

Church, by which the Stranger might be remembered, and to show the enemies of his country, that while Providence smiles, there is one Confederate soldier they cannot totally ruin. No response, however, has ever been given to these propositions.

It is also our duty to correct a false impression as to the book we have pledged ourselves to publish. All these lithographs and the music have been offered upon the condition that three thousand dollars should be raised.

You see, then, how the matter stands. A full set of these lithographs for the Magazine costs \$45; the two already given to our patrons cost \$90; receipts from friends of the enterprise, \$1; clear profits to the Editor of \$89—over the left shoulder. We have already fifty odd subscribers for this book of Bishops, which no one will be compelled to take unless the book be better than the advertisement.

All these offers are still open and will remain open to the end of the first year, if three thousand dollars be raised to sustain the Magazine for the *second year*. We shall then begin with lithographs of our lady contributors.

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#### REV. DR. BALCH.

Throughout the Province, when travelling to sustain our little enterprise, enquiries have been made concerning the antecedents of the Rev. Canon Balch, D.D. and it gives us pleasure to gratify an interest quite natural under the circumstances.

We happen to know that he was born in the State of Virginia in 1814; was a cadet in the U. S.

Military Academy, West Point; took his degree A.M. at Nassau Hall, and D.D. at the University of N.Y. Was ordained Deacon by the late Bishop of Virginia, Dec., 1837; Priest by the Bishop of Pennsylvania, 1838, and was Rector of St. Bartholomews, N. Y., from 1838 to 1851. Many years an active member of the Domestic Committee and Board of Missions of the Church in the U. S.; Secretary of the House of Bishops from 1853 to the time of his removal to Canada.

Dr. Balch was elected President of St. John's College, Maryland, on the death of the late Dr. Humphreys, and was appointed by the American Colonization Society Commissioner to visit the Governments of Europe which had recognized the independence of the Colony of Liberia in Africa. These latter appointments Dr. Balch declined.

After leaving N. Y., Dr. Balch devoted himself to the work of aiding feeble parishes and other missionary labours, and has been an earnest, diligent pastor.

The Metropolitan invited him to speak at the anniversary of the Church Society in 1865 and 1866; and the Dean of Montreal tendered him the appointment of Assistant Minister of the Cathedral.

As to his personal appearance and preaching, we cannot do better than to republish the following article from the *Transcript*, which was evidently written by a man of high culture, large views, and much travel, and moreover an entire stranger to the Rev. Canon Balch:—

“REV. DR. BALCH.—It is somewhat out of the beaten path of a lay journalist to turn aside into the theological field,