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LESSONS for SUNDAYS and HOLY-DAYS.

May L. SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EASTER. St. Philip and St. James, Amesiles and Martin *St. John 1. v 15. Morning. Numbers 56 and 1 or Isaiah 35.

Evening...Num. 20 v 14 to 21 v 10 or Num. 21 v 10. Zech. 1.

S. THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EASTER. St. Luke 21, v. 13 Morning Numbers 22. Evening Numbers 23. or 21. Thessalonians 5.

15. FOURTH SUNDAY ALTER EASTER Morning Deuteronomy 1. to v. 23. St. John 4, 31. 1 Timothy 4. Evening... Deut, 4, v. 23 to 41, or 5. 22 FIGTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER:

Morning...Deuteronomy 6. St. John 7, v. 25 Evening Deuteronomy 9, or 10. Titus 1. 26 THE ASCENSION DAY

Morning... Daniel 7. v. 9 to 15. St. Luke 21. v. 41. Proper Psalms: 8, 45, 21. Athanasian Creed. Evening 2 Kings 2, to v. 16. Hebreus 1. Proper Psulms: 24, 47, 408

2) SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION: Morning Deuteronomy 39. St. John 11, v. 17 to 47. Evening Deut. 31, or Joshua 1. Heb. 4, v. 14 & 5.

THURSDAY, APRIL 28, 1881.

THE Bishep of Manchester will preach the opening sermon in St. Nicholas' church, a the Newcastle Church Congress, on the invitation of the President, the Bishop of Durham.

The centenary of George Stephenson is to be commemorated in England. He was born in June 1781, and on June 9, 1881, a festival will be held in the Crystal Palace in aid of the fund to be raised to build and support a new wing of the Railways' Servants' Orphanage at Derby.

with the city.

judgment on two persons in Ireland who were convicted of crime, Chief Justice Keatinge said: "It secretary. has come to this pass that a man that loses the better part of his substance chooses rather to let that and what he has besides go, than come and at Hove, Archdeacon Hannah stated that in his give evidence. And why? Because he is certain archdeaconry, that of Lewes, which includes one to have his house burnt and his throat cut if he or two towns, but is mostly made up of an agriculappears against them!" So that the present state tural population, the sum of £96,000 has been of Ireland is not so very new in the history of that spent on church building, decorations, and endowcountry. The Empress of Austria has, however, taken ments. Some of our Canadian croakers, who talk Thomastown Castle, between Cashel and Tipperary, about the decline of the Anglican branch of the the late residence of the Comte de Jarnac, as a Church Catholic should take note of facts like this, hunting lodge for next year.

The Archbishop of Canterbury is spending some At the recent earthquake in Chio, in the Gregian weeks on the Continent.

The King of Ashanti has the utmost contempt for the Pratish array and nexy, all put together cided to lay down a telegraph, for the purpose tagre speedy communication, he was filled with alarm, and abandoned his intention of invaling the British dominions. We learn from more recent advices that the king is dead.

The Archbishop of Canterbury has conferred the legree of p.p. on the Ven. John Henry Gray, of Christ's College, Cambridge, formerly Archdeacon of Hong Kong, in recognition of his valuable services during twenty-eight years residence in China, and of his contributions to literature by the jublication of various works concerning China, its people and government.

The Census of 1881 was taken in England on the 4th instant. Although the minth decenial census, it appears performed that according to the London Times, whole streets in London were entirely neglected by the census officers. And yet we are called upon to draw the most important inferences, both in England and in Canada, from such miserably imperfect statistics. Verily, it is as much a fact as ever that "there are no figures more fallacious than arithmetical figures."

The sole chaplaincy of St. Saviour's, Southwark is now vacant by the death of Mr. Benson. There are several candidates for the appointment, which is filled up by vote of the ratepayers. Committees have been formed in the interest of each; and the machinery of canvassing, issuing circulars, posting placards, and discussing the merits of candidates has assimilated the condition of the parish to that which it presented during the contested election for the Parliamentary representation of the borough.

The Bishop of Bedford (rector of St. Andrew, relations of the Church in the United States is the His resurrection was the first step of His advance-Undershaft) has accepted the post of honorary Bishop of Connecticut, and among his colleagues ment to that royal dignity: that preeminence chaplain to the City of London branch of the are the Bishops of Pennsylvania and Western New over all flesh, to which, in reference to His suffer-Church Defence Institution, of which the Right York, long identified with the old Committee on ings, God the Father did exalt Him. As King and Hon. J. G. Hubbard, M.P., is the president. Alder-Italian Reform: the Bishop of Florida, connected Ruler of His people therefore after His resurrecman Hanson, M.A., has also become one of the with the Russo-Greek committee; the Bishop of tion, He gave the commission to His Apostle to vice-presidents, which now include several of the Long Island; and the Bishop of Albany, the cham- feed His sheep and His lambs. And it was after aldermen and members of Parliament connected pion of Pere Hyacinthe. Among the presbyters His resurrection that He said to the eleven, "All of the commission, the Rev. Dr. Hale, long equally power is given unto Me in heaven and in earth. Go identified with United States interest in the Russo- ye then and disciple all nations, baptizing them It appears that two hundred years ago in passing Greek churches and with the "Old Catholic" move- into the name of the Father, and of the Son, and ment, holds a prominent place as correctonding of the Holy Ghost." He speaks of power and au-

> At a imeeting held on behalf of a new church which are to be met with almost every day.

Archipelage, eight thousand people were killed and cleven thousand more were injured.

At the last General Convention of the Church but when he heard that the Government had to in the United States the point committee on of ceclesiastical relations was recognized as a joint commission. The suggestion of such an agency to have a comprehensive charge of all the various external ecclesiastical relations of the Churchcombining thus, under the organization, the services of all those bishops, presbyters, and laymen, who by wisdom and learning, or by special familiarity with any given branch of ecclesiastical study, are exceptionally fitted to deal with such interests was received with little favour when made twelve years ego. It was, however, adopted in effect, though under a modified form, in 1874; and now the Church in the United States fully and formally accepts its place among the Churches of Christendom, and addresses itself to the fulfilment of the Catholic responsibilities of such relations.

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EASTER.

THE results of the Resurrection are so manifold and so important that the Church finds it difficult to bring a tithe of them forward in the interval between Easter-tide and the festival of the Ascension. Christ is the Shepherd of the flock; He is the Chief Pastor, the High Priest of the New Dispensation; He is the Saviour abiding with us for ever. And these are some of the results of the Resurrection.

It was a consequence of our Lord's Resurrection that He should acquire a just dominion over us. "To this end, Christ both died, and rose, and revived, that he might be Lord both of the dead and living." By His obedience unto death. He acquired a right to that dominion, as a worthy recompense for His labours and His sufferings. By the shedding of His own most precious Blood He purchased us to be His subjects and servants. But from His Resurrection He began to possess that The chairman of the Commission of the Foreign reward, and enter upon His purchased inheritance. thority conferred on Himself as the Man Christ Jesus, after His resurrection; and in virtue of His power so received, He commissions them. They were made delegates under Him, with respect to the power and authority He had then received. "All power is given unto Me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore and teach all nations;" their commission to disciple, to bring the nations into the Christian organization by baptising them was in virtue of the same power and by it. He promises them that He would be with them alway even unto the end of the world.