

It is proposed, as a memorial of the late Rev. Dr. DeKoven, to raise \$150,000 for the endowment of Racine College, of which he was so long the warden. Dr. DeKoven left a bequest to the college; this with other sums in hand will make \$48,000; the ground and buildings are estimated to be worth an additional \$150,000.

In Ohio Mr. W. T. Whitmarsh, a leading Baptist minister, is seeking Episcopal ordination.

#### MISSION WORK.

The *European Messenger* presents some valuable facts in relation to the national Church of Russia. The number of persons in holy orders is about 190,000; there are 420 cathedrals, 38,202 churches, and 12,408 chapels. The total annual revenue of the Church is 20,000,000 rubles. The translation of the Bible into Russian was finished in 1877. The first edition of 24,000 copies has been sold, and a second is in preparation. There are 532 monasteries and convents; in these are 10,500 monks and 16,000 nuns. The schools connected with the churches and monasteries are 6321 in number; the universities, gymnasia, and scientific schools number only 363.

The *Friend of India* says: But for the English missionaries, the natives of India would have a very poor opinion of Englishmen. The missionary alone, of all Englishmen, is the representative of a disinterested desire to elevate and improve the people.

News has been received of the ordination by Bishop Sargent at Palamcotta of nine native deacons and eight native priests. Thirty-five native clergy and 1,450 people were present on the occasion.

On the 9th of March two Europeans and fourteen natives were ordained at Edeyengoody, Tinnivelly, by Bishop Caldwell. One European and two natives were connected with the Church Missionary Society, and one European and twelve natives with the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel. Of these, nine natives connected with the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, and one native connected with the Church Missionary Society, were ordained deacons, thereby increasing the number of the native clergy in Tinnivelly by ten. Bishop Sargent preached the ordination sermon. The whole of the nine newly-ordained S.P.G. deacons have been appointed to evangelistic and pastoral work amongst the new people. The Rev. J. A. Sharrock, B.A., who recently passed his first examination in Tamil and has just been ordained, has also been appointed to evangelistic work.

Mr. Stanley strongly advocates the construction of railways through Central Africa—one of which would be about 500 miles in length, from a point on the east coast to the southern end of the Victoria Nyanza. Another railway 150 miles long would bring us to Lake Tanganyika, which has a waterway of about 330 miles, and another 200 miles long to Lake Nyassa, which gives many hundred miles of water-way. A fourth short railway would lead to the navigable waters of the Shire and the Zambesi, which flow into the sea. These link-lines of railway would open up about 1,300 miles of splendid navigable water.

"The Vatican" has entrusted to the Algerian Roman Catholic Mission the creation of two stations in Central Africa—one on Lake Tanganyika, the other on Lakes Victoria and Albert Nyanza.

#### Correspondence.

NOTICE.—We must remind our correspondents that all letters containing personal allusions, and especially those containing attacks on Diocesan Committees, must be accompanied with the names of the writers, expressly for the purpose of publication. We are not responsible for opinions expressed by correspondents.

#### DENIAL.

No Student of our Divinity School has been ordained as a minister in the Reformed Episcopal Church, or had any connection with it.

No student of our school ever officiated at Oshawa since the appointment of the Rev. Mr. Johnson.

I remain, yours truly,  
SEPTIMUS JONES.

[The remainder of Mr. Jones' letter is irrelevant to the subject. His denial is only half of the truth. The seceder to the Reformed Episcopal schism was a Lay Reader under the Rev. Septimus Jones, and was studying for the ministry under Mr. Jones, who is one of the Professors of the Divinity School, and he complains of the officials thereof having treated him badly. The connection was therefore quite intimate and recognised between the seceder and the P. E. D.

School. The person who officiated at Oshawa is in the service of the Secy. of the Church Association; so that his going down to Oshawa was with the cognizance of the officials of the Church Association, and with their sanction and approval. They have frequently boasted of the good work being done by him: to repudiate him now is ungenerous to him and misleading to the public. We state these facts as baldly as possible, having every desire to speak with becoming charity of even dead institutions.—Ed.]

#### CLAIMS OF THE BISHOP OF ALGOMA.

SIR,—I do not think the due claims of the Bishop of Algoma will be paid until the laity of the Dominion can be roused to take a real interest in the matter. If every one of us could only feel that our honor was concerned in having the past debt paid off, and a good promise for the future, we should soon be able to raise the money. I would suggest that every member of the Church contribute at least 10c., if possible 25c., before or on the Day of Intercession for Missions; and if the clergy would kindly take charge of the subscriptions and forward them, there would be no difficulty. The sum seems small, but I think, if the interest of all could be roused, we should find we could do more. Times are hard and the demands for money are many, but that can be no reason why our solemn promises should be broken, and good, earnest men crippled in their work for lack of means to go on. Surely we shall all pray with more hope and faith, "Thy kingdom come," if we have in some small measure strengthened the hands of those who are earnestly laboring in that Kingdom.—Hoping this or some other plan may at once be adopted by the churchmen of the Dominion, without waiting for resolutions at synods, &c., Believe me, yours truly,

A LAYMAN.

St. Mark's Day, 1879.

#### Family Reading.

RAYMOND.

