

It is, however, still to be said by the priest alone, as the history of the service shows; and as is also indicated by the manner of printing the "Amen," which is not to be repeated by the people; but said, like rest of the prayer, by the priest. But Mr. Bell depends principally for a justification of his critique, on the rubric relating to the 1st Lord's Prayer in the morning prayer, in which Mr. Blunt treats of that also as follows, by way of *quasi* anticipation of Mr. Bell's complaint: "Bishop Cosin overlooked the rubric immediately before the Lord's Prayer in the communion service, which directs the priest to say it, without any direction as to the people. It is not likely that there was any intention of over-riding that rubric by this." B. A.

Does the Church Permit It?

SIR,—When the Episcopal Church at Hespeler was being opened for public worship, the church being crowded to the communion rail, the incumbent, the Rev. J. Edmonds, placed two chairs inside the communion rail for two clergymen of other denominations. Now that would appear simply an act of civility, kindness and brotherly love, yet we find that there are people who would try to make it appear a church desecration, and two of that class have already made known their sentiments in the CANADIAN CHURCHMAN. Now if these clergymen had each given one hundred dollars to the church fund, or if either of them had presented the church with any article for the communion service, these critics would most likely say it was all right to accept either, but for themselves to go inside the communion rail was an act blameable on the incumbent for allowing it. Now I consider myself as much interested in the progress of the church as the next Churchman, and I congratulate the Rev. J. Edmonds for the stand he has taken and for not being guilty of old fashioned bigotry, which rather belonged to the dark ages of the past, than the present time of the nineteenth century.

Last week I attended and assisted at a Sunday School Convention in my neighbourhood. It was a union convention of the three denominations, Church of England, Presbyterian and Methodist, which was held in the Presbyterian Church, but unfortunately the Episcopal clergyman was called away to a dying person and could not attend, and each of the other two clergymen in their addresses expressed a wish that before long the different congregations would be in closer union.

It is quite a common thing to see the Presbyterian and Methodist clergymen exchanging pulpits and still each member is a Presbyterian or a Methodist, as the case may be. A CHURCHMAN.

Sunday School Offerings.

SIR,—I see by the last CHURCHMAN that the Sunday school offerings in the diocese of Rupert's Land for last year amounted to \$1,547, and were, I assume, offerings for missions. If I mistake not, the children's offerings throughout our whole Ecclesiastical Province for Domestic and Foreign Missions did not amount to \$600 last year. And the mission boxes in the diocese of Toronto are reported to have yielded only \$40.12 as against \$193.62 for the year preceding. I need not make invidious comparisons with the dissenting bodies or even with the American Church. The statement of the amounts as above, if correct, is quite enough to shame everyone of us of the clergy who are not taking pains to teach the children of our parishes the duty of giving to missions, and then to give them the opportunity.

Perhaps if some priest who has been successful in his methods of getting good results from his S. S. mission boxes, would give us the benefit of his experience, this Lent might witness a very much larger amount of offerings for missionary objects than previous years. For myself, I did not find that reading the Children's Letter in Church and Sunday school produced satisfactory results. Only a portion of the Sunday school scholars took boxes, and the total amount brought in was only \$22.50 for the whole of Lent. This year I am trying a different plan. I have procured from Canon Mockridge 100 copies of the Children's Letter, and intend to send a copy to the eldest child in families outside the Sunday school. These children, who are often better able to give than our Sunday scholars, are apt to be overlooked. Besides, the individual appeal will be more effective than one which is merely general. In this way I hope to reach all the children of the parish and to secure better results. But I should be very thankful, and not myself only, perhaps, if some good brother who has tried some plan and has been successful in getting his children generally to give liberally and to be really interested in missions, would tell us how he does it.

J. D. CAYLEY.

Are you troubled with gnawing sensation, "gone-ness," load at stomach? Take K.D.C., and be convinced of its great merits.

BRIEF MENTION.

Australia has 11,000 species of plants, and North America 14,400.

France will begin this year the construction of 82 warships, of all classes.

A French authority estimates the wealth of the United Kingdom at \$150,000,000,000.

On some parts of the coast of France, when the wind is east, the mist that appears bears with it a very noticeable perfume.

The park policemen of San Francisco use the lariat to stop runaway horses, and all are experts with the rope.

The Rev. J. J. Morton and the Rev. W. J. Armitage were the missionary deputation to the county of Dufferin, diocese of Niagara.

The statement that Turkey has been deterred by Russia from building forts at the entrance to the Black Sea has been confirmed.

Three tourists have lost their lives in attempting to ascend the higher of the two peaks of the Gross Glockner in the Alps.

Some of the fish in the royal aquarium in St. Petersburg have been on exhibition for more than 150 years.

The Rev. Dr. Johnstone, of Welland, has been away on missionary deputation work.

Tea used to be sold in England for £6 and £10 a pound prior to 1857.

A recent earthquake devastated 9,000 square miles in the Thibetan district of Kado, China.

