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"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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ECCLIASTICAL NOTES.

INTELLIGENCE has reached Durham that Bishop Tucker, of Eastern Africa, had been ill with fever, but is now convalescent.

THE taxed costs in the case of Hakes v. Bell-Cox have amounted in the aggregate to £5,837, of which Mr. Hakes has had to pay £2,875.

THE attendance at the lectures of the Lord Bishop of Derry at the Church of the Heavenly Rest, New York, has crowded the church to its utmost capacity.

THE recent meetings of the Sunday Rest League in Paris showed that the movement towards abolishing unnecessary Sunday labour is making steady, if slow, progress.

THE S.P.C.K. will bring out a *Look* in May, of which Canon Maclean and Mr. Browne are joint authors, on the Life, Manners, Customs, Ritual, and Books (old and new) of the Assyrian Christians.

WE understand that there are no signs as yet of the judgment of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council in the appeal of the Church Association against the decision of the Archbishop in the Lincoln case being ready for delivery.—*Guardian, England.*

THE *Church Missionary Intelligencer* states that the question of income is already causing some anxiety at headquarters. The receipts at the end of January, though appreciably above the average of the five previous years, was less than that of last year at the same date, whilst the expenditure was sensibly higher than that of last year.

ACCORDING to an official return just issued, it appears that since 1873 there have been in the diocese of Chester 91 churches restored at an outlay of 276,232*l.*, and 53 new churches built at a cost of 226,101*l.* The 502,333*l.* has been thus raised:—Voluntary subscriptions, 497,717*l.*; other sources, 4,616*l.*

AT THE French church of St. Sauveur, Philadelphia, the Rev. Dr. Miel, rector, at the afternoon service of the second Sunday in Lent, Bishop Whitaker administered the rite of Confirmation, and received into "the Communion of the Catholic Church" 22 persons—12 men and 10 women, all Europeans except one, an Egyptian, and none of whom had been raised in the faith of the Church.

THE names have been published in Japan of thirteen members of the Japanese House of Representatives, who are baptized Christians. A Japanese contemporary remarks that, if that average were preserved through Japan, it would signify that Christianity had gained over a million and a half of converts.

THE final figures of the Indian census of last year are now practically complete. They show that the whole population of this great dependency is more than 288,000,000. The great majority of this vast number of folk are, alas! still heathen. Nearly 208,000,000 of them are Hindoos, over 57,000,000 of them are Mahomedans, over 7,000,000 Buddhists, and of the remaining 16,000,000 only 2,284,191 are Christians. Since 1881 the increase in the number of Christians has been nearly double in proportion to that of the whole population.

THE *Diocesan Calendars* for 1892 show that in every part of England and Wales the work of our Church is being carried on with increasing vigour and is productive of increased results. For instance, it is reported from Ripon that there are 547 acting clergy and 65 licensed lay readers, that there is church accommodation for 171,357 persons, and that the average attendance at the Church Schools is 48,588. In Liverpool the number of curates has increased from 120 in 1880 to 210 in the present year; while no less than 1,960 voluntary lay helpers have been enrolled during the last twelve years.—*Ex.*

THE Lord Bishop of London, England, lately speaking on the subject of Education, well remarked that the character of the whole nation some forty or fifty years hence would largely depend upon the degree in which the present generation of children were instructed in religious principles. What we are doing now will bear fruit some years hence. The education of the young was more intimately connected with the Church's work generally than anything else, except the perpetual preaching of the Gospel to the poor. In these days it is absolutely requisite that the religious part of education should keep pace with the secular, and that children should be taught to use their understandings in regard to the paramount subject of religion.

THE design for the Liddon memorial in St. Paul's Cathedral has been accepted, and it is hoped that the memorial will be ready in the course of a few months to be set up in the eastern apse of the Cathedral. The monument itself is estimated to cost £1,200, and £800 will probably be devoted to the decoration and completion of the chapel where the monument is to be erected. The remainder of the sum subscribed (about £8,500) will be devoted to the establishment of Liddon Studentships to enable graduates of the University of Oxford who intend taking Holy Orders to pursue the study of theology under the supervision of a tutor.

THE Bishop of Wakefield, in the course of a pastoral letter which he has recently issued, says:—"If the clergy would give courses of instruction upon the various features of the public worship of the Church, entering into careful detail, explaining part by part, and clause by clause, making such portions as the Confession, the Creed, the Thanksgiving, the Canticles, the Litany, &c., perfectly familiar and interesting to their people, I am sure it would make the services far more attractive and helpful and devout. Such books as those of Evan Daniel, Bishop Barry, Wheatley, Proctor, on the Prayer Book, would give plenty of material; but the instructions must be made interesting, must be enlivened by illustrations, and must, above all, be full of personal application. Our one tremendous danger in public worship is formalism; our one chief aim must be reality."

A NEW BOOK ABOUT THE CHURCH.—In response to numerous communications, Messrs. Griffith, Farran, and Co. have arranged with Mr. G. H. F. Nye (whose well-known "Popular Stories" of the Church have reached a large circulation) to shortly publish a concise and popular historical account of the Church of England, under the title of "The Church and Her Story," at a price within the reach of all classes. The book, which will be illustrated, will contain much reliable information both about the Church and its property never yet brought together in one volume. It will afford an answer to many of the arguments of the opponents of the Church; and as the statistical portion will be made up to the moment of going to press, it will be found invaluable as a trustworthy book of reference for all desiring an accurate knowledge of the Church's position, history, and present work.

WOTTON.—A Contemporary of Bishop Bedell, being once asked, "Could a Roman Catholic be saved?" answered to the question "You may be saved without knowing *that*; take heed to thy