CHAPTER XLII.

When Moss had made his simple statement of the circumstances of his young mistress's departure, with an emotion which rendered his account very touching, he made a movement to leave the room, for he always felt as if he were nearer his old master at Highbrook House than anywhere else; but Raymond clung to his hand, while his chest heaved convulsively. It was all he could do, brave man as he was, to suppress the sobs that almost burst from him at this piteous overthrow of all his cherished hopes and happy dreams. The worst pain which the blow had brought to him was in the conviction that it must be the result of some terrible mistake on Estelle's part. It was plain, from her letter to him, so expressive of a heart wounded to the quick, that she believed he promised to marry her, not because he loved her, but in consequence of her own betrayal of affection, which had aroused his compassion; but he could not imagine by what means such an idea had ever arisen in her mind, and in the misery and bewilderment of these first unhappy moments he detained Moss by a firm grasp, with a faint hope that he might yet throw some light on the mystery.

"Moss, tell me," he said, "have you the least idea why she went away?"

"No, sir; I do not understand it at all. I am sure she had no such thought yesterday morning, for she was making plans for staying here as long as she held the lease of Highrock House. Something must have happened to trouble her last night; she seemed so sorely down-hearted this morning, poor young lady, when she came to tell me she was going. She said she should take the dog Bruin with her, sir, because he was the only real friend she had in the world."

"Oh, it is unendurable!" exclaimed Raymond, clenching his hand, while tears actually started from his eyes. "There must have been some treachery at work or she could never have said that. Moss, whom did she see yesterday?"

"No one after the funeral, sir, excepting Mr. Derwent and Mr. Hugh Carlton."

Hugh Carlton! At the sound of that name a

dash of conviction passed through Raymond's mind that he must be the person that had played him false. He remembered his malignant accusation against Estelle the day before, and his subsequent urgency that he would, at any cost, write the words which were to prove to her that he wished to marry her. Raymond knew that Hugh had loved her, and wished to win her once, and he no longer believed the statement he had naturally accepted when it was first made, that the young man's feelings had undergone a complete change. It seemed perfectly plain to Raymond now, that a desire to separate him from Estelle had been at the root of all that Hugh Carlton had said and done during their strange conversation, which had produced the calamity of Estelle's disappearance. Yet it seemed scarcely possible to believe that he could really have laid a deliberate plot to deceive them both, and ruin their happiness for ever.

"Did Miss Lingard leave any letter for Mr. Carlton?" he asked Moss.

"No, sir, none; but she gave me a note to take to Mr. Derwent; I have it here, and I am going with it now, on my way home."

Raymond knew that Estelle had a great respect for the clergyman, and he thought it not unlikely that she might have given him her full confidence; it brightened him with a gleam of hope; he released Moss's hand, and said, "Then take it at once, Moss. And will you say to Mr. Derwent that I am most anxious to see him, and that I should be deeply obliged to him if he would come to me at once."

"I will, sir," said Moss, apparently glad to be set free.

"And Moss," continued Raymond, "you will promise to tell me, if ever you have the slightest tidings of Miss Lingard?"

"I can promise if you wish, sir, but I believe it is no good, for I don't look ever to see her again. She told me she could never come to visit me so long as I lived here—and I cannot go away from my dear old master's last home. I shall stay in this place now till my own time comes, and then I hope they'll bury me beside him."

He went out, leaving Raymond more utterly depressed and wretched than he had ever been in his life before. His one hope was in the possibility of Mr. Derwent possessing some information as to Estelle's movements—most likely he would be under a pledge to secrecy if he did know her destination; but Raymond resolved to tell him the whole truth, including his suspicions of Hugh's share in the miserable catastrophe, and perhaps the wise clergyman could advise him how to repair it before it was too late. He knew Mr. Derwent well, having often met him in the course of the time that he had been connected with Carlton Hall, and he was aware that he added to a long experience of life a sound judgment and much kindness of heart, which enabled him, even in his old age, to enter sympathetically into the hopes and wishes of those whose future was still golden with the light of possible joys. He watched for him, therefore, with great impatience, and towards evening he heard at last the welcome step, and Mr. Derwent entered. He had visited Raymond since his accident, and began asking him if his ankle was going on well.

"Oh yes; I should be all right if I were not mentally so perfectly wretched. Mr. Derwent, can you tell me anything of Estelle Lingard?"

The clergyman half smiled at his abrupt question, but it was with a saddened voice he answered that he had just received a letter from her.

"And does it say where she is gone?"

"No; quite the contrary, I am sorry to say. She writes to take leave of me, saying that circumstances have compelled her to quit this neighborhood very suddenly, and with no hope of ever being able to return to it again, or to see any more those with whom she had been acquainted here."

"You have no clue, then, by which I might find her?" said Raymond, faintly; and as Mr. Derwent shook his head, he exclaimed, with a burst of grief, "And I hoped to have made her my wife!"

"I thought as much," said the clergyman; "and that is why I was so greatly surprised to hear of her departure. I believed, and indeed I do still, that she fully returned your affection, and I looked forward with great satisfaction to seeing her made happy in your care."

"And so she would have been, if the love and devotion of my whole life could have secured her