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SCIENCE AND RELIGION,

In this country we may gratefully record that we are not troubled with that kind of unbelief which results from mental power and activity disappointing itself in its efforts to disentangle selfwoven knots. The doubt which, in early

make bolieve apostacy.

importance, but we have rapidly opening ago, the Church began her work in Denthis article. For there lurks in the minds the eye and gave life to its possessor, is tion to this being very rare. up in our Great North West a mighty ver in a log cabin, with a barrel for a country destined to contain, probably reading desk. Now, in addition to other of many good Christians the conviction not more irrational or credulously illogi The Cathedral is the Bishop's Church. country destined to contain, probably, of our Churches, the city of Denver will that Religion and Science are at issue. cal. In it he rules supreme. But it has been the largest part of the population of this Science founds on an assumption her soon have a Cathedral 140x98 feet, of Worse than this, they suspect, oven if usual for many centuries to have a body Continent, and capable of producing in- brick and stone, to cost \$75,000, comthey do not avow their bolief, that Science fact of the unity of nature organic and of clergy in connection with the Cathedral, pleto in every part, with the largest calculable quantities of food for the supcan prove all it teaches, and that Roli- inorganic; the idea of original motion primarily, no doubt, for the purpose of organ ever seen in the Wast. We subport and nourishment of its people. gion claims our belief in what it cannot she is compelled to postulate, and cannot join a statement of growth during the maintaining Divine worship without Already, many thousands have adopted account for in her theory of dynamics. past six years. interruption. This body of clergy is provo. this country as their home, and we have Bishop Spalding came to Colorado in Now, in the first place, fow are suffi-In causation she begs the question of a called a chapter (heads of the Church, every reason to believe that the tide of 1874, so that this year is the seventh of his episcopate. The increase of the necessary sequence between antecedent ciently well informed to verify for themcapita ecclesice), the members of which, emigration is steadily setting in that dirsolves the facts of Science, and in no de- and consequent, just as the advocate of Church during this period will be seen in ancient times, lived in a common ection, and that in a very fow years partment of knowledge must we rely so the Supernatural refers such sequence dwelling, and were under rule. from the following statement : millions will be found, where but thou much on naked authority. "Religion, to the will and reason of Gon. 2. Dean.-This is the title of the 1874 1890. ands now are. The outlook, then, is a No of Clergy at work, """ Self-supporting Parishes, "Gaurches, "Gurches, however, has the open Bible which all . It is guite absurd for the votary of Presiding Officer of the Chapter. The very encouraging one; and while the 26 can read, and the intuitive conscioumess Science to accuse of fond superstition those name is derived from a similar title in present position of our Dominion fills us Value of Church propert of all humanity, as verification of her who acknowledge her postulate of Unity, ancient monasteries of an officer who s with conscious pride, our pulses quick \$56,400 \$110,:50 1.262 but place its basis in the act and design of dogmas. presided over ten Monks (decanus). Un en with eager and glowing expectations of property, No of parsons baptized, 129,250 288 We hear it said that while the exis one Crostor; who believe in the se der some designation or other, all the the future before us. 155

 With persons constraints,
 100

 "" Confirmedry,
 52

 "" Communicants,
 618

 "" S S. teachers and pupils, 731
 400

 "" Souls,
 1500

 "" Souls,
 1500

112 1544 1605 1669 tence of a God of Nature is a more as guences of causation, but own, in each world over, from the most ancient times, At all times it is becoming and right sumption, the scientists, whose wiew of tiniest link, the ever-working power of this officer was found in the principal in us as individuals to praise and bless religion is agnostic, can demonstrate as God, that power which to inert matter Church of the diocese, to which a body of the name of our GoD, for every day we Orierings for all purposes? \$5,651 00 \$28,886:00

logical truths their tenets; that these te |gave originally and still continues to give nots must be accepted if we accept the its varied movement and its life. guidance of science st all. We do not and will not discard science, but neither will we admit that religion stands at its bar for acceptance or rejection. To emit the point that Materialism, in attributing to matter properties that can not be scientifically proved to belong to it, is a super stition as mak as the fetish service of Januarius or Veronica ; we will maintain that Science just as much as Religion is based on unproved and unprovable veri

ties; that the hypothesis of a superna-

tural overruling Power can alone reconcile the truths of science with reason. Those who profess to find an answer to all the puzzles of material nature in material nature itself, base their conclusions on assumptions just as much as do the advocates of Religion. If Science is to hold the lamp whose rays illumine through the darkness the intricacies of nature's workings, and the marvels o organic life, yet we must not hope that she can trace the reason and cause for each process of phenomena without refe reneo to the supernatural.

