

# The Church Guardian

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UPHOLDS THE DOCTRINES AND RUBRICS OF THE PRAYER BOOK.

"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.

THE 40th anniversary of Bishop Clark's consecration was celebrated in Providence, R.I., last month.

THE Rt. Rev. Dr. Barker, of Western Colorado, has accepted his election as missionary Bishop of Olympia.

BISHOP WILKINSON, of St. Andrews, Scotland, says that 1,000 persons have been added to the Church during last year.

SUCCESSFUL work amongst the Swedes in Boston is being carried on by Mr. Sundeloff, who reports 200 communicants.

NOTWITHSTANDING the hard times, the parish of Zion and St. Timothy, New York, was able to add \$31,500 to its endowment fund during the year.

THE Church of the Ascension, Washington, costing over \$200,000, a memorial to the late Right Rev. Dr. Pinkey, was consecrated last month by Bishop Paret.

CANON HOLLAND, Vice Dean of Canterbury Cathedral has given £1,000 towards the fund for the establishment of higher elementary Church schools at Canterbury.

St. John's Church, Poultney, Vt., was lately presented with a handsome Altar desk of brass and two sets of Altar service books and a richly engraved brass Altar cross—all memorial gifts.

MR. G. C. BENN, who two months ago offered £2,000 for new schools, in St. Andrew's parish, Rugby, has undertaken to complete the church, with tower, spire, and vestries at a cost of £10,000.

DURING the financial year 1893, 1894, according to Whittaker's Almanac, the P. E. Church of the United States contributed to the support of its various parishes and its work generally nearly \$14,000,000.

THE Bishop of Worcester has issued an appeal to the laity on behalf of the poorer clergy of the diocese. He says that there are in the diocese 37 incumbents whose income from all sources is below £200 a year, and that to make up those incomes to that amount £2,300 annually is needed.

JANUARY 1st is the feast of 'The Circumcision of Christ;' at one time a fast day as a protest against the riotous heathen celebration of the 1st of January; now it blends with the idea of New Year's day, tending to solemnize the opening of the year by the thought of our responsibility and our struggle against sin. So the Collect teaches, 'That our hearts and all our

members being mortified from all wordly and carnal lusts, we may in all things obey thy blessed will.' Thus would the Church bid us enter upon the new year by its feast of 'The Circumcision of Christ.'

IN Kensington parish Church, London, on Christmas Day there were nine services; besides nine others in its two daughter churches; five services in the parish church on St. Stephen's Day, and six each on St. John's Day, and on Holy Innocent's Day, and eight services on New Year's Day.

THE *Southern Churchman*, Richmond, Va., (Evangelical) says:—The Church has nothing to say about the old year passing away and the new one taking its place. An old story, this lapse of time, these constant changes; only as one year dies, it marks the fact with more precision. We seem to recognize it; made to reflect that time is passing; and of use therefore, this seeing the old year die and the new one being born.

THE Archbishop of Canterbury lately in addressing a meeting of Church workers at Wel-ford, Eng., dwelt upon the prevailing ignorance of Church history and the connection of the Established Church with primitive organizations in England, and combated the idea that there had ever been a Roman Catholic establishment in the country. His Grace urged Churchmen to inform themselves of the facts of the history of the Church, and to enlighten others.

THE Archbishop of York, in a letter to the *York Diocesan Magazine*, says that he is pleased to learn that considerable progress has been made throughout the diocese in the formation of Church committees as suggested in the scheme drawn up by the two Archbishops. The immediate work of these committees will be to prepare for the defence of the Church against her enemies, and especially to disseminate throughout every parish careful and accurate information as to the true position of the Church in the country, her ancient history, and the sources from which her endowments are derived. The Archbishop trusts that steps will be taken for the formation of these committees in every parish without delay.

THE Dean of Lichfield is soliciting signatures among the diocesan clergy to a petition to Bishop Legge protesting against the action of Archbishop Plunket in consecrating Senor Cabrera as a Bishop of the Reformed Community in Spain. In the petition stress is laid upon the fact 'that the Liturgical forms of this said community are seriously defective in important doctrines,' and Dean Luckock quotes the opinion of 'one of our most eminent theological professors' to the effect that he thinks the Spanish Prayer-book is unsound, and only wishes that every clergyman and every rightly instructed layman could see a copy. The memorialists urge the archbishops and bishops

to take 'some action which will relieve the anxieties of the faithful laity and clergy of the English Church.'

## THE DAUGHTERS OF THE KING.

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"She hath done what she could."—Mark xiv. 8.

Let us take a general survey of Woman's Work in the world, and the need for it. It is among the marvels of our civilization that in America, for the first time since the days of Paradise, woman stands side by side with man again. We are therefore justified in expecting our women to do the grandest things for Christ and His Church. They are filling very prominent places, in school, college, and professional life. They are not only claiming the right to do, but they are doing splendidly things that the world once said were only for men to do. All this is preparing them for the nobler ministrations of love in the Church. Religion is the natural sphere in which women can best exercise her special gifts. Woman is the upward force in civilization.

Meantime, we are not unmindful of the sharp lines that God has drawn between men and women, on physical and mental grounds, and by the inspired prescriptions of His will. Social disorganization would follow the obliteration of the divinely fixed boundary line. Freely as women are accorded every right, for women to become "maunish grown" in Shakespeare's phrase, would only be worse than for men to become womanish. Woman was not taken from man's head to rule over him, nor from his feet to be his slave, but from his side to be his veiled other self—the heart of creation, if man be the head. As the Brotherhood of St. Andrew is waking the men of the Church to a sense of their responsibility, the Daughters of the King, standing side by side with the Brotherhood, are charged with the splendid mission of arousing the women of the Church to realize the facts of the Church's needs and the victory to be won. Our danger is not that the women may attempt to be men. Our real peril is from women who are tempted to become careless daughters of Zion, lovers of ease and pleasures more than lovers of God; and who fail to be the power. God means them to be in the Church. The reproach upon womanhood in Eve was to be taken away in Mary. The prophecy of final triumph over evil, through the seed of the woman, stimulated by the breathings of the Spirit and the experience of her peculiar sorrow through all the early ages, has recalled to woman's heart the hour of sin in Eden, and inspired her for rarest deeds of love and heroism, looking for man's redemption. Miriam struck the loud timbrel, and sang with Moses the triumph song. Hannah trained the prophet Samuel. Jael drove the tent nail into Sisera's temples. The burden of the true woman's heart has ever been that Bethlehem might at length atone for Eden; and Eden be ours again in Paradise.

Christ was born at last of the Virgin Mary.