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UPHOLDS THE DOCTRINES AND RUBRICS OF THE PRAYER BOOK.

"Grace be with all them that love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity."—Eph. vi., 21.
"Earnestly contend for the Faith which was once delivered unto the saints."—Jude 3.

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ECCLESIASTICAL NOTES.

BISHOP HALL, of Vermont, held his first Confirmation in Christ church, Guilford.

A building in the best part of the city of Davenport, Iowa, has been bought at a cost of \$10,000 for a Church Hospital.

A NEW church is to be built at Heckmondwike, Yorkshire, an anonymous donor having given £5,000 as a nucleus for that purpose.

GEORGE H. YARNALL, late Rector of St. John's church, Passaic, N.J., has been deposed from the ministry of The Church by Bishop Starkey.

JOHN A. BEVINGTON, priest of the Diocese of Massachusetts, has been deposed by Bishop Lawrence for causes not affecting his moral character.

JUDGE McSHERRY, of Maryland, vigorously denounces the plan of dividing the Public School money among Romanists. He is a Roman Catholic.

THE Board of Education in New York city has adopted a resolution to support all proper measures for suppressing the cigarette habit in the public schools.

THE Bampton Lectures, which are endowed out of a farm in Buckinghamshire, will have to be suspended in 1896, 1898 and 1900, owing to agricultural depression.

No fewer than 320 tablets have recently been recovered in Palestine and Arabia, all throwing more or less light upon contested portions of the Holy Scriptures. The tablets are nearly 4,000 years old.

BISHOP PARET's address upon "The Church of Rome and the Public Schools," in Washington, Baltimore and elsewhere, has been issued in pamphlet form, and is being extensively circulated in the United States.

THE dedication of the new marble and alabaster baldachino in Peterborough Cathedral, with the new organ, erected at a cost of £4,500, the stalls, screens, and choir gates of the new choir, is to take place on May 10th.

THE entire restoration of Kidderminster Parish Church has been undertaken by an anonymous donor. Twelve out of the proposed nineteen memorial windows to the late Bishop Claughton in the church are in course of preparation.

DURING Lent London, Eng., is to have a remarkable Roman Catholic Mission, conducted by about 150 workers from all parts of England and Ireland. These will include Jesuits, Pas-

sionists, Dominicans and Franciscans. They will, in addition to preaching, go among the people in their homes. Cardinal Vaughan regards this as an experiment, and, if successful, will extend it to all the great industrial centres of the kingdom.

It is announced that the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, New York, can be safely built upon the ground upon which it was first commenced. It was reported that the foundation was insecure, but further examination has disproved this.

At the "Quiet Day" for the Diocese of Western Michigan the Bishop of Springfield delivered an eloquent sermon on "Church Principles," the several points of Apostolic Orders, of Fellowship, of Sacrament and Liturgy being fully developed.

IN the list of subjects for the examination of candidates for Priests' Orders in the Diocese of Ripon, the "Infallibility of the Church," by the Rev. Dr. Salmon, Provost of T.C.D., has now been substituted for Allen's "Continuity of Christian Thought."

ACCORDING to his established custom, the Bishop of Ohio held his pre-Lenten "Quiet Day" for the clergy at the Cathedral on February 5th; about thirty-five were present. The subject of the Meditations was "The Duty and Art of Catechising the Young." At the closing service a Methodist minister, Mr. Hall, and a Congregational minister, Mr. Taft, were presented by Dean McCabe for Confirmation.

BISHOP WHITAKER, of Pennsylvania, on Wednesday in Ember week ordained to the Diaconate Dr. Robert McKay and Mr. Lewis C. Baker. The former was recently a Methodist minister, and the first to be ordained under the new Canon providing for ordination, immediately after examination, of those coming from other religious bodies, and being over thirty-five years of age. Mr. Baker was formerly a Presbyterian minister.

"You are tried alone; alone you pass into the desert; alone you must bear and conquer in the agony; alone you must be sifted by the world. There are moments known only to a man's own self when he sits by the poisoned springs of existence, 'yearning for a morrow which shall free him from the strife.' . . . Let life be a life of faith; do not go timorously about, inquiring what others think, what others believe, and what others say. . . . God is near you. Throw yourself fearlessly upon Him."—*Selected.*

The *Times* recently published "A Relic of the Christian Persecutions" in the shape of the translation of a fragment of papyrus, which dates from A.D. 250. It is a certificate that a native Egyptian accused of being a Christian,

had satisfied the requirements of the law and had sacrificed. The "libel" relates to the Decian persecution. It must be profoundly disquieting to the know-nothings that, one after another, testimonies are forthcoming to the veracity of historians, especially in respect of Christ and Christianity. The Old Testament and the New are constantly being authenticated by evidence which may be ignored but cannot be refuted.

BISHOP WORDSWORTH, in his "Shakespeare and the Bible," finds in the poet's works, according to a writer in the *Nineteenth Century*, more than 550 Biblical quotations, allusions, references and sentiments. "Hamlet" alone contains about eighty, "Richard the Third" nearly fifty, and "Henry the Fifth" and "Richard the Second" about forty each. Shakespeare quotes from fifty-four of the Biblical books, and not one of his thirty-seven plays is without a Scriptural reference. Genesis furnishes the poet with thirty-one quotations or allusions, the Psalms with fifty-nine, Proverbs with thirty-five, Isaiah with twenty-one, Matthew with sixty, Luke with thirty, and Romans with twenty.

THE *Christian at Work* says: "The rapid growth of Protestant Episcopalians in New York was some time ago strikingly illustrated by the Rev. Dr. A. F. Schauffler, of the New York City Mission. A few days ago the Rev. Dr. A. H. Bradford, of Montclair, N.J., published statistics which illustrate the Episcopalian progress of the past twenty years. In that period the clergy increased from 305 to 366; the number of churches from 170 to 244; Sunday-school pupils from 22,473 to 44,465; communicants from 26,282 to 57,639; and contributions from \$949,061 to \$2,868,480. Another remarkable and suggestive fact is that while some other churches have been forsaking the downtown part of the city, Episcopalians have only removed one church from below Fourteenth street uptown."

PREBENDARY WEBB PEPELOE, one of the most able and successful clergymen in our Church to-day, uses unsparing language in regard to sensational preaching: "The notice that the latest poem of Tennyson shall be the subject of the next day's address, or the latest discovery in the scientific field, or the most recent geographical question concerning Central Africa, compels us to wonder what men think people come to church for, with aching hearts and heavy woes, longing for comfort and for peace, and for life, and to be brought into relation with Him who alone can bless them. It is a marvel in the present day that even Evangelical clergymen should have thought how, by displaying before the people something tricky, something theatrical, they can best win the attention of the unconverted and the godless, and that there is no power in the old Gospel. In my humble judgment, these things ought not to be so, and I verily believe that it is our highest honour and privilege still to keep to the pure