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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.

ANOTHER SUFFRAGAN FOR LONDON.—The *Yorkshire Post* observes that "it is quite on the cards that the Bishop of London will take the first opportunity of securing the services of yet another Suffragan, and that in this case there is every reason to believe that Prebendary Sandford's name will stand first." Prebendary Sandford was at one time Domestic Chaplain to Bishop Temple, when Bishop of Exeter.

THE BISHOP OF ROCHESTER ON CHURCH DEFENCE.—The Bishop of Rochester, in his annual letter to the clergy of his diocese, speaking of Church defence, says:—"While I deeply feel that for us clergy to have it constantly on our lips and in our minds is a mistake, and may even be a danger, the laity of the Church, both in Parliament and out of it, should constantly be on their guard. Any moment a chasm may yawn under our feet, should personal ambition or party tactics make the privileges either of the Church of England or the Church of Scotland a good rally cry. If the Church in Wales is thrown to the wolves, we know what will follow. When our neighbour's party-wall is on fire, ours may be the next to burn. It is with the religious opponents of national and established Churches we have most to settle on the spiritual principle which underlies the whole question, and if we can convince the great mass of yet unconvinced religious Non-conformists that the principle of a National Church is reasonable, practical, and Scriptural, we shall have broken up in the best kind of way the only really formidable phalax against us."

GOOD, IF TRUE.—The *Month and Tablet*, Roman Catholic organs in England, complain that they are losing more yearly by secessions than they gain from all sources.

EDINBURGH.—THE CATHEDRAL.—*Canon Liddon's Gift.*—Most of our readers are probably aware that, when in the summer of A. D. 1886, the clerical and lay electors of this Diocese chose the Rev. Canon Liddon for their Bishop. Dr. Liddon, in declining the appointment, expressed a very deep sense of the honour which had been thereby conferred upon him. He did not, however, think it enough to confine his expression of gratitude to words, but shortly after wrote to the Very Rev. the Dean of Edinburgh, intimating his desire to make a gift of £100, which should be expended in some way that might stand as a record of the event, and of his sentiments concerning it. The manner in which this most liberal and gratifying present should be expended was left to the decision of the Dean and Chapter. A proposal, which found much favour with that body, was to invest the sum, and to bestow the interest annually as an *honorarium* on some select preacher; the discourse thus endowed to be known as "the Liddon Sermon." The celebrity of the Canon, as probably the first preacher of his age, appeared to lend a peculiar fitness to this plan. But the modesty of the donor (which is, in truth, one of the great charms of his character) was evidently distressed at the

idea of a foundation, which seemed to him too personal and too much akin to a feeling of vain glory.

To devote the sum to a purpose repugnant to the wishes of the giver was of course out of the question, and on re-consideration the Cathedral dignitaries decided that a chair within the sanctuary, more befitting the Episcopal dignity than the very plain one actually in use, would be a highly proper expenditure of the money, and one not without a certain special fitness of its own.

With the assistance of Mr. Oldrid Scott, the architect, the matter was entrusted to the skilful hands of Messrs. Brindley & Farmer, of London, and the result is certainly a *Cathedra* of great eloquence and beauty.

The Chair itself is of walnut wood inlaid with ebony, ivory, and mother-of-pearl. The shape is all that could be desired, and at the back a Latin inscription perpetuates the name of the donor, though not the special circumstances which induced him to add this ornament to the Cathedral.

HAWAII.—Anglican Churchmen (of Honolulu), have reason to congratulate themselves on the past year, says the *Anglican Church Chronicle*. "There has been no event to disturb the equilibrium of the ecclesiastical atmosphere, and much good work has been done. The new Cathedral has been a source of great comfort and convenience. The building itself has also been a source of pleasure and instruction."

CHRISTMAS IN HAWAII.—Christmas Day the feast of the Nativity of our Lord, was observed with great enthusiasm by the worshippers at St. Andrew's Cathedral, Honolulu. There have never been larger numbers present nor a greater number of communicants on that festival than on this occasion. The day began with a celebration of Holy Communion at 6.30 a.m., which was fully choral, the Bishop being the celebrant.

A second celebration of the Holy Communion followed which was also choral, and the Rev. George Wallace was the celebrant. Matins was sung by the Rev. Alex. Mackintosh at 9.30; the Bishop of Honolulu was the preacher. The Rev. H. H. Gowen read the lessons, and the Rev. V. H. Kiteat sang the litany.

The Rev. George Wallace sang matins at 11.15, and preached. The service was well rendered by the choir. The *Te Deum* and Jubilate were Tours in F., and the Anthem, "In the beginning was the Word," by Allen.

A third celebration of Holy Communion followed, at which the Rev. Alex. Mackintosh was the celebrant.

Evensong was sung and a sermon preached in the Hawaiian language by the Rev. Alex. Mackintosh, who also administered the sacrament of Holy Baptism to a number of infants.

Evensong followed in English at 6 o'clock by the Bishop, at which the Rev. H. H. Gowen was the preacher.

A second evensong was sung by the Rev. Alex. Mackintosh at 7.30, and the Rev. George Wallace preached.

The offerings throughout the day were \$132, one hundred of which were devoted to the edu-

cation of two children at Christ Church School, South Kona.

The Holy Days of St. Stephen, St. John, and the Holy Innocents were duly observed in the Cathedral.

On Christmas Eve, the Rev. Alex. Mackintosh received a substantial token of the affection and good-will in which he is held by the members of the Church and others in Honolulu. They presented him with an address beautifully gotten up and recording nearly 140 names, and also a splendid purse ornamented with a golden monogram, and containing \$400 in twenty dollar gold pieces.

Mr. and Mrs. Mackintosh celebrated on St. Stephen's Day their Crystal Wedding, and again they were the recipients of beautiful presents from many of their kind friends.

On Friday, December 29th, the Bishop of Honolulu left Honolulu for South Kona to perform Episcopal functions.

ACCESSION.—The *Chester Chronicle* says, "We are informed that the Rev. T. Phillips, late English Congregational Minister at Boughton, Chester (now of Llangatock, Breconshire), has seceded to the Church of England in Wales."

A THIRD HOUSE FOR YORK.—It is reported that the Archbishop of York contemplates the organization of a third House, to work in connection with the Upper House of Bishops, and the Lower House of Proctors, &c. This House will be of laymen, but the Archbishop's arrangements are not yet completed.

THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL IN THE FAMILY.—The following list was suggested to a Church family in the U.S., which was minded to enter on the work of Sunday-school instruction within their own house:—

Manuals of Christian Doctrine: Doane Series, one copy of the Senior grade, two copies of each of the other grades; Mrs. Sherwood's Stories for Sundays, illustrating the Church Catechism; The Children's Bread. Sermons to Children. (Buxton); Lowrie's English Church History for American Children; Aunt Margaret's Letters to her God-Children on the Church's Seasons and the Christian Life; Church Doctrine, Bible Truth (Sadler); Kip's Double Witness; Ready and Desirous. (Bishop Lay); Blunt's Household Theology, and Blunt's Key to the knowledge and use of the Holy Bible; Geikie's Hours with the Bible.

Let a Church family provide themselves with as many such books as they feel able to buy, and use them faithfully, and the result will be far more satisfactory in every way, than to abandon Church teaching and turn children over to the average denominational teaching.

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