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Holy Communion: 312, 548, 556, 559. Processional: 179, 215, 302, 393. Offertory: 307, 441, 499, 532. Children's Hymns: 446, 565, 568, 569. General Hymns: 447, 498, 527, 537.

#### FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER.

Holy Communion: 309, 319, 321, 322. Processional: 224, 242, 390, 392. Offertory: 138, 239, 243, 292. Children's Hymns: 233, 329, 333. 336. General Hymns: 220, 240, 260, 261.

### The Coronation.

The "Local Government Chronicle" says: The time is now rapidly approaching when local bodies will have to make up their minds as to what steps they will take to commemorate the Coronation of Edward VII. We would earnestly impress upon local authorities the desirability of refraining, as far as possible, from showing their loyalty by means of unnecessarily expensive addresses, which will not afford the slightest gratification to any person except the senders, and which in all probability the King will never even see. At the time of her late Majesty's death, we know for a fact that within a period of three days over 7,000 addresses were received at the Home Office. The re-

ceipt of these was officially notified, but His Majesty the King certainly did not see I per cent. of them, and the remainder might for all practical purposes have been sent direct to the waste-paper basket. If we take the average cost of each address at the low figure of three guineas, we arrive at the astonishing and disappointing result that over £21,-000 was spent in a period of three days, which really provided no satisfaction to anyone except the illuminators and dealers in vellum. The suggestion that we made some weeks ago that the archbishops and bishops should issue a form of service either for that day or the Sunday next, has been generally approved, and we trust will be acted on. But in default, a service issued by the South African Episcopate will probably be used.

#### Great Foundation Books.

Dr. Garnett, writing in the "Young Man," about literature and books, says that there are great foundation books, which every man who wishes to attain to any degree of culture should study, and, at all events, attempt to master. First, of course, come the Bible and Shakespeare. The Bible, even regarded from a merely literary point of view, is inexhaustible, and when the literary charm of the Bible takes hold of the reader, the study of it becomes a duty altogether delightful. Shakespeare, too, of course, alone affords an unlimited field for philosophy and learning, in which the student may dig for a lifetime. But if a young man should find Shakespeare tedious—and it is not an impossible thing— I would not have him plod wearily on with the study of his works. Perhaps in Milton he will find more to his taste. A thorough study of "Paradise Lost," a mastery of its allusion to all sorts of things, will take a man a good distance on the road to culture and general intelligence. I would class Gibbon's "Decline and Fall," too, among the foundation books. The man who has mastered this and "Paradise Lost," has gone a long way towards being accomplished.

#### Bishop-elect Carmichael.

It must be a great pleasure to the friends of the bishop-elect to know that his almost unanimous selection has been a matter of great gratification in the Mother Country, especially in Ireland. The Church of Ireland Gazette says: "We may justly pride ourselves on the elevation to the Canadian episcopate of our distinguished fellow-countryman, the more especially as the same brilliant family is represented in Dublin by the cloquent and gifted Canon Carmichael, chaplain to the Magdalene Asylum."

# A Piece of Their Mind.

A misunderstanding is generally cleared up in this way, and the piece which is spoken is often of very rude and unexpected quality. The decline of the Church has

brought us varied samples of opinion as to its causes, and as we were asked to open our columns to all writers, we have done so. Although the suggestions may be irrelevant or trivial, it seems right, now that men's minds are so deeply stirred, not to take offence at what may be said, or to the manner of saying it, but to consider each suggestion on its merits. We hope to do so soon.

#### The Church in England.

While we in Ontario are endeavouring to Giscover the causes of the decline of the Church among us, and manfully and prayerfully to use what remedies seem to be desirable, we find from the Church Times that there is no cause of congratulation on our progress in England. That journal, announcing the receipt of the official year book for 1902, states that "turning to what, in our estimation, is the most vital chaper of the whole book, viz., the Confirmation Statistics, we are glad to see that there is a notable recovery in 1901, from the candidates presented in 1900. Indeed, the figures of last year are the largest recorded since 1896. The figures for the last few years are as follows: 1895, 217,228; 1896, 228,348; 1897, 219,658; 1898, 217,045; 1899, 124,191; 1900, 195,673; 1901, 220,014. Even with this increase, however, these figures are deplorably below what they ought to be, and taken with the figures of ten years ago, they show no progress. The Church is in fact standing still in her spiritual work." Can it be that one of the causes of this declension is the working of the school system, which Sir Edward Clarke condemned so severely?

#### Dr. Arnold of Rugby.

The publication of the memorials of Dean Lake, of Durham, has recalled a prophecy by Dr. Hawkins, then Provost of Oriel, made when the election was pending, that if Arnold was elected head master, he would change the face of education all through the Public Schools of England. The prophecy has been fulfilled, and far beyond England.

# Landmarks.

A few weeks ago we adopted a protest from the Scottish Guardian against the neglect of old churchyards, and now we have, in the Living Church, a concrete example of what takes place all over this continent; not only over old Indian graves, but over the people's own immediate ancestors does modern progress shriek and rave. A Mrs. Watkins, visiting a large city in Kentucky, set out in search of her grandfather's tomb. She found it in the lower part of the town, a locality answering to the slums of a large city—a world of desolation, gates long off their hinges. At the foot of a tall poplar tree, where tramps had camped the night before, she saw a large grey, worn slab, and