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DISESTABLISHING THE WELSH CHURCH.—The *Guardian* says "the main difficulty in disestablishing the Welsh Church is that there is no 'Welsh Church' to disestablish! There are simply four dioceses of the Church of England in which Welsh is largely spoken. In no other respect is there a dividing line between these dioceses and all the remaining thirty." The severance of the four dioceses will be a very difficult process.

LORD NELSON'S COMPLIMENTS TO BISHOP ALFORD.—The latter's recent ill-judged remarks on the Lincoln judgment have received well-merited notice of a very severe kind from the lay champion of "Home Reunion," who blames the Bishop for making a mountain out of a mole-hill in this matter.

EDUCATION AND CRIME IN MANCHESTER.—The chief constable reports that "there never was a time when crimes were so frequently committed by persons of good education as now." While "ordinary thieves" stole a little over £6,000 during the year, persons of good education had, during the same period, got away with £10,000; but in the majority of cases, the delinquencies of the latter class were "hushed up." "Clever thieves!"

P. PERE HYACINTHE.—The stories set afloat of late about the fancy of the eloquent Gallican champion for Theosophic fads has been specifically contradicted by Bishop Coxe in the New York *Churchman*. The good Bishop hints that about $3,000 would be of great use to the Reform movement in France just now.

"BISHOP THOROLD IS ALWAYS SMILING," complains the *Rock*, because that astute and philosophical prelate takes a moderate and temperate view of the situation as altered by the Privy Council's endorsement of Archbishop Benson's judgment on the Lincoln Ritual case. What would you have? It is better to bow *gracefully*, it we bow at all.

SECULARIZED CHURCHES.—The sort of usage to which national churches might be put by the degradation of secularization is foreshadowed by a scene in an English Primitive Methodist chapel, where a local parliamentary candidate sat within the "Communion rails" to receive presents of crockery, a canary in a cage, &c., from his audience! This is about as profane as the Quebec "worship" of Mercier.

UNCTION OF THE SICK is a subject which occupies some attention and excites some interest at present. A certain English canon is quoted as being in the habit of *consecrating* as well as using the oil himself, without the intervention of a Bishop—of which St. James gives no trace or hint.

"A DOSE IN TIME."—It has been calculated, with regard to certain disease germs, that they become *quadrupled* on successive days, so that one germ on the second day of its *habitat* in the human *nidus* (or "nest") produces four, these four on the third day produce sixteen, and so on. On the fifteenth day the number has thus become over *250 millions*. The sooner that original germ is got at and killed, the better for all but apothecaries and undertakers.

WHAT BECOMES OF THE GERMS?—A recent scientific writer points out that "In her efforts to continue a species Nature is almost wantonly lavish. All acorns do not produce oaks, all rose-seeds do not develop into rose trees. For one that does, *millions perish*. For one ovum of an animal that comes to maturity, many thousands perish. The destruction of disease germs follows this rule. For one that gives rise to disease, millions perish." They are, rather, put to better use!

"PREVENTION BETTER THAN CURE," as a principle, is wisely illustrated in the case of small pox and similar diseases. A mild and manageable species of the same germ is made to *pre-occupy* the ground and consume the material which would otherwise offer a "nest" for the probable fatal species of the same disease. We thus anticipate the arrival by filling the room and using up the provender!

FRANK AND COMMENDABLE.—Dr. Ryle, the Bishop of Liverpool, does not like the Lincoln judgment—he does not, indeed, think that it will make for the peace of the Church; however he will submit to it loyally, though he can neither admire nor approve it, and he will not hear of secession as a result of it, and therefore considers that the wise and honourable and Christian thing is to show them the reverence of practical obedience.

INSPIRING WORDS.—The Bishop of Winchester in his pastoral letter to his diocese says: "May we, one and all, clergy and laity, whom God's great mercy has called to serve him in this Apostolical English Church, with its long roll of history, its glorious and inspiring memories, its immense opportunities, its continuous and active life, by truth, by devotion, by sacrifice, by kindliness, strive together for the faith of the Gospel, with hearts and minds thrown ever more widely open to the light and love of God."

LIKE THE OSTRICH.—Dignitaries sometimes hide their heads in the sand. The Bishop of Winchester does not. The Church certainly cannot afford to do so. Social movements are the order of the day. We have to be alive to the fact that a very real democracy is steadily gaining a very real power, and that this democracy must be reckoned with, not as an enemy, but as a growing, reasonable force which will some day largely modify present-day matters.

REPUDIATES THE SLANDEROUS ASSERTION.—The Venerable Archbishop of Amagh and Primate of