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LESSONS for SUNDAYS and HOLY-DAYS.

Oct. 2...**SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY** :—
Morning...2 Chronicles **36**. Ephesians **3**.
Evening...Nehemiah **1 & 2** to v 9; or **8**. St. Luke **5** 17.

9...**SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY** :—
Morning...Jeremiah **5**. Philippians **3**.
Evening...Jeremiah **29** or **35**. St. Luke **9** to 28.

16...**EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY** :—
Morning...Jeremiah **36**. 1 Thessalonians **1**.
Evening...Ezekiel **2**; or **13** to 17. St. Luke **12** 35.

18...**St. LUKE, Evangelist** :—
Morning...Isaiah **55**. 1 Thessalonians **3**.
Evening...Eccles. **38** to v 15. St. Luke **13** v 18.

23...**NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY** :—
Morning...Ezekiel **14**. 2 Thessalonians **3**.
Evening...Ezekiel **18**; or **24** 15. St. Luke **17** to 20.

28...**St. SIMON and St. JUDE, Apostles and Martyrs** :—
Morning...Isaiah **28**, v 9 to 17. 1 Timothy **5**.
Athanasian Creed to be used.
Evening...Jeremiah **3**, 12 to 19. St. Luke **19** v 28.

30...**TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY** :—
Morning...Ezekiel **34**. 2 Timothy **1**.
Evening...Ezekiel **37**; St. Luke **20** 27 to **21** 5.
or Daniel **1**.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1881.

EARL NELSON on the 29th ultimo laid the foundation stone of a new church at Northam, Hants. The building will cost about £6,000 and will accommodate near 700 people.

A movement has been set on foot to present to the Bishop of Bath and Wells, for the use of himself and his successors, a pastoral staff, as the recognized symbol of his authority and dignity, and as an expression of his unwearied devotion to his episcopal duties.

The Rev. H. W. Burrows, B.D., Vicar of Edmon-
ton, has been appointed to the vacant canonry at
Rochester, on the nomination of the Lord Chan-
cellor. The appointment is considered generally
to be a fitting reward of long and faithful services
to the Church in the metropolis, without adequate
remuneration.

The Rev. William John Knox-Little, of St. Alban's, Manchester, has been nominated by the Premier to the vacant canonry at Worcester. Mr. Knox-Little's reputation as a preacher at mission services is well known throughout the Anglican communion; and those who listened to his addresses in Toronto with intense delight will never lose the effect they produced upon them while they live. He was appointed in 1875, by Dean Cowie, to St. Alban's, Manchester, with a net income of £150.

The foundation stone of Hedworth parish church, Durham was laid by Canon Tristram on Saturday, the 27th of August.

The Bishop of St. Alban's on the 30th reopened the parish church of Langford, which had been restored by the patroness, the Hon. Mrs. Byron, at a cost of £3,000. The original building was of the date of the Norman Conquest, and had an addition made to its chancel in the time of Henry III. A new altar has been presented by a pious lady.

Mr. Jefferson Davis, once President of the Confederate States, arrived in Liverpool, England, in the steamship "Bernard Hall," from New Orleans.—The King of the Sandwich Islands, King Kalakana, is now in London.—Sir John A. Macdonald is to be made a G. C. M. G., in consideration of his services as Premier of the Dominion.—The Government has sustained two losses at recent elections; that of North Lincolnshire, when Mr. James Lowther (Conservative) obtained a majority of 471 over his opponent Colonel Tomline; and that of North Durham, where Sir George Elliott (C) had a majority of 652 over Mr. James Laing.

England's former adoption of the slave trade was inhuman; her protecting wing spread over Turkish cruelty was equally inhuman and unchristian, but her continued practice of the opium traffic in the East, and her compelling China to submit to it also, can be characterized by nothing less than the term "diabolical." The fiend of darkness could never have invented anything better suited to answer his purpose in degrading the human species—body, soul, and spirit—to the lowest conceivable depths, than the "opium habit." And yet to such an extent does the British Government engage in it in India, and force it upon the Chinese that the annual revenue alone amounts to more than Nine Million Pounds Sterling! And the Government of India not only derives this revenue from it, but also helps to manufacture the article! In what does the Christianity of the British nation consist?

On Tuesday, August 30th, a new church was consecrated at Leven, Fifeshire, by Dr. Wordsworth, Bishop of St. Andrew's. For many years the congregation have kept themselves together under great difficulties. Originally they assembled for service in a schoolroom at Lundin Links, two miles distant, many of them travelling there in a vehicle drawn on the railway by a horse, picking up passengers during its progress. They pic-nicked between the services under the shed of the railway platform. Afterwards they met in a disused hall at Leven. Their conduct under circumstances so unfavourable as these, showing such intense devotion to the Church, should form a good example to our Canadian Churchmen, many of whom soon form the habit of strolling into the nearest building called a "church," when their own church may happen to be two, three, or more miles away. If they believed in their religion they would surely be a little more attached to its ordinances than some of them seem disposed to do.

A triennial festival of the united church choirs of the old parish of Astbury was held in the mother church. The choirs of eight of the daughter churches met that of the old church in the boys' school, and walked in procession, headed by the banner of Astbury. The Right Reverend Bishop Kelly, Archdeacon of Macclesfield, preached a sermon on the occasion.

Of the making of so-called "churches" there seems to be no end. The past few weeks have seen two new sects added to the already numerous list, both arising in or near Chicago. The titles assumed are "The Living Church," and "The Overcomers." Thus daily does the confusion become greater, and well may we pray, "From all heresy and schism, Good Lord deliver us."

The celebrated Hampton Court Vine is a black Hamburg, and was planted in 1769. Its stem is thirty-eight inches in circumference, and the leading branch is 110 feet long. The tree bears on an average 1,500 bunches annually. In 1874 there were 1,750. It was recently stated that the Queen had given a life interest in the vine to the Princess Frederica. The statement has since been contradicted.

Dr. Dann, a Presbyterian preacher of Philadelphia, states that during the present season 144 candidates for the pulpit have been presented by their seminaries, while there are 990 vacant pulpits in the "denomination." Of these 990 "churches," 331 have more than fifty members in their congregations, and the rest are weaker. Upon this a secular paper remarks that "there is a want, *not for more ministers, but for fewer churches.*" When will religious people learn to believe that St. Paul was right when he condemned division, *i.e.* schism?

The New York *Churchman* has the following:—
 “A Congregational minister says: ‘Would it not be wise for many of the feeble churches of different denominations in the hill towns and small villages of New England, to throw overboard their present distinctive creed and church organizations and unite upon some such basis. They cannot all succeed, and in many instances are unable to support preaching, and their families in many cases are going back to heathenism.’ That minister, without doubt, has a glimmering of the truth, and his remarks admit, of a much wider application, than he gives them, and may as well refer to the entire Christian community as to a village. He is coming to see the evils of schism by witnessing its fruits, and will doubtless one day realize that it is not only an evil, but a sin to be repented.”

The Bishop of Tennessee, at the opening of a new mission hall built by the Vicar of Lemington, and which will seat about 600 persons, made a reference to the late assassination of the President of the United States. The right reverend prelate said that from the sympathy displayed by Her Most Gracious Majesty and all the ranks of social life downward in England, that great national trial was proving a blessing for it was joining the hearts of the United States people more and more closely