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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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ECCLESIASTICAL NOTES.

It is whispered in journalistic circles that the Rev. H. R. Haweis, Vicar of St. James's, Marylebone, is about to undertake the editorship of a society paper.

THE Bishop of Chester has received a donation of £400 for the Chester Clergy Pension Fund from the executors of the late Mr. W. T. Mann, of Tarporley, Cheshire.

The 800th anniversary was commenced on Sunday, Aug. 13th, of the opening of the parish church, St. Lawrence and St. John Evangelist, Heanor, Derbyshire, England.

THE Rev. A. Hamilton Baynes, B.A., will be consecrated to the Bishopric of Natal on Michaelmas Day. Delay has been occasioned by the tardy legal formalities in South Africa.

THE health of the Rt. Rev. Bishop Whipple and of Bishop Gilbert, his Coadjutor, is reported as much improved. The former has been at Marblehead, Mass., and the latter in Ireland, Scotland and Wales.

Six thousand five hundred pounds have been subscribed towards the £7000 required for restoring the west front of Rochester Cathedral. Over £3000 are required to carry out other restorations, for which Dean Hole is making a diocesan appeal.

Viscount Portman and Lord Wimborne have each promised to contribute £1000 towards the Bishop of Salisbury's Clergy Relief Fund for the diocese. The Bishop, who is to be an annual subscriber of £50, is endeavouring to raise £15,000, the yearly interest of which is to be devoted to relieving the pressing need of his clergy.

The ancient church of the Holy Cross at Pamsbury, Wilts, was reopened last week after restoration by the Bishop of Salisbury. The structure which has been restored—rebuilt and reroofed would be a more correct description—was erected in the thirteenth century on the site of one built and consecrated there at the commencement of the tenth century.

THE Bishop of Bangor and the Bishop of Chester have both given notice of their intention to move an address praying Her Majesty to withhold her assent to certain portions of the draft charter of incorporation of a university in and for Wales and the County of Monmouth, to be called "The University of Wales," laid before the House of Lords on the 1st inst.

Bequests of £2000 each have been made by the late Mr. Richard Vaughan, of Bath, to the following societies: The Church Missionary, the Propagation of the Gospel, the Colonial and Continental Church, the Christian Knowledge, and the Bristol Church Extension. Bequests of £1000 have also been made to the British and Foreign Bible Society, and to the incumbent of Holy Trinity Church, Bristol.

At the annual Church Congress, which will be held in New York in November, one of the subjects to be discussed will be a temperance one: "What to do with the saloon." Among the speakers will be the Rev. Dr. McKim, of Washington; ex-Mayor Hewitt, of New York; the Rev. Dr. R. A. Holland, of St. Louis; the Rev. Dr. Wm. S. Rainsford, of New York; the Rev. Floyd W. Tomkins, of Chicago; and Mr. Robert Graham, general secretary of the Church Temperance Society.

The day is over when Papal excommunications caused men to tremble and filled the land with terror. The present Pope has just fulminated this futile thunderbolt against the Most Rev. John Heycamp, the new Archbishop of Utretch, consecrated last year in succession to the Most Rev. Gerard Gul. According to custom the consecration was duly reported to Rome, and this is the response. The Pope professes to issue the interdict as standing in the place of "Christ the Good Shephead."—Irish Ecclesiastical Gazette.

The Primate of New Zealand (Bishop Hadfield) has forwarded to the Bishop of Auckland, as senior bishop, a letter of resignation of the see of Wellington, to take effect on October 9, the twenty-third anniversary of his consecration. The Synod of the diocese, it appears, has delegated to the Archbishop of York and the Bishop of Durham the nomination of a successor, with the stipulation that no clergyman is eligible who has held a cure in New Zealand. The Bishop of Auckland, as senior Bishop, will act as Primate till the ordinary session of the General Synod in 1895, unless a special session be called previously.

The Bishop of Versailles recently allowed the village of Gif, in his diocese, to be the scene of a no less unusual ceremony than that of the so-called exorcism of an evil spirit. The Bishop having accorded his episcopal authority, the village priest and the superior of the great seminary of Versailles went to the house of the poor girl who was supposed to be possessed of the evil spirit, and proceeded to east it out. Questioned by the representative of the Temps concerning this revival of the Middle Ages, Monsignor Goux, Bishop of Versailles, said that in giving the authorisation for the ceremony, and in sending the superior of the seminary to officiate in it, he was simply acting in conformity with the spirit of the Roman Catholic Church.

In the Convocation of Canterbury recently, the Dean of Worcester said that a speech of his at a Diocesan Conference had brought to him a shower of letters from all parts of England, giving details of the distress in which the clergy were living. One of them had to give up fires, another had to stay in bed because he had no clothes fit for cold weather, another had not tasted meat for months, another had to sell his books and furniture, another was unable to give his children education, and another had been compelled, by dire necessity, to drop his life m-surance. These are merely samples of the sufferings to be met with in all parts, and in the majority of cases the pinch of poverty has to be shared in by wife and children. It is estimated that ten million pounds would be required to raise the endowments of the poor livings to £200 a year, and there is some hope than an endeavor to raise this sum will be made.

An organization has been set on foot with a view to advance the cause of religion and education among Eastern Christians. It is called "The Eastern Church Association." The objects of the association are thus set forth: "To give information as to the state and position of the Eastern Christians, in order gradually to better their condition through the influence of public opinion. To make known to the Christians of the East the doctrine and principles of the Anglican Church. To take advantage of all upportunities which the providence of God shall afford for intercommunion with the orthodox Church, and also for friendly intercourse with the other ancient Churches at the East; to assist as far as possible the Bishops of the orthodox Church in their efforts to promote the spiritual welfare and education of their flocks. The movement has the approval of Bishop Blyth, the Dean of St. Paul's, and others.

THE obsequies of the late Archdeacon Peters, of New York, have been a remarkable event. So great was the desire to pay a tribute of affection, that the body was allowed to lie in state in St. Michael's church on Wednesday afternoon and on Thursday until noon. The altar was hung in white, and the chancel was decorated with flowers, palms and ferns. At the head of the coffin was placed the red hood of his doctorate from Trinity College. More than 3000 persons filed past the casket while the Archdencon lay in state. The burial services were held on Thursday, and were begun by two early celebrations of the Holy Eucharist. At the first the present clergy of the parish received, and at the second the clergy formerly connected with it during his long rectorship. The burial proper took place in the afternoon in the presence of a congregation that filled the great church, and there was much manifestation of feeling. Among those present were many who had felt his charity. There were delegations of the trustees of the Sheltering Arms, the Chil-dren's Fold, Shepherd's Fold, House of Rest for Consumptives, and City Mission Society. A large body of clergy were present with white stoles. All the hangings were white. The services were conducted by Bishop Potter, assisted by the Bishops of Springfield and Delaware. The interment took place in St. Michael's cemetery, Astoria, N.Y.—The Living Church.