Trinity church, New York, which would not permit a Presbyterian church to hold property until after the revolution of 1776, has property worth \$150,000,000.

There is not a civilized race that is not addicted to some form of stimulant.

An Afghan shawlmaker earns 48 cents a day and works from sunrise to sunset.

Great Britain imported 3,556,000,000 pounds of sugar last year.

More cheese is eaten by the Danes than any other race.

The deepest coal shaft in America is at Pottsville, Pa. In 1885 it had reached 1,576 feet.

Rev. A. Jarvis, of Napanee, has been several weeks invalided by gripe. On Sunday last Rev. H. B. Patton, of Deseronto, conducted the services at both the Napanee churches.

Are you troubled with dizziness, flatulency, flushings, fulness, general distress. Take K.D.C.,—the King of Dyspepsia Cures. It is guaranteed to cure you or money refunded.

Lord Brassey says that more than 5,000,000 of the flower of the British labouring population are members of friendly societies and trade unions.

Whalebone has been selling as low as \$2 a pound in New Bedford. The decline is due to the unprecedented catch of the whaling vessels in the Arctic Ocean last winter.

The Archbishop of Ontario and Mrs. Lewis left Kingston last Wednesday for Burlington, Vermont, in answer to an urgent invitation to attend the consecration of Father Hall as Anglican bishop.

The Rev. Canon Henderson, of Orangeville, is making arrangements to secure a curate for his parish, and to serve Farmington and Bowling Green. It is likely that Mr. Ballard, of Trinity College, will be appointed.

The Germans have, it is said, discovered that a satisfactory kind of paper can be made from the refuse hops that have hitherto gone to waste in breweries.

Fifty years ago the income of the labouring population of England was 500 millions sterling, or about £20 per head; it is now between 1,400 millions and 1,500 millions sterling, or £37 per head.

The best recommendation for K.D.C. is the cure it makes. It has cured sufferers from every stage of indigestion. It will cure you too.

The Sultan of Turkey is a monomaniac on the subject of carriages. He has been steadily engaged in making a collection of such vehicles for the past twenty years, and now has nearly 500 of all makes and kinds.

The semi-annual meeting of the Church of England Woman's Auxiliary of the diocese of Toronto was held in Orillia on Friday last.

British Columbia's harvest of salmon during 1893 will, it is estimated, occupy no less than 27,676,000 gorgeously labelled tins. The industry is one of the most hopeful in the Pacific Province.

There has recently been disinterred among the stores of the lord chamberlain at Windsor Castle, a sedan chair belonging to Henrietta of France, wife of Charles I.

Queen Victoria long ago discarded the use of stays. Princess Beatrice, following her mother's example, has discarded the use of corsets.

A hawk was shot by Albert Newlin, of Lawrenceburg, Ind., the other day. When he went to pick the body up the bird's mate attacked him with beak and wing and finally bore off the body of its dead mate in triumph.

The Rev. C. Sydney Goodman has removed from Deloraine, Man., to Bayfield, N.S.

The Queen is in possession of a curious needle. It was manufactured at the celebrated needle manufactory at Redditch, and represents the Trojan Column in miniature. Scenes from the Queen's life are depicted on the needle, so finely cut that they are discernible only through a microscope.

The street money-changer is an interesting character in Spanish cities. He stations himself at a principal street corner early every morning, and exchanges a bag of coppers for silver. By 10 o'clock his bag is exhausted and he goes home. All the servants on their way to market get their money changed by him, as they are not skilful in counting and afraid of false coins. He gives them full count, his coppers being obtained from the bankers, who get rid of their coins at a discount.

Why Hood's Wins.

President Lincoln said, "You cannot fool the people a second time." They are too quick to recognize real merit or lack of it, and cling only to those things which they find to be what is claimed for them.

It is especially gratifying that the sale of Hood's Sarsaparilla increases most rapidly in those sections where it is best known.

The inference is plain. Hood's Sarsaparilla has proven that it possesses genuine merit. It maintains a high standard, which others cannot even approach. It is the people's favorite blood-purifying and building up medicine, and is more popular this year than ever before. All this is because HOOD'S CURES.

British and Foreign.

The Archbishop of York has promised £1,000 a year for augmenting poor benefices in his large diocese.

Nearly fifty clergy died in December in England—an unparalleled number.

The statement is going the round of the American press that "10,000 new churches were built in the States during the past year."

The Ven. Archdeacon Meade, of Armagh, was consecrated Bishop of Cork in succession to the Right Rev. Dr. Gregg, lately elevated to the Primacy of the Church of Ireland.

The Bishop of Sierra Leone is about to establish a Lay Workers' Union in his diocese. The proposal has given general satisfaction.

The death from asthma and bronchitis is announced of the Duchess of Argyll, who was the daughter of the late Bishop Claughton, of St. Albans.

There is reason to believe, says the *Pall Mall Gazette*, that the Bishop of Ripon may be induced to visit America at the end of the forthcoming summer.

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