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LESSONS FOR SUNDAYS AND HOLY DAYS.

20 Sun. aft. Trin.

Morning—Ezek. 34. 1 Tim. 1, 18, & 2.

Evening—Ezek. 37, or Dan. 1. Luke 18, 31.

Appropriate Hymns for Twentieth and Twenty-first Sundays after Trinity, compiled by Dr. Albert Ham, F.R.C.O., organist and director of the choir of St. James' Cathedral, Toronto. The numbers are taken from Hymns Ancient and Modern, many of which may be found in other hymnals:

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

Holy Communion: 315, 316, 322, 555.
Processional: 270, 271, 306, 393.
Offertory: 202, 210, 280, 385.
Children's Hymns: 330, 334, 338, 342.
General Hymns: 106, 271, 285, 532.

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

Holy Communion: 259, 310, 311, 556.
Processional: 447, 474, 548, 603.
Offertory: 224, 235, 273, 280.
Children's Hymns: 175, 176, 571, 574.
General Hymns: 359, 477, 630, 633.

All Hallows Eve.

The saturnalia of Hallowe'en is upon us, and staid and law-abiding shop-keeping citizens of Toronto especially, are in dread of the turbulent outbreaks of students and others. It is too bad that citizens should, year after year, have their property destroyed, their peace disturbed and the police and fire departments kept in a state of alarm. Last year two veteran policemen were degraded because they mistook, and very naturally mistook, a party of singing students who had been having supper with their professors for another band who were destroying property. The students come to the town as strangers, and sojourn for some four or five years,—and then go to the ends of the earth, not as strangers, but citizens, who would defend from injury the place of their adoption. But in the transition state they are dangerous and destructive, and still more so for the example they set to young boys and roughs. It is time these classes should be taught the difference between liberty and license, and it is

necessary that the liberty they abuse should be taken away. What was originally a solemn season has become a festival of the lord of misrule. But repression alone is no real remedy. The boys and the students should have a better home, school and religious training. The new Rural Dean of Toronto, who has promised to do so much in his great parish of St. James, with its unrivalled possibilities, can signalize his assumption of duty by requesting his clergy to impress upon their congregations and their various guilds the benefits, and not the least the good of the community, to be derived from a good example and a proper observance of Hallowe'en. Last, but not least, the St. Andrew's Brotherhood could make a really forward movement, follow the example of the brotherhood at Madison, and organize the students in chapters according to their needs.

The Election of Dr. Greer.

The election of Dr. David H. Greer to be the Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of New York has been one of the happiest events of recent years. The Convention was saved all needless balloting. Dr. Greer had a majority upon the first ballot, and at the request of Dr. Grosvenor his election was made unanimous. The utmost good feeling has prevailed, and practically all the ballots were cast for three clergymen, Dr. Greer, Dr. Grosvenor and Dr. John C. Roper, so recently one of ourselves. The fly—there must always be one fly in a pot of ointment—is not a large one. It is pointed out by the Living Church that the only event in which a diocese in the United States is permitted by the canons to elect a Bishop Coadjutor, without first asking and receiving the consent of a majority of the Bishops and the several standing committees, is when the election is by reason of old age or other permanent cause of infirmity. Fortunately Bishop Potter is not infirm, but he may claim old age, and more especially in view of the increase of the work. As the Bishop said on the reception of the Coadjutor-elect: "It is rather a pathetic association with this convention, as my dear friend, Mr. Morgan reminded me last evening, that twenty-five years ago, practically, he walked up the aisle of St. Augustine's Chapel, New York, in company with Rev. Dr. Dix, the Rev. Dr. Morgan, and Mr. Hamilton Fish, who had been appointed to convey to me the notice of my election as Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of New York. I am sure we may congratulate Mr. Morgan and the rector of Trinity Church, that they have survived to be present on this occasion." We hope that the Living Church will prove mistaken in pronouncing the election to be null and void.

Church Hymns.

