

# The Church Guardian

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"Grace be with all them that love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity."—1. Pet. vi. 24.  
"Earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints."—Jude 3.

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## ECCLESIASTICAL NOTES.

THE BISHOPS OF ELY AND CARLISLE have each contributed a second donation of £200, and the Bishop of Oxford a second donation of £100 to the Clergy Distress Fund, which now amounts to £41,824.

HEBREW faith, Greek thought, Roman power, all meet together in the word *Christian*—which is Jewish in idea, Greek in language, and Roman in form—as they all meet in the inscription on the Cross of Christ.

A MAGNIFICENT OFFERTORY.—The Rev. Prebendary Forrest, D.D., forwarded to the Lord Mayor of London the sum of £1,159 13s 9d., being the amount collected at St. Jude's, South Kensington, of which he is Vicar, on Holiday Sunday. This is the largest sum ever remitted in one offertory to the fund since it was started 14 years ago.

THE BISHOP OF MANCHESTER has held the first Visitation of the Chapter since the foundation of the Bishopric, and propounded a scheme for the modification of the laws and statutes which govern the Cathedral, in order that the intention of the foundation—that the Dean and Canons should give religious instruction to the people of Manchester and of the neighboring places—should as far as possible be carried out.

MR. BYRNE, jeweller, Liverpool, has completed a chalice made from 27 articles of gold and gem-set jewellery, recently used for a lady's personal adornment. The chalice is of Gothic design, hand-made, and chased. The jewels were valued at £300, and the emeralds, diamonds, rubies, and other precious stones are all suitably set on the chalice, which was designed and manufactured to the order of a gentleman, who is presenting it to a local Church.

THE VEN. FRANCIS HENRY THICKNESSE, D.D., Archdeacon of Northampton, has been appointed Bishop of Leicester—Suffragan to the Bishop of Peterborough. Dr. Thicknesse was Mordaunt Scholar and Humerian Exhibitioner of Brasenose, and graduated in 1851. He was ordained in 1853, and was Vicar of Deane, Lancashire, 1855-8, Rural Dean of Bolton-le-Moors 1857-8; Hon. Canon of Manchester 1863-75; Chaplain to the Bishop of Peterborough 1868-70; and Vicar of Brackley 1878-79. He was appointed Archdeacon of Northampton and Canon-residentiary of Peterborough in 1875.

THE Bishops of Newcastle and Salisbury have been spending a week in Holland, in company with the Rev. R. S. Oldham, and the Rev. P. H. Ditchfield, in order to make acquaintance with the Bishop and clergy of the Old Catholic Church in Holland. They have visited Rotterdam, Schiedam, Utrecht, Amersfoorte, Haarlem, and Eukhuizen, and have everywhere met with a very friendly reception. At Utrecht they spent some hours in conference with the Archbishop (Heykamp) and some of his clergy. The Bishops brought with them a letter of introduction from the Archbishop of Canterbury, which will no doubt be

preserved in the archives of the See of Utrecht; and they will probably have an opportunity of giving an account of their journey to His Grace and the other Bishops at Lambeth. Notwithstanding the books of Neale and Nippold, and others which have been written on the subject, it is certain that there is very little accurate knowledge in England of the doctrine and practice of this ancient Church, so unjustly called Jansenist. It may be remarkable that the Church of Holland has made one most important reform—viz., the abolition of compulsory private confession, considering that the Canon of the 4th Council of the Lateran (which requires it) is a matter merely of discipline, with which they have a perfect right to deal; and it is also to be noticed that the study of Holy Scripture is not only permitted to the laity, but is emphatically enjoined upon them.

NEW YORK.—In his sermon on the first Sunday in July, Dr. Rainsford, St. George's, N.Y., startled his congregation by saying that inasmuch as his wealthy parishioners were to be absent for the summer, he should be glad if they would permit his poor and needy parishioners to occupy their houses. It is understood that the basements of some of the houses have been opened to such poor families as can be properly vouched for. By this arrangement they will be able to spend the summer in comfortable houses instead of stifling tenements.

THE Jubilee of the Coronation was celebrated by a special festival service in the nave of Westminster Abbey. In addition to the Abbey choir there were also present the Bach Choir, members of the Cambridge University Musical Society, and the choir of the Royal College of Music. The service commenced with the March from Handel's Occasional Oratorio, and the National Anthem was then sung, with full orchestral and organ accompaniment. After the Lesson the choir sang the anthem, "Hosanna to the Son of David," by Orlando Gibbons; and after the Collects the *Te Deum* was sung to the music of Berlioz. A collection was made in aid of the funds of Westminster Hospital, and the service concluded with Handel's "Coronation Anthem."

In acknowledging a copy of the Report of the Rochester Diocesan Church Defence Committee, the Bishop of Bangor writes:—We have not in this diocese the large and rapidly increasing populations which have sprung up within the last half century in the Diocese of Llandaff. The Church, however, is making steady progress; and although I grieve to say that there are exceptional parishes, the progress is becoming more and more marked and general. In my recent Confirmations there have been an exceptional number of persons of mature years; in many cases these have been persons who had been brought up under Nonconformist influence, while in the others it bears witness to the increasing appreciation of Church ordinances. The counting of the congregations in churches and chapels within the diocese, concluded, as it was, under Nonconformist auspices, has done much to open the

eyes of our brethren in England to the present state of the Church in Wales.

NINE Colonial Bishops have been appointed to preach at Westminster Abbey on Sundays in July.

MR. JAMES GLAISHER, has written to the *Times* that the Pool of Bethesda has been discovered at Jerusalem.

It is believed that the Archbishop of York intends to have the assistance of a Suffragan who will take the title of Bishop of Beverley.

It is reported that the Bishopric of Eastern Equatorial Africa, has been offered to the Rev. Harry G. Grey, C.M.S. Missionary at Quetta, North India.

THE *Church Review*, (London), says that the Cambridge University sermon was preached by Dr. Doane, Bishop of Albany, "one of the most Catholic of American prelates."

THE Bishop of East Carolina, in his annual address, said: "I fear that at this time an exaggerated and, therefore, so far a false, because unregulated, yearning for unity, is doing much mischief in this direction, by removing, or at least obscuring, old landmarks of faith and action."

THE Archbishop of Canterbury has, through his Secretary, forwarded the following letter to the solicitors acting for the Church Association: "The Sanctuary, Westminster, June 26, 1888. Dear Sirs,—I am directed by his Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury, to inform you that he has given his best attention to the petition which you presented to him on June 2, viz., that he would entreat the Lord Bishop of Lincoln to answer before him on certain specified charges. You informed his Grace that the law under which you desired him to act is "the old law," of the operation of which you quoted as an instance the case "*Lacy v. Bishop Watson*." He has therefore given the best attention in his power to this case. It appears to be the one and only precedent of this procedure—the case of the Bishop of Clogher not having been contested, and another named by Burnet being obscure. Considering the fact that in the course of above 300 years since the Reformation there is no other precedent, and considering the political and other exceptional circumstances under which this particular case was decided, his Grace has failed to satisfy himself that the coercive jurisdiction which you desire him to exercise admits of substantial application to the case presented in your petition. The Archbishop therefore finds himself unable to exercise such jurisdiction in this matter without some instruction being produced from a competent Court to the effect that the jurisdiction referred to is thus applicable."

At the Annual Meeting of the Dean and Canons Residentiary of the Cathedral, the Archdeacons and Rural Deans of the diocese, held at Lincoln on Tuesday, June 26th, the following protest against the proposed prosecution of the Bishop of Lincoln was read to