

A REMARKABLE RELIGIOUS MOVEMENT has begun among the ministers of the German Evangelical Church in the Western States. In a request, signed by thirteen ministers, including the President, ex-Vice-President and Secretary of the German Evangelical Synod of the West, they desire a bishop from the hands of the House of Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church, "that" (in the words) "he may bring to us apostolic ministrations with apostolic authority, and that he may convey to us the blessings which we believe God sends down through his appointed ministers. We are far from desiring to establish a new church; we desire to be a part of yours." Since the reformation in Germany and England every religious movement has ended in a separation. This is the first which is an effort towards organic unity on the basis of the Apostles' Creed and the apostolic ministry. The House of Bishops replied in the most courteous and Christian manner, and designated the German-speaking Bishop, whose ministrations might be used, the Rev. Mr. Auer, who has been chosen Bishop of Cape Palmas, West Africa, and who will be consecrated in a few weeks.—*Transcript.*

### Legend in Alsace.

Knowest thou, Gretchen, how it happens  
That the dear ones die?  
God walks daily in His Garden,  
While the sun shines high:  
In that garden there are roses,  
Beautiful and bright,  
And He gazes round delighted,  
With the lovely sight.  
If He marks one gaily blooming  
Than the rest more fair,  
He will pause and look upon it,  
Full of tender care.  
And the beautiful rose He gathers  
In His bosom lies,  
But on earth are tears and sorrow,  
For a dear one dies.

### Impartiality of the Church.

Our Mother, the Church, hath never a child  
To honour before the rest;  
And she singeth the same for mighty kings,  
And the veriest babe on her breast.

And the bishop goes down to his narrow bed  
As the ploughman's child is laid;  
And alike she blesseth the dark-browed serf,  
And the chief in his robe arrayed.

She sprinkles the drops of the bright new birth  
Alike on low and high,  
And christens their bodies with dust to dust,  
When earth with its earth must lie.

O! the poor man's friend is the Church of Christ,  
From birth to his funeral day;  
She makes them the Lord's in her surpliced arms,  
And singeth his burial lay.

COX

At Sunday School be early; have good lessons; join heartily in responses and singing; answer promptly in the catechising, and go out as orderly as from Church.

Teachers should provide substitutes when unable to come.

Baptism is the Sacrament of initiation, and therefore should never be repeated.

The Holy Communion is the Sacrament of nourishment, hence the frequency of its reception.

GIVING.—"How much of my income shall I give to the Lord? The Jew gave at least one tenth. Can a Christian conscientiously give less than a Jew?"

Fine sense, and exalted sense, are not half so valuable as common sense. There are forty men of wit for one man of sense; and he that will carry nothing about him but gold, will be every day at a loss for want of ready change.