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UPHOLDS THE DOCTRINES AND RUBRICS OF THE PRAYER BOOK.

"Grace 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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ECCLESIASTICAL NOTES.

THE "Bishop of London's Fund" received a "New Year's Gift" of £1,200.

THE Vicar of St. Matthias's, Plymouth, has announced his intention of dis-continuing Evening Communion.

No one values very highly the opinions of a person who is continually acting in opposition to the well-known principles of the society to which he belongs.

SIR Richard Webster has succeeded the late Mr. Edward Stanhope as chairman of the Church party in the House of Commons. He was elected by an unanimous vote.

THE Rev. Dr. Newton rector of the Monumental Church, Richmond, Va., has been elected as assistant Bishop of the Diocese. His election seems to have given great satisfaction in the South. He is a Virginian.

THE Archdeacon of Stafford (the Ven. Melville Scott) has received from the clergy and laity of his archdeaconry, as a practical expression of sympathy with him in the long illness from which he is slowly recovering, a Christmas gift of £450.

THE old Wesleyan chapel at Brillington is being made into a spacious Mission-room and Institute in connection with the Priory Church. Two friends have generously given £200 each, one £50, and several £25, and smaller sums, making altogether between £700 and £800.

St. Paul's Cathedral, London, has a new clock, the old works, after 182 years' continuous service, being worn out. The clock is the largest in the kingdom; its pendulum is 15 feet long, weighs 7 cwt., and has a two-second beat. The dial and hands of the old clock are used, and "Great Paul" still strikes the hours.

THE clear and courageous position laid down in the sermon preached at the consecration of the Bishop of Cork, by Dr. C. K. Irwin, is worthy of notice. He therein maintained that Episcopacy and the Apostolic Succession belong not merely to the "Bene esse," but to the "Esse" of the Christian Church—*Irish Ecclesiastical Gazette*.

THE work of translation and revision is (says the *Gleaner*) advancing apace in Uganda. The Prayer Book is finished, St. Matthew, Romans, and part of St. John revised, and First Epistle of St. John translated. Mr. G. L. Pilkington is hoping to personally see these through the press in England during his coming furlough. The Rev. G. K. Baskerville writes from Ziba, Kyagwe, one of the new stations in Uganda opened in February last; "a small church has

now been built, and the services are held regularly every morning. The Rev. W. A. Crabtree has mastered the grammar of the language, and takes his turn in preaching."

THE Rev. W. B. Monahan, M. A., a young Wesleyan minister in Birmingham, has resigned his position in the Council in the connection with the view of taking orders in the Church of England. His reasons for this step are his views on the ecclesiastical position of Wesleyan Methodists and objection to the itinerancy principle. His father is a well known Irish minister.

IN Christ church, St. Louis, on Sunday, January 7th, Bishop Tuttle ordained as deacons, Mr. P. W. Fauntleroy and Mr. G. W. Cobb. Mr. Fauntleroy is a well-known lawyer in St. Louis. He has been appointed to take charge of St. James' church, near that city.

THE Brotherhood of St. Andrew seems to have been to the fore in many places in arranging for Mid-day Lenten Services for business men—a good work truly.

THE will of Miss Margaret F. Erwen, of Philadelphia states that her residuary estate, amounting to \$40,000 and over, is to be equally divided between St. Thomas' [African] church, Grace church chapel, West Phila., and the Episcopal Hospital. Miss Erwen during her life-time was noted for her bountiful charities, and she undertook, in many instances, the support of young men while they were studying for the ministry of the Church. For very many years she was a communicant member of Grace church.

ONE of the oldest Bibles in the world is now to be seen in the Theodor Graf collection at the Academy of Fine Arts, Philadelphia. It is a century-worn manuscript, written in ancient Jewish characters upon 47 leaves of papyrus, the Egyptian river plant from which came the name "paper." The leaves have been half torn and rotted away, but enough of the writing still remains to enable one to identify the books inscribed therein as portions of Zechariah and of Malachi. The manuscript dates back to the third century before Christ, and is of inestimable value.

DR. PENTECOST tells a story about a little girl who was one day talking to her grandfather. The old gentleman had been imparting some good advice, suitable to the tender years of his grandchild. Finally, the latter put the questions: "Grandpa, are you a Christian?" "Yes, my dear, I hope I am." "What Church do you belong to, grandpa?" "Oh, I belong to the Church of Christ." "But which is that? Are you a member of the same Church that mamma and I are—the Episcopal Church?" "No, my dear, I am not an Episcopalian." "Are you a Presbyterian, then?" "No; I am not a Presbyterian." "Are you a Baptist, then?" "No." "Are you a Methodist?" "No, dear; I do not belong to any of the Churches; I just belong to

Christ." After a pause in which the little one was thinking it all over, she turned her face up to her grandfather's, and said, "Well, grandpa, if I were you I would try and get in somewhere."

THE *Medical News* gives the following information as to the use of tobacco: "From the records of the senior class of Yale College during the past eight years, the non-smokers have proved to have decidedly gained over the smokers in height, weight and lung capacity. All candidates for the crews and other athletic sports were non-smokers. The non-smokers were 20 per cent taller than the smokers, 25 per cent heavier, and had 62 per cent more lung capacity. In the graduating class of Amherst College of the present year, those not using tobacco have in weight gained 24 per cent, over those using tobacco, in height 37 per cent, in chest girth 42 per cent, while they have a greater average lung capacity by 8.36 cubic inches."

A LENTEN PASTORAL.

(By the Bishop of Lichfield, presently Archbishop of York).

DEARLY BELOVED IN CHRIST,—The Holy Season of Lent is one which ought to bring a very special blessing to the people of God. Its observance has been enjoined under varying conditions by the Church of all ages. Its principle and its purpose have been sanctioned by our Lord Himself and by His Holy Apostles; and our own Church, in one of her authorised homilies, has urged upon her faithful people the example in this matter of the Church of other days. Yet it cannot be denied that there is still among us a widespread neglect of this season of grace.

It is true that we have seen in our day in many parishes an improvement in this matter, for which we cannot be too thankful—part of that wonderful revival of spiritual life of which we see the blessed tokens everywhere around us. But there remains much to be desired, and I earnestly trust that in this diocese, and in these approaching weeks of Lent, we may make some sensible progress towards better things.

Whatever may have been the circumstances under which the Lenten season was first observed, there can be little doubt that it has ever stood in close relation to the great events of the Holy Week; and while its duration has varied, its aim and end has ever been the better preparation of the faithful Christian to stand beneath the Cross and to watch beside the grave of his adorable Redeemer. And so it is still; throughout the forty days we look onward to the mysteries of Gethsemane, of Calvary, and of the rocky tomb; that so, by all the discipline of the Lenten fast, and by all its added means of grace, we may be prepared to enter more deeply into the fellowship of Christ's sufferings, and be made conformable to His death.

Now the way and means thereto is, first, to