

that the Lord Jesus Christ was the One to whom she was betrothed, to his solicitude for his son's safety was added a spirit of evil resentment. He returned to his home and then in his official capacity he ordered her as one of the hated Christians to be dragged naked through the public thoroughfares of Rome and placed in the society of the vile and degraded. But a miracle protected her from the gaze of the crowds, and when her would-be lover would have forced himself into her presence he was seized with the frenzy of a demoniac, and miserably died. But the sweet Christian charity of St. Agnes moved her to pray for his restoration to life and her prayer was answered.

Her clemency, however, was no protection to her as far as the rage of the mob was concerned. She must be burnt alive, but again a miracle saved her, and as the Three Children of God were saved from the "burning fiery furnace," so the virgin saint was untouched by the flames which vented their fury on those of her persecutors who stood near.

Her end was at hand. As she knelt with clasped hands, engaged in fervent thanksgiving for her delivery, the sword of the executioner entered her bosom, and the constant spirit departed to Paradise to be partaker of that light and refreshment which flow from Him for Whom she counted not her life dear.

The story goes on to say that after her burial outside the city walls, she appeared to her friends in the midst of a great company of virgins, clad in raiment of gold and silver, and by her side was a little lamb. Such is the legend of St. Agnes.

And still at Rome on St. Agnes' day you may see the solemn benediction of two young lambs, which are then put in the care of nuns and by them carefully reared. In due time their wool is shorn and from it the palliums or palls are made, which are given by the Bishop of Rome to the Archbishops as the token of his supremacy. Our own archbishops of Canterbury and York used at one time to receive their palls from Rome. But they do so no longer, for the Church of England at the Reformation once for all asserted her independence as a National Church, the branch in England of the One Holy Church of Christ.

THE EDITOR.

Diocesan Notes.

CALGARY—Baptisms in November—4th, Martin Lawford Ellis; 12th, Ernest Stephen Cecil Lott; 12th, Georgina Elizabeth Isabel Codd; 25th, Helen Marion Parslow.

Marriages in November—2nd, Henry Duncan Hooley to Mary Kathleen Bole Bernard; 20th, Paul Stay to Annie Leonie Haynes; 23rd, Henry Barclay Joseph to Maud Beatrice Shellitoe.

Burials in November 10th, Edward Jacques, aged 58 years; 16th, Henry Douglas Beveridge, aged 52 years.

The acting Rector wishes to thank very heartily those ladies and gentlemen who have so kindly given their time and their talents to the work of decorating the Church for Christmas. Mr. Wilson, as always, has been indefatigable. The congregation owe him a big debt of gratitude for the trouble he has put himself