For instance, Science in all her deduc tions postulates Unity in the circle of material things. Yet she cannot prove this Unity. It is the wildest of guesses to assort that inert matter can become living organism without some interposing power. Can she explain it? Can she bridge over the gaps in the ranged order of living things, or fill the gulfs that separate well defined integrations organic and inorganic? She proclaims all to be one by an assumption which Religion does not deny, but interprets in her adoring confession of their common origin in Gop the Creator.

Science lays down as the first law of motion, that what is at rest cannot move without external inpact compelling it. What is it but an assumption, nay, solf contradiction, to aver, in view of the movement of celestial bodies in space that there was no power external to a inatter naturally inert and at rest, which hurled them originally on their whirling course?

Science professes to trace causation

THE CATHEDRALS.



1. The Cathedral is the Parish Church of the whole Diocese. In ancient times the name of the Diocese was Parochia, or Parish. But after a while this name came to be applied to the smaller ecclesiastical divisions which taken together, under the jurisdiction of one Bishop, onstitute the Discese. The Cathedral took its name from the word Cathedra or chair, because in it the Bishop has his seat, or throng. This seat is usually on the south side of the Choir, just outside the altar-rails. It was always the rule that the Bishop should have his residence it his cathedral or principal church; and many regulations were passed at different Councils with reference to his duties in connection therewith.

One main object of the Cathedral Shurch in every diocese is the mainte nance of Divine worship daily In many of the Cathedrals of Europe this is never intermitted; and the service of prayer, praise, and thanksgiving has ascended to the throne of grace for many centuries without a break. The Cathedral is the Church to which not only the other Churches of the Diocese, but individual members of Christ's Body, look for an example and pattern in the conduct of Divine service. There the appointments of the sanctuary are perfectly ordered. There the architecture is pure, the music elaborate; and there the ritual of the Church is observed in its integrity.

The plan of a Cathedral is usually that of a Latin cross. It is probable that in the primitive Church this shape was not at first symbolical, but was do rived from the transverse hall or gallery in the ancient basilicas. The halls of justice and of other public business among the Romans were thus called. Of these, after the conversion of the Empire, many were transformed into Christian churches; and by far the greater number of churches were constructed upon the

same model. The basilicas terminated stages of high intellectualism, comes like been a marked and substantial change for posing nature than 'any event that has from its origin in nature to its end there. with a recess, or apse, in which the mathe measles and goes like them we know the better. entered into the history of the New Now, in causation there is an antecedent gistrates sat. Beneath this was a translittle of. The crops of the year have been above West." and a consequent, but to explain the Some men, however, do suffer them verse hall, the origin probably of the the average, and have been gathered in The Bishop, with 12 clergy, the miliselves from time to time to be thrown off phenomenon of cause and effect, it is transept; while below was the great hall good condition; while the bardy fishermen tary, masons, municipal authorities, necessary not only to show that such and with its two side passages, afterwards their balance by a smartly written article, of the Eastern Provinces have had a boun-platoon of police, Federal officers and such an antecedent has such and such a called the nave and aisles. The accidenor by some book which orthodoxy has tiful catch to reward them for their toil. hosts of others participated. There was consequent, but to explain the reason of tal approach to the form of the cross was indignantly rolegated to the "Index Ex-There is no surer sign of the pros- a choir of 150 voices, with full bress the sequence, and the manner of connecpurgatorius." The attention that is roused doubtless perceived by later Christian perity and future greatness of our Domi- band. The ceremony was a very imon scoing some free handling of Christian tion between the two. When rays of a architects, who by degrees adapted the nion than to find each year the area of pressive one. After a short service, the opinion, or the gloom of doubt set forth cortain undulation strike the relina, the older buildings to the exact plan of the wheat greater, and the returns larger, usual ceremonies was begun by the with the grace and emphasis of rheloric result is the perception of a certain colour Latin cross. There are often to be which assures us not only of our own Grand Master of the Masons of Colorada, on the part of the living subject. Cau found in the older Cathedrals, both in is, however, merely a parallel to the infood but of being able to provide the the National Flag was hoisted, the Science stand within the chamber of transepts, aisles, and crypt, (or undertorest that, carifer in the century, woke means of sustenance for the millions of Governor's Guards presented arms, and sight and point out the reason of this? to life in the seductive and picturesque ground portion) numerous chapels which. our mother land, who have to look abroad three guns were fired. The Grand Mas-There may be a chain of causation here melancholy of Byron's crotic muse. Only before the Reformation, were dedicated for the staff of life As years are added ter delivered an address, and the Bishop of a million invisible links between the to various saints, and contained their a few protond to doubt because they think to our national existence we feel the more laid the corner stone, followed by the it wise, and, like Fuller's apo, pile up the antecedent, and consequent she wots of. altars. This is still the case in Roman strongly the great and glorious future recital of the Nicene Creed, and the dry leaves, and spread their palms over It is a bare assumption to say 'must be'; Catholic Churches. Of these, the Lady which our Deminion has before it. Not yloria in excelsis. Addresses were made, the unconsuming glow-worm of their and to put down the whole process as Chapel was generally the largest and only are the older Provinces increasing and after hymns, offerings and prayers, mechanical and material. The mind most elaborate ; and was built at the east in population and in material wealth and the vast crowd dispersed. Twenty years Such we have not in view in writing that acknowledges here One that made end of the choir or chancel, the excep-

