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"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.

It is true the heathen are in our midst, and St. Bartholomew's Church, New York, has in one of its guilds no less than 400 Chinese, to whom it ministers.

TRINITY CHURCH, Covington, N. Y., was the recipient Easter Sunday of eight artistically carved choir stalls and three sets of vestments. The debt of \$3,000 was cleared off by the subscriptions of the congregation.

NEW ZEALAND—BISHOP and Mrs. Selwyn have contributed £3,000 towards the cost of an auxiliary steam vessel for the Melanesia mission service. The new vessel will be larger than the *Southern Cross*, and will cost £9,000.

BISHOP ROLISON has recently received into the fellowship of the Church at Allentown Pa., two young men of much promise, who were also members of the German Reformed Church, both of whom contemplate taking Holy Orders in the Church.

THE Bishop of a large Midland diocese in the U. S. writes "we need men and don't know where to find them. The difficulty of getting suitable clergymen for our missionary work is the difficulty. We offer fairly good salaries but the men do not come. We have the grandest opportunity for the Church but we cannot find the men."

THE medical advisers of the Bishop of Winchester, Eng., have ordered his Lordship to take complete rest for a time. It is more than a quarter of a century since the Bishop was consecrated to the See in Westminster Abbey. One of the Bishops who took part in his consecration was Archbishop Longley who was the predecessor of Archbishop Tait in the Primacy of Canterbury. In 1873 Bishop Browne was translated from Ely to Winchester. His jurisdiction is a large one, and includes a population of some nine hundred thousand, and between five and six hundred parishes. He is *ex officio* Prelate of the Order of the Garter, among other offices held by him. We earnestly hope that his Lordship will soon be able to resume his duties.

FOR some time past the Bishop of Maritzburg has been endeavoring to find clergy in South India willing to go to Natal to work in the Tamil Mission there. There are some 20,000 Tamil-speaking people in Natal, so that there is a very large field of missionary work in South Africa. At the request of the Bishop of Maritzburg, the Rev. Canon Booth came over to India, and having visited Nazareth in Tinnevely and other places, succeeded in finding men willing to return with him. Two of them, Mr. V. Solomon, of Ramnad, and Mr. V. Simon, of Nazareth, were recently ordained deacons by the Bishop of Madras in St. Thomas' Church, Mylapore, and have left Madras with Canon Booth and a small band of teachers to work in South Africa.

ONE of those rare old churches—St. John's Clerkenwell, London, Eng.—which remind us

so powerfully of the unbroken continuity of the Church in these islands, was reopened lately after restoration. Its history carries us back to the twelfth century, the first building of that name having been consecrated by Heraclitus, patriarch of Jerusalem, in 1185. The rebels under Wat Tyler did sad damage to the priory to which the church was attached. Camden says that the tower-steeple of the second church was of great beauty and an ornament to the city. Cardinal Pole restored the ancient edifice, which has gone through many strange vicissitudes. At one time it was used as a Dissenting chapel, and, as such, again became an object on which a mob vented its fury at the time of the Sacheverell riots. In 1723, the Church Commissioners purchased the present building, which was erected by Mitchel, a merchant, and in 1815 it underwent one process of restoration. Its latest renovation has, we understand, been carried out at the expense of the vicar.

ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE, Annandale, New York, an institution which has been chartered only about thirty years, has received the past year, in addition to gifts of previous years, the better part of \$100,000 in endowments. Not remarkable in itself, but it becomes so from the fact that most of this comes from clergymen of the Church. Clergymen are sometimes severely criticised, but as a rule they do more and give more than any other class of men, according to their ability. Removed from the avenues of trade and with small livings, comparatively, they have neither the opportunity nor the desire to accumulate; but when, provident ally, wealth comes under their control it is a rare thing to find it used for other than the Gospel cause.

St. Stephen's College has for its main object the education of young men for the ministry, and we believe about one twentieth of the actual clergy of the Church are its graduates. This may account for the bestowal of gifts of the clergy in that direction, and is an evidence of their good judgment. The power of the Church for good, under the Lord and Holy Spirit, lies in its clergy, who are the teaching and must be the governing body.—*Los Angeles Churchman*.

DEACONESSES.—A very important movement has been made in the establishment of a training school for Deaconesses in the city of New York. The revival of this order of the Apostles' days has lived down prejudice, and the time will come when they will be found as helpers to the clergy in every diocese and large parish. Even the denominations have ceased to be afraid of the name and thing—it suffices that it is Scriptural. Of course, if we are to have such an order, like the deacons they must be prepared for the office and the work. They need to be made familiar with God's Word and the Book of Common Prayer, with the care of the sick and of the household and with mission work. Nowhere can be found greater facilities for instruction in these and other branches of learning, such as a Deaconess needs, than in New York, and it could not be associated with any parish better than with Grace Church. Dr. Huntington is warden, and

there is an advisory council of women who are especially qualified for the position. The term of the school will begin in October and continue through April, but three months of hospital service, May, June, and July, will be required of all but special students. It should be added that lessons in ecclesiastical music and embroidery will be given. The first session of the school will begin next fall, and we doubt not the number applying for admission will prove that a long felt want has been supplied.—*Standard of the Cross*

A MOVEMENT is on foot for the incorporation of the Countess of Huntingdon's Connection with the Church of England. The only wonder is that this reunion has not been effected before, for the body in question can hardly be said to represent either a distinct form of doctrine or Church government. The Connexion is very small. In 1851 it had rather over a hundred chapels in England and Wales; the number is now probably smaller.

OHIO.—The outlook for the Church in Ohio is bright with promise. Clergy and laity seem more than ever alive to their responsibility, and inspired with confidence in the divine mission of that branch of the Church Catholic which has their allegiance. Hopefulness has taken the place of discouragement, and courage has driven out timidity. It is said that, if men are to succeed in their undertakings, they must believe in that for which they work. The people of Ohio are coming more and more to believe in the Church—the Church, of which it was said by the late Dr. Dawson in one of his memorable missionary addresses: "Thou venerable Mother! Thou Catholic Church of Christ! Thou Bride of the Lamb! Thou Keeper and Witness of the Truth! Wherein is weakened the force and meaning of that message which thou didst bear to the nations of old, which to them was the savor of life unto life, the power of God for their salvation? Wherein is decayed that virtue within thee, which once flowed with healing power to every one who touched the hem of thy garment? Where is thy face of flame, thine arm of might? Oh, arise and shine! Stand, thou wondrous creation of God, clothed with the sun, and having the moon under thy feet! Speak Thou Thy message of peace, Thou Holy One! Enlighten the ignorance, repress the folly, reprove the sin of this land, as thou didst in the days of our fathers, and in the old time before them. Give us the benediction of thy presence in every place; teach us thine unerring testimony; and guide us in the way of salvation. These shores were sought for thy sake; discovered for thee by thy faithful children who loved thee well. To thee were they given in covenants of prayer with holy sacraments. For thee these wildernesses were peopled. Of thee it is written: 'I will give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession.'"

INTELLIGENCE has been received from New Zealand that the Bishop of Wellington has been elected Primate by a large majority over the Bishop of Nelson.