

# 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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## ECCLIASTICAL NOTES.

THE annual report of the *Church Army Social Scheme*, London, Eng., stated that there was a balance in hand of £7,000, while the total receipts amounted to £14,991, an increase of £7,970.

THE YOUNG CHURCHMAN, Milwaukee, Wis., entered upon its twenty-second year at Easter. It has been a great success, the weekly circulation being 21,000, and the monthly nearly twice that number.

A SUM of £10,000 has been bequeathed, out of a total of £45,000, by Mr. Robert Thomas Wilkinson, a Sunderland (England) solicitor, for the erection of a church near his old residence at Rose Dene, and for endowing it with a stipend of £300.

OF the 21,000 parochial clergy of the Church of England (according to a recent speech of Mr. Raikes), 400 beneficed clergy receive under £50 a year; 3,600 beneficed clergy receive under £150 a year; 7,000 without a house or roof receive £130 a year.

THE serious illness of the new Bishop of Rochester, Eng., Dr. Randall Davidson, is announced. All his public engagements for the next three months are being cancelled, and arrangements are to be made for conducting the business of the diocese.

ANOTHER GOOD EXAMPLE.—At the Convention of the diocese of Maryland, on the 27th ult., Bishop Panet announced that Miss Mary Elizabeth Mann, of Washington, had given property valued at \$80,000 in trust as an endowment for a Cathedral in Washington.

AT the enthronement of the late Archbishop of York the chair occupied by his Grace at the installation was an exact reproduction of the old chair in which Richard III. was crowned, and which has ever since been used at the enthronisation of the Archbishops of York.

BISHOP TUCKER writes that the native Christians of Uganda (Africa) are so eager to get a copy of the New Testament in the Swahili language that a man will work for three months to obtain it. Only a limited edition of the completed volume has as yet reached the country.

THE Lord Bishop of Worcester, Eng., has consented to become one of the Episcopal Patrons of the Church Army. York and Winchester Cathedral are both to contribute an offertory towards the Social Scheme of the Church Army for the reclamation of tramps, criminals, and inebriates.

THE Rev. Dr. Bainsford is endeavoring to secure an endowment of \$400,000 for St. George's parish, New York, in order to provide for the future when the present wealthy portion of the congregation shall, owing to the natural changes in the growth of the city, have entirely departed. Already a very large proportion of the parishioners are of the poorer class, and

this class will necessarily increase as years go on. He is also seeking to raise \$50,000 as an endowment for a Deaconesses house for the parish.

THE Rev. William M. Carter, Pembroke College, Oxford, head of the Eton Mission, Hackney Wick, Eng., has, at the request of the Bishop of Carlisle, acting on behalf of the Bishops of South Africa, accepted the post of Missionary Bishop for Zululand. *The English Churchman* expresses surprise that the Bishop of Carlisle should have nominated such "an advanced Ritualist" as Mr. Carter.

THE devout observance of Ascension Day is on the increase in London, Eng. In the mother parish of Kensington, nine services were provided in its three churches, including a children's flower service in the afternoon, when the address was given by Canon Teignmouth Shore, and the flowers and fruits offered were distributed among the various hospitals, the offertory being given to the Victoria Hospital for Sick Children.

UPWARDS of sixty-six thousand sailors and fishermen purchased Bibles or Prayer-books from the Missions to Seamen chaplains and readers in the last eleven years; whilst 91,000 pledges of total abstinence from intoxicating drinks were taken by sailors and fishermen in the last twelve years; and fourteen thousand outward-bound ships and fishing vessels were provided last year with boxes or bags of reading as fore-castle libraries.

REV. DR. BRIDGMAN formerly a leading divine of the Baptist sect in New York was admitted into the Church by Bishop Potter; himself and his entire family having been confirmed on Sunday, 24th May. It is said that he will enter the Ministry of the Church after going through the usual course of preparation. At the same time Dr. Alf. L. Loomis who was a prominent member of Dr. Bridgman's congregation was also confirmed.

THE death of Canon Cadman, Rector of Holy Trinity, Marylebone, Eng., Canon of Canterbury, and Chaplain to the Archbishop of Canterbury is announced.

Canon Cadman was (says *The English Churchman*) an Evangelical, but in his later years he studiously held aloof from co-operation with his brethren of a militant type. He particularly disliked the ecclesiastical prosecutions instituted by the Church Association.

A NOVEL scene was on Saturday afternoon, May 9th, witnessed in St. Paul's Cathedral, London, Eng., a large congregation, composed almost entirely of the Jewish fraternity, completely filling the vast area under the dome. The movement, which is entirely unique in its character, no similar gathering ever having taken place before in the sacred edifice, has been initiated by the Rev. Gordon Calthrop, M.A. (Prebendary of St. Paul's and vicar of St. Augustine's, Highbury), whose object is to make the gathering an annual event. The congregation, which was of a mixed character, the foreign element being well represented,

included in its numbers converted Jews as well as those who profess the ancient faith. The title of the address was "The Jewish Question."

THE informal returns of Wesleyan Methodist membership in England for the year published by the *Methodist Recorder* can hardly be called encouraging. The net gain is 688, which, in view of the natural increase of the population, must be equivalent to an actual decrease. Some of the North of England districts again exhibit symptoms of decay. Both in 1890 and in 1891 the Sheffield, Hull, York, and Newcastle districts show a falling off. Hull this year has a net loss of 283, York 104, Sheffield 101, and Newcastle 34. Halifax and Bradford district, which went up last year, is now down again with a loss of 111. On the other hand, Leeds, a defaulter in 1890, shows this year an advance of 166. The Lincoln district is apparently in a perilous state, for its net loss is 491, the largest in the country. The moral of the returns, says the *Yorkshire Post*, would seem to be this—that Wesleyan Methodist is just contriving to hold its own, but that it gives no sign whatever of the steady advance exhibited by the Church. It may be added that the number of candidates for the Wesleyan ministry is still below the average of recent years.—*Church Review*.

REV. R. HERR NEWTON.—A demand for an enquiry under the Canons of the P.E. Church in the U.S. into alleged teaching of Dr. Newton contrary to the doctrines of the Church, has been duly made to the Bishop of New York. A writer in *The Churchman* referring to this says:—

"There is no attempt at ecclesiastical lynching," to use the phraseology of the Rev. Rector of All Souls' (Dr. Newton), for the whole question is one which is very simple and well defined. Verified quotations from Dr. Newton's discourses prove, first, that he denies the miraculous conception of Jesus Christ, and secondly, that he does not believe in the resurrection of the human body of Jesus from the dead. These two facts are clearly established articles of the Creed of the Church, and any inquiry instituted will give Dr. Newton an opportunity of either denying or admitting this teaching. Judging from past experience, Dr. Newton may venture to pose again as a persecuted man, but there is no particular desire to drive him out of the Episcopal Church.

THE CONVENT WILL CASE.—Judgment was given on the 8th May in the Appeal Court, London, Eng., in the case of "Hampson v. Guy." It was a motion for a new trial to set aside the verdict of the jury which found that the testamentary dispositions of Miss Sarah Ann Hampson were obtained by undue influence, and that she was of unsound mind when she made them. Lord Justice Lindley, after briefly reviewing the facts of the case, said that Miss Hampson was constantly with Sister Columbe and Mother Bernard, and, in fact, was never left alone. The inference to be drawn from this was that there was undue influence. The result of the