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"Grace be with all them that love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity."—Eph. vi. 24.
"Earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints."—Jude 3.

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ECCLESIASTICAL NOTES.

RESIGNATION.—Bishop Rawle, of Trinidad, has intimated that he must resign his See.

ENCOURAGING.—Over sixteen hundred persons were confirmed in the diocese of Long Island last year; more than ever before.

A COMPARISON.—The average contribution, per communicant, in the Diocese of New York for the last convention year, was \$27.66. In Chicago, the average was \$28.74.

RESIGNATION WITHDRAWN.—Bishop Hills, of Columbia, has consented to withdraw his resignation of the charge of the Diocese, and he will return to Columbia after a short stay in England.

A RELIC GONE.—It is stated that the historic pulpit of St. Mary's in the University of Oxford, from which so many celebrated divines of the Church have preached, is about to be broken up. It is proposed to utilize the oak woodwork as a screen in one of the aisles.

CLERICAL GENEROSITY.—The Rev. Dr. C. Hoffman, of New York city, has sent to the Rev. R. B. Fairbairn, D.D., LL.D., warden of St. Stephen's College, Annandale, New York, the sum of \$25,000, which he desires to be the beginning of an endowment for the college, which he hopes soon to see increased to \$250,000.

A VISIT.—Mr. Charles Powell, the well known Secretary of the Church of England Working Men's Society, will re-visit the U.S., Canada, in August. He will be glad to utilize his brief holiday by advocating the cause he has at heart—to bring the Church and working men closer to one another—and awakening working men to a sense of their privileges and responsibilities as Churchmen.

WESLEY—NO SECTARIAN.—A letter of John Wesley's, dated 1775, has been found among the family papers of the Earl of Dartmouth. It is addressed to Lord Dartmouth, and is a protest against the war in America, but in it he says as to his religious status, "All my prejudices," says the writer, "are against the Americans, for I am a High Churchman, the son of a High Churchman, bred up from my childhood in the highest notion of passive obedience and non-resistance.

RECTOR CHOSEN.—At a recent meeting of the parish of the Advent, Boston, Rev. George M. Christian, of Grace, Newark, N.J., was elected its rector, to succeed Rev. Father Grafton, whose resignation had been recently accepted. Mr. Christian was for a time the assistant at St. Mark's, Philadelphia, of Rev. Dr. Hoffman, the present Dean of the General Theological Seminary, and afterwards became the rector of Grace, Newark, N.J., where he now is.

CHURCH ARMY.—The "Church Army" connected with the Church in England has for its Patrons, Archbishops and Bishops; they, as

well as others, concluding that workmen who are disciples, might influence other workmen better than the clergy, to become disciples of Christ. Their last report shows:

30,000 outdoor meetings annually; 40,000 indoor; 5,000,000 attending these meetings; 4,000 adults confirmed; 1,000 wanting to be; 10,000 members regular communicants, many of whom were formerly drunkards, gamblers, blasphemers and wife-beaters.

APPEAL FOR MISSIONARIES.—At the anniversary festival of Cuddesdon College, held on the last Tuesday in May, the sermon was preached by the Bishop of the Universities' Mission to Central Africa, Dr. Smythies, an old student, and among the visitors were the Bishops of Capetown, Colombo, and Brisbane, and Bishop Mitchinson. Bishop Smythies' sermon was a forcible protest against the selfish and even mercenary ideas which still prevail in England in favour of home work with its pleasant changes from one parish to another for the sake of pecuniary and other advantages, and it was also an appeal as forcible to able and zealous priests to devote their lives to the hazardous task of educating natives in Central Africa for the ministry, wherein lies the only sure hope of spreading Christianity in a country whose climate is apt to be so fatal to Europeans.

HONOLULU.—St. Andrew's Cathedral, enlarged in course of construction, on original plans, by the completion of two bays, was opened on Sunday, June 3rd, for divine worship. The ceremonies consisted of united services of the two Anglican congregations, and were full of interest. Decorations were profuse and lovely, the chancel presenting, wherever the eye rested, a wealth of floral adornment, while vines encircled the massive pillars, hanging also in festoons between, from which depended baskets or bouquets of flowers. At the 11 15 a.m. united service the edifice was crowded with the representative concourse. A double row of chairs in the main aisle was inadequate to seat all who come after the pews were filled. Their Majesties, the King and Queen, were present, attended by Colonel, the Hon. Curtis P. Iaukea, H. M. Chamberlain; also Princess Kaiulani, with her father, Hon. A. S. Cleghorn, several members of the Diplomatic and Consular corps, and a large number of prominent residents out of the denominational bodies. The sermon was delivered by the Rev. George Wallace. He stated that \$57,570 had been raised and that the sum of \$12,000 still remains due to the contractor. Towards meeting this they have subscriptions which they hope soon to collect to the amount of \$2,000; cash in the hands of the treasurer, \$1,300; the promise of the S.P.C.K., of Church of England to complete payment, \$2,500. The amount of \$7,000 needs still to be obtained. Mr. Wallace took as his text Gen. xxviii. 2, "Surely the Lord is in this place." After a quarter of a century, faithful souls there could say they had waited for this day. After patient waiting, they saw the happy opening of this splendid, even if uncompleted, edifice. He paid a high tribute to the memory of the devoted King and Queen, Kamohameha IV. and

Emma, who had devised this great monument of Christianity in this kingdom. The discourse was extempore, and delivered with an eloquence that held the congregation's rapt attention throughout.

The combined choirs of the first and second congregations, all clad in surplices, rendered the service of praise with power. A company of British blue jackets headed by a platoon of marines, from H.M.S. Cormorant, attended the morning service in a body, marching to and from the church.

There was another large congregation at the evening service, when the Rev. Alex. Mackintosh preached an appropriately noble discourse from Isaiah lvi. 7, "My house shall be called a house of prayer for all people."

The offertories for the building fund at both services amounted to the handsome sum of \$700.

The west end of the completed bays of this grand Gothic poem in stone is closed up with redwood, well finished in rustic. The windows on either side of the door, in imitation of stained glass, bear pictures of saints. Memorial windows in real stained glass are yet to adorn the edifice. Although far from completed according to the original designs, which are fully set forth in one of the engravings of Bishop Staley's reminiscences, yet as it stands, St. Andrew's Cathedral is a splendid addition to the architecture of the city, a noble monument of its royal founders' religious devotion, and fully adequate to the present requirements of the Anglican Communion.

CLERICAL VACATION: ONE VIEW.—The summer is come, and with it the season of clerical vacations. We are sorry to see that this modern institution of an annual holiday is growing into what may be called an expected and inevitable necessity. Not that we think the clergy do not need, or deserve it, or are not better for it; but because it seems to call to a halt in the Master's work. The sight of closed churches, of congregations left without pastors at a season when sickness, sorrow and bereavement are likely to make more frequent and special calls for the ministrations of religion, make their silent, but strong protest against the desertion of the flock. If the ministry can be justly looked upon simply as a profession, a craft by which a certain class of men get their living, then the custom cannot be found fault with. But, if religion is a REALITY and its institutions a necessity for man's present and future welfare, if God calls upon His people for constant and unremitted service, and if the devil, against whom we claim to be waging an unremitting warfare, works, through heat and cold, all the year round,—then the subject wears a very different, and most serious, aspect.

From this view, surely, no clergyman has a right, except for urgent, we might say insuperable cause, to leave his flock uncared for, summer or winter. True, the congregations are thinned out. But they have their needs and they have their claims upon the pastors. The one sheep in the wilderness kept the Great Shepherd's heart and hands busy. When the banks and offices and stores, upon the streets of business, are pressing on in this world's