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Be with all them that love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity."—Eph. vi. 24.  
Earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints."—Jude 3.

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## ECOLESIASTICAL NOTES.

THE Rev. C. R. Knight, of Tythegston Court, has given £2,000 to the Llandaff Diocesan Church Extension Society.

DITTO SAY WE.—Bishop Gillespie thinks that theological seminaries should expel any student who perseveres in using tobacco.

THE offerings for Missions from the children of the Prot. Episcopal Church in the U.S., during the last year, amounted to \$825.00.

THE WAIFS AND STRAYS SOCIETY has received a second donation of £250 in aid of the proposed Walsham Farm Home, "in memory of James Wickens."

ANOTHER.—Bishop Paret lately ordained at the Church of the Epiphany, Washington, Rev. S. A. Whitcomb, deacon, formerly a clergyman of the Universalist Church.

THE "Spirit of Missions," the organ of the Board of Domestic and Foreign Missions of the P.E. Church of the U.S., had a circulation last year of 10,046. It is issued monthly.

UPWARDS of £4,300 were raised as a guarantee fund for the forthcoming Church Congress at Folkestone. About one thousand tickets were sold; but largely in the diocese.

THE Young Churchman Co., Milwaukee, also issue "THE SHEPHERDS ARMS" printed on pink paper and very attractive, intended for the infant classes of the S. S. It and "The Young Churchman" may be had either as a monthly or weekly.

A VALUABLE BOOK.—One hundred and three thousand dollars has been offered and refused for a Hebrew Bible now in the library of the Vatican at Rome. This makes it the most valuable book in the world, so far as dollars and cents go.

WHY?—Inquiries among the clergy and the labor leaders of Massachusetts show that a very large proportion, estimated variously between thirty-eight and forty-eight per cent, of the population are habitual non-churchgoers and alienated from the churches.

BISHOP HUNTINGTON says: "It is not scientific doubt, not atheism, not pantheism, not agnosticism, not Romanism, that in our day and in this land is likely to quench the light of the Gospel or crucify Christ. It is a proud, censorious, luxurious, churchgoing, hollow-hearted prosperity."

A BEGINNING.—On Sunday, Oct. 2nd, at Grace Church, New York, Bishop Potter admitted to the order of deaconesses three graduates from the training school. The candidates were presented by the rector, the Rev. Dr. Huntington. The Bishop gave the address and celebrated the Holy Communion.

BISHOP JOHN SELWYN has gone on a sea voyage to Gibraltar in the hope of gaining strength to undergo a second operation. He has still to walk on crutches. It is thought that he will succeed Bishop Bromby in the Mastership of St. John's Hospital at Lichfield.

SUCCESSFUL WORK.—Within a brief seven years from its initiation the Pembroke College, Cambridge, Mission in Watworth, has been enabled to complete a handsome and commodious Church, which will be consecrated on Oct. 1st. The mission began in 1885, in a district separated from All Saints', Newington, populated by 50,000 souls.

THE "YOUNG CHRISTIAN SOLDIER," the admirable S. School paper published weekly, in connection with the Board of Missions in the American Church, reached a circulation of nearly 36,000 last year. It is well suited to Canada, and it or THE YOUNG CHURCHMAN of Milwaukee might well replace other so-called non-denominational weeklies.

HOLY CHURCH WESLEYANISM.—Under this title the Rev. H. B. Ridgway, D.D., (Methodist) speaks in "The Wesleyan" of St. John's chapel, the high Church of Wesleyanism in Bradford: "In the apsis—a deep recess behind the pulpit and reading-desk, corresponding to the so-called choir of a cathedral or a Church of England—in pews on either side sat the choir, all men and boys in surplices, those taking the treble and tenor on one side, and those having the bass on the other. All the responses were chanted, the congregation joining.

PLAIN SPEAKING.—Bishop Potter in his address to the Convention of his diocese, last month, used the following much needed plain speaking:—"Some day it may be necessary for me to rehearse some of the very painful experiences which have fallen to my lot in connection with the amicable but precipitate indorsement by rectors of parishes and others of persons seeking to become candidates for holy orders. Is it necessary for me to say that the desire, however earnestly expressed, of any one to become a candidate for holy orders, is, taken by itself, no slightest evidence of his worthiness to be admitted to such standing. Is it necessary for me to remind intelligent men, whether of the

clergy or laity, that they cannot read their correspondence or go about their daily business without being constantly and painfully reminded of the large and steadily increasing class of persons in holy orders who have only too plainly gravely misapprehended both the nature of ministerial qualifications as this Church insists upon them, or the conditions under which ordinarily the ministry is to be exercised in these United States? Is it necessary that I should further remind those to whom I speak that if a man is a fool or a knave the gift of holy orders will work no such miracle upon him as will make him a scholar and a saint?"

THE Rev. Dr. Gallaudet, rector of St. Ann's P.E. Church, New York, has resigned after a ministry therein of forty years; the Church having been opened on the 1st of October 1852. The Rev. Dr. Krans, who has been his assistant, and associate rector since 1874, has now been chosen as rector. Dr. Krans is a Canadian and was born and brought up in the parish of St. Armand East, P.Q., and graduated from McGill College, Montreal. St. Ann's is the only Church in New York devoted to the spiritual care of deaf mutes, though having also a large congregation of those not so afflicted.

THE Standard having announced that "the Rev. David Benjamin, of Urmiah, Persia, formerly an assistant in the Archbishop of Canterbury's Mission to the Nestorians, who has been in England now nearly two years, has joined the Roman Catholic Church." Mr. Athelstan Riley wrote to that journal:—(1) That the Rev. David Benjamin was not a member of the Church of England, but a Nestorian deacon, formerly employed for a short time as teacher in his Grace's Mission to the Assyrian Christians; and (2) that all connection between him and the Archbishop's Mission ceased two years ago.

RETURNING.—During six years the population of Jerusalem has risen from 30,000 to 80,000. This has been greatly due to the Czar's persecution of the Jews, and to the Sultan having given Russian Jews who emigrate to Palestine proprietary rights in the agricultural settlements in which they are being planted. Six hundred houses are being built outside the city walls. The Sultan was to send the great officers of state to be present at the opening of the railway from Jaffa, which was to be opened on September 26th.

THE International Old Catholic Conference took place at Lucerne last week. There were present representatives of the Eastern Churches and the Japanists, of the Church of England,