

## COMPETITIONS.

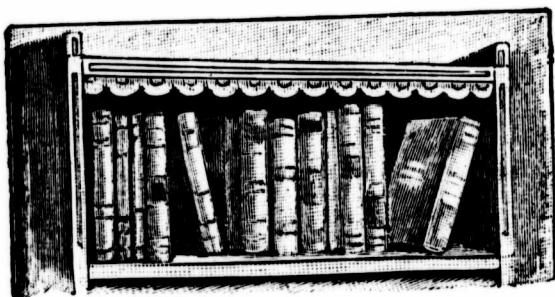
(Open only to Members of the Guild).

To be sent in on or before July 31st, 1901.  
For the best four-lined verse on your favourite flower.

## SPECIAL PRIZES.

A Silver Watch will be given to the boy or girl who introduces the largest number of Members to the Guild up to September next.

All competitions must be written separately, and on one side of the paper only. The name, age, and address must be written clearly on the back of each



## THE BOOKSHELF.

Bret Harte's life was not without adventures, and that life is written by T. Edgar Pemberton (Greening and Co., 3s. 6d.).  
*The Reminiscences of Oxford*, by the Rev. W. Tuckwell (Cassell and Co.).

Missionaries and supporters of Missions will find plenty of food for thought in *A Study of Christian Missions*, by W. Newton Clarke, D.D. (James Clarke and Co., 3s. 6d.).

*The Cross in the Market Place*, by the Rev. John Wakeford, is a set of Lenten Addresses dealing in a straightforward way with present-day topics, such as the doings of merchants and journalists (Handley Brothers, Liverpool, 1s.).

*The Making of Character*, by William Small, consists of short essays full of good matter (Brodie and Salmon, Arbroath, 2s. 6d.).

All interested in the Temperance Movement should get *Practical Licensing Re. or. m.*, by the Hon. Sidney Peel (Methuen and Co., 1s. 6d.).

*Women Workers* contains some good papers read at the Brighton Conference last year (P. S. King and Co., 3s.).

In view of the millenary of the great Saxon King, the following are welcome—*Alfred, the West Saxon King*, by D. Macfadyen (J. M. Dent, 4s. 6d. net). *Alfred the Great: His Abbeys of Hyde, Athelney and Shaftesbury*, by J. C. Wall (Elliott Stock, 5s.). *Alfred the Great*, by W. H. Draper (Elliott Stock, 5s.).

Among books relating to foreign parts I choose:—*First on the Antarctic Continent*, by C. E. Borchgrevink, F.R.G.S. (George Newnes, 10s. 6d. net). *China*, by E. H. Parkes (John Murray, 8s. net), and *French Life in Town and Country*, by Hannah Lynch (G. Newnes, 3s. 6d.).

A good stiff book worth its price is *The Elements of Statistics*, by Arthur L. Bowley, F.S.S. (P. S. King and Co., 10s. 6d. net).

As a relaxation we may turn to *The Rising of 1735*, by C. Sanford Terry (David Nutt, 3s.), and the following stories:—*A Rogue in Love*, by Tom Gallon (Hutchinson, 6s.). *A State Secret*, and *Other Stories*, by Mrs. Bill Croker (Methuen, 3s. 6d.). *That Sweet Enemy*, by Katharine Tynan (A. Constable and Co., 6s.). *The Lost Land*, by Julia M. Crotchie (F. Unwin, 6s.), and *Two Sides of a Question*, by May Sinclair (A. Constable and Co., 6s.).

Any of the above may be obtained from the offices of "The Church Magazine" upon receipt of P.O.O. for the publisher's price.

## HOLY DAYS OF THE MONTH

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S. JAMES, AP. M.

July 25.

"Grant that these my two sons may sit, the one on Thy right hand, and the other on the left, in Thy kingdom. But Jesus answered and said, 'Ye know not what ye ask.'"  
—S. MATTHEW XX. 21, 22.

"They who their father had forsook,  
And followed Christ at His command,  
By human frailty overtook,  
Did for preferment seem to stand;  
But by their Master they were taught  
What fitteth an apostle's care;  
What should by them be rather sought,  
And what their chiefest honours are.

"To Thee, therefore, O Lord, we pray,  
That humbleness in us may dwell;  
To charm that fiend of pride away,  
Which would Thy graces quite expel:  
Vouchsafe Thou chiefly those to keep  
From this delusion of the foe,  
Who are the pastors of Thy sheep,  
And should each good example show."

GEORGE WITHER ("The Hallelujah, or Britain's Second Remembrancer"), 1588-1667

## BIBLICAL PUZZLES.

BY THE REV. S. C. LOWRY, M.A.,

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I.

Supply the missing words—

And now abide these graces ———  
But chief and best is ———;  
In earth below or Heaven ———  
There nothing greater is than ———.

II.

Interpret these sentences of St. Paul—

(1) I will pray standing  
with the

(2) Be not  
Come of evil.

III.

Fill in the blanks with the proper colours from the Revelations—

(1) "a great ——— throne."  
(2) "a woman upon a ——— coloured 'beast.'"  
(3) "and the sun became ———."  
(4) "Another horse that was ———."

IV. DOUBLE ACROSTIC.

When one of the Patriarchs left this he saw that—

(1) The southernmost town in Palestine.  
(2) What St. Paul wished all things to be done in.  
(3) What the Master allots to every servant.

V.

A small word that does much harm. Behead and you have a preposition which shows its locality with regard to yourself. Curtail and you have the person who possesses it.