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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.

St. PAUL's parish, Wickford, R.I., is the second oldest in New England, its register dating from 1718.

MRS. WILLIAM APPLETON, of Boston, Mass., has given \$1,000 for the summer work of the City Board of Missions.

A Committee has been formed in the English House of Commons for the purpose of promoting the interests of religious education.

THE Irish Church Synod recently rejected an attempt to make it illegal to place a cross anywhere in the chancel, or before, or behind, the altar.

It was decided at the last Convention to divide the Diocese of Minnesota, and to change the name of Assistant Bishop, presently used, to that of Coadjutor.

In Wales the tithes, glebes and buildings belong to the various ecclesiastical corporations by *unbroken descent* from the gifts and bequests of the *original benefactors*.

THE Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society have received by will of the late Mary M. Hutchinson, of Pennsylvania, the income of \$30,000, for sundry purposes.

In 1693 missionaries of The Church of England established the Church in Yonkers, Westchester Co., N.Y. St. John's church there has had an existence of 200 years.

AN anonymous gift of £2,000 was received lately by the Additional Curates' Society, London, Eng. This makes a sum of £3,444 so far given for the Society's special needs.

A writer in *The Churchman* says that the Diocese of Vermont is truly a most desirable field for missions, inasmuch as only about one-half of its people attend a Church of any kind.

MR. GLADSTONE, in his speech at Edinburgh on Nov. 11th, 1885, insisted upon the fact that disestablishment in the case of the *Irish Church* was no precedent for disestablishment in the *English*, including the *Welsh Church*.

BISHOP HALL, of Vermont, speaking of *lay services*, said they were valuable, "but only to be used when *clerical cannot be had*." He recommended grouping together several missions under a priest, assisted by a deacon.

THE 35th anniversary of Bishop Whipple's consecration was celebrated at the last Convention in Minnesota. In replying to an affectionate address, the aged apostle of the Indians said: "More than a generation of men has passed away since I became your Bishop,

Sixty-seven of our Bishops have entered into rest, and in the whole Anglican Communion there are only two whose Episcopate is longer than my own."

THE Church in Wales is not endowed by the State. The Church in England and Wales, in the words of a man remarkable for great moderation, Bishop Harold Browne, "costs the nation nothing, nor does it cost any individual anything."

IN Galesburg, in the Diocese of Quincy, Ill., there is a Swedish mission of St. John, which has been received into union with the Convention. It has its own Swedish minister, and services are held in the Swedish language. The congregation numbers about 400.

THE Rev. Canon Ellison, chaplain-in-ordinary to the Queen, is about to resign the living of Great Haseley, Oxfordshire, which he has held for nearly twenty years. Canon Ellison, who is in his eighty-first year, was the founder of the Church of England Temperance Society.

BISHOP HALL, of Vermont, since his consecration about four months ago, has preached 127 times, besides delivering 14 other addresses; has celebrated Holy Communion 62 times, confirmed 364 persons, consecrated one church, ordained two clergy, and licensed 15 lay readers.

IN speaking of the progress of his Diocese, Bishop Whipple said: "In the past 30 years we have built over 150 churches, 55 parsonages, and four hospitals. We have noble Christian schools at Faribault, and one of great promise at Wilder, besides St. Catherine and St. Paul's. I look with hope to the founding for the Diocese of a Deaconess Home."

THE Bishop of Vermont, in his first Convention address, recommended early celebration and disapproved of any after mid-day, and expressed the hope that *weekly Communion* would soon be the custom in his Diocese. He closed his Convention address by recommending the succession, not only of the Apostolic ministry, with the Catholic Creeds, but also that of zeal and devotion.

IN 1867 Bishop Talbot, of Indiana, recommended the division of the Diocese, and, in 1893, his successor, Bishop Knickerbacker, concurred in such recommendation. At the last convention, just held, it was resolved to divide the Diocese into three, and a committee was appointed in each Deanery for the purpose of raising the Endowment Fund. The Bishop expressed his gratification at the action taken, which would do, he was sure, more for the glory of God in Indiana than any other action. He added that there were many counties in the State which had no Episcopal churches, and the creation of new Dioceses, giving Indiana three Bishops instead of one, will permit of a closer occupation of the field.

CHRIST Church Cathedral, Reading, Pa., has been enriched through the munificence of Mrs. Elizabeth D. Stichter, who has presented a Communion rail and a pair of Sanctuary Gates. The gates are a combination of intricate and interlaced metal work, the central rod being surmounted by the Cross. On either side the metal rail is supported by a number of standards made from chiselled brass of symbolic form; a growth of vine, which seems to start from the floor of the sanctuary, forms not only an upright support for the rail, but two effective brackets on either side. The whole is one solid piece of metal. The inscription which is cut upon the gates reads as follows: "To the glory of God, and in loving memory of Thomas D. Strichter, 1892. Aged 45 years."

BISHOP SMYTHIES will certainly take his place in the calendar of great, brave missionaries who have hitherto adorned English missionary annals. He is of the heroic band which numbers Pateson and Hannington in its ranks. With the exception of John Coleridge Pateson, the martyr-bishop of Melanesia, whose life and death were told in a recent number of *The Churchman*, Bishop Smythies was the only bishop of the Church who was ever buried at sea. His vocation for missionary work was early indicated. While an English curate, he was heard to say that men ought not to ask for reasons why they should become missionaries, but rather ask why they should not. He looked upon a true missionary call as one that should take a clergyman somewhere where he would run the risk of his life. His failure in health was the distinct result of great toil and exposure. His example cannot be in vain.—*The Churchman, N.Y.*

THE golden jubilee of the ordination of the Rev. Dr. Miel, Rector of the French church of Le Sauveur, Philadelphia, was celebrated on 1st June last. He was presented with a certificate of deposit of a sum of money to his order by his congregation, acting through Bishop Whitker. It was on Ember Saturday in Whitsun Week, 1844, that the Rev. Dr. Miel was ordained to the priesthood in the cathedral church of Notre Dame, by Monseigneur Affie, the martyr Archbishop of Paris. In replying he gave an account of his renunciation of Romanism. It appears that he was sent to aid in the spread of Romanism, which England was said to be ready to receive; that it became necessary for him to make a special study of the grounds on which the Roman Church rested its absolute authority; and he discovered their falsity, which caused him to abandon the cause in which he had become interested—the spread of the Roman theocracy. He spoke of his earnest desire to find a resting place, and how, while holding union services in Chicago, he came in contact with the late Bishop Whitehouse; and the late Bishop Stevens expressed a wish that he might find a home in his diocese. Finally, on June 23, 1871, being presented by the Bishop of Illinois, he was received into the