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Toronto's loss will be London's gain. Mr. F. G. Killmaster, of the Redeemer, goes to St. Paul's Cathedral as organist and choirmaster.

It was afternoon, and the teacher of the village school was giving a geography lesson. "Now, boys," he said, "the word 'stan' at the end of a word means 'place of.' Thus we have Afghanistan, the place of the Afghans; also Hindustan, the place of the Hindus. Now, can anyone give me another instance?" "Yes, sir," said the smallest boy, proudly. "I can Umbrellastan, the place for umbrellas."

A gas buoy, placed to mark the wreck of the traverse, pier in 1911 which was carried away by ice and thought to have been sunk, has been picked up in New South Wales, a distance of 18,000 miles. The most amazing part of it is that it never was

reported as having been seen. The drifting of the buoy, could it be record, would break all records for derelicts. Caught by the currents of the North Atlantic, apparently it travelled south until picked up by the equatorial currents and was borne to the southernmost end of the continent, thence around Cape Horn to the point where it was finally picked up.

The Dominion Forest Service has progressed farther than any other service in Canada in the laying out of forest reserves and providing for their proper administration. Sixteen million acres have been definitely set apart by Act of Parliament to be administered as forest reserves. Additional areas are being examined each year, and some six million acres additional are now under temporary reservation and will shortly be added to the reserves set apart by statute. The mere setting

apart of reserves, though an important step, is only a preliminary one. Although, unfortunately, in some cases it has not been realized that anything further is necessary, this mistake has not been made in the federal administration. A conference of the Inspectors was recently held at Ottawa to plan the work for the coming season and the construction work on the reserves will be pushed as rapidly as possible so as to have the reserves made immune from fire, as they are in Europe, in the shortest possible time.

China Appeals to Christians.—An appeal made by the Chinese Government to all the Christian churches in China to set aside April 27th as a day for prayer that China may be guided to a wise solution of the critical problems besetting her, is regarded here as striking evidence of the extraordinary changes which have taken place in the nation since the revolution. The appeal was distributed broadcast by telegraph to all the governors and high officials within whose jurisdiction Christian communities are to be found. The appeal has given extraordinary satisfaction to mission circles, where it is pointed out that this is the first time in the history of the world that such a request has come from a non-Christian nation. All our clergy in Canada are asked to give notice about or speak of this on Sunday next, 27th inst. A special meeting for the Chinamen who attend classes throughout Toronto is to be held at Cooke's Church after close of evening service on Sunday at 8.15 p.m., for special prayer.

Archbishop Matheson was expected to preside at the formal opening of the "Palestine in Winnipeg" exhibition at the Horse Show Amphitheatre, but in his absence, through indisposition, the ceremony was performed by the Rev. Dr. J. L. Gordon. In introducing Dr. Gordon, Dean Robinson, who presided, congratulated the workers on the success of the exhibition, saying that up to that time 12,000 people had passed the turnstiles. Dr. Gordon in the course of an interesting speech, recalled an amusing experience. When he came to Winnipeg, he said, he had delivered a series of lectures, one of which dealt with the Anglican Church. His lecture was reported by the Free Press, and a lady who was a member of the Anglican Church read the report, and wrote to him, saying that as he thought that Church was such a splendid institution, he ought to write to her Bishop and apply for an appointment, which she had no doubt he would get. "I did not make the application," said Dr. Gordon, amid laughter, "but I am here to-day by Archbishop Matheson's appointment, and I shall try to do what he has asked in a regular and proper Anglican fashion."

On Tuesday, April 15th, one year from the day on which the steamship Titanic sank, was dedicated the Lantern Tower and Time Ball which has been erected on the new Seamen's Institute in Manhattan, as a memorial to all those who lost their lives when the steamship Titanic made her maiden voyage. At these dedication ceremonies, held on the roof of the new institute at 3.15 p.m., brief addresses were made by Bishop David H. Greer, Rev. William P. Merrill, and Dr. Henry Lubeck. This tower is identical with the accepted form of light-house, with stairs in the rear, a lantern gallery and a fixed green light which will shine out over New York harbour and be visible to all the lower anchorage down through the Narrows to Sandy Hook. Surmounting the tower is a time ball. Just at five minutes before 12 each noon the gleaming ball will be hoisted to the top of the steel rod. And promptly at noon when the time is flashed over the wire from Washington the ball will drop. Situated just where the Island of Manhattan turns, on the corner of South St. and Coenties Slip,

the new building of the Seamen's Institute commands the attention of every vessel entering the great harbour of New York, whether by way of Sandy Hook or Hell Gate.

British and Foreign

A munificent donation of £10,000 has been received by the S.P.C.K. from a donor who wishes to be known simply as "A Friend."

The Venerable Dean of York, Dr. Purey Cust, celebrated his 85th birthday lately. He has been for the past thirty-three years Dean of York.

Christmas Day, 1914, will be the 100th anniversary of the first preaching of the Gospel in New Zealand by the courageous missionary, the Rev. Samuel Marsden.

The Bishop of Hull, Dr. Kempthorne, has been appointed by the special Board of Divinity to deliver the lectures in Pastoral Theology at Cambridge in the year 1914.

The scheme for the division of the Diocese of Worcester has been brought appreciably nearer by the Earl of Plymouth's generous offer of £1,000 to the Bishop of Worcester for the creation of a Coventry Bishopric.

Dr. O'Sullivan, the Bishop of Tuam, who is the senior member of the Irish Episcopate by date of consecration, has intimated his intention of resigning the Bishopric at an early date. He was consecrated in 1890, and is 79 years old.

His Grace the Archbishop of York has taken steps to form a new Archdeaconry in his diocese, the Archdeaconry of Doncaster, and he has appointed the Rev. Canon Sandford, the present Vicar of Doncaster, as first Archdeacon.

It has been decided to provide a peal of twelve bells for St. Mary's, Chelmsford, the future cathedral church for the proposed Diocese of Essex, at a cost of £750. The original peal of eight bells was cast in 1777, and increased to ten in 1820.

The Rev. the Hon. A. G. Lawley, M.A., Prebendary in St. Paul's Cathedral, and lately rector of Hackney, E., has been appointed by the Bishop of London to the Vicarage of St. Peter's, Eaton Square, S.W., in succession to the Dean-designate of Rochester.

In addition to naming the recently-completed north tower of the Lahore Cathedral after the new Metropolitan, the Diocesan Council has decided to commemorate his episcopate by pro-

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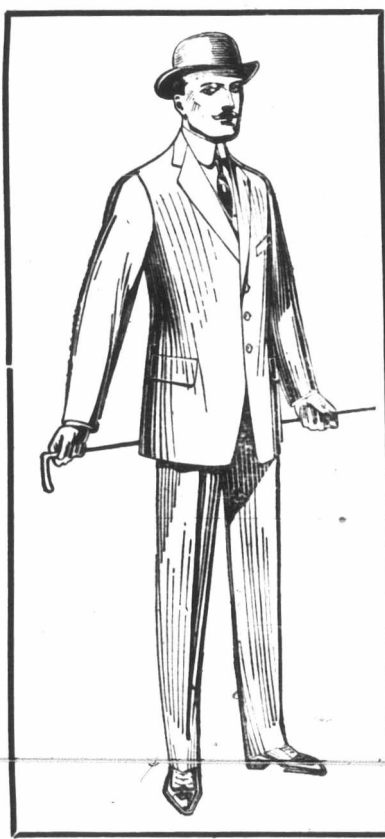
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