clergy was attached. There are records of ought to remember that our existence a dean at Bangor, A. D., 603; at Llan and all that keeps us in being is from daff in 612; at Canterbury in 825. If Gon-that it is "through Him we live and the Cathedral was conventual, the head move and have our being ;" but at this was called Prior, the Bishop being abbot. time more particularly both for personal The Dean is the first dignitary of the mercies, and for national blessings, let us, Cathedral, the head of the corporation, as the Pasimist bids us "enter into His and, subordinate to the Bishop, had. in gates with thanksgiving, and into His the most ancient Cathedrals, the cure of Courts with praise"; let us "be thanksouls over the members of the Cathedral ful unto Him and bless His name;" " let body, and the administration of eccles us give thanks, yea, unto Gop let us give iastical disciplino. By English law, the thanks," Dean is a corporation sole, being capable of taking an estate as Dean, and convey- Providential care which preserves us, ing it to his successors. In more modern and the marvellous blessings which flow times, the Deans, as having charge of from a Boneficent and Almighty Ruler; Cathedrais, and as heads of the chapter, and we too frequently prove ourselves, have gradually usurped, to a great degree. by our wicked and selfish lives, to be unthe place of the Bishop, and in some in-grateful recipients of those Divine merstances have set up their authority against cies. On every hand men and women his. Some collegiste Churches are extra- live as if they felt in their heart 'it is parochial; that is they were exempted my power and the might of mine arm that from Episcopal visitation and jurisdiction hath gotten me this wealth," and selfishin the middle ages by the Popes. And ness or reckless living are the fruits of such is the tenacity of English law, that our forgetfulness of Gon. When Gon's even after the Reformation, these rights calls come they are put aside, or but reremain. Such a Church is the Abbey of Westminster, of which Dr. Stanley is Dean. He is accountable to no cocles- selfish indulgence, or to gratify pride, or iastical superior.

GENERAL THANKSGIVING.

On Wednesday next, we are bidden to assemble in our Churches, there, publicly and unitedly as v nation, to give back over our lives, may, on this Thanksthanks to Almighty GoD for the blessings bestowed upon us during the past on a higher and better life. Let not the year, and especially for His having so Thanksgiving Day of 1880 be given over abundantly crowned the labours of the to high living and dissipation, but rather husbandman and fisherman.

A glance over the year just past will convince us all that we have much-very Christian liberality. much-to make us thankful.

• A year ago, the whole country had still the gloom of a great financial and business depression hanging over it; true, men thought they saw a rift in the clouds, and the dawn of a brighter day, yet it was still in the future, and the present was far from hopeful. Since then, there has been an unmistakeable improvement. columns of an account of the laying of We cannot, perhaps, claim that the country is in a highly prosperous state, but we can congratulate ourselves that there has Day. The ceremony was of a more im-

We are alas! too apt to overlook the sponded to feebly, while on pleasure or the lust for position or power, tens, or hundreds, or even thousands of dollars will be willingly and cheerfully expended.

Let us hope that the blessings and mercies, which crowd upon us as we look giving Day, lead our hearts to resolve uplet it be made an occasion for joyous thankfulness, and for large hearted,

CHURCH PROGRESS IN COLOR-ADO AND ALGOMA.

CLOSE upon the news of the laying of the corner stone of Trinity Cathedral, Omaha, Nebraska, there comes in the Tribune, of Denver, Colorado, seven the corner stone of the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist, on St. Matthew's