

### Personal & General

The day of National Prayer appointed by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York is December 31st, not 26th, as stated in the "Churchman," of November 30th. We regret the misprint.

The Church Book Room announces the arrival of Mowbray's Churchman's Almanac, the Church lectionary pad, and an assortment of calendars.

The organization of the clerical Patriotic League of Norfolk has been completed. The Rev. A. B. Farney, the Rector of Simcoe, has been elected secretary.

Captain the Rev. C. K. Masters, who has been for a considerable period of time at the front, has returned to Canada on two months' leave of absence.

The Rev. E. C. Jennings, late Rector of Benheim, assumed charge of St. John's, Brantford, on December 3rd, and he preached at both the morning and the evening services.

Dr. Gough, Canon and Vicar of Newcastle-on-Tyne, was lately presented with an illuminated address and a sum of £250 on the occasion of his leaving Newcastle, where he has been for the past twenty-five years, for Weymouth.

Owing to his wife's illness, the Rev. B. N. de Foe Wagner, the Rector of Alliston, has been obliged to leave his parish for a time, and in the meanwhile the duty on Sunday is being taken by the Rev. P. W. A. Roberts, Curate of St. Luke's Church, Toronto.

Dean Grosvenor, of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, New York City, died suddenly on Saturday last, the 9th inst. He was noted as a preacher and leader in the Church in the United States, and his death is a serious loss. He has visited Canada several times, and was expected to visit Hamilton, Ont., within the next few weeks.

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November 16th was a fourfold anniversary in the annals of the Diocese of Canterbury. St. Augustine, its first Archbishop, was consecrated at Arles on November 16th, A.D. 597. The learned Archbishop Felicit Edmund of Abingdon, the Primate sent into exile, died on November 16th, 1240. Walter Reynolds, the favourite of Edward II, and the most worthless of medieval Primates, died on November 16th, 1327.

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