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## LESSONS for SUNDAYS and HOLY-DAYS.

Sept. 17... FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.—  
Morning... 2 Kings 18. 2 Corinthians 9.  
Evening... 2 Kings 19. or 23 to 31. St. Mark, 14, to 27.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 1882.

THE death is announced of Bishop Steere, of Central Africa.

The oldest Bishop in England or Wales is the Bishop of Llandaff. He was 84 on the 16th ult., and was consecrated in 1849.

The Rev. J. B. Whiting, Vicar of St. Luke's, Ramsgate, has accepted the Bishopric of Sierra Leone. He was ordained in 1851.

A new church has been opened at Bognor under license from the Bishop of Chichester. Bognor is in the parish of Burstead, the parish church of which is undergoing restoration.

Dr. Merriman, third Bishop of Grahamstown, died on the 17th ult., from the effects of a carriage accident. He was consecrated in 1871, on the translation of Bishop Cotterill to Edinburgh.

Moody and Sanky, the Salvation Army, and the Hallelujah Lasses have all left Scotland. The former "Singers of the Gospel" are said to have made an excellent commercial return, while the latter frequently found their way into the police court.

On the 15th ult. the parish church of Maidsmoreton, Buckingham, was reopened after restoration. The Bishop of Winchester gave a new pulpit in memory of his parents, who are buried in the church. Open benches are substituted for the old high pews.

The Duke of Devonshire has given £1,000 and the site for the new Church of the Holy Trinity at Lawkeholme, Keighley. The church was consecrated on the 16th, by Bishop Ryan. The Duke has also given £1,000 towards the Building Fund of St. Peter's Church, and the same sum towards that of All Saints' Church.

The Rev. George Wyndham Kennion, M.A., of Oriol College, Oxford, Vicar of All Saints', Bradford, has been nominated to the Bishopric of

Adelaide by the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Bishops of Durham, Winchester, Truro, and Bedford, to whom the choice of a bishop was entrusted by the Synod of the Diocese of Adelaide.

A gentleman has given to All Saints' Cathedral Albany, a fund whose annual interest will be \$5,000. It is to be devoted to the support of the dean. The same gentleman has given \$1,000 to obtain a stall like those attached to English cathedrals. The site for the cathedral, costing \$70,000, is the gift of the Hon. Erastus Corning. Bishop Doane may be congratulated on the success of his project.

A deputation of Bengalee Christians lately addressed a letter to the Bishop of Calcutta, desiring to be enlightened as to the exact relation which the Church of England ought to have with bodies of Bengalees gathered by Nonconformists. This is obviously a question of great delicacy in a missionary diocese, and nothing, we imagine, could be more to the point than the Bishop's answer:—"She endeavors to keep the unity of the Spirit, adoring the One Lord, holding the One Faith in the One Body."

The Archbishop of Canterbury in writing to the Bishop of Capetown in reference to the recent judgments of the Privy Council, and recommending local legislative action, his Grace says:—"I am glad to have this opportunity of reasserting what was universally acknowledged at the Lambeth Conference of 1877, namely, that no changes which have taken place in the church over which you preside have in any way separated it from full communion with the mother Church of England. The spiritual union of our members has been in no way touched by these questions. A clergyman or layman of your province finds himself readily welcomed at home as a member of our own Church, and I know that we receive in turn the full right of all Church privileges amongst you."

The death is announced of Mrs. Mary Catharine Weston, wife of the Rev. D. C. Weston, D.D., and daughter of the late Col. Wm. A. Stuben North, of Duanesburgh, N. Y. No woman in the Church of the United States has been so widely known as an author of works for Church instruction in Sunday-schools and Bible classes. Over two million copies of her "Calvary Catechism" have been sold, and it has an annual sale of 70,000. This was her first book—is of a simple character, and was published twenty years ago. She also wrote a "Synopsis of the Bible," "Questions on the Fundamental Truths and Doctrines of Scripture," besides a number of other popular and instructive works. Her "Catechism on the Church" is regarded as exceedingly valuable.

Mr. A. Barber, a Baptist preacher in Nottingham, England, recently said, at a meeting of that body, that "We have in the Romish Church a type of worship which is calculated more than any throughout the whole Christian world to promote the adoration, humiliation, confession, encouragement, trust and glorification the soul experiences in the presence of God. . . . The public worship of

the Roman Church has done for its followers what no other form of religion ever has. It has consecrated to its use every intellectual power man possesses, and finds room for every soul, whether of saint or sinner." This is the way "extremes are very apt to meet," and these are the men that go over to Rome.

One of the most distinguished members of the Nonconformist body has written to us to express his thanks for our timely exposure of the infidel articles in the late *Canadian Monthly*. He writes, "Pity these articles were ever in print in the *Monthly*. I wrote an article remonstrating against them years ago and had great difficulty in getting it inserted, a strong bias evidently existing in favour of this objectionable teaching." That effectually disposes of the apology that these articles were simply selected as literary matter from English publications. Had this "strong bias" not existed the selections from English magazines would have been far more generally interesting and helpful to the *Monthly*, whereas the infidel articles were awfully heavy reading, and to the mass of people no more easy to eat and digest than a feed of sawdust.

How work done on the Church's plan succeeds. A successful illustration is a powerful argument. The village of Gowery, in the County of Cambridge, is composed of some two thousand inhabitants. It has a very large, handsome Gothic church, about five hundred years old, and capable of holding about a thousand worshippers. There were no signs of Church work from the time of the Reformation up to about four years since. The Baptist sect ruled supreme. In fact it was about their stronghold in England. Four years ago a new vicar was appointed on the demise of one who had been in power many years. The new vicar set to work heartily, restored the grand old church at a cost of twenty thousand dollars, started daily services, weekly and Saint-day celebrations of the Blessed Eucharist, baptized four hundred, built a second church and employed a curate. If Canadian churchmen, especially the bishops and clergy, would only prove faithful, sectarianism would be drawn into the Church's fold.

Speaking the other day in the Wesleyan Conference, with reference to the success of the candidates for the Methodist University, Mr. A. McAulay said, that during the past ten years they had increased their ministers in the same ratio. There had arisen all their financial difficulties. Without great care they would have another financial crisis. Dr. Osborne said the whole question was very serious. There was a yawning gulf before the connection, and without speedy and vigorous efforts it would swallow them up. What was the condition of their Ministers' School Fund? Notwithstanding that there had been an assessment on ministers for those schools during the past year, and that assessment would continue during the next two years, yet from 1884 to 1890 there would probably be a deficiency of \$9,000 per annum. The *Methodist Recorder*, commenting upon this discussion, says:—"We have been increasing our ministers, and increasing our chapels, and not in anything like the