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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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## ECCLIASTICAL NOTES.

THE late Horatio S. Pierce, of Scranton, Penn., bequeathed \$5,000 for a Rectory for St. Luke's church, in that city, and \$1,000 to Trinity Church, Carbondale, Pa.

THE Bishop of Capetown will leave England for his Diocese on the 10th, May. He will be accompanied by the Rev. E. R. Burroughes, who has accepted the post of chaplain.

It is stated that a coadjutor Bishop is about to be appointed for the diocese of St. Andrew's, in consequence of the failing health of Bishop Charles Wordsworth, who was consecrated in 1853.

THE diocese of Dublin has just lost one of its most able and prominent clergymen, the Rev. Arthur Gore Ryder, D.D., rector of St. Mary's, Donnybrook, and sub-dean of Christ Church Cathedral.

THE parish church of Warminster has just been reopened after restoration at a cost of £11,000. The nave has been lengthened thirty feet, and the church will comfortably accommodate a thousand worshippers. On the opening day the preachers were the Bishop and Dean of Salisbury and the Rev. Harry Jones.

THE Confirmation statistics furnished in The Year Book of the Church of England for 1888 shows the numbers confirmed were:—males, 88,520; females, 128,963; total, 217,483. It is impossible to prove from these numbers more than that they were higher than those of 1887 by about 4,000.

THE Bishop of Wellington, Dr. Hadfield, has been elected Primate of New Zealand in room of Bishop Harper of Christ Church, who retires. There is a strong wish to give the holder of the primacy the title of Archbishop though the circumstance that the office has been made ambulatory is a hindrance to this.

THE division of the Diocese California is the one great absorbing subject that interests Churchmen on the Pacific coast at the present time. The southern portion of the Diocese, with Los Angeles as a centre, (a city of eighty thousand people and growing rapidly), desires a Bishop of his own, while San Francisco and the region surrounding oppose a separation. The clergy and laity of the south feel that the growing importance of that section demands the whole time of a Bishop, if the grand possibilities of the future for the Church are to be reached.

Mrs. Professor Jameson, of Iowa city, Iowa, has contributed \$2,000 to the Domestic and Foreign Mission Society as a memorial of her father, the late Mr. Willie B. Miller of New York, formerly of Memphis, Tennessee. The principal of this sum is to be invested and the

income each year divided equally between Domestic and Foreign missions.

A dispatch to the New York Times from Quebec, Feb. 2nd, says: "The influence which the Church of Rome has acquired over the legislature of this province would astonish an outsider. The simplest measure is not sure of becoming a law unless the government can certify that it has received the sanction of Cardinal Taschereau." In three cases, it goes on to say, on Wednesday bills were presented to the legislature with this assurance. Even in the case of an act providing for the registration of births, marriages and deaths, a measure which has repeatedly been demanded by the Provincial Board of Health, the government felt constrained to announce that it had been approved by the Cardinal and the Bishop. Yet those who call attention to the possibility of the like in this country are accused of intolerance.

THE Rev. Dr. Dix, New York, delivered on St. Matthias day a ringing sermon on the Apostolic succession. It may have been suggested only by St. Matthias' election, but it was most admirably suited to these times. It has, with some, become almost a fashion to decry the idea of any succession in the ministry and to look upon the Episcopate as a device of man and as having no divine origin. It is, it is said, losing its hold upon the minds of men within as well as without the Church, and it is thought a little singular that the Bishops at Lambeth and our own House of Bishops should have made it one of the necessary conditions of Christian unity. On the other hand Dr. Dix maintains that the doctrine of the succession never had a firmer position in the Church and that any project of union which leaves it out of consideration must fail at its birth. The creeds, the sacraments, the Episcopate are the *sine qua non* and without these all discussion is a waste of time. *Nine tenths* of the Christian world now hold and always have held to the Bishops as the lawful successors of the Apostles, and they can hardly be expected to yield to the other tenth which has existence only upon the edge of Europe and in this country. Dr. Dix is always outspoken, he believes the truth needs no concealment, but that it can always protect itself, and it is hoped in his coming Lenten lectures he may continue to set forth these elementary truths of religion which are in danger to be lost sight of. Let who will follow the multitude to do evil, he is content to follow truth.—*Correspondent of the Church Year.*

The "Year-book" of the Church of Eng., for 1888, gives a short table of the voluntary expenditure of the Church in the matter of education, first from 1811 to 1870, when the Education Act was passed, and secondly since 1870. In the former period she raised £14,770,000, for building and maintaining schools; since 1870 she has raised £16,400,000, for the same purpose, making a total of over *thirty one millions* of money for the purpose, in addition to £700,000, for the building and maintaining training colleges.

In 1885 the Church schools provided accommodation for 2,505,000 children, the numbers in 1886 and 1887 were respectively 2,535,000 and 2,579,000. The Church thus increased her accommodation 25,000 in one year and 44,000 in the next. Again, the average attendance in 1887 at Church Schools was 1,644,000, while that in Board Schools was 1,315,000.

In the "Year-Book," the Rev. James Duncan the secretary of the National Society, tells us that during the year 1887 the Church raised £1,022,000, in round numbers for Elementary Education. Nearly a quarter of a million was spent in the building and enlargement of schools, and over three quarters of a million on the maintenance of schools and training colleges. In these figures there is an item of £12,000, for diocesan inspection and examination of teachers in religious knowledge, but neglecting this sum, we are in possession of the fact that the Church raised over a million of money by voluntary effort for elementary education in the year before last. Had it not been for the Church this expense would have fallen on the community, and it is not too much to say that it would have cost half as much again had it been done by School Boards. We are therefore justified in saying that the Church saved the ratepayers of the country at least a million and a half in the matter of education. Such a saving ought to earn the warmest applause of the public.

During the past fourteen years 11,936 Deacons have been ordained, of whom Oxford and Cambridge supplied the respectable total of 7,088, or very nearly sixty per cent. If we include those who were educated at Dublin and Durham we find that out of every 100 Deacons ordained almost seventy received a University training.

DEATH OF DR. MONK—The death of Dr. William Henry Monk the distinguished Church musician and one of the original editors of "Hymns, Ancient and Modern," (a book which has enjoyed a wider popularity than any hymnal extant), is announced. Born in London in 1823, he studied under Adams, J. A. Hamilton (author of the famous "Instruction Book" for the piano, of which it is said nearly 1,300 editions were sold), and Griesbach. His first organ appointment was at Eaton Chapel, Pimlico, but he was for thirty-seven years organist at St. Matthias', Stoke Newington, where he established a daily choral service. His accompaniment of Gregorian chants was considered perfect, and many a visit was paid to St. Matthias' in the late Mr. LeGeyt's time to hear him accompany the Psalms. He was also for forty-two years director of the choir at King's College, and since the resignation of the late Dr. Hollah, in 1874, has been teacher of vocal music there. During late years he has had as his assistant Mr. J. E. Vernham, the clever and rising organist of St. Paul's, Knightbridge. As far back as 1851 Dr. Monk was appointed professor of music to the School for the Indigent Blind; he was a lecturer at the London Institution, and a member of the staff of the National Training School and Bedford College. Dr. Monk was a prolific