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LESSON FOR SUNDAYS AND HOLY DAYS. SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT.

Morning—Isaiah V.; 1 John II., to 15

Evening—Isaiah XI., to 11, or XXIV.; John XVI, 16

Appropriate Hymns for Second and Third Sundays in Advent, compiled by Dr. Albert Ham, F. R. C. O., organist and director of the choir of St. James' Cathedral, Toronto. The numbers are taken from Hymns Ancient and Modern, many of which may be found in other hymnals:

SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT.

Holy Communion: 196, 316, 320, 553.
Processional: 45, 395, 391, 392.
Offertory: 51, 214, 216, 226.
Children's Hymns: 217, 565, 568, 569.
General Hymns: 47, 52, 54, 288.

THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT.

Holy Communion: 51, 178, 313, 318.
Processional: 47, 48, 355, 362.
Offertory: 186, 272, 293, 352.
Children's Hymns: 180, 188, 336, 566.
General Hymns: 191, 193, 353, 587.

Algoma.

In another page we insert the substance of an appeal by Mrs. Broughall to raise \$3,000 or more for the Bishop Sullivan Memorial Sustentation Fund, for the support of poor missionaries. Towards this fund the S.P.C.K. and the S.P.G. in England have voted one thousand pounds each, payable when we have raised the further sum of eight thousand pounds, provided that such sum is raised before the end of 1902. Mrs. Broughall says that "Algoma is praying for help, and apparently the W.A. is the first called to be the instrument through which the answer may come. What an honour. Is there any woman amongst the whole 15,000 members,

who will fail to appreciate the responsibility of this call, even though it be only voiced by a private in this great army of women?"

Gift—Not Debt.

There are people who talk as though God owed them something in return for their sacrifices. These are the people who take great comfort out of the comment: "She hath done what she could," and apply that commendation in a miscellaneous, slipshod way for which there is no warrant in Scripture. That self-satisfied spirit was well rebuked by the "judicious Hooker," to whom the remark was made, when he was on his death bed: "Sir, you are now going to receive your reward." "Sir," replied Hooker, "I am now going to receive mercy." The further anyone advances in the Christian life the more dearly does he come to prize the idea of mercy. The expression so often used of the faithful departed, "That they have gone to their well-earned rest," is directly contrary to the teaching of the Holy Scripture; where, both by parable and precept, from the lips of our Lord and His Apostles, we are taught that "the gift of God is eternal life," that the King may do what He will with His own; and that therefore the greatest saint, the hardest worker in His vineyard, can claim nothing as of right. It is of God's free grace and overflowing mercy alone that they enter into that rest and win that crown which He hath laid up for His faithful and humble followers.

Canadian Churchman Christmas Number.

The Christmas number of the Canadian Churchman will be issued next week. It will be very handsome and artistic, with beautiful illustrations. It will be full of good, useful and appropriate reading, and will prove attractive and acceptable as a present to send to friends at this coming Christmas-tide, and one which will doubtless be highly esteemed by them.

The St. Andrew's Brotherhood.

We read that Mr. Hubert Carleton has been appointed editor of "St. Andrew's Cross," the organ of the Brotherhood, which is published in New York. We heartily congratulate Mr. Carleton, and trust that he will find his "own little corner" a comfortable one. But we warn him that he will find the post not an enviable one in all respects. He will be held responsible not only for what he really says, but for much he does not say, and he must learn the virtue of keeping silence in the face of misrepresentation.

Christian Work.

Perhaps it may not be out of place in this connection to reproduce advice given many years ago. "In all our consideration of Christian work, let us never forget that its success or failure depends far more on the men and women engaged in it than on the

systems they employ, or the conferences they hold. If a farmer attends every market and show, but neglects ploughing and sowing in his own field, he will starve. If he buys the costliest machines, yet spends his time in explaining and praising, instead of using them, he will lose the harvest which a less scientific neighbour is winning by the vigorous use of old-fashioned tools. We must also see to it that we rely more on life than organization, and while welcoming any improvement in the machinery we use, should gird ourselves anew to a faithful following of the Great Sower, Who has given us the gracious assurance: "He that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal, that both he that soweth, and he that reapeth, may rejoice together."

Bishop Gore.

Is one of the few men who have never given a photographer a sitting—at least in recent years. "Church Bells" was determined to give its readers some idea of the outward semblance of the man, and has enlarged a portrait from a group taken many years ago. It is undoubtedly unique and not quite up-to-date. It looks like a man of about twenty-seven on a fishing excursion.

Private Judgment.

The greatest difficulties in religion have been of man's own creation; they are the natural consequences of his ignorance and presumption. In many respects modern theologians mistake the very nature of that which they pretend to handle; they have affected to call religion a science, that is, a matter purely intellectual, within the scope of human reason, and attainable by human study; and after all, what is human science? Even in pure mathematics, as Des Cartes observes, who shall be certain that our axioms are not all fallacious, our reasoning based on false premises—wrong in its process—false in its conclusions? But religion is the revelation of God—as it were a ray of that unapproachable light which surrounds his throne—binding the eye of mortal reason, but opening glories unspeakable to the organ purged by the spiritual euphrasy. It is darkness and night to the fullgrown man, haughty in the power of his intellect, and presumptuous in the vastness of his knowledge—it is bright noonday to the babe and suckling.

Liberia.

A few months ago, we drew attention to the departure of two young coloured men, who had left our West Indies to work among their race in Liberia, and regretted that so little attention was paid to that country in the States. We are gratified to find that much is being done by an energetic missionary, Miss Higgins, who has been addressing the auxiliary meetings in Chicago and St. Louis. At the Chicago meeting we read: So