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## THE PROPRIETOR'S HOLIDAY.

In accordance with a very usual custom, and with the concurrence of numerous subscribers, we propose taking a week's vacation for the benefit of ourselves and family. During the period of more than five years, in which we have published the DOMINION CHURCHMAN, we have not taken a holiday; and we find it quite necessary to avail ourselves of the present opportunity for the purpose of enjoying a brief respite from our toilsome occupation.

The DOMINION CHURCHMAN will therefore not be issued on the 26th Inst. The next issue will be September 2nd.

THE Bishop of Queensland visits England on account of domestic loss. His visit will be attended with the completion of several matters connected with his Diocese.

The successor of Canon Carter, as Rector of Clewes, is the Rev. Roland Errington, who was formally inducted by the Bishop of Oxford at a special service. The Bishop commended the new rector to the prayers of the congregation, and said that he had succeeded to a heritage of duty peculiar in its difficulty and its responsibility. He mentioned the many works of benevolence and charity which had been carried on by the late Rector, during a period of five-and-twenty years. To continue these works would involve a peculiar responsibility. He counselled mutual forbearance and concession, and he charged the new Rector, as he had done in private conference, to be careful of their feelings and even of their prejudices. He charged the people to do all they could to help him in the work to which he had set his hand, giving no occasion for disputings, and then he might, God willing, do good service in the saving of souls in that parish. He besought them to allow all differences to pass away, and to do all they could in the short life that was left to them to work together in Christian charity.

A most successful district festival in connection with the Canterbury Diocesan Choral Union, was held in the parish church of St. Mary's, Faversham, on the 22nd. Ten choirs of the neighborhood took part in the service and there were nearly 800 voices. Upwards of a hundred were in surplices, who, with the clergy, formed the procession, singing, "Ten thousand times ten thousand," to the setting of Dr. Dykes. The anthem was, "O love the Lord, all ye His Saints." The recessional hymn was, "Saviour, blessed Saviour." A good practical sermon was preached by the Rev. W. N. Griffin, Vicar of Ospringe and Rural Dean.

A correspondent of the London Record writing from Italy says:—"Demolition is fast going on. That which, in England, is apparently being built

up, in Italy is in rapid process of destruction. A few more years and there will be no Roman Church, such as she now is, to coquette with, and to imitate. As it is, she is, in the mind of the majority of the good in Italy, a church fast passing away. What presses much more upon the minds of Italians than the prospect of demolition is that of reconstruction, and the basis and principles on which it should proceed. Here it is that they want direction. I wish I could place in the hands of some of the eminent men with whom I am acquainted with in Rome and Florence a copy of our own Book of Common Prayer in Italian."

The Old Testament Revision Committee concluded their 64th session. The version of Job was continued to chapter 38:35. The New Testament Committee are now engaged in harmonizing their various renderings.

The question of the "Church and Dissent" is to come before the Congress at Leicester at the end of September, in the following form, "The responsibility of the church towards dissent, with special regard to home reunion." The subject will be introduced by the Dean of Peterborough, and Archdeacon Watkins in papers, and Earl Nelson, the Bishop of Liverpool, and Professor Plumtre will speak upon it.

The London Post says that the Marquis of Ripon has ordered the discontinuance of the practice of doing official work of any kind on Sundays, as has been hitherto done in certain departments of the Government of India.

Frankfort-on-the-Maine, with a population of about 100,000, is the richest city of its size in the world. There are one hundred Frankforters worth from four million dollars to five million dollars each, and two hundred and fifty who are worth one million dollars and upward. The city is one of the great banking centres of the globe. Its aggregate banking capital is estimated at two hundred million dollars—more than one-fourth of which the Rothschilds, whose original and parent house is there, own and control.

The highest elevator in the world is that just completed in the Washington monument. It is 176 feet high, is capable of bearing ten tons, and was erected at a cost of \$20,000. It is run by an eighty-horse-power, engine, and will be used in carrying the stones to the top of the shaft. A railroad from the workshop runs to the foot of the monument, where a derrick hoists the stone and places it on the elevator. At the top railroads convey the stones to their places. An iron stairway has also been put in at a cost of \$16,000. Both the stairway and elevator will be permanent. As the work proceeds sections will be added to the elevator.

The defeat of the Compensation Bill on its second reading in the House of Lords, by 262 to 51, although not unexpected, appears to have created a profound sensation. A thousand troops have been ordered to Ireland at once. It is, however, stated that the Government does not anticipate any serious rising in that country. Some outrages on individuals have taken place, but the troops are sent in order to restore public confidence.

The present Governor of New Zealand, Sir Hercules Robinson, has been appointed Governor of the Cape of Good Hope. It is stated that the cause of Sir Bartle Frere's recall (was in consequence of the failure of confederation.

The Porte is expected to cede Dulcigno to Montenegro, so that there will probably be no necessity for the naval demonstration by the Great Powers.

There are sixty thousand British troops now engaged in the Afghan war, forty thousand of whom are within the frontiers of the country. These do not include the recent reinforcements. Additional troops are being pushed forward to Candahar. The prospects of the war bear a very ugly aspect.

During the last three or four years £110,000 stg. have been collected for the Truro Cathedral—most of it within the limits of the old Diocese.

A piece of land in Douglas is to be given as a site for a cathedral for the Isle of Man.

Mrs. Fraser, wife of the Bishop of Manchester has recently laid the foundation stone of a new church in Greenheys, Manchester. It will cost about £10,000 stg., and will be dedicated to St. Clement.

The Church is making progress in the Island of Guernsey. At a confirmation there, a larger number of candidates was presented to the Bishop than was ever known before. The first surpliced choir in the island was introduced at St. Stephen's on the 18th ult. The offertory was unusually large on the occasion. There are weekly as well as other Festival celebrations of the Eucharist.

The Rev. G. E. Jeff, son of the late Dr. Jeff, Principal of King's College, has been appointed by the Lord Chancellor to the Canonry of Rochester, vacant by the death of the Rev. Canon Miller.

The Irish Representative Church Body met on the 21st for the last time before the recess. The Archbishop of Dublin took the chair and only sixteen out of the sixty members were present.

The Bishop of Meath held an ordination on the 18th, at the parish church of Kells, when two graduates of Dublin obtained Deacon's orders.

The Bishop of Cashel met his Diocesan Synod on the 23rd. There was a full attendance and the business was got through in half a day.

The memorial to the late Bishop Gregg in Cork Cathedral is nearly finished. The late Bishop laid the foundation stone of that church in 1865, consecrated the building in 1870, and laid the top stone of the spire in 1878.

A service of unusual nature was held recently in the parish church at Fontstown, Kildare, in recognition of the singular fact that three incumbencies, of incumbents in a direct line of descent, have together lasted for exactly one hundred years. The Rev. Walter Bagot was instituted in July, 1780; his son John, in 1807; and his grandson, Rev. R.

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