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Morning—Deut. 4, to 23; John 3, 22

Evening—Deut. 4, 23 to 41, or 5; I Tim. 1, 18, & 2

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Morning—Deuteronomy 6; John 6, 41.
Evening—Deuteronomy 9 or 10; 2 Tim. 3.

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Morning—Deuteronomy 30; John 10, 22.
Evening—Deuteronomy 34, or Joshua 1; Hebrews 2 and 2 to 7.

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Morning—Deuteronomy 16, to 18; Romans 8, to 18. Evening—Isai. 11, or Ezek. 36, 25; Gal. 5, 16, or Acts 18, 24—19,21

Appropriate Hymns for Fourth Sunday after Easter and Rogation Sunday, 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.

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER.

ROGATION SUNDAY.

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Unruly Wills.

At the bottom of the world's troubles lies an unruly will. Like the motive power beneath Vesuvius, the greater its energy the more disastrous and widespread its malign work. It degrades affection, pollutes life, and, if persisted in, wrecks the soul. There is but one Power to whom man can go with "a sure and certain hope" of succour in this dreadful ailment; and to that benign Being our noble Collect appeals. Would that we could, each and all, to life's end, love the thing which He commands and desire that which He doth promise. We would not then fail, even here, "among the sundry and manifold changes of the world," to find a foretaste of those "true joys," of which hereafter we shail enjoy the fulfilment.

A Road from Rome.

We gather from the "Literary Digest" that a book which will interest many has been pub-

lished by the Baroness von Zedurtz, entitled "The Double Doctrine of the Church of Rome." The authoress is one of two sisters named Caldwell, of Louisville, who, like so many converts. gave great sums to the Roman Church, but who had the unusual courage of their convictions, and left it eighteen months ago. An example which many would like to follow, but find that they are unable to break the social and conventional fetters which are woven round them. There is great interest in the struggles of individual souls in their records in seeking after, not God so much, as what they think is God's Kingdom upon earth. The books on "Roads to Rome and Roads from Rome" show the varying phases of human ingenuity. Often very sad is this quest in seeking for or in creating an ideal. The close contact with the working of the Vatican has repelled the authoress and her sister. She writes: "Among the uninitiated members of: the Church, numbering both humble priests and laymen, are to be found types of the truest, purest Christians"; but "Romanism must be traced to its source, the College of Cardinals and the Propaganda." Others have felt, though few express in writing, the same shattering of ideals. The desire to reform exists, even, it is rumoured, among the Cardinals, though these rumours are not allowed to assume tangible form. Mrs. Humphrey Ward in "Eleanor," and Mr. Bagot, a Roman Catholic, in his novels, try to reach the general public, who seek for information in story books, but who would never take up a controversial volume. As we write to-day we read of the condemnation of Fogazzaro's novel, "Il Santo," and the insertion of it on the "Index Expurgatorius" having caused a great sensation in Rome. Fogazzaro is not only an eminent living Italian novelist, but a deeply religious man. It seems that in "Il Santo" he made one of his characters suggest reforms in the Church in its own interest, and intimated that the Pope would be willing to make them, but that the Vatican was stronger than he.

Heresy

The arguments of some of the defenders of unsound Churchmen would be diverting on the score of their sophistry were it not for their own inherent unsound and mischievous tendency. It is a spurious travesty of liberty to urge, even in general terms, that a man who, after years of thought and study, preceded by deliberate choice, in the most solemn and public manner, affirms that he believes certain defined doctrines, and pledges his word that he will maintain them-is quite within his rightsduring his occupancy of the authoritative posietion which his affirmation and vow and ordination based thereon helped him to obtain; and also during his enjoyment of the emoluments thereof to virtually turn to the right about and express his doubt or unbelief in one or more of the very doctrines which at the outset he affirmed he believed, and vowed he would maintain and defend. There is a path of honour and a path of dishonour. The man who has sworn to serve the king, who eats his salt and receives his money, is to be commended so long as he is loyal to his king and faithful in his service When he begins to doubt and waver, and to impugn this and that regulation, and to deny what he began by affirming, and proceeds to unsettle the views of others, and to lessen their fealty and regard for authority, and himself still goes on living at the expense of the king, we fail to see the ground for commendation. There is a wide difference between the exercise of legitimate liberty and the advocacy of an indefensible license. One is, in such a case, reminded of the strong words of Burke: "If our religious tenets should ever want a further elucidation, we shall

not call on Atheism to explain them." There is such a thing as heresy to-day. Those who aim at defending it cannot claim to be either sound Churchmen or faithful Christians.

Youth.

At this time of the year, it may be, the mind is more susceptible to the influence of the things that are new and fresh and vigorous than at any other season. Be that as it may, there can be no question that one of the prime needs of our Church in this young and growing country is youth, with its buoyant hope, brimming enthusiasm, abounding energy. In an old tree there is solidity, strength, dignity, but there 's also an ever-increasing volume of dead wood. You see it in the bark, in the stem, in the branches. On the contrary, the young and healthy tree is sound. pliant and vigorous from its deepest root to its topmost branch; reaching out, below and above ground; rich with an abundance of life sap, a picture of beauty and energy, replete with the promise of greater things for many a year to come. Youth must have its way in the old Church of this New Land of ours. If we are to be great in accomplishing great things in these growing, expanding days, youth must bear the burden, youth must make the pace. We need have no fear that there will ever be a lack of age in the seats of authority within the Church. We have great need to fear that we may have too little of the hopefulness, enthusiasm, and infectious energy of youth. The Church in this rapidly expanding New World wants an abundant supply of the new wine of youth.

The Cost of Living.

Old-fashioned people and those with fixed incomes have had several rude shocks lately. The cost of living and the low interest for money obtainable from safe securities has sadly curtailed the enjoyment of life to elderly spinsters and to widows with families. Even our saving treasurer in Ontario has agreed to a general increase of salaries, and where one set of public officers have their pay raised all the others follow suit; that is, those who live on the proceeds of taxation. Private enterprises are quite different; and sometimes, alas! the changes are unfavourable. The publishers of Church papers do not find it possible to raise their subscription rates, and the clergy are only "passing rich" at best. Of those public officers who have apparently the poorest "pull" the Governmental officers, President and secretaries, at Washington are strangely the chief. For instance, the secretary who has charge of the Panama Canal, one of many of national importance, receives eight thousand dollars a year, while the auditors of the canal get ten thousand, and, of course, the other officers in proportion. But apparently there is to be a general readjustment, including, of course, the Senators and Representatives in Congress.

The "Wages" of Members of Parliament.

A writer in the "Spectator," strongly opposed to the payment of the Members of the House of Commons out of the public money, gives some rather cogent reasons for his opinion. He urges the waste involved in paying £300 a year to men who do not need it, and possibly would not claim it; the loss of dignity incurred by the House of Commons—"the master of the State"—becoming its own paymaster; and furthermore, that, as the unskilled, unorganized labourers outnumber the skilled and organized, such a provision, so far from securing the better representation of labourers, would only open the door to the schemes of the professional politician. He suggests reverting rather to "the old consti-

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