

The Church Guardian.

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.

CANON KNOX-LITTLE is coming to America in November.

THE Church Missionary Society has appointed the Rev. B. Baring-Gould, vicar of St. Michael and All Angels, Blackheath, its Home and Central Secretary. The post has been vacant for twelve months.

THE Archbishop of Canterbury has conferred the "B.D." on the Rev. Thomas R. Wade, C.M.S. Missionary at Amritsar, in the Punjab, for having translated the New Testament and Prayer-Book into Cashmere.

AMONG the candidates at a Confirmation service held at Caverswall in July by the Bishop of Shrewsbury, was a father, son, and grandson—three generations from one family—a circumstance perhaps almost unique.

THE Bishop of Chester loses rather than gains by his transference to Oxford, as the late Bishop will retire on a pension of £1,500 a year, reducing the value of the See during Dr. Mackarness' lifetime to £3,500.

DR. MACKARNES, who has been Bishop of Oxford, England, for eighteen years, resigned his See June 22d, on account of ill-health. He succeeded the famous Dr. Samuel Wilberforce when that prelate was translated to the See of Winchester.

THE Church Army, which is conducted on strictly Church lines, is in need of young men willing to work. Many of its officers have given up comfortable situations for a very uncertain and diminished income in connection with the Church Army. Full details can be had from 130 Edgeware Road, London W.

ST. IGNATIUS, (N.Y.), Rev. Arthur Ritchie, rector, has been attended by more than 50,000 people the past year. The total receipts of the parish foot up \$27,000. The communicants have increased from 112 in 1884 to 265 in 1888. A debt of \$4,000 has been paid off and \$9,000 expended in alterations and improvements.

STRANGE to say, the first marriage ever celebrated in the Cathedral of the Incarnation, Garden City, took place August 2, none but Bishop Littlejohn officiating; the happy pair being Rev. Dr. Darlington, rector of Christ Church, Brooklyn, and Miss Ella Louisa Beames of the same city.

AT Cambridge an "African Prayer Union" has been started by friends of the late Bishop Parker. Objects:—(1) To pray definitely on one day in the week for the spread of the Gospel in Africa. (2) To read regularly about one or more of the African mission fields. (3) To correspond with some African missionary. A quarterly paper will be issued.

No missionary serial has ever been produced to compare with the *Church Missionary Gleaner*. It is so admirably conducted that it can be

equally relished by young and old. The illustrations are masterpieces in their way, and the letterpress is intensely interesting. The paper brings missionary enterprise before the public in the most realistic manner.—*Irish Ecclesiastical Gazette*.

ON September 2, 1838, the present Bishop of the Diocese of Connecticut, and Presiding Bishop of the American Church, was ordained Deacon by Bishop Brownell in Christ Church, Middletown. September 2 therefore was the *fiftieth* anniversary of that ordination, the beginning of that long career which has won increasing honor and—perhaps even better—increasing affection from all with whom he has had to do.

IN the interval between the two full sessions of the recent Lambeth Conference, a most successful 'Retreat' for Bishops was held under the superintendence of the Bishop of Lichfield. Many of the Bishops who were able to be present testified to the spiritual blessings which they had won from the Retreat. It was a new departure and experiment, but having been so blessed it will be more fully developed in a subsequent Conference.

THE Rev. A. Williamson, vicar of St. James', Norlands, Notting-hill, three years ago instituted a Sunday-school for children of the upper classes, Miss E. Lord (who has a large Kindergarten school in the parish) kindly lending a room for the purpose. The scheme has been appreciated, and there is now a good attendance on Sunday afternoons. Parents are glad to avail themselves of the opportunity of gaining religious instruction for their children, as it is scarcely obtainable in public schools of the present day.

A VERY interesting meeting in connection with the Old Catholics was held at Salisbury on Saturday, August 4, among the visitors being Bishop Herzog, of Berne, and several Old Catholic pastors. The Bishop of Salisbury, in his address, referred with stern rebuke to the increasing laxity of morals manifested by the latest news from Italy, namely, that the present much-vaunted "reforming" Pope has, for a consideration of £4,000, given a dispensation to the Duke of Aosta to marry his own blood niece. Count Enrico Campello was present and addressed the meeting in Italian. Bishop Herzog and the other Old Catholics spoke in excellent English.

A SPECIAL meeting of the College of Bishops of the Church in Scotland, was held within St. Ninian's Cathedral, Perth, on Friday the 3rd of August last, at 11.30 a.m. There were present the Right Revs. the Bishops of Brechin, *Primus*; the Bishop of St. Andrews, Dunkeld, and Dunblane; the Bishop of Moray and Ross; the Bishop of Aberdeen and Orkney; the Bishop of Argyll and the Isles, and the Bishop of Edinburgh. Amongst other business done the Bishops unanimously agreed to confirm the election of Canon Harrison, when all the conditions of Canon III. had been complied with, and it was resolved that the Consecration should take place on the 29th day of Septem-

ber next, being the Festival of St. Michael and All Angels.

THE average yearly income of St. Peter's Eaton-square, London, Eng., from all sources—taking the last five years as the basis of computation—is no less than £16,365. St. Peter's, it should be stated, is a purely voluntary church, and has no endowments whatever. It has of late years been enlarged, and will now accommodate nearly two thousand persons. It has also a daughter church (St. John's), and a chapel, which will hold about a thousand and seven hundred respectively, bringing up the total provision to about 3,600 or 3,700 sittings for the whole parish, the population of which is about 14,000. In Mr. Storrs' opinion it would be a low estimate to say that on an average 3,000 different persons attend at St. Peter's, 1,000 at St. John's, and 300 at the chapel on Sundays, making a total of 4,300, or nearly a third of the gross population. The number of confirmees during the five years Mr. Storrs has held the vicarage have averaged 210 a year, which is equal to as many young persons as reach the confirmation age in a population of 10,000. The number of communions made at St. Peter's is 18,000 a year, at St. John's 8,700, and at the chapel 1,400, making a total of 28,100. The number who received last Easter was 1,742, and 1,492 in 1884; but a considerable number of communicants always leave home on Maundy-Thursdays and spend the holiday in the country.

BURIAL REFORM.—The Rev. W. S. Boardman, of the Episcopal Church of the United States (New York Diocese), and Honorary Secretary of the New York Burial Reform Association, preaching in York, said that the English Burial Reform Society had been the means of stirring up the people of America, who had now started a Society for a similar purpose in the United States, and he, as Hon. Secretary, was unable to express the debt of gratitude which America owed to the English Society. The Burial Reform Association desired to put in the power of the poor man to bury his dead naturally in the earth, at a moderate outlay. The Society took its stand upon Holy Scripture, "Dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return." As the leaf falls to the ground, and is gradually absorbed without any of the odor of corruption, so the human body received into the earth, is dissolved by a natural process, and does not remain in putrefaction, but disappears in the way God has appointed.

THE Bishop of Indiana will visit the Holy Land in company with the Bishop of North Dakota, returning to Indiana about the first of November.

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