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EDITORIAL NOTES.

REV. J. W. HICKS has been consecrated Bishop of Bloemfontein (Africa) and the new bishopric of Lebombo has been accepted by the Rev. W. E. Smyth, an English missionary, who has been labouring in the adjoining diocese of Zululand since 1889.

It is said that the Rev. Dr. D. Greer, pastor of St. Bartholomew's Protestant Episcopal Church, New York, having a sufficient private income for his own needs, turns over his entire salary for the relief of the poor, and as his salary is \$15,000 a year, the relief is a substantial one.

STRENUOUS efforts are being made to secure a sufficient endowment for the See of Ottawa, which it is hoped will be formed ere long. Apart from the fact that the Diocese of Ontario is far too large for one man to manage, the capital of the Dominion should certainly have a resident bishop.

It is said that the Bishop of Newfoundland has authorized the immediate roofing of the choir and transepts of St. John's Cathedral at a cost of about \$50,000. Mrs. James Anthony

Eames, of Concord, N. H., who has given \$4,000 to the Cathedral fund at Bermuda, will give a thousand dollars towards it.

THE Church Army is about to arrange for the opening of a small farm colony in South Africa. At the first there will be about twenty or thirty families in the immediate settlement, and around it is a large Kaffir district with a great number of heathen. The colony will form first a strong nucleus of Church Army life, only selected persons being allowed to go out. The colony will be in the diocese of the Bishop of Grahamstown.

MR. GLADSTONE recently said:—"The older I grow the more confirmed I am in my faith and religion. I have been in public life fifty-eight years, and forty-seven in the cabinet of the British Government, and during those forty-seven years I have been associated with sixty of the master minds of the country, and all but five of the sixty were Christians."

IN the American Church there are 72 bishops, 3,865 clergymen, 313 deacons, 582 candidates for orders, 1,806 lay readers, 183,310 Baptisms since last Convention, 125,738 Confirmations, 42,426 added communicants over those lost by death; present number of communicants, 549,250; Church edifices, 10,246, of which 4,581 are free churches; aggregate contributions, \$40,566,529.

THE Synod of Columbia met in Christ Church school house, Victoria, for the purpose of electing a bishop, but after four ballots, barren of result, it was decided unanimously by the clergy and by a vote of 24 to 13 of the laity to leave the appointment in the hands of the Archbishop of Canterbury. His Grace has since appointed the Rev. William Perrin of St. Luke's Church, Hants, England, to the position.

THE Rev. Wilfrid Bird Hornby, who since 1885, has been vicar of St. Columba's, Southwich, Sunderland, has accepted the recently constituted bishopric of Nyassaland, Central Africa. The work of the future bishop will lie around the shores of Lake Nyassa, which is about 300 miles long. There is a mission steamer on the lake, and the post is one requiring great self-denial, and demanding a considerable degree of physical endurance.

THE *Algoma Missionary News* says:—"We are glad to be able to announce that the news of Bishop Sullivan's health is of a favourable character. Dr. Jackson (London) had been consulted, and his opinion agrees with that of Dr. Stewart (Montreal). We hope from time to time to be