The S.P.C.K. has issued a new and enlarged edition of its "Church Hymns." The first edition, issued nearly thirty years ago, was edited by the late Rev. W. Walsham How, afterwards Bishop of Wakefield, and the music by Arthur Sullivan, Esq. Although an excellent compilation, this collection never became generally popular; Hymns A and M became, and is still, the hymn book used by the majority of English Church people the world over. What a pity it is that there is not one hymn book for us all! The next best thing would be for all the compilers to agree to number alike, so far as possible, the hymns in their respective publications. Everyone knows "Old Hundred," and there is no reason why "Greenland's Icy Mountains," "Awake, My Soul," and other universal favourites should not be found in one hymn book by the same number as in another. The publishers of "Church Hymns" state that special care and attention have been bestowed on the text of the hymns, and they

believe that their hymn book contains the most accurate reproduction of the authors' texts to be found anywhere. This is certainly a most important point in the construction of a hymnal, for liberties have been taken with many hymns. In this edition of "Church Hymns," the revision of which has occupied a committee of the S.P.C.K. for a period of over five years, some 250 hymns have been omitted and about 320 others substituted in their place, so that this new hymnal now contains 658 hymns.

The Alénu.

The Jewish day of Atonement falls generally about the beginning of October, and is the greatest event in the list of Jewish ceremonies. On that day, in every quarter of the globe, those human beings born in Israel congregate to fulfil those ordinances which have buoyed up the Jewish people during persecution through thousands of years. The services, inculcating repentance, balloting. Dr. Greer had a majority upon the evening of the day. In all the worship there is one rite that strikes the casual observer immediately as the most pathetic and touching scene of the service. This is the "Alénu." At a given sign and cry from the cantor the whole congregation falls on its knees, and, with heads inclined and eyes closed, utters a fervent prayer, promising uprightness and piety, and avowing reverence for the "Almighty God of Israel." Then they rise and, after murmuring another psalmodic prayer, resume the continuous, low muttering that characterizes the day's procedure. When at length morning has passed into midday, and midday into evening, the sounds of worship become louder and louder until, at the close of the day, the minister performs his last and most momentous duty. Taking the ram's horn he blows one wild, air-rending blast that sends a thrill of holy dread throughout the impatient congregation, and, with an answering roar, "Next Year in Jerusalem!" the great white fast terminates. At that same moment, in every corner of the world, the same words ring out from Jewish throats, illustrative of the national ideals and hopes—and dreams! Even in far-distant Palestine, the land sacred alike to the Jew, Christian, and Moslem, the tearful, wandering Israelites, facing the ancient "Wailing Wall," moan the same prayer. In Russia, where Judaism is trampled on, the poor old Jews, groaning under the heel of the anti-Semite, cry out the same trite phrase, "Next Year in Jerusalem!"

Bird Preservation.

That excellent periodical, The Outlook, has, we are glad to find, taken up the cause of the wild birds in an excellent and practical article which ought to receive attention all over the continent. Birds are unconfined by any national boundaries, and should be protected from the Equator to the Pole from wanton extermination. The writer in The Outlook classes their enemies as cats, illiterate Italians, unrestrained American boys and women. Probably these enemies have done most to destroy our wild birds, but the thoughtless, wanton, so-called sportsman is fairly entitled to recognition and to a place on the pillory. The Outlook suggests the formation of societies as in France and Germany, under Government recognition, to prevent destruction of birds, their nests or their haunts. In France several unions, composed exclusively of women, have been formed for bird protection. Besides, birds appreciate kindness, and confide in those who treat them well. The writer says that we should plant Russian mulberry bushes, flowering dogwood and woodbine, viburnum and smilax to provide hiding places for their nests and berries for their food. "Of numerous winter birds that deserve encouragement I mention snow birds, gold finches, nut

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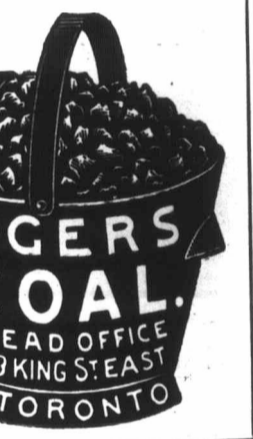
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