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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.

Mr. George V. Huling has bequeathed \$5,000 to St. Paul's Church, Kankakee, Ill., for the building of a new church.

MAX MULLER, an undisputed authority in Oriental scholarship, writes that "it is sheer futility to assume that the Bible is ever to be dazzled by any other 'sacred book.'"

Mrs. H. N. Laplin has presented to Christ Church, Montpelier, two handsome candelabra in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Laplin, and an elegant embroidered set of altar linen of 21 pieces.

THE Assembly of New York State has passed a bill prohibiting all exhibitions of sparring, whether with or without gloves, when an admission fee is received either directly or indirectly.

A special service according to the rites of the ancient Armenian Church was celebrated lately in St. Chrysostom's Church, 7th Ave., New York, in memory of the victims of the Sassoum massacre.

THE *Churchman*, of New York, says that the decay of Unitarianism in New England, and even in Boston, has been one of the most important phenomena of recent religious history in this country.

THE announcement of the resignation of the See of Calcutta by Bishop Johnson is confirmed by the *Liverpool Courier*, which states that he will retire on a pension of £300 a year. The retiring Bishop is a High Churchman.

THE work of the "Brothers of Nazareth" in the Diocese of New York is increasing rapidly, and they have need of a Brothers' House and a Chapel. They lately received a gift of \$1,000 from Miss Grace Wilkes towards these objects.

THE Loan Bureau of St. Bartholomew's, New York, is now lending about \$6,000 a month, and yet its resources are not sufficient to meet the needs of the applicants. The loans are paid up with great promptness, but few of the borrowers ask extension of time.

THE Archbishop of York has offered the Archdeaconry of Sheffield to the Rev. H. A. Favell, Vicar of St. Mark, Broomhall, Sheffield, and Prebendary of Wistow in York Minster, by whom it has been accepted. The new Archdeacon is said to be an Evangelical.

PROF. MONIER WILLIAMS, of Oxford University, after a life-time devoted to the so-called sacred books of the East, said, in London: "There can be no greater mistake than to force these non-Christian bibles into conformity with some scientific theory of development, and then

point to the Christian's Holy Bible as the crowning product of religious evolution. They all begin with some flashes of true light, and end in utter darkness, and are, therefore, contradictory to any development, except in the wrong way. Pile them, if you will, on the left side of your study-table, but place your own Holy Bible on the right side, all by itself, all alone, and with a wide gap between."

THE Colonial and Continental Church Society are already beginning to make arrangements for their Summer Chaplaincies on the Continent, and in the new number of the *Greater Britain Messenger* they "invite leading men, well known in the Church, and sound in doctrine, to occupy these stations during the coming summer and autumn."

DURING the five years of the present Episcopate of Dr. Leonard, in Ohio, the twelve missionaries have increased to 37, whilst the Gambier Institutions have all taken a fresh start, and the whole Diocese feels the impulse of greater life throughout. Cleveland city has nine new missions and churches costing \$62,000. Five years ago there were 16 Counties in the Diocese in which there had never been even one service of the Church; now there is not one.

THE Bishop of New York, in a sermon lately delivered at West-New-Brighton, dwelt upon the cases of those who need the assistance and comfort of those in the Church, mentioning the case of a wealthy young gentleman of New York city who gave his time and services to the poor people who gather in a tramp house on the East side. He also spoke of a mission in that city where 1,000 boys are cared for every day and where wealthy managers can be found as well in July as in December.

THE *Scottish Guardian*, the organ of the Scotch Episcopal Church, reports that St. John's Established Church, (Presbyterian), Perth, was re-opened after renovation in the last week in January by the Rev. Dr. Cooper, of the Established Church, Aberdeen. After speaking of the historical episodes which that church had sustained, such as Knox's preaching and the famous General Assembly, he said that the congregation "were the heirs of those Christian generations." Dr. Cooper advocated union with the *Episcopalians* "in a great united Church, which should be at once National and Catholic." He went on to speak with commendation of Bishop Wordsworth, "but the work to which he gave himself was not accomplished. It had not even been attempted. But it must be done, for it was demanded by the dearest needs of Scotland."

AT a meeting of the Ecclesiological Society of Glasgow, in Trinity Congregational Church, Rev. Dr. Hunter read a paper on "The Problem of Public Worship in non-Episcopal Churches." "One great failure of Protestant-

ism," he said, "was its over-intellectuality. Roman Catholicism brought men to their knees. Protestantism brought them to their feet, but both attitudes are everlastingly true and necessary to humanity." Among aids to worship Dr. Hunter mentioned: 1, Church building; 2, the need of awakening and nourishing the worshipful spirit and purpose in congregations, and the teaching of better church manners; 3, the place of Music in public worship was important; 4, the Sermon must become more and more an aid to worship; 5, the Liturgical and spontaneous methods of prayer had both again and again been justified; 6, the reaction against Sacrodotialism had led the non-Episcopal Churches to a neglect of the proper reverence due to the two Sacraments; 7, the Christian year should be adopted; 8, they must avoid imitation. In the discussion which followed, Episcopalians and Presbyterians found themselves in unexpected harmony, and in the names we recognize (says the *English Churchman*, Evangelical), those of Established and Free Church Presbyterians, along with high Ritualists.

THE Pastoral lately issued by the House of Bishops for the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, in regard to the Incarnation of our Lord and the Holy Scriptures, seems to have aroused somewhat bitter antagonism on the part of two Unitarian preachers of Boston whose sermons have been given to the world in the secular papers of that city.

The New York *Churchman*, in a late issue referring to these utterances, says: "The two Unitarian preachers who so recently have undertaken 'to condemn' an Episcopal pastoral which declares that Unitarianism is impossible with honest clergy and laity of the Church, have, as they think, found in this an argument ready to hand to stop the leakage of their own sect and to discourage Unitarians from entering the Church. According to these two Unitarian preachers, members of their denomination enter the Church because its doctrines are so hazy and indefinite as to admit of Unitarians subscribing honestly to Church formularies. If there ever was any idea abroad that the Church whose Bishops have recently made so strong and clear a doctrinal statement could consistently allow un catholic doctrine, whether it be styled Arian, Socinian or Unitarian, we are glad to find that two prominent Unitarian preachers have at length been compelled to bear witness to the Nicene orthodoxy of the American Church on the subject of the Incarnation. Nor do we think that a recognition of the fact that the Church will not admit a Unitarian interpretation of her formularies can act in any way as a deterrent to pious and earnest minds in seeking rest in Catholic dogmatic truth. The doctrine of the Pastoral, as these two Unitarian preachers ought to know, is the doctrine taught in Church pulpits, and Unitarians in so many instances crowd round these pulpits simply because the doctrine which is preached from them is the doctrine which the world needs and which Scripture warrants. It is this that makes the Socinian and the Arian recant and seek the