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## Lessons for Sundays and Holy Days.

July 12.—7 SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

Morning.—1 Chron. 21. Acts 17 to v. 16.  
Evening.—1 Chron. 22; or 28 to v. 21. Matt. 5. 33.

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LONDON MORE POPULOUS THAN IRELAND.—POOR Ireland has lost nearly half a million during the past 10 years, while the English metropolis boasts more than five and a half millions—nearly a million more than the whole present population of the sister island. Indeed the great towns everywhere are absorbing the rural population.

TO TAKE HIS OWN MEDICINE.—In reference to the part played by the Prince in the Baccarat affair, the *Church Times* says, "Altogether it is a very sorry business, and the best reparation the Prince can make is to sign a document in the presence of the Primate of all England and the Prime Minister, promising never again to play at cards, or gamble or bet."

INTOLERANT FREETHINKERS.—The phrase seems a paradox, and yet it describes a truth in relation to the Anarchists and Freethinkers of Paris, who organized a demonstration against the consecration of the new (Roman Catholic) Basilica of the Sacred Heart, erected as an act of reparation for recent historical scenes of violence against Christianity.

THE ANTI-SEMITIC AGITATION has taken a very serious and tangible form in the Austrian Reichstrath in the shape of a Bill against alien immigration, similar to that in the United States recently. It seems certain that England will have to take some similar step for self-protection, though such a step there will probably be tempered largely by merciful consideration.

ONE THOUSAND CHORISTERS.—This was about the number of the united choirs in St. Paul's Cathedral on the occasion of the 21st anniversary service of the Gregorian Choral Association.

There were about 10,000 people present. There were also a large number of instrumental accompanists besides the organist. The solid body of prayer and praise was "exceeding magnificent."

MORPHINOMANIACS are said to be produced not so much by the pure drug itself as by the fiendish so-called cures which are so widely advertised by quacks. In New York there is a loud call (so says the *Journal of Nervous and Mental Diseases*) for the suppression of these quacks by the vigorous interference of the law. The qualified practitioners alone should deal with all such cases.

AN IRISH CHOIR SERVICE.—Not to be behind their London rivals, the Churchmen of Dublin recently had a united service in St. Patrick's Cathedral with 700 choristers. There were 3,000 people present. The Dean of the Chapel Royal preached, and referred to the parson and clerk duet survivals as being "fossils of the palaeozoic period." Ireland moves—at least in Church matters.

THE QUEEN AND DISESTABLISHMENT.—We are beginning to get at some of the secret history of the Irish Church troubles—so puzzling and mysterious at the time—through the publication of the "Life of Archbishop Tait." It seems that the Queen gave the Archbishop a strong hint that the Lords would have to bow to the will of the country as expressed in the House of Commons on this subject.

FEMME SOLE AND COUVERTE.—It seems a grave question of expediency how far women should, in exceptional cases, use their inalienable rights to act as Churchwardens, &c. Indeed it is only part of the general question of the best sphere for women's work. In exceptional cases, a queen or prophetess, or a Churchwarden, seems all right; but as a general rule the thing would work very awkwardly.

WOMEN'S RIGHTS IN CHURCH.—It is curious to note that the Synods of Huron and Montreal have taken opposite courses in regard to the admission of women to the Vestry and electoral privileges of the Church. The fact is, however, that women possess these privileges naturally and inherently, so that it requires express legislation to dispossess them. In England, no one has ever questioned or denied these rights.

GETTING WORSE.—It was calculated in 1880, out of a population of 50 millions in the United States, the proportion of convicts to the population was 709 per million. In 1890 the proportion had risen to 722 per million, and yet people tell us that secular schools are the thing, and that religion is not wanted in the schools at all. Oh, that incomparable school system! It is treason to doubt its perfection.

POOR ANDORRA.—Among the Pyrenees on the borders of France and Spain is a tiny republican state, only 200 square miles in extent, whose people have been accustomed to rejoice in their poverty as the safeguard of their freedom. Their president has the munificent income of \$1 per month. This is to be the new scene of the gambling mania hitherto centred at Monte Carlo. The Prince of Monaco has married money, and is glad to shut down on the Casino Company.

THE JUDICIAL COMMITTEE is really only what its name implies, an advisory committee or board whose duty it is to review the decisions of courts on appeal to the Queen, and report to Her Majesty the chief points of the cases with judgments thereon, and their own opinion as to any errors in the said judgments which may have escaped notice. On their report, the Queen takes action as she thinks proper, as Fount of Justice.

THE UNIAT GREEKS, or Greek Catholics united to the Roman Communion, have retained most of their Oriental privileges, such as the use of the Liturgy of St. Basil, marriage of their priests, baptism by immersion, leavened bread in the eucharist, communion in both kinds, incense at every mass, the use of a closed screen or *Iconostasis* before the altar, the prothesis or side-altar of preparation, disuse of musical instruments, &c.

"MAKE ME DIE."—Such is the plaintive cry of the poor little child-wives of India (of whom Emma Ryder tells us in the *Home-Maker*), who present a sickening spectacle of premature abuse by masculine brutality in their horribly deformed bodies. It is quite time that protection should be extended to children all over the world to a far more liberal extent than, for instance, the present Canadian limit of consent, 14 years of age.

THE GREATNESS OF SIR JOHN MACDONALD.—An excellent article in *London Times* very truly says, "In these days of Greater Britain, a great colonial statesman fills an important place in history. Few foreign potentates are such important persons as he. His Cabinet administers tracts of territory by the side of which most of the kingdoms of Europe are mere patches. His colony can throw a foreign industry into consternation by raising the tariff by a few dollars."

NOVA SCOTIA'S "CHURCH REVIEW."—Rev. Mr. Haslam, formerly Professor in Trinity College, Toronto, now rector of Lunenburg, publishes a very enterprising little sheet, entitled as above. The reading matter is very good. Among the articles we notice ours on "Lay Co-operation"—selected but not credited. We regret to notice, however, an inclination to deal with heresy in the modern popular, but unscriptural and latitudinarian *easy way*.

UPSIDE DOWN.—A curious instance of cart before the horse style is quoted from Phillips Brooks' last book, "The Light of the World, &c." He says, "The Church is too much a clergyman's Church. The people are the Church. The power and responsibility reside in them. They have the real apostolical succession." This is the sort of thing—that suits Boston. As long as a thing is new and startling (as most untruths are), so much the better.

THE HOLY COAT OF TREVES will be the centre of one of those periodical sensations in which the Vatican delights to indulge (when money is wanted) on rare occasions. This supposed sacred vestment (the seamless robe of Christ) is a great stand-by at such times. The lucky town possessing this curious relic (said to have been recovered by the Empress Constantine in the 4th century) will reap a rich harvest from the myriads of pilgrims and their offerings.

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