stirring up the matter?"

"Only for the sake of the harm done to your own souls, if nothing more; do live an honest life, Webner, as you did in the old home," said the rag-gatherer, with tears in his eyes.

"I might as well have a share of what is going, as others," replied his companion, stubbornly; "we get used to good living and could not exist without it."

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"But no letter reaches him without passing through the hands of Bruhl; you may be sure a letter of that kind would never reach the eyes of the king."

"I would not live under the roof of such a man," said Fingerling, earnestly.

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"Say no more," replied his companion, "he has not what is of far more value, a conscience void of offense, and the favor of God."

"He cares more for the favor of the king, and plenty of us think just as he does."

"Then, farewell," comrade, said Fingerling, reaching for his hat; "I thank you for

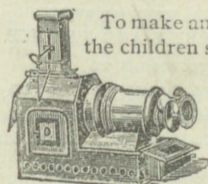
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"Oh, don't go until I tell you of the bear-hunt," replied his friend, lightly. "The Schellerhaus bear is to be let out of the courtyard to-morrow at eleven o'clock. It will be rare fun to see him raced by the court hounds, followed by the king and his courtiers. There will be a great crowd; you must stay to see the hunt."

"I don't think I will stay, but farewell for to-night;" and Fingerling returned to the inn, where slept his niece and nephew, weary in body and mind.

"How can Baron Bruhl sleep with so much upon his conscience?" thought he; "and Webner, whose sin is the same, though from lack of opportunity he pilfers less. I will go home to-morrow; it seems to me that destruction must come upon Dresden for the sins of the people, as of old it came upon Sodom and Gomorrah."

The next morning he awoke the children with the full intention of going home, but Bertram and Sybill begged so earnestly to remain, if but half a day longer, to see the bear-hunt, of which he had told them, not believing it right not to tell them—besides they would hear it from others—that he relented, though resolved not to see poor Petz under the teeth of the dogs. Instead, therefore, of going to a high point where they could witness the hunt, he took them to the palace grounds to see the king mount his hunting charger.

A great crowd was collected before the palace gates, for the horses with their rich trappings, the soldiers in their gay uniforms, and then the king and his attendants formed a great spectacle, which was always of interest to the populace.

At length a stately gentleman came down the steps of the palace, his richly-gallooned hunting suit setting off his fine figure to advantage; and many of the spectators thought he was the king; but instead, heard some one say, "That is Herr Chamberlain Bruhl;" and Fingerling looked sorrowfully upon him.

"Poor creature of the dust," thought he, "how much better for you were you toiling for your daily bread with a clear conscience!"

Baron Bruhl gave a scornful shrug of his shoulders at the crowd gathered, and at that moment the king's charger was brought up for him to mount, and the crowd was waved back so far by the soldiers that but a distant view of the monarch could be obtained.

"Bruhl puts on a great many airs," remarked one of the bystanders. "He drinks so much of the king's wine that he imagines himself royal."

The whole cavalcade galloped away, and Fingerling and his niece and nephew were about to leave to return to the inn, when they were stopped at the entrance to the grounds by an officer in uniform.

(To be continued.)

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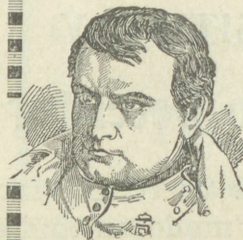
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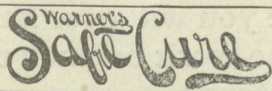


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