

There was an interesting service at Berkswell Church, Warwickshire, lately, when the Bishop of Worcester dedicated several gifts to the church, including a marble floor to the chancel, a lectern, Holy Table, prayer-desk, stalls, windows. The stalls, which are particularly fine, have niches on which appear figures of past and present occupants of the Sees of Worcester, Lichfield, and Coventry, including St. Chad, St. Dunstan, Wulstan, Robert de Limesey, Latimer, and the Right Rev. Yeatman Biggs, the present Bishop.

The John Cotton Brooks memorial pulpit, which is to be placed in Christ Church, Springfield, Mass., will be completed and installed in the autumn. The pulpit will be entirely of fumed oak and will be elaborately carved. The carving will be done by Kirschner, who is one of the famous woodcarvers from Oberammergau. There are to be five niches in the front of the pulpit, and these will be filled with figures representing the great preachers in the history of the Church. Those who have been selected are St. Paul, St. Chrysostom, Savonarola, Latimer and Phillips Brooks. A suitable inscription will be affixed to the pulpit.

The King has approved of the appointment of the Rev. A. G. Rawstorne, M.A., Rector of Croston, near Preston, and Rural Dean of Leyland as Bishop-Suffragan of Whalley in the Diocese of Manchester. The new Bishop-Suffragan is a Corpus Christi College, Oxford, man and was ordained in 1879. He has had a great deal of parochial experience and has held his present living since 1894. The Bishop-designate of Whalley is the eldest son of the late Ven. R. A. Rawstorne, Archdeacon of Blackburn. Mr. Rawstorne spent four years of his clerical career in Adelaide as Domestic Chaplain to the present Bishop of Bath and Wells (Dr. Vernnon).

Canon Savage, Rector of Hexham, received a presentation lately in recognition of his carrying through the restoration of Hexham Abbey and the rebuilding of the nave. The presentation consisted of a cheque for three hundred pounds, together with a fragment of the shaft of a Saxon cross which was found during the progress of the work. The fragment was mounted on a wooden base, made from old oak from the Abbey, with a suitable inscription on a silver plate.

In the parish of Llanarthney, Carmarthenshire, the office of sexton has been in the hands of the same family for over 160 years, during which period there have been only two changes. John Williams (locally known as Jack Glascoth Fach) held office for over sixty years; his son Richard followed, and officiated in this same capacity for sixty years; while Richard's son, Thomas, has already been in office for over forty years now.

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The ninth anniversary of the dedication of St. Peter's Church, Belfast, was observed on St. Peter's Day and on the previous Sunday, the special preachers being the Bishop and Canon Kernan. In the course of the service, at which he preached, the Bishop dedicated a gift of mosaics presented to the church by Mr. Herbert Ewart. These have been placed in the arched of the east wall, and complete a very notable and beautiful piece of chancel decoration, the reredos, representing the visit of the women to the Sepulchre, being a panel in terra-cotta by George Tinworth, whose work, though of world-wide fame, is hardly known in Ireland, and the stone carving, of great artistic excellence, the handiwork of Mr. John Baker, a craftsman of the old type, who has spent most of his life among the cathedrals and famous churches of England, and is at present doing the restoration of Selby Abbey, so far as the stone carving is concerned.

The Archbishop of York visited Leeds a short time ago. It was at Leeds Parish Church that Dr. Lang commenced his ministry. He re-

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ceived a most hearty greeting. During the course of the day, which was very full up with engagements, His Grace was presented by the Lord Mayor, on behalf of a few of his old friends, with four silver entree dishes, which originally belonged to Thomas Musgrave, who was Bishop of Hereford from 1837 to 1847 and Archbishop of York from 1847 to 1860. During the afternoon the Archbishop delivered a special address in the Parish Church to the clergy and laity of the Rural Deanery. There was an immense congregation. This was His Grace's first visit to Leeds since his elevation to the Primatial See of York. The visit lasted two days, Saturday and Sunday, and every moment of the time on each day was very fully occupied.

At a special service, which was held in St. Saviour's Cathedral, Pietermaritzburg, on Trinity Sunday, the Bishop of the diocese unveiled and dedicated a carved oak reredos erected over the high altar and a brass placed on the west wall of the Chapel of St. Michael and All Angels to the memory of the late Dr. Green, Dean of Maritzburg from 1857 to 1906. The period of the general design is 15th century Perpendicular; the material is English oak, except the panels which are of Austrian material, as English oak warps and twists too much for thin work. On the central base of the cross is shown the Agnus Dei. The details of the carving, such as the cornices, crochets or gables and the pinnacles, etc., are taken from the great 15th century high altar screen at St. Al-

ban's Abbey. The "linen" panels in the side screens are exact copies from a very fine screen in the Oldham Chapel at Exeter Cathedral (period 1519). The cresting of the side screens are from a typical Devonshire 15th century screen. The reredos stands about 21 feet high and is 18 feet wide and it contains some two tons of English oak.

Rarely has it happened that a vicar has been consecrated Bishop in his own parish church. Yet this happened on Sunday, July 11th, when the Archbishop of Canterbury consecrated the Vicar of Croydon, the Rev. L. W. Burrows, D.D., as Bishop-Suffragan of Lewes, in the Diocese of Chichester. The Bishops of Chichester, St. Alban's, Winchester, and Bishop Fisher, the late Bishop of Ipswich, and a former Vicar of Croydon, assisted the Archbishop of Canterbury in the act of consecration. The Bishop of Croydon (Dr. Pereira), Dr. Burrows immediate predecessor as Vicar of Croydon, was at the last moment prevented from being present. The sermon was preached by Dr. Rendall, the headmaster of Charterhouse School, Godalming, from the text Revelation xix. 10. The Bishop designate was presented for consecration by the Bishops of Winchester and Chichester. At the close of the service the new Bishop was presented by the clergy of the Rural Deanery of Croydon with an episcopal ring, and his staff of curates gave him a pectoral cross. In connection with the service it may be noted that six Archbishops of Canterbury are buried in the parish church and that the list of the vicars goes back to the time when Elfsie was "priest of Croydon" in 960 A.D.

A Curious Tomb.—One of the most curious tombs in the United Kingdom is in County Wexford. In it is laid the body of one of that curious body—the Resurrectionists. One portion of the tomb is a furnished chamber, with a table and a few chairs. On the table will be found at any time a dainty meal of considerable dimensions, with a fowl, a ham, a leg of mutton, and the necessary drinkables. The departed Resurrectionist provides by his will that this meal shall be laid each fortnight, and "if the meal is untouched in the meantime, it shall be given to the poor and a fresh meal laid." So far the meal has been untouched, though eerie rumours spread round the district from time to time that in spirit form the gentleman has appeared and has enjoyed his meal. Curious stories are told of poor people to whom the ham or the leg of mutton has been given being awakened in the night by strange rappings on their doors and windows, and even by demands in a grim voice for a portion of the food which had been distributed. As a consequence, and probably for another sad reason, it has come to be the practice to consume the food immediately it is brought home. It is the only way to counteract the envy of the spirit, with whom apparently hunger is constantly present.—Dundee Advertiser.

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